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Civic body fails to enforce plastic, polythene act

Chandigarh seals 7 shops against plastic, polythene violation

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ZIRAKPUR : While Chandigarh authorities have already sprung into action and effectively sealed seven shops who already had earlier been



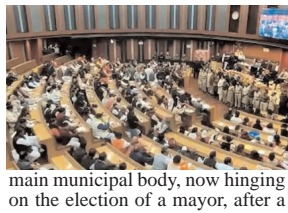
Ravneet Singh
Executive Officer

served show cause notice but never stopped using single plastic and polythene carry bags. The action has been initiated under section 5 of environmental protection Act 1986 and yet 22 shops remain for want of legal action. In Zirakpur town ban order is being violated whole hearted-

ly with full impunity as the necessity of law doesn't apply and safety of environment is no longer needed by the local municipal authorities. The harm of polythene and simple plastic use is colossal to find on the roads, drains and sewerage system. The scourge of polythene is per se intrinsic since it doesn't perish as other products have limited biological life and are biodegradable. But these break down into tiny toxic particles and contaminate the soil and water ways. Being non biodegradable these polythenes can't be recycled and keep penetrating into garbage, soil and animal fodder. Despite many efforts on Monday 23 Jan, 2023 no contact was made with Executive Officer, Ravneet Singh Kamboj.

Delhi Mayor election again obstructed once again, AAP councillors sit on dharna

Commissioner News Service
NEW DELHI : The Mayor election was stalled and the house was adjourned indefinitely once again amid the face-off as councillors assembled to elect the mayor and a deputy mayor of Delhi, more than a month after the AAP won the civic body polls. The high-stakes battle for Delhi's



fresh clash between the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) and the BJP on Tuesday. Like the first meeting of the 250-member MCD House on January 6, the election was called off amid loud protests by AAP councillors, who alleged the BJP was trying to wrest control of the civic body despite losing the elections. Presiding officer Satya Sharma of BJP on Tuesday, appointed by the Delhi Lieutenant Governor VK Saxena, administered the oath to 10 nominated councillors first, despite the fierce opposition by the AAP in the last meeting. The AAP has said these councillors, known as aldermen, are not allowed to vote.

Water security as mandatory as National Security : PM



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Mumbai/Yadgiri: The necessity of purity of water remains in the annals of civilisation as paramount as eco system. It becomes unthinkable to breathe without water as our life becomes cherishable human is facilitated with adequate amount of clean, potable water and healthy

ecosystem. Our economy keeps looking for clean water for manufacturing, farming, tourism, recreation, energy, production and economic sectors necessitating Nature to provide human species with clean water. We will have to maintain the status of waters within Municipal jurisdictions to sustain separate storm sewer system. The rules don't change how these waters are treated and encouraging the use of green infrastructure for biological growth and prosperity in ultimate. The strain on taxpayers was huge as a result of funds being locked up or siphoned off in scams, said PM Modi.

Assuring the crowd that there would be no shortage of funds for Mumbai, Modi said cities across the country were going to power the country's growth story. "We are finally spending on infrastructure and facilities such as metro, roads, cooking gas connections, medical colleges IITs and IIMs."

Rs 6 Cr cattle pound opens at Raipur Kalan on Jan 31

Commissioner News Service
CHANDIGARH : The cattle pound would have four sheds, three for cattle and one for fodder. Moreover, a labour hut has also been constructed. Proper management of animals, especially cows, has remained a major issue in the city for past many years. The matter has been discussed multiple times during the monthly general house meeting. The entire expenditure for the project was carried



municipal corporation (MC) has completed all the works of the modern cattle pound built at Rs 6.44 crore in two years. Its capacity is around 1,000 cattle. Works related to the building, public health, electrical, horticulture and others came multiple times before members of the general house of the MC for approval. The tender of all these works were called separately.

Bose's revolutionary spirits inspired youth to struggle for freedom



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ZIRAKPUR : "Dilli Chalho", Tum mujhe khoo do, main tumhe azadi doonga", these vibrant slogans used to thunder into the native horizons during the British Empire. It was Subhas Chander Bose whose untiring efforts resulted into the ultimate freedom. A great patriot and warrior resonating with 'Jai Hind' used to consolidate and lead them from. "We can never afford to forget the sacrifices of Subhas Chander Bose who fought relentlessly", said Kuljit Singh Randhawa, the MLA of DeraBassi constituency while passing his heartfelt tributes in a sizable gathering at his office on Monday. Under the guidance of Mr Vijay Shanghari, 126th birth anniversary of Bose was enthusiastically celebrated in the presence of many other dignitaries like KN Kakkar, MV Bedi, DK Chaitli and KK Sharma.

Indian news publishers need to be paid for content : Minister reiterates

Commissioner News Service
CHANDIGARH : Union Minister Rajeev Chandrasekhar emphasised the government will address the "imbalance" between content creation and its monetisation, reining in powers of ad-tech companies and platforms. Big tech companies that profit by funneling news into their search results and feeds must give a "fair share of revenues" to publishers, opined the Indian government . Citing a need to address the "imbalance" in the relationship between the two, Minister of State for Electronics and Information Technology Rajeev Chandrasekhar and Information and Broadcasting Secretary Apurva Chandra have emphasised the importance of this issue for the future of journalism and the financial health of the news industry, both digital and print. Mr Chandra linked the issue to the "strained financial health" of media companies in a message at a conclave organised by the Digital News Publishers Association (DNPA) - an umbrella organisation of 17 leading Indian news publishers, including NDTV.



