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NGT serves notice to Pb Govt on illegitimate mining in Ropar

DeraBaasi, Mubarakpur, Kharar, Mullanpur, Majri not behind in race of illegitimate mining

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Mohali : Former Punjab Congress President Navjot Singh Sidhu along with social activists has filed a petition in the (NGT) National Green Tribunal New Delhi to interfere and warn the Punjab Government as it was going lethargic in the cases of illegal mining perhaps due to collusion of local police with the officials of mining department. The congress leader has highlighted that an extensive mechanised mining and crushing of gravel has

damaged the local environment of Ropar town. The plea sought direction to identify erring officials who have allowed alleged illegal mining in Rupnagar and initiate action against such officials after a detailed investigation. The bench headed by Justice Prakash Shrivastava on Monday after hearing the submissions of Advocates KC Mittal and Abhimanyu Walia, sought the response of all respondents and fixed the matter for March 11, 2024.

Navjot Singh Sidhu Congress leader through a plea stated, "I along with few well-wishers of Punjab have filed a petition before NGT, Delhi to take immediate remedial measures and stop all illegal sand mining in Rupnagar, Punjab and to identify erring officials who have allowed illegal mining in Rupnagar and initiate action against such officials after a detailed investigation. The large-scale mechanized mining and crusher operation in the area has



impacted the environment adversely. Illegal, unregulated and unscientific sand mining can alter the river bed and increase flood risk in the region, the plea further mentioned. The High Court of Punjab and Haryana has also observed in an order that illegal mining operations are being carried out in Rupnagar, Punjab and that the District Administration as well as the local police are trying to shield the real culprits behind these operations. It may be underlined here that several bandwagons of

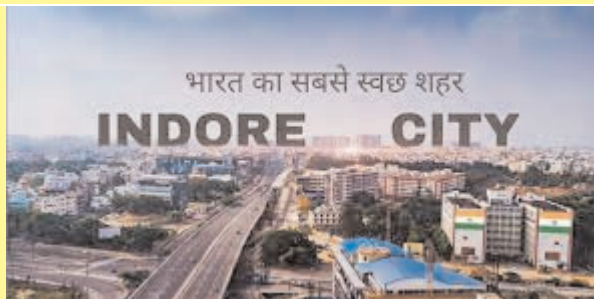
rural activists from Majri, Mubarakpur, Kharar, DeraBassi and Mullanpur also have bemoaned in the office of Deputy Commissioner, saying rampant mining was going unchecked by the mining staff. The report claimed about 44 sites in Majri block, 31 in Mubarakpur, 7 in Mullanpur, 9 in DeraBassi. Despite reporting the matter of illegal mining, lackadaisical approach of the authorities has been noted and little action would not be suffice to save the envi-

ronment. The deputy commissioner of Mohali Aashika Jain claimed in 2023, a total number of 28 FIRs by the police were registered and the administration was taking all requisite steps to curb the practice of illegitimate mining. Sukhwinder Saini, Bureau Chief, Nirbhaya Soch, has condemned the momentum of ever rising illegitimate mining in Punjab which has adversely been impacting the fabric of the sacrosanct environment.

Indore ranks "cleanest city" of India

Commissioner News Service

New Delhi: The emergence of Indore as the cleanest city shows how it has come a long way from being one of the dirtiest cities that saw the epidemic of plague nearly three decades back. Indore's leapfrogging to cleanest city in 2017 from 25th rank in 2016 and maintaining that position for seven years is an indication that once people embrace cleanliness, it can become a part of their lives. The results of "Swachh Suvaksh" 2023 were released by President Droupadi Murmu. She said about one-third of India's population lives in urban areas and cleanliness of cities and towns is essential for their health and development. She lauded the efforts of all states, ULBs and citizens for taking steps for moving ahead on the path of prosperity through cleanliness. "Participation of citizens and all stakeholders is essential to maintain the achievements of cleanliness mission," she said. In this survey, the cities, towns and ULBs were put under two categories based on population more than one



lakh and less than one lakh. In the more than one lakh category, 446 cities and municipal areas were ranked, while 3,970 towns and municipal areas were covered under the less than one lakh category. This survey covered 4,477 cities and ULBs the highest ever. Indore made it, to the top of the list for the seventh time in a row, Surat emerged as the joint winner with the same score for the first time since the ranking at national level started in 2016. Under the first category, Navi Mumbai emerged as the third cleanest city followed by Visakhapatnam, Bhopal, Vijayawada and the NDMC area of Delhi. In less than one lakh population category, Sasvad in Maharashtra got the top rank, followed by Patan in

Chhattisgarh and Lonavala in Maharashtra. Four out of the top five cities in this category were from Maharashtra. The bottom five towns in this ranking were from Nagaland. Among the Ganga towns, Varanasi and Prayagraj won the top two awards and the cleanest cantonments award went to Mhow and Deolali. Chandigarh walked away with the award for "Best Safaimitra Surakshit Sheher" for putting in place the best ecosystem to protect the manpower engaged in cleanliness tasks. Among states, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh emerged as the cleanest. Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Rajasthan and Nagaland were the least clean.

Govt hospitals in Punjab being plagued by shortage of doctors



Commissioner News Service

Bathinda: The state of the health care facilities in Punjab could be observed as the strength of medics was deplorable, said Harsimrat Kaur Badal, the local MP of the constituency. The MP has urged Bhagwant Mann to provide medical infrastructure to ensure treatment is optimal and patients don't suffer anymore.

