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WARNING AGAINST FAKE JOBS ISSUED

The Indian government has alerted Parliament about fraudulent recruitment schemes luring Indian nationals, mainly through social media, to South-East Asian countries such as Cambodia, Myanmar, and Lao PDR, often to carry out cybercrime or other illegal activities. Minister of State for External Affairs Kirti Vardhan Singh stated that over 6,700 Indians have been rescued from these nations so far, with 2,265 from Cambodia, 2,290 from Lao PDR, and 2,165 from Myanmar. The exact number of Indians still trapped is unknown, as many travel voluntarily via unscrupulous recruitment agents or illegal channels. The government has engaged host country authorities and Indian Missions to facilitate rescue and repatriation. Multiple channels, including walk-ins, WhatsApp numbers, grievance portals like MADAD and eMigrate, and social media, are available for Indians seeking help. Authorities regularly issue advisories warning job seekers to verify recruitment agents and offers. The Ministry of Home Affairs' Indian Cybercrime Coordination Centre (I4C)

December 2025. The appointments — essential for reentering the US — have now been pushed to March, April, and even May 2026, leaving many workers stranded and unsure of when they can return to their jobs. The disruption follows the

US State Department's expansion of social-media screening to include H-1B and H-4 visa applicants, a process that had earlier been rolled out for student visa holders. The new vetting requirements have added to consular backlogs and operational delays.

ASHOKE RAJ ■ New Delhi

"As of December 15, the Department of State will conduct an online presence review for all H-1B applicants and their dependents... Due 



An Indian family eating in the middle of Times Square, New York City

**Avoid travel, US lawyers** 

related to processing these visas and to ensure that no applicant poses a threat to US national security or public safety, the Consulate must

reduce the number of applicants each day. The Consulate will not be able to see you on your original appointment date. Please do not show up at the

to operational constraints by the consulate to applicants read.

Interviews originally scheduled for mid- to late-December have been deferred to dates as far as summer 2026, raising the risk of prolonged separations from families and extended work absences.

Immigration attorney Rahul Reddy warned that Consulate," an email sent travelling now could put H-1B

workers at serious risk. With many US companies unable to keep positions vacant for long or legally permit remote work from abroad due to compliance constraints, a delayed return could mean job loss. "Without a valid visa stamp in the passport, an H-1B employee travelling now might come back not to their job, but to unemployment,"

# Luthras detained in Thailand after Delhi court rejects bail

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA New Delhi

Gaurav and Saurabh Luthra, co-owners of 'Birch by Romeo Lane' nightclub in North Goa where a blaze claimed 25 lives, have been detained by the authorities in Thailand, officials said on Thursday, as a Delhi court rejected their transit anticipatory bail pleas citing the duo's conduct and the gravity of the offences.

The brothers, prime accused in the case related to the tragedy that unfolded at Arpora village around midnight on December 6, would be brought back to India at the earliest to face legal action, Chief Minister Pramod Sawant assured in Panaji

A court in Goa, meanwhile, remanded Ajay Gupta, who claimed to be a silent partner and investor in the nightclub, in police custody for seven days.

A Delhi court rejected the transit anticipatory bail pleas of Saurabh and Gaurav Luthra. The duo had sought four weeks of transit anticipatory bail so that they were not



the fire incident and were evading the legal process. One of the lawyers of the Luthras submitted during the hearing that they were willing to return immediately and

pleas. "They left, they con-

cealed, and they are now

seeking leniency," the Goa

government's lawyer told the

court, pointing out that they

had fled immediately after

face the investigation. But the court noted that the offence was serious in nature

the applicants and nature of the allegations, the court was not inclined to grant them relief, the judge said.

She pointed out that documents showed that the accused booked tickets to Phuket at 1.17 AM on December 7 (over an hour after the fire broke out), and the flight departed at 5.20 AM. This fact was "concealed", and their counsel instead stated that they had left for Thailand before the fire broke out, the judge said.

• September 17 – Phone

Call: Birthday greetings and

bilateral progress discussed.

• October 21 – Phone Call:

Diwali greetings exchanged;

ongoing cooperation

• December 11 - Phone

discussed.

## The Bystander

monitors related cybercrime

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## **TOXIC EGGS FLAGGED** IN J&K

The Kashmir valley faces a new public health concern as reports emerge of adulterated eggs containing nitrofuran and carcinogenic and toxic substances, banned in food-producing animals, have sparked alarm among Conference MLA Tanvir Sadio flagged the issue, urging Chief Minister and health authorities to act urgently. He highlighted the serious risk posed to vulnerable groups, including children, senior citizens, and patients who rely on eggs as a primary protein source. The Jammu and Kashmir government responded swiftly, ordering an urgent investigation into the allegations. The Minister for Food, Civil Supplies, and Consumer Affairs directed the Controller of

## ARUNACHAL ACCIDENT **CLAIMS 18 LIVES**

in two days.

Legal Metrology to submit a report

At least 18 labourers from Assam's Tinsukia district were killed and three remain missing after the truck they were travelling in fell into a remote gorge in Arunachal Pradesh's Anjaw district on December 8. The vehicle, carrying 22 workers engaged in a construction project in Hayuliang, skidded off the road and plummeted approximately 1,000 feet into a deep gorge. The lone survivor, Budheswor Deep, alerted authorities, prompting search and rescue operations led by the Indian Army's Spear Corps, along with NDRF personnel, GREF teams, and local police. Dense foliage and inaccessible terrain delayed recovery efforts, though 18 bodies have been retrieved so far. Officials are coordinating with Assam and **Arunachal Pradesh administrations** to trace the remaining missing workers and investigate the circumstances of the accident.

## **ECI extends SIR timeline**

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE New Delh

The Election Commission of India (ECI) on Thursday extended the timeline for Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in six States and Union Territories following requests from the respective chief electoral officers.

In a statement, the ECI issued the revised schedule for SIR in Tamil Nadu, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, the Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Uttar Pradesh.

The enumeration period for these six states and Union territories was to end on Thursday and the draft electoral rolls were to be published on December 16.

The enumeration period for Tamil Nadu and Guiarat has been extended till December 14 and the draft electoral rolls will be published on December 19, the statement said. For Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, the enumeration period has been extended till December 18 and the draft electoral rolls will be published on December 23.

The enumeration period for Uttar Pradesh has been extended till December 26 and the draft electoral rolls will be published on December 31.

According to the statement, the enumeration period for Goa, Puducherry, West Bengal Lakshadweep and Rajasthan and will end on Thursday and the draft electoral rolls will be published on December 16.

# IndiGo CEO back in the DGCA dock

RAJESH KUMAR ■ New Delhi

IndiGo CEO has been summoned by the aviation regulator again on Friday, according to a regulatory filing by the company. Pieter Elbers was summoned by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) on Thursday and asked to submit a report on the flight disruptions. He reached the DGCA office around 2.24pm, and left after a little over two hours at 4.45pm.

Meanwhile, passengers of the IndiGo Airlines who were left stranded at the between December 3 and 5 will be

given a travel voucher worth ₹10,000 valid for 12 months. The compensation would be in addition to flight cancellations charges under DGCA norms.

In another development,

JD(U) leader KC Tyagi has alleged complicity between the DGCA and airlines saying he was forced to shell out an inordinate sum of over ₹40,000 for a Delhi-Mumbai flight. In a letter to party colleague Sajay Jha, who is the Chairman o f Parliamentary panel on tourism, Tyagi said he became a victim of Air India's "arbitrary charging."

# Modi, Trump call to reset trade ties

**ASHOKE RAJ** ■ New Delhi

Prime Minister Narendra Modi spoke to United States President Donald Trump on Thursday in what officials described as a "very warm conversation," during which the two leaders reviewed progress in the India-US

Comprehensive Global Strategic Partnership. Both sides expressed satisfaction at the steady expansion of cooperation across multiple sectors.

According to the official readout, Modi and Trump discussed ways to maintain momentum in bilateral trade

## **MODI-TRUMP INTERACTIONS IN 2025** hosted by the Pakistan PM and military chief.

Trump congratulates Modi; discuss bilateral ties.

● February 13 – White House Meeting: Modi meets Trump in Washington; talks cover trade, defence, and strategic issues.

• April 22 - Phone Call: Trump offers condolences June 17 – Phone Call:

Call: Review of India-US Comprehensive Global Strategic Partnership, trade, Trump invites Modi to a defence, and critical multilateral luncheon technologies.

talks and explored avenues to widen collaboration in critical technologies, energy, defence, security, and other priority areas under the India-US COMPACT frame-

work - a mechanism aimed at boosting military partnership, economic engagement and technology cooperation for the coming

# E-cigarette cloud over Lok Sabha

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ New Delhi

After BJP MP Anurag Thakur accused a Trinamool Congress member of smoking an e-cigarette in the Lok Sabha, the BJP alleged that the lawmaker has set a new record of lowering the dignity of Parliament with his conduct.

During the Question Hour, Thakur asked the Lok Sabha Speaker if e-cigarettes, which are banned in the country, have been allowed in the House, alleging, "The TMC member has been constantly smoking in the House for



Union Minister of State Sanjay Seth with BJP MPs Anurag Thakur, Jagdambika Pal and others in the Lok Sabha

TMC MP. Amid uproar, Birla urged the members to main- lodged.

the past several days." Thakur, tain the dignity of the House however, did not name the and said he would take action if a written complaint was

# Trump offers million-dollar US entry

**ASSOCIATED PRESS** ■ Washington

President Donald Trump announced on Wednesday that his long-promised "gold card" was officially going on sale, offering legal status and an eventual pathway to US citizenship for individuals paying \$ 1 million and corporations ponying up twice that per foreign-born employee.

A website accepting applications went live as Trump revealed the start of the programme while surrounded by business leaders in the White House's Roosevelt

It is meant to replace EB-5 visas, which Congress created in 1990 to generate foreign investment and had been available to people who spend about \$ 1 million on a company that employs at least 10 people.

Trump sees the new version as a way for

the US to attract and retain top talent, all while generating revenue for federal coffers. He has been promoting the gold card programme for months, and once s uggested that each card would cost \$5 million, though he more recently revised that to the \$1 million and \$2 million pricing

The president said all funds taken in as part of the programme will "go to the US government" and predicted that billions would flow into an account run by the Treasury Department "where we can do things positive for the country."

The new programme is actually a green card, effectively offering permanent legal

residency with the chance for citizenship. "Basically, it's a green card but much better," Trump said. "Much more powerful,

a much stronger path."

# Rural India roars back as household consumption hits record highs

RAJESH KUMAR New Delhi

India's rural economy is witnessing a boom due to increased purchasing power, rising incomes, stronger consumption and improved financial behavior, according to a bi monthly survey by NABARD. According to the latest Rural Economic Conditions and Sentiments Survey (RECSS) 80 per cent of rural households reported higher consumption compared with last year.

'Moreover, 67.3 per cent of monthly household income was devoted to consumption expenditure, which is the highest level among all rounds of the survey conducted since September 2024," the survey noted. It also highlighted that the rural investment activity is accelerating, and the credit access has also improved. The November 2025 round

of the survey was conducted after the GST rate rationalisation announced on 3 September 2025, during the festival season, and against the backdrop of sharp moderation in rural inflation and food deflation. As per the NABARD survey, 42.2 per cent of rural households reported to have experienced an increase in



Women at the Pushkar market

income in the last one year, which is the highest level among all rounds of this survey so far. Importantly, the percentage of households experiencing a decline in income during the last year fell to its lowest level (15.7 per cent ).

While a lower percentage of rural households (21.9 per cent ) reported their savings rising during last year, as against 23.7 per cent in the September 2025 round of the survey, it still showed some improvement relative to all the pre-September 2025 rounds of the survey. There was only a modest increase in the number

taking recourse to increased borrowings/loans during last year. Thus, it appears that the higher consumption expenditure of rural households was not funded by excessive recourse to borrowings. Further, only 15.7 per cent reported any decline in

of households who reported

income, the lowest so far. "During the next one year,

however, the income prospects are seen by them to improve, with 75.9 per cent expecting to witness an increase in income, which is the highest level," the survey

# Classifieds

## LOST AND FOUND

I, Dr. Indera Mohan Bisht S/o Col Sohan Singh Bisht (Rtd), R/o D2A Villa Retreat Nahan, Round District Sirmaur, H.P., & Sh. Digamber Singh Rawat S/o Late Sh. Bhupal Singh Rawat H.N. 103/1, Cantt Road Nahan declare that Insurance Policy Numbered 145398702 was granted on by the LIFE **CORPORATION OF INDIA** 

and was lost somewhere shifting Chakrera to Villa Round Retreat Nahan.

## **BEDKHALI NOTICE**

I, Satwant Kaur W/o Gurbaksh Singh R/o 413 Ladwa Farm, Murtzapur, Tehsil Pehowa, District Kurukshetra, have evicted my daughter Navjot Kaur, from all my movableshe is beyond my control. She has married against our wishes and without our consent. Anyone dealing with her at their own risk.

We. Gurmail Singh. son of Shri Rachna Singh and Smt Kulwant Kaur w/o Shri Gurmail Singh, R/o village Manakpur Nanak Chand Pinjore Tehsil Kalka District Panchkula Haryana, hereby declare that my son Gurpreet Singh & daughter in law Jaspreet Kaur and their minor child Jhujhar Singh are beyond my control. I hereby disown them from all my movable and immovable property. In the future, if anything happens to any of them they are responsible for

I Randhir Singh S/O Gurmail Singh R/O # 30, Sector 23 A, Mandi Gobindgarh, District Fatehgarh Sahib declare that my son Ekamjit singh and his wife Navjot kaur are out of my control so i disowned both of them from all my movable and immovable properties. anybody dealing with them

on their own risk. I, Asha Devi, W/o Sh. Laxman Singh, R/o M.J.-Lekh Ram 575/B-2. Pinjore, Mohalla. Tehsil Kalka, District Panchkula, Harvana, declare that my sons Yogender Singh and his wife Rekha Rani, Mohan Singh and his wife Manju, and Lal Singh and his wife Sonia all are out of my control, so I disown them from my movable and Anybody deals with them at

I, Balwinder Singh S/o Ismailabad Distt.Kurukshetra My Son Jagtar Singh and his wife Gurjeet Kaur and my wife Veermati They are beyond my control, hence I evict my son and daughter-inlaw from my movable and immovable property and break all ties with my wife Veermati. They will be responsible for immoral acts any and transactions done by them in the future.

We, Balwinder Singh S/o Phulla Singh And Maan Kaur W/o Balwinder Singh Vill.Bodhni Tehsil Pehowa Distt.Kurukshetra Our Son Sahab Singh and his wife Silinder Kaur are out of our control. We, disown them from our all moveable and immovable properties. If anybody deals with him

that will be at his own risk. I, Randhiri, w/o Late Roshan r/o Vill. Bayan (Baraut), Teh. Gannaur, Distt. Sonipat, declare that my son Balwan and his wife Aashu are out of my control. So I evict them from all my movable and immovable property. Anybody deals with them at their on risk. I and rest of my family will have no responsibility.

I Parkash Kaur W/o Amar Singh R/o Village Rasulpur alias Dundimajra, Tehsil Dudhan Sadha, Distt Patiala declare that my son Darshan Singh and his wife Rajni Rani, who are beyond my control, hereby disclaim all movable and immovable property. Whoever transacts with them will be held responsible. I or my family have no relation with

**ਮੈਂ ਦੌਲਤ ਰਾਮ** ਪੁੱਤਰ ਦੇਵਾ ਰਾਮ ਵ੍ਹਾਸੀ ਮ.ਨੂੰ. 414 ਚੁੰਡੀਮ੍ਰੰਦਰ ਟਾਂਡਾ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਪੰਚਕੁਲਾ, ਚੰਡੀਮੰਦਰ ਕੈਂਟ, ਪੱਚਕੁਲਾ, ਹਰਿਆਣਾ-134107 ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰਾ ਲੜਕਾ ਕਰਨ (ਉਮਰ ਲਗਭਗ 21 ਸਾਲ) ਜੋ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੇ ਕਹਿਣ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹੈ | ਮੈਂ ਇਸ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੱਲ-ਅਚੱਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬ੍ਰੇਦਖਲ੍ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ । ਇਸ ਨਾਲ ੍ਕਰਨ ਲੈਂਟ ਦੇਟ ਕਰਨ ਵੱਲ ਜਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ | ਮੇਰਾ ਜਾਂ ਮੋਰੇ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਦਾ ਕੋਈ ਵੀ ਤਾਲੁਕ ਵਾ ਵਾਸਤਾ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ।

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Known to all that the name of Trust changed from Gur Asra Trust, Village Manana, Teh. & Distt. S.A.S. Nagar, Punjab to Akaal Aasra Trust Head Office:Palsora, Sector 55, Chandigarh

I, No. 2889272A Ex Hav<sup>°</sup>Ram Kumar S/o Shri Krishan R/o Vill. & P.O. Sampal, Teh. Kalanaur, Distt. Rohtak (Harvana) declare that my daughter name Tamena is wrongly mentioned in my Service record. But my daughter correct & actual name is Tamena Kumari vide affidavit dated 11.12.2025 Notary Public before Rohtak.

I PATSHO (existing name) M/o of No. Sepoy 3199757A Ex Narender Kumar R/o VPÓ Tehsil Meham DISTT. ROHTAK (HR.) that I have changed/amend my name in my son Army Records from Patsho (existing Pataso (CORRECT name) my Correct/actual DOB 01.01.1950 instead of 20.11.1954 as per my Aadhaar / Pan Card. In future I shall may be known/ written/called as PATASO (DOB 01.01.1950) for all work purposes, Vide Affidavit dated 11 Dec 2025 before

I Army No. 4443429 Sep Ram Chand Singh (Retd), S/O Santa Singh R/O Vpo Halwara Tehsil Raikot, District Ludhiana Punjab,141107, Hereby Declare That In My Service Record My Wife Name And Dob Entered As Ginno Kaur. 01-07-1945 Are Incorrect. Her Correct Name And Dob Are Joginder Kaur, 01-01-

MEHAM (Rohtak).

Magistrate,

I Smt Baljinder Kaur Widow Of No. 4556916H Ex Nk Late Harbhajan Singh R/O Vpo Changan And District Ludhiana (Punjab)-141110 Hereby Declare That In My Record My Daughter Name Entered As Sarbjit Kaur Is Incorrect. Her Correct Name Is Sarabjeet Kaur.

I, No. 13760774Y Ex-Nk Mangal Singh Resident of Vill: Karura Po. Jhaj Teh-Anandpur Sahib Distt. Rupnagar (Punjab) do hereby affirm and déclare that name of my daughter Kashiash Rani has erroneously been recorded in my service documents. the correct name of my daughter is Kashish Rani as recorded in her Aadhar Card and Matriculation Certificate. Please note.

Suresh Kumar Bhambi S/o Vidia Raj R/o Vpo. Rahon Teh-Rahon Nawanshahr Distt. SBS Nagar declare that I known by two names Suresh Kumar Bhambi and Suresh Kumar Bhabi both names are mine and one and the

same person. I, Prem Lata W/o Inderjit Vashishat R/o Nagar Kohara Road Machhiwara Teh-Samrala Distt. Ludhiana declare that I known by two names Prem Lata and Prem Lata Vashishat both names are mine and same and the one person.

## CHANGE OF NAME

I, JC-196925A Ex Sub Maj (Hony Lt) Gurmit Dass Village (Retd) R/o Dharampur, PO and Tehsil Mukerian, Distt Hoshiarpur (Pb) have changed name of my daughter from Rina Kumari to Reena Kumari and her correct DOB is 20.04.1987.

Satvinder Kaur Sahota D/o JC-166760X Ex Nb Sub Late Mohan Singh R/o Village Barala, PO Garhdiwala, Distt. Hoshiarpur Puniab have changed my name from Satvinder Kaur Sahota to Concerned note.

I Sunita Nehra spouse of No. 669708R Rank SGT Prem Singh Vpo Barsola Dist. jind haryana, I have changed my name from Sunita Nehra to Sunita date of birth 16/04/1967 to 02/04/1967 vide affidavit no 28497 dated 09/12/2025 before Notary public Jind.

I. Narender Singh Sarkaria S/o Sh. Anup Singh R/o 167A, Theri Baba Sawan Singh, PO Moriwala, Distt. Sirsa (Haryana). That I have changed my name from Narender Singh Sarkaria to Narender Singh, in future my name is to be called as Narender Singh

I, Suman W/o Sh. Naresh Kumar R/o 1413, Bhilam Pana, Kharak Punia, Kharak (17) Distt. Hisar (Haryana). That I have changed my name from Suman to Suman Devi, in future my name is to be called as Suman

Karamjeet Sarkaria Karanveer Singh Sarkaria R/o 167A, Theri Baba Singh, Sawan Moriwala, Distt. Sirsa (Haryana). That I have changed my name from Karamieet Kaur Sarkaria to Karamjeet Kaur, in future my name is to be called as Karamjeet Kaur

I. Sarbjeet Kaur Sarkaria W/o Sh. Narender Singh R/o 167A, Theri Baba Sawan Singh, PO Moriwala, Distt. (Haryana). That I have changed my name from Sarbjeet Kaur Sarkaria to Sarvjeet Kaur, in future my name is to be called as Sarvjeet Kaur

I Suraj S/o Gian Chand R/o #34/1, Village Nizampur. Faidan. Chandigarh UT have changed my name to Suraj

SADDAM S/O SHAMSHAD, R/O H.N.-60, G.F. SAINI VIHARF, PHASE-1 BALTANA ZIRAKPUR, BALTANA, PO- BALTANA, DIST-SAS MOHALI. PUNJAB-140604 that I have changed my name from Saddam to Saddam

I, Pritpal Kaur W/o Rajinder Singh Rank Havildar Service No. 3405661A Unit 3 Sikh Regiment R/o Village Bhambol, Distt Yamuna Nagar declare that in my husband service record my DOB is written as 01.08.1987. My correct DOB is 20.04.1987. vide affidavit no. M032567

I, Sonam D/o Vijender Singh, R/o Village Jalalpura Khurd, Tehsil & Distt. Jind, Harvana, have changed my name from Sonam to Sonam Pahal.

Meenakshi W/o Ankit Mehla R/o 118, Moti Bagh, Bank Colony, Govind Pura, Yamuna Nagar have changed my name from Meenakshi to Meenakshi Mehla.

I, Komalpreet W/o Sh. Nitish Malik R/o C/o Nitish Malik, H.No. 168, VPO Baliala-125051 Distt Baliala-125051 Fatehabad (Haryana). That I have changed my name from Komalpreet to Komalpreet Kaur, in future my name is to be called as Komalpreet Kaur.

I, Nilam Rani W/o Raj Kumar R/o 1784/469, Deha Basti, Shekhn Wala Mohalla, Thanesar, District Kurukshetra declare that my name is mentioned Neelam in the 10th DMC of my Son. Nilam Rani and Neelam are the names of one and the same person.

I Ram Devi W/o Inder Parsad R/o House No. Sector 35-C, Chandigarh have changed my name from Ram Devi to Indani.

Gupta W/o Sh. Lovelesh Garg, House No. 5606, Modern Housing Complex, Sector 13, Chandigarh have changed my name Shruti Bhushan Gupta to Shruti Gupta.

I Reeta Verma W/o Ram Narayan Verma R/o House No. 194, Sector 45 Burail Chandigarh have changed my name from Reeta Verma to Nankiu

I, Naresh Kumar Chawla S/o Brij Mohan, R/o House No.199, Phase-3-A, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali), Punjab-160059, changed my name to Naresh Kumar.

I, Sarabjit S/o Kishori Lal R/o Village Sarmast Pur, Ball Distř. Jalandhar Punjab have changed my name from Sarabjit to Sarabjit Nar. Concerned

I, Hitesh Kumar Taneja S/o Sh. Chander Bhan Taneja R/o H.No. 511/8, Chadau Mohalla, Near Sethi Chowk, Panipat, declare that I have changed my name from Hitesh Kumar to Hitesh Kumar Taneia. For all future purposes.

I. Savinder Kumar S/o Roshan Lal R/o H.No. 151-P. Part-1, near Umri Road. Green Homes, Sector 29, Tehsil Thanesar, District Kurukshetra, have changed my name from Savinder Kumar Savinder. In the future, I should be known by the name Savinder.

MINAKSHI, D/o Balinder, r/o village Goela Khurd, Post Office Goela Kalan, Tehsil Bapoli, District Panipat. Already My name is MINAKSHI Now I have changed MINAKSHI MEENAKSHI.

I, Dr Piyush Kumar Sharma s/o Ram Murti Sharma R/o H.No. 395, old Housing Board, Sector-13, Karnal state that Piyush Kumar Sharma, Piyush, Piyush Kumar and Piyush Sharma is the one and the same person.

I, Lilu S/O Risala R/o Vill Mehenda Tehsil Hansi Hisar Haryana 125033 India have change my name from Lilu (Old name) to Dilbag (New

I, Sushila S/o Sh. Karmbir R/o V.P.O Nara Tehsil Madlauda Distt Panipat, have changed my name from Sushila to Sushil Verma for all future

I Jaskiranjeet Kaur D/o No: 4457987F Late-Jaswant Singh Resident of Khalsa Colony, Railway Road Sarafkot Fatehgarh Churian PO-Fatehgarh Churian Tehsil Batala District Gurdaspur, Punjab, That I declare changed my name from Jaskranjit Kaur Jaskiranjeet Kaur and date of birth from 09/12/1990 to 16/10/1992 in my father army record.

I, Drisshti R Jain D/O Riicky Jaiin R/o # 1825, Sector 22 B, Chandigarh have changed my name from Drisshti R Jain to Drishti Jain.

I, Shakila Subedeen, residing at Village Bahlolpur, PO Village Bahlolpur, Bakkarwala (177), Sub Tehsil Partap Nagar, Distt Yamuna Nagar- 135021, Haryana, Ĭndia changed my name from Shakila to Sakila.

I Pinki Rani D/o Subhash Chand r/o ward no. 12, Cheeka tehsil Kaithal Guhla distt Haryana inform that I have changed my name from Pinki to Pinki Rani

I, Brijesh Kumar Yadav S/o Shree Ram Niwaj Yadav R/o 310 Preti Nagar, Hisar declare that I have changed my name from Brijesh Kumar Yadav to Brijesh Yadav for future purpose.

I, Manju Khanna W/o Parveen Khanna R/o 439, Sector 16, Hisar declare that I have changed my name from Manju Khanna to Manju Rani for future purpose.

Dani W/o Ram Kumar R/o VPO Gorchhi, Distt. Hisar declare that I have changed my name from Dani to Nanda Devi for future purpose.

I, Hemakshi D/o Sh. Pankaj Khurana R/o House No. 1845P, Sector 9-11, Hisar Haryana declare that I have changed my name Hemakshi Hemakshi Khurana for all future purpose.

I, Pankaj Khurana S/o Sh. Avinash Chander Khurana R/o House No. 1845P, Sector 9-11, Hisar Haryana declare that have changed the name of my minor son from Yojit to Yojit Khurana for all future purpose.

I Joginder Pal Son of Piaru Lal residence of Singhowal PO Village Tehsil Mukerian District Hoshiarpur have change my name from Joginder Pal to Joginder Singh.

I Nanudeen S/o Mohd. Sadik Resident of Village Chuharpur Kalan Sub Tehsil Partap Nagar Distt. Yamuna Nagar. I have change my name from Mohammad zarif Ansari Urf Nanudeen to Nanudeen

I, Islama, (Old Name, which is to be changed) Mohammad Aas Resident of Raipur (145) Shadipur Nagar Tehsil Jagadhri Yamuna (Haryana) have changed my name from Islama (old name) to Islaman (New

I, DAMNEET KAUR, wife of Paramveer Singh Narang R/o 367, ward no 19 Krishna Nagar Moga Punjab, 142001 declare that DAMNEET is my given name and KAUR is my surname

I, Sajan Kumar S/O Joginder Singh Village Singhowal PO Dagan Teh Mukerian Distt. Hoshiarpur, Punjab Pin- 144221 declare that my name is Sajan Kumar. Kumar is my Surname and Sajan is my given name concerned

I Rajeev Chauhan Son Of Sh Gajraj Singh, R/O-Shahzadpur, Naraingarh, Haryana-134202 Changed My Name From Chauhan Rajeev Kumar In All My Documents.

I Dangar Bhagirathbhai Harsurbhai, Harsurbhai R/o Mata No Vister, Gam-Sakhavadar, Bhavnagar, Gujarat, that declared daughter's name has been wrongly mentioned as Dangar Pratiksha in Army school records. Her correct name as per Aadhaar is Pratiksha Bhagirathbhai Dangar.

Dangar Bhagirathbhai Harsurbhai, S/o Harsurbhai R/o Mata No Vister, Gam-Sakhavadar, Bhavnagar, Gujarat, declare that my daughter's name Dangar Dhruvisha Bhagirathbhai is wrongly mentioned in Army school records, whereas her correct name as per Aadhaar is Dhruvisha Bhagirathbhai Dangar.

**I, Chavan** Tukaram Motiram, R/o Malegaon Post Jaipur, TQ Mantha, Dist. Jalna, Maharashtra, declare that my daughter's name is wrongly written as Chavan Divya in Army school records, whereas her correct name as per Aadhaar is Divya Tukaram Chavan.

INDALSING KAKARWAL F/O No. 8038204N, Rank: NK, KAKARWAL Name: GANESH INDALSING Residing at:- Village WADI PARDESHI Post Office JAFRABAD Tehsil JAFRABAD Distt. JALNA State Maharashtra pin 431206 That I have changed my name from INDALSING KAKARWAL (old\_name) to INDALSING FAKĪRCHÁND KAKARVAL (new name) That my date of birth is 12/08/1969. Hence the affidavit sworn before notary advocate Col. APS Chahal dated 11/12/25

I Naresh Nandal S/o Sh.Inder Singh Resident 1156/9 Ward 21 Gali no 1 Bhiend New Bus Stand Rohtak Uttam Vihar that I have Declare changed my daughter name from Garima to Garima Nandal.

I, Naveen Kumar S/o Khushiram R/o H. No. 20, Indra Colony, Near Daffodil High School, Gali No 03, Azad Nagar, Rajgarh Road, Hisar, Distt. Hisar declares that I have correct my daughter's name from Tanvi to Tanvi Yadav for future purpose.

I, Vicky Kumar Alias Vicky Yadav S/o Hori Lal R/o H.No. 9, Gali No.1 Ram Bali Chowk, Vishal Vihar, Batala Road. Amritsar, Punjab have changed my name from Vicky Kumar alias Vicky Yadav to Vicky Kumar.

I Rishi S/o Gurmail Singh R/o H.No 38, Gali No .12, Baba Deep Singh Colony, Bharar, Tehsil and Distt. Amritsar, Punjab have changed my name from Rishi to Rishi Singh.

I, Mohit S/o Sh. Rajesh R/o Village Bheri Akbarpur Tehsil Uklana Hisar District have Changed my name from Mohit to Mohit Kumar.

I, Baksho W/O Hari Krishan R/O Kharkuwal, Nawanshahr, SBS Nagar, Punjab-144518 changed my name to Gurbaksh Kaur.

I, Sandeep Kaur Uday D/O Gurmeet Singh Uday W/O Kulvinder Singh R/Ó House No-1743, LIG Phase 10 Mohali SAS Punjab-160062 Nagar, have changed my name to Geet Uday Saini.

I, Rita W/O Inderpal Singh R/O House No 1181, Street No 2 Ward 44, Vishkarma Puri, Ludhiana, Millerganj, Punjab-141003 have changed my name to Reeta. I, Purnema Malhotra

(Aadhaar 339496870439), W/o Sh. Ashish Malhotra, R/o H.No. 1085, Sector 5, Urban Estate Kurukshetra. Tehsi Thanesar, District Kurukshetra, have changed my name from Purnema to Purnema Malhotra.

I, hitherto Known as Lashmi wife of Gurbhej Singh residing at Village Sakhira Tarn Taran District Tarn Taran-143401 Punjab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Amandeep Kaur. I have changed only my name not my religion. I, hitherto Known as M

Aggarwal Alias Aggarwal M Alias Manju Aggarwal Alias Manju Alias Aggarwal Manju Daughter of Pran Nath Wife of Raj Kumar Gupta residing at H.No.40 A, Gobind Bhawan, Gali No.2, Gopal Nagar, Majitha Road, District Amritsar-143001 Punjab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Manju Gupta.

I, hitherto Known as Raj Alias Gupta D R R K Alias Dr Raj Kumar Gupta son of Amar Nath residing at H.No.40 A, Gobind Bhawan, Gali No.2, Gopal Nagar, Majitha Road, District Amritsar-143001 Punjab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Raj Kumar Gupta

I, hitherto Known as Kunal K Gupta alias Gupta K Kunal son of Raj Kumar Gupta residing at 40 A Gobind Bhawan, Gali Nagar, Gopal No.2, District Maiitha Road. Amritsar-143001 Punjab. Punjab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Kunal Gupta

I, Sunny Son of Ram Ji Lal residing at Awankhi Gate, Post Office District Dinanagar Gurdaspur , Punjab, India PIN- 143531 have changed the name of my minor daughter Akashvi aged 16 years and he shall hereafter be known as Kashvi.

I, hitherto Known as Winder Kaur wife of Gurmit Singh residing at VPO Harchowal Tehsil Batala District Gurdaspur-143527 Punjab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Ninder Kaur.

I, hitherto Known as Danish Son of Mukesh Kumar residing at Ward No.9 Hindu Mohalla VTC: Qadian PO Qadian Tehsil Batala District Gurdaspur-143516 Punjab have changed my name and Shall hereafter be known as Danish Narula

I, Mulik Kohli S/o Vinod Kumar R/o Near Lakir Sahib Gurudwara Fatehchak Deep Avenue, Tarn Taran have declare that Mulik is my Given name and Kohli is my Surname I, Nirmal Singh S/o

Jaswant Singh R/o Patti Balle Ki, Varpal Amritsar have declare that Nirmal is my Given name and Singh is my Surname

Davinder Saroop Singh H.No.1943/3, Gali Kambo Wali, Near Jallian Wala Lakkar Mandi, Bagh Amritsar have changed my name from Davinder to Davinder Kaur

I, Jodha Singh S/o Pal Singh R/o H.No.19, Kot Mitt Singh Mata Ganga Ji Nagar, Tarn Taran Road, Amritsar have changed my name from Jodha Singh Khahera to Jodha Singh

I, Harjit Kaur W/o Gurmeet Singh R/o H No 40, Near ITI Ward No 12 Patti, Tehsil Patti District Tarn Taran have changed my name from Harjit Kaur to Harjeet Kaur

S/o Mohinder Singh R/o H.No.108. East Mohan Nagar, Sultanwind Road. Amritsar have changed my name from Attenderjeet Singh to Attinder Jeet I, Hira Singh S/o

I, Attenderjeet Singh

Sucha Singh R/o H.No.366 Navi Abadi Faiz Pura Fgc Road Amritsar have changed my name to Heera Singh

I, Rajwinder W/o Piara Singh R/o H.No.F9/1515, Gali No.2, Tandon Nagar, Batala Road, Amritsar have changed my name Rajwinder from Rajwinder Concerned May Please Be Noted.

I, Harwinder Singh S/o Davinder Singh R/o H.No.95-96, 100ft Road, Sudarsnan ıvagar Sultanwind Road, Amritsar have changed my name from Harwinder Singh to Harvinder Singh

I. Harjit Singh Pannu S/o Gurdial Singh R/o VPO Mohan Bhandari Teh Ajnala Distt Amritsar have changed my name from Harjit Singh Pannu to Harjit Singh I, Harshit S/o Sandeep

Rehrian Wala, Dhapai, Amritsar have changed my name from Hasrhit to Harshit Kumar. Archana Rajiv kumar Singh W/o Rajiv Kumar, 4056-B, Customs

Colony, Sector -37C,

Kumar R/o 2569/D6,

Chandigarh, have changed name to Archana Singh I, Suresh Kumar S/o Jagdish Mishra R/o # 1222 45 Burail Sector Chandigarh, have changed my name to Suresh

I, Shivam s/o Suresh Mishra R/o # 1222 Sector 45 Burail Chandigarh have changed my name to Shivam Mishra.

I, Mahajan Kumar Das S/o Shri Satrudhan Dass R/o # 260 Pipliwala Town Manimajra Chandigarh have changed my name to Mahajan Das.

I, Mahabir s/o Tota Ram R/o # 190 Gali No 2 Shatri Nagar Manimajra Chandigarh have changed my name to Mahavir

I, Priya D/o Kunwar Pal Singh R/o # 860 Khuda Alisher Chandigarh have changed my name to Priya

I, Preeti w/o Sher Singh r/o # 1438/24 Sector 29-B Chandigarh have changed my name to Preeti Kaur

I, Preeti Kaur w/o Sher Singh r/o # 1438/24 Sector 29-B Chandigarh have changed my minor daughter's name from

Harsh Preet Kour to

Harshpreet Kaur I, Ram Samajh s/o Shyam Dhari r/o # 1734 Vikas Nagar Mauli Jagran Chandigarh have changed my name to Ram Samujh

I, Mamta Rani w/o Vijay Kumar r/o # 2493 Sector 24-C Chandigarh have changed my name to Payal Rani. I, Reshmi Rani W/o

Sh. Om Parkash R/o H.No. 2201, Block B, Beta IT City, Sector 66, Chajju Majra, PO Dharamgarh District S.A.S Nagar, Punjab-140306 I have changed my name from Reshmi Rani to Reshima Rani.

I, Laxman S/O Arjun Dass R/O Gali No. 10, Near Vikas High School. Aggarsain Colony, Sirsa Have Changed My Name From Laxman To Laxman

Army 14941555H Rank: Nk Name: Narendar Kumar Unit: 6 Mech Inf. C/o 56 APO, Resident of Kimoli, Chamoli, Uttarakhand 246455 have changed my Son's name from Sahdev Agarwal to Sahdev Kumar.

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# Punjab Cong Turmoil Deepens as Sidhu Secures Meeting with Priyanka; Warring Huddles with Leadership

MONIKA MALIK ■ Chandigarh

Mounting friction, parallel power plays, and rising distrust have pushed the Punjab Congress into a fullblown churn, with the party leadership scrambling for damage control even as key actors chart their own the As triggered by Congress leader and former MLA Dr Navjot Kaur Sidhu's explosive "Rs 500-crore for CM chair" remark continues to rage, the crisis has now pulled cricketer-turned-

politician Navjot Singh Sidhu and state unit president Amarinder Singh Warring into a frenetic round of firefighting in Delhi. The biggest development came with Navjot Sidhu managing to secure a signalled personal meeting with Priyanka Gandhi Vadra on The probe stemmed from

December 19 — a slot he had actively sought to present his case before the Congress takes any disciplinary action following allegations. Sidhu travelled to Delhi earlier as well, but the Parliament's heavy schedule kept senior leaders unavailable. For a leader who once thrived on highvoltage commentary, his current silence - no media interactions, no socialmedia outbursts fueled speculation that he is preparing for a decisive encounter with the high

command Meanwhile, the parallel pressure axis within the Punjab Congress is working at full throttle. Warring, also an MP from Ludhiana, is in Delhi for the Parliament session and held a series of strategy sessions

Punjab state affairs'incharge Bhupesh Baghel and the two co-incharges Suraj Singh Thakur and Ravinder Dalvi. The meetings, party insiders said, are aimed at assessing the damage caused by the ongoing factional drama formulating the state unit's response to whatever from Sidhu's

December 19 meeting. Congress displeased with the public meltdown in Punjab barely two years before the 2027 Assembly elections — has ordered a high-level inquiry into Dr Navjot Kaur's claims, with Bhupesh Baghel appointed inquiry head. The rest of the committee members have not yet been disclosed, but the gesture unmistakable seriousness from Delhi.

the uproar after Dr Navjot Kaur alleged that the Chief Minister's chair in Punjab goes to the one who "brings a Rs 500-crore briefcase" she attempted to qualify her words, her subsequent escalation accusing several senior Punjab leaders irresponsibility - pushed matters to a point where the state unit suspended her. The Sidhus retaliated by questioning the leadership of Warring, calling him unfit,

unethical, and corrupt. Warring has chosen restraint. After meeting Baghel at AICC headquarters this week, he fielded media questions on Dr Navjot Kaur's suspension with a clipped statement. "I do not want to interfere in who is

doing what. Once a matter has been concluded, there should be no further discussion," he said.

