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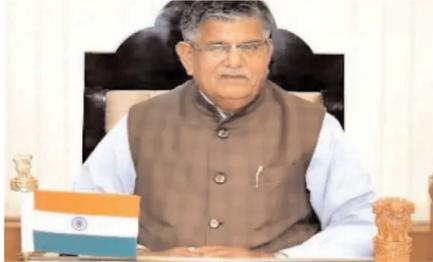
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Administrator Kataria extends UT Mayoral tenure to 2.5 years

Commissioner News Service
Chandigarh : The present scheme of Chandigarh Administration envisages to amend the Punjab Municipal Act, a law extended to the Union Territory of Chandigarh, under which the present structure and tenure of the Municipal Corporation are defined. The current exercise deals primarily with extending the Mayor's tenure yet no explicit tenure for other Snr. Deputy

Mayor posts and Deputy Mayor posts have been mentioned. Since both the local bodies department and the MC were issued in principle approval, the next key step is to amend Section 38 of the Punjab Municipal Act 1976 section 38 outlines not just the term of the Mayor but also details regarding the senior deputy Mayor and the deputy Mayor including their tenure and honorarium. On the day of

section amendment, the MC would despatch the draft notification to the Chandigarh Administration for legal vetting. The Chandigarh Administration, having legally examined, will forward the proposal to the ministry of Home Affairs, the Nodal Ministry for the UT, which would place the matter before Parliament for final amendment and requisite notification. As the seat currently rotates among,



males, females and SC categories, nevertheless a separate administrative query would relate to reservation of Mayoral post. The reservation issue would be addressed separately once the process of extending the tenure is formally completed. " Since only in principle approval has come so far the priority the amendment to section 38. The matter of reservation would be clarified subsequently " said s senior

official. Manish Tewari Chandigarh MP also played a significant role in the extension of Mayoral tenure. His efforts at the 2025, Tewari introduced a private member's bill in the Lok Sabha - the first such bill ever introduced by a Chandigarh MP - proposing to increase the tenure of the mayor, senior deputy mayor and deputy mayor from one year to five years. The Bill sought amendments

to the Punjab Municipal Corporation Law (Extension to Chandigarh) Act and other provisions to bring these key posts in line with the five-year term of the MC itself. The objective of Tewari's Bill, as stated in the document, was to strengthen urban governance, improve administrative stability and ensure long-term planning for Chandigarh. He argued that the existing system of annual

leadership changes leads to inconsistent policy direction, disrupts major development projects and contributes to political instability and recurrent contestation within the corporation. Although the recent approval is for an extension to 2.5 years rather than the five-year tenure proposed in the Bill, officials and political observers view the move as a significant step in the same direction.

Global confidence in FTA with India substantiated : Modi

Commissioner News Service
New Delhi : UPA could conclude FTAs with only 4 countries, while his (Mod)govt has signed agreements covering 38 countries, remarked Narendra Modi . Who would have confidence in India when policy paralysis and scams marked its governance ,said in a swipe

self confidence .It is ready to compete with the world and has built a strong manufacturing ecosystem said the Prime Minister. The post second World War global order is now crumbling and a new order will emerge and India is going to be big basis of global transformation in this century of change.

at the UPA govt. Since 2014, new policies and capabilities effected by his government have led to a transformation. India is today full of



Sans clinical washroom, kitchen for sterilisation process of dogs

Commissioner News Service
Zirakpur : On the day of inspection of dog pond, the veterinary team led by Dr Devinder Singh Dr Ria traced there was no proper kitchen for cooking meals for the dog squads as well wash room for the veterinary doctors. The "CAWA" named NGO was contractred for the annual task having a rough target of about 2000 stray dogs. After the essential dog sterilisation, there remained an urgent need for the safe recovery



of dogs with balanced nutritious and eco friendly environment expressed the visiting team. The Municipal Council was represented by Ranjit Kumar, Sanitary Inspector for the compliance of the laid down terms and conditions of the sterilisation process.



