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TEARFUL GOODBYE TO TATA

END OF AN ERA!

Ratan Tata, Chairman Emeritus of Tata Group passes away

Moni Sharma

Ratan Tata, the esteemed industrialist and philanthropist, has passed away at the age of 86, leaving behind a profound legacy that has significantly shaped modern India. He breathed his last at Mumbai's Breach Candy Hospital. Born on December 28, 1937, Ratan Tata served as the chairman of Tata Sons, where he played a pivotal role in transforming the Tata Group into one of the largest and most respected conglomerates in the country. Under his leadership, the group expanded its global footprint, acquiring iconic brands such as Jaguar Land Rover and Corus Steel, thereby enhancing India's presence on the world stage.

Beyond his remarkable business acumen, Ratan Tata was deeply committed to social responsibility. Through Tata Trusts, he championed numerous philanthropic initiatives focusing on education, healthcare, and rural development. His vision for a more equitable society inspired countless individuals and organizations to contribute toward positive change.

Ratan Tata was not just a business leader but also a figure of integrity and humility. He fostered a culture of innovation and ethical practices within the industry, earning the admiration and respect of peers and the public alike. His ability to blend traditional values with modern entrepreneurship set a benchmark for future generations of business leaders and hotel industries.

Tata's Taj Rambagh Palace, nestled in the capital city of Rajasthan, is world-renowned for its royal heritage. This iconic landmark beautifully blends history with luxury.

In recognition of his contributions, Ratan Tata received several prestigious awards, including the Padma Bhushan in 2000 and the Padma Vibhushan in 2008, India's second-highest civilian honors. He was also a recipient of the Nasscom Global Leadership Award in 2008 and featured in Time magazine's list of the 100 most influential people in the world in May 2008.

As the nation mourns his passing, Ratan Tata's contributions to industry and society will continue to resonate. His legacy serves as a reminder of the potential for business to drive positive change in the world.

“The passing of Ratan Tata marks a profound loss for the industry and the nation. His visionary leadership and commitment to ethical business practices transformed the Tata Group into a global powerhouse. Beyond his corporate achievements, Tata's dedication to philanthropy and social welfare set a benchmark for future leaders. His legacy will continue to inspire generations, reminding us of the vital role business can play in creating positive change.”

DR. JAGDEESH CHANDRA,
CMD AND EDITOR-IN-CHIEF, FIRST INDIA NEWS & FIRST INDIA



RATAN TATA
28 Dec, 1937—9 Oct, 2024



'MODI HAI TO MUMKIN HAI...' UNTOLD STORIES OF PM MODI – PART 102

MODI'S Mastery From Experience TO Excellence

The narrators highlight how PM Narendra Modi leverages his experience for a noble cause to tackle challenging tasks that demand commitment, awareness, honesty, and sagacity, the beginning of Modi's rise, as the national leadership recognized his abilities, and there was no looking back for him thereafter and lots more...



Prime Minister Narendra Modi

Modi ji did what no leader had thought in 56 years

I was privileged to be India's ambassador and permanent representative to the United Nations in Geneva when PM Narendra Modi ji (then CM of Gujarat) visited Geneva in 2003 to honor the last wish of the great patriot Shyamji Krishna Varma and bring his ashes home to India, 56 years after independence. No other leader in independent India had thought of doing this. PM Narendra Modi ji not only brought the ashes back but also laid them to rest in Shyamji's birthplace, Mandvi (Gujarat), and created a befitting memorial.

In July-August 2003, I received a phone call from him. He said, "I was intending to visit London during your posting. I am on my way to London now, but

Hardeep Singh Puri
Union Minister

while returning, I will also visit Geneva." I was aware of Shyamji and that his ashes, along with his wife's, were kept in the Geneva cemetery. I had just come from London to Geneva in my new posting and remained there until the beginning of 2006. So, I had the privilege of hosting Modi ji.

I was also honored to host the function at the Geneva cemetery to bring back the ashes of the great freedom fighter to India. The urns were handed over to CM Modi, and he brought them back to Gujarat. The rest is history, as they say.

An imposing memorial was established over a large area. Here was a man who had dedicated his entire life to the cause of the nation, who had espoused the cause of India's freedom until the end. He had entered into an agreement with the Swiss government to keep his and his wife's ashes in their cemetery in case India didn't win freedom, or until it did, and to transfer them back to India only when the country achieved independence. It is surprising, as well as shocking, that so many leaders

went to Geneva for years, but no one thought of doing what Modi ji did. He became a catalyst in fulfilling the dream of this freedom fighter. It is a truly fascinating story.

This is just one episode in the long experience of public service of our honorable Prime Minister, with which I had the fortunate chance to be associated. But the real credit goes to him for how he drew from his experience and used it for a noble cause to accomplish a tough task that required commitment, awareness, honesty, and sagacity.

Modi's Haryana strategy marked the beginning of his ascendancy

Narendra Modi was made in charge of Himachal Pradesh and Haryana. He delved deeply into the political intricacies of the states and built the party's organizational setup in a way that strengthened its roots. Narendra bhai also played a pivotal role in forging an alliance with Bansi Lal's Haryana Vikas Party (HVK) during the 1996 elections, marking his emergence as a key strategist within the party at the national level. Bansi Lal was the right-hand man of Indira Gandhi and was often referred to as a staunch devotee (bhakt) of hers. A veteran

Ashok Tandon
Former media advisor
to PM Vajpayee

of the Congress party, Bansi Lal was a stalwart who had also served as the country's defense minister. It was sheer acumen on Narendra Modi's part that allowed him to bring Bansi Lal to his side and form an alliance with him. This masterstroke led to the first BJP government in Haryana through the HVK coalition. Modi established a personal

rapport with Bansi Lal, which contributed to this success. This was Modi's first assignment in Delhi, and he accomplished it successfully for his party. The BJP's success in Haryana was groundbreaking and brought about a paradigm shift in politics with pan-Indian implications. The party, which had previously struggled to win 5-6 seats in the state, managed to form the government. This was historic, and the credit for this largely goes to Narendra bhai, as he single-handedly led the party to this position through organizational restructuring and strategic re-drawing. This marked the beginning of Modi's rise, as the national leadership gained insight into his abilities, and there was no looking back for him thereafter.

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MAA MAHAGAURI

Sabaidee Mr PM!

- PM Modi will embark on two-day visit to Laos today
- Modi to attend ASEAN-India and East Asia Summits

First India Bureau
New Delhi

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will embark on a 2-day visit on Thursday to Laos at invitation of his counterpart Sonexay Siphandone during which he will attend the 21st ASEAN-India Summit and 19th East Asia Summit. This would mark PM Modi's 10th attendance at ASEAN-India Summit, said MEA on Wednesday.

The current chair of ASEAN, Lao People's Democratic Republic is hosting the ASEAN-India Summit and the East Asia Summit. The ASEAN-India Summit will review progress of India-ASEAN relations through Comprehensive Strategic Partnership and chart future direction of cooperation.

The significance of this summit is palpable as it is taking place on the 10th anniversary of India's Act East Policy. Modi is expected to review progress made be-

India has also lent support to the chair's theme for this year's summit: 'Connectivity and Resilience'

tween India and other ASEAN countries, chart the future direction of our relationship. PM will also hold bilateral meeting on sidelines of the summits.

WHY IS PM MODI'S VISIT SIGNIFICANT?

- Connectivity is a very important pillar of our engagement with ASEAN. As much as 20 per cent of the Indian diaspora worldwide live in ASEAN countries
- India has direct flights with seven ASEAN countries and we expect that perhaps by end of the year, we will have flight connectivity with two more ASEAN countries: Ministry of External Affairs
- 2024 marks a decade of India's Act East Policy and during this decade, the engagements have grown from stronger people-to-people connections to robust cooperation in many fields
- India has also lined up cooperative activities with ASEAN partners in fields of scholarships, collaborative R&D & more
- Australia, China, India, Japan, Russia, Republic of Korea, NZ, US will take part in East Asia Summit, Timor-Leste has been appointed as an observer
- PM Modi to witness special Laos version of Ramayana performance

FRIEND OF MINE & NICEST HUMAN: TRUMP HAILS MODI

Former US Prez, Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump heaped praise on Modi, calling him his 'friend' & 'nicest human being'. While speaking on Flagrant podcast, Trump said, "Before Modi was appointed as the PM, India was very unstable. On the outside, he looks like he's your father. He is nicest and total killer". He also recalled iconic 'Howdy, Modi' event. If someone threatens India, Modi will handle it alone, Trump said.

India places immense value on all ASEAN related mechanisms and asserted that the meeting will chart the future course of the India-ASEAN relationship.
—Ministry of External Affairs



Power play after Haryana and J&K results

Victorious Nayab Saini calls on President, PM

Nayab Singh may take oath as Haryana CM on Oct 12 again



President Droupadi Murmu and Prime Minister Narendra Modi being greeted by Nayab Singh Saini during a meeting, in New Delhi on Wednesday. Saini credited PM Modi's policies for party's success.

A day after the BJP stunned Congress to win for a record 3rd time in the Haryana Assembly polls, Nayab Singh Saini called on President Droupadi Murmu, PM Modi and Union Ministers, on Wednesday. The meeting comes as Saini who won from Ladwa constituency may take oath on October 12, sources said. BJP had said ahead of the election that Saini would continue to be CM.

SAVITRI JINDAL, 2 MORE JOIN BJP IN HARYANA



Naveen Jindal and his mother Savitri Jindal meet Dharmendra Pradhan and Biplob Kumar Deb, in New Delhi on Wednesday.

India's richest woman Savitri Jindal, who won from Haryana's Hisar Assembly seat as an Independent, and 2 other Independent MLAs Devender Kadyan and Rajesh Joon agreed to extend support to the BJP.

OMAR PRAISES PM MODI, SAYS 'WANT STRONG RELATIONS WITH CENTRE'

National Conference VP Omar Abdullah Wednesday acknowledged PM Narendra Modi's leadership, stating that the return of Article 370 was unrealistic. Emphasising the need for strong relations with the central government, he believes cooperation is vital for J&K's stability amid regional challenges. "PM Modi is an honourable man, he promised the people of J&K statehood, hope he lives up to that," he said.