Party managers read this cautious tone as an attempt to avoid inflaming tensions ahead of Sidhu's upcoming meeting with Priyanka

Amid the churn, the state unit has already sent a detailed report to the Congress leadership on the conduct of the Sidhu couple. The report asserted that Dr Kaur's public allegations have "caused considerable damage" to the party. It added that Navjot Singh Sidhu himself has, for years, made statements diverging from the party line" or attacking senior leaders. Their absence from party programmes over the past four years contradicts claims marginalization, it added.

The report also pointed out the past tensions particularly the 2022 clash between Sidhu and the then Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi, documented earlier by the then in-charge Chaudhary contributed to electoral losses and continue to disrupt organizational coherence. The report emphasized that immediate disciplinary measures are essential to protect the party's credibility ahead of

Party insiders said that the report reflected growing within the frustration organization that repeated indulgence of high-profile emboldened dissent rather than strengthening the cadre.

The Congress leadership

# Punjab CM Cracks Down on Poor-Quality Road Works, **Orders Action Against Contractor During Surprise Checks**

**PNS** ■ Patiala

is also alarmed by the

timing of the crisis. With the

Aam Aadmi Party (AAP)

entrenched in the state and

the BIP aggressively courting

factions, internal implosions

are the last thing the party

can afford. Delhi believed

that left unchecked, the

current turmoil could dent

the party's 2027 prospects,

especially if the Sidhu family

decides to escalate further.

challenge is twofold -

tightening organizational discipline and projecting a

strong leadership profile,

even as public attention

remains fixated on the

Sidhus. His meeting with

deteriorating law-and-order

situation — the issue he

raised in the Lok Sabha also.

He flagged the rise in gang

wars, extortion, targeted

robberies, warning that both the AAP Government

and the Centre were "mute

observers widely expected

December 19 to set the

course for the Congress in

Punjab. Whether the high

command delivers stern

action, extends another

conciliatory gesture, or

attempts a negotiated truce

remains to be seen. But

what is clear is that the

party's Punjab unit stands at

a delicate crossroads — one

fraught with bruised egos,

competing ambitions, and a

leadership unwilling to

tolerate further public embarrassment. For now,

the Congress waits for

With Priyanka Gandhi's

spectators" to the crisis.

governance

particularly

killings, and

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scheduled,

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Punjab's

daylight

issues

Warring,

Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann Thursday sent a strong message across the state's construction ecosystem by halting payments and ordering a show-cause notice against a contractor after detecting lapses on an under-construction road in Patiala. The tough action came during a series of surprise inspections spread across Patiala and Fatehgarh Sahib — aimed at ensuring that every rupee of the state's massive roadbuilding programme delivers results on the

With Punjab undertaking largest-ever initiative, construction involving 44,920 kilometres of new and upgraded roads at a cost of Rs 16,209 crore, the Chief Minister said that would personally continue such checks to guarantee quality and protect public money. "This is taxpayers' money, and it must be utilized properly," Mann said firmly after sampling material at the Reetkheri Link Road site, where he found noncompliance with mandated weight parameters.

Angered by the lapse, he officials directed withhold the contractor's payments immediately and issue a show-cause notice.

The Chief Minister's sudden visits covered three key stretches — Reetkheri Link Road and the

Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD)

on Thursday requested Punjab State Election Commission (SEC) to extend

the polling hours from 7 am to 5 pm on December 14 to

participation in the Block

maximum

**PNS** ■ Chandigarh

Patiala-Sirhind Road in Patiala district, and the Rurki-Reona Plan Road in Fatehgarh Sahib. At each Mann reviewed ongoing work, ordered laboratory testing of materials, and signalled tolerance compromises

construction quality. He underlined that the broader purpose of the exercise was not punitive but corrective — ensuring that the unprecedented road-building push achieves durable, world-class results. "A huge sum is being invested. We must guarantee that only the best material goes into these roads," he said, adding that surprise inspections would become a routine feature. STATE'S BIGGEST-EVER ROAD

Mann highlighted that the government has taken up the most extensive road expansion effort in Punjab's history. By the end of next vear, the state aims to complete 44,920 kilometres of roads in villages, towns and cities — each covered five-vear under maintenance clause to ensure longevity and consistent quality.

A significant component of this mission is already underway. The government has constructed or begun constructing 19,373 kilometres of rural link roads costing Rs 4,092 crore. This work became even more critical after recent floods severely damaged connectivity in several areas. The ongoing projects advanced incorporate safety and durability features such as luminous lane markings, edge guides and improved signages.

Chief The Minister emphasized among coordination departments — including

(PWD), Urban Local Bodies and representatives from as sewerage lines, water laid well before new roads are built. This, he said, would prevent the common constructed roads being dug up repeatedly, saving both public money and public inconvenience.

Calling citizens "owners of the roads", Mann urged the public to monitor construction in their own localities. "People should oversee the work and bring any irregularity to the notice of the government. We will take the severest action against defaulters,' he assured.

Mann revealed that the Chief Minister's Flying Squad has been checking road quality across the state recommended cancellation of several contracts for use of substandard materials. He warned that contractors or government employees quality work would face

stringent punishment. Reiterating safeguarding funds, the Chief Minister said that no compromise would be tolerated. "We are duty-bound to ensure proper utilization of public

money. Not a single stone will be left unturned," he

## **Home Minister Amit Shah to visit** Haryana on Dec 24: CM Saini

PNS ■ New Delhi/Chandigarh

Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini, who met Union and Cooperation Home Minister Amit Shah on Thursday, said that Shah will visit Haryana on December 24. Home Minister will be the chief guest at the passing out parade of 5,000 newly recruited Haryana Police personnel," he added while interacting with the media persons after presiding over a meeting with the Members of Parliament from Haryana at Haryana Bhawan in New Delhi.

He said, "During the meeting, we held detailed discussions on the ongoing development works in the Lok Sabha constituencies of the MPs." He said that the State Government is undertaking development works in every sector. Continuous development activities are also underway in the Lok Sabha constituencies of the MPs. "We also discussed with all MPs about the demands related to their respective regions and deliberated on the development projects. The purpose of the meeting is to further accelerate development works so that the general public can reap maximum benefits from government schemes, he added.

Saini accused the opposition of spreading misinformation and failing to address real issues. He criticized the Congress party, stating that it has no constructive agenda. They don't have a single scheme that isn't mired in corruption, and their programs never take shape on the ground. Instead of spreading baseless allegations like vote rigging, they should present a clear vision for the country and focus on development. People do not take their claims seriously, Saini

## Haryana doctors' strike enters Day 4; Govt officials claim smooth health services in Hospitals

**PNS** ■ Chandigarh

Government doctors in Haryana continued their indefinite strike under the banner of the Haryana Civil Services Association (HCMSA) on the fourth day on Thursday, severely disrupting key healthcare services across

Despite the ESMA order banning strikes by doctors and health staff for six months, HCMSA members refused to relent, extending the strike indefinitely after asserting that one of their

key demands – the halt on SMO direct recruitment had only been partly conceded government, while the ACP issue remains unresolved. Outpatient departments (OPDs) at District Civil Hospitals, Community

Health Centres (CHCs) and primary health centres are functioning in a limited contingency deployments. Doctors, including some on hunger strike outside the Directorate of Services office in Panchkula, have reiterated their stance that normal duties will not resume until all legitimate

demands are met. Meanwhile, Panchkula Civil Surgeon Dr Mukta Kumar, claimed that despite the strike, patient care Panchkula such as the OPD, essential services continued to function as per the routine. Around 3500 OPD patients per day reported in various departments. The patients reported receiving timely consultations treatment, he claimed.

Samiti and Zila Parishad elections. In a request to the SEC. senior SAD leader Daljit Singh Cheema said that the present polling deadline between 8 am to 4 pm was woefully short. "The woefully short.

DRY DAY DECLARED ON DEC 14, THE POLL DAY IN PUNJAB As per the directions given by Punjab State Election

SAD requests SEC to extend deadline for holding Block Samiti and Zila Parishad polls

Commission, the state's Excise Commissioner Jitendra Jorwal on Thursday declared the poll day, December 14, 2025, as 'dry day', with effect from 00.00 hours on December 14, 2025, to 10 am on December 15, 2025, in the revenue estate of the villages falling in jurisdiction of the Zila Parishads and Panchayat Samitis of the state of Punjab.

restricted timings will farmers, and daily wagers exercising democratic right, ultimately reducing overall voter

Asserting that the SEC



Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini on Thursday met Prime Minister Narendra Modi in New Delhi. He expressed his gratitude to the Prime Minister for attending two major events-Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji and the International **Pioneer Photo** 

should try its utmost to

institution Cheema said: "Extending timings will also allow access to voting rights to all sections of society." He also called for implementation other safeguards including including posting of Observers and adequate security to ensure a free and

Panchayati

## SGPC slams registration of FIR in missing Guru Granth Sahib 'saroops' case

**PNS** ■ Amritsar

The Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee on Thursday dubbed the registration of an FIR in the 328 'saroops' Granth Sahib as a direct Amritsar challenge to the Akal Takht and an unwarranted interference administrative rights. Police on December 7 registered a case in Amritsar against 16 people, including SGPC's former chief secretary, in connection with disappearance of 'saroops' in 2020.

in a meeting of the executive committee of the apex gurdwara body here, SGPC president Harjinder

Singh Dhami said action regarding the 'saroops' had already been completed in accordance with directives of the Akal Takht. But the recent participation of ministers, the Punjab Assembly speaker, and directions to the police to reveals that government intentionally exploiting the matter for political gain", Dhami said. He said the issue concerning the sacred 'saroops' of the Guru Granth Sahib is not one of sacrilege or missing 'saroops', but rather misappropriation committed

# We will transform Himachal as prosperous state in next two years: CM Sukhu

PNS ■ Mandi/Shimla

Amid criticism from the opposition on accumulating debt, Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu on Thursday said he was compelled to take loans to pay installments of existing loans amounting Rs 75,000 crore.

Speaking at the Jan Sankalp rally in Mandi to mark the completion of three years of his government, Sukhu said financial debt, the 2023 monsoon disaster and the political crisis triggered by cross-voting in Rajya Sabha elections by Congress leaders were the top three challenges since he became chief minister.

Congress "The government was compelled to take loan to repay the installments of already existing loans as there was a loan liability of Rs 75,000 crore when he took charge. The programme was

organised in Mandi district, which was badly hit by the monsoon disaster, present reports government initiatives in the past three years and spell out the vision for the next two years. The Congress lost nine out of ten seats in Mandi district, the home



Opposition Jai Ram Thakur, in the 2022 assembly polls.

Sukhu claimed that his government has fulfilled a majority of the ten guarantees announced by the Congress ahead of the assembly polls. He listed the Pension Scheme, initiatives on milk and cow dung procurement and English medium education in government schools as some of the achievements in the last three years.

The chief minister alleged that the central government withheld Rs 1,600 crore of funds after the Congress government restored OPS in the state. Sukhu recalled that on his first day as CM, he announced government support for 6,000 children,

which included Rs 3 lakh for house construction, Rs 1 lakh for tuition and Rs 4,000 monthly pocket money, besides funds for higher education. Reacting to LoP Jai Ram

Thakur's remark that after the next state polls, the Congress MLAs would fit into a small "Alto car", Sukhu said the Congress would come back in a 52-seater Volvo bus. He took a dig at the previous BJP government for alleged corruption and irregularities in its transactions with private companies, including waive offs and "customised packages" for big industrialists.Congress in-charge for Himachal Pradesh Rajni Patil praised the government for its drive against drugs and becoming self-reliant and asserted that Congress would definitely return to power in 2027. "We are fighting the fight to safeguard the interests of the state and have not forgotten our guarantees and will fulfill them," said Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri. He also

spoke on eradicating 'chitta' -

- adulterated heroin -- abuse

in the state. Targeting the

Agnihotri said that funds

worth Rs 1,200 crore of Jal

Jeevan Mission have been

withheld, which is affecting

government,

central

the pace of development

The CM launched MyDeed portal, the Naksha scheme, digital Jamabandi module and also distributed benefits to beneficiaries of various flagship schemes of the present state government, a statement issued here said. He transferred Rs 50.63 lakh directly into the bank accounts of 401 beneficiaries under the Rajiv Gandhi Prakritik Kheti Khushal Kisan Yojana. A special relief assistance amounting to Rs 5.11 crore was also disbursed to disaster-affected families of Chamba, Hamirpur, Kangra, Lahaul-Spiti Sirmaur, Solan and Una districts.

He handed over symbolic keys of e-taxis to 25 beneficiaries under the Rajiv Gandhi Swarozgar start-up scheme and air tickets and visas to 21 youths selected for overseas employment. The CM also distributed e

vouchers to meritorious students under the Srinivasa Ramanujan Students Digital Scheme to purchase laptops, tablets and smartphones.A total of 8,450 toppers from Class 10 and 12, along-with final-year undergraduate students have received benefits under the scheme, the statement

# Haryana CM launches Phase II of Mukhyamantri Antyodaya Parivar Utthan Yojana

**PNS** ■ Chandigarh

Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini, while launching Mukhyamantri Antyodaya Parivar Utthan Yojana-2.0 on Thursday, inaugurated the state-level Antyodaya Utthan Mela in Sonipat. Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister said that government

committed to improving the living standards of the poorest families. The families. The . Antyodaya Mela is not just a to information about schemes, but a confluence of development, participation, and enthusiasm. The hope on the faces of every family here is the true measure of our efforts, he said.

Saini explained that the scheme has been started to increase the income of poor families and provide them with equal opportunities, development, employment, dignity, and better living standards. In the first phase, Antyodaya Melas were organized at 166 locations, and in the second phase, these fairs will be held across the state in a increase the annual income phased manner.

He said that the strength of any society lies in the strength of its families. Educated and empowered families automatically lead the state towards prosperity. Our government ensures that the benefits of all schemes reach every eligible person without discrimination or delay, the

Chief Minister said. Saini added that the scheme focuses developing the capabilities of families through loans, training, development, helping them become self-reliant. This initiative provides new opportunities employment, selfemployment, education, and health. Services from departments such pensions, BPL, ration cards, self-employment loans, women's empowerment, agriculture, and animal husbandry are being offered on the spot. Eligible

beneficiaries are provided

their problems.

immediate solutions to He further said that the government aims to

of the poorest families to at least Rs 1,80,000 under this scheme. Families are being linked to loan schemes, skill development programs, daily wage employment opportunities, and other facilities. The scheme integrates 49 programs from 19 departments, and a dedicated portal has been created information, criteria, benefits, and online application facilities.

Saini said that the state government committed empowerment of women. Referring to the Deendayal Lado Lakshmi Yojana, he said the scheme was economic and social security to security to women. So far, Rs 258 crore has been disbursed to over 7 lakh women and girls in two installments, he added. **ALLOCATES FLATS AND HANDS** 

OVER KEYS TO 509 EWS **BENEFICIARIES** 

On this occasion, Saini also allocated flats to 509 beneficiaries from the Economically Weaker

EWS Housing Scheme and handed over keys to 20 people on the spot. The beneficiaries included 16 nomadic families, 79 widowed women, 186 Scheduled Caste families, 156 families with an income of less than Rs. 1 lakh, and 72 families with an income of less than Rs. 1.40 lakh. A waiting list of 127 applicants was also released. The Chief Minister also

launched the official logo of Sonipat district, designed by 20 government school students under guidance of Rupendra Punia, APC of the Education Department. The logo reflects Sonipat's rich heritage and features elements representing its history from Mahabharata era, sports and athletes, mushroom, wheat and rice production, the automobile sector, educational institutions and sports university, Asia's largest Gannaur vegetable market, NH-44, the famous dhabas of Murthal, and the sacred Yamuna River flowing through the

PUBLIC NOTICE I is notified for the general public that following person has applied for ransfer of Flat/ share/ transfer of Lease deed rights as under: Name of Applicant/ On the Allottee/Owner & Floor basis Sml. Narinder Kaur W/o Late Sh. H.S. Bajwa S/o 1544. A. Nominee Sh. Hargurmeet Singh Bajwa Sh. Piara Singh 1st Floor

LOST & FOUND Krishna, s/o Saptar, r/o Bhunna, Tehs uhla, District Kaithal, have declare tha ounne, unstrict nathret, nave declare that my property Sale deed number 2460, fated 03.10.2023, was fost by me on 20.11.2024 in the village of Bhunna. Already registered police complain DDR No. 130080162500912 has been filed subthat Police Station, Anyone who finds this iale deed is requested to inform me at the liven above mentioned address/ contact. given above mentioned address/ conta Ph.No. 8816983032.

Note: Submit Objections, if any, in writing within 30 days of publication o his notice before the undersigned along with documentary evidence Secretary, Pushpac First (I) Sector 49-B, Chandigarh

FICICI Bank Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd First Floor, MC International, The Mall. Mall Road Amritsar- 143001 PUBLIC NOTICE-TENDER CUM E-AUCTION FOR SALE OF SECURED ASSET

[See proviso to Rule 8(6)]

Notice for sale of immovable asset(s)

E-Auction Sale Notice for the sale of immovable asset(s) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

This notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ICICI Bank Limited will be sold on 'As is where is', 'As is what is' and 'Whatever there is' as per the brief particulars given hereunder;

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Loan Account No.	Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any	Amount Outstanding	Reserve Price Earnest Money Deposit	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Date & Time of E-Auction
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
1.	Navjot Singh (Applicant), Gayatri (Co-Applicant) Lan No. LBJAL00005706833	House No. 14-B, Measuring 1 Marla 188 Sq. Ft.(395 Sq. Ft.) (Marla=207 Sq. Ft.), Comprised In Khata No. 369/391, Khasra No. 396, 397, 398, As Per Jomobandi Year 2017-2018, Situated At Abadi Lasuri Mohalla, Basti Danishmandan, Tehsil & District Jalandhar, Punjab- 144002. Standing In The Name of Gayatri W/o Navjot Singh Vide Sale Deed Wasika No. 2021 22/1871/5615, Dated 01/10/2021. (Admeasuring An Area of 1 Marla 188 Sq. Ft. (395 Sq. Ft.)	11,67,301/-, As on 05-12-	Rs. 10,50, 000/- Rs. 1,05, 000/-	December 22, 2025 From 01:00 PM To 02:00 PM	Jonuary 19 ,2026 From 11:00 AM To 12:00 Noon

The online auction will be conducted on the website (URL Link-https://disposalhub.com). of our auction agency M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited. The Mortgagors/ Noticees are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest by January 17, 2026 before 05:00 PM else the secured asset(s) will be solid as per schedule. The prospective bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at ICICI Bank Ltd First Floor, Mc International, The Mall Mall road Amritsar 143001. on or before January E) at ICICI Bank Ltd First Floor, Mc International, The Mall, Mall road Amritsar 143001. on or before January 17, 2026 before 05:00 PM. Thereafter, they have to submit their offer through the website mentioned above on or before January 17, 2026 before 05:00 PM along with the scanned image of the Bank acknowledged DD towards proof of payment of EMD. In case the prospective bidder(s) is/ are unable to submit his/ her/ their offer through the website, then the signed copy of tender documents may be submitted at ICICI Bank Ltd First Floor, Mc International, The Mall Mall road Amritsar 143001 on or before January 17, 2026 before 05:00 PM. Earnest Money Deposit DD/PO should be from a Nationalised/ Scheduled Bank in favour of 'ICICI Bank Limited'

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property.
The Authorised Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons.
For detailed Terms and Conditions of the sale, please visit www.icicibank.com/n4p4s

Authorized C Date: December 12, 2025 Authorized Officer

E-AUCTION

and anybody having claim or claiming any pri rights or interest in any manner in this proper

Amit Kumar Mehta ADVOCATE ,DABWALI Chamber no.30 Ph.no. -9355477007

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Public Notice it hereby informs to general public at large that Seen Kumar son of Javahar Lal son of Kartar Chand rio V. Chuhriwala Dhana Distt. Fazalka (PB) Now Ward no, 20,Gali No. 7 Javahar Singh Nagar, Mandi Datwali . Tehsii Datwali . Distt. Sirsa has avail Secured loan from Capital Local

Irisa has, avail Secured loan from Capital Local Area Sank Ltd. have its branch office at Dabwall on their Residential Property As Per Sale Deed : Property Area measuring 0k-1-2/5 Marla being 17/860 share of 6k-12 marla comprising in Khewat no.189 Khantoni no.385 Khasra no. 695/272/14 (6-12) vide sale deed no. 2885 dt. 24.09.2019 & Jamabandi for the year 2017-2018 & mutation no.20726 situated at Dabwall in the Sale deed no. 286 has a market on the sale deed no. 286 has a market of the sale deed no. 286 has a market of the sale deed no. 286 has a no. 286 khatoni no.20726 situated at Dabwall [6-42]. That the previous Original sale deed no. 4789 Date 18.03.2019 SR Dabwall infevour Shankar Bansal son of Dalip Chand son of Mohan Lal has been lost A Police Report has also been registered in this regard vide No. 132650022501090 in online portal of Haryana Police. If anybody found the said lost document, then may contact to undersigned and anybody

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

सिडिकेट Syndicate **SALE NOTICE** 

CANARA BANK Recovery & Legal Section Regional Office Panipat-132103, Ph. 0180-4088335, Mob: 74969-18312, EMAIL: ropptrec@canarabank.com

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

SALE NOTICE OF MOVABLE / IMMOVABLE ASSETS UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 UNDER RULES 6(2), 8(6) & 9 OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described movable / immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Canara Bank will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" in Eauction arranged by the service provider M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (BAANKNET). Contact No. 7046612345/ 6354910172/ 8291220220/ 9892219848/ 8160205051, Email:support.baanknet@psballiance.com

## LAST DATE OF RECEIPT OF EMD IS 13.01.2026 UPTO 5:00 P.M.

# DATE OF E-AUCTION IS 15.01.2026 (12:30 PM TO 1:30 P.M)

(with unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration each till the conclusion of the sale)

Sr No.	Branch Name/Name & Address of the Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)	Brief Description of Movable / Immovable Property/les	Total Liabilities as on specified Date	Price (in Rs.)	Deposit (EMD) (in Rs.)	IFSC CODE Possession notice
01	Branch Authorized Officer	House having an area measuring 50 sqr. Yrds, which	demand notice dated	Rs. 21,00,000/-	Rs. 2,10,000/-	209272434 CNRB0003019
Ш	Chian Control (Section and Assessment	in the limit of M.C. Panipat	POSSESSION			
Ш	Gunta 4 Near Hali Park, Weavers	vide sale deed vasika no. 199 under: North : 17'-15", Proper	00 dated 17.00.2010 16	gistered with	Sub Registrar Pet East: 25'-6",	anipat and bounded as Property of other owner

Vinod Kumar Gupta S/o Datta West: 25'-6", Part of House of Smt. Poonam Rani CERSAI SECURITY INTEREST ID: 400036712460 Ram Gupta H No 6b Saraswati Vihar Near Hali Park Panipat 132103

Canara Bank: Baraut Branch (18279), Plot measuring 112,22 sq yds. Total liabilities as per

Authorised Officer:

Sh. Sanjay Kumar Bagai, (M) 7498918312, share out of total land me as uring 2k-10m, comprised in khewat no.

1. M/s N D Shivaay Hp Gas SYMBOLIC 1. M/s N D Shivaay Hp Gas 132/128, khala no. 152, rect, & killa no. 27//7/1(2-10) according to sale deed no. 2685 dated 30.09.2015 at Service House No 160/9 Shastri Present khewat no. 141/132/1, khala no. 161 as per jamabandi for the years 2016-17 & vide mutation no. 6209 dated 28.03.2016 having dimensions east side 16 ft., west side approx.. 19 ft. north side 54.3 ft. and south 72 131101. 2. Sh. Lalit Kumar ft. situated in the revenue estate of Village baraut, tehsil Ganaur, District Sonepat. Boundries as under East: (partner) S/o Sh Rattan Singh H Bega road ahead of village Roshanpur, West: Land of others North: Land of others South: Land of other

No 122 Ward No 11 Nehru CERSAID: 400079643224 Colony, Rohtak - 124001. 3. Sh. Mamta (partner) W O Naveen Kumar R O H No 179 A Ward No 9 Mandir Mohalla Ganaur Sonipat - 131101. 4. Sh. Navin Kumar (guarantor) S/o Shri Suresh Kumar H No 160/9 Behind Jain School Shastri Nagar, Ganaur Sonipat - 131101.

Canara Bank: Baraut Branch (18279), Authorised Officer: Sh. Sanjay Kumar Bagai, (M) 7496918312, E-mail : cb18312@canarabank.com

Plot measuring 5M i.e. about Total liabilities as per 209272434 150 sqr. Yrds. Which is 1/32 demand notice dated share of 8K-0M of land with 02.09.2025 2,82,300/-CNRB0018279 khewat no 622, which is part of Rs.15,90,840.79/- plus further interest & other Killa no. 12//16/1 and 16//2/1, charges (minus recovery, if any) SYMBOLIC POSSESSION 1. Sh. Satish S/o Raghubir Singh with dimension east to West: 34 feet and North to South: 41 feet situated in the revenue estate of Ganaur with H No 363 /1 Ward No 1 Subhash in M.C. Ganaur vide sale deed no. 2773 dated 29.10.2018 and Bounded as under:East: Plot of Others, West:

Colony Ganaur, Dist. Sonipat - Street 16 feet wide and door of the Plot, North Street 18 feet, South: Plot CERSARI Ref No. 200096392812 131101. 2. Smt. Kanta W/o Satish Kumar H.no. 363/1 Subhash Colony Ganaur, Sonipat - 131101. 3. Sh. Anil Kumar S/o Raghbir Singh (guranator) Vill Garhi Jhanjara Ganaur Sonipat - 131101

Other terms and conditions:

Date :- 11.12.2025

a) The property is being sold with all the existing and further encumbrances whether known or unknown to the bank. The Authorized officer/Secured Creditor shall not be responsible in any way for any third party claims/rights/dues. The purchaser should conduct due diligence on all aspects related to the property to his satisfaction. The bidder are advised to in their own interest to satisfy themselves with the title and correctness of others details pertaining to the secured assets including the size/area of the immovable secured asset in question and also ascertain any other dues/liabilities/encumbrances from the concerned authorities to their satisfaction before submitting the bid. The purchaser shall not be entitled to make any claim against the authorized officer/Secured Creditors in this regard at a later date.

b) Auction / bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website https://www.indianbankeauctions.com. Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings.

c) The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorized Officer on the dates mentioned in Sale Notice.

d) The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during e) EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (BAANKNET) portal directly or by

generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challar

f) After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before 13.01.2026 upto

5.00 p.m. to Canara Bank, Branch by hand or by email.

I) Demand Draft/Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT, acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No. ii) Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank

at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount. iii) Bidders Name, Contact No., Address, E-Mail Id. iv. Bidder's A/c. details for online refund of EMD.

g) The intending bidders should register their names at portal https:BAANKNET and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E- auction from the service provider BAANKNET, (Contact No. 8291220220/ 9892219848/ 8160205051, Support.baanknet@psballiance.com). h) EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD shall not carry any interest.

submits the highest bid (above the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor. j) The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful

i) Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiplies of Rs.10,000/- The bidder who

bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorized Officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again. For sale proceeds of Rs.50.00 Lakhs (Rupees Fifty Lakhs) and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at the rate 1% on the Sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the Bank. k) All charges for conveyance, stamp duty / GST, registration, NDC charges etc., as applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only.

I) The successful Bidder is liable to pay all society dues, municipal taxes / panchayat taxes / electricity/ water charges / other charges, duties and

**PLACE: PANIPAT** 

taxes whatsoever, including outstanding, if any, in respect of and/or affecting the subject property. m) Authorized Officer reserves the right to postpone / cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the e-auction without assigning any reason thereof

n) In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the e-auction, they can approach CANARA BANK Recovery & Legal Section Regional Office Panipat-132103, Ph. 0180-4088335, Mob. 7496918312, EMAIL: ropptrec@canarabank.com as a

facilitating centre STATUTORY 30 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002

## Corrigendum

the advertisement for Dhruv Agritechnologies Private Limited olished on page 5 of The Pioneer (Chandigarh Edition) dated Thursday December 11, 2025, the company name was incorrectly printed as Mankind Agritech Private Limited (Blue Sure) The correct name is Dhruy Agritechnologies Private Limited. The error is regretted.

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

NO. HBH/EM/PKL/2025/4444 DATE: 09-12-2025 Sub:- Transfer of Flat NO. 112, Type-A, GHS-2 Housing Board Colony, Sector-31, Panchkula Haryana in the name (s) of Chander Kanta W/o Ramphal Khatkar R/O H.No.- 118, Hanuman Nagar, Ward NO.-19, Narwana, Jind, Haryana-126116 on th basis of general transfer Ms. Yogita D/o Sh. Ramesh Kumar R/o 51, Barsat. Saini Mohalla Gharaunda, Kamal, Haryana living intestate property.

Police. If anybody found the said lost document, then may contact to undersigned and anybody having claim or claiming any prior rights or interest in any manner in this property or has raised Objection by depositing the aforesaid document to any person I bank I corporation I financial institution may approach the undersigned and submit objection within 7 days from the date of this public notice. After the exploy of period of this public notice. After the exploy of period of this public notice. It is notified for the information of the general from the date of this public notice. After the expiry of period of this, no claim shall be entertained and such claim shall be deemed to be faise, faixe, frivolous, fraudulent and baselend claim and shall have no value in the eyes of faw, Amit Kumar Mehta ADVOCATE, DABWALI public and all concerned with the property No. Flat NO. 112, Type-A, GHS-2, Housing Board Colony, Sector-31, Panchkula Haryana which stands in the name of Ms. Yogita D/o Sh. Ramesh Kumar R/o 51, Barsat, Saini Mohalla Gharaunda, Kamal, Haryana as per record of this office.

It has been reported by the applicant (s) Ms

Public Notice:
It hereby informs to general public at large that Sarita Jindal wife of Vikas Jindal son of Hem Raj rio R/o Mandi Dabwali Tehsil Dabwali Distt. Sirsa has avail Secured loan from Capital Local Area Bank Ld, have its branch office at Dabwali on their Residential Property As Per Sale Deed:
Property area measuring 151.66 sq yrd (21 feet X 65 Feet) bering Property UID no. WD/D2/229 as per assessment register year 2010-11 to 2014-15 Page no. 60 of 266 ward no. 2 Sr. no. 0234 vide sale deed no. 1771 dated 30.06.2017 situated at ward no.02, Mandi Dabwali . Tehsil Dabwali within the limit of M.C.Dabwali as per Assessment Register Now new UID NO. 3MK/RW/Q7. That the previous Original transfer deed no. 6255 dated 24.02.2016 SR Dabwali Infevour Promila wite of Raj kumar son of Hans raj has been lost. A Police Report has also been registered in this regard vide No. 13339/14/250407. Yogita D/o Sh. Ramesh Kumar R/o 51, Barsat, Saini Mohalla Gharaunda, Karnal, Haryana was the owner of this property applied for General Transfer on 21.11.2025 have applied for the General transfer for the said property in his/her name on the basis of documents of General Transfer Policy Chander Kanta W/o Ramphal Khatkar R/O H.No.- 118, Hanuman Nagar, Ward No.-19, Narwana, Jind, Haryana-126116. If any, body have any objection for the General has also been registered in this regard vide No. 132380142500407 in online portal of Haryana Police. If anybody found the said lost document, then may contact to undersigned

transfer of the said property in favour of the Chander Kanta W/o Ramphal Khatkar R/O H.No.-118, Hanuman Nagar, Ward No.-19, Narwana, Jind, Harvana-126116 they may furnish their objection in writing in the office of the undersigned within 30 days from the date ights or interest in any manner in this property in has raised Objection by depositing the foresaid document to any person / bank / orporation / financial institution may approach he undersigned and submit objection within 7 ays from the date of this public notice. After he expiry of period of this no claim shall be intertained and such claim shall be deemed to be false. false, frivolous, fraudulent and of publication of this notice, failing which, this property shall be transferred accordingly and no further claim whatsoever, shall be

Housing Board Haryana, Panchkula

Estate Manager

ESTATE OFFICE, U.T., CHANDIGARH BEFORE SH. NAVEEN, DANICS, ASSTT. ESTATE OFFICER, U.T., CHANDIGARH. ect:: Transfer of Ownershi

respect of RESIDENTIAL Site No. 1082. SECTOR 36-C, Chandigarh (RPD 15865) to the extent of 100,00% share on the basis of Registered Will of Late BHUPINDER KAUR. It is notified for the information of ge

and all concerned that as per record of this office Sh./Smt. BHUPINDER KAUR is the owner/lesser of RESIDENTIAL Site No. 1082, SECTOR 36-C Chandigarh to the extent of 100,00 % Share. It has been informed by HARPREET SINGH tha Sh./Smt. BHUPINDER KAUR expired

24/01/2025 and he/she/they has/have als imated the following legal heirs of the decease Name of Legal Heir | Relation with No. deceased

1. HARPREET SINGH GRANDSON

2. RAVINDER KAUR DAUGHTER (Decease

Now, HARPREET SINGH has/have applied for the Transfer of Ownership in respect Chandigarh, to the extent of 100.00 % Share he by Late BHUPINDER KAUR in his/hor/the favour, on the basis of Registered Will date 26/07/2021, if anybody has any information abo any other legal heir(s) of the deceased other than mentioned above, the same may be intimated to the Estate Officer, U.T., Chandigarh, immediately. If anybody has any objection upon the mutation of the said share in the said property, in favour of the above named applicants, he/she/they may furnis the same in writing (supported with affidavit duly indesigned within 30 days from the date of nuclesigned within 30 days from the date of sublication of this notice, failing which the said share in the said property will be mutated accordingly in the name of above said fies and no further claim whatsoer Il be entertained at any later stage.

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

## PUBLIC NOTICE I, Rajni Bola wife of Parmod Kurnar Resident if J7-9 Near NTC school Rajpura give notice of the public that the chain of title I.e. previous sale deed bearing vasika no. 3827 dated 01/10/ 2010 of D6-173 property measuring 03-30/50 Biswas (I.e. 180 Sq Yards) situated at Madhuban Bir Rajpura Tehsil Rajpura District Patiala has been lost by me for which DDR no. PUBLIC NOTICE iblic is informed that I, Ankit S/o Sh

Patiala has been lost by me for which DDR no 657732 dated 11/12/25 has been lodged at P. 5

sol/32 dates 11/12/25 has been lodged at P. 5 Gity Rajpura. I want to mortgage my share of property with State Bank of India RACPC Patiala (Code B1078) Moli Road, Patiala for availing House Ioan. If anybody has any objection on the said property He/she my contact 0175-2395624 2392128, sbl.81078 @sbl.co.in within 15 days of this notice and no dispute will be accepted after this period

dispute will be accepted after this peri-

Bijender R/o Deorar (24), Dsitt, Jind my e deed No. 7259 dated 06-10-2008 inked with my original sale deed has een lost in Rohtak on dated 03-11 2025. It's police's report no. is 132370622500969. If anyone found this slease inform on my following address nd also contact below mention address:

District Courts Rohtak, Mob.No. 9813044238.

## NAME CHANGE

. Usha Arora W/o Sh. Devinder R/o No. 1096, Ward No. 23, DLF Colony, Rohtak, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare That in my old Aadhar Card my name is mention as Usha and in my New/Updated Card my name is mention as Usha Arora.That the above mention my names Usha and Usha Arora are same name and same person i.e. the deponent. That the above facts are true and correct. Deponent

## SMFG India Home Finance Co. Ltd.

Grihashakti Corporate Off.: 503 & 504, 5" Floor, G-Block, Insipre BKC, BKC Main Road, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (E), Mumbai- 400051
Regd. Off.: Commerzone IT Park, Tower B, 1st Floor, No. 111, Mount Poonamaliee Road, Porur, Chennai – 600116, TN SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE OF 30 DAYS FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSETS UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 READ WITH PROVISION TO RULE 8(6) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the Public in General and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below listed nmovable properties ("Secured Assets") mortgaged / charged to the Secured Creditor, the Possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of SMFG India Home Finance Co. Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as SMHFC) ("Secured Creditor"), will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" on the date and time mentioned herein below, for recovery of the dues mentioned herein below and further interest and other expenses thereon till date of realization, due to SMHFC Secu Creditor from the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) mentioned herein below.

SI. No.	Name of the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s) LAN	Description of the Properties	Reserve Price : Earnest Money Deposit :	Date & Time of E-Auction	Date of EMD Submission
i	Lan No 609939511320300 1. Rohtash Arora,	'All the piece and parcel of the Property House Measuring 6-1/2 Marle Which Is 13/346 Share of Total Land 8 Kanal 13 Marle, Comprised In Khewat No. 1159, Khatauni No. 1661, Khasra No.	Rs. 48,50,000/-	20.01,2026	
1.	S/o. Harish Kumar  2. Shaveta, W/o. Rohtash Arora  3. Sunny, S/o. Harish Kumar	2270(8-13), Jamabandi For The Year 2015-16, Hb No-54, Situated At Muktsar-1, Tehsil & District-Muktsar Safiib As Per Transfer Deed Bearing Wasika No. 2018-19/53/1/823 Dated 28-9-2018 Recorded In The Name Of Rohtash Arora & Sunny S/O Harish Kumar, Bounded As Under:- Front Side: Gall, Back Side: Bunty Bhushan, One Side: Batra, Second Side: Pawan Kumar."	Rs. 4,85,000/-	at 11.00 AM to 01.00 PM	19.01.2026
		"All The Piece And Parcel of The Property Measuring 135 Sq Yards Being 135/9408 Share of Total Land Measuring 15 Kanal 11 Marla, Comprised in Khasra No. 7537/15-11, Khewat	Rs. 25,50,000/-		
2.	Lan No 615339211648183 1. Vinod Kumar, 5/o. Uttam Chand 2. Rajni Bala,	No. 595, Khatauni No. 1159, Jamabandi For The Year 2019- 20, Agwar Chilla, Situated At Dogar Basti, Above Gall No. 12, Backside Police Line, Faridkot As Per Sale Deed Bearing Wasika No. 2022-23/42/1/1794 Dated 3-11-2022 Recorded In The Name Of Vinod Kumar S/O Uttam Chand. Bounded As Under:- East: Residential House, West: Street, North: Residential House, South: House Of Rahul."	Rs. 2,55,000/-	20.01.2026 at 11.00 AM to 01.00 PM	19.01.2026
- 1	Lan No 615338011292345 &		Rs. 29,90,000/-		
3.	615338311292497  1. Kulwant Kaur, W/o. Veer Singh (Co-Borrawer) (Through Legal Heir Of Deceased Vira Singh)  2. Sandeep Singh (Co-Borrawer) (Through Legal Heir Of Deceased Vira Singh)  3. Gagandeep Singh, (Through Legal Heir Of Deceased Vira Singh)	"All the piece and parcel of the Property Residential House Measuring 150 Sq Yards I.e. 00 Kanal 05 Martas, Which Is Land Measuring 00 Kanal 01-1/2 Marta Which Is 3/608 Share of Land Measuring 15 Kanal 4 Martas, Comprised In Khasra No-7656(15-4) And Land Measuring 00 Kanal 3-1/2 Martas Which Is 7/1328 Share of Land Measuring 33 Kanal 04 Martas, Comprised In Khasra No-7657(16-0), 7658(16-0), 1030/765(1-4), Situated At Aghwar Chilla, Faridkot, Tehsil & District-Fardikot As Per Sale Deed Bearing Wasika No. 1620 Dated 26-6-2001 Recorded In The Name Of Vira Singh Sto. Lebh Singh. Bounded As Under:- East: Ranjit Singh, West: Passage, North; Ranjit Singh, South: Sukhchain Singh."	Rs. 2,99,000/-	20.01.2026 at 11.00 AM to 01.00 PM	19.01.2026
		"All the Piece and Parcel of the Commercial Property bearing 1 Marla 7-1/2 Sarsai total 145 Kanal 12 Marle Ka 33/52416	Rs. 8,10,000/-		
4.	Lan No 615339511542966 1. Jagdev Singh, S.O. Fakir Singh 2. Jasveer Kaur, S.O. Fakir Singh	Hissa, Comprised in Khewat No. 933, Khataurii No. 1392, Mustili 68 Killa No-1/2/1(2-15), 10/2(3-0), 11/2(1-15), 20/1(1-3), 21/2(1-13), 22/1(0-14), Mustil 69 Killa No-5/2(5-11), 6(8-0), 13(8-0), 14(8-0), 15(8-0), 16/1(7-19), 17(8-0), 18(8-0), 23(8-0), 24(8-0), 25/2(7-3), 26(1-5), Mustil 85 Killa No. 2/2(4-9), 3(8-0), 4(8-13), 5/1(4-3), 6/2/2(5-15), 7/2(3-15), 8/1/1(0-1), Mustil 86 Killa No-1/2/2(2-14), 2/1(7-2), Jamabandi for the year 2019-20, Situated at Village-Tatwandi Bhai, Tehsil and District-Ferozepur as per Sale deed bearing Wasika No. 2023-24/118/1/555 dated 23-8-2023 recorded in the name of Jagdev Singh S/o. Faqir Singh. Bounded as Under:- East: Gagandeep Kaur, West: Gagandeep Kaur, North: Rasta, South: Semnala."	Rs. 81,000/-	20.01.2026 at 11.00 AM to 01.00 PM	19.01.2026
		"All The Piece And Parcel Of The Property House No. 11, Measuring 50 Sq Yards, Comprised In Khewat/Khatauni No.	Rs. 16,80,000/-		
5.	Lan No 610239211635016 1. Mohd Islam, C/o. Mohd, Imran 2. Shahnaj Mohd Imran	, C/o. 22, HB No. 33, Situated At New Prem Colony, Near Dhillon Colony, Tehsil & District-Patiala As Per Sale Deed Bearing Wasika No.		20.01.2026 at 11.00 AM to 01.00 PM	19.01.2026

following link website address (https://BidDeal.in and https://www.grihashakti.com/pdf/E-Auction.pdf) The Intending Bidders can also contact: Hanuwant Singh, on his Mob. No. 8005968270, E-mail: Hanuwant.Singh@grihashakti.com and Mr. Niloy Dey, on his Mob. 9988898312, E-mail: Niloy.Dey@grihashakti.com

Place: Muktsar Sahib / Faridkot / Ferozepur / Patiala, Punjab Date: 09.12.2025

SMFG INDIA HOME FINANCE CO. LTD.