Recalling event of 2 youngsters, from Mansa died recently in a road accident and there was no immediate medical treatment nor first aid facilities nearby available to save them. The parents had to rush for medical solace to a chemist who in emergency had performed stitches on the bleeding head of the patients.

No more online admission for EWS in minority schools



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Chandigarh: The RTE process can not be applied to minority schools. Such schools have been exempted from the online portal but all recognised unaided private minority and non minority schools would be required to meet their obligation to provide 15% reservation seats for EWS under the Allotment of Land to Educational Institutions (Schools) etc on leasehold basis in Chandigarh scheme 1996, said Harsuhinder Brar, Director School Education, UT.

The minority schools in the city have been accorded exemption from the participation in the online i centralised economically weaker section and disadvantaged groups' admission process of the UT education department. There are 275 entry level EWS seats in the city '20 minority schools for the academic year 2023 - 24. In these schools off line admissions for EWS kids would be made and will not be on the department portal. Admission forms could be filled in upto 10 Feb from 9 am to 1:pm said Ms Brar.

UT directed by Centre to fill in vacant posts

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Chandigarh : The Central government as per its revised policy has dictated that if a post remains unfilled for 5 years, it will be deemed the post as abolished. The decision of the department of the expenditure, ministry of finance. Under certain circumstances, the ministry has earmarked that a post lying vacant for 5 years or more, also would be revived



The recruitment process can be initiated, if the post exists but it's appointment orders have not been issued within the period of 5 years. China helps Maldives in upgrading ties, safeguarding sovereignty Mohalla.

Fake NOC scam in Dera Bassi, chargesheet filed

Commissioner News Service

DeraBassi/Mohal : The Special Investigation Team (SIT) of Mohali police on Monday filed a chargesheet against four accused in the fake NOC scam. The chargesheet has been filed in the court of judicial magistrate 1st Class (JMJC) Pavleen Singh at



Derabassi court.

The four accused - Gulshan, Suresh Jain, Ritik, and Vidyanand Thakur had been booked under Sections 420, 468, 467, 471,

201 and 120-B of the IPC. In the chargesheet, SIT member and Derabassi ASPD arpan Ahluwalia claimed that Gulshan Kumar, a realtor, had got 77 such fake NOCs prepared for his own use to fraudulently get the land registered in his favour.

Foundation stone of medical college laid by Khattar

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P'kula: At an estimated of Rs 800 Cr, the government medical college and hospital would become operational and its foundation stone by Manohar Lal Khattar was laid on Monday.



The medical college would be constructed over 30 acres of land at Sector 32 in Panchkula by the Haryana Shahri Vikas Pradhikarn (HSVP), and

would be named after Dr Mangal Sen. The initial phase will involve an expenditure of Rs 500 crore, with an

anticipated additional expenditure of Rs 300 crore. The entire project is slated to be completed within 30 months.

China inks 20 contracts with Maldives, knowing diplomatic row with India

Commissioner News Service

Beijing : During the maiden visit to China, of recently elected President Mohammad Muizzu, about 20 contracts were mutually signed by the two presidents of both the counties. The contracts included tourism cooperation, fisheries, disaster risk reduction, blue economy, labour, education, marine, digital economy, co operation in economic affairs, trade and commerce development. Both the dignitaries announced the elevation of their bilateral ties to comprehensive strategic cooperative partnership. agreed.



upon sharing evolved strategies in the Indian Ocean. Mr. Venzin Ping has extended economic help to the Maldives, figures not known to the sources. China would enhance the frequency of air trips to Maldives and escalate the intake strength of Maldivian students. It may be here underlined that 3 cabinet ministers of Muizzu govern-

ment, who passed adverse comments against Mr Narendra Modi has been suspended for their malignant comments. The down fall in the visiting Indian tourists to Maldives has been registered. The negative propaganda by the Chinese forces has been unleashed, performed to harm the Indian economy, revealed the sources.

Congress, AAP join hands for top Mayoral posts

Commissioner News Service

Chandigarh : Municipal house ruled by the BJP for the past over 8 years, the civic body this time would face tough competition as the Congress, and AAP have teamed up to wrest the control of BJP in the MC premises. Pursuing the move, the AAP, Congress combine



will have 20 votes (AAP with 13, Congress with 7), the BJP bandwagon would contest the competition with 15 votes. The polls would be held on

18 Jan for all three posts. Having collaboration with AAP, we would have a formidable political alliance. We would certainly bag all three key posts of Mayor, Snr Deputy Mayor, and deputy Mayor for sustaining cleaner, greener and more beautiful Chandigarh, said HS Lucky, local President of Congress Party.