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MAJOR DECISION BY BHAJAN LAL GOVERNMENT

Approval process for officials' personal foreign trips eased

Officials welcome move; it'll help in good governance, provide exposure

Dr Rituraj Sharma
Jaipur

In a significant policy shift, the Rajasthan government, led by CM Bhajan Lal Sharma, has introduced new guidelines for personal foreign travel of government officials. Under the updated policy, officials no longer need special permission for personal trips, a change that has been positively received across the bureaucracy. The ACS to the CM, Shikhar Agrawal, played a pivotal role in implementing this directive. Previously, all personal travel re-



CM Bhajan Lal Sharma



Shikhar Agrawal

COURT PERMITS CM SHARMA TO TRAVEL ABROAD

CM Bhajan Lal Sharma has been granted permission by court to travel to United Kingdom, from October 13 to 25. The order was issued by ADJ Number 4 of Jaipur district court in regard to the Gopalgarh violence case of 2011. Advocate Ashwini Bohra represented the CM and argued that Sharma's trip is essential for official duties.

quests required CM approval, but now officials authorized to grant Privi-

lege Leave can approve travel for their subordinates, streamlining the process. Only officials in sensitive positions—such as disaster management, law and order, District Collectors, SPs, Police Commissioners, and Secretariat secretaries—will still need prior approval from the CS and CM. This new order benefits All India Service officers, State Service officials, and those in subordinate roles, as well as officials on deputation. An online application system has been launched on the Raj Kaj portal to facilitate these requests, marking a positive development in Rajasthan's bureaucratic landscape.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

Officials to submit undertaking with the leave application for personal trip including several stipulations

They must not take up employment or business abroad and must keep government records confidential

The state government will not entertain any expenses or foreign exchange for the trip

If any official receives any foreign hospitality or sponsorship during their travel, prior approval must be obtained from cadre-controlling authority

Upon returning, officials must inform the approving authority about the trip

Ensure that no judicial or quasi-judicial orders prohibit their travel

10th straight time! Repo rate unchanged at 6.5%



RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das with Dy Guvs Michael Debabrata Patra, M Rajeshwar Rao, Swaminathan Janakiraman and T Rabi Sankar during a presser at the RBI HQ in Mumbai on Wednesday.

First India Bureau
Mumbai

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) kept its key interest rate unchanged on Wednesday, as widely expected, but tweaked its policy stance to "neutral", opening the door for rate cuts amid early signs of a growth slowdown in the economy. During 51st monetary policy meeting led by Governor Shaktikanta Das, it was widely expected by experts that

Reserve Bank of India is focused on managing the inflation situation.

SHAKTIKANTA DAS,
RBI GOVERNOR

RBI's rate-setting panel will keep the benchmark repo rate unchanged at 6.5% for the tenth straight meeting to balance inflation & economic growth. He said I can't say whether deposit rates or credit rates have peaked.

IN BRIEF

Atishi's luggage thrown out of CM's home on Lt Governor's order: AAP
New Delhi: The AAP on Wednesday alleged that luggage and belongings of Delhi CM Atishi were thrown out of official residence — 6, Flagstaff Road — on Lieutenant Governor VK Saxena's order. AAP said BJP's plan to capture the CM's home.

2 jawans kidnapped, one found dead with bullet wounds in J&K

Srinagar: An Indian Army soldier was found dead, with bullet injuries on his body, after being kidnapped by terrorists in Jammu and Kashmir's Anantnag district, police sources said on Wednesday. Two soldiers, belonging to the 161 unit of the Territorial Army, were kidnapped from the forest area in Anantnag during a joint anti-terror operation that was launched on October 8 by Army and J&K Police. But, one of them managed to escape, even after suffering two bullet injuries.

India clears mega deals worth ₹80,000 crore for submarines, drones

New Delhi: In a mega boost for Indian Navy and surveillance capabilities of defence forces, Cabinet Committee on Security has cleared deals for building 2 nuclear submarines indigenously and buying 31 Predator drones from US worth ₹80,000 cr.

Cabinet approves roads in border areas of Raj, Pb

First India Bureau
New Delhi

Union Cabinet chaired by PM Narendra Modi, has approved construction of 2,280 km roads in border areas of Rajasthan and Punjab at an investment of ₹4,406 crore emphasizing development of infrastructure in border areas. The project is a result of a change in mindset that has accorded a special focus on development of border areas with facilities similar to other parts of the country. This decision

OTHER APPROVALS

- Development of National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC), Gujarat
- Continuation of supply of free Fortified Rice under PMGKAY and other welfare schemes from July, 2024 to Dec, 2028

will have a major impact on road and telecom connectivity, facilities of water supply, health and education. It will also enhance rural livelihood, ease travel, ensure connectivity with the rest of the highway network.

2024 NOBEL PRIZE IN CHEMISTRY

David Baker, Demis Hassabis & Jumper awarded for work on protein design

First India Bureau
Stockholm

THE ROYAL SWEDISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES HAS SO FAR ANNOUNCED WINNERS FOR NOBEL PRIZE 2024 IN PHYSICS AND MEDICINE THIS WEEK

Americans David Baker and John Jumper, together with Briton Demis Hassabis, shared the Nobel Prize in Chemistry on Wednesday for work revealing secrets of proteins through computing & artificial intelligence.

The 3 were honoured for cracking the code of the structure of proteins, building blocks of life, with jury hailing their work as holding "enormous potential" in range of fields. Biochemist Baker, 62, was given half the award "for computational protein design", while Hassabis



(L-R) David Baker, Demis Hassabis and John M Jumper.

and Jumper shared the other half "for protein structure prediction," Nobel committee said. "David Baker succeeded with almost impossible feat of building new

kinds of proteins. His work has led to creation of proteins that "can be used as pharma, vaccines, nanomaterials and tiny sensors," committee said.

Action on Spa centers

Eight others held in a similar action at a spa center in Bhinmal

Barmer collector raids spa, 7 held



First India Bureau
Barmer/Bhinmal

District Collector of Barmer, Tina Dabi conducted a raid on a spa center in Barmer city, resulting in the apprehension of five women and two men, who were sent to the police station.

The action was taken during the ongoing Navo Barmer campaign.

Upon reaching the spa center near Chamunda Circle, the operator hastily locked the door, raising the Collector's suspicions. Inside, they discovered the five women and two men in separate rooms. Following this, a police team was called to the scene where they apprehended the individuals and took them to Kotwali police station for further questioning. Meanwhile, Following information about unethical activities involving Indian and foreign women at a spa center located on Jujani Road in Bhinmal town, police raided the establishment and arrested a total of eight individuals, including two foreign women from Thailand.



Tina Dabi during the police action on the spa center in Barmer on Wednesday.

₹3.2 CRORE SILVER SEIZED IN POLICE RAID

Led by SP Monika Sain, a major crackdown on silver smuggling was carried out. Police seized silver worth approximately Rs 3.2 crore that was being smuggled into Gujarat. The police team recovered silver bars and jewellery. A large consignment of silver was being transported in a car with three hidden chambers. Two young men in the car were detained by the police. Bichhiwara police are interrogating the men.

JUNIOR ASSISTANT, EDUCATION PERSONNEL NABBED BY ACB IN SEPARATE CASES

The ACB in Dungarpur trapped an education personnel from CBEO office in Bichhiwara. The ACB caught Ramesh Chand, an education personnel with government primary school. He was demanding bribe to prepare a pension case. The action was taken under the direction of DIG Rajendra Prasad. The ACB team caught Ramesh Chand taking a bribe of Rs 10,000. Meanwhile, in an ACB action at Shahabad in Baran district, junior assistant Hemraj at the tehsil office was trapped taking a bribe of Rs 1500. The action was taken under direction of DIG Shivraj Meena.



ONE MORE DISMISSED IN PAPER LEAK CASE

In a significant development in the paper leak cases going on in Rajasthan, another government employee has been terminated from the services. As per the reports Lokesh Meena was terminated by the administration for giving a dummy exam. Following an SOG investigation, Lokesh Meena was dismissed. He was dismissed from the Department of Women and Child Development.

JPR FIRM UNDER INVESTIGATION FOR SUPPLYING FAKE MUSTARD SEEDS

In Sikar, a case of fraud has been registered regarding the supply of fake mustard seeds. Local trader Manoj filed a complaint against a firm based in Jaipur and its representatives. According to the allegations, the fake mustard seeds were polished stones made from soil and cement. Responding to the seriousness of the issue, Dhod police station chief Girdhari Lal has initiated an investigation. The Jaipur firm reportedly delivered 24 tons of counterfeit mustard to the trader. Similar cases have previously emerged in the Kaman market of Weir and Deeg.



Testament of Quality

Rajasthan's Saras milk set for national level expansion soon



SP Singh Baghel, Joram Kumawat, Jawahar Singh Bedham and Shrutu Bharadwaj during the event in Jaipur on Wednesday.

First India Bureau
Jaipur

During the event, Union Minister Dr. Baghel also launched the RCFD's Saras Diwali Gift Hand Pack, praising the high quality of the Saras products included in the pack

The prestigious Saras milk brand from Rajasthan's cooperative sector is set to expand its presence in Delhi, NCR, and Uttar Pradesh.

The Government of India has assured full support to the Rajasthan Cooperative Dairy Federation (RCDF) for its expansion programs in these regions. During his two-day official visit to Rajasthan, Dr. S.P. Singh Baghel, Union Minister of State for Animal Husbandry, praised the dairy development work being done in the state and highlighted the vast potential in this sector.

On this occasion, Rajasthan's Minister of Animal Husbandry, Devasthan, and Gopalan Joram Kumawat, and Minister of State for Dairy and Home, Jawahar Singh Bedham, informed Dr. Baghel that more than Rs 500 crore will be invested in the dairy sector during the Rising Rajasthan event.

Blaze breaks out at Jpr's Royal World Complex; no casualties

Satyanarayan Sharma
Jaipur

A fire broke out at the Royal World complex here on Sansar Chandra Road here on Wednesday morning.

Devendra Meena, Fire Officer, Nagar Nigam Heritage said that the complex, a five-storey building had caught fire on the fourth and the fifth floor.

"The complex is a five-storey building and the fire had occurred on the fourth and the fifth floor. We had called our rescue teams immediately on receiving the information. There are approximately 10 offices on one floor. The fire had occurred due to a short circuit. Luckily, the fire had occurred when no one was there. The complex has been given notices earlier as well," the CFO said.



The building was evacuated by first responders as fire spread across fourth & fifth floors on Wednesday. SANTOSH SHARMA

FIRE ERUPTS IN JAIPUR'S WASTE RECYCLING FACTORY, NO CASUALTIES REPORTED

A fire broke out in a waste recycling factory here, police said, adding that the fire was brought under control by Wednesday morning. No casualties have been reported in the incident, they said. Police station officer Harish said that a fire broke out in a plastic recycling factory in Sama Dungar late on Tuesday night, in which raw and finished goods and machines kept in the factory were gutted.



Resident doctors stage protest at SMS Hospital

First India Bureau
Jaipur

The ongoing strike by residents at SMS Medical College has entered its second day, raising concerns over the arrangements in hospitals at time when the number of patients suffering from seasonal diseases is high.

The residents seem to overlook the plight of

those in need of medical care in hospitals.

In solidarity with their movement, four residents have commenced a hunger strike in the porch area of SMS Medical College, further highlighting their commitment to the cause. The residents are demanding security arrangements while refusing to provide elective services.