BRANCH OFFICE: JINDOWAL, GARHSHANKAR ROAD, BANGA (50196) DISTRICT S.B.S. NAGAR (PB)

will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is", as per the brief particulars given hereunder,

No. 81min, 82 Min, Khasra No. 15/23-20/3 Khatta

No.173/184, Jamabandi Teh & Distt. Ludh

January January January 06, 2026 13, 2026 12, 2026

05:00 PM

11:00 AM 02:00 PM Before

O SBI

It is informed to the general public or interesting person/ parties that public auction/sale of the following 23.12.2025 by State Bank of India, Jindowal Branch from 12.00 Noon to 02.00 pm.

Reserve Price Date, Time and Name of the /Borrower Vehicle Make & Model EMD Place of Auction MARUTI SUZUKI INDIA LTD, having Registration No. PB-32-W-8827, nderjeet Bhatia S/o Sh. Ram Pal, R/o 23.12.2025 Rs. 1.14,800/ Engine No. D13A-3041011, Chasis No. MA3FHEB1S00C63979, Nawangran PO. Saroya, Tehsil AT 12:00 Noon Balachaur, District S.B.S Nagar-144504. Model: MARUTI SWIFT VDI BS IV-SMRDAV1 TO 02:00 PM

The Vehicle can be inspected by the prospective tenderers for which they may contact at mobile No. 9914215528 & 9464861370. The interested party has to deposit EMD @10% of the bidding Amount in the shape of DD in favour of State Bank of India, Jindowal Branch on or before 22.12.2025 up to 12.00 NOON. Any person who has not deposited the EMD as aforesaid will not be permitted to participate in the auction. The successful tenderer will be required to deposit the 25% of the sale price within 24 hours declaration that his bid is the highest, after adjusting the EMD paid already. The balance amount 75% of the sale price is to be paid within 15 days of the confirmation of the sale. If failed to pay the balance amount, the deposited 25% & 10% amount will be forfeited. The delivery of Vehicle will be made after receiving of the full payment. The undersigned is free to change or to cancel the auction without assigning any reason. The Bank shall not be responsible for any error / omission in this proclamation. In case there is any holiday, the tenders will be opened on next working day. For detail information of vehicle and terms & conditions of the auction the prospective tenderer may contact No. 9914215528 and 9464861370.

PICICI Home Finance | Corporate Office: ICICI Home Finance Company Limited ICICI HFC Tower, Andheri-Kurla Road, Andheri (East), Mumbai-400059, India Branch Office: 2nd Floor, R.K. complex, Dalhousie road, Pathankot- 145001, Branch Office: 1st Floor, SCO-146-147, Feroze Gandhi Market, Ludhiana -141001 [See proviso to rule 8(6)] Notice for sale of immovable assets

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Possessionof which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of ICICI Home Finance Company Ltd.

Sr. Name of Borrower(s)/
No. Co Borrowers/
Guarantors/
Legal Heirs.
Loan Account No. Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, Reserve Price Time of Earnest Property Money Inspection Date & Time of Auction One Day Before Auction Date Stage wita encumbra if any nding (F) (H) (I) Symbolic (B) (C) (E) Rs. 12,36 441.64/-Rs. 27,26, January January January 06, 2026 13, 2026 12, 2026 Hb No.337 Khasra No.74/r 142(4 14), Da 1/94 Hissa And Rainish Kumar Ok-1m Khasra No 68r 21/2(3-16)da 1/76 Hissa And (Ok-1m) Ok-1m Khasra No 74 R 10/2(5-6),10/1(2-14),11(7-11) 15k-11m Do 16/2799 Hissa (0-1,75) And Khasra No 78 R 23/1/2 (4-14)da 1/376 Hissa Rokba (0-0,25) Total Ok-4 M 4 Marla Karam 5.5 Ft., Ram Sarnam Mandir Gurdaspur Hadbast No 337 Tehsil And District Gurdaspur Punjab 143521 (Borrower) Meenakshi (Co-Borrower) 460/-11:00 AM 02:00 PM Befor 08, 2025 05:00 PM 03:00 PM 03:00 PM 646/ LHLUD0000161206 Rs. 11,17 380,10/-Symbolic Khasra No.33/2.12.4.7.9.14/2.26/24/1 Abaddi Known As Rs. 12,82, Raiesh Sahni January January January 06, 2026 13, 2026 12, 2026 (Borrower) Sonia Ro (Co-Borrower) Gopal Nagar House No. 178 Ludhiana-141007 December 08, 2025 158/-11:00 AM 02:00 PM 05:00 PM 216/-03:00 PM 03:00 PM LHLUD00001331459 Khasra No.65-66-68, Khatta No.532/616-617, Jamabandi Year 2009-10, H.B. No.260, Tehsil & Distt Ludhiana Basant Rs. 8,26 January January January 06, 2026 13, 2026 12, 2026 11:00 AM 02:00 PM Before Raju. (Borrower) Symbolic 12, 2026 813.00/-11.93 Sanjana (Co-Nagar Ludhiana-141001 Borrowerl Lan No. LHLUD00001398633 08, 2025 Rs. 1,19, 313/-03:00 PM 03:00 PM Rs. 14,60 120.00/-January January January 06, 2026 13, 2026 12, 2026 No 14 Khasra No 26/10-11-12-19-20-21-22-23-27/6-Symbolic Naresh Kumar (Borrower)Anupan Sharma, (Co-Borrower) Manish 15/2/11-20 Khata No 656/673 Sunil Nagar Hb No 101 Ludhiana Punjab- 141001 680/-11:00 AM 02:00 PM Before To To 03:00 PM 08, 2025 05:00 PM Kumar (Co-Borrower) Lan No LHLUD00001313810

287/- 03:00 PM 03:00 PM LHLUD00001396558 The online auction will be conducted on website (URL Link-https://BidDeal.in) of our auction agency ValueTrust Capital Services Private Limited. The Mortgagors/ notice are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest till January 12, 2026 before 05:00 PM else these secured assets will be sold as per above schedule.

132.00/-

08, 2025

15,92, 865/-

Rs. 1,59,

The Prospective Bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) RTGS/Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at ICICI Home Finance Company Limited Branch Office Addressmentioned on top of the article on or before January 12, 2026 before 04:00 PM. The Prospective Bidder(s) must also submit signed copy of Registration Form & Bid Terms and Conditions form at ICICI Home Finance Company Limited Branch Office Addressmentioned on top of the article on or before January 12, 2026 before 05:00 PM. Earnest Money Deposit Demand Draft (DD) should be from a Nationalized/Scheduled Bank in favor of "ICICI Home Finance Company Ltd. – Auction" payable at the branch office address mentioned on top of the article.
For any further clarifications with regards to inspection, terms and conditions of the auction or submission of tenders, kindly contact ICICI Home Finance

Company Limited on 9920807300. The Authorized Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please visit https://www.icicihfc.com/ Authorized Officer, "ICICI Home Finance Company Limited", CIN Number:- U65922MH1999PLC120106

Date: December 12, 2025 **AUTHORIZED OFFICER, CANARA BANK** Place: Gurdaspur, Ludhiano

**Balvir Paswan** 

(Borrower) Ganita Devi (Co-Borrower)

PUBLIC NOTICE

We M/s Guardian Legal Medico mmigration Services Pvt. Ltd. holding a Registration Certificate No. B 964/PUN/COM/100/5/10139/2022 under the Emigration Act, 1983 for export of manpower, have closed our business with

ompany or Proprietor/ Managing Partner Managing Director, the same may b eferred within 30 days of publication of this Notice, Copies of the complaint may also be sent to Protector General of Emigrants Ministry of External Affairs, Sushma Swara Shawan Chankvapuri New Delhi

Mr. Parminder Singh Bran Address ; SCO 145-146, 1st Floor, Sector-9 C, Madhya Marg, Chandigarh 160009 Station: Chandigarh Date : 11/12/2025 PUBLIC NOTICE
E-AUCTION FOR FIRE-AFFECTED
SALVAGE DISPOSAL Auction Date: 23.12.2025 3.30 P.M. to 4.30 P.M

5,344 Kg of Mixed / Unsorted Scrap will be

(https://www.sealthedeal.co.in/) conduct the e-auction on behalf of M/s. Jyoti Inox Pvt. Ltd, Near Taraori District Karnal, Haryana – 132116 The entire material will be auctioned on a Single Lot Basis

Registration: https://www.sealthedeal.co.in/. (M/s. Seal The Deal) Bibhu Jha at 83696 52088 Sahil Garg at 95736 69555

ਬਾ ਅਦਾਸ਼ਤ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਮਤੀ ਪ੍ਰਿਯੰਕਾ ਰਾਣੀ

ਅਤ ਹੁਫ਼ਿਲਾ ਸ਼ਾਹਿਤ ਖਬਾਰ ਵਿਚ ਇਸ਼ਤਿਹਾਰ ਮਿਤੀ 02-12-2023 ਹਰ ਅਦਾਲਤ ਨਾਲ ਜਾਰੀ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ। ਸਬ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਾਰ, ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤਸਰ-2

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SUBJECT LEVELOC CONC.			Chiai Gos			Rs 5001					

Branch Manager

## **CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD** 8, Jan Marg, Sector 9-D, Chandigarh

**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

Before Secretary, CHB Exercising the Powers of the Estate Officer, UT Chandigarh.

Subject:- Mutation/Transfer of ownership right in respect of Dwelling Unit No.2094-A of One Bed Room Category in Block No.27 and parking in Block No.27 in Sector 63, Chandigarh on the basis of Transfer Deed in the name of SMT. JOGINDER KAUR W/O SH. HARMINDER SINGH, D/O SH, SATNAM SINGH from the name of allo SH. HARMINDER SINGH S/O SH. HARDIT SINGH. (FROM HUSBAND TO WIFE)

It is hereby notified for the information of the general public and all concerned that the Dwelling Unit No.2094-A of One Bed Room Category in Block No.27 and parking in Block No.27 in Sector 63, Chandigarh stands in the name of allottee/transferee SH. HARMINDER SINGH S/O SH. HARDIT SINGH. It has been reported by SMT. JOGINDER KAUR W/O SH. HARMINDER SINGH, D/O SH. SATNAM SINGH who has applied for transfer of ownership right in respect of said Dwelling unit on the basis of Transfer Deed in his name which was Executed and registered in office of Sub-Registrar Chandigarh on

If any body has any objection upon the mutation of the said property in favour of applicant, he/she/they may submit the objection in writing to the undersigned within 21 days of the publication of this notice, failing which, the ownership of the said dwelling unit shall be transferred in favour of above said claimant(s).

Secretary Chandigarh Housing Board, Chandigarh.

## CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD 8, Jan Marg, Sector 9-D, Chandigarh

**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

Before Secretary, CHB Exercising the Powers of the Estate Officer, UT Chandigarh.

Subject:- Mutation/Transfer of ownership right in respect of **Dwelling** Unit No.402 of Category-HIG in Sector 44-A, Chandigarh on the basis of Sale Deed in the name of AZIM DEVELOPERS & PROMOTERS PRIVATE LIMITED THROUGH ITS DIRECTOR SH. VARINDER SINGH S/O SH. SHIVRAJ SINGH from the name of allottee/transferee SH SANDEEP SUD S/O SH. SHIAM LAL SUD & SMT. SONA SUD W/O SH. SANDEEP SUD.

It is hereby notified for the information of the general public and all concerned the DU No.402 of Category-HIG in Sector 44-A, Chandigarh stands in the name of allottee/ transferee SH. SANDEEP SUD S/O SH. SHIAM LAL SUD & SMT. SONA SUD W/O SH. SANDEEP SUD. Now SH. SANDEEP SUD S/O SH. SHIAM LAL SUD & SMT. SONA SUD W/O SH. SANDEEP SUD have sold the above said dwelling unit to AZIM DEVELOPERS & PROMOTERS PRIVATE LIMITED THROUGH ITS DIRECTOR SH. VARINDER SINGH S/O SH. SHIVRAJ SINGH vide Sale Deed Executed and registered in office of Sub-Registrar Chandigarh 01.07.2025. AZIM DEVELOPERS & PROMOTERS PRIVATE LIMITED THROUGH ITS DIRECTOR SH. VARINDER SINGH S/O SH. SHIVRAJ SINGH has requested this office for transfer the above said dwelling unit in their name on the basis of sale deed.

f any body has any objection upon the mutation of the said property ir favour of applicant, he/she/they may submit the objection in writing to the undersigned within 21 days of the publication of this notice, failing which, the ownership of the said dwelling unit shall be transferred in favour of above said claimant(s).

Chandigarh Housing Board, Chandigarh

## CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD 8, Jan Marg, Sector 9-D, Chandigarh

**PUBLIC NOTICE** Before Secretary, CHB Exercising the Powers of the Estate

Officer, UT Chandigarh.

Subject:- Mutation/Transfer of ownership right in respect of Dwelling Unit No.2093-A of One Bed Room Category in Block No.27 and parking in Block no.27 in Sector 63, Chandigarh on the basis of Transfer Deed in the name of SMT. MOHINDER KAUR W/O SH.SATWANT SINGH KOHLI, D/O SH. SATNAM SINGH from the name of allottee/transferee SMT. JOGINDER KAUR W/O SH.HARMINDER SINGH, D/O SH.SATNAM SINGH.

It is hereby notified for the information of the general public and all concerned that the Dwelling Unit No.2093-A of One Bed Room Category in Block No.27 and parking in Block no.27 in Sector 63, Chandigarh stands in the name of allottee/transferee SMT. JOGINDER KAUR W/O SH. HARMINDER SINGH. It has been reported by SMT. MOHINDER KAUR W/O SH.SATWANT SINGH KOHLI, D/O SH. SATNAM SINGH who has applied for transfer of

ownership right in respect of said Dwelling unit on the basis of

Transfer Deed in his name which was Executed and registered in

(FROM SISTER TO SISTER)

office of Sub-Registrar Chandigarh on 28.11.2025. If any body has any objection upon the mutation of the said property in favour of applicant, he/she/they may submit the objection in writing to the undersigned within 21 days of the publication of this notice, failing which, the ownership of the said dwelling unit shall be transferred in favour of above said claimant(s).

> Secretary Chandigarh Housing Board Chandigarh.

## CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD 8, Jan Marg, Sector 9-D, Chandigarh

**PUBLIC NOTICE** Before Secretary, CHB Exercising the Powers of the Estate

Officer, UT Chandigarh. Subject:- Mutation/Transfer of 50% share of ownership right in respec of Dwelling Unit No.2169-C of Category Two Bed Room and parking

No.B6-CSO-240 in Block No.6 in Sector 63, Chandigarh (Oustees Scheme) on the basis of Transfer Deed in the name of SH. JARNAIL SINGH S/O SH. GURDEV SINGH (HAVING 50% SHARE) from the name of co-allottee/transferee SH. ANAND SINGH TIWANA S/O SH. **GURDEV SINGH TIWANA (HAVING 50% SHARE)** (FROM BROTHER TO BROTHER)

It is hereby notified for the information of the general public and all concerned that the Dwelling Unit No.2169-C of Category Two Bed Room and parking No.B6-CSO-240 in Block No.6 in Sector 63, Chandigarh stands in the name of allottee/transferee SH. ANAND SINGH TIWANA S/O SH. GURDEV SINGH TIWANA & SH. JARNAIL SINGH S/O SH. GURDEV SINGH (HAVING 50% SHARE EACH). It has been reported by SH. JARNAIL SINGH S/O SH. GURDEV SINGH (HAVING 50% SHARE) who has applied for transfer of 50% share of ownership right in respect of said Dwelling unit on the basis of Transfer Deed in his name which was Executed and registered in office of Sub-Registrar Chandigarh on 21.11.2025.

If any body has any objection upon the mutation of the said property in favour of applicant, he/she/they may submit the objection in writing to the undersigned within 21 days of the publication of this notice, failing which, the ownership of the said dwelling unit shall be transferred in favour of above said claimant(s).

Chandigarh Housing Board, Chandigarh.

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**Election Notice** 

t is notified that the Election of Governing Body of Sheetla College Education, Lakhanmajra, Rohtak for the post of President-1, Viceresident-1, General Secretary-1, Treasurer-1, Members-02, Teaching Staff Representative-1 & Non-teaching Staff Representative-1, shall be held as per schedule given below :-1.Date of Nomination:-22.12.2025 to 26.12.2025

2.Date of Scrutiny:-29.12.2025 to 30.12.2025 3.Date of Withdrawal of Nomination:-01.01.2026 4.Date of Allotment of Symbols:-02.01.2026 5.Date/Time/Venue of Election:-17.01.2026

10.00 AM to 3.00 PM at Sheetla College of Education, Lakhan majra, Rohlak 6.Date of Declaration of Election Result:-17.01.2026 For any other enquiry please contact Dr. Bijender Singh 8708594977, Email: sheetlaschoolnursing@gmail.com Returning Officer

Row Materials

## DHRUV AGRITECHNOLOGIES PRIVATE LIMITED

Notice for Marketing and Sale of 100% Water Soluble Mixture Fertilizer We are pleased to inform the general public that with reference to the Order No. 2900(E) dated 24th October 2015 issued by Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer Welfare and amendment thereafter, Dhruv Agritechonologies Private Limited will commence the sale and marketing of 100% water soluble

Nutriant Content (% age)

The Product specifications are given below:

mixture fertilizer in the state of Haryana

LOST & FOUND

21-D, Chandigarh declare that all

documents of Azad Dramatic Club.

Chandigarh including Certificates,

Bank Records, MOU and other

Relevant Document has been Lost on

28.10.2025 near Hanuman Mandir,

Sector 20, Chandigarh. DDR No.

ICMS/2025/038264. Anybody

found please contact or return within

days on given address or contact on

Surinder Kumar, Secretary, Azad Dramatic Club,

Sector 20, Chandigarh

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0.	Urea Phosphate (17:44:0)	(T) 17	(T) 44	0	0	Fe 0	0	0	0	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
2	Potassium Nitrate	13	0	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid Anunonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
3	(Prilled) 13-0-45 Mono - Potassium	0	52	34	0.	0	0	0	0	0	0	Potassium Carbonate  Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
4	Phosphate (0-52-34)	13	0	45	0	0	0	0	0	.0	-	Carbonate
100	Potassium Nitrate (13-0- 45)		1.42	1	100	16	m,				0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia, Potassium Carbonate
5	Calcium Nitrate	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Calcium Oxide
6	Potassium Magnesium Sulphate	0		0	0	0	ĽĊ.		0.0	0	0	Potassium Carbonate, Magnesium Oxide
7	Mono Ammonium Phosphate 12:61:0	12	61	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia, Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid
8	24:24:0 (100% Water Soluble Complex	24	24	0.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia, Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid
-	Fertilizer) N.P.K.(14+28+14)+TE		25									
9	N.P.K.(14+28+14)+1E	14	25	14	0	0	0.	0.	0	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia, Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
10	N.P.K.(00-42-42)+Zn 3	0	42	42	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide  Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
Н	NPK(0-09-46)+Zn 2	0	9	46	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	Carbonate, Zinc oxide Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
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12	N,P.K.(00+48+47)+TE	0	48	47	0	0	0	0	0	.0	0	Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
13	N.P.K.(00-50-40)+Fe- 1+Zn-1	0	50	40	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	Phosporie Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Ferrous oxide, Zinc oxide
14	N.P.K(25+00+15)+CaO3	25	-0	15	0	0	0	3	0.	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
	+MgO1,5+TE	151		6				7	5		Ti.	Potassium Carbonate, Calcium Oxide, Magnesium Oxide, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
15	N.P.K.(27+00+27)+TE	27	0	27	.0-	0	6	. 6	0	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia, Potassium Carbonate, Zine oxide, Ferrous Oxide
16	N.P.K.(16+08+32)+TE	16	8	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia, Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
												Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
1.7	N.P.K.(07+40+28)+TE	7	40	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia, Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
18	N.P.K.(00+55+17)+TE	0	55	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Carbonate, Zine oxide, Ferrous Oxide  Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
19	N.P.K.(00+42+47)+TE	0	42	47	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
		1000	- "	-				-		-		Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
20	N.P.K.(32+12+12)+TE	32	12	12	0	0	0	0	0	0.	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia, Phosporie Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
21	N.P.K.(00+58+18)+TE	0	58	18	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
22	N.P.K.(17+44+00)+TE	17	44	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
22	18.F.M.(17794700)†1E	17	44	0	O.		0	a	u	U	ď	Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Zinc oxide,
23	N.P.K.(14+35+14)+TE	14	35	14	.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ferrous Oxide Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
	330		1			F	1	-	1			Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
24	N.P.K.(00-40-44)+ TE	0	40	44	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
25	N.P.K.(10+30+30)+TE	10	30	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Animonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
		+					Н	100				Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
26	N.P.K.(30+10+10)+TE	30	10	10	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia, Phosporie Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
- 22	N.P.K.(16+08+32)+TE		- 10.	- 12	- 00			- 0		- 0		Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
27	N.P.K.(10+08+32)+1E	16	8	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ummonia, Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
28	N.P.K.(28+00+10)+TE	28	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	o	Carbonate, Zine oxide, Ferrous Oxide  Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
29	N.P.K(00-11-42)+S-	0	11	42	10	0	0	2	0	0	0	Potassium Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
1.5	10+CaO-2+TE			)	1			C.	n	-	7	Carbonate, Sulfur, Calcium Oxide, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
30	N.P.K.(28+28+00)+TE	28	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
												Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
31	N.P.K.(00+40+37)+TE	0	40	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Phosporie Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
32	N.P.K.(00-39-43)+Fe 2.5	0	39	43	0	2.	.0	.0	0	.0	0	Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Ferrous oxide
33	N.P.K.(22+22+11)+TE	22	22	0.	.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
	~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~											Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
34	N.P.K.(11+45+06)+TE	11	45	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia, Phosporie Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
35	N.P.K.(16+20+00)+TE	16	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
	13.4.5.16.1(10°2.00°11)-112	100				Ň		30		4.	, a	Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Zine oxide, Ferrous Oxide
36	N.P.K.(00+60+20)+TE	0	60	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
37	N.P.K.(12-06-22)+CaO	12	6	22	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide  Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
100	12											Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Calcium Oxide
38	N.P.K.(11-09-16)+MgO- 2.5+CaO-13.50+S-	11	9	16	2.	0	0	13.5	2.	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia, Phosporie Aeid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
	2.5+TE							-1	,			Carbonate, Sulfur, Calcium Oxide, Magnesium
39	N.P.K.(13-32-17)+TE	13	32	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Oxide, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
												Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
40	N.P.K.(00-33-65)+ TE	0	33	65	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	Phosporie Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
41	N.P.K.(14+35+14)+Zn-1	14	35	14	0	0	Ţ	0	0	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
1												Phosporie Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Zinc oxíde
42	N.P.K.(05+10+43)+TE	5	10	43	0	0	0	0	0.	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia, Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
43	N.P.K.(25-25-25)+TE	25	25	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
42	N.F.N.(429425425)1115	22	6.2	42		, v				ų.	,	Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
44	N.P.K.(21+10+10)+TE	21	10	10	0	0	0	- 0	0	0	0	Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
		121										Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
45	N.P.K.(00-42-47)+Zn 2.5	0	42	47	-0	0	2.	0	0	0	0	Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Zine oxide
46	N.P.K.(21+10+10)+TE	21	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia, Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
	MBV		- 4		1					100	Ц	Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
47	N.P.K.(10.6-09.30- 16.30)+MgO-2,90+CaO-	11	9	16	3	0	0	13.2	2.	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia, Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Sulfur,
	13.20+S-2.3+TE											Potassium Carbonate, Calcium Oxide, Magnesium Oxide, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
48	N.P.K.(13+40+13)+TE	13	40	13	0	0	.0	.0	0	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia, Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
40	N.P.K.(05+55+17)+TE		27	12	-0			- 6	- 6	-		Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
49	O.P.K.(U3+35+17)+TE	5	55	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammoniu, Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
50	N.P.K.(16-08-25)+ TE	16	8	25	0.	0	0	-0	.0	0	0	Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
	9-1-1		1	T.				X.	Ι.			Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Zine oxide, Ferrous Oxide
51	N.P.K.(10-09-16)+TE	10	9	16	0	0	0	0	0	.0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia, Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
	N D V /nn. se se		10	35								Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide
52	N.P.K.(00+45+45)+TE	0.	45	45	0.	0	0	0	0	.0	0	Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Zine oxide, Ferrous Oxide
53	Potassium Metaphosphate dimer (0-40-40)	0	40	40	0	0	0	. 6	0	0	0	Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate
54	N.P.K.(06+12+36)+TE	6	12	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
									J.			Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Zine oxide, Ferrous Oxide
55	N.P.K.(00-42-47)+Fe 2.8	0	42	47	0	2.	0	0	0	0	0	Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Ferrous oxide
56	N.P.K.(12-36-12)+ MgO-	12	36	12	0	0	0	.0	3	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
					1		Н					Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium Carbonate, Magnesium Oxide
57	N.P.K.(25+25+25)+TE	25	25	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia, Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
58	NPK(14+48+00)+TE	14	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,
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59	N.P.K(00+35+45)+ZnO-	0	35	45	0	0	1	J	0	0.	0	Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
60	1+CaO-1+B-0.5 N.P.K.(00-40-40)+Zn 6	0	40	40	0	0	6	0	0	5	0	Carbonate, Zine oxide, Calcium Oxide, Boron Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
61	N.P.K.(00-09-46)+S 12	0.	9	46	12	0	.0	.0	2.	0	0	Carbonate, Zinc oxide Phosporic Acid, Phosporous acid, Potassium
100	MgO 2,5	- 1		200	-			70.1	5	Y.	1	Carbonate, Sulfur, Magnesium Oxide
62	N.P.K.(00-00-55)+TE N.P.K.(10-00-35)+ MgO-	0	0	35	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	Potassium Carbonate, Zinc oxide, Ferrous Oxide  Ammonium Sulphate, Liquid ammonia,

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Carbonate, Zine oxide, Ferrous Oxide

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ection: 12-12-25 to 22-12-25 from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. Fire-affected salvage material consisting of approximately 21,049 Kg of Stainless Steel Fittings (SS), 9,651 Kg of Brass Fittings and effect from 20/03/2025. 2. In the event if there is any claim agains M/S. SEAL THE DEAL

Managing Director of

SMFG

SMFG India Home Finance Co. Ltd. Grihashakti Corporate Off.: 503 & 504, 5º Floor, G-Block, Inspire BKC, BKC Main Road, Bandra Kurla Corrolex, Ba Regd. Off.: Commerzone IT Park, Tower B, 1º Floor, No. 111, Mount Poonamalke Road, Porur,

POSSESSION NOTICE FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY [(Appendix IV WHEREAS the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of SMFG India Home Finance Co. Ltd. a Housing

(duly registered with National Housing Bank (Fully Owned by RBI)) (hereinafter referred to as "SMHFC") unde Reconstruction of Financial Assests and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002), and in exer conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notice dated mentioned below under Section 13(2) of the said Act calling upon you being the borrowers (names mentioned below) to repay the amount mentioned in the said notice and interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrower mentioned herein below having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers mentioned herein below and to th public in general that the undersigned has Taken Possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers confer on me under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, T borrowers mentioned here in above in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with said property and ar ealings with the property will be subject to the charge of "SMHFC" for an amount as mentioned herein under and interest there

SI.	Name of the Borrower(s)	Description of Secured Assets (Immovable Property)	Demand Notice	Date of
No.	/ Guarantor(s) LAN		Date & Amount	Possession
1.	Lan:- 609939511353957 1. Rajpal Singh, S/o. Balwinder Singh 2. Kulveer Kaur	All The Piece And Parcel Of The Property Measuring 3 Kanal 1 Marla Which Is 61/1826 Share Of Total 91 Kanal 6 Marla, Comprised In Khewat/Khatauni No. 83/178, Khasra No. 115(8-2), 116(13-9), 118(27-9), 119(14-9), 120(10-9), 462/2(4-19), 463(12-9), Jamabandi For The Year 2020-21, Situated At Ghadeli, Tehsil-Ballianwali, District-Bhatinda As Per Transfer Deed Bearing Wasika No-2022-23/67/1/1300 Dated 8-2-2023 Recorded In The Name of Kulvir Kaur W/o, Rajpal Singh, Bounded As Under: East: Rasta, West: Balwinder Singh, North: Wazir Singh, South: Balwinder Singh.	Rs. 14,96,187.90/- (Rs. Fourteen Lakh Ninety Six Thousand One Hundred Eighty Seven & Paise	08.12.2025

Place : Bhatinda, Punjab Date: 08.12.2025

uthorized Office SMFG INDIA HOME FINANCE CO. LTD.

## HIMACHAL PRADESH JAL SHAKTI VIBHAG SHORT NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

Online bids on items rate basis are invited by the Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Division, Nahan on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh, in electronic tendering system in two covers for the under mentioned work from the contractors/firms of appropriate class enlisted with Himachal Pradesh Jal Shakti Vibhaq

Sr. No	Description	E/ Cost	E/Money	Time	Cost of Form	
1	C/o Multipurpose low height Dam at Patahar Khad near village Khatana in Tehsil Nahan Distt. Sirmour HP (SH: - C/O 1 No RCC Irrigation collection tank 120000 ltrs capacity, wire crate, 17 Nos RCC pillar for Nallah crossing, 1 No Low Height Dam at Patahar Khad, 10 Nos RCC outlets chamber, LJ/Testing HDPE pipeline of various dia in distribution system and Providing and fixing spillway gates for Low Height Dam).	94,29,671/-	1,26,797/ -	6 Months	2000/-	
2	Restoration of rain damages of various LWSS/LIS schemes under Jal Shakti Division Nahan Tehsil Nahan Distt. Sirmour HP (SH: - C/O RCC sumpwell 20000 ltrs capacity for LIS Burmapapri).	1,89,005/-	3,780/-	3 Months	500/-	
3	Water Quality Monitoring and Surveilla nce under JJM Programme under Distt. Sirmour HP (SH: - Providing and Supplying of various Lab. Material for district water testing Lab. in Nahan ) Job No. 1.	1,46,104/-	3,000/-	1 Month	500/-	
4	Water Quality Monitoring and Surveillance under JJM Programme u nder Distt. Sirmour HP (SH: - Providing and Supplying of various Lab. Material for district water testing Lab. in Nahan ) Job No. 2	1,54,500/-	3,100/-	1 Month	500/-	

by the firms/individual registered on the website which is free of cost

As the bids are to be submitted online are required to be encrypted and digitally signed, the bidders are advised to obtain Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) from suitable venders or from any authorized agency at the earliest.

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1	Date of Online publication	10/12/2025 AT 5:00 PM
2	Downloading of e -tender Documents	From 10/12/2025 at 5:00 PM up to 9:00 AM on 20/12/2025
3	Date of submission of e -tendering	From 15/12/2025 at 9:00 AM up to 11:00 AM on 20/12/2025
4	Physical submissi on of earnest money deposit and cost of tender documents	Up-to 11:00 AM on 20/12/2025
4	Date of opening of Cover -1 (Eligibility criteria) and Cover -2 (Technical bid)	20/12/2025 at 11:30 AM
5	Date of Opening of Financial Bids Cover -	Shall be intimated sep arately.

Note: - Other Tender information may be checked online portal website: www.hpetender.com

**Executive Enginee** Jal Shakti Division Nahar HIM SUCHANA AVAN JAN SAMPARK

RO NO. 5014/2025-2026 Dated: 11-12-2025

OICICI Home Finance | Corporate Office: ICICI Home Finance Company Limited, ICICI HFC Tower, Andheri - Kurlo Road, Andheri (East), Mumbai - 400059, India Branch Office: 2nd floor, Kakar Tower, Mall Road, Ferozpur-152002 Notice for sale of immovable assets through Private Treaty

Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets through Private Treaty under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 8(8) r/w Rule 9 (1) of the Security

Interest (Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 8(8) //w Rule 9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 ICICI Horne Finance Company Limited (ICICI HFC) conducted several e-Auctions for the sale of the mortgaged property mentioned below, however, all such e-Auctions failed. Now, an interested buyer has approached ICICI HFC with an offer to purchase the said property for an amount of Rs.3,00,000/. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below-described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of ICICI Home Finance Company Ltd., will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is", by way of Private Treaty as per the brief particulars given hereunder;

	Co Borrowers/ Guarantors/Legal Heirs. Loan Account No.	Carcumordines, il dily	Amount Out- standing	Price Earnest Money Deposit	Time of Property Inspection		One Day Before Auction Date	Sartaesi Stage
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(1)
1.		House No. Es 57/90 Residential Property At Street No. 6, Bharat Nagar, Ferozpur Punjab 152001	Rs. 12,16, 281/- December 06, 2025		22, 2025 11:00 AM To	December 29, 2025 11:00 AM To 12:00 PM	26, 2025	

The online auction will be conducted on website (URL Link- https://BidDeal.in) of our auction agency ValueTrust Capital Services Private Limited. The Prospective Bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) RTGS/ Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at ICICI Home Finance Company Limited, Branch Office Address mentioned on top of the article on or before December 26, 2025 before 04:00 PM. The Prospective Bidder(s) must also submit a signed copy of the Registration Form & Bid Terms and Conditions form at ICICI Home Finance Company Limited, Branch Office Address mentioned on top of the article on or before December 26, 2025 before 05:00 PM. Earnest Money Deposit Demand Draft (DD) should be from a Nationalized/Scheduled Bank in favor of "ICICI Home Finance

Company Ltd.- Auction" payable at the branch office address mentioned on top of the article.

The general public is requested to submit their bids higher than the amount being offered by the interested buyer mentioned above. It is hereby informed that in case no bids higher than the amount being offered by the aforementioned interested buyer is received by ICICI HFC, the mortgaged property shall be sold to the said inte buyer as per Rule 8(8) r/w Rule 9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

For any further clarifications with regards to inspection, terms and conditions of the sale or submission of bids, kindly

ntact ICICI Home Finance Company Limited on 9920807300. e Authorized Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons. Fo

detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please visit https://www.icicihfc.com/

Authorized Officer, "ICICI Home Finance Company Limited" CIN Number:- U65922MH1999PLC120106 Date: December 12, 2025 Place : Ferozpur

Corporate Office: ICICI Home Finance Company Limited ICICI HFC Tower, Andheri - Kurla Road, Andheri (East), Mumbai- 400059, India Branch Office: SCO No -121, Sector 17, 1st floor, Commercial Belt, Jagadhari Road, Yamuna Nagar – 135003 [See proviso to rule 8(6)] Notice for sale of immovable assets

Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Possessionof which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of ICICI Home Finance Company Ltd., will be sold on "As is where is", "As is

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s)/ Co Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Legal Heirs. Loan Account No.	Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any	Amount Outsta- nding	Reserve Price Earnest Money Deposit	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Time of Auction	One Day Before Auction Date	SARFAESI Stage
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(1)
1,	(Borrower) Suman (Co-Borrower) Lan No. NHYGR00001284339	No 80.92.95. Khatoni No 94,110,114 Khasra No 10/7/2(2-8,53(2-8), 11/10(3-18) Waka Rakba Mouja Garhi Gujran Tehsil Jagadhari Distt Under MC Limits	Rs. 11,14, 319.16/- December 08, 2025	Rs. 22,80, 600/- Rs. 2,28, 060/-	January 06, 2026 11:00 AM To 03:00 PM	02:00 PM To	Before 05:00 PM	Symbolic Possession

Haryana- 135001 The online auction will be conducted on website (URL Link-https://BidDeal.in) of our auction agency ValueTrust ervices Private Limited. The Mortgagors/ notice are given a last chance to pay the total dues with furthe

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interest till January 12, 2026before 05:00 PM else these secured assets will be sold as per above schedule. The Prospective Bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) RTGS/ Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at ICICI Home Finance Company Limited Branch Office Addressmentioned on top of the article onor before January 12, 2026 before 04:00 PM. The Prospective Bidder(s) must also submit signed copy of Registration Form & Bid Terms and Conditions form atICICI Home Finance Company LimitedBranch Office Addressmentioned on top of the article on or before January 12, 2026 before 05:00 PM. Earnest Money Deposit Demand Draft (DD) should be from a Nationalized/Scheduled Bank in favorof "ICICI Home Finance Company Ltd. – Auction "payable at the branch office address mentioned on top of the article. For any further clarifications with regards to inspection, terms and conditions of the auction or submission o

tenders, kindly contact ICICI Home Finance Company Limited on 9920807300.

The Authorized Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please visit https://www.icicihfc.com/

Date: December 12, 2025 Place: Yamunanagar Authorized Officer, "ICICI Home Finance Company Limited", CIN Number:- U65922MH1999PLC120106

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lotice is hereby published that if they fail to deposit all their dues in their respe loan accounts (including up-to-date interest and all cost charges/expenses) by 26.12.2025 then from 11:00 am of 29.12.2025, their pledged gold jewellery/ornaments/coins will be put up for public auction in Branch premises. For this, bank shall not be held responsible for nconvenience or damage caused to the concerned borrowers and or their legal heirs an no allegation or representation will be entertained from concerned borrower and or their egal heirs in this regard.

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ues to the Bank.