"For the growth of the news industry, it is important that digital news platforms of all these publishers, who are the creators of original content, get a fair share of revenues from the big tech platforms which act as aggregators of content created by others," he said. The top government official pointed to initiatives taken by other countries such as Australia, Canada, France and the EU, which have passed legislation and strengthened their competition commissions to ensure a fair split of revenue between news content creators and aggregators. Mr Chandrasekhar echoed his sentiment, saying, "We hope to address this issue of disproportionate control and imbalance of dynamics between content creation and its monetisation and the power that ad-tech companies and platforms hold today." The structure of the internet had led to a "deeply inbuilt imbalance" in the dynamics of content creation and its monetisation, leaving smaller organisations severely disadvantaged, he said. The upcoming Digital India Act could solve the issue, referring to a law passed two years ago that requires digital platforms like Facebook and Google to pay Australian media outlets and publishers to link their content.

Plastic ban leads to sealing of 7 shops

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CHANDIGARH: The enforcement wing of the estate office on the directions of the sub-divisional magistrate (SDM) sealed one shop each in sectors 19, 31, 34 and 48; and three shops in Sector 20. An official said the sealing drive will continue in coming days against more commercial establishments for flouting plastic ban. The drive was started after the Chandigarh Pollution Control Committee (CPC) on January 11 directed the estate office to seal 29 shops located in different parts of the city. The shops were found to be using single plastic, plastic



carry bags in violation of the ban. "Action against the violators has been taken under Section 5 of Environmental Protection Act, 1986. They were first issued show-cause notices for violating the plastic ban. The fine of Rs 5,000 were imposed. After they didn't deposit the environmental compensation imposed on them, the sealing orders have been issued," said an official. The shops can be unsealed after they deposit a bank guarantee of Rs 50,000 with the CPC. The CPC has stepped up the drive against the plastic ban violations. The CPC has identified areas where most ban violations have been spotted, these include mandis and trading shops. "Teams of MC, CPC and estate office are now regularly inspecting these. In addition to taking punitive action against the violators, we are also asking them to use alternatives available to single use plastics and plastic carry bags," said an official.

Health authorities bust fake milk manufacturing unit

Commissioner News Service
MALOUT : About 1,000-litre white liquid and 20-kg white creamy substance near Edwardganj Hospital was recovered from the unit premises and officials of the Health Department sealed the unit on Sunday. A team of the Health Department claimed to have busted a unit allegedly preparing synthetic milk and cream by using refined oil and water near Edwardganj Hospital in Malout town. Usha Goyal, District Health Officer, Muksar, said, "Acting on an anonymous complaint, a raid was conducted at a unit in Malout town. Nearly, 1,000-litre milk and 20-kg cream reportedly prepared with refined oil was seized."



ed the samples and seized the entire stock, including a blender, from the unit." The SMO apprised the synthetic milk unit was being run from a dilapidated building. The owner had obtained no permission to run even a dairy unit, she added. She said, "We have informed our team in other districts. The unit owner was selling milk and cream in other districts as well." Meanwhile, the Malout city police said legal action would be taken once reports of samples lifted from the unit arrived.

Pkula to surface for 'food safe' haven sans floods threat

Commissioner News Service
PANCHKULA : The administration has received approval to spend Rs 5.5 crore on the 13 flood control schemes. Eight of these are situated in Kalka assembly constituency and five in Panchkula assembly constituency. Anurag Goyal, executive engineer (XEN), irrigation and water resources department accompanied the DC and explained the entire process to him, said Mahavir Kaushik Deputy Commissioner. The Panchkula irrigation department plan of building drains in 13 villages to take these out of the flood prone zone at a cost of Rs 5.5 crore was approved in a Flood



Control Board. Irrigation department officials said that back in 2020, the administration identified 31 villages which fall in the highrisk flood prone area. With the help of the irrigation department, proposals were made to build drains to facilitate outflow of excess water in the monsoon. Most of the 31 villages identified are located in a lowlying area along the Ghaggar river, officials said. Work was done in 14 villages in 2020 and in four in 2022. Work on the remaining 13 will be done this year. The works included construction of new drains, cleaning of old ones and construction of nullahs along Sukhna chow to ensure proper flow of water. Flood situation was caused by improper flow of water. DC Mahavir Kaushik visited the remaining 13 flood prone sites of the district. He presented the report before the Flood Control Board and Haryana chief minister Manohar Lal Khattar during the progress report meeting held on Thursday to get project funding approved.

'Bharat Jodo Yatra' has effaced the 'Pappu' Image

Commissioner News Service
NEW DELHI : The 'Bharat Jodo Yatra' is coming to an end - on January 30, and will conclude in Kashmir. By then, Rahul Gandhi would have been walking for nearly five months, starting from Kanyakumari and passing through many states, gathering enthusiastic crowds along the way. Ignored by the big media, mocked by the BJP, and with several hurdles along the way - warnings of COVID-19 infections because of the crowds - Gandhi nonetheless kept on walking, often, claimed a coverage of over 20 kilometres a day. All the time wearing white t-shirt, which has now become a sort of trademark. He smiled, hugged, talked to the press, and grew a bushy beard - the optics of the whole exer-



the race. The responsibility of elections now is not on his shoulders. The lampooning of Gandhi won't stop of course. During the Bharat Jodo Yatra, Rahul Gandhi has not so subtly created a persona that counters Modi's in several ways. The simple, white, half-sleeved t-shirt, even in severely cold conditions, shows up the prime minister's sartorial excesses - designer clothes, branded accessories, et al. He walks continuously, hugging one and all, irrespective of their social status, thus establishing an intimate, empathetic connection with citizens - this is something Narendra Modi has never done - his hugs are reserved for world leaders and global businessmen.