BSF DG visits Jaisalmer border post

Surjaveer Tanwar
Jaisalmer

Daljit Singh Choudhary, Director General, Border Security Force, during his visit to Rajasthan Frontier, reached the border post located on the International India Pakistan border of Jaisalmer Sector (South), where he was welcomed by Deputy Inspector General Border Security Force Jaisalmer



(South) Shri Vikram Kunwar and Shri Anu T P, Commandant 108th Battalion. Deputy Inspector General Border Security Force Jaisalmer

₹19.65 cr GST evasion detected in Bhiwadi

Vimal Kothari
Jaipur

The Directorate General of GST Intelligence (DGGI) Jaipur Regional Unit has successfully exposed a significant fraud involving the issuance of fake bills through bogus firms to fraudulently claim Input Tax Credit (ITC) under the GST

laws. Acting on a secret tip, DGGI officers not only detected a GST evasion of more than Rs 19.65 crore but also persuaded the operators of the fraudulent firm to admit their wrongdoing and immediately deposit Rs 5 crore from their cash ledger. After the raid, a portion of misused GST amount was recovered.

Appreciating excellence



Jaipur Police Commissioner Biju George Joseph honoured six constables with "Constable of the Month" award for September 2024 for their exceptional dedication and hard work during a ceremony at the commissionerate on Wednesday.

ROOFTOP SOLARPOWER

DISCOM launches rooftop solar rewards

Vikas Sharma
Jaipur

A significant initiative has been taken by the Rajasthan Discom to promote rooftop solar plants with the name Solar Plant Lagwao, Protsahan Rashi Pao (Install Solar Plants, Get Incentives). According to the Discom, the engineers who install the maximum rooftop solar in the field will be honoured. The Discom administration has launched an incentive scheme for electrical engineers. The in-



centive scheme was prepared under the instructions of Discoms Chairman cum Managing Director Aarti Dogra. The

supervising engineer with the best performance in installing rooftop solar will receive Rs 30,000, the executive engineer

will receive Rs 45,000, and assistant engineers, junior engineers, and feeder in-charge/linemen will receive Rs 10,000 as

a reward. Every three months, the best performers will be selected from the Discom jurisdiction based on their categories.

DISCOM OFFICIALS WARNED OVER E-FILING NEGLIGENCE BY DISCOM CMD ARTI DOGRA

Discom CMD Aarti Dogra is serious about the "Rajkaj" portal. All officials have been issued the directions regarding e-filing. It has been directed to to dispose the files of within one working day under normal circumstances. If the time taken exceeds one working day then reply has to be given. Along with, directives have been issued to determine the appropriate channels for files based on necessary officials. The CMD has warned of action against any negligence in the e-filing process.



RHB auctions 246 more properties

First India Bureau
Jaipur

The public showed great enthusiasm during the auction festival on Wednesday. A total of 246 properties were auctioned.

Housing Board Commissioner Rashmi Sharma said that 45 properties in Jaipur Circle I, 1 property in Jaipur Circle II and 119 properties in Jaipur Circle III were auctioned.

Similarly, 51 properties in Jodhpur Circle I and 23 properties in Jodhpur Circle II; 6 in



First India Bureau
Jodhpur

In a significant development from Jodhpur, the release of the film "Jigra" has been halted by the Commercial Court. The case was brought forward by Bhallaram Choudhary, the proprietor of Jigra Classes, who filed a lawsuit claiming trademark infringement. Advocates informed the court that the trademark is registered under Class 41 of the Trademark Act. After hearing the arguments, Judge Mukesh Bhargav issued a stay.



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JMCG readies for Diwali Special cleanliness drive & distribution of clothes also planned

This Diwali 2.5L eco-friendly lamps to light up Jaipur: JMCG Mayor

Bharat Dixit
Jaipur

Jaipur Municipal Corporation (Greater) mayor Dr Somya said that 2.5 lakh lamps will illuminate the "Choti Kashi" Jaipur this Diwali. Arrangements will be made by the JMC (G). Lamps will be placed at major temples and intersections, and the Greater Corporation will celebrate the festival of lights with cow-dung lamps.

Addressing a press conference on Wednesday, she said that the preparations that will be made by the corporation for the Diwali festival. She said that clothes and sweets will be distributed in slum areas on Diwali. The corporation will dis-

Jaipur Municipal Corporation Greater plans to illuminate the city with 2.5 lakh lamps for Diwali; clothes & sweets will be distributed to needy

tribute clothes to needy people. Clothes collected at the RRR centre will be distributed to those in need. A special cleanliness campaign will be launched next week. This campaign will begin from the JMCG headquarters, where officials and employees will clean the area. All the potholes in the JMC greater area will be filled before Diwali. The work will be completed by October 26, she added.



Dr Somya addressing media in JMCG office on Wednesday.

Lamps that will last



The women of Jaipur are presenting a great example of self-reliance along with environmental protection. A group of women is making diya lamps from cow dung at Pinjrapol Gausghala, Sanganer, which will be used for Diwali and later on can be used as fertilizer.

SUNIL SHARMA

Mpox case: Test at SMS lab negative, RUHS report awaited

Vikas Sharma
Jaipur

The report of a person who was admitted to RUHS after suspecting monkeypox on Tuesday from the airport was found negative. Director Public Health Dr. Ravi Prakash Mathur reported that the monkeypox test for a 20-year-old man from Nagaur, who was kept in isolation at RUHS Hospital, has returned negative. This young man had arrived in Jaipur from Dubai. During a health check at the airport, rashes were found on his body, leading to his transfer to RUHS Hospital. Upon examination, he was found to have chickenpox. As a precaution, his blood sample was sent for monkeypox testing to SMS which came back negative on Wednesday and he will be discharged soon.

Jodhpur woman dies of Congo fever in Ahmed

A woman from Jodhpur has died due to Congo fever in Ahmedabad, prompting state authorities in Raj to issue directives for heightened vigilance and necessary preventive measures throughout the state. The 51-year-old woman, who passed away on Wednesday had her sample tested positive for the virus at NIV, Pune.

Leopard scare continues...

Leopard kills 2 calves in Gogunda; pet dog in Jpr



Carcass of calves killed (above) & police reached on spot to file the report in Gogunda on Wednesday.

Gopal Lodha
Udaipur/Jaipur

Significant incidents involving leopards have raised concerns in Rajasthan's rural areas. In Gogunda's Sayra, a leopard intruded into the populated region, attacking and killing two calves belonging to Hari Singh Ranawat, instilling fear among villagers. Following the incident, officials from forest dept, veterinary services, and revenue dept arrived on-site, with locals urging for traps to capture leopard.

Meanwhile, in Jaipur's Jarunda, a leopard was reported to have snatched a domestic dog, escalating panic among residents due to frequent leopard movements in the area. In Markhi village, around 20 kilometers from Shahpura, villagers spotted a leopard among Babool trees, prompting the forest dept to dispatch a rescue team led by Range Officer Mukesh Sharma.



PILGRIMS STUNNED AS TIGER T-120 ROAMS NEAR GANESH TEMPLE IN SWMR

On Wednesday morning, a tiger was spotted on the Ganesh Temple route near Ranthambore. The tiger, believed to be T-120, wandered for about 15 minutes near the Singh Dwar, having exited Zone 5. Pilgrims heading to the temple were taken aback by the unexpected sight, capturing the moment on their cameras. A forest department team quickly arrived at the scene. The tiger roamed along the roadside before returning toward Zone 5. T-120 is a six-year-old male tiger, reportedly the offspring of tigress T-63 Chandra. The forest department has yet to confirm his identity.



Tiger spotted near gate no 5 in Ranthambore on Wednesday.

Manushi Chhillar interacts with IRS officers, shares her life experiences

Vimal Kothari
Jaipur

Former Miss World Manushi Chhillar addressed female IRS officers in an event organized by the IRS Women's Wing ISLA. During her speech, Chhillar emphasized importance of setting life goals and highlighted the critical role families play in women's success. The gathering included prominent officials like Mahendra Ranga, Rajesh Dhingra, and CK Jain, emphasizing a shared commitment to empowering women.



Manushi Chhillar, Renu Amitabh, Meenakshi Ranga during the event in Jaipur on Wednesday

RTO acts on viral jeep video of Bairwa's son

Jaipur RTO suspends jeep's registration linked to Dy CM's son
Shivendra Parmar
Jaipur

The Jaipur RTO has suspended the registration of a jeep linked with Deputy CM Dr Prem Chand Bairwa's son, which had gone viral in a video. The vehicle, registered under Congress leader Pushpendra Bhardwaj's son, Kartikeya Bhardwaj, was suspended due to unauthorized modifications.

The jeep, bearing the number 191C 1394, had its registration certificate revoked effective immediately. This action follows reports of improper driving behavior, for which the Deputy CM's son had already incurred a fine of Rs 7,000. The incident has drawn significant attention.



Screenshot of the video where Dy CM PC Bairwa's son is seen driving modified jeep. FILE

RTO ISSUES OVER 400 CHALLANS IN 24 HOURS

The Jaipur RTO (I) in a major action in the last 24 hours issued 405 challans, including 27 for overloading, 102 for over-projection, 42 for overcrowding, 50 for higher-end rewards and 29 for not wearing helmets along with 68 vehicles were seized. This would generate a revenue of approximately ₹32 lakh for the department. The action was carried out under the instructions of RTO Rajendra Singh Shekhawat, with monitoring by ARTO Prakash Tahalyani.

Govt committed to livestock and farmers' devp: Min Kumawat
Vinod Singh Chouhan
Jaipur

Raj Animal Husbandry Minister Joram Kumawat inaugurated the Mobile Veterinary Service and Call Centre on Wednesday at the Animal Management and Training Institute on Agra Road, attended by State Min Jawahar Singh Bedham. This initiative allows livestock owners to avoid visiting veterinary hospitals for the treatment of sick animals. Instead, the Animal Husbandry Department's medical team will come directly to their doorstep when needed.

To request this service, farmers can call the department's new state-level Call Centre at 1962.

REWARDED FOR BEST PRACTICES

Jaipur smart city gets HUDCO award

First India Bureau
Jaipur

Jaipur Smart City Ltd received the "HUDCO Award for Best Practices to Improve the Living Environment" for its exceptional work in urban design, regional planning, and the reconstruction and conservation of walled city. The Govt of India conferred the award to Jaipur Smart City Limited during the World Environment Day celebration on Wednesday in New Delhi.



Arun Hasija, CEO Jaipur Smart City receiving award from Union Min Tokhan Sahu in New Delhi.

The event was graced by Tokhan Sahu, the Union Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs. The award was presented to

CEO Arun Kumar Hasija of Jaipur Smart City Limited. The ceremony also featured the presence of Srinivas Ka-

tikithala, Secretary of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, and Shombi Sharp, the UN Resident Coordinator.




BUILD STRONG







Govt gives nod to scheme ₹ 17082 cr for fortified rice

PTI
New Delhi

The government decided to continue the supply of free fortified rice under the food law and other welfare schemes till 2028 with an outlay of Rs 17,082 crore, a move aimed at reducing anaemia and micro-nutrient deficiency.

The rice fortification process involves the addition of Fortified Rice Kernels (FRK) enriched with micro-nutrients (iron, folic acid, Vitamin B12) as per standards prescribed by food regulator FSSAI to regular rice (custom milled rice).