Allot farmers' interest a top priority in Trade Negotiation : Jayan Mehta Amul Chief

Commissioner News Service
New Delhi : The India-US trade deal has sparked huge concern among the country's farmers, who feel that cheaper American products coming into the country will add to the challenges they face. The dairy sector, however, feels that those concerns might be misplaced. Managing Director Jayan Mehta said the agreement strongly protects the farmers and the agriculture sector and give them invaluable access to the US market. "Market access is a very important part and a trade negotiation is always a two-way thing," echoed Mr Mehta with farmers concern. "The negotiations were necessary to get larger market



access and that was done with this deal. As has been negotiated, tariffs also coming down from 50 to 18 per cent, will bring in the Indian products, getting better access to those markets and paving a way for the brighter future for all those associated with this sector," he added. Cattle feed remain stark aspect of the dairy industry and the livestock sector" said Mr Mehta citing the example of Amul which works with 36

lakh farmers across 18,600 villages of Gujarat and collect and handle about 350 lakh litres of milk every day. Amul needs good quality cattle feed, which has a combination of variety of agricultural-based ingredients like de-oiled rice bran, which comes after the extraction of oil from the husk of the paddy, to maize, rapeseed extractions and molasses". We have, at Amul , about 8 plants manufacturing close to 12,000 tonnes of cattle feed every day." But even here, India is not importing items for which there is little use, he said, giving the example of DDGS (Distillers Dried Grains with Solubles), a little of which is used in cattle feed.

MAA ka bhavosa, Pyar se parosa 'Patanjali' dominate other marketed brands

Commissioner News Service
P'kula: Patanjali cow suhdhesi ghee has gained popularity on account of its fragrant quality , purity and economic rates in tricity markets claimed PK Rao Marketing Manager. He adds saying this pure cow ghee is preferred by those who prioritise natural and organic options. During 2024, the claim of high purity was made in August 2025, sample BKD 2458 was taken for purity test and won clientele applause and wide acceptance . For the quality emer-

gence conventional ayurvedic Bolana procedure is adopted by the dairy engineers. Cow pure milk is manufactured from white butter/curd. The quantum of cow milk is put on mild flame specific span of time until it got melted for ghee . It is widely claimed that cow milk is scared substance,

oftenused in regions besides Aurvedic treatments . Cow ghee must be used before 9 months from date . Milk fat is inherently expensive . Its current exdairy price of Rs 460, -- 470 / is way above Rs 125 - -130, wholesale range for refined palmolien , soyabean or sunflower.



Bhupendra Jain, national coordinator urges for provision of land for Vishwadharna Chetna Manch

Commissioner News Service
Chandigarh : Devoid of its own premises ,devout activists along with its own national coordinator Bhupendra Jain of Vishwadharna Chetna Manch have urged the Chandigarh Administrator Sh Gulab Chand Kataria to kindly spare a piece of land for the prolonging conduct of cultural revival, spiritual awakening, and national consciousness. The world saint Mahayogiraj Siddhaguru Siddheshwar Brahmarshi



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Enforce strictly ban on polythene in sector based veg. market : EX. EO Sihag

Commissioner News Service
Pkula - Across the satellite town, large quantities of banned and substandard polythene were being openly used and sold in different subzi mandis. Over 50 % of the polythene waste was generated within the MC limits where fruits and vegetable vendors usually handed out plastic bags to customers, said OP Sihag, district President of Jan nayak Janta Party.



While appealing to Municipal Commissioner, for the deployment of senior officers for intensive enforcement drive, Mr Sihag urged such check must be carried out with the assistance of police force and enforcement staff in

order to seize banned polythene and issue challans to the violators. In order to shift to eco friendly instincts Mr Siihag advised administration to make affordable cloth and jute bags available in plenty which might also fascinate the hygiene lover. He recalled his times of conducting the similar drive against epidemic yield of polythene bags across the town.

Prem Lata of AAP along several switches over to Congress

Commissioner News Service
Chandigarh: One of AAP's elected sitting MC Councillors Prem Lata with other party leaders joined the Chandigarh Congress party on Monday, said a party spokesperson. During 2025 mayoral election, Prem Lata, was made a prominent joint candidate where the alliance had very clear majority. She however , had lost Mayoral election due to cross voting, and since then she didn't have relaxed time. Ritu Chhabra wife of a former city mayor



too has joined back the grand congress party. The inability of the AAP unit to keep its councillors has sent unpleasant message to the other activists of the Aam Aadmi Party where as the party had manifested grand execution in its debut MC election of 2022.