Persons intended to take part in this bidding should deposit Rs. 500/- (Rupees Five Hundred) with the Branch Manager (Gidderbaha Branch) before the scheduled Ilme/date towards earnest money. Persons having taken part in final bidding must be able to deposit full amount to the Bank within 48 hours, falling which their earnest money will be forfeited. The Bank reserves the right to cancel the auction without assigning any reasons in case, the bidding price so arrived at, is observed low or inadequate. Further if need be

	cancel the same	e without assign applicable char	ange date, time of ing any reasons the ges. Thus, the sur	nereon.	The reserve pr	ice is exclusive
	Account No.	Name of Borrower	Outstanding Amount	Carat	Net Weight	Reserve Price EMD Bid increase Am
I	6319776-	Ajmer Singh	Rs. 1,02,248/-+		Andrew Control of the Control	Rs. 1,67,643.2

NOTICE FOR PUBLIC AUCTION OF PLEDGED GOLD JEWELLERY/ ORNAMENTS/ COINS

It is hereby brought to the notice of the following gold loan borrower, their legal heirs persons engaged in business of gold jewellery/omaments/coins and general public that it

spile of repeated reminders/notices by Bank, the following borrower is not repaying hi

Gidderbaha Branch: Circular Road

Tel. No. 01637-232555

Gidderbaha, Distt. Shri Muktsar Sahib-15210

E-mail: Gidderbaha.ludhlana@bankofindia.bank.in



National Bank Circle Office Punjab Kapurthala

Punjab National Bank Kapurthala organized Agriculture Outreach Programme

Punjab National Bank Kapurthala organized Agriculture Outreach Programme at PLP Kapurthala which was inaugurated by Mr. HPS Chawla, Circle Head. The program was also attended by DCH Mr. Gurpreet Singh Hira, DCH, Mr. Sharvan Rout, MCC Head, Mr. Rahulraj Sharma, PLP Head. The event was attended by about 50 farmers. All the Branches of the Circle collectively generated significant & 220 quality business leads worth Rs. 61.16 cr, from the potential farmers & entrepreneurs. Out of these 54 Leads Sanctioned for Rs. 5.49 cr. The programme may lead to increased adoption of modern farming practices and technologies among local farmers. Circle Head in his speech motivated to all farmers & participants to cover themselves under SSS by Govt of India. We also distribute sanction letters to some farmers.



Clear Medi Bahra Multispeciality Hospital **Unveils Cath Lab** 

Mohali: ClearMedi Bahra Multispeciality Hospital, Kharar - Kurali Road (Mohali), has unveiled a state-ofthe-art Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory, Cath Lab. The facility will offer advanced, precision-driven cardiac care and emergency heart procedures within the region. The inauguration of the Cath Lab also witnessed a press conference by key leadership from ClearMedi which included - Cdr Navneet Bali, Executive Director & CEO

- ClearMedi Healthcare; Dr. Rohit Mody, Director -Cardiac Sciences, ClearMedi Bahra Multispeciality Hospital; Dr. K.K. Talwar, Director - Cardiology of the hospital; Dr Mandeep Singh, Interventional Cardiologist and Vivaan Singh Gill - Facility Director.



DC Honours National Badminton Champions Deputy Commissioner Dr. Himanshu Aggarwal felicitated national badminton medalists in Jalandhar, awarding Rs 2 akh in cash prizes. Punjab recorded its highestnational medal tally, with standout performances by Manya Ralhan, Viraaj Sharma, Inayat Gualti and Zorawar Singh. The Kartar Group also rewarded players and coach Gagan Ratti. Dr. Aggarwal praised the athletes' dedication and announced a Rs 10 lakh grant for repairing the raindamaged roof of Raizada Hansraj Badminton Stadium. Several state champions and coach Sachin were also honoured during the ceremony.

THINK Gas swiftly responds to pipeline damage caused by contractor negligence

Kapurthala: THINK Gas pipeline near Ramada Hotel, Kapurthala was damaged during unauthorized excavation, resulting in a gas leak. Upon receiving information about the incident, the THINK Gas Emergency Response Team immediately reached the site and successfully controlled the gas leak, averting a major incident. Despite visible warning signs, the contractor failed to take precautions or inform THINK Gas in advance, leading to the pipeline damage. The company urges all contractors and agencies to strictly follow safety protocols and coordinate in advance to avoid such incidents.

## **Classified Advertisement**



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## कार्यालय नगरपालिका, साँपला।

नोटिस आम-जन सर्व-साधारण को सूचिन किया जाता है कि नगरपातिका सांपल को कर शास्त्रा के सम्पतिकर के रिकॉर्ड में प्रोपर्टी आईएडी० न का कर शाखा के सम्पातकर के एकाड में प्रापटा आइ०डा० ने० 8BJ8Y4D0 में नाम का कॉलम रिक्त है। इसकी पुरानी प्रापटों आई०डो० ने० 25C395U99 गेंहतास के नाम से दर्ज जायहा अञ्चलक के मान से देश हैं। इस प्रीयदर्शिक के खुल रखबा 70.570 बर्गगज दशाया गया है। जोकि मौके पर मकान है। इस जायदाद के श्री गैततास का देहानू आबादी देह की रुढ़ में मानिक हैं। श्री गेततास का देहानू दिनांक 21/09/2025 को हो चुका है। मृत्यु के प्रधान औ गेहतास के 4 चारिस है। अब नगर पत्तिका, सापत्म के प्रापटी टैक्स निकार्ड में इस प्रापटी आई०औठ 8BJ8Y4D0 में श्री रोहतास के वास्सि 1. सुमित्रा (पुत्री) 2. प्रमोद (पुत्र) 3. प्रदीप कुमार (पुत्र) 4. चेद कोर (पत्नी) के नाम से दर्ज करवाना चाहते है। यदि किसी भी जनसाधारण को इनके नाम से प्रापट आइएडीए तबदीज करने में कोई भी आपनि ह तो यह 30 दिन के अंदर-अंदर नगरपालिका, सापला कार्यालय में अपने आपत्ति दर्ज करवाये, अन्यक्षा यह पोपरी आहंग्हीं। समित्रा प्रमोद, प्रदीप कुमार और वेद कौर के नाम से तबदील कर दी तायेगी। जिसमें नगरपालिका, सांपला कोई उत्तरदायी नहीं होगी सचिव, नगरपालिका, माँपला

Public Notice It is brought to the Notice of the Public at large to the sale deed No. 12542 dated 13.02.2023 in favo Shashi Bala wife of Bikramdeep singh son o Gurcharan singh AND sale deed No. 10124 date Ourcharan singh Anto sale deed No. 1012A advantage 25.09.2008 in favour of Rajindar singh son of Kaba, singh son of Jaswant singh AND sale deed No. 7594 dated 20.09.2005 in favour of Narotam singh son of Jangir singh son of Sarwan Singh to the extent of 24/38 share and Kewal kumar son of Brit. al son of Kala Mal to the extent of 10/38 share an rishna Dulari Daughter of Nathu Ram son o abhu ram to the extent of 4/38 share in origina as any objection regarding the mortgaging of ti ame, may respond within fourteen days, to the undersigned. After the expiry of the stipulated period of Fourteen days, no claim whatsoever shall be entertained. The detail of the property is a under: - Detail of property Property measuring of Bigha 04 Biswas Le. 200 sqr Yards Le. 4/36 share o isuring 01 Bigha 18 Biswas comprised hasra No. 2208/2 min(1-18), khata No. 485/1472 Khasra No. 22092 min(1-18), khata No. 480/1472 1473, as per Jamabandi for the year 2017-18 Situated within the revenue limits of Baba Faric Nagar (Dhailwal Colony) Patti Mehna Bathindt Tehshi &amp district Bathinda standing in the name of Gurvinder singh son of Nachhtar singh on of teja singh. KULDEEP SINGLA, ADVOCATE, CHAMBER NO.646.

ਬਾ-ਅਦਾਲਤ ਤਹਿਸੀਲਦਾਰ-ਕਮ੍-ਸਹਾਇਕ ਕੁਲੈਕਟਰ ਦਰਜਾ ਪਹਿਲਾ, ਮੋਹਾਲੀ। ਜਨਤਕ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਪਿੱਠ ਅੰਕੂਟ ਨੰਬਰ 1016-17 /ਰੀਡਰ

ਮਿਤੀ: 10/12/2025 ਮਤਾ: 10/12/2026 ਆਮ ਜਨਤਾ ਨੂੰ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਦਰਖ਼ਾਸਤ ਕਰਤਾ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਸੰਜੀਵ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਸੋਹਨ ਨਾਲ ਵਾਸੀ ਪਿੰਡ-ਕੁਰਤੀ, ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਐਸ.ਏ.ਐਸ.ਨਰਗਰ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਇਸ ਦਰਤਰ ਵਿੱਚ ਆਪਣੇ ਪਿੰਡਾ ਦੇ ਨਾਮ ਦੀ ਦਰੁਸਤੀ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਇੱਕ ਦਰਖ਼ਾਸਤ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਜਿਸ ਵਿੱਚ ਨਿਖਿਆ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੀ ਜ਼ਮੀਨ ਵਾਕਿਆ ਪਿੰਡ ਕਰਤੀ ਹੁਣਾਗੁਣ ਤੋਂ 274 ਵੀ ਕਰਤ ਆਂਵਿੱਲੀ ਲਿਖਿਆ ਹੈ ਜੋ ਦੂਰ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੀ ਸ਼ੋਮੀਨ ਵਾਰਆਂ ਪ੍ਰਤਿ ਕਰਡੀ,ਹਦਬਸਤ ਨੇ: 274 ਦੀ ਫਰਦ ਜਮ੍ਹਾਬੰਦੀ ਵਿੱਚ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੇ ਪਿਤਾ ਦਾ ਨਾਮ ਸੋਹਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਲਿਖਿਆ ਹੋਇਆ ਹੈ ਜਿਦ ਕਿ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦਾ ਸਹੀ ਨਾਮ "ਸੋਹਨ ਲਾਲ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਬਾਲਕ ਰਾਮ " ਹੈ। ਸਬੂਤ ਵਜੋਂ ਅਧਾਰ ਕਾਰਡ, ਪੈਨ ਕਾਰਡ, ਵੋਟਰ ਕਾਰਡ ਸ਼ਾਮਿਲ ਕੀਤੇ ਗਏ ਹਨ ਜਿਸ ਵਿੱਚ ਕਾਰਡ, ਵੋਟਰ ਕਾਰਡ ਸ਼ਾਮਿਲ ਕੀਤੇ ਗਏ ਹਨ ਜਿਸ ਵਿੱਚ ਟਰਖ਼ਾਸਤ ਕਰਤਾ ਦੇ ਪਿਤਾ ਦਾ ਨਾਮ " ਸੋਹਨ ਲਾਲ

ਰਖ਼ਾਸਤ ਕਰਤਾ ਮਾਲ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ (ਫਰਦ ਜਮ੍ਹਾਂਬੰਦੀ ਪਿੰਡ-ਕੁਰੜੀ, ਤਹਿ:ਮੈਹਾਲੀ ਵਿੱਚ ਆਪਣੇ ਪਿਤਾ ਜੀ ਦਾ ਸਹੀ/ਦਰੁਸਤ ਨਾਮ " ਸੋਹਨ ਲਾਲ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਬਾਲਕ ਰਾਮ " ਚਾਹੁੰਦਾ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਦਰਖ਼ਾਸਤ ਕਰਤਾ ਕਰਵਾਊਟ ਚਾਹੁੰਦਾ ਹੀ ਸਿਤਸ ਨਵਾਂ ਦਰਸਾਤ ਕਰਤਾ ਦ ਪਿਤਾ ਦੇ ਨਾਮ ਦੀ ਦਰੁਸਤੀ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾ ਰਹੀ ਹੈ।ਜੇਕਰ ਦਰਖ਼ਾਸਤ ਕਰਤਾ ਦੇ ਯੁੱਕਤ ਦਰਜ਼ ਨਾਮ ਦੀ ਦਰੁਸਤੀ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਕਿਸੇ ਨੂੰ ਕੋਈ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਹੈ ਤਾਂ ਉਹ ਇਸ ਇਸ਼ਤਿਹਾਰ ਦੇ ਪ੍ਰਕਾਬਿਤ ਹੋਣ ਦੇ 15 ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਵਿਖੇ ਆਪਣੇ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕਰ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ।

ਬਾ ਅਦਾਲਤ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਅਮਿਤ ਗੁਪਤਾ(ਪੀ.ਸੀ.ਐਸ), ਉਪ ਮੰਡਲ ਮੈਜਿਸਟਰੇਟ ਕਮ ਕੁਲੈਕਟਰ, ਡੇਰਾਬੱਸੀ, ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਸਾਹਿਬਜਾਵ

ਇਸ ਅਦਾਲਤ ਵਿੱਚ ਕੇਸ ਅਪੀਲ ਤਕਸੀਮ ਅਨੁਵਾਨ ਹਰਦੀ। ਸਿੰਘ ਵਗੈਰਾ ਬਨਾਮ ਯੂਨੀਵਰਸਲ ਐਜੂਕੇਸ਼ਨ ਸੋਸਾਇਟੀ ਵਗੈਰਾ ਪਿੰਡ ਬੱਲੋਪੁਰ, ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਡੇਰਾਬੱਸੀ, ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਐਸ.ਏ.ਐਸ.ਨਗਰ ਮਿਤੀ 18-12-2025 ਨੂੰ ਸੁਣਵਾਈ ਲਈ ਨਯਤ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਨਿਮਨ ਲਿਖਤ ਉਤਰਵਾਦੀ ਹਿਲਮ ਨੂੰ ਇਸ ਇਸ਼ਤਿਹਾਰ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਸ਼ਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਚ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਜੇਕਰ ਆਪ ਨੂੰ ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਅਨੁਵਾਨ ਕੇਸ ਵਿੱਚ ਦਗ ਅਰਾਜੀ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਕੋਈ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ ਹੈ ਤਾਂ ਆਪ ਆਪਣ ਤਰਾਜ਼ ਉਕਤ ਮਿਤੀ ਨੂੰ ਬਾ ਵਕਤ ਬਾਅਦ ਦੁਪਿਹਰ 2:00 ਜੇ ਨਿਮਨ ਹਸਤਾਖਰ ਦੀ ਅਦਾਲਤ ਵਿੱਚ ਅਸਾਲਤਨ ਜ ਕਾਲਤਨ ਹਾਜ਼ਰ ਹੋ ਕੇ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕਰ ਸਕਦੇ ਹੋ। ਹਾਜ਼ਰ ਨਾ ਹੋਣ ਦੀ ਸੂਰਤ ਵਿੱਚ ਕਾਇਦੇ ਕਾਨੂੰਨ ਮੁਤਾਬਿਕ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਤੋਂ ਮਾਲੀਆ ਕਿਟ 1887 ਤਹਿਤ ਬਣਦੀ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਅਮਲ ਵਿਚ ਆਂਦੀ ਜਾਵੇਗੀ।

ਕੁਲਵੰਤ ਕੌਰ ਪੁੱਤਰੀ ਦਿਆਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਅਤੇ ਖੇਵਟ ਪਿੰਡ ਬੱਲੋਪੁਰ, ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਡੇਰਾਬੱਸੀ, ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਐਸ.ਏ.ਐਸ ਨਗਰ। 2 ਪੰਜਾਬ ਨੈਸ਼ਨਲ ਬੈਂਕ, ਬਰਾਂਚ ਲਾਲਤੂ, ਤਹਿਸੀ ਛੇਰਾ ਬੱਸੀ, ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਐਸ.ਏ.ਐਸ.ਨਗਰ 3 ਹੀਰੋ ਫਿਨਕਾਰ ਬਰਾਂਚ ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ। 4 ਓਰੀਐੱਟਲ ਬੈਂਕ ਆਫ ਕਾਮਰਸ ਸੈਕਟਰ 17, ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ।

ਇਹ ਇਸ਼ਤਿਹਾਰ ਅੱਜ ਮਿਤੀ 28-11-2025 ਨੂੰ ਮੇਰੇ ਦਸਤਖਤ ਅਤੇ ਮੇਹਰ ਨਾਲ ਜਾਰੀ ਹੋਇਆ। ਕਲੈਟਕਰ ਸਬ ਡਵੀਜ਼ਨ ਡੇਰਾਬਸੀ

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NAME OF BRANCH

**FAZILKA** 

SMT. RAJ RANI

DATE: 12.12,2025

NAME OF BORROWER

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Public is informed that Ashish Singhal S/o Surender Kumar has lost Four original Stamps Papers of Rs. 580 ie 500+50+20+10 of their Previous Original Sale deed dated 14/09/2007 no. 5974 in favour of Shilpa W/o Sourabh Regarding Plot no. 1 bearing PID no. 275C715U391A in Killa no. 15//18/2, 19/1/1 Mouja Kutana Shastri Nagar Rohtak measuring 117.20 sq yards. IF any person has found/ Information / Possession Knowledge for above said missing documents then Submit / Intimate within 15 days to Pankaj Sharma, Advocate, Chambe 392, and Distt. Courts Rohtak Ph. No. 9896553019. There after any kind of claim will not be accepted.

Pankai Sharma, Advocate

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

ublic is informed that Rajkumar S/o Peeruram has lost their Previous Original Sale deed dated 16/11/1961 no. 846 as xecuted by Munshi Ram S/o Sheodar in avour of Desrai S/o Jwala Dass Regarding House situated in Muglapura Ward no. 8 and ew address is House no. 798, Near Saheed Madan Lal Dingra Park, Mugalpura, Gohana Sonipat, Haryana - 131301 measuring 95 sq yards. IF any person has found/ Information / session / Knowledge for above said issing documents then Submit / Intimate within 15 days to Pankaj Sharma, Advocate, Chamber 392, and Distt. Courts Rohtak Ph. No. 9896553019. There after any kind of claim will not be accepted,

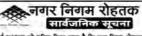
Pankaj Sharma, Advocate

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

(With the consent of legal heirs)
It is notified for the information of General public and all concernedthat the House No. 2143-LIG, Housing Board Colony, Sec. 1. Rohtak, was transferd to Smt. Pushpa Devi Wo Sh. Gopal Das vide this office letter No. 1001 dated 28.02.1997. It flas been reported by Sh. Parikka, 100 Sh. Gopal Dass Rvo. 2143 HBC, Sec. 1. Rohtak, that his mother Simt. Pushpa Wio Gopal Das has been expired on dated 27.12.210.2 Sh. Panika; S/o Sh. Gopal Dass Son of the deceased has submitted transfer document for the transfer of said house in his favor on the basis of intestate death of his Mother Late Smt. Pushpa. Devi. If any person regarding this transfer of house in favour of Sh. Panika; Sio Sh. Gopal Dass Rio 2143 HBC, Sec. 1, Rohtak, has any objection/claim in writing in person to his office within 30 days from the date of Publication of this notice. failing which, this House will be transferred accordingly. No further claim whatsoever shall be entertained later on market. (With the consent of legal heirs)

PUBLIC NOTICE

is for the information of general public that Urmi Rajesh Kumar has declared that my previou. al Sale deed no. 1954 dated 130.6.2017 in throu-intra Devi Wio Ramesh Singh in respect of the try described herein has been lost surgant. A DDR No. 132670072501612 als gistered at Bahadurgarn, that I am the current owner the property and obtaining loan from Motital Oswal ome. Finance Limited, that I have not mortgaged it nywhere in the whole or hold. Apart from this, if there is a riny negligence on my part, then civil and criminal ability will arise on mie. If anyone finds or has any jojection, please contact Advocate Bhupander Kumar, h no. 8259349961 # 1991, SECTIOR 16-17, HISAR ATHIN 7 DAY OF THIS PUBLICATION with contraction from Consential. In Property of Shedding. WITHIN 7 DAY DF THIS PUBLICATION with documentary proof. Properly i.e., Properly i.e., Abléduira, Part of Bearing Khewat no. 1479/5/II/479, Khatoni no. 2167/6, Khasan no. 2763 (24), 2789 (0-13)/2770 (0-3), 21772 (0-13), Kite 4 (46-178). Measuring 34.29 Sq., Yards and Part of Bearing Khewat no. 1479/III/4794, Khatoni no. 2167/4, Khasan no. 2762 (2-13), Measuring 18.72 Sq. Yards, Total Measuring area 08-08-7 Biswansi (53 Sq. yards), Situated at Surat Najar, Rallway Line Par, with in Mc Limit Bahadurgam, Tehesi Bahadurgam and Distribution of the Park of t Jhajjar as per Sale deed no. 2439 dated 21.06.2023



तर्व साधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि नगर निगम, रोहतक ही कर शास्त्रा के सम्पत्तिकर के रिकार्ड में नई प्रोपर्टी आई॰डी॰ नं॰. IHLPHDF8 परानी प्रोपर्टी आई॰डी॰ io.232C980U353A बार्ड नंo/पता Sheetal Vager पुराने एन०डी०सी० रिकार्ड में.. NA व सर्वे के अनुसार के रिकार्ड में इस आई०डी० नं0 में प्रार्थी जिसका नाम.. सुशील होक, कुसुम स्व॰ त्री जगनाथ के द्वारा वसीयत / वारसान के आधार पर अपने नाम तबदील करवाना चाहते है जिसकी वारसान र्ट तहसीलदार, रोहतक द्वारा तसदीक की गई है। यदि किसी भी वारण को इनके नाम तबदील करने में कोई भी आपत्ति है तो ) दिन के अन्दर-अन्दर नगर निगम कार्यालय में अपनी आपत्ति दर्ज रवाये, अन्यश्रा प्रोपर्टी टैक्स में उसके नाम तबदील कर दी जायेगी। क्रमांकः MCR/ZTO/2025/4614 दिनोकः 11/12/25

क्षेत्रीय कराधान अधिकारी, नगर निगम रोहतक

GOLD AUCTION NOTICE

details mentioned in the Table given below) in particular that owing to failure of borrower(s) to repay their

outstanding dues towards Gold loan availed by them, the undersigned will sell the gold ornaments/ jewellery/ coins,

pledged by them with UCO Bank to secure their loans by public auction. Such auction will be on "As is what is"n& "Whatever there Is Basis" & "Without recourse Basis" on 29.12.2025 at 10:00 AM at UCO Bank, Gaushala

Road, Fazilka. Other 'General Terms and Conditions of Gold Auction' subject to which the auction will be conducted

by bank, are displayed on the Notice Board of respective Branch as shown against name of the Borrower in the

table given below. Such 'General Terms and Conditions of Gold Auction' are also displayed on website of the Bank A person submitting the EMD shall be deemed to have read, understood and accepted the terms contained herein

as well as the 'General Terms and Conditions of Gold Auction', as referred above and is required to sign the same.

EMD AMT (Rs.)

320400/-

80.100/-

PLACE: FAZILKA

Bank reserves the right to cancel or postpone the auction sale as it deems fit at any stage without any prior

BID

1000/-

RESERVE PRICE INCREMENTAL

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the undermentioned persons (referred as 'the borrowers' with

 Parwati W/o Dalip Singh is owner in respect property i.e., Part of Bearing Khewat no: 149 (Ne Khewat no: 172), Khatoni no: 217 (New Khatoni n 172). Khatoni no. 217 (New Khatoni ne News no. 1/2), Malorin no. 217 (New Malorin no. 226), Kite 5 (28-5), Measuring 0K-9M, Situated at Modakheda, Tehsii Adampur and Dist Hisar as per Sale deed no. 3370 dated 17.02.2025 and Fard Jamabandi of the year 2024-25. I Have lost Sale deed no. 2135 dated 22.08.2013 anywhere in Adampur. A DDR no. 132290032500960 also registered at Adampur. I also declare that I have not taken any type of Loan, CC Limit or OD Limit on the said perty. If anybody found and any concern with this property, please contact, Advocate Bhupand mar, Ph no. 8295949981 # 1591, SECTOR 16-17 ISAR WITHIN 7 DAY OF THIS PUBLICATION.

ਬਾ-ਅਦਾਲਤ ਤਹਿਸੀਲਦਾਰ-ਕਮ-ਸਹਾਇਕ ਕਲੈਕਟਰ

ਬਾ-ਅਦਾਲਤ ਤਹਿਸੀਲਦਾਰ-ਕਮ-ਸਹਾਇਕ ਕੁਨੈਕਟਰੋ ਦਰਜ਼ਾ ਪਹਿਲਾ,ਮੋਹਾਲੀ। ਜਨਤਕ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਪਿੰਨ ਅੰਕਟ ਨੌਕਰ 1018-19 ਰੀਫਰ ਅੰਮ ਜਨਤਾ ਨੂੰ ਜ਼ਰਿੰਦਰ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਦਰਮਾਸਤ ਕਰਤਾ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਅਮਰੀਕ ਜਿੰਘ ਪੁੰਤਰ ਬਾਰੂ ਰਾਮ ਪੁੰਤਰ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਬਦਰੰਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਬਾਸੀ-ਮਕਾਨ ਨੰ. 84,ਚੁੱਬਟ-ਪੁਰ-ਡਾਕ, ਜੈਕਟਰ-15,ਪੰਚਰੁਨਾ (ਹਰਿਆਟਾ) ਦੇਨੋਂ ਇਸ ਦਰਤਰ ਵਿੱਚ ਅਪਣੇ ਨਾਮ ਦੀ ਦਰਜ਼ਤੀ ਸਕੰਧੀ ਵਿੱਚ ਦਰਮਾਸਤ ਪੰਤਰ ਵਰਤਰ ਵਿੱਚ ਅਪਣੇ ਨਾਮ ਦੀ ਦਰਜ਼ਤੀ ਸਕੰਧੀ ਵਿੱਚ ਦਰਮਾਸਤ ਪੰਤ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਜਿਸ ਵਿੱਚ ਲਿਖਿਆ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੀ ਅਰਾਜੀ ਜਾਣਿਦਾ ਪੁਰਾਜ਼ਿਕ ਪੈਦਟ ਨੰਗਰ: 73/289 ਪੁਰੰਤੀ ਨੰ. 352 ਵਾਂ ਪੰਤਰ: 23/208, ਪਰੰਤੀ ਨੰਕਰ: 243 ਵਾਂ ਪੈਵਟ ਨੰਕਰ: 234/250, ਪੁਰੰਤ ਨੇ ਤਰਤ: 255 ਵਾਂ ਪੈਵਟ ਨੰਗਰ: 237/289 ਪੁਰੰਤੀ ਨੰ. 352 ਵਾਂ ਪੰਤਰ: ਤੋਂ 33/300,ਪੁਰੰਤੀ ਨੰ. 353,ਵਾਦਿਆ ਰਗਜ਼ ਪਿੰਡ-ਫੀਜ਼ੋਵਿਰਾੜ, ਤਹਿ-ਮੋਹਾਲੀ ਦੇ ਮਾਲ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ (ਵਰਦ ਅਮੁਬੰਦੀ ਸਾਸ਼ 2022-2023) ਉੱਚ ਮੇਰਾ ਨਾਮ "ਅਮਰੀਕ ਪੂਰੀ ਪੁੰਤਰ ਬਾਰੂ ਪ੍ਰੀ ਪੁਰਰ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਭਪਤੌਰ ਪੂਰੀ "ਦਰਜ਼ ਕੀਤਾ ਕਿਸਾਮ ਹੈ ਜੋ ਕਿ ਗਜ਼ਤ ਹੈ। ਸੁਰਤ ਵਜੋਂ ਅਕਾਜੀ ਜਾਵਿਦਾਰ ਪੇਵਟ ਨੰ: 1771824ਕੰਟੀ ਨੰ 1784ਵਟ ਨੰ. 24821543ਕੰਨੀ ਨੰ: 252,ਵਾਹਿਆ ਰਗਜ਼ ਪਿੰਡ-ਰੀਵਿਰਾੜ,ਗੁਲਦਸਤ ਨੰ: 265,ਵਹਿਮ-ਪੋਰਾਲੀ ਦੀ (ਫਰਣ ਜ਼ਾਪੰਬੰਦੀ 2022-2023) ਅਤੇ ਆਧਾਰ ਕਾਰਤ,ਪੈਨ ਕਾਰਤ,ਵੋਟਰ ਕਾਰਡ ਦੀ ਕਾਪੀ ਨਾਲ (ਨੰਜ਼ੀ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈਜ਼ਿਸ਼ਸ ਵਿੱਚ ਉਸਦਾ ਸਹੀਮਤਰਸ਼ਤ ਨਾਮ "ਅਮਰੀਕ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁਰਰ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਭਾਵੂ ਰਾਮ ਪੁਰਤ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਭਾਵਤਿ ਸਿੰਘ ਦਰਸਾਤ ਕਰਤਾ ਮਾਲ ਵਿਚਕਰਕ (ਫਰਦ ਜਮਾਬੰਦੀ )ਪਿੰਡ-

ਜਾਹੈ। ਸ਼ਹਾਹੀ: ਕਰਤਾ ਮਾਲ ਵਿਕਾਰਡ (ਕਰਦ ਜਮਾਂਬੰਦੀ )ਪਿੰਡ-ਸ਼ਹਾਰਤ ਕਰਤਾ ਮਾਲ ਵਿੱਚ ਆਪਣਾ ਸਹੀਸ਼ਟਰਸਤ ਨਾਮ '' ਮਰੀਕ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਬਾਫ਼ ਰਾਮ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਬਖਤੌਰ ਸਿੰਘ ' ਸਭਾਉਣ ਚਾਹੁੰਦ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਜਦੋਂ ਦਰਸਾਸਤ ਕਰਤਾ ਦੇ ਨਾਮ ਦੀ ਸੁਸਤੀ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾ ਰਹੀ ਹੈ। ਜੇਕਰ ਮਾਲ ਵਿਕਾਰਡ (ਕਰਦ ਪ੍ਰਾਵੰਦੀ )ਪਿੰਡ-ਕੋਰੀਇੰਦਗੜ੍ਹ, ਤਹਿਮੋਹਾਲੀ ਵਿੱਚ ਨਾਮ ਦੀ ਸੁਸਤੀ ਸਕੰਧੀ ਕਿਸੇ ਨੂੰ ਕੋਈ ਇਤਕਾਸ ਹੈ ਤਾਂ ਉਹ ਇਸ ਕਰਤਿਹਾਰ ਦੇ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਿੰਡ ਹੋਣ ਦੇ 15 ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ ਇਸ ਕਰਤ ਵਿੱਖ ਆਪਣੇ ਇਤਰਾਜ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕਰ ਸਕਾਣ ਹੈ। ਸਹਾਇਕ ਕੁਲੈਕਟਰ ਦਰਜਾ ਪਹਿਲਾ, ਤਹਿਸੀਲਦਾਰ,ਮੋਹਾਲੀ।

## PUBLIC NOTICE Through Advocate Sunil KwatraThis is

to inform the general public that Smt. Gurcharan Kaur W/o Sh. Harpal Singh is the lawful owner of the property measuring 2 Biswa 08 Biswasi, which she purchased vide Sale Deed No. 3865, and the said property stands duly mutated in her name vide Mutation No. 6005:It is further informed that one previous deed pertaining to the same area and bearing Vasika No. 3153 which was executed in favour of Smt Harbhaian Kaur W/o Prem Singh, has been lost/misplaced by Smt. Gurcharan Kaur.The above-mentioned property has been mortgaged with Aavas Financiers Ltd.Therefore, if any person has any objection, claim, or interest with respect to the said property or the issing deed, they may contact the indersigned Advocate within 7 days of ublication of this notice. After the expiry of 7 days, no claim or objection in this egard shall be entertained.

Advocate Sunil Kwatra (For Smt. Gurcharan Kaur) Contact:

Date:

Estate Manager Housing Board Haryana Panchkula NO. HBH/EM/PKL/2025/4499 DATE: 11.12.2025 Sub:- Transfer of H. No. 14 III, HIG, Housing

Sug: Iransier or n. No. 14 III., Filo, Houselband Board Colony, Nagal Sodia, Himshikha, Panchkula, Haryana, in the name of Smt. Neelam Saini Wo Late Sh. Satinder Pal Saini Ro H. No. 14 III., H. B. Colony, Nagal Sodia, Himshikha, Panchkula, due to death of Sh. Satinder Pal Saini

Panchkula, due to death of Sn. Saunger Far Saint S/o Sh. Som Nath living intestate. It is notified for the information of the general public and all concerned with the property No. H. No. 14 III, HIG, Housing Board Colony, Nagel Sodia, Himshikha, Panchkula, Haryana, which stands in the name of Sh. Sathuder Pal Saint S/o Sh. Som Nath, as per record of this office.

It has been reported by the applicant (s) Sh. Satinder Pal Saini S/o Sh. Som Nath, who was the

owner of this property died on 25.02.2025. Smt. Neelam Saini W/o Late Sh. Satinder Pal Saini R/o H. No. 14 III, H. B. Colony, Nagal Sodia, nshikha, Panchkula, have claimed /applied for Himshikha, Panchkula, have claimed rapplied for the transfer for the said property in her name on the basis of intestate death of Sh. Satinder Pal Saini Slo Sh. Som Nath And Registered Will No.145 Dated 06.11.2019. If anybody have any objection for the transfer of the said property in favour of the applicant. Smt. Neelam Saini W/o Late Sh. Satinder Pal Saini R/o

Neeram sain; wo Late Sh. Saunder Par Sain; Wo H. No. 14 III, H. B. Colony, Nagal Sodia, Himshikha, Panchkula, they may furnish their objection in writing in the office of the undersigned within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which, this property shall be transferred accordingly and no further claim

and Contact No

Yashvardhan Aggarwa

fazila@uco.bank.in

Mob. 91474-03167

**BRANCH HEAD** 

Estate Manager, Housing Board Haryana, Panchkula.

B.O.: Gaushala Road, Fazilka(Pb)

28/12/2025

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Mukesh wio Jaibir Singh r/o Vill, Kheri Masania Teh Uchana Distt. Jind has lost her Transfer Deed no 4019 Dt. 09.02.2016 in favour of Surender, Jaibir and Satyawan sons of Partap Singh somewhere in Jind on dt. 02.02.2024. Whose DDR No. 132300112502556 is registered at Police Station Jind City. If any person received above said document, he/she can return them to the address given below within 7 days by post or inform by telephone. Darshan Singh Advocate

Chamber No. 80 Distt. Court, Jind M. 94168-30305

**Public Notice** 

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Through this information, every common and special person is informed that in this office Sh. Jai Karan Sharma, Rajbala (duaghter) Rajbir (son), Vinod Sharma (son) & Meena (duaghter) R/o H No. 111/16, Moti Nagar, Kama have filed property tax ID No. 1EG6N4H0 located at H.No. 111/16, Moli Nagar, Kamal has applied for registering the name. As pe property tax records, the above property is registered with tax ID No. 1EG6N4H0 without name, and Smt. Kamla Devi died or 16.12.2024. The applicant has to submitted a document/will no. dated and a copy of the affidavit for changing the name in this office Therefore, if any general public or private person gets the property as per the said will. Sh Jai Karan Sharma, Rajbala (duaghter), Rajbi (son), Vinod Sharma (son) & Meena (duaghter R/o H.No. 111/16, Moti Nagar, Kamal located a ID 1EG6N4H0. If there is any objection to the change of name, then you can register you objection in this office within 30 days from the date of publication of the notice. Otherwise after a period of time, it will be considered that no one has any objection regarding the above transfer. As a result, the name of the applican will be registered/changed in the relevan unique property tax ID No. 1EG6N4H0 in the property tax of this office. No claim will be ocepted after the time period Zonal Taxatio Officer, Municipal Corporation, Karnal

ESTATE OFFICER, U.T., CHANDIGARI
Subject:-Transfer of Ownership respect of RESIDENTIAL Sit No.118, Sector 26-A. Chandigar (RPD 13001) to the extent of 100 share on the basis of Registered W share on the basis of Registered Wi of Late Sh. Atamilt Singn. It is notified for the information of general public and a concerned that as per record of this office Sh. Atami ingh is the owner/lessee of RESIDENTIAL Site No.11 ector 28-A, Chandigarh to the extent of 100% Share has been informed by Kawal Roop Kaur that Sh. Atan righ expired on 16/03/2016 and she has also intimat

he following legal heirs of the deceased owner/lessee 1) Daya Singh (Son) (2) Himmat Singh (Son) (3) Kaw Roop Kaur (Wife), Now, Kawal Roop Kaur has applied f No pay angin (soly, p. himitar singli learly (s) responsible for the Transfer of Ownership in respect of RESIDENTIAL Site No.118, Sector 29-A, Chandigarh to the extent of 100% Share held by Late Sh. Ataniji Singh in her favour, on the basis of Registered Will dated 03/05/2016. If anybody has any information about any other legal heir(s) of the deceased other than mentioned above, the same may be intimated to the Estate Officer, U.T., Chandigarh, immediatally, if anybody has any objection upon the mutation of the said share in the said property, in favour of the above named applicants, helshelfiney may furnish the same in writing (supported with affidavit duly attested by MagistraleinNotary) in the office of the undersigned within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, falling which the said share in the said property will be mutated accordingly in the name of above said beneficiary and no further claim whatsoever shall be entertained at any later stage.

# ESTATE OFFICER, U.T., CHANDIGARI

ESTATE OFFICER, U.T., CHANDIGARH
Subject:-Transfer of Ownership
respect of RESIDENTIAL Site No. 334
Sector 35-A. Chandigarh (RPD 15850) to
the extent of 100%; share on the base of
Registered Will of Late FLIGHT LT Kamai
Bhatia.
It is notified for the information of general public and all
concerned that as per record of this office FLIGHT LT
Kamail Bhatia is the ownerfiessee of RESIDENTIAL Site
No.334, Sector 35-A. Chandigarh to the extent of 100%
Share. It has been informed by Sarroj Bhatia hat FLIGHT LT
Kamail Bhatia expired on 1109/2025 and she has also
inhimated the following legal heirs of the deceased
ownerfiessees. "I'l Saroj Bhatia (Wile) (2) Rohel Bhatia (Son (3) Rugeela Boparai | Daughler). Now. Saroj Bhatia has
popiled for the Transfer of Ownership in respect of
RESIDENTIAL Site No.334, Sector 35-A. Chandigarh to the
extent of 100%, Share field by Late FLIGHT LT. Karnai Bhatia in her favour, on the basis of Registered Will dated
24/02/2009. If anybody has any information about any other
legal heirits of the deceased officer than mentioned above
the same may be infimated to the Estate Officer, U.T.
Chandigarh immediately if anybody has any solection upon
the mutation of the said share in the said openperty, in tissuod
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SH. NAVEEN, DANICS, ASSISTANT ESTATE OFFICER, EXERCISING THE POWERS OF ESTATE OFFICER, U.T., CHANDIGARH

## कार्यालय नगरपालिका, साँपला। नोटिस आम-जन

धारण को सुचित किया जाता है कि नगरपा की कर गाया के सम्पतिका के रिकोर्ड में प्रोपरी आर्धाओं ने 8BCH6.45 औ राहतास के नाम से दर्ज है। ड्रुस प्रापटों का कुल रक्तवा 106 वर्गगत दर्शावा गया है। जोकि मौके पर मकान है। इस जायबाद के औ रोहतास रिकार्ट्स के 3446 दिनांक 24/03/1981 के द्वारा मालिक है। औ रोहतास का देहान दिनांक 21/09/2025 को हा वका है। मृत्यु के प्रधात औं राहतास के 4 वासिस है। अब नगर पालिका, सांपला के प्रोपटी टेक्स रिकार्ड में इस प्रापटी आईएडी0 8BCH6J45 में औं राहतास के वारिस 1. सुमित्रा (पुत्री) २. प्रमोद (पुत्र) ३. प्रदीप कुमार (पुत्र) ४. वेद कौर (पत्नी) के नाम से दर्ज करवाना चाहते हैं। यदि किसी भी जनसाधारण को इनके नाम से प्रापरी आईएडीए तबदील करने में कोई भी आपनि है तो वह 30 दिन के अंदर-अंदर नगरपालिका, सांपना कार्यालय में अपनी आपनि दर्ज करवाये, अन्यश्च यह प्रापरी आईठडोठ सुम्ब्जि, प्रमोद, प्रदोप कुमार और बंद कौर वे नाम में तबदौल कर दी जायेगी। जिसमें नगरणलिका, सांपला कोई

## नगर निगम रोहतव सार्वजनिक सूचना सर्व साधारण को मुचित किया जाता है कि नगर निगम, रोहतक

की का गावा के मार्गिकर के विकॉर्ड में क्षेत्र प्रोपारी अपिठाँक न 1 HVFKQ23 पूर्वती प्राप्ती अपिठाँक जार्बाठाँक न 92C126U268 वार्ड न गुग्तत 409/17. Peer JJ Mohalla पूर्वत पराउद्योगीत विजार्ड में Saroj Rani Wo Ramesh Chand व सर्वे के अनुसार नए एक्फाईक्सी रिकॉर्ड में Notan Dass नाम से दर्ज है, अब नाग निगम के रिकॉर्ड में इस आईटाईड ना, में प्राप्ती विस्तका नाम विनोद कुमार, सर्वतिष्ठ कुमार, व्यक्ति करिया, नेति, मोदित, अनिन के द्वारा वस्त्रीयत्वारसान के आवार पर आपने नाम तबदान करवान की का शाखा के सम्पत्तिका के रिकॉर्ड में नहें पोपर्टी अहं० डीठ गहते हैं, जिसकी वारसान रिपोर्ट तहसीलदार, राहतक द्वार तसर्दीक की गई है। चदि किसी भी जनसाधारण को इनके नाम प्रापटी टेक्स में उसके नाम तबदील कर दी जायेगी। जिसके लिए नगर निगम, रोहतक कोई उत्तरदावी नहीं होगा।

क्रमांक: MCR/ZTO/2025/4597 दिनांक: 09/12/2025 क्षेत्रीय कराधान अधिकारी, नगर निगम रोहतक।

## CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD 8, Jan Marg, Sector 9-D, Chandigarh

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

SH. AMARJEET S/O LATE SH. MOHAN LAL has approached to the Chandigarh Housing Board for the issuance of Duplicate copy of NDC & Conversion Letter in respect of **Dwelling Unit No.3282-**I, Sector 45-D, Chandigarh due to loss of these documents. He nas also furnished Lost Article Information Report in P.S. 34 at No.233408 LAR No.2025/038239 registered with CHANDIGARH Police on dated 09.12.2025 regarding the loss of above said documents. Any person having any objection, against the issuance of Duplicate copy of NDC & Conversion Letter in respect of the above said Dwelling Unit, he/she should file the objection before the undersigned in writing within 15 days from the publication of this notice, failing which the document shall be issued. Further, in case original document as mentioned above is found by anyone, the same should be submitted in the above noted Police Station or in the office of the undersigned.