Project of road recarpeting to be expedited - Mayor

Commissioner News Service
CHANDIGARH : Different issues were undertaken in the meeting and officials concerned were asked to expedite work. Issues related to road recarpeting were taken up in Thursday's meeting. Other engineering works will be discussed in the days to come, said Anup Gupta, Mayor Municipal Corporation. Issues related to the fire department, property tax department and others were discussed. The mayor asked officials to plan things in such a way that people did not face harassment. A public friendly



property tax department was also discussed. Being the first meeting, the agenda revolved mainly around introductions and planning of both ongoing works and those to be done in future. The mayor has around 11 months to go and parliamentary election is scheduled for next year, said the sources.

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- Gopal Ji Gift Gallery Archies, 9968590015 SCO 6, Block-C, (Opp Indus Ind Bank)VIP road,ZRK
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- Fuzzon, 9958828833, 9540722215 SCO 19, VIP road, Shopping Centre, Zirakpur
- Decor Plus, Pawan Jain 9215600099 SCO 25, Block-B, VIP road, Zirakpur
- Doro Homes Concepts, 7814572180 Shop 22, Block-A, VIP road, Zirakpur,
- Chandigarh Interior Hub, 9050374005 Handloom & Wallpaper, SCO, 5, Hollywood Plaza, Near CCC, VIP road, Zirakpur
- Hariom Handloom Craft, Mobile 6283934250 (Home Décor Item) 14, RBC Mall, Zirakpur

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- Sri Balaji Enterprises, Mobile 8708478658, 8968215182 Shop 36 Opp. Square Hospital, VIP road, Shopping Centre, Zirakpur
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- Sun Glasses, Square-Mobile 9728310732, SCO 39, Block-B, VIP road, Zirakpur
- Kalra Opticians, 9872399095 Showroom no.5, High Street, C-Block,VIP road, Zrk.
- B.L. & Sons Opticals 9888549073 Gali no. 2, Chd-Amb, Zirakpur

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- Raymond Store, Mobile 9888664543 Shop No. 3, 1st Floor, Citi Square, Chd-Amb road, Opp. Royal Enfield, Zirakpur
- Madame Readymade Garments, (Vishaal) 8283836387, 8146118674 Shop 7, Citi Square, Upper ground floor, Zirakpur
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EDITORIAL -

Wetlands losing natural existence, conservation being deprived of

The shocking revelation states the least symptomatic of a larger loss of water and water bodies were the cornerstone of society-led water management in the country. Beginning with the colonial times when management of wetlands was snatched away from local people by government agencies in the name of revenue generation, the practices remained unchanged post-Independence and the result is there for all of us to see. Rather than taking responsibility for the upkeep of local wetlands, the people began to blame the state agencies for poor upkeep or not taking steps against the vested interests hell-bent on draining out and then usurping the wetlands. Local wetlands were part of the socio-economic and cultural life line of local people. But obviously this relationship has now been dislocated. Wetlands have several economic and ecological roles to play. They not only provide water for humans and cattle but also meet the local irrigation needs. They play an important role in the recharge of groundwater as well as provide habitat to large numbers of biota, both plants and animals, including water birds. They play an extremely important role in managing the runoff during monsoon and other storm events and prevent flooding. They also create a microclimate around them and help moderate ambient temperatures. Just inclusion of a wetland under the Ramsar Convention is meaningless unless follow up resources are invested in them to restore them ecologically. Ramsar listing has no legal sanction under any Indian law and while it is a matter of prestige for a wetland to be declared a Ramsar-listed wetland it does not, ipso facto, help in its protection for restoration. Moreover, a mere 75 listed as Ramsar sites against such a vast number of certified wetlands (2,31,195) is a minuscule number. What is far more important is to first notify all remaining wetlands in the country under the Wetland Rules, 2017, prepare their management plans and to get them implemented through a missionary zeal. But before all that there should be a nationwide freeze order on conversion of any existing wetland into other land uses. Conserving wetlands is part of overall environmental protection. We have to think the existing laws are enough to protect them? While the wetlands deserve a law specifically for their conservation but till something of that kind happens, it is important that the provisions of Wetland Rules, 2017, created under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, are strictly implemented both by the Union and state governments. Wetlands as the name goes are lands which go under water and retain water either perennially or for some duration of the year. They go under different names including ponds and lakes, and could be both natural and manmade. They are also classified as high altitude (with low temperatures and ice formation), brackish (partly saline) or freshwater with specific ecologies. While rivers also carry water, they are not included within the term wetlands for their ecologies are much different. Rapid urbanisation took its toll on wetlands. Urbanisation must be planned around and taking the existing wetlands into consideration. Also it is important that the catchments of wetlands are protected as much as lands which carry water. The current practice where water bodies have been allowed to get surrounded by urban settlements and then some bits of them are beautified simply as artificial centres of recreation must be reviewed and replaced with ecological restoration practices.

3 days rose festival to commence from Feb 17

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CHANDIGARH : One of the extravaganzas, the exclusive festival of Roses would commence from Feb 17 as has been scheduled by the officials of the Municipal Corporation. Mr Banwari Lal Purohit, the UT Administrator would be the chief guest at the opening ceremony for 3 days festivities. Conspicuous attraction this year would be a light & sound program. A total of Rs 1.7 Cr would



be spent on the celebrations which would be dedicated to the "Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav." Besides competition and pageants for citizens of varied age groups, also

would include music, photography, painting, dancing and rangli making to enthuse the spirits of the visitors, said an official of the civic body.