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EDITORIAL –

Spirit of service, compassion in Christianity

PM Modi never fails to flabbergast and astound. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman's economist husband Parakala Prabhakar who has closely followed the PM's pronouncements. Mr Prabhakar has mentioned the PM's statements at different times and observed that he is not bothered if his stance changes with the occasion. The Bishops would be well advised to read this chapter. Was it the criticism he faces in the foreign press for being inimical to the minorities? Did the US President or the UK Prime Minister, the latter a practising Hindu, suggest to him that a change of heart would burnish his image? Why are all government officials not exposed to this simple thought? This is not to suggest that the Christian connection that inspired me should be held up as a guiding light. But the hymn, adopted and suitably tweaked to make it a universal principle, should be mandated by no less a person than our PM. I dare to propose this because nobody from the Sangh Parivar raised the voice of dissent to his 'Christmas message'. The government's hesitation in approving the Supreme Court collegium's recommendation in the case of Justice KM Joseph was another instance of its apparent bias against Christians. Justice Joseph, a former Chief Justice of the Uttarakhand High

Court, was elevated to the post of a Supreme Court judge when it was certain that he could not hope to be the Chief Justice of India. The main grouse of the Parivar against Christians is that they convert lower-caste Hindus, Dalits and tribals to Christianity and thereby distort the Hindu social order ordained by the Varna system. Such distortion happens only when there are mass conversions like those that took place in Goa after Portuguese missionaries of the Franciscan, Dominican and Jesuit orders followed their sea-faring compatriots to Goa in the 15th and 16th centuries. Such mass conversions are impossible today. They will neither be tolerated nor attempted. Individual conversions do occur, most of them after interfaith marriages. The Catholic Church no longer insists on conversion prior to solemnising mixed marriages. In my family, most recent marriages have been interfaith. No conversion has taken place. Interfaith marriages of the less educated and economically weaker sections do sometimes result in conversion, mostly to the religion of the male partner. Such individual conversion should not make any dent in the Hindu social order. "The nation proudly acknowledges the contribution of Christians," the PM said to the assembled

Christian leaders. He mentioned that the community had punched well above its weight in the fields of education, health and service to the poor and the needy. Christians of performing these services with the intention of converting the helpless to their religion. They even accused Mother Teresa of converting the destitute she had taken under her care just before they breathed their last — another patently false accusation. Instead of creating tensions, the Parivar should emulate the spirit of service of such compassionate Christians. I learn that it has already begun the process in tribal areas in particular. There is an element of competition and rivalry, like in the Bhil-dominated tribal areas of Gujarat. As a senior IAS officer of Gujarat whispered to me, the rivalry has resulted in the tribals benefiting from both quarters! Finally, should the Christians of India rejoice at the PM's new-found admiration for their values of truth, compassion, justice and service? I would advise a cautious approach. We have to wait and watch. The ordinary Hindu's attitude towards his or her Christian neighbours in my city, Mumbai, has always been friendly. It is the government that needs to view them positively, like Modi says he is now doing.

Congress, AAP seal alliance for top posts, poll on 18 Jan

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CHANDIGARH : AAP would fight the Mayor's post, while the Congress will contest the posts of Senior Deputy Mayor and Deputy Mayor. Both parties are likely to announce their alliance arrangement in a day or so, and subsequently withdraw nominations before the day of polling. The Congress and AAP are learnt to have reached an alliance for the January 18 mayoral polls. "Our respective party high commands have okayed the alliance for the mayoral polls. However, for now, nothing has been decided about who will contest the LS poll from Chandigarh," confirmed a senior Congress



leader. The two parties collectively have 20 votes against the BJP's 15 votes, including ex officio member, i.e. the city MP. The SAD has one councillor. In case there is no cross-voting by councillors, it will be the first defeat for the BJP in the mayoral elections in over eight years. In case there is no cross-voting by councillors, it will be the first defeat for the BJP in the mayoral elections in over eight years.

Poor visibility causes delay, cancellation of 3 flights at Mohali



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MOHALI : Low visibility necessitated Airlines and only eight flights were on schedule at the SBSI Airport here, while the rest were delayed or cancelled. Twentytwo flights were behind schedule, some of them by more than four hours, even as three departures — Delhi, Goa and Mumbai — were

cancelled. Till 9:30 am, no flight could land or take off from the airport. The first flight to arrive here was from Bengaluru, late by one and a half hours. The first flight (to Delhi) departed at 10.02 am, late by three hours. The early morning departure to Lucknow was late by four-and-a-half hours.

Bar council appoints Hargobinder Singh Gill as honorary secy



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CHANDIGARH : Besides holding the post of Punjab additional advocate general, Hargobinder Singh Gill (Bagga) got appointment of honorary secretary. The Bar Council of Punjab and Haryana approved the post for Hargobinder Gill as its honorary secretary

during a meeting held. As per the official press note issued by the council, the meeting was organised under the chairmanship of Ashok Singla, who accepted Raj Kumar Chauhan's resignation from the post and Gill to succeed him.

Physical classes up to class 8th suspended till January 20



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CHANDIGARH : The school administrations are advised to encourage online classes for the students in Union Territory. For students from Classes IX to XII, schools are permitted to open, with classes starting not earlier than 9:30 am and concluding no later than 4 pm. The UT Administration has decided to suspend physical classes up to Class VIII in all government, government-aided and recognised private schools till January 20. This precautionary

measure is aimed at ensuring the safety of children by minimising their exposure to the severe cold. However, schools are urged to consider the cold spell, particularly during the early morning and late evening hours, as well as the commuting time for students. The timing adjustments are aimed at providing a balance between educational continuity and the well-being of students. Additionally, schools have been granted flexibility to regulate staff timings accordingly.