Secretary. Chandigarh Housing Board, Chandigarh.

पंजाब नेष्ट्रनात बैंक 🐚 📆 punjab national bank

Branch Address : Bank Bazzar, Bathinda Email: bo014800@pnb.bank.in

As per list attached below various locker hirers have not fulfilled the terms and conditions of the locker agreement and their locker rent are overdue for more than three years. Under the circumstances, we are constrained to break open the locker and notice is hereby given to the public that terested person/s shall approach the branch on or before 31.12.2025 during business hours for making alternate arrangements, failing which we will be constrained to break open the locker on or after 31.12.2025 and the contents of the locker will be sold in public auction without any further notice and the expenses incurred thereby and arrears of rent and other costs will be recovered out of the auction proceeds.

Locker No. Address Name Street No. 7A, Basant Vihar Updesh Inder Singh AB37536M1 Bathinda S/o Partap Singh **Branch Manager** 

STATE BANK OF INDIA Branch: SCO. No. 35, Near Franco Hotel, Phase -1, Mohali Distt. SAS Naga Phone: 8289000405, Email: sbi.01828@sbi.co.in

Bank Street, Bank Bazzar, Bathinda

**Punjab National Bank** 

GOLD AUCTION CUM INVITATION NOTICE The Pledger, in specific & the public, in general, are hereby notified that auction of the gold omaments pledged in the below mentioned accounts is proposed to be conducted on 26.12.2025 at 3.00 pm. at respective tranch at the price applicable on the date of auction

Name of Gross/ Net | Outstanding Borrower & Address Auction

Ms. Muskan C/o Sh. Swami Dayal, Gross Weight Rs. 4,99,109/-State Bank of India plus accrued 81.61 Grams/ #214. Sigma City, Sigma Chowk, Branch Office: ohgarh (Mohali) Zirakpur-140603 **Net Weight** Terms & Conditions of Auction: Decision regarding acceptance of an offer for purchase of jewellery through auction would be that of the Bank is not bound to accept the highes

offer. Bidders are hereby requested to take note of terms and conditions of auction stipulated hereunder in their own interest. (1) The bank does not guarantee to weight o purity of the jewellery/ coins, either of its gold contents or otherwise. (2) The jewel will be handed over to the highest bidder on payment of the balance amount within 24 hours or or the next working day of the bank during its business hours. (3) If the successful bidder fails to pay the amount, the bidder shall forfeit the earnest money and the jewel may be resolo within 15 days from that date and shortfall if any in excess of the earnest money shall be recoverable from the bidder who has successfully bid at the earlier auction but did not take delivery of the jewel against the payment. (4) The unsuccessful bidder shall be in titled for the refund of the earnest money immediately after the auction is over. (5) It shall be lawful for the bank to stop the auction at any stage without assigning any reason in which case earnest money shall be refunded to whoever makes the deposit. (6) GST as applicable to

Place: Mohali Date: 11.12.2025 SMFG India Home Finance Co. Ltd.

Grihashakti Corporate Off.: 503 & 504, 5° Floot, G-Block; Inspire BKC, BKC Main Road, Bandra Kurla Complex, Baedra (E). Mumbai-400051
Regd. Off.: Commerzone IT Park, Tower B, 1st Floor, No. 111, Mount Poonamallee Road, Porur, Chennal – 600116, TN

FIMMOVABLE SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE OF 15 DAYS FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSETS UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECON

SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002. lotice is hereby given to the Public in General and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below listed immovable proper Secured Assets") mortgaged / charged to the Secured Greditor, the Possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of SMFG dia Home Finance Co. Ltd. (hereinalter referred to as SMHFC) ("Secured Creditor"), will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and

OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 READ WITH PROVISION TO RULE 9(1) OF THE

"Whatever there is" on the date and time mentioned herein below, for recovery of the dues mentioned herein below and further interest and other expenses thereon till date of realization, due to SMHFC Secured Creditor from the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) mentioned herein below Name of the leserve Price : Borrower(s) Description of the Properties Time of Guarantor(s) LAM

One Industrial Proeprty Measuring 172 Sq.yds., Comprised It Khasra No. 21//21, 25, 22, 23, 24, 35//8, 9, Khata No. 68/74, 69/75 25,40,000/-610139511292545 30.12.2025 70/76, 71/77, 72/78, 74/80, 75/81, Jamabandi For The Year 2008 et 11.00 . Om Shah, 29.12.2025 09. Situated At Village Bhamian Kalan Ababdi Bhamina Kala S/o. Bindeswar AM to H.b.no 181, Tehsil & Distt. Ludhiana, Bounded As Under:- East: Rs. 2,54,000 Shah 01.00 PM Neighbour Adm 51'-9", West: Street Wide 20' Adm 51'-9" North Neha Kumari River Side Road Adm 30'- 0", South: Neighbour Adm 30'-0. tails terms and conditions of the sale are as below and the details are also provided in our/secured creditor's website at the following

link website address (https://BidDeal.in and https://www.grihashakti.com/pdf/E-Auction.pdf) The Intending Bidders can also contact ant Singh, on his Mob. No. 8005968270, E-mail : Hanuwant.Singh@grihashakti.com and Mr. Niloy Dey, on his Mob. 9988898312 E-mail: Nilov.Dev@grihashakti.com Place: Ludhiana, Punjab SMFG INDIA HOME FINANCE CO. LTD.

26.12.2025

11:00 AM

26.12.2025

Reserve Price

# STATE BANK OF INDI

East - Udham Singh, West: - Sarwan Singh, North: - Street, South: - Hardial Singh

notice by display of Notice on Notice Board of the branch concerned

ACCOUNT NO.

2553061001607

BRANCH OFFICE ; JINDOWAL, GARHSHANKAR ROAD, BANGA (50196) DISTRICT S.B.S. NAGAR (PB)

Rs. 19,42,586.36

16.03.2020

Rs. 19,80,830.30

16.03.2020

E-AUCTION **SALE NOTICE** 

-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Movable/Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8(6) of the Securit nterest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the borrower(s) and guarantor(s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged / charged to the Secured Creditor, Constructive / Physica

ossession STATE BANK OF INDIA of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of , the Secured Creditor, will be sold on for recovery of dues (mentioned below) to the "AS IS WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS" "WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS" from the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) (Mentioned below). The reserve price and the Earnest Money Deposit is mentioned against each property. For details terms & conditions of the sale ease refer to the link provided in https://baanknet.com.

The Sale will be done through e-auction platform provided at the Website https://baanknet.com on 31.12.2025 from 11.00 AM to 02:00 PM EMD SHALL BE DEPOSITED AND LINKED/MAPPED WITH THE PROPERTY ID BEFORE THE STARTING OF E-AUCTION

1.50	Name of the		Amount of Demand notice	Reserve Price	Date &	Date/Time	
Sr.		Details of Property	Date of Demand Notice	EMD	Time of Inspection	of	Contact Person
No.	Bollower(s)/Guarantor(s)	and the same of th	Date of Physical Possession	Bid Increase Amount	of property	E-auction	
4	Borrower: Sh. Chaman Lal S/o Sh. Parkash Ram, Village	Equitable mortgage of residential property	Rs. 7,44,890/-	Rs. 11,79,500/-	00 40 0000	31.12.2025	Branch Manager
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Borrower (1): M/s Sonali Buliders, Village Jejon, Badowal Road, Jejon Doaba, Distt. Hoshiarpur. Partner (1) Sh. Ashok Kumar S/o Sh. Som Nath. (2) Smt. Swarika Anand, Both Resident of 167, Chabutra Mohalla, Banga, Distt. S.B.S Nagar. Guarantor: Sh. Ashok Kumar S/o Sh. Som Nath, 167, Chabutra Mohalla Banga, Distt. S.B.S. Nagar.

al, South: Street. As per vide sale deed No. 694 dated 10.05.2011, Standing in the name of Sh. Chaman Lal S/o Sh. Parkash Ram.

Borrower: M/s Krishna Traders, Villge Saraffan Bazar, Banga, Distt. SBS Nagar. Partners (1) Sh. Dinesh Kumar. (2) Sh. Sanjeev Kumar, Both Resident of 167, Chabutra Mohalla, Banga, Distt. S.B.S. Nagar, Guarantor: Sh. Ashol Kumar S/o Sh. Som Nath, 167, Chabutra Mohalla Banga, Distt, S.B.S. Nagar.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY SECURED IN ABOVE BOTH ACCOUNTS i.e. Sr. No. 2 & 3 All that part & parcel of Property i.e. Commercial property measuring 04 kanal 09 marla detail as under:

Rs. 61,27,700/- Rs. 6,12,770/- Rs. 10,000/-Commercial plot measuring 89 marla (04 Kanal 09 marla) comprised of Khata No. 17/19, 75/85 and old (New Khata No. 206/224) Khasra No. 22//25/3/3(1-14), 30//5/2/2(1-15), 5/3/1(1-0), 181/197-98 Jamabandi 1998-1999, Situated at Village Khamncho, Tehsil Banga, registered vide sale deed No. 286 dated 12.05.2003 in the name of Sh. Ashok Kumar S/o Sh. Som Nath. Bounded as under

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Mrs. Harmanpreet Kau

Mob. No. 9464861370

THIS PUBLICATION IS ALSO 15 DAYS NOTICE UNDER RULE 8(6) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002 TO THE ABOVE BORROWERS & GUARANTORS s & Conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and to the following further conditions. 2. The properties are being sold on, AS IS WHERE IS BASIS and "AS IS WHA"

IS BASIS" and "WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS", 3. The particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule herein above have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorised Officer, but the Authorised Officer shall not e answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation. 4. Any encumbrances over the property/ies is not known to the Bank/ Secured Creditor. The Authorised officer or Bank shall not be responsible for any charge lien, encumbrances or any other dues to the Government or anyone else in respect of properties Auctioned. 5. The intending Bidder is advised to make their independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances on the property including Statutory liabilities arrears, of property Tax, Electricity Dues, NOC form any department etc. Outstanding Charges/bill for electricity, house tax etc. shall be borne by auction purchaser, 6. The Secured Creditor does not any way warrant the, fitness or Quality or liability of the property/ies being sold. 7. The Sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the Website https://baanknet.com on 31.12.2025 @ 11:00 AM to 02:00 PM as per time given above in column No. 6. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer https://baanknet.com. 8. Over and above reserve price, Minimum One Bid Amount is Mandatory. For further details interested bidders may Contact Chief Manager Kulwant Singh. Mob. Number is 9501328618 & Filed Officer Rajat Padam, Mob. No. 9914215528. **AUTHORISED OFFICER** 

DATE: 11.12.2025 PLACE: Banga

# **ECI** can't treat voters with doubt, SC told



The Election Commission cannot assume the role of a "suspicious neighbour" or a "policeman" treating voters with doubt, the Supreme Court was told on Thursday during the final hearings on a batch of pleas challenging the Special Intensive Revision (SIR)

of electoral rolls in various states. A bench of Chief Justice Surya Kant and Justice Joymalya Bagchi heard detailed submissions from senior advocate Raju Ramachandran representing petitioners opposed to the SIR process being undertaken in several states.

Ramachandran assailed the conceptual foundation of the SIR and urged that the poll panel's constitutional mandate is to act as a facilitator and enabler of voting rights.

"The negative way of viewing one's own role is that of a disabler or that of a suspicious policeman," Ramachandran said, adding that when there is an adequate statutory scheme regarding citizenship, the poll panel cannot become a "nosy parker" instructing booth level officers (BLOs) to cast doubt on voters.

He said initiating an inquiry based on a BLO's suspicion effectively amounts to "suspending citizenship"

as a facilitator and enabler of the societal ideal of universal adult franchise, which would mean helping citizens to vote, proac-

role is that of a disabler or that of a suspicious policeman or a suspicious neighbour. So depending on how you view your own role, your sense of fairness and how you go about a particular exercise will be apparent from that," he said.

He argued that while the right to vote may be statutory, it flows from constitutional rights including Article 19(1)(a) and Article 21.

"Removal from an electoral roll on suspi-

cion amounts to giving a power to suspend citizenship," he said.

On the definition and implication of the term "migrant", he said that in the current socio-political discourse, the term is often loaded and used to imply "illegal migrant" or "exodus" rather than domestic movement. Offering a broader view, Justice Bagchi said, "Migration does not have a domestic import... It is their livelihood which drives them. We have a brain drain

which is also migration."

Justice Bagchi, who belongs to West Bengal, cited the example of IT professionals from his own city Kolkata taking flights to the southern States for opportunities.

The CJI added a stark reality check regarding labour migration and said, "In North India, trains are full of farm workers from Bihar... They are virtually auctioned and by the time they come to Punjab, they are in tears." He noted that many such workers have settled in Punjab, their children have mixed with the culture, yet their roots remain in Bihar or West Bengal.

The CJI also cited a recent visit to Havelock Island, noting that out of a population of 25,000, approximately 22,000 were

While the petitioners argued against the arbitrary nature of the SIR exercise, the bench said. "The SIR cannot be seen too much on procedural aspects.

Let us keep in mind that they are doing something after 20 years and the SIR cannot become an annual feature. That is why we cannot intervene too much on the technical procedural aspects.'

When the petitioners pressed on the 'inquisitorial" nature of the process, Justice Bagchi clarified that the court's queries were 'dialectical" in nature, intended to evoke responses rather than signal a conclusion. The senior lawyer questioned the rationale behind selecting nine states and three Union Territories, including Chhattisgarh, Kerala, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh, for this

He termed the assumption that rapid urbanisation and frequent migration are

Chhattisgarh, where elections are not due, arguing that rushing through the SIR process in such a "vulnerable state" under a tight timeframe called for judicial review. At the outset of the hearing, CJI Kant directed the registry not to accept any further fresh pleas regarding the matter.

'Many are coming now just for publicity No fresh matters are required any more," the

Election Commission is barred from conducting an inquiry in case of a doubtful citizen and if an inquisitorial process falls outside

## "Now, how does the EC view its role? Because depending on how it views its role will follow how it acts. Either it sees its role

tively helping and enabling. The negative way of viewing one's own

regular features in places like Lakshadweep or the Andaman and Nicobar Islands as "facile" and a "lazy assumption" indicating non-application of the mind. He specifically flagged the timing in

The matter will continue on December 16. Earlier, the bench asked whether the its constitutional power.

# **Doctors** who died on duty during **COVID-19 entitled to PMGKY cover**



PIONEER NEWS SERVICE New Delhi

The Supreme Court held on Thursday that the families of the doctors who died while doing their duties during the COVID-19 pandemic are entitled to an insurance coverage of ₹50 lakh under the "Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana". A bench of Justices PS Narasimha and R Mahadevan set aside a Bombay High Court judgment that had held that private doctors were not entitled to the coverage under the Government's

insurance scheme. "There is a requisition of the services of doctors and this is evident from the conjoint reading of the provisions of the Act, the Maharashtra Prevention and Containment of COVID-19 Regulations 2020, the Navi Municipal Corporation Order dated March 31, 2020, the PMGKY-Package Scheme, the explanatory communication to the PMGKY policy and the FAQs released," the bench

It said the invocation of laws and regulations was intended to leave no stone unturned in requisitioning the doctors and the insurance scheme was equally intended to assure doctors and health professionals in the frontline that

the country is with them. The court said individual claims for insurance made under the PMGKY-Package will be considered and decided in accordance with the law and on the basis of evidence. "The onus to prove that a deceased lost his life while performing a COVID-19-related duty is on the claimant and the same needs to be established on the basis of credible evidence," it added.

The top court was hearing a plea moved by Pradeep Arora and others against a March 9, 2021, order of the Bombay High Court that held that private hospital staffers were not entitled to receive benefits under the insurance scheme unless their services were requisitioned by the state or

the central Government.

# Classifieds

## CHANGE OF NAME

I, Nazar Singh Father of Army No. 4470951F Rank: Nk Name: Jagdev Singh Posted with Unit: Sikh LI C/o 56 APO. Permanent Resident of Village Ramgarh, District Mansa, Punjab have changed my Name from Nazar Singh and Date of Birth 20-11-1950 to Najar Singh and Date of Birth 04-06-1945

I, Puro Kaur Mother of Army No. 4470951F Rank: Nk Name: Jagdev Singh Posted with Unit: Sikh LI C/o 56 APO, Permanent Resident of Village Ramgarh, District Mansa, Punjab have changed my Name from Puro Kaur and Date of Birth 04-06-1945 to Bhuro Kaur and Date of Birth 20-11-1950

I, Priyanka Sharma (Aadhaar No. 9459 7216 2216) daughter of Shri Vijay Kumar R/o Village Dautaur, Tehsil Sampla, District Rohtak, Haryana declare that in my 10th and 12th class mark sheets, my mother's name is Babita, and in some of my other documents, my mother's name is Babita Devi. The both names, Babita and Babita Devi, belong to my mother, and she is the same person and no one

I, Ninder Singh S/o Jeet Singh Vill.Galedwa, Pehowa, Kurukshetra have changed my name Narender Singh.

URMILA PARMOD KUMAR R/o Ward No. 14, Fouji Plot, Pehowa, Tehsil Pehowa, Distt. Kurukshetra, Haryana have changed my name from URMILA to URMILA DEVI

I, Paramjit Singh S/o Ram Kala R/o Village Kurali, Distt. Karnal have changed my name from Parmiit to Paramiit Singh. Please note for future.

I, Anu Kumar S/o Om Prakash, village Jhansa, Tehsil Pehowa, Kurukshetra, mistakenly mentioned my father's name as Raj Kumar in my driving licence but according to all my documents, my father's name is correctly mentioned Prakash.

I No. 15678122A Rank-CQMH Name Sohan Lal permanent resident of Jainpur, P.O. Tehsil Kalvana. Shahabad Markanda, Distt. Kuruksehtra, State Haryana - 136 135 and presently serving in 15 EW BN, Pin-918015 C/O 99, APO, that I have changed my son's name from Lakshya Siyoliya to Lakshay Siyoliya vide affidavit before the Notary Public Shahabad Markanda on 11/12/2025.

I, Ankur S/o Mukesh Kumar R/o ME-157 Mapsko City, Sector-27, Sonipat have changed my name from Ankur Malik to Ankur for all future purposes.

Maya legally mother of No. 15754140Y Sigmn Name Kalugade Uttam Tanaji presently residing at Helavi Galli, At - Benikre, PO – Mouje Haladi, Tehsil Kagal, Distt – Kolhapur, State - Maharashtra, PIN 416219 have changed my name from Maya to Kalugade Mayatai Tanaji vide Affidavit 10/12/2025 Magistrate Executive Jalandhar, (PB). Vimal legally

mother 15747198N Rank Sigmn Name Jadhav Shubham Namdev presently residing at Malvadi, Vill -Savarvadi, PO - Beed, Distt - Kolhapur, State -Maharashtra, 416001 have changed my name from Vimal to Vimal Namdev Jadhav Affidavit 10/12/2025 before

Executive

Jalandhar, (PB).

Magistrate

Kamaljit Mangal Singh R/o H.No. 94, Tibba Mohalla, VPO. Jamsher Khas, Distt. Jalandhar have changed my name from Kamaljit to Kamaljit Gill (Surname as

I, Mohinder Singh S/o Rakha Singh R/o H.No. 18-M, Basti Peer Kacha Jalandhar-144021. Punjab have changed my spelling name from Mohinder Singh

Mahinder Singh. I, Sita W/o Vijay Kumar R/o Village Kot Fatuhi, Distt.Hoshiarpur, Punjab-144519 changed my name from Sita to Sita Rani.

I, hitherto Known as

Dilbara Singh S/o Kartar Singh R/o H.No. W.N-391, Katra Mohalla, Basti Danishmanda. Jalandhar-144002, Punjab have changed my

name and shall hereafter be known as Dilbagh Singh. Sudeshkaur

Lakhvitsingh Saunte W/o Lakhbirsingh Saunte R/o Village Dhirpur, Distt. Jalandhar have changed my name as Sudeshkaur I, hitherto Known as

Beero W/o Jai Chand R/o H.No. 14. Pind Wadala, Distt, Jalandhar, Punjab have changed my name and shell be known as Balwir Kaur. I, hitherto Known as

Parwinder Kaur W/o Roop Lal R/o Village Janta Nagar, Kot Badal Khan, Distt. Jalandhar, Punjab have changed my name and shell be known as Palwinder Kaur. I Arshdeep Singh

S/O Hardeep Singh R/O Vill, Saranwali P.O. Wara Bhai Ka (Ferozepur) Have Changed My Name Arshdeep Singh Arshdeep Singh Batth. I Sukhwinder Singh

Sandhu S/O Joginder Singh R/O Village Rajan Wala P.O Kadar Wala Distt. Moga Have Changed My Name To Sukhwinder Singh. I Rajinder Wadhwa

S/O Amar Nath R/O House No.-309 Ward Partap Road No.-11 Moga Punjab 142001 Have Changed My Name Rajinder Wadhwa.

I Balvinder Kaur W/O Harjinder Singh R/O Village Baddian Tehsil Gidderbaha Distt. Sri Muktsar Sahib Have Changed My Name To Balwinder Kaur.

I Binder Kaur W/o Harpal Singh R/o Ward Ganganagar (Rajasthan) -335073 has changed my name to Balvinder Kaur.

I, Ramandeep Kaur W/O Amandeep Singh R/O Vill Danyal Po Dhianpur Tehsil Baba Bakala Distt Amritsar Rural Punjab I Have Changed My Name From Ramandeep Kaur To Ramandeep Is My Given Name And Kaur Is My

We Amandeep Singh S/O Pritpal Singh & Smt Ramandeep Kaur W/O Amandeep Singh R/O Vill Danyal Po Dhianpur Tehsil Baba Bakala Distt Amritsar Rural Punjab on behalf minor our Son/Daughter have changed name Manraj Singh to Manraj is given name and Singh is surname.

I Ratwant W/o Ram Singh R/o Vill: Sheron, PO: Dhotian, Distt: Tarn Taran have changed my name to Ratwant Kaur concerned Note

Seema Chhabra W/o Raj Kumar R/o Road Rajpura Distt Patiala changed name Seema.

I Ikbal Singh S/O Natha Singh, R/O Vpo. Pakhowal, Tehsil Raikot, Distt Ludhiana Have Change My Name Iqbal Singh. Plz Note.

I, Tajdeep Singh S/o Amninder Singh R/o Vpo. Maloke Teh-Zira (Ferozepur) have changed my name to Tajdeep Singh Gill.

I, Santosh Rani W/o No 10197946 Ex NK Charan Dass Village Pamdori Bhawa PO Nainowal Jattan, Tehsil & Distt Hoshiarpur (Punjab) have changed my name from Santosh Rani to Rani Devi.

I Sunil S/o Bhawani Badola 2655/21, Shiv Near Mandir, Patel Nagar, Sonipat, Haryana 131001, have changed my name to Sunil Dutt

I Raj Kumar S/o Abhay Kumar R/o # 544/4, Ekta Vihar Anand Nagar-B, Patiala, Punjab-147011 have changed my name to Raj Kumar Gupta.

I, hitherto known as Kumari Priyanka W/o Ram Kumar Yadav R/o Hira Bagh, Street No. 7, Main Road Rishi Colony, Patiala, PO: University (Patiala), District Patiala, Punjab-147002 changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Priyanka Yadav.

I, hitherto known as Sangita Rani W/o Omesh Kumar Sofat R/o House No. 46, Street No. 5, Adarsh Nagar, Sector 2 B, Mandi Gobindgarh, District Fatehgarh Sahib, Punjab-147301 changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Sangeeta Sofat.

I, hitherto known as Umesh Kumar Jagdish Sofat Rai Resident of House No. 46, Street No. 5, Adarsh Nagar, Sector 2 B, Mandi Gobindgarh, District Fatehgarh Sahib. Punjab-147301, India have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Omesh Kumar Sofat.

I, Shilo Kaur W/O Late Pritam Singh R/O Vpo- Saidowal Kalan. Tehsil/District Gurdaspur, 143530 India, Declare That My Son Sarwan Singh S/O Late Pritam

Singh No.144425801 Rank Sep In My Son Army Service Record My Name Sheel Kour And My Date Of Birth 01-07-1946 Is Wrong But My Son Army Service Record My Name Shilo Kaur And My Date Of Birth 01-07-1953 Is Correct. Vide Affidavit IN-PB 92030148662434X

13-11-2025, Dated Before Executive Magistrate Gurdaspur.

I, No. 14369521N Ex Hav Balbir Kumar resident of VPO -Kaunterpur, Tehsil and Distt Pathankot (Punjab), have changed name of my daughter from PUJA DEVI to POOJA DEVI vide Affidavit No. IN-PB01336209113766X dated 11-12-2025 before Executive Magistrate Pathankot.

I, No 10363338W HAV Name Rank GOVIND RAM of 126 Inf Bn (TA) JAK RIF, C/o 56 APO, have changed name of my mother from MACHALI DEVI MANCHALI DEVI and correct date of birth of my mother is 07-01-1954 instead of 47 Yrs vide Affidavit PB01129163127288X Dated 10-12-2025 before Notary Public Pathankot (Punjab).

I Jatinder Singh S/o Sukhwinder Village Bhulle chak P/o Pull Tibri District Gurdaspur changed my name jatinder Singh to Singh Jatinder My Given name is Jatinder and Surname is Singh.

No.15428761F Rank Nk Ravi Shankar Kumar S/O Parmod Kumar Singh R/O Village- Lalu Bigha, Po- Chiraili, Distt- Gaya, (Bihar) India. Declare That In My Army Records My Mother Name Kanti Devi His Date Of Birth 25-08-1971 Is Wrong. But My Mother Date Of Birth 01-01-1977 Is Correct. Vide Affidavit No. IN-PB 00498700017968X Dated 09-12-2025, Before Magistrate Executive Gurdaspur.

I, Sandeep Verma son of Sh. Rajender Verma R/o House No. 572, Amar Nagar Tibba Basti, Gali No. 8, Bhiwani, Haryana 127021 have changed my minor son name from Mahir to

I, Renu Sheoran d/o Moji Ram R/o VPO Jhumpa Khurd, Tehsil Loharu, District Bhiwani, Haryana 127201 have changed my minor son from Raman name Saharan Pushkal to Adwaite

I, Chinni Tavudu father of No. JC392887F, Nb Sub. Chinni Ramana residing of unit 31 NSR chandimandir declare that in my son army record my name is erroneously written as Chinni Thavitayya my correct name is chinni Tavudu. That my Correct Date of birth is 01 July

I, YOGITA am legally Wedded Spouse of Army No- 14677763K Rank: NK Name: Solam Naresh Permanent Suresh Residing At Village: Waki Khurd, Post - Padvi, Teh Mahad, Dist - Raigad, State: Maharashtra, Pin 402302 declare that I have changed My Name from YOGITA to YOGITA NARESH SOLAM. Vide 11AA Affidavit No: 219206, 11/12/2025

I, BABAN am Father of Army No: 2803561N Rank: Hav Name: Pawar Uttam Baban Permanent Village Address: Bhendawade, -Khanapur, Dist-Sangli, State: Maharashtra, Pin-415310 declare that I have changed my name from BABAN to BABAN BAPU PAWAR and also Correct my Date of birth from 20/09/1952 to 01/06/1953. Vide Affidavit 11/12/2025

I, VIJINA PRAJESH P wife of PRAJESH. R resident of RAYAROTH. Padiyoor (Post), Kannur (Dist) Kerala (State), Pin 670703, CHANGED MY NAME FROM VIJINA PRAJESH P (Old Name) TO VIJINA P (New Name), vide affidavit dated 11 Dec 2025 sworn before Notary Public Satpal, Pathankot. Please correct it.

Khundrakpam Neety Devi Daughter of JC-288380N Nb/Sub Khundrakpam Birjit Singh resident of Heirok Part II Laimayum. Thoubal Manipur, 795148, have changed my name & DOB from Kh Naoba Devi to Khundrakpam Neety Devi and date of birth from 31 Dec 2010 to 03 Feb 2012.

I, Konda Revathi spouse of No.15734107A Sigmn Pasupuleti Anil Kumar resident of Village-Reddy Vari Palli, Post-Rayachoty, Rayachoty, District-Kadapa, State- Andhra Pradesh, Pin-516270, have changed my name from Konda Revathi to Pasupuleti Revathi Vide PB01486843785111X dated 11 Dec 2025 before notary public Pathankot I, Kamlesh Devi

spouse of No.15499377K NK Ram Ratan Singh resident of Village- Nagla Naga, Post- Beri Chahar. Kheragarh, District- Agra, State- Uttar Pradesh, Pin-283102, have changed my name from Kamlesh Devi to Kamlesh Vide affidavit No.IN-PB01078624690539X dated 10 Dec 2025

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No.15779765Y Sidaray Hav Huddar resident Village-Kumathe, Post-Tehsil-Kumathe. Bableshwar, District-Vijayapura, State-Karnataka, Pin-586126, have changed my son name from Sudarshan to Sudarshan Sidaray Huddar, Vide affidavit No.IN-PB01517569735158X dated 11 Dec 2025 before notary public

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I, Rajashri Sidaray Huddar wife No.15779765Y Hav Sidaray Huddar resident of Village- Kumathe, Post- Kumathe, Tehsil-Bableshwar, District-Vijayapura, Karnataka, Pin-586126 have changed my name from Rajeshwari to Rajashri Sidaray Huddar, Vide affidavit No.IN-PB01518806163630X dated 11 Dec 2025 before notary public Pathankot.

I, Singuru Laxmi mother No.15790582H Rajarao RHM(TIR) Singuru resident of Village- Singuru, Post-Kinthali, Tehsil-Ponduru, Srikakulam District-State- Andhra Pradesh 532402, changed my name from Lakshmi to Singuru Vide affidavit No.IN-PB01520629612165X dated 11 Dec 2025 before notary public

Madhusudanarao father No.15790582H RHM(TIR) Rajarao Singuru resident of Village- Singuru, Post-Kinthali, Tehsil- Ponduru, District-Srikakulam State- Andhra Pradesh. 532402, changed my name from Madhusudhana Rao to Singuru Madhusudanarao Vide affidavit No.IN-PB01522054797178X

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Pathankot. No.14852095X 1, Hav Netar Singh resident of Village- Neri, Post- Chambi, Tehsil-Sundernagar, District-Mandi, State- Himachal Pradesh, 175018, have changed my mother name from Urmila Devi to Urmila Devi Guleria Vide affidavit No.IN-PB00867142817994X dated 10 Dec 2025 before notary public Pathankot

I, Narendar Kumar Varma S/o Om Parkash R/o B-3783, Refinery Township, Panipat, Haryana have changed my name from Narendar Kumar to Narender Kumar Varma. future I should be known as Narendar Kumar Varma

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# Should India ban social media for kids?

Tech addiction demands layered responses — digital literacy, parental involvement, psychological support, and educational redesign

Once it was alcohol, then it was drugs; now addiction has a new name-social media. Its addicts are everywhere-across age groups, classes, and cities. It is an epidemic that spread before anyone even realised it. India, like other nations, is hooked 24x7 to social media, and this is more prominent amongst young children who are now exposed to all the good and bad the digital world has to offer. In this scenario, Australia's decision to ban social media access for children under 16 has reignited a global debate on how societies should confront the escalating crisis of tech addiction and its psychological repercussions.

The Australian government's move is undeniably sweeping and disruptive in its implications, even though its intent is clear: to protect young users from the toxic digital environment and online harm that has come to be accepted as digital normal. The factors that pushed Australia to ban social media for children may be just as relevant for India. While there is little disagreement on the need to limit children's access to social media, enforcing a blanket ban could be excessively harsh and may be counterproductive. That said, the case for intervention is undeniably strong and is the need of the hour. Psychologists worldwide have been sounding the alarm for years. Clinics now report children as young as eight showing symptoms of mental illness: hyperactivity, violent behaviour, throwing tantrums when devices are taken away, and an inability to disengage

Regular access to social media is changing cognitive and emotional development amongst children in a big way. Declining attention spans, inability to form coherent sentences, and eroded real-world communication skills are becoming disturbingly common. The picture becomes even murkier when you include incidents like the Blue Whale challenge or misogynistic school group chats-proof of how an immature mind can be drawn into, or even trigger, serious harm. Australia's ban may not be a panacea, as even the strictest age ban can be circumvented, and children adept at navigating technology may find proxy routes sooner rather than later. Indeed, no law can compensate for what is lacking at home, in classrooms, or in broader digital culture, but government intervention paves the way for incremental reforms in schools, colleges, and even at home.

India's challenge is more complex: its vast population, socio-economic diversity, and uneven digital literacy make a ban impractical and insufficient, though action is essential. Some progress is emerging through bottom-up efforts, with over 5,000 parents joining support groups to build healthier digital habits, reinforcing families as the first line of defence. Tech addiction needs layered solutions-digital literacy, parental involvement, psychological support, and educational redesign-because while a ban may raise awareness, it cannot replace the long-term task of building resilience and autonomy in young users. India must craft its own path.

# The SC's push for CCTV accountability

Triggered by alarming reports of custodial deaths and the routine absence of surveillance footage, the Court's intervention underscores a stark reality: despite years of judicial directives, transparency inside police stations remains largely a myth



**HASAN KHURSHID** 

The Supreme Court of India's recent intervention into the disturbing pattern of custodial deaths has revived a long-standing and uncomfortable debate: Why does custodial violence persist despite decades of judicial directions, committees, and constitutional safeguards? On September 4, 2025, a Bench comprising Justices Vikram Nath and Sandeep Mehta registered a suo motu Public Interest Litigation (PIL) after taking cognisance of a Dainik Bhaskar report revealing that 11 people had died in police custody in Rajasthan in just the first eight months of 2025. The trigger was not only the shocking number but also the wider pattern of deliberate non-compliance with directives mandating CCTV surveillance in police stations across India. For years, courts have emphasised that CCTV cameras are not optional but essential tools for ensuring transparency, curbing torture, and upholding constitutional rights. Yet, police stations across states continue to function without operational cameras, or worse, with cameras that are conveniently "faulty" or whose footage is "unavailable. According to media reports, police routinely withhold CCTV footage in custodial death cases, citing technical glitches, storage issues, ongoing investigations, or legal barriers. These excuses have created fertile ground for impunity, where the monitor of oversight-the CCTV camera-is neutralised precisely when accountability is most needed.

This is not the first time the Supreme Court has intervened. Earlier rulings — DK Basu, Paramvir Singh Saini, and Shafhi Mohammadlaid down clear and mandatory directions for installing functional video and audio surveillance in police stations. In 2020, the Court issued detailed guidelines requiring uniform installation across all states and Union Territories. It even made Station House Officers personally responsible for maintaining CCTV systems, preserving recordings, and ensuring timely repairs. Yet, five years later, the Court has been forced to confront the same systemic neglect. During the hearing on November 25, 2025, the Supreme Court minced no words: "Custodial violence and deaths are a blot on the system. This country will not tolerate this practice. You cannot have deaths in custody." The Court demanded compliance affidavits from all states and Union Territories, posting the matter for further hearing on December 16, 2025. Its concern stems from the constitutional premise that surveillance in police stations is a fundamental safeguardan obligation, not a discretionary administrative decision. High Courts have echoed similar

In Akhilesh Pandey v. State of Madhya Pradesh (2018), the Madhya Pradesh High Court warned



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change the ground reality. The disconnect between judicial directives and executive action has allowed custodial violence to fester. India's struggle with custodial brutality is not new. In 1997, the Supreme Court in D.K. Basu recognised custodial torture as an assault on the rule of law. In later cases-Shafhi Mohammad (2018) and

Paramvir Singh Saini (2021)-the Court expanded guidelines, with Justice Rohinton

that failure to provide full CCTV coverage in any

police station would be treated as contempt

of court. This, however, has done little to

Nariman stressing that installing CCTV cameras was a constitutional

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dial violence thrives in opacity, and the state machinery shows little urgency to disrupt this culture. The judiciary's frustration draws from a long history of ignored reform efforts. From the National Police Commission reports (1977-81) to the Ribeiro and Padmanabhiah Committees, from the Malimath Committee to the landmark Prakash Singh judgment of 2006, India has been inundated with recommendations for transforming the police from a "force" to a "service."

Despite this, real change has remained elusive. Justice AN Mulla's searing 1961 remark that no group in India matches the police force's record of lawlessness-though later expunged-continues to resonate with uncomfortable accuracy. Recent events have only reinforced these concerns. During the COVID-19 lockdowns, countless videos surfaced showing policemen mercilessly beating civilians, including pregnant women and elderly citizens. Such images laid bare the deep-seated culture of unrestrained power. One of the most horrifying examples remains the 2020 Sathankulam case in Tamil Nadu, where the CBI charge sheet revealed the savage torture of 59-year-old P. Jeyaraj and his 31-year-old son, J. Bennicks. Over seven hours, police personnel stripped, beat, and humiliated the father-son duo, forcing them to clean their own blood from the floor. Despite Jeyaraj's pleas, citing diabetes and high

blood pressure, the brutality continued until both men succumbed to their injuries. Their clothes were extent that police officers had

before presenting them in

court. The investigation also exposed medical negligence-Dr Vinila, who examined them, failed to document their injuries or provide medical support that might have saved their lives. This case stands as a grim reminder that custodial torture is not an aberration but a structural crisis embedded in policing culture CCTV cameras alone cannot eradicate it, but they can act as a crucial deterrent-if the system allows them to function. The Supreme Court's recent intervention is not merely a legal exercise; it is a moral reckoning. India cannot claim to be a constitutional democracy while allowing citizens to be brutalised behind closed doors. The real test now is whether states will finally act-or whether custodial deaths will continue to be treated as tragic but inevitable statistics. The nation's conscience demands more than compliance affidavits; it

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A camel stands in the glow of the sunset light, in Pushkar, Rajasthan.