Information & Broadcasting Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said the total financial implication to supply free fortified rice will be Rs 17,082 crore, fully funded by the Centre. "The govt has approved the continuation of the universal supply of fortified Rice under all schemes of the Government, including Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana & other welfare schemes etc in its present form, from July 2024 and up to December 2028," as per statement.

The rice fortification initiative will continue as a central sector initiative with 100% funding by the



central government as part of PMGKAY (Food Subsidy), thus providing a unified institutional mechanism for implementation, it added.

In line with the PM's address on 75th Independence Day on the necessity of Nutritional Security in the country, the govt said initiative "Supply of fortified rice throughout the Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS), other welfare schemes, Integrated Child Development Service (ICDS), PM POSHAN (Erstwhile MDM) in all states and Union Territories (UTs)" was taken up.

CABINET APPROVES DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL MARITIME HERITAGE COMPLEX AT LOTHAL

→ The government on Wednesday approved a proposal for development of National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC) at Lothal, Gujarat.

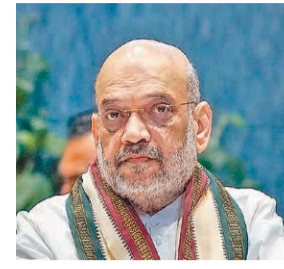
The decision was taken at a Union Cabinet meeting chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. According to an official statement, around 22,000 jobs are expected to be created in the development of NMHC project, with 15,000 direct employment and 7,000 indirect employment. The development of NMHC will boost growth and immensely help the local communities, tourists and visitors, researchers and scholars, government bodies, educational institutions, cultural organisations, environment and conservation groups, businesses. The master plan of NMHC has been prepared by renowned architecture firm Architect Hafeez Contractor and the construction of Phase 1A has been entrusted to Tata Projects Ltd, it added.



Shah to address PHD chamber of Commerce annual session today

Gopendra Nath Bhatt
New Delhi

Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Amit Shah will address the 119th Annual Session of PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry as the Chief Guest on Thursday, at Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi. The theme of the annual session is 'Viksit Bharat @ 2047: Marching towards the peak of progress'.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi has pledged to make India a developed nation by the year 2047 and the whole country is moving rapidly in that di-

rection with dedication and devotion.

India has joined the top 5 economies of the world and under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi it is moving towards becoming the third largest economy of the world.

Around 1500 business persons, Chartered Accountants, bankers, advocates etc. from the industry will participate in the 119th session.

RBI enhances UPI Lite wallet limit to Rs 5,000

PTI
Mumbai

The Reserve Bank on Wednesday announced the increase of the UPI Lite wallet limit to Rs 5,000 and per-transaction limit to Rs 1,000, in order to encourage wider adoption of the popular instant payment system through mobile phones.

A limit of Rs 500 per transaction and an overall limit of Rs 2,000 per UPI Lite wallet, is presently applicable, with the facility of auto-replenishment.

Unveiling the October bi-monthly monetary policy, RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das also said the per-transaction limit in UPI123Pay will be enhanced to Rs 10,000 from the current Rs 5,000.

UPI123 was launched in March 2022, with a view to enable feature-phone users to use UPI.

In another customer-friendly initiative, Das announced a beneficiary account name look-up facility for Real Time Gross Settlement System (RTGS) & National Electronic Funds Transfer systems will be introduced.



Teenager gang-raped in Surat on Navratri night

PTI
Surat

A teenager was allegedly raped by three persons when she was out with a friend during the ongoing Navratri festival in Gujarat's Surat district, police said Wednesday.

The 17-year-old was allegedly sexually assaulted in a deserted place on the outskirts of Mota Borsara village in Mangrol taluka within the jurisdiction of Kosamba police station around 11 pm on Tuesday, Superintendent of Police (Rural) Hitesh Joysar said. The alleged crime comes days after a teenager was gang-raped on the outskirts of Vadodara when she was out with her friend.

Medics continue hunger strike over RG Kar case



Junior doctors during their hunger strike over the alleged sexual assault & murder of a trainee doctor in Kolkata on Wednesday.

PTI
Kolkata

Junior doctors continued their 'fast-unto-death' for the fifth consecutive day on Wednesday demanding justice for the RG Kar rape-murder victim and workplace safety.

Doctors Snigdha Hazra, Tanaya Panja and Anustup Mukhopadhyay of Kolkata Medi-

cal College and Hospital, Arnab Mukhopadhyay of SSKM, Pulastha Acharya of NRS Medical College and Hospital and Sayantani Ghosh Hazra of KPC Medical College are staging the 'fast-unto-death' since Saturday evening and was joined by Aniket Mahato of RG Kar Medical College and Hospital on Sunday.



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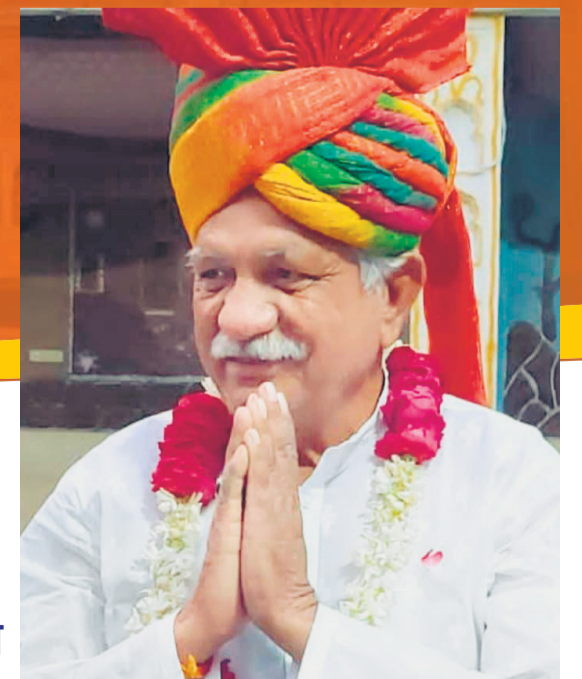
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MATCH - 11 Proteas back to winning ways, beat Scotland by 80 runs **South Africa hammer Scotland**

First India Bureau
Dubai

South Africa dominated Scotland in all departments of the game to register a commanding 80-run win in a Women's T20 World Cup match here on Wednesday.

Batting first, South Africa posted a strong 166 for five in the allotted 20 overs. In reply, the team Scotland failed miserably with the bat and were all out for 86 in 17.5 overs in the match held on Wednesday.

Only two Scotland batters could reach double digits, reflecting their woes.

Nonkululeko Mlaba (3/12) was the most successful bowler for South Africa while there were two wickets apiece for Chloe Tryon (2/22) and Nadine de Klerk (2/15).

With this win, their second in three matches, South Africa jumped to the top of Group B standings as Scotland occupied the last position.



South Africa produced a superb all-round performance to thrash Scotland in the match at Women's T20 World Cup in Dubai on Wednesday.

India give big push to NRR with 82-run win

First India Bureau
Dubai

The seasoned duo of Smriti Mandhana and Harmanpreet Kaur was back to its sizzling best as India gave a massive boost to their net run rate with an 82-run hammering of Sri Lanka in the Women's T20

World Cup here on Wednesday. The 98-run stand between Shafali Verma (43 off 40) and Smriti (50 off 38) set the tone for the



India's Renuka Thakur, centre, celebrates during the match.

innings after India opted to bat at the Dubai International Stadium. Harmanpreet (52 not out off 27) then got welcome runs in the death overs to push India past 170, the highest total of the competition thus far.

India's last group game is against the mighty Australia.

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PTI
Chennai

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Australia colts lost as many as 17 wickets on the third day after commencing on their overnight score of 142 for 3 in reply to India's massive first-innings total of 492. The visitors were all out for 277 in their first essay with skipper Oliver Peake (117 off 143 balls) and keeper Alex Lee Young (66) adding 166 for the fourth wicket.



Anmoljeet celebrates during the match.

2nd T20I: India seal series with 86-run win



Bangladesh's Litton Das after being bowled by India's Varun Chakravarthy during the second T20I match between India and Bangladesh in New Delhi on Wednesday.

First India Bureau
New Delhi

Nitish Kumar Reddy announced himself on the international stage with a flamboyant 74 as a youthful Indian side delivered yet another commanding performance to thrash Bangladesh by 86 runs in the second T20I here on Wednesday.

With the win, the hosts took an unassailable 2-0 lead in the three-match series.

The 21-year-old Reddy (74 off 34 balls) played the most attractive innings of his na-

scent career while also taking a couple of wickets (2/23) with his seam bowling.

Reddy combined with Rinku Singh (53 off 29), who too sizzled with a blistering fifty, to help India post 221/9 after being asked to bat.

Aside from an early wobble with the bat, the Indians appeared firmly in control, dominating Bangladesh throughout the match.

Their bowlers were on target, and the hosts executed some stunning catches to restrict Bangladesh to 135/9.

Netanyahu called up Biden & Harris after 7 weeks: White House



Rescue workers search for victims on a hotel-turned-shelter for displaced people hit by an Israeli airstrike on Wednesday.

Agencies
Washington

US President Joe Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris spoke Wednesday with Israeli leader Benjamin Netanyahu, the White House said, as Israel weighs its response to last week's missile attack by Iran.

Biden and Netanyahu were holding their first call in seven weeks, a conversation that comes as Israel expands its ground incursion into Lebanon and considers how to respond to Iran's recent ballistic missile attack.

Netanyahu's office also confirmed that the PM had recently spoken with former President Trump. Israel has been discussing how to respond to the Iranian missile barrage from Oct. 1, which the United States helped to fend off.

With more than 1 million people in coastal areas under evacuation orders, those fleeing for higher ground clogged highways on Tuesday and gas stations ran out of fuel, in a region still recovering from the devastating impacts of Hurricane Helene less than two weeks ago.

The storm was on a collision course for the Tampa Bay metropolitan area, home to more than 3 million people, though forecasters said the path could vary before the storm makes landfall late Wednesday night.

'Catastrophic' Hurricane Milton heads to Florida



A drone view shows storm clouds over the Caloosahatchee River as Hurricane Milton approaches Fort Myers, Florida, U.S. President Joe Biden warns of "worst" natural disaster in a century. Hurricane Milton To Bring Water Surge Of Up To 15 Feet To Tampa Bay.

Agencies
Tampa, Florida

Hurricane Milton tore towards Florida's Gulf Coast on Wednesday, leaving residents with one final day to evacuate or hunker down before the "catastrophic" Category 5 storm is predicted to hit, triggering a life-threatening storm surge.

HURRICANE HIGHLIGHTS

- Forecasted to be the worst hurricane Florida is set to witness in a century, Milton is likely to bring a water surge of up to 15 feet to the Tampa Bay area after landfall, as per reports.
- More than 160,000 homes and businesses in Georgia, the Carolinas, Texas along with California were without power on Wednesday.
- Time to evacuate is running out as Hurricane Milton closes in on Florida

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DISPATCHES FROM ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

Race for White House gets closer than ever before



Avinash Kalla
Foreign Correspondent
First India News

Cliffhanger. It is possibly the best description of the capricious political state of the USA. With elections just 26 days away, pollsters are having a tough time. Vice President Kamala Harris with 48.6 percent projected support is merely 2.7 points ahead of Former president Donald Trump at 45.9 percent according to poll by five thirty eight. This number is changing every single day. Over the last one week in Washington DC that leans towards Democrats



Kamala Harris

I haven't come across a single person who would pick a winner with any degree of certainty.