Sadhu Singh Dharamsot arrested by ED in money laundering case

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CHANDIGARH : The Enforcement Directorate took the 64-year-old politician into custody under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) in Jalandhar. ED had arrested Congress leader and former Punjab forest minister Sadhu Singh Dharamsot under the anti-money laundering law in an investigation linked to an alleged forest scam in the state, official sources said. The ED had raided the premises of Dharamsot, another forest minister of the state Sangat Singh Giljan, some forest department officials and others in



November last year. The investigation pertains to charges of "bribery" in the state forest department against the issuance of permits for tree felling and for transfer/posting in the department, among other allegations. Dharamsot has been a five-time MLA and was also arrested by the Punjab Vigilance Bureau last year in a case linked to alleged possession of disproportionate assets.

He has represented the Nabha assembly seat while Giljan has been an MLA from the Urmar seat in Hoshiarpur district. The money laundering case, filed under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, stems from an FIR of the Punjab Vigilance Bureau into alleged irregularities in the forest department and allegations of taking bribes by the ministers and officers concerned for issuing permits for felling of Khair trees, transfer/posting in the department, issuance of NOC from the department and purchase of tree guards.

Foundation stone of two community centres laid by speaker

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PANCHKULA : Villagers would be able to hold meetings, weddings and other programmes at the Alipur community centre, which would have a capacity to accommodate 300 persons. He said the MC would complete the construction within the next six months, adding that the government planned to construct community centres in all the villages of the state, said Vidhan Sabha Speaker Gian Gupta.



The speaker laid the foundation stone of two community centres to be constructed at a cost of Rs 57 lakh in Alipur village and also laid the foundation stone of a community centre at Shyamtoo village,

which would be built at a cost of Rs 47 lakh. Gupta directed MC Commissioner Sachin Gupta to begin the construction of a crematorium at the earliest.

April 10 deadline goes in soup as work yet to fasten pace

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CHANDIGARH : Braj Mohan Member Railway Board (Infrastructure) said the officials concerned should expedite the work. Other personnels in team were Ambala Division DRM Mandeep Singh Bhatia, Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA) Vice-Chairman Ved Parkash Dudeja and RLDA member of planning and projects Tarun Kumar Goyal were part of the inspection team. The project to upgrade the Chandigarh Railway Station would miss the April 10 deadline and witness a delay of over two months. This was observed during an inspection carried out by a team of over 20 Railways officials, led by Braj Mohan Agrawal, Railway Board Member (Infrastructure) and Director General (Safety). "By the end of March,



station buildings on the Chandigarh and the Panchkula side, circulating area and parking spaces would be ready, but the finishing touches will take two more months. The authorities will not be in a position to inaugurate the station before June," the DRM said. The inauguration of the upgraded railway station seems to have become a political issue. An official of the Railways said, "The station might be inaugurated in April as per the Ministry's orders, with a condition that the pending works will be

completed in the next three-four months." He said the delay in launching air concourse and then through roof would become a hindrance in the station's scheduled inauguration. Dudeja said, "Agrawal has told us to focus on the timelines of the project by speeding up work on the site. We are trying to ensure that the deadline is met." He said the largest capacity crane in the country (11.8 tonne) of 80 m length had been imported from China for launching air concourse and foot-overbridges.

Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra working to alleviate woes of common man : Khattar

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CHANDIGARH : The Central government is continuously working to alleviate the troubles of the common people. The ongoing Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra across the country is serving as a significant medium to reach those who, for some reason, have not yet connected with government schemes," Khattar said while interacting with the participants of Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra through video conferencing here, said Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar. Gone are the days when the actual beneficiaries had to run from pillar to post to get benefits of welfare schemes. With the radical system changes brought by both central and state governments, eligible citizens in the country and the state are benefitting from government schemes and facilities at their doorstep. The objective of this yatra was to bring India into the



category of developed nations. Currently, there are approximately 37 countries out of nearly 200 in the world that fall into the developed nation category. The Prime Minister envisions that by the time the country completes 100 years of independence in 2047, India would also be in the category of developed nations where the needs of every citizen are met, he said. He mentioned the growth of the food-processing industry in Haryana with around 28,000 food-processing units being established in the past eight years. Khattar stated that the state is progressing towards 'seven-star development', focusing on 'shiksha', 'suraksha', 'swasthya', 'swabhiman', 'swavalamban', SEWA

and 'sushasan'. However, due to narrow thinking of previous governments, three Cs—corruption, crime and caste-based politics flourished, which now have been eradicated to a great extent, he asserted. He said on November 30, 2023, the Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra in Haryana was formally launched from Fatehpur Billoch village in Faridabad district. Since then, around 5,099 programmes have been conducted, with over 37 lakh people participating in it. The remaining 3,300 programmes would be completed by January 25, he added. "Approximately 6,42,000 persons underwent health check-ups in health camps. Checks for tuberculosis were conducted for over 4.39 lakh people. Under the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana, 29,000 people have registered. Additionally, 7.35 lakh Ayushman cards have been issued," the CM said.

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Modi and Vladimir Putin wish each other prosperous in elections

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NEW DELHI : Current issues regarding the development of Indo-Russian relations were discussed and progress in areas like trade, economic, scientific and technical cooperation, energy, transport and logistics, and cooperation in the Russian Far East were noted with satisfaction, elaborated a post in Russian media. Prime Minister Narendra Modi as per sources on Monday held a telephonic conversation with Russian President Vladimir Putin. The two multipolar leaders wished each other good luck in the upcoming elections and reiterated interest in fostering bilateral cooperation. The conversation took place three weeks after External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar had called on



Putin at the Kremlin during a five-day visit to Russia during which the two sides signed an agreement to build more nuclear power units in India and resolved to undertake joint production of defence equipment. Coincidentally, the two leaders held a telephonic conversation at a time when their Foreign Ministers made contact with Iran. Jaishankar is in Tehran for a

meeting with his Iranian counterpart Hossein Amir-Abdollahian who along with his Defence Minister held a conversation with his Russian counterparts Sergey Lavrov and Sergei Shoigu. Putin and PM Narendra Modi are slated to meet this year after they skipped their annual meetings for two successive years.