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# Why educating girls is not enough: Bridge the skill gap



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India has spent decades strengthening girls' access to education. Through scholarships, awareness drives, and community-level campaigns, the country has succeeded in bringing more girls into classrooms than ever before. Enrolment rates for girls have risen at primary, secondary, and even higher education levels. Yet a stubborn gap remains: while more young women finish school and college, far fewer make it into the workforce. This disconnect reveals a hard truth-education alone cannot guarantee employment. For Indian girls, skill development is the missing link between learning and livelihood.

Across the country, thousands of young women hold degrees but remain unemployed. This reflects a deeper

structural issue: literacy and academic qualifications, although essential, do not automatically translate into employability. Many graduates lack the practical, digital, and workplace skills demanded by contemporary industries. Compounding this are entrenched social

norms and cultural expectations that often overshadow the benefits of education. For many girls, familial restrictions, gender stereotypes and ideas about "appropriate"

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These social barriers shape everything-from whether a woman is allowed to work to what kind of job she can accept. Families frequently avoid roles that involve travel. physical tasks, or late hours, forcing even educated women into narrow, low-growth career paths. Confidence-building and communication abilities-skills critical in today's work culture-are rarely nurtured in traditional classrooms, making skill development programmes essential.

The reality becomes even harsher in India's vast informal sector, where more than 90 percent of working women remain concentrated. Most are unskilled and engaged in low-paid, insecure jobs-domestic work, agriculture, tailoring, construction, home-based production, or micro-enterprises. In rural areas especially, women face severe skill deprivation and remain trapped in unsta-

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ble jobs with little chance of mobility. Skill development can change this trajectory. Training in digital literacy helps women shift from low-productivity work to stable, betterpaying opportunities. Today's industries-whether healthcare, manufacturing, hospitality, technology, or retail-

demands genuine accountability.

demand a blend of theoretical knowledge and practical ability, and skill training pro-

When women acquire skills, the impact extends far beyond employment. Skilled

women strengthen economic productivity, innovation, and inclusive growth. Within families, a working daughter or mother enhances financial security and decision-making power. Moreover, skilled workers are better positioned to negotiate fair wages, resist exploitation, and move into formal employment.

The next step for India must be to integrate skill development into every stage of education. Rural training centres must be expanded, especially for girls with restricted mobility. Partnerships with industry can ensure training aligns with real job market needs. Crucially, communities and families must be sensitised to value skill training as essential-not secondary-to education. For India's girls, skill is the pathway to independence, confidence, and security.

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## **AUSTRALIA'S SOCIAL MEDIA BAN SPARKS CALL FOR VIGILANCE**

The Prime Minister of Australia has openly appealed to young people to refrain from using social media, and teenagers are now prohibited from accessing these platforms. Yet, there remains a possibility that some adolescents may still bypass restrictions by manipulating age settings or posing as older users with fake

identities. The risks facing teenagers online are well documented, and in countries like India the lack of transparency and effective oversight only heightens these concerns. With parents increasingly occupied by demanding professional lives, attentive supervision has reduced significantly. Many single children grow up without the stabilising presence of grandparents, and even when grandparents are present, their guidance is often

culture. Consequently, teenagers turn to unsolicited advice from social media posts, videos, or equally uninformed peers, creating a cycle of immature and sometimes harmful influence

Decades ago, society provided an additional layer of support through close relatives and elderly neighbours, whose guidance parents accepted with respect. Over time, however, such involvement has come to be seen as interference, leading to the loss of a valuable safeguard.

Parents in Australia have welcomed the government's decision. A similar measure is urgently needed in India, where constant guidance for teenagers should be seen not as dictatorship but as essential support that protects their curiosity from harmful and inappropriate content

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## **Urban India needs coordinated reform**

One of the most pressing issues in India today is the widening disconnect between rapid urban expansion and the slow pace of essential infrastructure development.

Cities continue to grow outward at extraordinary speed, yet public transport, waste management systems, and affordable housing consistently fail to keep pace, leaving both residents and municipal authorities under severe strain. The challenge is not purely financial: it also lies in weak institutional coordination, outdated planning frameworks, and a persistent tendency to prioritise high-visibility projects over everyday necessities. Consequently, even well-designed reforms often lose momentum and struggle to deliver meaningful improvements.

A more realistic solution begins with strengthening municipal governance. Cities must be granted the autonomy and technical expertise required to plan for the coming decade rather than the next election cycle. Transparent budgeting, reliable service delivery, and people-centred urban design should guide all development. If governments adopt such an approach, India's cities can evolve in a manner that is efficient, liveable, and environmentally sustainable.

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# Diwali's heritage glows anewx

India's Diwali, newly inscribed on UNESCO's Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity, arrives as a moment of cultural pride and personal joy. This recognition feels profoundly affirming. Diwali has never been merely a spectacle; it embodies India's civilisational spirit, carried in the quiet radiance of a single diya and the belief that renewal is always within reach.

Across centuries, the festival has gathered many layers of meaning: Rama's triumphant return to Ayodhya, Mahavira's nirvana, Guru Hargobind's liberation, and the mercantile traditions that once illuminated ancient

Yet Diwali's deepest strength lies in its ability to anchor ordinary lives, reminding families and communities that clarity, compassion, and moral courage endure even amid turmoil.

UNESCO's recognition honours not only Diwali's history but also the people who have safeguarded itartisans shaping earthen lamps, storytellers preserving memory, and generations who kept the flame alive in difficult times. In an increasingly anxious world, may this acknowledgement serve as a gentle reminder that harmony is a practice renewed each year.

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# Reimagining a song for India

Reimagining Vande Mataram requires sensitivity to history, culture, and contemporary identity. Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay's iconic song portrayed the motherland as nurturing, protective, and divine, and the phrase "I bow to thee, Mother" captured the emotional and spiritual bond felt during the freedom struggle. In an independent and secular India, however, there is space to consider a modern interpretation that reflects today's pluralistic values.

Vande Bharatam — meaning "I bow to thee, India" is more direct and less symbolic, potentially making the song more inclusive for those uncomfortable with religious imagery. The name Bharat resonates across languages and regions, offering a shared identity that avoids specific cultural or devotional associations. Such universality may encourage collective participation without hesitation. Culturally, this shift signals modernisation. While the maternal depiction remains integral to the independence movement's memory, adapting the song acknowledges India's multi-faith, diverse society. Yet any alteration must be approached with care, as Vande Mataram is inseparable from the freedom struggle and continues to evoke the sacrifices of earlier generations. O PRASADA RAO | HYDERABAD







# India redraws its strategic lines with Putin's Delhi visit

When Prime Minister Narendra Modi greeted Vladimir Putin with a bear hug and handed him a Russian translation of the Bhagavad Gita, it was more than ceremonial warmth — it was a calculated message. The gesture signalled that India will chart its own course regardless of Western discomfort





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That was no ordinary greeting; on the frosty evening of last Thursday, Indian Prime Minister Modi embraced Russian President Vladimir Putin in a bear hug at Delhi airport and, within moments, presented him with a copy of the Bhagavad Gita in Russian. The choice of gift was laden with symbolism-echoes of Robert Oppenheimer, who drew profound philosophical reckoning from the same text, declaring, "Now I am become Death, the destroyer of worlds," after witnessing the first atomic explosion. Was Modi signalling the weight of nuclearage responsibility to Putin, or was this a deliberate affirmation of India's comfort in maintaining ties with a pariah state under global sanctions?

The streets of Delhi, festooned with Russian and Indian flags and dominated by colossal billboards of Modi and Putin, suggested more than ceremonial protocol-it was pageantry of influence, an audacious statement of India's strategic independence. In that gesture, New Delhi appeared to assert that moral judgement from the West would no longer dictate its choices, and that the Indo-Russian relationship. forged during the Cold War and hardened by decades of defence dependence, remains a pivot capable of unsettling the established order in South Asia and beyond.

Putin's first visit to India in four years, coinciding with talks in Washington over a possible Ukraine peace framework, came at a time when New Delhi is walking an increasingly delicate tightrope between Moscow and Washington. The optics of the visit-from ceremonial receptions at Rashtrapati Bhavan to summit talks at Hyderabad House-reflected not merely diplomacy but an overt projection of influence. Modi's presentation of the Bhagavad Gita in Russian was emblematic: a centuries-old text of dharma and duty, layered with the moral weight of choice, now inserted into the theatre of highstakes realpolitik.

Putin himself, in an interview with India Today, described India as a "major global player, not a British colony," praising Modi as a "reliable person" who does not succumb to pressure. These words, spoken against the



PUTIN'S FIRST VISIT TO INDIA IN FOUR YEARS, COINCIDING WITH TALKS IN WASHINGTON OVER A POSSIBLE UKRAINE PEACE FRAMEWORK, CAME AT A TIME WHEN **NEW DELHI WAS** WALKING AN **INCREASINGLY DELICATE TIGHTROPE** BETWEEN MOSCOW

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backdrop of US sanctions. EU manoeuvres to leverage frozen Russian assets for Ukraine, and growing Chinese assertiveness, highlight India's determination to claim agency in a multipolar world where Washington and Brussels no longer set the rules unilaterally.

Historically, the Indo-Russian relationship has oscillated between strategic necessity and opportunism. Declassified CIA documents from the 1980s reveal the delicate dance India played with the USSR during the Cold War. Indira Gandhi's approach, as the CIA observed, was staunchly nationalist and fiercely protective of India's regional supremacy. The per cent secondary tariff imposed on

United States feared that India's policies towards its neighbours, coupled with its Soviet alignment, could destabilise South Asia while simul-

foothold. Today, the echoes of that era reverberate: New Delhi remains Moscow's top arms buyer, leases nuclear-powered submarines, and maintains energy ties that have drawn ire from Washington, while ensuring that its engagement with Russia does not fully alienate the United States or Western partners.

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2024-25 amounted to approximately USD 68.7 billion, heavily skewed in Moscow's favour due to energy imports, with a trade deficit of around USD 59 billion. Both Russia and India aim to expand bilateral trade to a target of USD 100 billion by 2030, a goal that falls just two years after the next general elections, when Prime Minister Modi is widely expected to contest again despite the symbolic 75-year age limit for party leadership-a restriction largely treated as political theatre and quickly forgotten. Meanwhile, India continues to negotiate with the United States to mitigate punitive tariffs, including a 25

India's purchases of Russian oil. It is also worth noting that India recorded a goods trade surplus of about USD 41.18 billion with the US in FY 2024-

taneously granting Moscow a strategic 25, with exports of USD 86.51 billion and imports of USD 45.33 billion, reflecting strong bilateral trade despite earlier concerns over tariffs. Remittances provide a partial counterweight: total remittances to India reached roughly USD 135.46 billion, including USD 25-30 billion from the US, while Russian remittances are negligible in comparison. This indicates that What is important to note here are the while India faces challenges in trade

financial resilience into the economy.

The summit also highlighted defence collaboration in stark terms. India's USD 2 billion lease of a Russian nuclearpowered attack submarine, with delivery scheduled for 2028, signals an unprecedented deepening of underwater capabilities.

The vessel, unable to enter combat under lease terms, is intended to train crews and refine India's nuclear submarine operations — a critical step for strategic deterrence in the Indian Ocean amid rising Chinese and US naval competition. Russia, despite sanctions and Western pressure, continues to sustain a militaryindustrial complex capable of producing tanks, missiles, and drones at accelerating rates. As reports from Ukraine's Centre for Analytical Studies and Countering Hybrid Threats indicate, nearly half of Russian defence enterprises remain unsanctioned, exposing the limitations of Western punitive measures. In this context, India's engagement with Russian defence capabilities is both a practical necessity and a symbolic assertion that strategic imperatives can outweigh Western orthodoxy.

Sanctions, however, remain a persistent backdrop. The European Union, under Ursula von der Leyen, has attempted to

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deploy emergency measures to convert frozen Russian assets into loans for Ukraine, challenging EU treaties and raising the prospect of legal confrontations with countries such as Hungary and Belgium. The United States, meanwhile, has explored using the same assets in USled investment frameworks to facilitate reconstruction or political leverage. India, observing these efforts, has maintained a stance of strategic neutrality-resisting calls to condemn Russia while advocating for diplomacy, and emphasising that selective sanctioning by Western powers is inconsistent and self-serving. Putin, speaking to India Today, noted that Washington and Moscow presented papers in parallel but reached no compromises, and highlighted that over 90 per cent of Russia-India transactions are conducted in national currencies-a subtle yet potent challenge to dollar dominance.

The optics extend into nuclear and hightech collaboration. India is developing nuclear-capable submarine-launched ballistic missiles, advancing its underwater fleet, and exploring high-tech partnerships with Russia, recalibrating the strategic environment in South Asia. Putin's rhetoric that "Kiev is the mother of all Russian cities" and his framing of Russia's role in eastern Ukraine resonate with historical narratives of great power assertion, yet they also serve as a conscious projection of strength aimed at partners like India. Modi's reception was far from ceremonial: it underlined a shared understanding that global power is increasingly multipolar and that alliances must be flexible, resilient, and insulated from Western

Even in the economic sphere, India challenges conventional assumptions. While the trade deficit with Russia persists due to energy imports, India's broader engagement with global markets-including remittances from its diaspora and ongoing negotiations with the US-allows New Delhi to balance sovereignty with strategic interest. Putin's discussions emphasising bilateral trade growth, hightechnology collaboration, and future energy projects further solidify this interdependence. The bottom line is clear: the India-Russia partnership, far from being a relic of Cold War calculations, has evolved into a sophisticated framework for navigating sanctions, economic competition, and regional security challenges. and it may yet redefine the balance of power in South Asia

# Is Delhi crafting a new role for Ghulam Nabi Azad in Jammu and Kashmir?



**ANIL ANAND** 

A rather mysterious post appeared on the socialmedia platforms recently focused on former Congress veteran and head of the now defunct Democratic Progressive Azad Party (DPAP) Mr Ghulam Nabi Azad. It neither quoted anyone nor was attributed to any source but suggested that Prime Minister Mr Narendra Modi is mulling over assigning a key role to Mr Azad, most probably in the demoted and dissected Union Territory (UT) of Jammu and Kashmir.

"Prime Minister Narendra Modi has dropped a significant hint about a major role for veteran leader Mr Ghulam Nabi Azad. Sources indicate that Azad may be assigned an important position in Jammu & Kashmir, signalling a possible political shift in the Union Territory," read the social media posts.

What makes it more interesting is that neither the Prime Minister's Office-BJP nor Mr Azad have either confirmed or rejected these posts. It will be interesting to know how and from where these posts originated.

What role? Will a leader of national stature such as him be appointed as the Lt Governor of Jammu and Kashmir? An erstwhile state of which he was not only the chief minister but also lorded over and influenced governmental and political decisions from New Delhi.

Or, if the post has any credibility, is he being considered to helm yet another political experiment cooking in the annals of Delhi's power corridors? Hinting at a possible chief ministerial role for him in the BJP-included future government in the UT? Or was it a mere kite-flying exercise as the post evoked no further response, particularly from the ruling dispensation-BJP and the Narendra Modi government?

What makes the post related to Mr Azad's future curious was that it almost coincided with yet another exodus from the DPAP and leading towards the Congress-the party which he served for decades and, in turn, took the boy from the remote area of erstwhile Doda district to towering national heights. It is another matter that after his unceremonious exit from Congress he refuses to give any credit to the party for his stature as a towering national leader. And quite unconvincingly!

With his closest aides and former Minister Mr GM Saroori, credited with having backed Mr Azad to walk out of Congress and float a new political outfit, having already joined the done, despite their earlier jubilation on discon-Congress, the new setback for him came when tinuing the process, under pressure particularhis two more trusted aides Mr Jugal Sharma and Mr Abdul Majid Wani, both former ministers, announced their plans to rejoin Congress. Suddenly, the mysterious posts appeared on social media about the possibility of a fresh J&Kcentric assignment for Mr Azad.

Not that these developments, of Azad aides' "ghar wapsi", had happened suddenly. More than half-a-dozen DPAP leaders, including them, had made efforts to join Congress before the assembly elections but their attempts were foiled by a group of leaders dominating the J&K Congress and thwarting all efforts at its revival or growth. Most of these DPAP leaders later contested elections as independents to avoid any linkage with Mr Azad, whom people perceived to be soft towards the BJP, and

Adding a few more seats-as these leaders would have won as Congress nominees-to the Congress kitty would have made the party a formidable partner in the ruling alliance. It would also have broken the hegemony of a set of people controlling Congress in the UT. No probe was ever held and no heads rolled

even one year after the assembly

The discontent in the DPAP had started simmering a few months after the party came into being.

Most of these leaders, dyed-in-the-wool secular Congressmen, had pinned their hopes on Mr Azad to provide a secular option to Congress in Jammu and Kashmir as the party had not only lost its moorings but had failed to meet the Narendra Modi-anchored BJP's challenge. Ostensibly, they were dismayed at Mr Azad not taking a clear political stance in the politically charged Muslim-majority UT with a considerable presence of Hindus, thereby giving an impression of soft-peddling towards the saffron party.

Ever since the dilution of Article 370 on August 5, 2019, and the corresponding Constitutional changes resulting in the UTs of J&K and Ladakh, BJP's moves at installing its government have failed. Although the Centre is adamant in ignoring the demand for restoration of statehood in J&K, and a similar demand has gained foothold in Ladakh along with bringing the tribal-dominated UT under the 6th Schedule of the Constitution of India, and their reiteration that it will be done at an appropriate time, the political winds have started blowing in differ-

A big self-inflicted setback for the Centre and the RSS-BJP combine was the Modi government's decision to restore the over-a-centuryold tradition of 'Durbar move' that entails shifting the capital to Jammu and Kashmir in winters and summers respectively. This was ly from people in BJP's stronghold of Jammu which has been under economic stress due to wrong and anti-Jammu policies of the Centre and the UT governments.

Durbar move entailed Kashmiris moving to Jammu in winters. This was a major source of contribution to Jammu's economy which has been in dire straits after the opening of the Jammu-Srinagar railway link via the holy town of Katra (Vaishno Devi) and later stoppage of Durbar move. In the absence of any alternate and viable plan to sustain Jammu's economy, despite the region having voted for BIP in the last eight elections-from Lok Sabha down to Panchayat via UT Assembly-and religion-related and communal issues showing signs of weakening as a counter to divert people's feelings connected with their economic survival, the Central dispensation could be toying with an idea of yet another Azad-centric political move after the failure of his DPAP experiment.

Given the none-too-pleasant political scenario in Jammu and Kashmir and with the DPAP fiasco behind his back, the question arises: Will Mr Azad bite the bullet in the twilight of

his political career?

To be fair to Mr Azad, all through his political association with Congress-during which he was

always, within the government and the Congress, at the decision-making levels-he had safely avoided getting involved in murky political experimentation as part of the statecraft. He definitely had his hands soiled in the Congress's internal power dynamics which led to many stalwarts quitting or retiring from the scene, and no one even from the younger lot who held any promise was allowed to come up. The ruptures in the Congress's organisational set-up were clearly visible once Mr Azad quit the party, with none other of any consequential stature available to take charge.

How could he be relevant in Jammu and Kashmir's political scenario under these circumstances, despite the fact that he still has some credibility left?

In any new experiment, even if he accepts Mr Modi's offer-which could range from becoming Lt Governor, simultaneously of the two UTs, or functioning in an interlocutory capacity focused on the problems of J&K and Ladakh, and not a direct political role-he would only be seen as a representative of the Modi government, with BJP being the political arm of the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh.

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strengthen grassroots infrastructure. With more than a thousand Khelo India Centres sanctioned across the country, access to sporting facilities is no longer a privilege restricted to metropol-

The rapid development in remote regions

India's sporting rise is no longer measured only

in medals or Olympic success; it is unfolding

quietly in school grounds, small towns, and

remote districts where a new era of sports infra-

structure is taking shape. For the first time in

decades, government ambition for a fitter and

more inclusive nation is aligning seamlessly with

private sector innovation. Together, they are cre-

ating an ecosystem defined by accessibility, sus-

tainability, and world-class standards, marking

a transformative chapter in India's sporting journey. Government investment through pro-

grammes like Khelo India has played a central

role in this shift. What started as a mission to

identify talent and nurture young athletes has

evolved into a nationwide movement to

underscores this change. When a multi-purpose indoor hall opens in Arunachal Pradesh's Kamle district or when Himalayan states receive hundreds of crores for sports facilities, it reflects

a deeper reorientation of development priorities. Sports infrastructure is now seen as integral to inclusive growth, not an optional extra.A child in Ladakh, Nagaland, or Meghalaya should have the same chance to train, play, and dream as a child in Delhi or Mumbai, and India is beginning to make that aspiration real. By taking modern facilities to remote, tribal, and hilly regions, the country is not merely constructing fields and courts — it is building a future pipeline of talent that previously remained invisible due to lack of access. But infrastructure alone cannot drive change. The private sector has stepped forward to bridge the gap between policy and execution. India's sporting future must evolve without compromising the planet's well-being. For example, Gallant's partnership with Nike Grind, Nike's global sustainability initiative, is a testament to this commitment. Providing world-class sports gear is of utmost importance for the country's sporting excellence - rubber infill, delivering football turfs, multi-sport courts, and athletic tracks that meet global standards while remaining suited to India's climate and usage patterns. These surfaces are durable, safe, weather-resis-

tant, and engineered to ensure sustainability never comes at the cost of performance India's varied geography and climatic extremes make it essential to pair global technology with local delivery. Many companies, including Gallant, work on the model that integrates international expertise with strong on-ground execution, ensuring that facilities in rural districts rise to the same benchmarks as those in major cities. Today, world-class facilities are emerging in district schools, universities, sports academies, and community grounds, creating a more level field for talent across regions. This is also an era where public vision and private execution are reinforcing each other. Government funding through

Khelo India and Special Area Games schemes is

reaching even difficult terrains. Private innovators are ensuring these facilities are built using sustainable materials that reduce long-term costs and environmental impact. CSR support from corporates is further enhancing the reach and quality of sports infrastructure across communities. Together, these collaborations are building a model that is scalable, eco-conscious, and socially impact ful. The future demands more than just building more fields; it demands facilities that are greener, smarter, and longer-lasting. With rising environmental concerns, the sports sector too must move towards responsible innovation. Materials like Nike Grind contribute to a circular economy by reducing waste and repurposing discarded material into high-perfor-

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mance surfaces. Gallant Bounce installations reflect this mindset, prioritising accessibility, safety, and longevity. These facilities become inspirational spaces where

children discover confidence, athletes sharpen their skills, and communities gather with pride.India's next sporting leap will likely emerge from its remotest corners. A new turf in a tribal school or a synthetic track in a hilly region reinforces that talent is not determined by geography. As India prepares for global competitions and future Olympics, the foundations being laid today will determine the champions of tomorrow. The road ahead is filled with promise. India's sporting aspirations now reflect a larger cultural commitment to fitness, resilience, and collective growth.

With government vision and industry innovation working in tandem, the nation is steadily moving towards a future where world-class. sustainable sports infrastructure becomes the norm. The fields being built today will shape not only athletes but the spirit of a confident and

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Yet another deadline seems to have gone. According to India's chief economic advisor, V Anantha Nageswaran, the India-US trade deal will most possibly be sealed by March 2026. During the summers, there was the anticipation that the agreement would be finalised by September. It did not, and the next target was the festive month of November. Several ministers and trade negotiators backtracked and voiced a belief that Christmas-New Year, or December, will mark the end of the ongoing bilateral talks. Now comes a new deadline, which is three months later, and creates new apprehensions, worries, and disruptions. It implies that Indian exports, which witnessed a slowdown due to the US tariffs, will suffer for another few months. The trade deficit for 2025-26 may increase, and if the dollar outflows do not stem, this will create a further downward pressure on the rupee. However, Nageswaran is confident that the economic and growth outlook for 2026-27 remains strong, and the current devaluation of the currency is because it is "undervalued relative to fundamentals." In effect, the tide will change soon.

Speaking to a TV channel, the economic advisor agreed that the November-December target turned out to be "elusive," but added that he would be surprised if the March deadline was not met. In the recent past, the American side has become more optimistic about the bilateral deal. The US trade representative, Jamieson Greer recently told a Senate subcommittee that the latest trade proposals from India were among the "best" that the US had received. "They (Indians) have been a very difficult nut to crack... but they have been quite forward leaning... the type of offers that they have been talking to us about have been the best we have ever received as a country." Greer said. It indicates that India has agreed to proposals that other nations did not, or that New Delhi has softened its stance over the months. One can flip the argument to believe that the US, which wanted a lot more, has decided to be content with a little less.

Farm imports from the US still seem to be the most sensitive issue on the trade agenda. Greer admitted that there were disagreements especially on American crops and meat, which include the imports of corn, soybean, wheat, and cotton. Throughout the year, the Indian side, including the prime minister and ministers have maintained that they will not allow any compromises with the interests of the local farmers. However, in the recent past, India has made a few concessions, albeit cloaked in national necessities. For example, cotton imports were eased, and allowed at zero import duties to help the textile sector, which faced shortages. The Government aimed to convince the farmers that the imports will be used by the industry, and not enter the open marketplace. Farm unions were unhappy, and voiced their concerns over low domestic prices. Similarly, there is talk to use American corn for making ethanol to blend with petrol. A 20 per cent blend is mandatory, and this time too the reason will be that the corn will be used by the refiners, and not enter the market.

Since any bilateral trade deal will logically include the import of American goods, apart from farm produce, Piyush Goyal, the industry and commerce minister, has urged the Indian business community not to be perturbed about such free trade agreements. In a public meeting, he said that Indians oppose the bilateral or regional trade deals even if they adversely impact 5-10 per cent of the market share in specific segments. He urged the industry to be strong, and resilient, and not be affected by such small changes. In effect, the policy-makers wish to prepare the business community for the concessions that India will need to give to the US as part of the trade deal. This is akin to the way the former are preparing the farmers to face the implications of higher imports from America. This explains why India is on a signing spree to ink bilateral deals so that the India-US one, when it happens, seems logical and inevitable.

Finally, Nageswaran made a telling comment in the interview with the TV channel. He maintained that the India-US trade deal was not just about economics and business, or agriculture. It was about geopolitical considerations. The trade agreement was linked to other areas such as national security, diplomacy, new world order, and regional and subcontinent security. A recent report by the White House connected economic relations with Indo-Pacific security. The study wanted closer India-US trade relations, which would logically enhance closer ties in the Indian Ocean to counter China. While India has moved towards China because of the retaliation by the US, New Delhi perceives Beijing as a long-term security threat. Hence, India wants to have a larger relation with America, even as it stays close to Russia, and inches towards a few agreements with China. But New Delhi has realised that in terms of geopolitics, and long-term view, it cannot completely isolate itself from the US. Some analysts argue that Russia is India's past, which will continue in the future. The US is India's future. The India-China

destinies are interlinked.

# **India's MAGA vs Trump's MAGA**

# The future lies in wooing Microsoft, Amazon, Google, Apple

sive manner, and without the theatrics and circus of the US president, India has its own businesseconomic weapon, which is also MAGA. In the long run, the Indian weapon of mass market will prove to be more durable and consequential . than Trump's trade-tariff-investment warhead. The US republicans wish to 'Make America Great Again.' The Indian Government believes in 'Microsoft, Amazon, Google, and Apple.' Ironically, both nations' futures depend on the tech giants.

But before we go down that road, a trip down the nostalgia lane first. Scrolling down the India-US news on diverse digital platforms, I had a flashback from the past, some three decades ago. I recalled a similar political schizophrenia coupled with business mania, a kind of parallel track in the relations between India and the US. Back then, Robin Raphael, the US assistant state secretary in the Department of State, caused diplomatic tremors and waves in India.

Raphael, a South Asia expert who was subsequently investigated by the FBI on charges of being an ISI mole with leanings towards Pakistan, claimed that a genuine dispute existed between Pakistan and India, and Kashmir was not an inalienable part of India. This caused considerable agitation among the Indian leaders. Yet, while Raphael hectored India, the American softdrinks icon, Coke, made grand announcements about coming back to India with a bang. Other well-known American brands were also enthusiastic about the vast, untapped, and growing Indian consumer market.

Fast forward a few years, and the US did what even India had never anticipated. The former compelled Russia to stop the supplies of cryogenic engines to India, which could have aided the latter in its space and missile programme. It is a different matter that India managed that diplomatic hostilities with the US were on the rise, McDonald's announced that it would open thousands of fast-food stores across India. Mac-D realised the potential of the Indian

A similar kind of schizophrenia-excitement is visible today. After imposing a 50 per cent tariff on Indian exports, hankering about H-1B visa regime, and targeting pharma shipments, Trump recently instructed his aides that there were complaints about India dumping rice in

the US. He hinted at new tariffs on rice imports. His tariff war against India seemed unabated. Do remember that after new sanctions were **SINCE 1865** imposed by the European Union,

and others against two Russian crude oil exporters, Indian importers stopped, or curtailed purchases from Russia. Or at least publicly announced it.

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However, the likes of Microsoft, Amazon, Google, and Apple, the Indian MAGA, announced major investment plans for their Indian operations. This was despite Trump's threats to reduce their exposures to the subcontinent, and invest more in the US. The tech giants did both. Satya Nadella, the CEO of Microsoft, said that he had a wonderful meeting with the Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi, and that his firm will commit \$17 billion to promote, develop, and encourage AI (Artificial Intelligence) in India.

Nadella added that this was the largest investment by Microsoft in Asia. Not to be outdone, within no time, Amazon, which is the largest ecommerce platform in India, claimed that it would invest a much-higher \$30 billion until 2030 to improve, develop, and upgrade the# AI capabilities in India. The firm stated that it saw endless potential and possibilities in the Indian market.

Like Donald Trump's MAGA, but in an unobtru- without Russian help. But around the same time Some weeks ago, if you recall, Sundar Pichai of Google said that the firm would invest \$17 billion in Andhra Pradesh to set up a massive data centre, the largest of its kind in Asia, and develop AI capabilities in India.

Now, we come to Apple. Until November 2025, iPhone exports and shipments from India to the US broke previous records, despite the US' tariffs, and Trump's antics. Total iPhone exports may cross the \$25 billion in 2025 (calendar year), or surely in 2025-26 (fiscal year). Apple is com-

mitted to manufacturing 25 per cent of iPhones meant for global sales within India, and the process is under way. This completes the quartet of India's MAGA, which will counter

Trump's MAGA, and maybe come out trumping America. What India needs to do is something quite simple. It needs to ride out the Trump threats, and the hostility of the US administration. This

is not something new. We have done it before, after the two nuclear tests, and during the 1980s. India has experienced hostile US administrations for the last six decades, but since the 1980s the negatives were accompanied by businessinvestment positives. Remember, it is not charity, sympathy, or altruism that is forcing India's MAGA weapon to pay attention to India. We have a population of 1.6 billion, who are

the future and potential testing guinea pigs for the Al geeks, who work for the global tech giants to tweak their algorithms. Where else in the world can they find such a large captive consumer base? This is precisely the business key to unlock the diplomatic shackles. Back in the 1990s, China used the power of its consumers, selectively dangled access to the US firms, and extracted huge concessions. India may not be as ruthless, but can use MAGA wisely, patiently, and strategically.

However, we need to be careful so that we are not carried away by rhetoric, and posturing. For example, when Pepsi entered India in the 1980s, it spoke eloquently about how it could instantly transform Indian farming through the exports of processed food (read potato wafers). The change happened but over a longer period. The US and European pharma giants were cagey to transfer research knowhow. The same slowness, laziness, or apprehensions can propel the MAGA tech giants to promise much more than they

Let me give you a recent example. While Amazon promised to pump in \$30 billion, it claimed that it had already invested \$40 billion in India. A closer look revealed that the latter figure included salaries paid to the Indian employees for decades. Recurring expenses, which are funded by local and export revenues cannot be deemed as investment. Only capital expenditure on infrastructure, and other heads can. More importantly, for an outsider, foreign investment inflow is crucial. If Amazon reinvests the profits and cash flows it earns from the Indian operations, it is capex but not FDI.

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## A Contrarian Investor

## India's unsecured credit landscape is going through a structural transformation, which is driven by stronger borrowers' discipline, broader credit penetration, and renewed lenders' confidence. According to Experian's latest report, 'Credit Insights: Unsecured Loans (September 2025),' the country is seeing sustained momentum across personal loans, credit cards, and loans for cars and consumer durables. The report notes that "fresh sourcing of loans in Q2-FY26 remained strong," due to larger ticket sizes, expanding participation from non-banking finance companies (NBFCs), and better repayments. This marks a maturing credit environment nationally, which is shaped by the rise of digital lending platforms.

The study underscores a shift in consumer behaviour, and lender strategy as credit flows go beyond the metros to smaller cities, and semi-urban markets. Manish Jain, Country Managing Director of Experian India, says, "Demand continues to rise, consumers are moving towards higher ticket sizes, and repayment behaviour is steadily improving. The improvement in early delinquencies... shows that both consumers and lenders are making more responsible, informed choices, indicating positive trends." He adds that the analytics-driven approach enables lenders to expand responsibly.

Personal loans continue to anchor the unsecured credit segment. Assets under management reached nearly Rs 16 lakh crore, or a 13 per cent year-on-year increase. Major lender categories such as private banks, public sector banks, and NBFCs reported higher fresh sourcing. NBFCs strengthened their grip in the sub-₹1 lakh ticket-size category, which indicated their expanding reach in the smaller markets. A notable shift is the rise in average ticket sizes, which hints at higher consumer confidence. Early-stage delinquencies improved, signalling healthier repayment

In November 2025, CRIF High Mark, a part of the global network, published its quarterly edition of the report, 'How India Lends.' It too showed that the personal loan portfolio grew 12 per cent year-on-year, and 2.9 per cent quarter-on-quarter. It was supported by a sharp rebound in fresh originations, which surged to nearly ₹3 lakh crore, a 32 per cent quarter-on-quarter rise. Loans above ₹10 lakh account for 37.4 per cent of total value. This segment was dominated by the PSU banks, even as the NBFCs captured the smallticket segment, accounting for nearly 90 per cent of the overall volumes.

The credit card segment recorded ₹3.4 lakh crore in assets under management, up nine growth among the unsecured products, with

# Personal is the new credit norm

Going crazy on credit cards, loans to buy cars and appliances



per cent year-on-year. Fresh sanctioned limits rose 13 per cent quarter-on-quarter, after three quarters of decline, which subdued the annual growth. The market remains concentrated, and the top four issuers raised their collective share from 70 per cent to 72 per cent. Average credit limits increased, and the portfolio health strengthened, which was backed by an improvement in delinquency from two per cent to 1.8 per cent.

Two-wheeler financing registered robust growth, with the assets under management touching ₹1.8 lakh crore, or 18 per cent yearon-year rise. New loan sanctions grew nine per cent year-on-year in Q2-FY26. The NBFC dominance continued, aided by

higher sourcing from the first-time borrowers. Higher-ticket The Hioneer loans in the Rs 1-2 lakh bracket gained traction, reflecting a shift towards premium vehicle purchases. The delinquency rate reduced from 6.2 per cent

to 5.4 per cent, although the longer-duration stress remained elevated. Consumer durable loans posted the fastest the assets under management rising 16 per cent year-on-year to ₹1 lakh crore. New sourcing expanded 22 per cent year-on-year, supported by aggressive NBFC participation, and strong retail penetration. Loans under ₹20,000 accounted for nearly 65 per cent of the volumes, which aligned with the country's expanding small-ticket digital EMI ecosystem.

As India's credit ecosystem evolves with stronger underwriting, digital enablement, and rising consumer confidence, unsecured lending appears well-positioned for sustained, responsible expansion. The Reserve Bank of India recently cut the repo rate by 25 basis points to 5.25 per cent, which will offer relief to several sections of the bor-

rowers, especially those considering personal loans. As the overall cost of borrowing drops, banks and NBFCs are expected to grad-

ually reduce the interest rates on personal loans. The impact may not be visible immediately, but may see marginally lower rates in the coming weeks. The lenders will slowly realign pricing to reflect the revised reporate. This bodes well for the unsecured lending

Recently, at a press briefing, the central bank's deputy governor, Swaminathan J, said that it remains confident about the sustainability of the credit growth, supported by stable asset quality, and a measured rise in unsecured lending, which so far shows no signs of stress. He noted that apart from monitoring year-on-year credit expansion, the regulator evaluates how each loan segment is growing relative to the others, along with slippage trends across the portfolios. The earlier regulatory measures on unsecured credit, he explained, were introduced when such loans were expanding at nearly twice the pace of the rest of the loan book.

At present, the overall credit growth stands at about 10-11 per cent. Lending to the large industries is growing at 10 per cent, home loans are expanding at 11 per cent, and personal loans are rising at 14 per cent. "The growth has been seen more in secured segments like gold loans or home loans, and unsecured loans have significantly moderated. So, there are no indicators at this point in time which are creating a concern for us,' Swaminathan said. Unsecured lending at this stage forms less than 25 per cent of the retail book, and accounts for only 7-8 per cent of the total banking system credit.

However, experts contend that there are several pitfalls in unsecured credit. Although the current delinquency rates indicate borrowers' discipline, and ability to pay the loans, the situation can quickly go out of control. In the past, the robust trends in unsecured loans led to over-borrowing, largely driven by over-spending, and an inability among the borrowers to pay the EMIs, or settle the credit card bills. This is especially relevant as the central bank warns borrowers of cybercrime, and online loan frauds. In the recent past, aggressive loan pitches by Chinese apps created havoc in the credit system.

Debt traps, when overextended loan payments constitute 30-40 per cent of monthly incomes, can lead to spiralling debt, impact savings especially for emergencies and crucial expenses, and lead to bankruptcy-like situations. Hence, individuals need to be careful, and calculate their loan payment outgoes, before opting for fresh loans. Never forget that unsecured credit is more expensive.

# Trade agreement to enhance bilateral ties: Huizenga

New York / Washington

A new trade deal between India and the US under President Donald Trump and Prime Minister Narendra Modi would further enhance the bilateral relationship, a top US official has said, underlining that Washington's partnership with New Delhi is critical.

These remarks were made by House Foreign Affairs South and Central Asia Subcommittee Chairman Bill Huizenga on Wednesday at a subcommittee hearing titled 'The US India Strategic Partnership: Securing a

"The US-India relationship is no longer just important. It is a defining relationship of the 21st century. If America wants a free Indo-Pacific, resilient supply chains and a world where democracy, not authoritarianism, sets the rules, then our partnership with India is critical," Huizenga said in his opening remarks.

The hearing heard from witnesses. Director of Asian Studies Centre, Heritage Foundation, Jeff Smith, Executive Director of the Observer Research Foundation America, Dhruva Jaishankar and External Senior Advisor, Special Senior Fellow, Indo-Pacific Programme, German Marshall Fund of the United States, Sameer

Describing India as one of the fastest-growing major economies in the world, Huizenga said American companies increasingly see India not just as a market but as a partner to innovation, especially in Al. communications. and advanced technologies, where collaboration already exists. "American companies are eager to enter the Indian market on a level playing field. A new trade deal with India under

Minister Modi would further realise this goal and enhance the relationship. Open markets, strengthening supply chains and driving innovation, all of which would chart a new beginning in our storied partnership," he said.

Huizenga stressed that every American administration, whether Republican or Democrat, has "strengthened ties, or certainly at least attempted to, making clear that the United States does not see India as a temporary or transactional partner."

Referring to Russian President Vladimir Putin's recent visit to

participation at the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation summit in China in September, Huizenga said, "we must view this moment with clear eves.'

"President Putin's warm visit to India last week and India's participation in China's Shanghai **Cooperation Organisation summit** this September raised some understandable concerns.'

"Moreover, authoritarian powers like China and Russia are redrawing borders by force, undermining democratic norms and coercing their neighbours. Nowhere is this more evident increasingly aggressive China threatens regional stability, global prosperity and the open flow of commerce," he said.

"China's string of pearls ideology is no longer just a theory, but rather an overt attempt to encircle and control the Indian Ocean, its sea lanes, and expand the militarisation of these strategic ports and trade routes. We cannot allow this to happen. India knows these risks firsthand," Huizenga

He also noted that India has agreed to purchase more American energy, thereby signif-

Russia. Huizenga underscored that US-India cooperation today spans defence, technology, counterterrorism and trade.