Excise & Taxation Department seals 5 bottling plants sans fire safety certificate

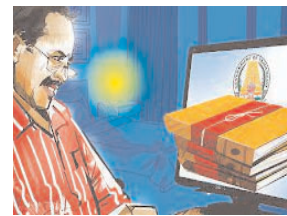
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CHANDIGARH : Five bottling plants have been sealed by Excise and Taxation Department for not getting a valid fire safety certificate issued by the Municipal Corporation. After a fire broke out at M/s Batra Distilleries Private Limited on October 27 last year, leading to the closure of the plant, the department had asked such units through notices to submit fire safety certificate. On account of non-compliance and non-submission of the certificate, the department sealed five bottling plants and imposed a penalty of Rs 10 lakh each on these. These plants are M/s Highfield Distillers and Bottlers Pvt Ltd, M/s Oasis Distilleries Ltd, M/s All Aces Distilleries and Bottlers Pvt Ltd, M/s



Zannat Beverages Pvt Ltd and Queen Distilleries & Bottlers Pvt Ltd. The department clarified that there was zero tolerance policy against any violation of norms laid down in the Excise Policy and the Excise Act. After receiving information about violations such as underpricing, officials of the department sealed the two liquor vends at Sector 9 and Sector 45 last evening. They were complaints about vends selling liquor at prices below the minimum retail sale price.

Paperless work planned by Edu deptt with 'e-dak' portal

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CHANDIGARH : The Paperless scheme aims to bring transparency to the system and reduce the burden on school teachers by eliminating the need for physical travel to hand over letters of communication. By communicating through email on the portal, the department will ensure that all communication is recorded and timestamped, providing transparency and accountability. The Chandigarh Education Department is implementing a paperless system with the introduction of "e-dak" portal, through which all communication from the District Education Office and the office of the Director of School Education will be sent via email on the portal itself. The portal also allows for easy tracking of correspondence, with the ability to see if emails have been read or not, reducing the likelihood of important information being missed. Sharing the details, Director of School Education, Harshinder Pal Singh Bar, said, "On an average, around 112 people would commute physically to hand over the letters of communication from schools to education office and vice versa. With the introduction of the "e-dak" portal, all communication will be sent with the click of a button. By eliminating the need for physical travel to hand over letters of communication, the



department can reduce the burden on school teachers. Teachers will no longer have to spend time and effort travelling to the Education Department office to deliver or collect letters, allowing them to focus on their primary responsibilities of teaching and educating students." "Overall, the paperless system will increase efficiency and streamline communication within the department, ultimately reducing the burden on teachers and allowing them to better serve their students," said Bar. The department is also planning to introduce a Staff Management System for online leave applications and medical bill submissions, as well as a grievance redressal mechanism. Additionally, the department will have its own "online transfer teacher policy" for government school teachers starting April 1, allowing for rationalisation and adjustment of subject teachers in schools facing shortages.

3,500 trees in Sec 20 to face axe as permitted by NGT

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PANCHKULA : The area in Sector 20 was not earmarked as a green belt. NGT (National Green Tribunal) allowed the (Haryana Shehri Vikas Pradhikaran (HSVP), to carry out any construction work on its own, provided prior proper permission for felling of trees would be obtained from the authority concerned on behalf of the HSVP. In a major relief to the National Green Tribunal (NGT) has decided in favour of the estate agency for cutting down 3,500 trees from the forest area of Sector 20 in the city. The NGT gave the directions while hearing the matter on January 12 in New Delhi. The office-bearers of the Residents Welfare Association (RWA), Sector 20, had filed a case in the NGT against the construction of 4,500 Ashiana flats for economically weaker sections by felling trees in the forest area. The NGT had summoned both sides for hearing their views in the matter and deliver its final judgment. Estate Officer Gagandeep Singh along with executive engineer and four advocates were present on behalf of the HSVP, while the RWA, Sector 20, was represented by its vice-



president Yoginder Kwatra and general secretary Avinash Malik. HSVP's EO Gagandeep Singh told the NGT court the area was not reserved for green belt and that houses for the poor were to be built under the ambitious plan of the Prime Minister and Haryana Chief Minister. After hearing arguments of both sides, the NGT court decided the area was not reserved for green belt and that the HSVP could execute any development work there on its own. Kwatra, however, said the matter was going on in the Punjab and Haryana High Court as well, in which they had demanded change of site of the Ashiana flats. He claimed the Administrator and Estate Officer, appearing in the HC on behalf of the HSVP, had claimed the site for Ashiana flats would be changed. The HSVP officers in the NGT had now made a U-turn. He said they had decided to challenge the matter again in the HC. A petition in this regard would be filed soon.

Value based education in schools of eminence to epitomise shortly



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MOHALI : Education lays very base of our brilliant social setup and opens platforms for novelty adventures and technology, said Bhagwant Maan, Chief Minister Pb. The diligent students in our Punjab would be able to compete on

international level and attain self sufficiency. In first salvo 100 schools of eminence would herald the competitive spirits and beat the privately and commercially managed educational institutes. Parents from ensuing education session would prefer the government substantive project of eminence. The proposed system of Eminence would epitomise the new alarming trend for the people of Punjab, said the DeraBassi legislator Kuljit Singh Randhawa.

Nadda to continue BJP head till June 2024

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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 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.

Rs 1.14 crore comes from 9 Chd heritage items at US auction

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CHANDIGARH : Ten heritage furniture items from the city were put up for auction and nine of these were sold. Nine heritage items from the UT, which were taken abroad in an illegal manner, have been auctioned for Rs 1.14 crore in the US. The artefacts, were designed by Pierre Jeanneret, included a pair of lounge chairs, a set of three file racks, a set of six dining chairs, a set of a desk and a chair, a set of four stools, a bench, a set of four low stools, a set of a desk and a cane chair, and a coffee table. A set of eight armchairs failed to find buyers during the auction.



In a petition to the Secretary General, Rajya Sabha, Ajay Jagga, a member of the Heritage Items Protection Cell of the Chandigarh Administration, stated that it was an additional submission in the respect of his plea for protection of national heritage (Chandigarh heritage articles) from being auctioned abroad. Nine heritage items were sold yesterday.