Congress leader Sukhpal Khaira granted bail in criminal intimidation case

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KAPURTHALA : Kapurthala Judicial Magistrate (first class) Supreet Kaur granted bail to MLA Sukhpal Khaira and asked him to furnish a bail bond of Rs 1 lakh, said Khaira's counsel Kanwaljit Singh. The Kapurthala police had registered the case under Sections 195-A (threatening any person to give false evidence) and 506 (criminal intimidation) of the Indian Penal Code against Khaira on the complaint of Ranjit Kaur. Khaira was arrested in this case on January 4 after he was granted bail by the Punjab and Haryana High Court in connection with a 2015 NDPS case. Ranjit Kaur is the wife of Kashmir Singh, a key witness in the 2015 drug case. Khaira was arrested in the 2015 case, triggering accusations of political



vendetta against the state's ruling AAP from the Congress. He had been seeking bail after his alleged role in a Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act case surfaced during investigation by a special investigation team. The drugs case was registered in March 2015 at Jalalabad in Fazilka. Nine people, including Gurdev Singh, allegedly a close aide of Khaira, were booked in the case and later convicted. The police had seized 2 kg of heroin, 24 gold biscuits, a country-made pistol, a .315-bore pistol and two Pakistani SIM cards from them.

Uddhav faction moves SC against Shinde group as real Shiv Sena

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NEW DELHI : Since, the speaker had rejected the Thackeray faction's plea to disqualify 16 MLAs of the ruling camp, including Shinde. The exasperated Uddhav Thackeray faction of the Shiv Sena on Monday moved the Supreme Court challenging Legislative Assembly Speaker Rahul Narwekar's order declaring the Sena bloc led by Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde as the "real political party" after its split in June 2022. In his ruling on the disqualification petitions on January 10, the



speaker had not disqualified any MLA from the rival camps. The ruling further cemented Shinde's position as the chief minister, 18 months after he led a rebellion against Thackeray, and added to his political left in the ruling coalition which also consists of the BJP and the NCP (Ajit Pawar group) ahead of the Lok

Sabha polls in summer and state assembly elections due in the second half of 2024. Narwekar had said no party leadership can use provisions of the 10th Schedule of the Constitution (anti-defection law) to quell dissent or indiscipline within a party. The Shinde group had the support of 37 out of the total 54 Sena MLAs when party split in June 2022, the speaker had noted. The Election Commission had given the 'Shiv Sena' name and 'bow and arrow' symbol to the Shinde-led faction in early 2023.

Maldives President Mohamed Muizzu sets March 15 deadline for Indian troops withdrawal

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MALE : There are 88 Indian military personnel in the Maldives. Abdulla Nazim Ibrahim disclosed the public policy secretary at the President's Office as President Muizzu has formally asked India to withdraw its military personnel by March 15. Maldivian President Mohamed Muizzu has asked India to withdraw its military personnel from his country by March 15, a senior official here said on Sunday, nearly two months after Male sought their removal. "Indian military personnel cannot stay in the Maldives. This is the policy of President Dr Mohamed Muizzu and that of this administration," he said. Maldives and India have set up a high-level core group to negotiate the withdrawal of



troops. The group held its first meeting at the Foreign Ministry Headquarters in Male' on Sunday morning. The meeting was also attended by Indian High Commissioner Munu Mahawar, the report said. Nazim confirmed the meeting and said the agenda for the meeting was the request to withdraw troops by March 15. The Indian government did not immediately confirm the media report or comment on it. Soon after taking oath as the President of Maldives on November 17 last year, Muizzu, who is regarded as a pro-China leader, formally requested India to withdraw

its military personnel from his country, saying the Maldivian people have given him a "strong mandate" to make this request to New Delhi. The request for the withdrawal of Indian military personnel comes amid a row between the two nations in the backdrop of derogatory comments posted by three deputy ministers of the Muizzu government against Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Muizzu suspended the three ministers after their social media postings, which stirred concern in India and calls for a boycott by Indian tourists who ranked highest in numbers followed by Russia. Chinese tourists figured third. During his just-concluded state visit to China, Muizzu sought to align Maldives closer to Beijing.