If one would have posed the question on June 27th the date of first presidential debate between President Joe Biden and Donald



Donald Trump

Trump, not many would hesitate to say Trump.

However, the last 106 days have witnessed events that are unprecedented in the recent history of world's oldest democracy.

On July 14 Trump survived an assassination attempt in Butler, Florida.

Another plot to kill him was foiled in September, making him 13th US president to survive attempts on life. A week after the Butler incident, President Joe Biden abruptly, but to a loud cheer of Democratic supporters, bowed out of the race for the White House. This made him the first president to opt out of the electoral contest after announcing the candidature.

Half an hour later he announced on X that Vice president Harris would have his endorsement. This lifted the

somber mood of the Democratic supporters and Harris according to the Associated Press added 81 million dollars in her campaign donations in 24 hours of being the nominee. She added another 47 million dollars in donations after her first debate with Trump.

Suddenly, Harris who according to political pundits and US media was a liability for the Biden campaign till July 21st, was the one who could script history by becoming the first female president.

Netanyahu warns Lebanon of 'destruction like Gaza': Report

Agencies
New Delhi

Israel's PM has urged the Lebanese people to throw out Hezbollah and avoid "destruction and suffering like we see in Gaza". Benjamin Netanyahu's appeal came as Israel expanded its invasion against Hezbollah by sending thousands more troops into a new zone in Lebanon. Its military said 50 Hezbollah members were killed.

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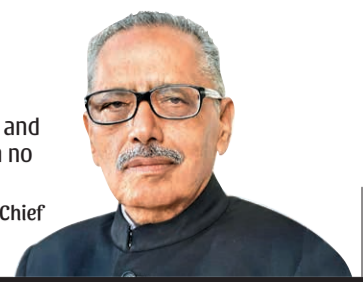
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THOUGHT OF THE DAY

On World Mental Health Day, let us learn to accept and understand the people around us as they are, with no expectations- and this includes our own self too.

Dr JACDEESH CHANDRA, CMD & Editor-in-Chief



08

Govt focusing on Wagad region's development: CM

Puneet Chaturvedi
Dungarpur

Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma during a district-level meeting at Gurukul Sansthan Auditorium in Dungarpur, stated that the State government is committed to achieving a Viksit Rajasthan. He urged officers and employees to work with dedication to provide essential services like electricity, water, medical care, and education to the public, directing strict action against negligent personnel.

He also emphasised the government's efforts for the all-round development of the Wagad region and the need for quality completion of Public Works Department projects. Sharma called for effective prevention of seasonal diseases, ensuring the



CM Bhajan Lal Sharma chairs a dist-level meeting at Gurukul Institute auditorium in Dungarpur. Babulal Kharadi & others are seen.

availability of medicines and staff at healthcare centers. He also directed the Irrigation Department to prepare a plan for adequate irrigation water and encouraged local industries to promote employment opportunities.

State Govt is making special efforts for the all-round development of the Wagad region. Projects of Public Works Department should be completed with full quality and urge everyone to widely publicise the PM Surya Ghar Free Electricity Scheme.

BHAJAN LAL SHARMA, CHIEF MINISTER



CM: We achieved 50% promises from Sankalp Patra in 10 mths

First India Bureau
Dungarpur

Chief Minister Bhajanlal Sharma and BJP State President Madan Rathore held an organisational meeting for the Chorasi and Salumbar Assembly at Gurukul College in Dungarpur on Wednesday, discussing plans for the upcoming by-election.

Sharma stated that the government is consistently fulfilling the BJP's promises in Rajasthan Assembly elections. "We've achieved 50% of the commitments from the Sankalp Patra in just 10 months, including providing gas cylinders at ₹450, lowering petrol and diesel prices, increasing farmers' honour funds and MSP, and offering housing for the poor. New schemes for tribal development in Wagad have also been announced," he noted.

He criticised the previous Congress government for fostering corruption, asserting that the BJP is



CM Bhajan Lal Sharma inaugurates the organisational meeting regarding by-elections in Chorasi & Salumbar assembly constituencies in Dungarpur on Wednesday.

The BJP govt has announced new budget plans for the development of the tribal region of Wagad, and has also undertaken road construction and the upgrading of district hospital as needed for the Salumbar-Chorasi.

BHAJAN LAL SHARMA,
CHIEF MINISTER

Just as the BJP government was formed for the third time in Haryana through the hard work of our activists, the lotus symbolising the BJP will also bloom in the Chorasi and Salumbar assembly by-elections.

MADAN RATHORE,
BJP STATE PRESIDENT

focused on eradicating it. Rathore emphasised that the BJP's success in Haryana reflects the party's strength and expressed confidence that

the BJP will succeed in the Chorasi and Salumbar by-elections, urging workers to actively engage in the membership campaign.



Sports Secy issues strict norms for associations

Naresh Sharma
Jaipur

In a move to bring accountability to sports associations, Sports Secretary **Neeraj K Pawan** has issued strict directives to prevent arbitrary management by officials. All sports associations are now required to provide online information, including details of their district units. Each district must establish a district sports association, ensuring transparency regarding the officials in each association. Additionally, associations must report their recognition status with federations and the Indian Olympic Association (IOA). From now on, applications for tournament information, election details, and grants must be submitted online.

JDC Anandhi directs traffic mgmt strategies

First India Bureau
Jaipur

JDA Commissioner Anandhi held a meeting of the Traffic Control Board (TBC) on Wednesday to address various issues and provide necessary directions to officials.

Officials from the transport department and NHAI were directed to organise a meeting regarding the payment of e-challans through Fastag. To ensure smoother traffic flow, instructions were issued to remove illegal

boards, signages, and obstacles such as electricity poles and transformers on road turns.

Additional directives included improving zebra crossings, removing barriers, elevating medians, fixing traffic lights, and clearing obstructions in front of traffic signals.

The Board also discussed implementing a Signal Fault Monitoring System for traffic signals, which would allow online adjustments to signal timing from the Traffic Control Room, send alerts for



Anandhi chairs a meet of Traffic Control Board at JDA in Jaipur on Wednesday. Officials from various govt depts were present.

signal malfunctions, and synchronize signals based on traffic conditions along corridors.

The RTO was instructed

to assess the feasibility of a new route spanning 39.4 kilometres, covering key areas such as Bhankrota Circle, Heerapura

Bus Terminal, and several significant intersections.

Attendees included the Jaipur Collector, ACP (Traffic), Housing Board Commissioner, DCP Traffic, Commissioner of Jaipur Greater Municipal Corporation, Regional Transport Officer, Additional Commissioners from JDA and Heritage Municipal Corporation, and representatives from various government departments, including Smart City, PWD, and NHAI, as well as a representative from the Muskaan NGO.

NGT slaps over ₹746 cr fine on Raj Govt for waste management

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Jaipur

The Rajasthan government will challenge the NGT's order in the Supreme Court. The government has failed in solid and liquid waste management in recent years. The NGT bench in Delhi held a hearing on the case last September, reprimanding the government for its failures



and imposing a heavy fine of ₹746.88 crore. The penalty was for failing to comply with environmental laws related to

solid and liquid waste management and was levied under the Municipal Solid Waste Management Rules 2016. A show-cause notice was also issued, demanding a response within two months. The government has sought legal opinion from the Supreme Court, asking Additional Advocate Shivmangal Sharma to provide legal advice after reviewing the case.

Cabinet Sub-Committee reviews decisions of previous Congress govt

The Committee will submit its report to CM Sharma next week

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Preparations are underway to potentially change decisions made during the last six months of the Congress government. A cabinet sub-committee meeting, believed to be the last, was held on

Wednesday under the chairmanship of Minister **Gajendra S Khimsar**, with Ministers Jogaram Patel and Sumit Godara, along with School Education Secretary Krishna Kunal, GAD Secretary Jogaram, and Finance Secretary Revenue Ravi Singh Surpur also present.

The Committee reviewed numerous cases where decisions were



taken against regulations, finding that many prior decisions ignored rules particularly before the

code of conduct was imposed. Minister Jogaram Patel noted that about 300 land allotment cases were discussed, with matters from various departments, including medical and higher education, being sent back for further review. The Committee aims to submit its report to the Chief Minister next week, with around 40 cases still pending consideration.

FACILITATING INVESTMENTS

Singapore invited as 'Partner country' for Rising Raj

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A high-level Rajasthan Government delegation led by Industries and Commerce Minister Col. Rajyavardhan Rathore invited Singapore to be the 'Partner Country' for the 'Rising Rajasthan' Global Investment Summit 2024 during a meeting with Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Ms. Sim Ann. The delegation sought cooperation in facilitating investments from Singaporean companies in Ra-

LAGHU UDYOG BHARATI TO GATHER 5,000 MSME ENTREPRENEURS FOR INVESTMENT SUMMIT

The upcoming three-day Rising Rajasthan Global Investment Summit in December is exciting foreign companies and expatriate Rajasthanis eager to invest in their homeland. Ghanashyam Ojha, National President of Laghu Udyog Bharati, noted over 100 senior entrepreneurs discussed organizing the MSME Conclave. More than 5,000 MSME entrepreneurs will participate, aiming to create local employment opportunities.

jashtan and invited her to the summit scheduled for December 9-11 in Jaipur. Meetings were held with key Singaporean officials & firms, focusing on investments in industrial parks, urban development, & other sectors.

The delegation also visited the Urban Redevelopment Authority and Surbana Jurong, discussing opportunities for collaboration in Raj's growth. The summit aims to attract global investment in various sectors.



A delegation led by Col. Rajyavardhan Rathore meets with Minister Sim Ann in Singapore on Wednesday. Sudhansh Pant, Gayatri Rathore and others were present.

Rising Raj: Diya on tour of London & Germany

Nirmal Tiwari
Jaipur

Deputy Chief Minister **Diya Kumari** has been tasked with attracting investments from London and Germany. She arrived in Delhi on Wednesday morning and will soon head to London for a week-long Global Investors Meet. During her visit, she is set to meet with presidents and CEOs of major corporate houses. After London, she will travel to Munich, Germany, for a pre-summit investors meet.

This initiative follows



Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma's recent trips to Japan and South Korea, with future Global Investors' Meets planned in Dubai, Doha, and Riyadh, as well as investor meetings and road shows in Chennai and Hyderabad.



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DANDIYA MAHARAAS 2024!
 The vibrant SKJ Jewellers Dandiya Maharaas kicked off with grandeur on Wednesday at Janki Paradise in Vaishali Nagar, attracting a massive crowd of enthusiastic participants.