"In view of the above, the petition may please be taken to its logical end i.e. creation of rules and regulations for the protection of heritage of Chandigarh, so that items could not be taken out of the country and such auctions could be stopped through diplomatic channels and brought back, as these were taken away in an illegal manner," he added.

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Defamation case against WFI chief being planned by Bhupinder Singh Hooda

Commissioner News Service ROHTAK : The Wrestling Federation of India WFI president had unnecessarily tried to drag Bhupinder Singh Hooda and Deepender's name into the matter, hence the former chief minister was consulting lawyers in this regard so that a defamation case could be filed against the WFI president. Reiterating the demand for an impartial inquiry into the allegations levelled by wrestlers against the Wrestling Federation of India (WFI)



and its president, former Chief Minister and Leader of the Opposition, Bhupinder Singh Hooda, Hooda said, "Sportspersons are the pride of our country and they should get justice. There should also be a fair inquiry into the allegations levelled

against the state minister Sandeep Singh. For this, it is necessary that Sandeep resigns from his post," he said. Describing the demands of sugarcane farmers as justified, Hooda reiterated that the government should accept their demand without delay. The farmers are demanding a rate of Rs 450 per quintal. The government should at least give the farmers of Haryana the same rate as that of Punjab.

More than hike of 23659 annual home sales in Gurugram



Commissioner News Service GURUGRAM : According to the findings, 63,712 residential units were sold in 2022 as compared to 40,053 in 2021.

The home sales in Delhi-NCR rose 59 per cent in 2022, says a survey by realty major Anarock. Gurugram too saw its sales doubled with 32,617 units being sold last year as compared to 15,590 during 2021. The city witnessed a boom across all price categories, including affordable, mid-income and luxury. The increase has left city's realty market expectant of a bigger boom this year and complete revival of the Covid-hit market. "While we feared a slowdown owing to higher home loan borrowing rates, Gurugram has fared well in the mid-income and luxury segment. The city has slowly revived itself as a sought-

after luxury residential destination. With many new project launches lined up this year, we expect bigger boom," said Suyash Yadav, property consultant, Golf Course Road. The survey found that home sales witnessed a rise in Noida and Ghaziabad also. In Noida, sales increased 16 per cent to 6,360 units during 2022 from 5,460 units the previous year. Greater Noida saw a 15 per cent growth in sales of residential properties to 10,985 units last year from 9,575 units during 2021. Housing sales in Ghaziabad rose 24 per cent to 6,890 units last year from 5,560 units in 2021. Sales rose 54 per cent in 2022 to 3,64,900 units as against 2,36,500 units in 2021 across the seven cities —Delhi-NCR, Mumbai Metropolitan Region (MMR), Chennai, Kolkata, Bengaluru, Hyderabad and Pune.

Colonisers in Amritsar owe Rs 154 crore to government

Commissioner News Service AMRITSAR : Only the first instalment had been deposited by defaulting 35 colonies to apply for the licence. After that, neither any instalment was deposited by the colonisers nor any action had been taken by the department. The Amritsar Development Authority will collect Rs 154 crore pending amount from private colonisers for licensed colonies. This was revealed through an RTI application filed by Suresh Sharma, an RTI activist. Sharma had filed an RTI application in June 2022 about the arrears of licensed colonies in Amritsar. The facts that emerged from the information received were surprising. The ADA said Rs 154.43 crore were due with 35 licensed colonies in the district.



The RTI activist said after he filed an RTI application, the department woke up from its deep slumber and suddenly 35 colonies were put in the defaulters' list and DC office was asked to block the registration of plots in colonies. Sharma said the connivance of the officials of ADA should be investigated. "In a letter written to the Deputy Commissioner to stop the registration of plots, only the names of the colonies have been written by the ADA.

Without Khasra numbers of colonies, the registrations of plots would not stop," said Sharma. "There is a big scam in the ADA. I will bring the matter to the notice of Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann and Urban Development Minister Aman Arora, so that FIRs are registered against the officials and colonisers and government recovers Rs 154 crore," said the RTI activist.

AAP is set to provide 400 more Mohalla clinics on January 27

Commissioner News Service CHANDIGARH : The state government will dedicate more than 400 new Aam Aadmi Clinics to people of state on January 27, thereby taking the total number of functional clinics to 500, announced Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann on Saturday. On reviewing the arrangements for the mega event to be held at Amritsar on January 27, the Chief Minister said in order to provide quality and timely health services to the people 100 Aam Aadmi Clinics were already dedicated to the people on the 75th Independence Day. He said the clinics were offering 41 health packages with nearly 100 clinical tests free of cost to the people. Mann



said the clinics were acting as a cornerstone in the revamp of the healthcare system in Punjab. The Chief Minister said it was a matter of great pride and satisfaction that the Government of India had also lauded this path-breaking initiative of the state government to

deliver health services to people. He said now with the opening of more than 400 such clinics, Punjab would script a new success story in the healthcare sector. Claiming that the revolutionary initiative would rejuvenate the healthcare system, he directed the officers to ensure foolproof arrangements for the mega event. On the occasion, Cabinet ministers Aman Arora and Dr Balbir, Principal Secretary, Information and Public Relations, Rahul Bhandari; Secretary, Health, Ajoy Sharma; Director, Information and Public Relations, Sonali Giri; and others were also present.

Property tax fraud levelled against Sanitary inspector

Commissioner News Service FARIDKOT : The suspect Prem Chand Sanitary Inspector had committed the offence allegedly during his tenure as a clerk in Jaito Municipal Council during 2010-2017. The Vigilance Bureau arrested the sanitary inspector of the Kotkapura Municipal Committee for the alleged property tax embezzlement and



destroying the record to cover up the fraud. After getting a complaint, the Vigilance Bureau had started an investigation

into the misappropriation of property tax in Jaito municipality last year. During the inquiry, Vigilance sleuths had

charged Davinder Kumar, Ram Chand, Ramesh Kumar and Gurinderpal Singh with criminal breach of trust by a public servant, and criminal conspiracy. During further investigation, it was found that Prem Chand, who had worked as a clerk in Jaito municipality from 2010-2017, was one of the main culprits in the misappropriation of funds.