Rahul embarks on Bharat Jodo Nyay Yatra, commits to harmony and peace in Manipur

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THOUBAL : Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge slammed the prime minister, saying that he came to the northeastern state only to seek votes and not to share the grief when the people of the state are in pain. On Sunday, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi embarked on the Bharat Jodo Nyay Yatra from here in Manipur with a promise to bring peace and harmony in the ethnic violence-hit state. The violence that broke out in the northeastern state in May last year has claimed more than 180 lives and rendered thousands homeless. Addressing a public meeting in Thoubal, which is south of Manipur capital Imphal, Gandhi also hit out at Prime Minister Narendra Modi, saying perhaps for the BJP and the RSS, Manipur was not a part of India. "Lakhs of people faced losses, but the prime minister has not come here to wipe your tears, hold your hand or embrace you. Maybe for Narendra Modi, the BJP and the RSS, Manipur is not a part of India. Your pain is not their pain," Gandhi said. "We understand the pain that the people of Manipur have been through, we understand the hurt,

the sadness. We will bring back harmony, peace and affection for which this state was known," he said. The yatra will cover a distance of 6,713 km, straddling 100 Lok Sabha constituencies and 337 assembly segments and covering 110 districts. It will conclude in Mumbai on March 20 after 67 days. "Modi has time to drive by the sea, take a dip in the sea but has not come to Manipur. Modi keeps chanting 'Ram, Ram', but he should not do it to seek votes. The BJP mixes religion and politics, and incites people," he said at the launch of the yatra. "The BJP has 'Ram' on its lips but carries a knife by their side. They should not have such an approach towards people," the Congress president said. Kharge said the Congress stood for social justice, secularism and equity. Rahul Gandhi's Bharat Jodo Nyay Yatra is being undertaken to save the Constitution and democracy, and fight the fascist forces, he said.



Feb 29 enhanced date for voter enrolment period

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AMRITSAR : A fresh notification was issued by the Gurdwara Election Commission with a revised schedule in this regard. The last date for receipt of claims and objections will be April 11, 2024. The final publication of the voters' list will be May 3, 2024. The voters' enrolment process for the Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (SGPC) general poll has been pushed to February 29, 2024. Earlier, the voters' registration was between October 21 and November 15. Many Sikh organisations, including the SGPC, had approached Justice SS Saron (retd), Commissioner, Gurdwara Election Commission, apprising him about the problems being faced by members in registering their votes. In the 2011 elections, a total of 52.69 lakh voters were registered in Punjab, followed by 3.37 lakh in Haryana, 23,011 in Himachal and 11,932 in Chandigarh. As Haryana may be out of the picture this time as it has already constituted a separate ad-hoc Haryana Sikh Gurdwara



Management Committee, the voters from Himachal and Chandigarh would participate in the SGPC poll. While Chandigarh has started the enrolment procedure from today, Himachal has yet to start this exercise. Thus, taking cognisance of flaws in the registration process, the Gurdwara Election Commission has extended the window.

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'Common secretariat' formation , a necessity of both to fight Lok Sabha polls-- Cong

Commissioner News Service

New Delhi : Although seat-sharing was not discussed in detail, a clear decision to work together to make the alliance work was reiterated opined AAP leaders. After the AAP and the Congress held their first discussion on forging an alliance for the Lok Sabha elections on Monday, leaders said the discussions were "positive and fruitful" and revolved around "cooperation". AAP sources said the party had sought to make a strong case to stake a claim to Northeast Delhi and were in favour of contesting four of the seven Parliamentary seats in the capital and leaving the rest to the Congress. Mukul Wasnik Congress general Secretary said that a detailed discussion



had taken place for the integrated unity of the two parties "Over the past 2-2.5 hours, discussions took place on different issues. This included plans to contest different seats. Discussions will continue and we will hold another meeting soon, after which the final shape of seat-sharing will be decided," Wasnik apprised the scribes after the meeting. From the AAP's side,

national general secretary (organisation) Sandeep Pathak and Delhi ministers Atishi and Saurabh Bharadwaj took part in the meeting. AAP chief Arvind Kejriwal and Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann are campaigning in Gujarat and the party's Rajya Sabha MP Raghav Chadha is not in the country. All three have been part of the INDIA bloc meetings in the past.

Compounding regime of synthetic milk

We over 70% of populace digest daily the pulverised synthetic milk which comprises a definite quantity of detergent, urea, caustic soda, sodium hydroxide and fats, cautioned the otherday, Dr Harsh Vardhan, Union Minister for Science & Technology. In accordance with Food Safety & Standard Authority of. India, the quality of milk in question doesn't conform to the parameters laid by the stipulated law.The excess water added to the milk may destroy the intake of nutritious specific values,which are immensely harmful. The unnatural milk also comprises certain quantity of insecticides and metal which are destructive to human health. One day, skimmed



milk sample of 548, only 577 were found to be carrying ample quantity of glucose. It has been noticed while storing, packaging, certain quantity of detergent particles enter the openly placed quantity of bare milk.The demand for the genuine quality milk is not being met hence the glut of synthetic milk would continue to rein in the prevailing market. Artificial imitation of natural milk remains harmful to human health. Its excessive use inflict very serious damage on human

body causing swelling in the eyes and many other complication in the liver and kidney. The journey of synthetic milk, now a days, has been heading from urban area to rural populace to acclimatise to their propensities. Our nation has been notoriously becoming famous, leaving concentration away from genuine natural milk. Now fait accompli, we are tolerating assortment by of chemicals, urea, by compulsion as the occupation of genuine dairy farming has been going in very lackadaisical race even government controlled units are losing curiosity in natural milk. What a catastrophic approach, but against whom? remains puzzling.