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(L-R) Shiv Chanana, Rajpal Yadav, Bhushan Kumar, Kartik Aaryan, Vidya Balan, Anees Bazmee, Arun Kushwah & Tripti Dimri

BHOOL BHULAIYAA 3 PROMISES A DIWALI TO REMEMBER!

Festive Frights



On Wednesday, the iconic Raj Mandir cinema in Jaipur hosted the grand trailer launch of Bhool Bhulaiyaa 3, featuring stars Kartik Aaryan, Vidya Balan, Tripti Dimri among many others. The film, with First India News Channel and Newspaper, serving as the media partners, is set to release on November 1, 2024.



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The excitement reached fever pitch on Wednesday as the stars of 'Bhool Bhulaiyaa 3' graced the iconic Raj Mandir cinema in Jaipur for the grand trailer launch of this highly anticipated horror-comedy. Fans and media flocked to witness the magic unfold as Kartik Aaryan, reprising his beloved role as Rooh Baba, shared his enthusiasm for the film, stating, "This Diwali,



Tripti Dimri, Kartik Aaryan and Vidya Balan were thrilled with the love showered in Pink City

NAIMI KHAN

between Rooh Baba and Manjulika, offering a glimpse of the twists and humour that lie ahead. The captivating visuals and clever writing are sure to engage viewers, making it a must-watch this festive season. With an ensemble cast featuring superstar Madhuri Dixit, Tripti Dimri, Rajpal Yadav, Vijay Raaz, Sanjay Mishra and Ashwini Kalsekar, Bhool Bhulaiyaa 3 builds on the legacy of its predecessors. The franchise, known for its iconic moments, aims to deliver another unforgettable cinematic experience.

get ready for a whirlwind of laughter and chills!"

Joining Aaryan were the dazzling Vidya Balan, who returns as the original Manjulika, and the enchanting Tripti Dimri. The trailer's debut elicited an ecstatic response from the audience, with Balan sharing her experience, "The love we've received is overwhelming; it

feels incredible to step back into this iconic role." The presence of the entire star cast created a buzz, further fueling excitement for the film's release.

Bhool Bhulaiyaa 3, directed by Anees Bazmee and produced by Bhushan Kumar, promises to blend horror with uproarious comedy. The trailer teases an epic showdown

Set to hit theaters on November 1, 2024, just in time for Diwali, Bhool Bhulaiyaa 3, with First India News Channel and Newspaper as media partners, is poised to be a blockbuster, promising a blend of laughter, suspense and unforgettable performances. Mark your calendars; this is one celebration you won't want to miss!

(Top to Bottom) Kartik Aaryan, Tripti Dimri, Rajpal Yadav & Vidya Balan



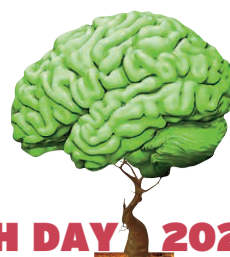
A large number of fans gathered during the trailer launch



The stunning star cast greet fans during the event



Tripti Dimri, Vidya Balan, Kartik Aaryan along with large number of audience are all smiles, as they watch the trailer of 'Bhool Bhulaiyaa 3'



WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY 2024



SRI SRI RAVI SHANKAR

The writer is an Indian yoga guru, a spiritual leader, founder of The Art of Living

As competition rises in the corporate world today, so does the stress for many individuals. If there is a misunderstanding with a colleague or friend at work, it can make us feel stiff, hurt and negative on the inside. And we carry this negativity within us wherever we go.

Stress impacts our thoughts,

emotions, and behaviour. Allowing stress to dominate our lives all the time is nothing short of a tragedy. So how can we succeed at work without paying the price for the stress that gets built in our bodies and minds? It is actually quite simple! It's much like riding a bicycle. When you ride a bicycle, you don't fall, you stay centred. When the cycle tilts, you bring it back to balance. The key to cycling is balance!

BALANCING WORK AND FAMILY LIFE

One of the main reasons for stress among corporate professionals is the inability to maintain a balance between work and family life. Some people are constantly absorbed in their office work, neglecting their family responsibilities. On the other hand, some are so immersed in their family life that their world doesn't extend beyond their home. In either case, you're not utilizing your full potential. The first step to overcoming

Mastering Work-Life Harmony

stress is to strike a balance between your family, society, and work.

MAKE CREATIVE PURSUITS A PART OF YOUR LIFE

It is often observed that people in corporate settings are involved in analytical activities like brainstorming, planning, and strategizing. However, they seldom find time for creative pursuits like art, literature, or music. This results in overactivation of the left brain, while the right brain remains un-

derutilized. Engaging in music, poetry, literature, and art helps release even the deepest stresses. When both sides of the brain are balanced, you experience greater creativity, clarity of mind, efficiency, and deeper relaxation.

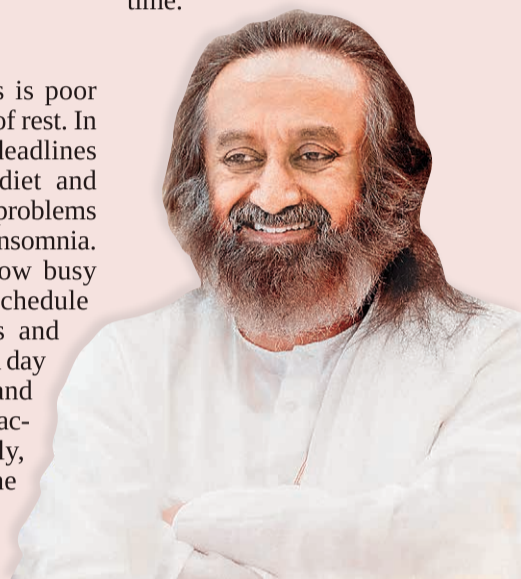
At times, monotony from doing the same kind of work can lead to negativity. In such cases, it is beneficial to become useful to those around you and engage in service. Service means doing something for others without ex-

pecting anything in return. You can offer your time to someone in need, donate, or even simply share positive words. No matter how you do it, service should be part of your life. Serving others is a powerful remedy for stress. When you engage in acts of service and kindness, you immediately experience inner peace.

HEALTHY LIFESTYLE AND REST

Another cause of stress is poor lifestyle habits and lack of rest. In the rush to meet work, deadlines we often neglect our diet and sleep, which can lead to problems like stress, anxiety, and insomnia. Therefore, no matter how busy you are, make sure to schedule proper times for meals and sleep. Set aside time each day for yoga, pranayama, and meditation. When you practice meditation regularly, you naturally live in the present moment and become capable of letting

go of past negativity and stress. This keeps you physically and mentally healthy and focused. It sharpens your intellect, heightens your awareness, and enhances your ability to observe. Meditation creates positive vibrations around you, making you feel light, pure, and gentle at heart. It offers you deep relaxation in a short time.



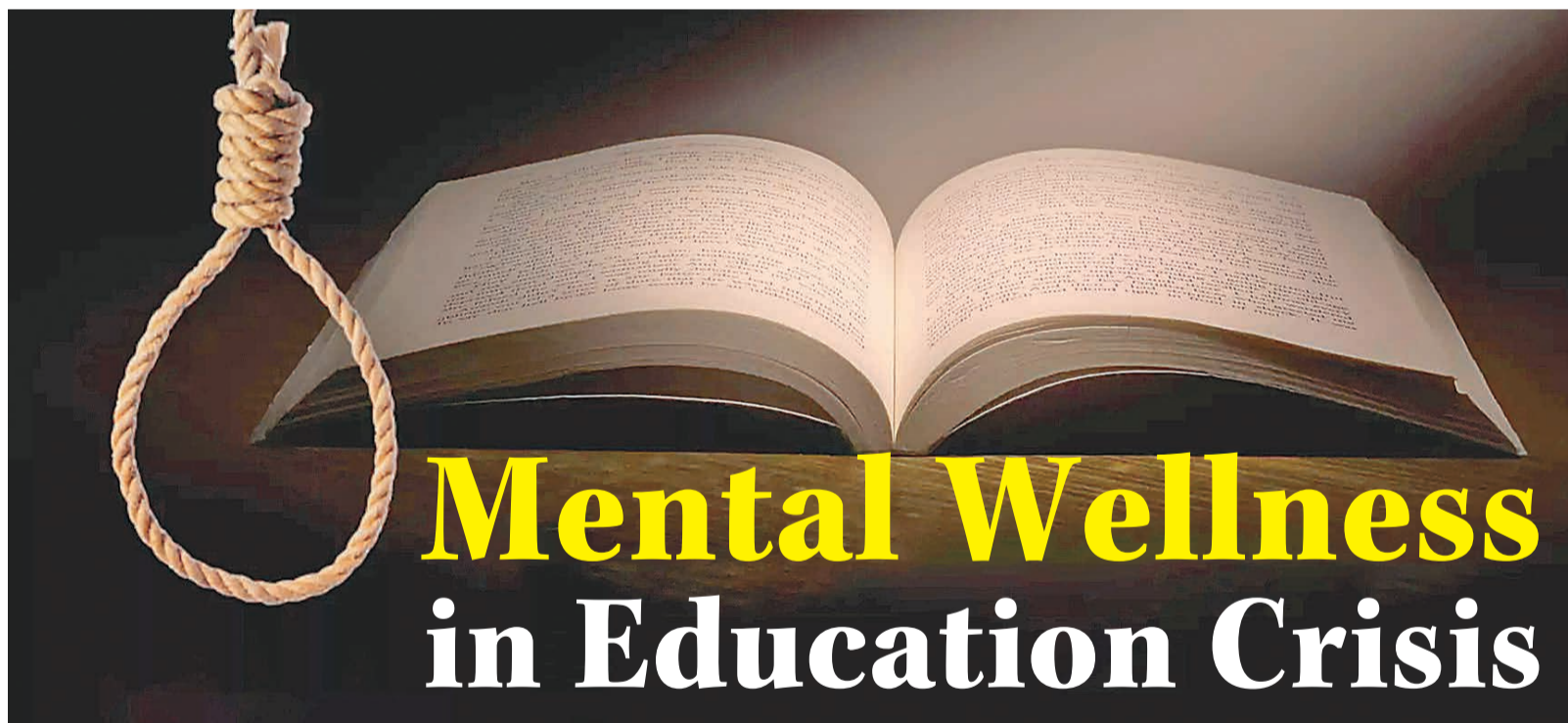
Dr PL Bhalothia (Psychiatrist)

Deputy Controller Govt Medical College Jhunjhunu (Raj)

Recently, in Pune, the mother of a 26-year-old Chartered Accountant (CA) who tragically passed away blamed the workload at her workplace for her daughter's death in a letter to the authorities. This letter has brought to the public's attention the growing issue of stress-related problems in the workplace, highlighting an emerging health crisis.

As we work towards realizing the dream of a developed India, the rising cases of student suicides, surpassing even those of farmers, are a cause for serious concern. In this suffocating merit-driven world, where the focus is on academic excellence, there seems to be little emphasis on equipping children with the skills to deal with everyday challenges. The competition in competitive exams has become increasingly tough for students. The rising number of candidates for any competitive exam makes each exam harder than the last. The trend of measuring a student's talent solely by their grades is further worsening this situation.