On counterterrorism cooperation, which he described as "significant", Huizenga noted that

organisations responsible for the

heinous April 22 Pahalgam attack

 Lashkar-e-Tavviba (LeT) and The Resistance Front (TRF) - were designated by the Trump administration as foreign terrorist organisations in July this year. The designation reflected "our shared commitment to fighting terror wherever it occurs".

# If happy with India's offer, US should sign trade deal: Goyal

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The US should sign the free trade agreement with India on the "dotted lines" if Washington is happy with what has been offered by New Delhi, Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal said on Thursday.

Goyal welcomed the Trump administration's views on India's offer, but refrained from giving a deadline for the signing of the long-awaited free trade agreement between the two nations.

The minister was reacting to a comment by US Trade Representative Jamieson Greer in Washington, who said that the US has received the "best ever" offer

"His happiness is very much welcome. And, I do believe that if they are very happy, they should be signing on the dotted lines," Goyal told reporters here.

He, however, declined to specify India's offer to the US.

been five rounds of negotiations with the US on the trade deal, and added that US Deputy Trade Representative Rick Switzer's ongoing visit to India is not centred around negotiations.

Switzer's visit to India, his first since taking over three months back, is an effort at getting to know each other well, Goyal said, adding that he had "substantial discussions" with the visiting official.

The two-day talks between the US delegation led by Switzer in New Delhi were concluded on Thursday. They have held talks with the Indian team led by Commerce Secretary Rajesh Agrawal.

The two sides have exchanged views on matters related to India-US trade and economic ties, including on the ongoing negotiations for a mutually beneficial bilateral trade agreement (BTA).

Meanwhile, Prime Minister

Narendra Modi on Thursday held a telephonic conversation with US focused on enhancing economic ties at a time when the two countries are eyeing a trade deal.

The two leaders exchanged views on expanding cooperation in trade, critical technologies, energy, defence and security, officials said.

Further, when asked about Chief Economic Advisor V Anantha Nageswaran's assertion that the pact with the US would be signed in March next year, Goyal said he is not aware of the comment and refrained from putting any timeline.

"A deal is only done when both sides stand to benefit. And I don't think we should ever negotiate with deadlines or hard stops because you tend to make mistakes then," Goyal said, limiting himself to saying that negotiations with the US are progressing well.

Speaking at a Senate Appropriations Subcommittee hearing on Tuesday in Washington, Greer said there is resistance in India to certain row crops and

President Donald Trump that other meat and products. Row crops in the US include corn, soybeans, wheat and cotton.

"They have been very difficult nuts to crack... but they have been quite forward leaning... the type of offers that they have been talking to us about ...have been the best we have ever received as a country, so I think that is a viable alternative market," he said.

These remarks are important as both sides are trying to conclude the first phase of the proposed bilateral trade agreement.

The talks are important as the Trump administration has imposed steep 50 per cent tariffs on Indian goods entering American markets. The outcomes will also have a positive influence on the trajectory of the rupee, which has depreciated to lifetime lows lately and also breached the psychologically important 90-to-a-dollar mark.

The Indian industry and exporters are eagerly waiting for the conclusion of the negotiations and announcement of the deal, as the high import duties are hurting their shipments to America.

Though they are exploring other markets to maintain their export profits, the US is a key destination for them as it accounts for about 18 per cent of the country's exports.

First, the US imposed a 25 per cent duty on Indian goods, stating trade deficit concerns with India. which stood at around USD 46 billion in 2024-25. An additional 25 per cent penalty was imposed later on India for buying Russian crude. India has stated that the resolution of these tariffs would be key to firming up the first phase of the trade deal.

As part of the pact, the US is seeking duty concessions on agri products like almonds, corn and apples, and industrial goods. India has strongly opposed any concessions on the agri and dairy sectors. India has stated that it will not compromise the interests of farmers

# Unilever sees 'massive opportunities' in India

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New Delhi

India, with a high GDP growth and recent GST reduction, presents "massive" opportunities for British multinational consumer goods maker Unilever and its Indian arm Hindustan Unilever, according to a top company official.

The companies believe they will be the main beneficiaries of a much more dynamic economic environment in India. said Unilever Chief Executive Officer Fernando Fernandez.

Indian consumption was significantly affected over the last three years due to doubledigit food inflation, said Fernandez in a JP Morgan Fireside Chat.

"I feel the government in India has taken very relevant measures lately. So, GST reduction, that is the VAT of India, personal income tax reduction, interest rate reduction, when the government does something like this, it's because things in the economy are not right, and really that's what's happening the last couple of years," he said.

Moreover, there is some food deflation and have seen immediately in the Indian GDP growth.

"I think in the last quarter it was 8.2 per cent. So I see a lot of opportunities in India. This GST reduction affects 40 per cent of our portfolio," he said, adding, "I believe the GST reduction, the impact on the whole economy will be very, very significant."

Unilever has recently made

changes in the top leadership of HUL by appointing Priya Nair as the new CEO. "We have brought also

another two CEOs into our Indian leadership team, the CEO of Hero MotoCorp, as the CFO of the company, the CEO of Britannia, as a head of our Food business. They have the mission of really putting our volume growth in similar level to the one of GDP growth, it will take some time, but I'm very confident of the opportunity," he said.

Fernandez, who was in India recently on an official visit, said, "Opportunities there are massive", noting that India has 60 million people with a per capita income comparable to France.

"You have 700 million with income per capita of Indonesia, Thailand, Indonesia, Philippines and another 700 million with the income per capita of East Africa and West Africa. There is growth for everyone in India. And we believe that we will be the main beneficiaries of what will be a much more dynamic economic environment in

India," he said. He said: "Our brands are perfectly suited to really take advantage of what will be an explosion of wealth expansion. So I'm super excited with India."

Hindustan Unilever (HUL) is consistently ranked as Unilever's second-largest market globally by revenue, after the United States, with India contributing around 12-

# Federal Reserve cuts key rate

The Federal Reserve reduced its key interest rate by a quarter-point for the third time in a row on Wednesday but signalled that it may leave rates unchanged in the

Chair Jerome Powell signalled at a news conference that the Fed would likely hold off on further rate cuts in the coming months while it evaluated the health of the economy. And in a set of quarterly economic projections, Fed officials signalled they expect to lower rates just once next year.

Wednesday's cut reduced

also affect those rates. Fed officials "will carefully

evaluate the incoming data.' Powell said, adding that the Fed is "well-positioned to wait to see how the economy evolves." The chair also said that the Fed's key rate was close to a level that neither restricts nor stimulates the

economy. Three Fed officials dissented from the move, the most dissents in six years and a sign of deep divisions on a committee that traditionally works by consensus. Two officials voted to keep the Fed's rate unchanged, while Stephen Miran, whom Trump appointed in September, voted for a half point cut.

December's meeting could usher in a more contentious period for the Fed. Officials are split between those who support reducing rates to bolster hiring and those who would prefer to keep rates unchanged.

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coming months.

the rate to about 3.6 per cent, the lowest it has been in nearly three years. Lower rates from the Fed can bring down borrowing costs for mortgages, auto loans, and credit cards over time, though market forces can

# Manufacturing to contribute 25 pc of GDP by 2047: Report

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manufacturing sector's share in the Indian GDP will rise to 25 per cent from approximately 17 per cent at present, and the country is poised to become a global industrial powerhouse by then, said a joint report Boston the Consulting Group (BCG)

and Z47. Flagship programmes, such as Make in India, Atmanirbhar Bharat, and production-linked incentive (PLI) schemes, are rapidly expanding domestic capacity, said the report 'Digitizing Make in India 3.0'. The report outlines five sectors — electronics, defence, automotive and EV, energy, and pharmaceuticals — that could anchor a USD 25 trillion industrial opportu-

nity by 2047. "Multiple priority areas emerge for India's growth vision in the manufacturing sector going forward, such as Electronics and Semiconductors, Defence, Automotive and EV, **Energy Manufacturing and** Pharmaceuticals — as they combine strong growth,

runway," the report said. The report also mentioned that India's next manufacturing leap could revolve around four poten-

industry push and a clear

policy/investment

tial pillars — fostering innovation, strengthening strategic depth, enhancing competitiveness and driving efficiency through technology adoption.

"Each pathway represents a set of options for policymakers and industry participants to consider in enabling India's manufacturing transformation," it added. To realise its 2047 vision. India is leaning on regional manufacturing clusters across defence, EV, and semiconductors.

'Corridors like Noida-Chennai-Hosur and Dholera are already showing results. These clusters enable co-location of suppliers, shared labs, logistics, and skilled talent. They reduce cost, increase speed, and foster innovation," it noted.

In sectors as electronics and semiconductors. India's end-market was at USD 33 billion in 2022 and is projected to reach USD 117 billion in 2030.

In defence, the allocated budget of `6.81 lakh crore for (FY25-26), doubled over a decade, with a clear Make-in-India push. "Imports have declined 9.3 per cent (vs 2015-19), 92 per cent of FY25 contracts were awarded to the domestic industry. Exports have reached Rs 23,000 crore and over USD 160-190 billion domestic pipeline currently exists across 75+ platforms," it said.

# Tajani hopes EU-India FTA in next 6 months; Goyal hopeful

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

Italy's Deputy Prime Minister Antonio Tajani on Thursday expressed hope that the India-European Union Free Trade Agreement (FTA) will be signed in the next six

Speaking on the sidelines of the Italy-India Business Forum here in the presence of Union Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal, Tajani said the deal between the fourthlargest economy and the 27country bloc is very important as it will help his country's exports.

"I want to be optimistic, if during the first six months of next year, it is possible to achieve the goal (of signing the deal)," Tajani said.

Goyal, however, declined to give a timeline by which he expects the deal to be signed, but opined that all the issues will be resolved to have a fair, balanced and equitable deal which will be a win-win for all.

The minister said the deal between two economies of a size, scale and growth potential as India and the European Union will be a "defining agreement" of the 21st century "Obviously, it takes time.

Obviously, we have a lot of things to consider. You need to crystal gaze into the future, you need to ensure that sensitivities on both sides are protected, and you need to grab the lowhanging fruit so that businesses and people on both sides can benefit," Goyal said, adding that negotia-



Union Minister Piyush Goyal during a meeting with the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Italy Antonio Tajani in Mumbai on Thursday.

tions are with a sense of urgency, but never in haste or with a deadline. "Every issue is important.

and no issue is such that it cannot be resolved to mutual satisfaction. There are issues under discussion,' Goval said. The minister said coun-

tries, like Italy, will be able to export their wines and automobiles to India and in turn, India will be able to export whiskies, textiles and auto components to the 27country bloc.

Teams are putting in their best efforts to deliver a good agreement, leaving no stone unturned.

Both Goyal and Tajani stressed the need for cooperation between democracies for the smooth supply of

raw materials in the global market, while the Indian minister also flagged concentration risks amid the weaponisation of trade.

Taiani said one country

cannot play a "kingmaker" in

deciding the raw material

prices, which are critical for production. The Italian Deputy PM said there is a need for a "politi-cal agreement" between Italy, Europe, India, Japan,

and the US on this aspect. Goyal also said that given the deepening ties between Rome and New Delhi, India-Italy ties will be a defining relationship of the 21st century.

Tajani marked pharma, maritime security, technology and defence as among the sectors where India and

adoption.

Italy can cooperate, and

also stressed the impor-

tant role that the bilateral

partnership will play in

making the India-Middle

East-Europe Economic

"We (Italy and India) are

paving the way for strong

action in favour of trade and

in favour of infrastructure.

This corridor is very, very

important also for peace,'

the visiting minister said.

Goyal said both coun-

tries have discussed setting

up a "startup bridge",

where both budding enter-

prises and talent can inter-

act with each other, and

also exhorted focused work

on waste-to-energy, which

can focus on making access

to technologies cheaper

for India.

Corridor a reality.

Highlighting the sector's expansion, the minister said the number of national waterways has increased from five to 111 in the past decade. Cargo traffic on inland waterways rose from 80 million tonnes in 2014 to over 145 million tonnes at present,

jetties. "Projects worth more than

`300 crore have already been completed in Uttar Pradesh for waterway development, while schemes worth around `2,200 crore will be launched in the coming years," the minister

oritised clean transport, improved connectivity and enhanced public convenience.

tionalised new passenger and cargo routes to strengthen water-based communication and reduce logistics costs, it stated. These efforts align with long-term strategic frameworks, including the Maritime India Vision 2030 (MIV 2030) and Maritime Amrit Kaal Vision 2047 (MAKV 2047), which outline the roadmap for greener transport, smart infrastructure, and increased use of alternative fuels on inland

(IWAI) have expanded naviga-

tion channels, launched

modern terminals, and opera

## Sonowal flags off India's first indigenous hydrogen fuel-cell vessel in Varanasi PRESS TRUST OF INDIA tainable energy. "This is not just ensured that inland waterways before full-scale commercial equipment, and community government and the Inland Waterways Authority of India

Varanasi

Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal on Thursday flagged off India's first indigenous hydrogen fuel-cell vessel in Varanasi, marking a key milestone in the country's push towards clean, and sustainable inland water transport.

At a ceremony held at Namo Ghat, the Ports, Shipping, and Waterways minister inaugurated the vessel's commercial operations. Sonowal said the hydrogenpowered vessel reflects India's

growing technological capabil-

ities and its commitment to sus-

technological progress, but a sign that we are advancing confidently towards green energy and indigenous solutions," he said. The minister said it was a

matter of national pride that India has now joined the list of countries such as China, Norway, the Netherlands, and Japan that operate hydrogenpowered vessels.

'This proves that our technical capabilities are ready for the future. This has been made possible due to the Prime Minister's visionary leadership. The speed and approach with which every sector has been advancing has

now play an important role in India's development journey.' he said in Varanasi, Prime Minister Narendra Modi's parliamentary constituency. Uttar Pradesh's Minister of

Transport (Independent Charge) Dayashankar Singh, Minister of State for Ayush, Food Safety and Drug Administration (Independent Charge) Dayashankar Mishra, and Minister of State for Stamp and Court Fees and Registration (Independent Charge) Ravindra Jaiswal were among the public representatives present on the



ment marks a major step in

engines are an emerging tech-

while tourism activities are

operational on 13 waterways. He added that the founda-

According to an official statement, the hydrogen vessel initiative is part of the ongoing modernisation of India's inland waterways under the leadership of PM Modi, who has pri-

India's shift towards green nology offering clean, sustainable energy with near-zero energy and indigenously developed clean-technology soluemissions, though research and testing are still underway

tion for this transformation was laid by the Jal Marg Vikas Project, which created a modern navigation corridor from Haldia to Varanasi on National Waterway-1, with multimodal terminals, advanced

In recent years, the Central

waterways, it added.

# FROM THE

## Migrant boat capsizes, 3 dead

A boat carrying migrants overturned early on Thursday on the Sava river in eastern Croatia, killing at least three people and injuring eight, officials said. The accident happened in the eastern town of Slavonski Brod, by the border with Bosnia. Migrants were apparently trying to cross the Sava River in dense fog when their boat capsized, rescuers told

HRT State television. Firefighter Ivan Vuleta said emergency services received a call around 5.30 am. That people were in the river and they rushed to the scene in rescue boats. Police said a man from Bosnia is suspected of people smuggling. He has been hospitalized. The migrants' nationalities have not been specified. People fleeing violence or poverty in the Middle East, Asia or Africa often face perils as they try to reach Western Europe.

## **PAKISTAN**

## Two children killed in blast

Two children were killed and 16 others injured when a mortar shell exploded inside a seminary in Pakistan's northwestern Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Province, local police said on Thursday. The incident occurred in the Esuri area of Mirali tehsil, North Waziristan district bordering Afghanistan, on Wednesday. Some students brought an abandoned mortar shell they had found outside the seminary, Madrassah Shams-ul-Quran, in Sher Mohammad Kot village, which later exploded. According to initial reports, the children mistook the device for a toy and were playing with it when it went off. The explosion left two young children dead on the spot, while 16 others sustained injuries. The wounded were shifted to hospitals in Bannu and nearby areas for treatment.

US strategic bombers joined a fleet of Japanese fighter jets in a joint military exercise meant to demonstrate their military cooperation around Japan's airspace, defence officials said Thursday, as tensions with China escalate.

The exercise showcasing joint Japanese-US air power came a day after Chinese and Russian bombers flew together around western Japan, prompting Tokyo to scramble fighter jets, though there was no airspace violation. It also follows China's military aircraft locking radar on Japanese jets Saturday, another incident that has caused Tokyo-Beijing relations to further deteriorate. Japan's Air Self Defence-

Force and the US military conducted the joint exercise Wednesday as "the security environment surrounding our country is becoming even severer," the Japanese Joint Staff said.

It said the allies "reaffirmed the strong resolve to prevent unilateral attempts to change the status quo by force and the readiness

bombers and three Japanese F-35 stealth fighter jets and three F-15 jets conducted their joint flight drills near Japan's western airspace, the waters between the country and South Korea, officials said.

Exercises held as the security environment grows more tense. The Joint Staff denied that the exercise was conducted in response to a specific incident, but acknowledged Chinese military aircraft's recent radarlocking on Japanese jets and the China-Russia joint bomber exercises Tuesday as examples of a worsening security environment around Japan. Relations between Japan and China have deteriorated after Japan's Prime Minister Sanae Takaichi said in early November that Japan's military could get involved if China were to take action against Taiwan, the self-governing island that Beijing claims as its own.

The row escalated over the weekend when separate Chinese drills involving a carrier near southern Japan prompted Tokyo to scramble jets and to protest that 



between the SDF and the US Japanese aircraft were target- Japan Air Self-Defense Force's F-15 fighters holding a joint military drill with the US B-52 bomber in the vicinity of Japanese airspace

- a move considered as pos-

sible preparation for firing. Tokyo protested to Beijing, asking for an explanation and preventive measures.

China denied the allegation

and accused Japanese jets of

interfering and endangering the Chinese exercise. Washington stressed its "unwavering" alliance with Japan, saying the incident

The exercise came one day after Chinese and Russian strategic bombers conducted joint long-distance flight from the waters between Japan and South Korea down to the

bombers Tu-95 that flew down from the airspace east of the Korean Peninsula joined a pair of Chinese H-6 bombers over the East China Sea for a joint flight down to the Pacific off the southern coast of Japan's Shikoku island. The four bombers were also joined by four Chinese J-16 fighters as they flew back and forth between two Japanese southwestern islands Okinawa and Miyako, the area where

# Former Pakistan spy chief sentenced for 14 years by military court

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA Islamabad

A military court on Thursday sentenced Pakistan's former spy chief Faiz Hameed to 14 years in jail after his conviction on multiple charges, including violating the Official Secrets Act and engaging in political activities. According to a statement by the army, the process of Field General Court Martial (FGCM) against Hameed was initiated on August 12, 2024, under provisions of the Pakistan Army Act, and continued for 15 months.

He was tried on four charges related to engaging in political activities, violation of the Official Secrets Act in a manner "detrimental to the safety and interests of the State", misuse of authority & Government resources, and causing wrongful loss to individuals. "After lengthy and laborious legal proceedings, the accused has been found guilty on all charges and sentenced to 14 years rigorous imprisonment by the close to the then Army chief cal elements and in certain adviser to PTI and provided fear of God guide the rulers!" November 2017.



court," the army said. It is for the first time that a former chief of the powerful Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI) has been convicted and sentenced. He served as the Director General of the ISI from 2019 to 2021.

He last served as Commander of the XXXI Corps before taking premature retirement in December 2022 after Asim Munir took over as the army chief. Hameed was considered

General Qamar Bajwa. The army said that the Court-Martial complied with all legal provisions and that the accused was "afforded with all legal rights, including (the) rights of (a) defence team of his choice." It said that the convict has the right of appeal at a relevant forum after conviction.

"Involvement of the convict in fomenting vested political agitation and instability in cohorts with politi-

other matters is separately being dealt with," the army said.

US, Japan hold joint flight drills amid Chinese military activity

Hameed, a former lieutenant general, was arrested in connection with a petition filed by Top City housing society's chief executive officer in the Supreme Court last year, wherein he was accused of land grabbing and stealing valuables from the owner of a private housing society during a raid. However, the Supreme Court asked the Pakistan Army to investigate complaints against him in the Top City case. The army began the court-martial process against the former spy chief based on these complaints.

Speaking to Geo News, Information Minister Atta Tarar described the verdict as a "historic", saying the decision strengthens the rule of law and accountability mechanisms in Pakistan.

He said that red lines had been crossed and political interference had taken place. He said the former ISI chief had acted as a political Khan's party with "full political support." The information minister said that the decision would reinforce the rule of law and the country's

accountability mechanisms. He added that the trial was fair, saying Hameed was given a full opportunity to defend himself, including the chance to present evidence and witnesses in his favour. Tarar said that investigations into Hameed's alleged involvement in political matters were still ongoing and would continue. Defence Minister Khawaja Asif was more cautious in his reaction. He said the nation will face the consequences of decisions made under Gen (retd) Bajwa and the ex-spymaster.

"The country will keep reaping the harvest of seeds sown by Faiz Hameed and General [retd] Bajwa for vears." he wrote on X. "May God forgive us. May those in power recognise that authority is a divine trust and use it for the welfare of His (God's) creation (people)! May the

Senator Faisal Vawda, considered to be close to the army, told Geo News that the conviction marks "just the beginning," adding that the May 9-related cases are expected forward next.

Vawda said that if a former senior army officer can be tried in the May 9 cases, 'you can imagine the fate of the real perpetrators involved in the violence.

He said that a foundation has now been laid for a system of accountability and justice in the country and stressed that "no one is bigger than Pakistan.'

The senator said that Hameed had caused harm to the country, its institutions, politics, and judiciary through misuse of authority.

Hameed made headlines for the first time after he played a vital role in an agreement signed between the Government and the radical Islamist party Tehreek-e-Labbaik Pakistan (TLP) to end the 21-day sit-in at Faizabad in

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# Choi Sang-mok faces charges over Yoon's martial law declaration

South Korea's former acting leader Choi Sang-mok was indictedon Thursday on charges related to the brief imposition of martial law in December 2024 by then-President Yoon Suk Yeol, becoming the latest highprofile figure embroiled in legal troubles over the case. Choi is one of three top

Yoon administration officials who served as caretaker presidents after Yoon was impeached and removed from office over the martial law declaration that plunged South Korea into massive political turmoil.

Yoon is now in jail while facing a high-stakes criminal trial on rebellion charges. Dozens of high-level officials and military commanders of the Yoon administra-



tion have also been arrested, indicted or investigated over their roles in Yoon's martial law debacle and other allegations.

On Thursday, an investigation team led by independent counsel Cho Eun-suk charged Choi with dereliction of duty for not fully restoring the three vacant seats at the nine-member Constitutional Court, which was deliberating whether to unseat Yoon. Reinstating

the court to full strength was seen as a move that could increase prospects for Yoon's ouster because a court ruling to dismiss him needed support from at

least six court justices. Choi, who was Yoon's prime minister and finance minister, appointed two new justices but left a ninth justice seat vacant, citing a lack of bipartisan agreement when he became interim president.

# Indian envoy meets Canadian Speaker

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA ■ Toronto

Indian High Commissioner to Canada has met Canadian Speaker of the House of Commons and discussed advancing parliamentary ties between both the countries along with productive exchange on shared democratic values and future collaboration.

In January, India will be welcoming a delegation led by the Speaker Francis Scarpaleggia at the 28th Conference of Speakers and Presiding Officers of Parliaments Commonwealth Countries

(CSPOC). "High

Commissioner @DineshKPatnaik met with the Speaker of the House of Commons @HoCSpeaker Honourable Francis S c a r p a l e g g i a @ScarpaleggiaLSL today to discuss advancing India-Canada parliamentary ties. meeting with Minister 



Productive exchange on shared democratic values and future collaboration.

India looks forward to welcoming a delegation led by the Speaker at the 28th CSPOC next month," the Indian High Commission in Ottawa posted on X on Thursday. On Wednesday, Patnaik had a productive

of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Lena Metlege Diab which focussed on enhancing bilateral cooperation between India

and Canada. "Productive meeting held between High Commissioner @DineshKPatnaik and Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship

@LenaMetlegeDiab focused on enhancing bilateral cooperation between India and Canada. The discussions covered immigration processes, student-related issues, and a deeper understanding of our respective systems, emphasis on strengthening people-to-people ties," the post on X read.

was not "conducive to regional peace and stability."

Pacific, the Joint Staff said.

Two Russian strategic China is expanding its military presence.

## UN TO MOBILISE \$35 MILLION **GRANT FOR** CYCLONE-HIT **SRI LANKA**

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA Colombo

The United Nations is set to mobilise \$35 million grant for cyclone-hit Sri Lanka in the next four years as the island nation is unable to afford debts after the economic crisis and the debt default, a UN official said on Thursday.

The UN and humanitarian partners launched post Humanitarian Ditwah Priorities Plan (HPP) for Sri Lanka, which covers immediate life-saving assistance in education, food security, agriculture and nutrition, health, protection, shelter, non-food items, camp coordination, water, sanitation and hygiene and early recovery, Marc-Andre Franche, the UN Resident Coordinator, told reporters. At least 638 people have died, and 193 are missing as of Sunday, 6 am, due to the catastrophic floods and landslides caused by extreme weather conditions since November 16.

"Cyclone Ditwah has hit the poorest and the most vulnerable the hardest", Franche said. "The disaster has confounded the impact after Sri Lanka's economic crisis, where 25 per cent of the population is living in poverty", he added. The UN called on the international community to contribute towards HPP. The UN has already received \$9.5 million for the initiative with the support extended by Australia, Canada, the European Union Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States, Adaderana quoted Franche as saying.

He noted they are seeking to mobilise a further \$26 million in the coming months with a coordinated programme. "While initial contributions from bilateral partners and 4.5 million dollars from the UN Central Emergency Fund are enabling rapid assistance, significant gaps remain," he said. Franche said protection risks are increasing with crowded shelters and limited facilities.



## Maduro Govt did not know where she was hiding: María

ASSOCIATED PRESS ■ Oslo

Opposition leader María Corina Machado said on Thursday that she doesn't believe the Venezuelan Government knew where she was hiding for most of this year, as she met Norway's leader a day after her daughter received the Nobel Peace Prize on her behalf. Machado arrived in Oslo hours after Wednesday's prize ceremony and made her first public appearance in 11 months in the early hours of Thursday, emerging from a hotel balcony and waving to an emotional crowd of supporters. She had been in hiding since January 9, when she was briefly detained after joining supporters in a protest in Caracas. Machado was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in October after mounting the most serious peaceful challenge in years to the authoritarian Government of Venezuelan President Nicolás Maduro



## **ICIMOD** transfers **HUC** to **Kathmandu University**

**ASSOCIATED PRESS** ■ Kathmandu

The ICIMOD has signed a deal to formally transfer the Himalayan University Consortium (HUC) to Kathmandu University, launching its next phase as an "independent and regionally rooted" consortium. The ICIMOD (International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development) signed a Memorandum of Understanding on Wednesday at a ceremony in its headquarters in Kathmandu. ICIMOD is a regional intergovernmental organisation that represents all eight Himalayan nations. 'This MoU reflects our shared commitment to strengthening regional leadership and research for sustainable mountain development. Kathmandu University is exceptionally well placed to guide HUC into its next phase as an independent and regionally rooted

# Airstrike on hospital leaves 34 dead in Myanmar

ASSOCIATED PRESS Bangkok

An airstrike by Myanmar's military destroyed a hospital in an area controlled by a leading rebel armed force, killing 34 patients and medical staff, according to a local rescue worker and independent media reports on Thursday.

About 80 other people were injured in the attack Wednesday night on the general hospital in Mrauk-U township, an area controlled by the ethnic Arakan Army in the western state of Rakhine.

The ruling military has not announced news of any attack in the area. Wai Hun Aung, a senior official for rescue services in Rakhine, told The Associated Press that a jet fighter dropped two bombs at 9.13 pm with one hitting the hospital's recovery ward and the other landing near the hospital's main building.He said he arrived at the hospital early Thursday to provide assistance and recorded the deaths of 17 women and 17 men. He said that most of the hospital building was destroyed by the bombs, and taxis and motorbikes near the hospital were also damaged.

Rakhine-based online media posted photos and videos showing damaged buildings and debris, including medical equipment. The hospital has been the main source of health care for people in Rakhine, where most hospitals have closed because of



Damaged building is seen at the hospital that was allegedly hit by a military air strike in Mrauk-U township in Rakhine state, Myanmar AP

Myanmar's ongoing civil war, said Wai Hun Aung. It was reopened after doctors gathered in Mrauk-U to provide much-needed medical services. Mrauk-U, located 530 kilometres northwest of

Yangon, the country's largest city, was captured by the Arakan Army in February last year. The Arakan Army is the well-trained and wellarmed military wing of the Rakhine ethnic minority move-tant regional army headquarters

ment, which seeks autonomy from Myanmar's central Government. It began its offensive in Rakhine in November 2023 and has seized a strategically impor-

Rakhine, formerly known as Arakan, was the site of a brutal army counterinsurgency operation in 2017 that drove about 7,40,000 minority Rohingya Muslims to seek safety across the border in Bangladesh.

There is still ethnic tension between the Buddhist Rakhine and the Rohingya. Myanmar's shadow National

Unity Government, established elected lawmakers who were barred from taking their seats in 2021, condemned the airstrike.

The organisation urged the international community to pressure the military to end its actions, take action against perpetrators and provide humanitarian assistance as soon as possible.

Myanmar has been in turmoil since the army took power in 2021, triggering widespread popular opposition. Many opponents of military rule have since taken up arms, and large parts of the country are now embroiled in conflict. The military Government has stepped up airstrikes ahead of planned December 28 elections against the armed pro-democracy People's Defence Force, which is closely associated with the National Unity Government. Opponents of military rule charge that the polls will be neither free not fair, and are mainly an effort to legitimise the army retaining power.

## **Ex-PM Khaleda is responding** to treatment: Doctor



PRESS TRUST OF INDIA Dhaka

Bangladesh's critically ill former prime minister Khaleda Zia is "responding" to treatment, but no decision has yet been taken on whether she will be flown abroad for further medical care, her personal doctor said on Wednesday. The 80-year-old Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) chairperson has been undergoing treatment at Dhaka's Evercare Hospital since November 23 for multiple health complications."She is being provided treatments which are needed for a critically ill patient," Zia's personal physician and BNP's decisionmaking standing committee member, AZM Zahid Hossain, told reporters outside the private hospital."In medical terms, she is responding to the

treatment as she did in the past," he added, noting that foreign doctors are involved and medical-board decisions are being taken in nighttime meetings. Hossain said the three-time prime minister is receiving care in the hospital's intensive care unit (ICU). He said while a transfer abroad remains a possibility, no date has been fixed, urging people not to give in to speculation. "The time has not yet come to give a definite date," the doctor said. A medical board led by cardiologist Shahabuddin and including specialists from Bangladesh, the UK, the US, and China, is supervising Zia's treatment. Her daughter-inlaw, Zubaida Rahman, a doctor by profession, has been attending the medical board's meetings in person since returning to Dhaka from

London on December 5.

## Justice department can unseal **Epstein records: US Court**



**ASSOCIATED PRESS** 

Secret grand jury transcripts from Jeffrey Epstein's 2019 sex trafficking case can be made public, a judge ruled Wednesday, joining two other judges in granting the Justice Department's requests to unseal material from investigations into the late financier's sexual abuse.

US District Judge Richard M Berman reversed his earlier decision to keep the material under wraps, citing a new law that requires the Government to open its files on Epstein

previously cautioned that the 70 or so pages of grand jury materials slated for release are hardly revelatory. On Tuesday, a different federal judge ordered the release of records from Maxwell's sex trafficking case. Last week, a judge in Florida approved the unsealing of transcripts from an abandoned Epstein federal grand jury investigation in the 2000s. The Justice Department asked the judges

Ghislaine Maxwell. The judge

to lift secrecy orders after the Epstein Files Transparency Act, passed by Congress and signed into law by President

## Pragmatic engagement with Taliban: India at UN



PRESS TRUST OF INDIA United Nation

India told the UN Security Council that it calls for a "pragmatic engagement" with the Taliban as New Delhi underlined that a focus on only punitive measures will ensure a 'business as usual' approach.

Addressing the UN Security Council meeting on the Situation in Afghanistan on Wednesday, Permanent Representative to the UN Ambassador Parvathaneni Harish said India calls on the United Nations and the international community to adopt nuanced policy instruments that help bring sustainable benefits for the people of Afghanistan.

"India calls for a pragmatic engagement with the Taliban. A coherent policy of engagement should incentivise positive actions. A focus on only punitive measures will only ensure that a 'business' as usual' approach continues as we

have been seeing now for the last four and a half years," Harish said. He reiterated India's commitment to meeting the

development needs of the

people of Afghanistan. Harish said the recent decision by the Indian Government to restore the status of Delhi's Technical Mission in Kabul to that of an Embassy "underscores this resolve.'

"We will continue our engagements with all stakeholders to augment our contribution

Afghanistan's comprehensive development, humanitarian assistance, and capacity-building initiatives, in keeping with the priorities and aspirations of

Afghan society," he said. Afghan Foreign Minister Amir Khan Muttagi was in New Delhi on a six-day trip in October, the first senior Taliban minister to visit India after the group seized power in Kabul in 2021. External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar held wideranging talks with Muttaqi, announcing the upgrading of Delhi's technical mission in Kabul to the status of an embassy and pledging to renew its development works in Afghanistan. India had withdrawn its

officials from its embassy in Kabul after the Taliban seized power in August 2021.

In June 2022, India reestablished its diplomatic presence in the Afghan capital by deploying a "technical team". India continues to closely monitor the security situation in Afghanistan, Harish said.

He emphasised that the international community must coordinate efforts towards ensuring that entities and individuals designated by the UN Security Council - the ISIL and Al Qaida and their affiliates, including the Lashkar e Tayyiba and Jaish-e-Mohammed and proxies of LeT such as the Resistance Front, along with those who facilitate their operations no longer indulge in cross border terrorism, a thinlyveiled reference to Pakistan.

# Bangladesh to hold elections on February 12

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Bangladesh will hold the general elections on February 12, its first since the ouster of the Sheikh Hasina-led Awami League Government in a violent student-led protest in August 2024.

"Voting will take place on February 12, 2026, from 7.30 am to 4.30 pm," Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) AMM Nasir Uddin said in an address to the nation on Thursday. A referendum will simulta-

neously be held on the voting day, February 12, to elicit public opinion on a series of reform proposals of the Chief Adviser Muhammad Yunusled National Consensus Commission. The announcement came a day after the CEC met President Mohammed Shahabuddin, who assured him "optimum support and cooperation" to conduct the general elections in a "free. fair and meaningful" manner.



schedule, the last date for submission of nomination papers is December 29, and scrutiny of nominations will be held from December 30 to January 4. The last date for withdrawal of candidature is January 20. The final list of candidates will be published on January 21. According to the election Election campaigns will begin victory in the 2024 election, Awami League.

on January 22 and continue until 7.30 am on February 10, Nasir said.

The last general elections were held in January 2024. Hasina won the elections marred by controversy and boycott by major parties.

Six months after Hasina's

street protests forced Hasina to leave for India on August 5, 2024. Three days later, Yunus took over as chief adviser of the interim Government.

Government. The violent

The interim Government has disbanded Hasina's

# Winter storm rips through Gaza, exposing failure to deliver enough aid

Jerusalem

Rains drenched Gaza's tent camps and dropping temperatures chilled Palestinians huddling inside them Thursday as storm Byron descended on the war-battered territory, showing how two months of a ceasefire have failed to sufficiently address the spiralling humanitarian crisis there.

Children's sandaled feet disappeared under opaque brown water that flooded the camps. Trucks moved slowly to avoid sending waves of mud toward the tents.

Piles of garbage and sewage turned to waterfalls. "We have been drowned. I don't have clothes to wear and we have no mattresses left," said Um Salman Abu Qenas, a mother displaced from east of Khan Younis to a tent camp in Deir al-Balah. She said her family could not sleep the night before because of the water in the tent. Aid groups say not enough



Palestinians crossing a flooded street following heavy rain in Khan Younis, southern Gaza Strip

shelter aid is getting into Gaza during the truce. Figures recently released by Israel's military suggest it has not met the ceasefire stipulation of allowing 600 trucks of aid into Gaza a day, though Israel disputes that finding. "Cold, over-crowded, and unsanitary envi-

UN agency for Palestinian refugees, UNRWA, in a terse statement posted on X.

"This suffering could be prevented by unhindered humanitarian aid, including medical support and proper shelter."

ronments heighten the risk of Sabreen Qudeeh, also in the illness and infection," said the Deir al-Balah camp, said her family woke up to rain leaking from their tent's ceiling and water from the street soaking their mattresses.

"My little daughters were screaming and got shocked when they saw water on the floor," she said. Ahmad Abu Taha, a Palestinian man in the camp, said there was not a tent that escaped the flooding. "Conditions are very bad, we have old people, displaced, and sick people inside this camp," he said.

In Israel, heavy rains fell and flood warnings were in effect in several parts of the country but no major weather-related emergencies were reported as of midday.

The contrasting scenes with Gaza made clear how profoundly the Israel-Hamas war had damaged the territory, destroying the majority of homes. Gaza's population of around 2 million is almost entirely displaced and most people live in vast tent camps stretching for miles along the beach, exposed to the elements, without adequate flooding infrastructure and with cesspits dug near tents as toilets. The Palestinian Civil Defence, part of the Hamas-run Government, said that since the

storm began they have received more than 2,500 distress calls from citizens whose tents and shelters were damaged in all parts of the Gaza Strip. Aid groups say that Israel is not allowing enough aid into Gaza to begin rebuilding the territory after years of war. Under the agreement, Israel agreed to comply with aid stipulations from an earlier January 2025 truce, which specified that it allow 600 trucks of aid each day into Gaza and an agreed-upon number of temporary homes and tents. It maintains it is doing so, though Associated Press has found that some of its own figures call that into question. COGAT said December 9, without providing evidence, that it had "lately" let 260,000 tents and tarpaulins into Gaza and over 1,500 trucks of blankets and warm clothing.

The Shelter Cluster, an international coalition of aid providers led by the Norwegian Refugee Council, sets the number lower.



## **Bulgaria's Govt resigns** amid public protests

**ASSOCIATED PRESS** ■ Sofia

Bulgaria's Government resigned on Thursday as mass protests gripped the country just weeks before it's due to join the eurozone. The resignation of the minority coalition, led by the centre-right GERB party, was announced minutes before parliament was scheduled to vote on a no-confidence motion tabled by the opposition over economic mismanagement and supported by growing public anger with widespread corruption. "Ahead of today's vote of no confidence, the Government is resigning," Prime Minister Rosen Zhelyazkov told reporters in parliament. "The decisions of the National Assembly are meaningful when they reflect the will of the people. We want to be where society expects us to be," Zhelyazkov said, referring to the anti-Government protests.



## **Washington State under** emergency due to heavy rain

ASSOCIATED PRESS ■ Mount Vernon

Washington state was under a State of emergency Thursday from a barrage of torrential rain that has sent rivers flowing over their banks, caused a mudslide to crash down on a highway and trapped people in floodwaters. Tens of thousands of residents could face evacuation orders. Heavy rain continued to fall over parts of the state Thursday morning, prompting road closures, water rescues and suspension of Amtrak trains between Seattle and Vancouver. Rainfall intensity increased in several counties in Washington's Cascade Mountains, which had seen up to 6 inches of rain in a 24-hour period. One area, Snoqualmie Pass, picked up an additional 1.7 inches of rain in six hours, the National Weather Service said.



Ahead of PM Narendra Modi's visit, Assam Minister Piiush Hazarika attended a preparatory meeting with Assam Chief Secretary Dr Ravi Kota and other senior officials of the Govt of Assam to review all arrangements at new terminal of Lokpriva Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport at Guwahati PM will inaugurate the new terminal

# Regional PR talent to shine as IRPRA 40 under 40 returns this January

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The fourth edition of India's Regional PR Awards (IRPRA) 40 Under 40 will be held virtually on January 10, 2026 and registrations are now open for participants.