Presently, he was working as an inspector in the Kotkapura municipality after getting a promotion. The Vigilance sleuths found that a number of pages from the property tax record files were missing. It was alleged that the suspect collected property tax from residents but did not deposit it with the state exchequer and destroyed the record.

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Hydrogen gas station to run Kalka- Shimla train this year

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KALKA : Hydrogen steering Kalka- Shimla train will be run on zero emission fuel on the lines of Vande Bharat trains and will be powered by Hydrogen fuel', said DRM (divisional railway manager) Mandeep Singh Bhatia. The plan is to set up hydrogen gas stations at railway stations of Kalka, Barog and Shimla, which are equidistant from each other, he said. "We have already started groundwork and the train will be announced in the upcoming railway budget. This will be the first ever train to be introduced in the country at the Kalka-Shimla section. The train will have seven self-propelled coaches and will not need 360



degree rotator platforms to change the face of the locomotive as its design will be like Vande Bharat trains." The size of the coaches and passenger capacity will be in line with Britishera narrow gauge railway tracks. The Kalka-Shimla railway track falls under Ambala division of Northern Railway, said DRM Mandeep Singh Bhatia.

"We have prepared a feasibility report which was principally approved. Various checks are being made at the Kalka- Shimla section in line with the introduction of the train. The DRM said that modalities were being worked out to introduce the train by the end of 2023 at the UNESCO Heritage Kalka-Shimla section, said Mr Bhatia.

Would Have Loved To Serve Lunch But'..pleads Delhi LG Vinay Saxena

Commissioner News Service

New Delhi: Delhi LG Vinay Kumar Saxena has written to CM Arvind Kejriwal responding to the letter's claim of LG's alleged interference in the government's work. The LG mentioned that statements made by CM Kejriwal in and out of the State Assembly are 'severely and substantively misleading, untrue and derogatory'. "As to 'who is LG' and 'where does he come from', etc. can be answered, if you were to cursorily refer to the Constitution of India, others do not deserve a reply, since they obviously cater to a very low level of discourse," the LG mentioned in the letter. The LG referred to media reports mentioning protests by CM Arvind Kejriwal and other AAP leaders to Raj Niwas demanding to meet him. The LG said that he, afterwards, invited the CM and his Deputy to meet him. I would have, indeed, loved to have you over a lunch as well. However, you chose not to come on the pretext of wanting to meet me with all your MLAs," the LG wrote in the letter, saying he was astounded that while the city is grappling with serious issues, "you found time to walk for long and stage a protest meant solely for posturing, rather than taking the issue to a logical conclusion by meeting me".



Reacting over matters pertaining to Delhi's education system and teachers' training, the LG said that it is right to bring into CM's attention certain issues pertaining to educational sectors in the national capital. LG Saxena mentioned that in a recent meeting with the CM, he had flagged the issue of not building any new schools in the national capital during the last eight years, 'despite DDA allotting 13 plots to the Education Department, GNCTD, since as long as 2015.' He also accused the Delhi government of 'rampant adhocism' in schools adding that this happened even after clearing of the dossiers of 15,636 posts. The LG also emphasised on allegation of CM that the former is not allowing the teachers to go for training in Finland. He said that he asked the department whether such training could not be obtained in a more cost-effective manner in our own Institutions of Excellence like the IIMs. The LG mentioned that in the last, he has cleared the proposals of ending 55 Principals and Vice Principals of government schools to Cambridge in two batches for 10 days each. The LG said that he is sure CM Kejriwal is a driven person and will BHL take cognizance of the facts stated in the letter and would take remedial measures to rectify the shortcomings.

Go When People Ask Why... : Jairam Ramesh

Commissioner News Service

New Delhi : Jacinda Ardern's empathetic handling of the nation's worst mass-shooting and health-driven response to the coronavirus pandemic led her to become an international icon but she has faced mounting criticism at home. Mr Jairam Ramesh, congress leader hailed the decision of New Zealand Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern. Mr Jacinda announced that she is stepping down as her country's leader, and said that "Indian politics needs more like her". Ardern announced in Napier that February 7 will be her last day in office. She will hold her seat as a lawmaker



until the general election, which she said would be held on October 14. "Legendary cricket commentator, Vijay Merchant once said about retiring at the peak of his career: Go when people ask why is he going instead of why isn't he going. Kiwi PM, Jacinda Ardern has just said she is quitting following

Merchant's maxim," Congress general secretary Ramesh said on Twitter. Ardern's empathetic handling of the nation's worst mass-shooting and health-driven response to the coronavirus pandemic led her to become an international icon but she has faced mounting criticism at home.

Big Corona Has Also Entered Our Party": Gehlot

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Jaipur: In the ongoing power tussle between Ashok Gehlot and his bete noire Sachin Pilot in Rajasthan, a latest video has surfaced online in which the chief minister is purportedly saying after the pandemic, a "big corona" entered the Congress party. It is believed that Mr Gehlot allegedly likened Mr Pilot to coronavirus. In a pre budget meeting Mr Gehlot had with the representatives of employees' union on Wednesday. Mr Gehlot without naming anyone said, "I have started



meeting people earlier corona came...a big corona also entered our party." He said that despite byelections or Rajya Sabha polls, the government has brought excellent schemes with the support of employees.