Parking contractor to ensure installation of equipments at lots

Commissioner News Service

Chndigarh: Chandigarh: As per the new parking plan prepared by the Chandigarh municipal corporation, it will be the sole responsibility of the newly selected contractors to install equipment at the lots. Since technology will play a crucial role in managing all parking lots of the city, the bidder has to install the equipment as per the laid down terms and conditions in a phased manner. According to the official saware of the details, the installation of equipment could cost the bidder Rs 15 to Rs 20 crore. As the request for proposal, which has to be floated to get the successful contractor or bidder, is in finalstages, officials said the equipment requirement has been properly mentioned in the documents along with allied terms and conditions and related norms. Some of the equipments are boom barriers, ticket dispensers, CCTV cameras, LED displays, cable networking,



internet connections, ANPR system, parking mobile application, wireless hand held devices, and portable cabins. The record of daily data and entry and exit details of the vehicles will also be directly shared with integrated command and control centre. "As there are multiple paid parking lots and the cost is going to be huge, the equipment will be installed in a phased manner. In the first phase, those paid parking lots will be chosen, where the density of vehicles is higher as compared to others. After that, work will bed one in second and third phases. The lots will be equipped with all technological features in four to six months," officials said.

"Sack President Muizzu Summon Minister": Maldives Opposition Defends PM Modi

Commissioner News Service

Male : Former Maldives Deputy Speaker Eva Abdulla, said comments were "racist" and Indians were "rightfully angry", and ex-Defence Minister Mariya Didi praised defence ties with India. Maldives MP Ali Azim has called for Mohamed Muizzu to be sacked as President as the row over comments were critical of Prime Minister Narendra Modi grows. A second MP, Meekail Naseem, has asked Parliament to question Foreign Minister Moosa Zameer. Mr Azim, a member of The Democrats, which broke from the last year, demanded "all



necessary steps to remove President Muizzu from power", and asked the MDP - the largest opposition party - to "initiate a vote of no-confidence". His colleague, Mr Naseem, has "requested Parliament summon the Foreign Minister following inaction regarding derogatory comments against PM Modi". Opposition lawmakers are scaling up attacks on President Muizzu ahead of general elections this year.

Nadda to continue BJP head till June 2024

Commissioner News Service

NEW DELHI : BJP is destined to win the 2024 Lok Sabha polls with a bigger mandate than 2019 margin and the party has extended the term of current chief JP Nadda till June next year, beyond the Lok Sabha polls falling due next year, said Amit Shah, Union Home minister. Nadda's continuation though was a foregone conclusion as the party's parliamentary board had given its consent for the extension of his term a few months ago. Shah made the announcement formally at a press conference saying that Nadda has utilised the popularity and charisma of PM Narendra Modi in winning polls and expanding the party's footprint across the country. Rajnath Singh Defence minister said the resolution was passed unanimously by the national executive committee members in presence of PM



Modi, who was in attendance at the meeting through through the day. Under the leadership of PM Modi and organisational headship of JP Nadda, BJP will win with a bigger margin in 2024 and Modi ji will be the PM once again." "BJP is the popular democratic party in the country and its organisational polls take place in a democratic manner. The elections for the national team take place after an extensive membership drive followed by polls from the booth level to the state, said Mr Shah Home minister. He asserted that BJP values

the system of democratic processes. "Right from the days of Jan Sangh's establishment to date, BJP has conducted elections from booth to the national president as mandated by our Constitution. Following immaculate methods of democracy election officials are appointed, voters' lists are made and only then the polling begins," he added He said that due to the pandemic, the party could not carry out the membership drives in time, on account of which holding of the polls to elect the national president is not possible as per the party constitution. "Even in the past, the tenures of party chiefs had been extended in different times to tackle different circumstances. Following this tradition the national executive committee decided to extend the tenure of JP Nadda," he said.

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Trust of Ram Mandir Pran Pratishtha advances details of the pre-consecration ceremony and rituals

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Ayodhya : Amid the rising anticipation and spiritual fervour for Bhavya and Divya Ram Mandir Pran Pratishtha on 22nd January, the Trust has shared the complete details of the rituals and timing thereof for the pre-Pran Pratishtha ceremony and the much-awaited auspicious event.

Addressing a press conference on 15th January, Secretary General of Shri Ram Janmbhoomi Teerth Kshetra, Champat Rai shared the details which have been shared by the trust through its official X handle as well.

Event Date and Venue: As per the details shared by the Trust, the auspicious Praan-Pratishtha (consecration) yoga of the Deity of Bhagwan Shri Ram Lalla (Five-year-old Bal Swaroop of Shri Ram) arrives on the approaching Paush Shukla



Kurmadwadashi, Vikram Samvat 2080, i.e., Monday, the 22nd of January, 2024.

Scriptural Protocols and Pre-Ceremony Rituals: Following all the Shaastriya (scriptural) protocols, the programme of Praan-Pratishtha will be held in the Abhijeet Muhurta in the afternoon. The formal procedures of pre-Pran Pratistha sacraments will start tomorrow, i.e., 16th January and continue till 21st January 2024.

16th January: Prayaschitta and Karmakuti Poojan
17th January: Parisar

Pravesh of the Murti
18th January (Evening): Teerth Poojan, Jal Yatra, Jalaadhivas and Gandhadhivas
19th January (Morning): A u s h a d h a d h i v a s , Kesaradhivas, Ghrithadhivas
19th January (Evening): Dhanyaadhivas
20th January (Morning): S h a r k a r a d h i v a s , Phalaadhivas,
20th January (Evening): Pushpadhivas
21st January (Morning): Madhyadhivas
21st January (Evening): Shaiyadhivas.