The results of these exams have become a race where parents see their dreams coming true through their children's success. In the race to stay ahead in this game of grades, some children are getting injured—though the injury itself is not as painful as the neglect that follows. These circumstances point to the increasing mental health problems among children. In Kota alone, where students prepare for competitive exams, an average of three students committed suicide every month in 2023. The rise in these numbers is not only unfortunate but also points to



Mental Wellness in Education Crisis

a growing disregard for mental health problems.

According to the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), nearly 13,000 students died by suicide in India in 2021. Maharashtra recorded the highest number of suicides, with 1,834 deaths. The situation is similarly alarming in Rajasthan, with numbers continuing to rise. However, blaming coaching institutes alone for these rising suicide rates is not enough to control the situation.

To truly address the issue, there is a need to change how we view mental health problems. A common misconception about mental health is that children cannot suffer from mental health issues, which is simply untrue. In fact, mental health problems can affect anyone at any age, though they are generally less common in children than

in adults. When children face mental health issues, their interest in academic and extracurricular activities tends to wane. The growing addiction to online gaming, substance abuse, and related juvenile crimes are indicators of the severity of the problem.

During childhood and adolescence, significant changes occur in various domains such as physical, emotional, moral, and social. As children navigate through these transitions, some may experience stress, which can lead to mental health issues. Comparative studies by mental health services and the World Health Organization (WHO) indicate that Indian students are more stressed than ever before. Mental health problems among children are on the rise.

According to a 2022 report by

the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), 12 to 14 per cent of Indian students aged 4 to 16 suffer from mental health problems. Studies by the Indian Psychiatric Society and data from the Ministry of Human Resource Development show that the number of mental health patients has increased by 15 to 20 per cent since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, with students being no exception.

School Mental Health (SMH) programs can play a significant role in keeping school children mentally healthy. The WHO has rec-

ommended the essential implementation of SMH in schools. There is a growing emphasis on the need for SMH programs in India. For instance, the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has stressed the need to reduce stress among students and promote a positive attitude through school programs. However, much more effort is required in this area.

The CBSE suggests that all secondary and senior secondary schools should appoint a counsellor to help improve students' confidence, resilience, and learning ability. In line with the "Atmanirbhar Bharat"

(Self-Reliant India) initiative, the Ministry of Education launched "Manodarpan" on 21st July 2020 to promote the mental well-being of teachers, students, and parents. CBSE has also started incorporating life-skills training into its curriculum, which helps boost learners' confidence and perseverance in facing life's challenges.

It is crucial to keep students mentally healthy because this group is a key indicator of the country's health economy. Poor mental health among students affects not only families and society but also the overall development of the nation. Therefore, the increasing prevalence of adolescent mental health problems underscores the need for SMH programs. Policies need to be developed and implemented to improve the mental health of the student population.

We need to assure both children and parents that there are many avenues to success beyond medical, engineering, and administrative services. We must tell our children that if the tenth-grade marksheet was a life determinant, India would never have had Sachin Tendulkar, who helped secure India's place at the top of the world cricket rankings.

Parents must understand that while it is great if their child scores high, it is equally important not to rob them of their confidence and self-esteem if they don't. If the child doesn't score well, you must reassure them that it's just a small test, and they are destined for much bigger things in life. Let them know that you still love them and will not judge them based on their marks. Please, for the love of God, do this, and then watch your child conquer the world.



Tradition in Motion



Guru Dr Seema Goel with Nikunj, Swara, Shreyasi, Aanya, Tina, Vijeta, Mamta, Yuvika, Adhya, Amaira, Navya and Drishti



The students of Nritya Sanskriti Dance Institute pose gracefully

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Vrinda Garden Cultural Society is celebrating Navratri with great fervour. On Tuesday evening, vibrant cultural event dedicated to Goddess Durga was hosted.

The students of Dr Seema Goel, Director of Nritya Sanskriti Dance Institute, showcased soulful Kathak performances that captivated the audience. Dr Goel, a renowned Kathak Guru and disciple of Nrityacharya Dr Shashi Sankhla of Jaipur Gharana, highlighted the inclusivity of the event. The youngest

performer, Drishti, aged just three and a half, and the eldest, Nikunj, in her 50's, demonstrated the timeless appeal of classical dance. Dr Goel herself delivered a mesmerising performance, blending a Shlok with a Bengali folk song, symbolizing the deep cultural and spiritual significance of Navratri. Her

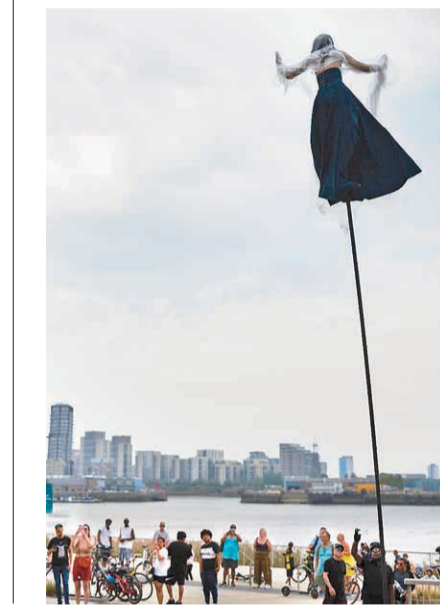
graceful rendition was highly praised by the audience, who lauded her contribution to preserving and promoting India's rich classical heritage. The evening was a heartwarming tribute to tradition, spirituality and cultural pride. The students' dedication and rigorous practice over several days culminated in

an enchanting performance that left the audience spellbound. Nikunj, the eldest participant, expressed her joy, saying, "Dancing in devotion to Goddess Durga has been an incredibly enriching experience. Our efforts were rewarded with the love and appreciation of the audience, making it truly memorable."

EVENTS!



Rajasthan International Centre (RIC) hosted distinguished guests Paul Smith, former Director of the British Council, and Ambassador Satish C Mehta, former Director General of ICCR, on Wednesday. Director Nihal Chand Goel and RIC officers held productive discussions with them on attracting a wider array of international intellectual and cultural events to RIC. Committed to offering its members exclusive experiences, RIC aims to bring "never before in Jaipur" events, enhancing the city's global cultural and intellectual exposure.



The French Institute in India, alongside the Alliance Française network, presents an extraordinary aerial show, RoZeO, by the renowned French company Gratte Ciel. Scheduled for October 10 at the Shubhat Niwas courtyard in Jaipur's Jaigarh Fort, this performance debuted during the Paris 2024 Olympic Games. H.E. Thierry Mathou, Ambassador of France to India, emphasized the show's role in strengthening cultural ties between the two nations. RoZeO features breathtaking choreography and live music, encouraging audiences to reflect on art and nature. The tour will continue to various cities, fostering artistic collaboration between India and France.

CELEBRATION!



Krish Saini and Ritu Singodiya



Pooja Choudhary

Navratri festivities are in full swing across Jaipur, captivating residents and visitors alike. The streets are alive with vibrant colours as people don traditional garba attire, showcasing the spirit of the festival. Enthusiastic crowds gather at various places, to participate in lively dandiya dances, creating a festive atmosphere filled with music and joy. The city's rich cultural heritage shines through as families and friends come together, embracing the traditions that make Navratri a cherished occasion in Jaipur. Our avid readers shared a few glimpses.

WHAT'S HAPPENING!

On behalf of Dr Prem Bhandari, a heartfelt tribute is paid to the late **PC Singhvi Saab**, a distinguished administrative officer who served Rajasthan with unmatched integrity. His nearly 40-year career, culminating as Additional Divisional Commissioner of Jodhpur, touched the lives of countless individuals. Singhvi Saab's legacy extends beyond administration; he was a cherished family friend, a bond that spanned over seven decades with Dr Bhandari's father. Described as a father figure, Singhvi Saab's selflessness shone until his final moments. His life and values remain a beacon for all who had the privilege to know him. May his soul rest in eternal peace.



Director Pradeep Khairwar, along with stars Kashika Kapoor, Anuj Saini, Atul Srivastava and Pranay Dixit, recently promoted their film "Aayushmati Geeta Matric Pass" in Jaipur. The film centred on women's education and empowerment, has garnered attention with its impactful trailer. The team held a press conference and engaged with fans at Biyani Girls College and ongoing Garba celebration events. Khairwar emphasised the necessity of education for girls to challenge societal norms, while Kapoor highlighted the film's relevance across regions. Scheduled for release on October 18, "Aayushmati Geeta Matric Pass" promises to deliver a compelling narrative with a vital message.



The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India will host the two-day National Conference "Pragyotsav: Synthesizing the Profession" on October 15 & 16, at Birla Auditorium, Jaipur. The conference will be inaugurated by Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar. CA Prakash Sharma, Chairman of the Board of Internal Audit and Management Accounting, highlighted that the event will feature eminent speakers, including renowned Dr Naresh Trehan, who will address health management for CA members. Motivational poet Kumar Vishwas will also inspire attendees.

IN THE CITY!



A grand three-day Mata Vaishno Devi Darbar was organised at Suraj Maidan, Raja Park, Jaipur, from October 7-9, attracting large crowds of devotees. The event, held from 5 pm to 10 pm daily, recreated the Trikuta Mountain of Katra with lifelike depictions of Ganga, Ardhkuwari Cave, and Bhairav Temple. The program included maha aarti, live tableaux of nine goddesses and Kanya Pujan. Special arrangements were made for the elderly and disabled. Organised under the Sanatan Hindu Mahapanchayat and Nirmal Satya Charitable Trust, the event concluded on Wednesday, emphasised cow service and unity among Sanatan Dharma followers.



MUKESH KIRADOO



Jaipur welcomed renowned Sri Lankan artist Chaminda Gomez's solo exhibition, "My Own Garden" on Wednesday. The event was inaugurated by Somkant Sharma, General Secretary of the Hindu Spiritual and Service Fair, and Neetu Rajeshwar, Additional Director of Women's Empowerment, who lit the ceremonial lamp. Curated by Senior Artist Vidhyasagar Upadhyay, the exhibition features approximately 40 abstract paintings and 15 catalogues, reflecting Gomez's profound love for nature. The exhibition will run until October 13, attracting art enthusiasts and senior artists alike. Additionally, Gomez will conduct a live demo session today from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM at Kalaneri Art Gallery.

MAYO POLO TRIUMPH!



Team Mayo Blue and Mayo white with the dignitaries



Jagdeep Singh, Bonnie & Suresh



Jayant, Dhruv and Vivek

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The Mayo Polo Cup, organised by the US Polo Association and the Mayo Alumni Association of Southern India, showcased an exhilarating match between Team Mayo Blue and Team Mayo White on Monday. The thrilling encounter captivated spectators as Team Mayo Blue triumphed decisively with a score of 6-2, securing the prestigious Mayo Cup. Saurav Sinha, Principal of Mayo College, Ajmer, graced the event as the Chief Guest.