The comment by Mr Gehlot is being seen as a counter to Mr Pilot's repeated attack on his government. In his daily public meetings since Monday in different districts, Mr Pilot has been targeting the state government over the issues of paper leaks, sidelining party workers and political appointments to retired bureaucrats. Mr Gehlot and Mr Pilot have been in a power tussle ever since the Congress formed the government in December 2018.

Rishi Sunak defends PM Modi in documentary case, grabs worldwide attention

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New Delhi : The documentary is a "propaganda piece" and Britain Prime Minister did shut down Pakistan-origin MP Imran Hussain's version and openly disagreed "with the characterisation" of the Indian Prime Minister on the issue of 2002 Gujarat riots. Hussain was highlighting the claims made in the BBC documentary that the FCDO, UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, knew the "extent of Narendra Modi's involvement" in the riots. Sunak responded by saying that the UK government's position has always been clear and hasn't changed. "Of course, we don't tolerate persecution where it appears anywhere," he said. Sunak further added that he isn't sure if he agrees with the "characterization that the honourable gentleman has been put forward". The "propaganda piece" was designed to highlight a "discredited



narrative", said the spokesperson of Indian ministry of foreign affairs Mr Arindam Bagchi. He further added that the documentary puts a question mark on the agenda behind it. Bagchi also called out UK Secretary Jack Straw for his remarks in the docu-series. "He (Jack Straw) seems to be referring to some internal UK report. How do I have access to that? It's a 20-year-old report. Why would we jump on it now? Just because Jack says it how do they lend it that much legitimacy," Bagchi said.

Woman engineer steers Prime Minister in her Metro sortie

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Mumbai : Ms Trupti Shete who struggled for job for 3 years could prosperously steer PM Modi on her Metro ride on 19 Jan. One of the 21 women Metro train pilots among a fleet of 91 who will operate trains of Metro class 2A and 7. Ms Shete 27-year-old had also ferried then Maharashtra chief minister Uddhav Thackeray during the inaugural ride of Phase I of the project last April. "I was very enthused and happy



that Trupti Shete would drive the Metro in which Prime Minister Narendra Modi travelled on Thursday, moments

after he inaugurated the second phase of Mumbai Metro lines 2A and 7 from Gundavali station in Andheri.

"I Have Only One Dream , To See Opposition Uniting :Nitish Kumar

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Patna : Day after KCR-Led Opposition rally, Nitish Kumar comments came next day "I Only Have One Dream". The Bihar Chief Minister's comments came next day after prominent opposition leaders addressed a joint rally in Khammam in Telangana on Chief Minister K Chandrasekhar Rao's invitation. "I keep saying, I want nothing for myself. I want nothing to see opposition leaders unite and forge coalition ahead. That will benefit the country," said Nitish Kumar. Asked about his own absence at the event, Nitish Kumar said: "I didn't know about a rally being held by KCR Chandrasekhar Rao. I was busy with some other work. Those who were invited to his party's rally must have gone there." Leaders like Samajwadi Party's Akhilesh Yadav, Aam Aadmi



Party (AAP)'s Arvind Kejriwal and Left leaders Pinarayi Vijayan and D Raja joined the rally. The Congress, currently focused on the last few days of Rahul Gandhi's Bharat Jodo Yatra, was also missing. In what was seen as the first major step towards a non-Congress opposition front ahead of the 2024 national election, the opposition leaders found common ground in targeting Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the BJP. Telangana Chief Minister Rao's first big public rally was held after his Telangana Rashtra Samithi

(TRS) went national as the Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS). KCR is seen by many as an aspirant for the prime minister's post. So is Nitish Kumar, though he insists he is not a contender. Mr Rao, at the rally, tore into PM Modi's policies and said he would "go home" after the 2024 election. Akhilesh Yadav, former Uttar Pradesh chief minister, referred to the Prime Minister's comment that only 400 days are left for the 2024 election. "The BJP has started 'counting its days' and it will not last a day more in power after its present term," he said himself. Mr Rao, at the rally, tore into PM Modi's policies and said he would "go home" after the 2024 election. I am directly telling Prime Minister Narendra Modi ji. Your policy is privatisation. Our policy is nationalization," he said.

ICSE Class X exams to commence from Feb 27

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NEW DELHI : The Indian Certificate of Secondary Education (ICSE) class X exams will begin from February 27 and end on March 29. While the Indian School Certificate (ISC) class XII exams will begin on February 13 and end on March 31. The board had added the 2023 results will be announced in the month of May through the convenors to the head of schools. In the last few years the board examination could not be held or was delayed due to Co-vid. Now with datasheets announced by one



of the national board, the schedule is back to the pre-Covid times. The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) is yet to announce the results. The ISC examination will begin with English paper 1. For the

ICSE students as well, the first exam scheduled is English language paper 1. The notice issued by Gerry Arathoon, chief executive and secretary of the board stated.

Lt Cdr Amrith, woman navy officer to command contingent on Rajpath

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NEW DELHI : Lt Cdr Amrith (29), a naval air operations officer posted in the tri-service Andaman Nicobar Command, will lead the 144-member contingent of young sailors, which will also include three women and five men undergoing training as 'Agniveers', while another woman officer Sub-Lt Valli Meena S will be one of three platoon commanders. 'Nari Shakti' its central theme, while showcasing the



Navy's multi-dimensional capabilities as well as highlighting 'Make in India' platforms like the Scorpene or Kalvari submarines. Around 30 women officers would be deployed on front-

line warships, with the Navy inducting them as aircraft and helicopter pilots and air operations officers. But Ms Amrith is clear she would like to be known as "an officer" rather than as "a woman officer". "I am on a par with my male counterparts. I remain as a proven officer," she said, while exuding confidence said that it was "an amazing lifetime opportunity" for her to lead the naval marching contingent.