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Panchkula: Planning to reduce dependence on Chandigarh hospitals, Panchkula will be provided all set to get a seven-storey critical) Facare unit-cum-trauma centre in Sector 6 civil hospital. Once this centre comes up, critical patients will not be referred to the Post Graduate Institute of Medical, Education and Research (PGIMER) or Government Medical College and Hospital(GMCH) in Chandigarh, officials said. As per the plan, the land for the building has been identified next to the under construction 11-storey mother and child hospital. The entire project will be handled by the central public works department (CPWD)and its funds are expected to come from the Centre. Sources said a team of CPWD had already visited the site in the civil hospital and examined the map and land for the project.



The authorities said there is a requirement of a critical care unit-cum-trauma centre in Panchkula as serious cases are usually referred to Chandigarh's PGIMER or GMCH-32. With this centre, the city would be able to cater to serious cases of not only Panchkula district, but also from parts of the region. Meanwhile, the state's-biggest mother and childhospital with a budget of Rs82 crore is likely to be inaugurated this year. The workfor MCH was started in May2021 with a target to complete its construction by May2023. But due to pendingworks, officials extended itsdeadline to December 2023,which again couldn't bemet.

Garden of Shrubs to have track, costing Re 1 Cr

Commissioner News Service

Chandigarh : A synthetic track amenity for the first time would be provided for running and jogging in the public gardens of southern, Sector 46, said an official of the Municipal Corporation. In the general house meeting, the synthetic track item in the House as per the agenda was passed.

The councillor of the area Gurpreet Singh also



had urged the authorities to carry out work under the capital head landscaping. As per the horticulture department of the MC's engineering wing, the minimum 6 months would be con-

sumed by the team as multiple earth work and carriage are involved in this synthetic track project. Other cumbersome work would include demolishing brick .

Nominations for national science awards sought

Commissioner News Service

New Delhi : For (RVP) Rashtriya Vigyan Puraskar - all aspiring to bag newly instituted national science awards in various fields of f science ,technology and tech - led innovation, union govt has sought nominations.

Nominations can be submitted on unified award portal of the home ministry by Feb 28 (National Science Day). The science awards having cash component would be announced on May 11 (National Technology Day). The



award giving ceremony for all categories would be held on August 23 (National Science Day) most probably by President of India. The RVP shall be one of the highest recognition in the field of science,tech-

nology and innovation in India as a stature of Padma awards or other National awards.. The awardees shall be presented a "Sanad (certificate) signed by the President of India and a medallion."

Passenger slaps Indigo pilot against 10 hours delay of flight

Commissioner News Service

New Delhi :A man, who was aboard a Delhi-Goa IndiGo flight where a video of a passenger slapping the pilot due to a delay in take-off went viral, has shared a firsthand account of the incident. Taking to X, the co-passenger shared details of the 10-hour delay and how it unfolded.

The man was aboard the Delhi-Goa IndiGo 6E-2175 flight where a passenger slapped the pilot after a 10-hour delay, has shared several details of the incident wherein he



pointed out mismanagement on the part of the airline.

Taking to X, the man was named as Sonal Vij, said that while he does not

"support violence", IndiGo "took advantage and hid all their mismanagement and mistakes in lieu of what the passenger did".

Prime Minister Modi visits Lepakshi, site of Jatayu martyrdom



Commissioner News Service

New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited yesterday ,the Veerbhadra Temple in Andhra Pradesh's Lepakshi - a place known with significance of Hindu epic Ramayana. Lepakshi is believed to be the site where Jatayu, the giant eagle, followed Goddess Sita after she was abducted by Ravan. The dying Jatayu, having conveyed crucial information about Goddess Sita's captivity, was granted 'Moksha', the divine liberation by Lord Ram in Lepakshi. The Prime Minister's spiritu-

al journey down south comes just days ahead of the 'Pran Pratishtha' ceremony of the grand Ram Temple in Ayodhya. The Prime Minister is on a two-day trip to Andhra Pradesh and Kerala from yesterday to launch several development projects, including the New Dry Dock and the International Ship Repair Facility at Cochin Shipyard Limited. On Wednesday, PM Modi will offer prayers at Guruvayur and Thriprayar Shree Ramaswami temples in Kerala, said the Prime Minister's Office .

" Congress marching for dynasty, PM for prosperity " pleads Smriti Irani

Commissioner News Service

New Delhi -Ms Smriti Irani Union Minister took a jibe at the Bharat Jodo Nyay Yatra undertaken by Congress leader Rahul Gandhi , castigating the party was marching to "save its dynasty", Prime Minister Narendra Modi "was marching for prosperity of all".

On the sidelines of the 54th World Economic Forum (WEF) in Davos, Switzerland, Smriti Irani cited the statements of Congress leaders Shashi Tharoor and Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury on the BJP's prospects in the Lok Sabha polls.

The fact that Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury was articulate enough to say they cannot fight Modi magic and Shashi



Tharoor accepting that BJP will be the single largest party, I think the writing is on the wall for them. The Congress and INDIA bloc suffered an overwhelming defeat in the recent assembly polls. So, while they march for dynasty, PM Modi marches ahead for prosperity for all," she said.

Irani spoke about how India was leading the Artificial Intelligence alliance (AI) globally and said the country was creating a conscious and

consensus use of the technology. "PM Modi speaks about AI not only from the perspective of businesses or manufacturing but how we can leverage our education potential better with AI. And also at the same time, being responsible enough to ensure AI products are watermarked, which PM Modi has spoken about while articulating his position on deep-fakes," she said.

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