Like its previous editions, the awards will recognise and honour PR professionals from regional India who. through their dedication and consistent efforts, continue to raise the standards of communication excellence. The last date for submitting nominations has been extended to December 25.

According to Pawan Tripathi, Organiser of IRPRA, "The inaugural edition of IRPRA 40 under

Registrations and fulfillment of nominations for IRPRA 40 under 40 are free of cost. Criteria for applicants should be 40 years or below as of the event date and should be practicing PR and Corporate communication within the geographical territo-

vation and impact."

40 received an overwhelming response from across the country, reaffirming our belief in the power of regional PR. Building on that success, we are thrilled to launch the fourth edition, which continues our mission to celebrate the next generation of PR and communication leaders who are redefining regional storytelling through creativity, inno-

# ICAI clears new global networking guidelines

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

Chartered accountants' apex body ICAI has approved new global networking guidelines as well as changes to advertising guidelines, a significant move that will help create large homegrown domestic chartered accountant firms and compete at the lobal level.

The ICAI Central Council, during its meeting held on December 10 and 11 in the national capital, approved (Global ICAI Networking) Guidelines. 2025 and changes to the Code of Ethics under which advertising norms are being eased.

At a briefing in the national capital on Thursday, ICAI (Institute of Chartered Accountants of India) President Charanjot Singh Nanda said the Council has

cleared the global networking guidelines, which have been a long-pending demand of CAs. The revised Code of Ethics. which also provides for limited advertisements, will help Indian firms to compete globally, he added.The approvals assume significance against the backdrop of larger Government efforts to have homegrown big accounting firms that can help create more opportunities in the country's growing economy and also compete at the scale of global players.

The guidelines have been formulated with the objective of facilitating networking opportunities for Indian Chartered Accountant (CA) firms, domestic networks of CA firms and management consultancy services companies registered with ICAL

# Ambani calls for tech, industry self-reliance

Billionaire Mukesh Ambani on Thursday said India must become self-reliant in critical technologies and industries to tide over geopolitical situations that may pose challenges to the country's future progress. Speaking at the 13th convocation of Pandit Deendayal Energy University here, he contrasted India's "sprinting" 8 per cent economic growth with "erosion of confidence all around."

"There is erosion of confidence all around. In contrast, India is bubbling with hope and self-confidence," he said.

"A decade ago, the rest of India was talking about Vibrant Gujarat. Today, the rest of the world is talking

Ambani, chairman of Reliance Industries Ltd and president of PDEU, Stated that the geopolitical situation has created certain challenges for India's future progress. "India must become Atma Nirbhar — selfreliant — in critical technologies and industries," he said.

While he did not identify the global geopolitical challenges, China's tightening grip on global supply chains and critical minerals has emerged as a major strategic concern for economies worldwide. As the dominant supplier

of rare earths and a key processor of lithium, cobalt, graphite and other essential inputs for batteries, renewable energy and advanced electronics, Beijing wields



significant leverage over industries central to the energy transition and future technologies.

Its export controls on gallium, germanium and other strategic minerals coupled with supply-chain solar manufacturing, EV components and electronics have triggered a global push for diversification

Countries are now accelerating efforts to secure alternative supply routes, invest in domestic processing capacity and forge mineral partnerships to reduce dependence on China's tightly managed, State-backed ecosystem.

Ambani urged graduating students to harness curiosity, courage, perseverance and gratitude as guiding principles in a world of rapid technological change, telling them they represent the "unstoppable spirit of New India"

He said India was at a defining moment, growing at nearly 8 per cent amid global economic uncertainty and

must achieve self-reliance in critical technologies such as Al, new energy, space, biotechnology and life sci-

"In this race, jo jeeta wohi sikandar. Under PM Modi's leadership, Bharat jeetega," he said, calling on PDEU to strive to become one of the world's best universities in green energy, green materials and green economy.

Addressing students, Ambani said their graduation comes at a time of unprecedented opportunity. Encouraging them to ask better questions in the age of Al, he said curiosity keeps individuals relevant, courage enables big dreams, perseverance ensures long-term success and gratitude keeps achievers grounded.

# BSES launches campaign to promote cleaner air – #CleanAirWithBSES

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

New Delhi

As Delhi's skyline fades behind layers of haze, BSES has rolled out a high-impact social media campaign that transforms concern into collective responsibility. Launched across digital platforms-Facebook, X (formerly Twitter), LinkedIn and Instagram—under the hashtag #CleanAirWithBSES, the campaign comprises multiple sets of evocative creatives and short-format videos, each spotlighting how everyday choices directly impact the air we breathe.

Through a series of powerful visuals depicting Delhi's iconic landmarks, neighbourhoods and streetscapes increasingly



enveloped in smog, BSES urges citizens to rethink mobility and energy habits. Several creatives make a compelling case for switching to electric vehicles, highlighting how EV adoption can reduce dependence on fossil fuels and significantly cut vehicular emissions. Other posts champion rooftop solar and clean energy choices, reinforcing the role of decentralised green power in lowering pollution levels.

Health and safety form a key pillar of the campaign narrative. Dedicated creatives advise citizens to plant trees, grow indoor plants, seal homes to prevent polluted air from entering and limit outdoor exposure during severe AQI periods. Other posts highlight the importance of regular vehicle servicing and promote the use of energy-efficient appliances, underscoring that informed choices can be as critical as long-term solutions.

Equally central are behaviour-led messages encouraging cleaner commutes-walking, cycling, carpooling and public transport—to reduce vehicular congestion. The campaign also promotes responsible waste practices based on Reduce, Reuse and Recycle, linking everyday habits with sustained improvements in air quality.

With its strong visuals and clear calls to action, BSES's digital campaign positions clean air not as an abstract ideal, but as a shared responsibility that will help Delhiites breathe cleaner.

# From conflict to development: Govt grants financial assistance to former BLT cadres

**PIONEER NEWS SERVICE** 

Guwahati

In a special programme held at the Srimanta Sankardev Kalakshetra, financial assistance was ceremonially distributed to former BLT cadres residing outside the BTC region, in the presence of BTC Chief Executive Member Hagrama Mohilary and Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs, Jayanta Mallabaruah.

Minister Baruah. alongside CEM Hagrama Mohilary, distributed the grants as part of the State Government's continued efforts to support the rehabilitation and reintegration of individuals returning to

Speaking at the programme, Minister Baruah conveyed gratitude on behalf of Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma and the State Government. He thanked the former cadres for choosing the path of rehabilitation and development and for realising that armed struggle could not fulfil their aspirations. "Today we celebrate your homecoming and we hope you begin a self reliant and peaceful life ahead," he said.



The Minister noted that since 2020 the Government of Assam and the Government of India have signed five historic Memorandum Settlements, including the NDFB Accord, Karbi Peace Accord, Adivasi Peace Accord, DNLA Agreement and ULFA Peace Agreement,

These agreements have brought 9,022 cadres of peace signed groups back

paving the way for lasting

peace in the region.

addition to more than 2,000 members of smaller groups rehabilitated under State schemes.

Reflecting on the past, Minister Baruah said Assam had suffered for decades as young people were compelled to take up arms due to neglect and lack of opportunity. "Your return to the mainstream is honourable.

For the first time in many years, development is reaching people in a way that brought long awaited cor-

earlier Governments could not ensure," he said.

He recalled how Assam once had to revolt to defend its natural resources. "Forty years ago, Assam protested crude oil being taken out without benefiting the State. Today, under the NDA Government, pipelines are being built to bring oil into Assam to run our refineries. This turnaround reflects the vision of Prime Minister Narendra Modi who has

Baruah said that armed revolution only prolonged insecurity and delayed growth. 'Today, under Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma, we finally have a leadership that delivers solutions where earlier Governments left gaps. Industries are coming,

rection to decades of imbal-

ance," he said.Minister

peace prevails and communities feel included in the development journey," he said. He added that investments which once seemed unimaginable are now becoming reality. "Through Advantage Assam, five lakh crore of investment is coming to the State, with more than one lakh crore already invested. This was never possible in earlier years, when instability overshadowed progress," he said.

Minister Baruah informed that 442 former BLT cadres, residing outside the BTC region were granted financial support of two lakh rupees each to begin a dignified new life today. "We warmly welcome you to this new journey. The State today values peace and empowers those who contribute to development,"

he said.He urged beneficiaries to pursue skill development programmes and commended BTC Chief **Executive Member Hagrama** Mohilary for initiatives that have strengthened peace in the region. "We must move from being consumers to becoming producers. The Government is committed to supporting every step of this transformation, he said.

Concluding his remarks Minister Baruah said, "Assam today is moving with confidence under the leadership of Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma who is working tirelessly to place the State among the top five in India.

His decision to extend Scheduled Tribe status to six communities while protecting the rights of existing ST groups reflects a fair and progressive approach. Together, let us build a peaceful and prosperous Assam that earlier genera-

The programme was also attended by Director General of Police Harmeet Singh, Additional Chief Secretary Ajay Tewari and Special ADGP Hiren

tions could only hope for."

# Himanta launches bicycle scheme to boost school attendance

Guwahat

In a significant move to enhance student safety and attendance, Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma inaugurated a bicycle distribution scheme under the Chief Minister's Special Scheme for Class IX students from Government and provincial schools. The launch, held in Dibrugarh, will benefit 3,10,031 pupils, particularly those residing in rural and interior areas. making their daily commute quicker and safer.

The initiative, which includes tea garden model schools and Adarsha Vidyalayas, aims to significantly increase school enrolment and curb the student drop-out rate. Of the beneficiaries, 1,34,432 are male students and 1,75,608 are female students. Speaking at the event, Sarma highlighted the critical issue of school dropouts, noting that forty per cent of students leave education by the higher sec-



ondary level. He stressed that a suitable environment nurtures talent, which educational institutions are uniquely placed to provide. To combat povertyrelated dropouts, the Government has already introduced free textbooks, uniforms and midday meals.

Sarma pointed out that the bicycles address the challenge of long travel distances to secondary schools. This scheme complements other student-centric measures, such as free college enrolment and financial aid like the Nijut Moina scheme, which provides monthly stipends to girl students at the higher secondary, undergraduate and postgraduate levels. A similar scheme for boys is reportedly forthcoming. The Chief Minister affirmed the Government's relentless efforts over the past five years to improve the academic environment, citing the construction of new school buildings, col-

leges, medical and engineer-

ing institutions. He also

encouraged students to

utilise their mobile phones

for educational purposes,

stating, "The mobile phone in our hands should not be used only to scroll through Facebook or Instagram.

We should use it to learn

about geography, history, science, sports and new events around the world."Education Minister Ranoj Pegu, Indigenous and Tribal Faith and Culture Minister Jogen Mohan, Power Minister Prasanta Phukan, Cultural Affairs Minister Borah, MLAs Chakradhar Gogoi, Binod Hazarika, Terosh Gowala and Taranga Gogoi, Dibrugarh Municipal Board Chairman Saikat Patra, Sonowal Kachari Autonomous Council Chief Executive Member Tonkeswar Sonowal, Moran **Autonomous Council Chief** Executive Member Saroj Gohain, Dibrugarh Zila Parishad Chairperson Pushpanjali Sonowal, Chairman Assam Tourism **Development Corporation** Rituporno Baruah, Secretary Education and host of other dignitaries were present on the occasion.

# Power grid cyber security on shaky ground as critical upgrades stall

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE New Delhi

resilience.

India's national power grid is facing renewed scrutiny as major cyber-security gaps and stalled upgrade plans raise concerns over the country's energy

With the power sector moving rapidly toward digital and smart-grid technologies, experts warn that inadequate cyber defences leave the grid exposed to potentially catastrophic attacks.

Insiders confirm that several key transmission substations across the country still lack Next-Generation Firewalls (NGFWs) and other advanced protection systems. Despite a rise in cyber threats globally — many of them targeting critical infrastructure these vulnerabilities remain unresolved, prompting alarm among security agencies.

A major cyber-security tender floated by Power Grid Corporation earlier this year, aimed at strengthening the grid's defences, was cancelled in August. Sources indicate that a company allegedly backed by certain officials failed to meet eligibility requirements, leading to pressure for the tender's withdrawal. The cancellation has raised questions about the corporation's preparedness during a time when global



grids are frequently targeted by sophisticated cyber actors.

The matter has now reached Parliament. An unstarred question scheduled for response on December 9 seeks detailed clarification from the Union Power Minister on substations identified as cyber-security weak points, facilities requiring urgent intervention, whether a comprehensive audit has been conducted within the past year and the roadmap for upgrades following the cancelled tender. MPs have also asked whether any national agency is

assisting in real-time grid monitoring. Cyber-security specialists warn that the power grid remains a high-value target for adversaries. They caution that a single breach could trigger wide spread outages affecting homes, industries and essential services. Given the surge in State-sponsored cyber-attacks worldwide, experts say India cannot afford delays in strengthening its power infrastructure. Analysts argue that urgent central

intervention is required to break the current impasse. They recommend immediate installation of multi-layer cyber defences, expedited security audits and strict compliance with global standards such as NERC-CIP and ISO 27001. Without decisive action, they warn, the national grid remains dangerously exposed at a time of escalating cyber risk.

Bembem, Ashalata named

in AFC All-Time Dream XI

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Bembem Devi and Ashalata

for the AFC Women's Asian

Cup All-Time Dream XI

football team in recognition

of their stellar perfor-

mances in the continental

Former captain Bembem,

the only Indian woman

footballer to have been

conferred the Padma Shri, is

one of the 12 midfielders

nominated for the Dream

Both Bembem and

"During an international

career spanning over two

decades, Bembem Devi was

the true leader of a gener-

ation of Indian women's

footballers," the Asian

Football Confederation

"She was the captain of

the Blue Tigresses during

their AFC Women's Asian

Cup appearance in 2003

and has been adjudged the

AIFF Women's Player of the

Year twice. India's third

most capped player has won several domestic and

international honours

laying the foundation for

Ashalata belong to Manipur,

the women's football pow-

erhouse in the country.

New Delhi

showpiece.

XI team.

(AFC) said.

# **▼ BRIEFLY**

## WOMEN'S FOOTBALL LEAGUE TO START ON DECEMBER 20



The Indian Women's League 2025-26 will kick off on December 20 at the National Centre of Excellence (NCoE) in Kolkata, with Sethu FC taking on Kickstart FC in the

The IWL will be played in two phases, with the first one stretching from December 20 to January 9, 2026, during which the eight teams will play 28 matches, the All India Football Federation (AIFF) said on Thursday.

The NCoE in Kolkata and the Kalyani Municipal Stadium in Kalyani are the two venues for the league, which is being held in two centralised venues this season.

The second phase of the IWL is set to be held from April 20 to May 10, 2026, thus allowing player availability for the senior and U20 women's national teams, which will participate in their respective AFC Women's Asian Cups categories next year.

# CHANDIGARH STADIUM HONOURS



World Cup winners Yuvraj Singh and Harmanpreet Kaur were on Thursday immortalized at the New Chandigarh Stadium with stands named in their honour. Yuvraj, player of the tournament for the 2011 ODI World Cup, and Harmanpreet, who recently captained India to their first ever Women's World Cup trophy, were surrounded friends, family and Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann on the occasion. Yuvraj was also seen giving a pep talk to the Indian team in a huddle before the second T20 International against South Africa. His longtime teammate Harbhajan Singh has a pavilion named after him at the stadium and Harmanpreet joined him on the other side of the sightscreen on Thursday.

# India names Sindhu, Lakshya for Asia Team Championships

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA New Delhi

Two-time Olympics medallist PV Sindhu, Lakshya Sen and the star pair of Satwiksairaj Rankireddy-Chirag Shetty will form the core of Indian squad to take part in the Badminton Asia Team Championships to be played in Qingdao, China from February 3-8.

India are defending champions in the women's category of the competition, whereas the men's team had won two bronze medals in the past.

"Selected on the basis of ranking, performance, and experience, the women's team will once again be led by former world champion and two-time Olympics medallist, PV Sindhu," the Badminton Association of India said in a release.

The world No 13 Sen will be the top ranked men's singles player in the squad which also features Kidambi Srikanth, HS Prannoy, US Open winner Ayush Shetty, and Tharun Mannepalli.

Satwik-Chirag will be lead champions

the doubles while Priya up Sai Pratheek K and Konjengbam, Shruti Mishra, Pruthvi Krishnamurthy Roy, as well as Hariharan and Tanisha Crasto com-Amsakarunan. In the plete the squad. BAI secretary Sanjay women's category, Sindhu will be supported by world

Mishra said, "Over the last few years, Indian teams have consistently been medal contenders at the Asian and World level and this squad has the right mix of form and experience and is capable of challenging for the crown in both cate-

Men's: Lakshya Sen, Ayush Shetty, Kidambi, Prannoy HS, Tharun Mannepalli, Satwiksairaj Rankireddy, Chirag Shetty, Pruthvi Krishnamurthy, Sai Pratheek K, Hariharan Amsakarunan

Women's: PV Sindhu, Unnati Hooda, Tanvi, Rakshitha Sree Santhosh Ramraj, Malvika Bansod, Treesa Jolly, Gayatri Gopichand, Priya Konje-

> the rise of women's football in the South Asian nation." India could not get past the group stage in the 2033 Women's Cup, after

(0-12) and Vietnam (1-2). Ashalata captained the Indian football legends India in the 2022 edition of the Women's Asian Cup Devi have been nominated hosted by the country.

eventual runners-up China

In a fateful tournament, several Indian players contracted COVID-19 despite being inside the bio-bubble. Hosts India played out a 0-0 draw against Iran in their first group match and then could not assemble team for the match against Chinese Taipei.

"Ashalata Devi is one of the Indian women's national team's most accomplished defenders. A commanding centre-back, she made her AFC Women's Asian Cup debut in 2022. In 2019, she was named the AIFF Women's Player of the Year in recognition of her

ship," the AFC said. "Known for her strength aerial ability, and calmness under pressure, Ashalata has been instrumental in guiding and inspiring a new generation of Indian footballers.'

consistency and leader-

Ashalata is one of the 12 defenders nominated for the Dream XI.

Five goalkeepers and 12 forwards were also nominated for the Dream XI, for which voting opened on November 21 and will continue till January 10, 2026.

The 2026 edition of the Women's Asian Cup will be held in Australia from March 1-21





## the doubles unit along with Gopichand and Treesa Jolly Guwahati Masters runners- will lead India's charge in ngbam, Shruti, Tanisha.

Aston Villa faces Basel in Europa League

Gayatri

**ASSOCIATED PRESS** 

Basel

Boosted by a victory over the Premier League leader, in form Aston Villa meets Basel in the Europa League on Thursday.

After a slow start to the season, Villa bounced back to be currently on a sevengame winning streak in all competitions, including a 2-1 victory over Arsenal on

Beside a top-three place in the English top flight, the Villans are tied with Lyon and Midtjylland atop the standings of the second-tier European competition on 12 points with four wins from

thing is how we are building the team, how we are Emery said ahead of the



achieving in our process during each competition, "The most important our stronger mentality in

junior championships silver

medalist Tanvi Sharma,

Unnati Hooda, Rakshita Sree

Santhosh Ramraj and

Malvika Bansod in singles,

Syed Modi International

match at St. Jakob-Park in Basel. Emery has won the Europa League trophy four times during stints in charge of Sevilla

while Midtjylland faces Genk at home

The top eight teams after eight games go directly to

Lyon hosts Dutch new-

comer Go Ahead Eagles

the round of 16 in March. At the other end of the 36team table, struggling Nice

will look to earn the first points against Braga. Teams placed ninth to 24th advance to the knockout playoffs in February.

other games, Nottingham Forest is away at Utrecht, Celtic and Roma meet in Glasgow and Maccabi Tel Aviv travels to Stuttgart.

Conference League, Crystal Palace plays Shelbourne in Dublin and Fiorentina hosts Dynamo Kyiv.

## **REAL MADRID** TRIO BANNED FOR 2 MATCHES FOR REFEREE MISCONDUCT

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Real Madrid players Dani Carvajal, Álvaro Carreras and Endrick were suspended for two games for their behavior toward the refereeing crew in a Spanish league match last weekend.

Defender Carreras was sent off in stoppage time in a one-game suspension.

# Salmon makes Arsenal debut in Champions League

Marli Salmon became the sixth youngest player to feature in the Champions League when brought on as a late substitute in Arsenal's 3-0 win at Club Brugge.

Salmon is 16 years, 103 days and came on for Ben White at Jan Breydelstadion on Wednesday, with manager Mikel Arteta saying: "We knew that at some point we had to use him.'

"He's so young, 16 still, and he's playing in the Champions League," Arteta said. But Salmon is not even

the youngest player that Arsenal has fielded this season. That distinction goes to Max Dowman, who was 15

entered as a second-half substitute against Slavia Prague last month. According to UEFA, Salmon is the third player 16 or younger that Arsenal

has fielded in the

years, 308 days when he

Dowman and former midfielder lack Wilshere. "That's why we put so

much work and everybody in the academy puts (in) so much enthusiasm and work," said Arteta. "And for a long time, you have to prepare those talents. So, thanks to them, because when we need them, they are there, they are ready to Champions League after perform."

Dowman is the youngest player ever to play in European club soccer's top competition — taking that record from Youssoufa

Moukoko, who was 16

years, 18 days when he

Dortmund in 2020. Barcelona superstar Lamine Yamal is the third

the age of 16 years, 68 days in 2023.

Wearing No. 89, Salmon is described by Arsenal as a gifted, ball-playing center back. He first joined the club's academy playing for the Under-11 team.

appeared for Borussia His first Champions League appearance came before he's even played a youngest, having made his senior domestic league or debut in the competition at cup game for Arsenal.

# Alonso feels Real Madrid will overcome rough patch

**ASSOCIATED PRESS** Madrid

Xabi Alonso thanked his players for their attitude after another defeat and said he was positive Real Madrid would overcome its slump soon.

Madrid lost 2-1 to Manchester City in the Champions League on Wednesday, remaining with only two wins in its last eight matches in all competitions.

"The players gave it everything they had, and I have nothing to criticize today. I really value their attitude. We have to keep going," Alonso said. "Right now the results aren't as good as we'd like.

"We're critical, we demand a lot of ourselves, and we understand the fans. We have to keep working hard. We believe we'll get through this because everything passes, and I'm convinced we can



The result increased criticism against Alonso and prompted some jeers by the crowd at the Santiago Bernabeu stadium.

"We can understand why they whistle, and we have to accept it as normal because the demands here are so high," Alonso said. "We want to turn things around, improve our mental and physical condition, and get the injured players back. There's still a long way to go." Spanish

media has been reporting there's a split between Alonso and part of the squad, but players were quick to come out supporting him after the defeat.

Goalkeeper Thibaut Courtois and defender Raúl Asencio were among those saying the team was united and everyone was behind Alonso. Rodrygo hugged Alonso by the sideline after scoring and admitted it was to show that the players are together with the coach.

Madrid's 2-0 home loss against Celta Vigo, a match in which the hosts finished with nine men as Fran García had already been shown a red card. Forward Endrick, an unused substitute, was sent off for complaining from the bench. Carvajal, who was on the bench but was not dressed for the game because of an injury, was accused of disrespecting the referees in the tunnel after the game at the Santiago Bernabeu stadium. García, sent off with two yellow cards, was handed

# Bastar Olympic opens with 3,500 participants; new team comprises surrendered Naxalites

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA Jagdalpur (Chhattisgarh)

Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Vishnu Deo Sai on Thursday asserted that his government is committed to taking development to every village in the Bastar division, which he said is steadily moving towards peace, harmony and prosperity.

Addressing the 'Bastar Olympic 2025' at Indira Priyadarshini Stadium in Jagdalpur, the headquarters of Bastar district, he said the massive participation of youth, including the surrendered Naxalites and victims of Maoist violence, has made the event historic.

Indian boxing legend MC Mary Kom was also present on the occasion.

Sai said the government is determined to connect the youth from tribal-dominated Bastar with the mainstream and ensure their active contribution to the region's development.

Winners of the Bastar Olympic would become role models and would be provided advanced training and opportunities to compete at international levels, he said.

The government will provide better opportunities and training to the youth of Bastar, preparing



Chhattisgarh CM Vishnu Deo Sai, back right, Deputy CM Arun Sao, center, Olympic medalist and Padma Vibhushan awardee boxer Mary Kom, back second left, Mayor Sanjay Pandey, left, and others holding the torch during the opening ceremony of Bastar Olympics at Jagdalpur in Bastar district Chhattisgarh

them for global competitions, said Sai.

Those winning gold, silver, and bronze medals in the international Olympic Games will be awarded honorariums of ₹3 crore, ₹2 crore, and ₹1 crore, respec-

tively, he said. Deputy CM Vijay Sharma, who also holds the Home portfolio, called the Bastar Olympic an important initiative to integrate youth from interior regions into the mainstream.

The government has been encouraging the youth from the remote areas of Bastar by providing them with more opportunities, and this initiative will continue in an even more robust form in the future, he

Mary Kom met the participants and encouraged them.

State's Sports and Youth Welfare Director Tanuja Salam said around 3,500 athletes from all seven districts of Bastar division and 761 participants from the 'Nua Bat' team are compet-

ing in the division-level

events (finals) in Bastar

Olympic this year. The Nua Bat (a term in local Halbi dialect which means a 'new path') team comprises surrendered Naxalites and victims of Maoist violence as partici-

Last year, the event saw 1.65 lakh participants in division, district and block levels. The number has surged to over 3.92 lakh, including more than 2.27 lakh women, this year, she

The final stage of the

Bastar Olympic, featuring 11 sporting disciplines, including athletics, archery, badminton, football, karate, kabaddi, kho-kho, volleyball and tug of war, will be held from December 11 to 13.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah will attend the closing ceremony on December 13, officials

# SA beat India by 51 runs in second T20I

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The lean run of Shubman Gill and Suryakumar Yadav was extended as Indian batters stumbled on a good batting surface to lose the second T20 against South Africa by 51 runs here on Thursday.

Quinton de Kock made an effortless 90 of 46 balls, pushing South Africa to a challenging 213 for four after India opted to field.

India were expected to chase down the steep target but South Africa removed Indian trio of Abhishek Sharma (17), Gill (0) and Suryakumar Yadav (5) inside the powerplay to put the hosts on the backfoot. India were eventually bowled out for 162 in 19.1 overs with Tilak Varma (62 off 34) playing a lone hand..

The five match series now stands at 1-1 with the third match scheduled Dharamsala on December 14. The local crowd was expecting their home heroes, Gill and Abhishek, to fire but it was not to be. Yet to realise his potential in the shortest format, vice-captain Gill, facing his very first ball, got a beauty from Lungi Ngidi that seamed away from length to take a thick outside edge.

Abhshek was caught



South Africa's players celebrating the wicket of India's Shubman Gill during the second T20 International cricket match of a series between India and South Africa in New Chandigarh

behind in the following over from Marco Jansen. Next to depart was skipper Suryakumar who too got a faint edge after Jansen angled it away from the

India skipper. Batting at three, Axar Patel (21 off 21) was pouched at cover with Reeza Hendricks just about managing to have his fingers under the ball. From thereon, Tilak batted at a high tempo but lack of

partnerships and soaring run rate pushed the game out of India's reach..

Earlier, de Kock entertained the crowd with his remarkable strokeplay.

When in full flow, De Kock is among the most attractive batters in the game and he flaunted his special skills on a true pitch. He was mainly dealing in sixes in the middle and majority of his seven maximums came in the deep

square leg region.

De Kock, who recently reversed his ODI retirement and was not sure about his T20 future post the World Cup last year, is back with a renewed purpose and remains on top of his game.

An innings like this just less than a week before the mini auction will also create the buzz among the franchises, who might indulge in a bidding war for the multi-

skilled cricketer.

Arshdeep Singh, who had De Kock caught behind in the series opener, was at the receiving end on Thursday. De Kock began the assault with a pick up shot for six off Arshdeep before pulling the left-arm pacer for a maximum over deep mid-wicket. Jasprit Bumrah too conceded 16 runs in his second over after being disdainfully pulled for six by Reeza Hendricks.

# Two Indian origin players named in Australia U-19 World Cup squad

Melbourne

Two Indian origin players — Aryan Sharma and John James — have been named in Australia's 15-member squad for the men's U-19 World Cup scheduled to be held in Namibia and Zimbabwe from lanuary 15 to February 6.

Aryan, a handy batter and slow left-arm spinner, and James, a right-arm medium pace all-rounder, were both part of the squad that played against India in the youth Tests and one-dayers in September.

Besides cricketers of Indian heritage, the squad features two players of Sri Lankan (Naden Cooray and Nitesh Samuel) and one of Chinese Origin (Alex Lee Young).

Australia enters the tournament as defending champions, with Oliver Peake as captain.

"We're delighted to announce a strong and wellbalanced squad for the ICC Under-19 World Cup. Our focus has been on selecting a group with complementary skill sets that provide the best chance of success in tournament," head coach Tim Nielsen said in a release.

"The players named have matches from January 9-14. impressed with their performances during the U19 series against India in September and at the recent National

some have already experienced senior training environments, while others are progressing rapidly through our pathway. Australia is placed in Group

A alongside Ireland, Japan, and Sri Lanka. The team will reach Namibia in early January and play warm-up

U19 Championship in Perth.

"It's an exciting group,

"The World Cup is a fantastic opportunity for these young cricketers to showcase their talent and test themselves against the best in the world," Nielsen said. Australia Men's U19 Squad:

Oliver Peake, Kasey Barton, Naden Cooray, Jayden Draper, Ben Gordon, Steven Hogan, Thomas Hogan, John James, Charles Lachmund, Will Malajczuk, Nitesh Samuel, Hayden Schiller, Aryan Sharma, William Taylor, Alex Lee Young.

# WTC finals now the pinnacle of Test cricket: ICC CEO Sanjog

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA Mumbai

The three World Test Championship (WTC) finals held so far have "definitely delivered" on the aim of creating a pinnacle event for the traditional format of the game, said ICC CEO Sanjog Gupta on Thursday.

New Zealand, Australia and South Africa have each won the WTC once with India finishing runners-up twice. Gupta highlighted that a packed Lord's during the previous edition's final between Australia and South Africa, despite the absence of India and hosts England, was a landmark moment for the global governing body."What the World Test Championship attempts to do, beyond just being a five-plus-one-day event where the two best teams compete for the greatest prize in the format, is to give context to the two said during the announcement of ICC's global partnership with AB InBev India (Budweiser 0.0) here.

"That was the endeavour with which the World Test Championship



seen with three editions past us now, is that the World Test Championship final has definitely delivered on the goal of provid-ing a pinnacle event for Test

He said the turnout at Lord's showed that the WTC final has stirred interest among fans, who now look forward to it just as they do with other flagship events.

The last World Test years of Test cricket that Championship final was precedes that final," Gupta played between Australia and South Africa in England, and Lord's was packed," he

"India was not playing, England was not playing, (but) Australia was taking on South Africa, and Lord's was launched and what we've packed, which means that we now have a pinnacle event in Test cricket which the world waits for, or the world that enjoys Test cricket waits for.'

Gupta added that the growing anticipation among fans in the months leading up to the final also strengthens the broader storytelling around Test cricket.

"The other thing that it did was, in the six months leading up to the World Test Championship final, the entire narrative was around who will feature and that gives additional meaning, context, and significance to the bilateral Test cricket that's being played in the lead-up to that World Test Championship final," he

# Suryavanshi, Mhatre to head India's U-19 Asia Cup

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India's Asia Cup U-19 campaign will be fronted by Gen Z batting sensations Vaibhav Suryavanshi and Ayush Mhatre, but equal focus would be on whether the BCCI allows the youngsters to exchange handshakes with their Pakistani counterparts, in what would be construed as maintaining sporting civility at the junior level. While the India U-19 side,

under the able leadership of dashing Mumbai and CSK opener Mhatre start its campaign against UAE on Friday, it is the match against Pakistan on Sunday that will certainly gain the most traction in the junior continental championship seen as a dress rehearsal for the World Cup early next year.

In the senior men's Asia Cup, followed by the Women's ODI World Cup and Rising Stars Asia Cup T20 tournament, Indian players with Pakistani players as a Indian Army and victims of the Pahalgam terror attack.However, when it comes to the U-19 cricketers, it is believed that even the ICC wants politics to be normal protocol of sportsman spirit should be adhered to. "The boys haven't been told anything. But obviously BCCI has given explicit instructions to its manager Anand Datar. Now if Indian boys don't shake hands with Pakistan team then match referee will have

"We know for a fact that ICC doesn't want politics to have refused to shake hands take front seat when it comes to junior cricket. So it mark of solidarity with the is a case of both bad optics and public sentiment," a BCCI official in the know of things told PTI on the condition of anonymity.

to be informed in advance.

As far as the tournament is concerned, India and kept away from it and the Pakistan are almost sure to

the top two teams from group A. Apart from India and Pakistan, the other two sides are Malaysia and UAE, and they don't have a lot of experience of playing 50 over cricket.

Both Suryavanshi and

skipper Mhatre are coming into the tournament following a great run of form in the ongoing Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy. While Mhatre played a massive role in the group league stages with back-toback centuries and a fifty, Suryavanshi became the youngest player in SMAT history to hit a century, against Maharashtra.

In India's squad of 15, these are two boys, who qualify for the semi-finals as have played more than 30 senior level games across the three formats and cumulatively scored nine centuries. That, in fact, is the most number of senior level centuries when all the other seven teams are combined and it does make India the runaway favourites in the junior continental champi-

India U19 squad for Asia **Cup:** Ayush Mhatre (C Vaibhav Sooryavanshi, Vihaan Malhotra (vc), Vedant Trivedi, Abhigyan Kundu (wk), Harvansh Singh (wk), Yuvraj Gohil, Kanishk Chouhan, Khilan A. Patel, Naman Pushpak, D. Deepesh, Henil Patel, Kishan Kumar Singh, Udhav Mohan, Aaron George.

## CAN'T PLAY **AROUND WITH** ROLES, ABD **RESPONDS TO GAMBHIR**

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA New Delhi

Former South Africa captain AB de Villiers said he agrees "to a certain extent" with India head coach Gautam Gambhir's belief that ODI batting orders are "overrated", but stressed the need for teams to balance flexibility with clearly defined roles.

Following India's 2-1 ODI series win against South Africa, Gambhir had said that he thought batting orders are overrated in the ODI format. "I do agree with him to a certain extent. I've always enjoyed a floating batting lineup in ODIs. But it's a fine line because you can't really play around too much with the players' roles," De Villiers said on his YouTube channel. "It's the top three, four to six, and then your tailenders who can hold the bat. It's almost like three segments, and you can really be creative with that. "Play with right and lefthand combinations and certain situations of the game." India won the first T20I against South Africa to extend their winning run to 27 victories out of 31 games. 

## Rupa Bayor rises to careerbest 8th in world rankings



PRESS TRUST OF INDIA New Delhi

Asian bronze-medallist Rupa Bayor has become India's first Taekwondo player to be ranked as high as eighth in the latest world rankings, rising a rung from her previous career-best position.

The 24-year-old Poomsae competitor from Arunachal Pradesh won a bronze medal at the World Taekwondo President Cup Europe held in Innsbruck, Austria, from November 29

Earlier this year, she also won a bronze at the Australia Open Taekwondo

Tournament in August. Poomsae is a non-combative form of Taekwondo in which competitors perform a pattern of moves like gymnastics routines to be evaluated by a panel of judges.

This format is currently a non-Olympic category but features in the Asian

Bayor, who trains at the Indo Korean Taekwondo Academy in Mumbai, was inducted into the Target Asian Games Group (TAGG) of the Sports Ministry in April this year.

She is the only Indian in the top 100 of the world rankings across categories.

# Whatever is good for cricket, BCCI should do it: Kapil on split coaching

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA New Delhi

Former India captain Kapil Dev on Thursday steered clear of endorsing the idea of split coaches after the team's recent 0-2 Test series loss to South Africa at home, saying the BCCI should adopt whatever coaching structure best serves Indian cricket.

Asked whether separate coaches for red-ball and white-ball formats could be an answer to end India's recent run of reverses in Tests at home, Kapil said: "I don't know... I can't answer that. You have to really work something like that in your mind and say what should happen. Whatever is good for cricket, I think they should do it.' Kapil, the 1983 World

Cup-winning captain, rejected the notion that it is tougher to be an athlete in the social-media era than during his playing days.
"No, it's always the

same. It was difficult then, it is difficult now. It was easy then and it is easy now. Your mindset is more important," he said.

On whether the growing financial pull of T20 leagues has overshadowed



national representation, game in all its forms. Kapil said each player weighs priorities different-"Everybody loves money, but some players feel that is very important. I still feel playing for India is more important than playing IPL. But everybody you enjoy golf.' is individual, they have

Good luck to them.' Asked if he preferred any particular format, Kapil said he simply enjoys the

their own thought process.

'I just love cricket. Doesn't matter even two balls cricket or 100 balls or 100 overs or 10 overs... Cricket is cricket. See golf is golf, whatever format you play, end of the day

He also offered a lighthearted remark on Virat Kohli and Rohit Sharma when asked about their performances.

"Good luck, they should

play golf also," quipped Kapil, who is currently the president of Professional

Golf Tour of India (PGTI). Kapil was speaking at the launch of '72 The League', a city-based golf event announced by the PGTI and scheduled for next year.

The former skipper said India needs golfers who can win big global titles to trigger a mass shift in how the sport is perceived nationally.

'We have to produce world champions. Once they go and win a European Cup or US Cup, or win at the Olympics, it will change the entire scenario," he said.

On what could be golf's '1983 moment", Kapil said: "These boys go and win a European Cup or US Open, something like that... That will be the cherry on the

"At the Olympics we just missed a medal. When only a handful of people are playing in our country and still we reached there, that gives hope. One day our kids will go and win Olympics or US Cup. In tennis, if you win Wimbledon, it makes a difference; the same is in

# **Karandeep Kochhar claims** maiden IGPL title in Dubai

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA Dubai

Karandeep Kochhar on Thursday shot a third straight 3-under 69 to end his wait for a maiden title on the IGPL Tour with a hard-earned victory at IGPL Invitational UAE.

Kochhar pipped young Veer Ganapathy and Pukhraj Singh to the post at the Els Club in Dubai at the Shiv Kapur hosted event, the tenth IGPL meet of the inaugural season.

Kochhar, a recent winner on the Asian Development Tour, made up for his runner-up finish at the IGPL Invitational Kolkata, even as Ganapathy's wait for a first pro win continued as he was left knocking on the doors yet again.

Kochhar totalled 9-under, while Ganapathy, who was seemingly coasting to fine win, was left ruing a costly triple bogey on Par-4 14th hole on the back nine. He shot even par 72 and finished one shot behind Kochhar.

Also finishing tied second was Pukhraj, the winner of IGPL Jamshedpur. He shot 2under 70, and like Ganapathy, was left at 8under and one behind the winner. Pranavi Urs, the

history-maker at IGPI Mumbai, was sole fourth. She shot 1-under 71 and totalled 7-under for the 54 holes. Gaganjeet Bhullar's streak of wins ended with a fifth-place finis after a round of 71 and a total of 6under. Tournament host Shiv Kapur (72) was tied for 16th place with Ridhima Dilawari (75) at 1-under total, while Jeev Milkha Singh, who flew in straight from Mauritius where he was the runner-up in the European Legends Tour, shot 73 and finished Tied-18th in his first appearance on the IGPL Tour.

Another Teen star, Kartik Singh (71), legend SSP Chawrasia (72) and another young rookie pro, Raghav Chugh (72) were tied for the sixth place.

The IGPL Order of Merit leader, Aman Raj (73) was tied with Hitaashee Bakshi, who once again put in final round heroics with a 6under 66, and Mysuru golfer, Yashas Chandra, who has been trending well. Chandra shot 71, as he was tied at 4-under with Aman Raj and Hitaashee.

Four players, Sachin Baisoya (67), Harendra Gupta (68), Kartik Sharna (70) and Gaurav Ghei (72), were tied for 12th place.