Lord Parshuram Medicial College to come up at Kaithal



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CHANDIGARH : After an announcement made by Manohar Lal Khattar, Haryana chief minister, Bandaru Dattatreya state governor on Friday issued a notification about the establishment of Bhagwan Parshuram Government Medical College at Kaithal. While chairing Parshuram Mahakumbh in Karnal, the

CM had announced to set up a medical college followed by the name of Lord Parshuram. This would be the eighth Haryana government-run medical college. Besides announcement of naming the under construction medical college of Kaithal, Khattar had also made other announcements as well.

Rahul Gandhi wears windcheater, resumes Congress yatra

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Kathua : With several prominent leaders, including Shiv Sena (Uddhav Thackeray) MP Sanjay Raut also joined him in the foot march. Amid light showers, Gandhi donning a black windcheater over a white T-shirt - the first time he wore a jacket during the Kanyakumari-to-Kashmir march - started his yatra, putting an end to the much-talked-about t-shirt debate. Rahul Gandhi had been wearing a t-shirt even in the chilling cold wave conditions in



north India during his foot march. The yatra was scheduled to start at 7 am but was delayed by an hour and fifteen minutes apparently due to the bad weather. Rahul Gandhi not a pappu... a

smart man' hailed Raghuram Rajan, now a Congress leader. The march, which started from Kanyakumari on September 7, entered Jammu and Kashmir from Punjab on Thursday evening and is scheduled to end in Srinagar on January 30. Several Congress leaders, including the party's Jammu and Kashmir unit president Vikar Rasool Wani and his predecessor G A Mir, accompanied Gandhi during the final leg of the Bharat Jodo Yatra.

PGI urged to verify disability status of employees

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CHANDIGARH : Most of the disabled employees who are about to retire from the services and have been availing the certificate's benefits are virtually not disabled, revealed sources in Punjab. A letter to PGI has been written by Punjab Government asking it to verify all its disabled employees' certificates by January 23. The letter was issued on January 17. Doctors in PGI feel that assessment of disabled patients within six days along with routine work at PGI is too much along with



existing patient care load. "We have categorically told the Punjab government not to harass employees as they are being forced to come from all corners of Punjab for verification of disabled status," said Prof Vivek Lal PGI director. He added, "No other state

government around PGI has asked us for this exercise. Our officials have sent repeated letters to the relevant authorities." Almost 350 requests for verification of disability certificates submitted by employees in different government offices of Punjab have been received. "The disability board of PGIMER has decided that it will not be possible for PGIMER to do the same as it will mean compromising on the time that has to be given for patient care by the doctors," said an official spokesman of the institute.

Chd witnesses overcharging against parking fee



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CHANDIGARH : Notwithstanding railways introducing the lane system to decrease the congestion during the arrival of the rush catering trains like Shatabdi Express, but visitors feel cheated with this system and can be seen arguing with the contractor staff at the exit point for being overcharged.

The traffic congestion continues during peak arrival time, as queues of vehicles could be seen at the exit points despite three-lane system. Payal was having a confrontation with the parking contractor staff when Commissioner News Service team visited the station, said, "The staff has no system to detect that a vehicle had already joined the queue to exit within six minutes, but they only see the time when that vehicle reach the boom barrier window. No fault of the innocent public? But the employee at the exit window refused to listen to our plea and charged Rs 50. This is blatant overcharging by the railways." Mandeep Singh Bhatia Ambala divisional railway manager during inspection of the lane system recently had said, "This lane system will decrease the chaos and will give enough time for the visitor to exit within six minutes." But the problem persists. The cab operators too have started dropping the passengers at the

doors of the railway station, but by charging Rs 100 to Rs 200 extra. This pick-up and drop system has facilitated fleeing of the passengers. "It is not possible for senior citizens like us to drag the luggage for 300 to 400 meters, so we asked cab operator to drop us right at the railway platform entrance for which he charged us Rs 200 extra, over and above the fare, owing to the impractical six-minute free entry-exit system." However, the railways stick to their reasoning of parking vehicles in the designated parking space where charges are Rs 30 for four hours, said an aged person.

The Ambala division of Northern Railways had announced to conduct reality checks of entry-exit time frame as declared by Ambala divisional commercial manager (DCM) Aarish Bansal, but they have not done anything in this regard. The decision was taken after the protesting Youth Congress members captured the boom barriers at the Chandigarh Railway Station. Sensing the gravity of the situation, DCM Bansal came to have a dialogue with the protesting Youth Congress members at the railway station. He said a committee has been constituted which will test the 6-minute entry-exit corridor in real time and if it is found that more time is required to exit, then time will be later stipulated.

Rijju eulogises 'Sane view' of Justice RS Sodhi (retd)

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NEW DELHI : The law minister Rijju concurred with the view expressed by the RS Sodhi ex-judge saying, "Actually, majority of the people have similar sane views. It's only those people who disregard the provisions of the constitution and the mandate of people think that they are above the constitution of India." Sodhi also said the high courts are not "subservient" to the Supreme Court, but HC judges start looking towards the SC and turn subservient. "Can you amend the constitution? Only parliament can amend the constitution. But, here, I feel the Supreme Court

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has for the first time hijacked the constitution. After hijacking, they said: 'We will appoint judges ourselves and the government will have no role in it,' Sodhi had remarked. Commenting on the interview, Rijju tweeted: "Voice of a judge... Real beauty of Indian democracy is its success. People rule themselves through their representatives. Elected representatives represent the

interests of the people and make laws. Our judiciary is independent and our constitution is supreme." In his YouTube interview, Sodhi had said it's the lawmakers who have the right to frame laws. "If there's a deadlock between the government and the Supreme Court, who ultimately decides? It's the President. He appoints judges and how does he do it? With the counsel of the council of ministers," he said, emphasising that the Parliament is supreme in a democracy as its members are elected by the people of the country.

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