Following the match, attendees enjoyed a delightful high tea, bringing a sweet end to the day's excitement. Guests savoured a variety of delicious bites and refreshing beverages while mingling with players and Jaipur's prominent personalities. Notable attendees included Vivek Bali, President of the Mayo Alumni Association of Southern India; Dhruv Anandan, Regional Representative for US Polo Association in India, Southeast Asia, and Australia and Jayant Prasad, Director of Sales Operations for US Polo Assn., making the event a memorable gathering of polo enthusiasts and alumni.

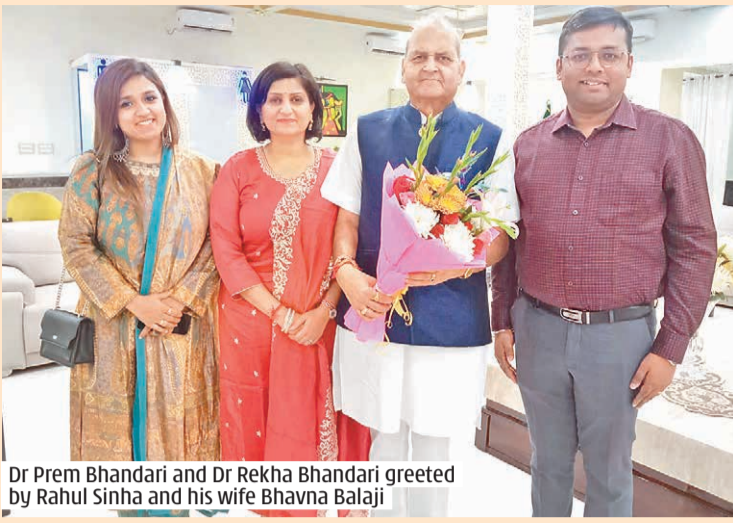


Dia and Naman



Nandini & Anjali

A GALA OF INFLUENCERS!



Dr Prem Bhandari and Dr Rekha Bhandari greeted by Rahul Sinha and his wife Bhavna Balaji



Dr Prem Bhandari with (L-R) Bhavna Balaji, Kavita Dutta, Mrs Subhash Chandra, Mrs Rajiv Jain, Mrs Renu Sharma, Dr Rekha Bhandari, Sadhna Shanker, Dnyaneshwar Mulay, Randhir Jaiswal, Rajeev Jain, KK Sharma, Harsh Vardhan Shringla, Subhash Chandra and Shiv Nigam



Dr Prem Bhandari greeted by Ravi Dammu

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RANA President Dr Prem Bhandari was warmly welcomed in Delhi after arriving from the United States with his wife, Dr Rekha Bhandari, on Tuesday. The distinguished couple was greeted at the Delhi airport by former BSF Director General KK Sharma, setting the tone for a series of high-profile engagements.

A grand dinner was organised in honour of Dr Prem Bhandari and Dr Rekha

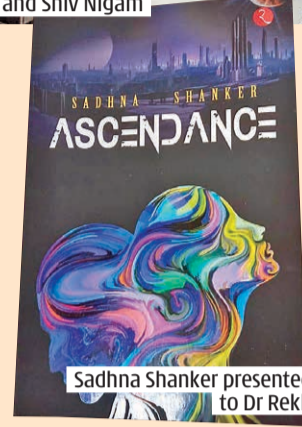


Aditi Nagar, Kavita Dutta, Mrs Subhash Chandra, Mrs Rajiv Jain, Mrs Renu Sharma & Dr Rekha Bhandari in conversation with each other

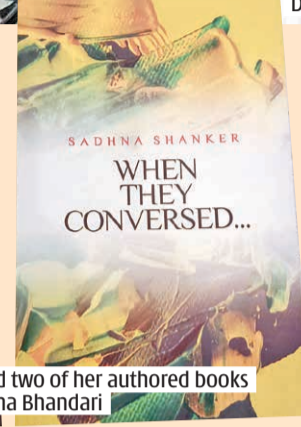
Bhandari at the BSF's Nizamuddin Guest House, with several prominent figures in attendance. Among the digni-

taries were Harsh Vardhan Shringla, Former Foreign Secretary and Chief Coordinator of the G-20; Dnyanesh-

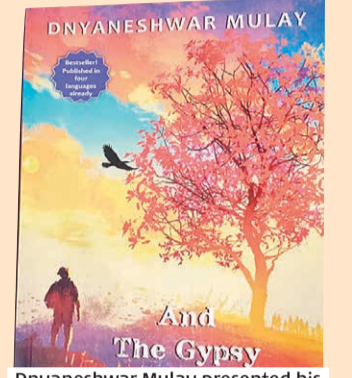
war former secretary, MEA and NHRC member; Rajiv Jain, Former Director of the Intelligence Bureau; and Ravi Dammu, Secretary of Economic relations in the Ministry of External Affairs. The event also saw the presence of Randhir Jaiswal, Spokesperson in the Ministry of External Affairs; Senior IPS additional Director IB Anurag Kumar; Senior IFS Subhash Chandra; Kavita Dutta from Communications, Govt of India; BK Goel from Haryana, Rahul Sinha, Director Arun Sinha and others. During the event, Dnyaneshwar Mulay



Sadhna Shanker presented two of her authored books to Dr Rekha Bhandari



presented his autobiography to Dr Prem Bhandari, while Sadhna Shanker, a member of the National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, gifted her two books to Dr



Dnyaneshwar Mulay presented his autobiography to Dr Prem Bhandari

Rekha Bhandari, who is a triple board-certified physician overseeing more than 1,000 nursing homes across 42 US states & recipient of highest civilian award for immigrants

in the US. The dinner, hosted by KK Sharma, was a memorable evening of celebration and camaraderie.

POSTER LAUNCH!



Dr Jagdeesh Chandra with Shilpi Agarwal, Sunita Agrawal, Poonam Madan, Neha Vijay, Aliya Maheshwari, Madhu Balani and Neha Kalra

Dr Jagdeesh Chandra released the poster for the event 'Karva Chauth Ke Rang, Garba Ke Sang', organised by Shilpi Foundation, at his residence on Tuesday. The event is scheduled for October 19 at Hotel Kurki House, Jaipur. Special cultural performances and various competitions will add charm to the occasion. Shilpi Foundation's Director Shilpi Agarwal, BJP Jaipur District Minister Sunita Agrawal among other dignitaries were present on the occasion.

POLO CUP SPECIAL!

Rajasthan Assembly Speaker Vasudev Devnani unveiled the poster for the Mathuradas Mathur Polo Cup on Tuesday. The polo match is scheduled for October 26 at the Rajasthan Polo Club in the state capital. While launching the poster, Devnani congratulated the organisers for the event. Memories of the state's first Finance Minister, the late Mathuradas Mathur, were also recalled during the event. His grandson and event organiser, Vishaal Mathur, who was present on the occasion, shared that the cup was initiated in 2020 in honour of his grandfather, and this will be the fifth season in Jaipur. Deputy Director of Public Relations, Dr Lokesh Chandra Sharma, was also present at the poster launch.



Dance, Devotion & Dandiya

MUKESH KIRADOO



Pawan Tank with the Dandiya Maharaas Maha Aarti members and stunning models of Miss India Glam 2024 during the inaugural ceremony

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The vibrant SKJ Jewellers Dandiya Maharaas kicked off with grandeur on Wednesday at Janki Paradise in Vaishali Nagar, attracting a massive crowd of enthusiastic participants. Over 5,100 women gathered to worship Maa Bhagwati during the Maha Aarti, illuminating the night with their devotion and lighting lamps in her honour.

The atmosphere was electric as attendees danced to a lively mix of Gujarati, Bollywood and English-Punjabi fusion music. Pawan Tank, the organiser and director of Dandiya Maharaas, expressed his delight at the turnout, highlighting the festival's centerpiece: a magnificent 21-foot high court of Maa

Durga, adorned with intricate decorations. Festivities included captivating dance performances by talented Rajasthani artists, showcasing the rich cultural heritage of the region. Dancers twirled joyfully to popular Gujarati tunes, fostering a spirit of celebration among all attendees.

The excitement continues with Dandiya dance competitions scheduled for Thursday. The event is proudly sponsored by supporters, with Bharat24 and First India News as media partners, SKJ Jewellers, Samanvay Real Estate Group, Mandakini Sarees, Shree Soft Technology, Etc, all contributing to the celebration of culture and community spirit in Jaipur.



Soumya Gupta & Sonika Sharma

GREETINGS!



Dr Satish Poonia, State Incharge of BJP Haryana, received a warm welcome from Dr Sandeep Sharma, Raju Agarwal Mangodiwala, and Sachin Kumar Jain. They congratulated him for the impressive political success observed in the 2024 Haryana Vidhan Sabha Election results, highlighting Poonia's strategic leadership and the party's significant achievements in the state.



Dr Devendra Pathak, National Business Head, Bharat24, paid a courtesy visit to Dr Anoop Bartaria, Chairman and Managing Director of World Trade Park Jaipur and Sincere Group of Companies. The visit, which included festive greetings, highlighted Dr Bartaria's contributions as a world-class architect known for transforming cities and developing stunning buildings and interiors. During the meeting, Dr Pathak also presented the special compilation of 100 First India edits titled 'Modi Hai to Mumkin Hai: Untold Stories of PM Modi', which was warmly appreciated by Dr Bartaria.



Artists Nitin Saini and Anjali Saxena won the hearts with their performance as Ram & Sita, respectively



Celebrating the union of Lord Ram and Sita, artists performed a vibrant dance after the swayamvar



The royal court comes alive with a celebratory dance following the marriage of Ravana and Mandodari



After defeating Lord Indra, Ravana is being advised by his maternal grandfather to conquer Lanka from Kubera

RAMLEELA SAGA BEGINS!

The Shri Ramleela Mahotsav began on Tuesday at Jawahar Kala Kendra (JKK), Jaipur, under the direction of senior theatre artist Ashok Rahi, bringing Lord Ram's life to the

stage with captivating performances. The event drew a large audience, enchanted by the brilliant acting, lighting and melodious music. The show started with Ravana's triumph over Indra, followed by blessings from

Lord Brahma and Shiva and his eventual downfall through the curses of Vedmati and Nalakuvar. A stunning Bharatnatyam performance showcased Lanka's royal splendour, while scenes of King Dasharatha's

court, Ram's birth and battles against demons enthralled viewers. The performance concluded with Lord Ram's marriage to Sita and Parashuram's blessing, enhanced by live music and dance.

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Dr PD Pareek, former Deputy Secretary of the Rajasthan Government, was honoured with a lifetime membership by the Karnataka State Digital Media Association (KSDMA) during a



programme in Bengaluru on Sunday. The KSDMA is a significant organisation in Karnataka's digital mass media sector. In his address, Dr Pareek highlighted the crucial role of social media in today's world, noting its power to quickly and effectively spotlight significant issues that might otherwise be overlooked. He described digital social media as an extension of traditional media, serving as society's 'eyes and ears' for instant communication and engagement.