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EDITORIAL

Human law on dogs must not go to dogs

Experts have emphasised that ABC (Animal Birth Control) remains the only scientific - and humane - approach to stabilising stray dog population. Mass killings can't be a solution. The state must take responsibility. What needs acceleration is the pace of sterilisation and vaccination of stray dogs under ABC programmes and better budgets for municipalities and gram panchayats to execute it. Currently, Telangana conducts roughly 10,000 sterilisation surgeries annually a grossly inadequate figure, given the state's stray dog population of roughly 15L, per estimates by animal rights groups. Take the case of Panchkula, where a substantial Ahumber humber of stray dogs remain unsterilised and unvaccinated, per recent reports. But neither state govt nor municipalities have stepped up ABC efforts. "What is needed is clear, as it is in every Indian state recruitment of more trained personnel, sustained, institutionalised partnerships with animal welfare organisations, and more animal shelters, particularly in rural areas. Activists fear, minus state action, the mass killing mat continue in Telangana's villages. Just to put the Supreme Court on dogs case on stray dogs in context, as hearings went on news has been filtering out from. The mass killing was not the act of madmen unable to

tell right from wrong. This was the outcome of politics at its worst, and perpetrators getting away because laws meant to deter and punish such cruelty are ineffective. Equipped with newfound political power following their victory in the gram panchayat elections held in Dec 2025, a group of sarpanches in the state started a covert campaign of mass killings. 'Specialists', as locals in Telangana villages dub them, were brought in from neighbouring Andhra Pradesh. These 'specialists' injected stray dogs with a small dose of gaddi mandu-a lethal agricultural chemical that helps destroy wild overgrowth (its primary chemical is paraquat dichloride). Sarpanches had promised to reduce numbers of stray dogs (also of monkeys) if voted to power. Monkeys are difficult to tackle, but dogs are easy to trap and terminate. So the netas thought it best to take this instant, cheaper route to voter appeasement - locals say it costs not more than ₹500 to kill a stray dog - rather than go through the ethical and law-mandated process of taking up animal birth control (ABC) programmes. Although it is difficult to tell sarpanches of which party did most of the killing, it is quite clear there is no political will to prosecute them. This makes the culling free roaming them. The pain spearheaded by elected representatives who are clear they will not take any notice of a

national law, one which SC only recently reiterated as the guiding principle to all approaches to controlling stray population. That a large section of their electorate was ill informed - about the goings-on in SC, became a convenient weapon 5 for the sarpanches. Locals allege that many deliberately misinterpreted the top court's observations on removing strays from public institutions - there's no ruling on this as yet, the final case is being heard to justify their actions. Although the local police across five districts have registered cases against close to a dozen sarpanches, along with other individuals, the chances of any of them doing jail time are very slim. Also, the last thing Congress-led Telangana govt wants to do now is to arrest newly elected representatives. All of the accused are booked under BNS Section 325 Ghat deals with killing, poisoning, maiming, or rendering any animal useless, crimes that attract up to five years in prison, and also under Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act. But they were all handed station bail, as is the practice with punishment under seven years of jail. Their files are stuck at the forensics stage. To hazard a guess as to just when these reports will be released, and when a chargesheet will be filed-if at all-pinning them to the crime, is tougher than predicting the weather.

Hry govt extends farmers' loan waiver scheme till March 2026

Commissioner News Service PANCHKULA : During a meeting of the all district-level Chief Executive Officers and Managers held at the Haryana State Cooperative Agriculture and Land Development Bank (Land Mortgage Bank) headquarters information was shared by the bank's Chairman, Amar Pal Rana. The Haryana Government has extended the One-Time Loan Waiver Scheme (OTS Scheme 2022) for overdue borrower-members of the Bank until March 31, 2026. Mr Rana informed that under this scheme, overdue interest on the loan accounts of deceased borrowers of the District Primary Cooperative Agriculture and Rural Development Banks would be waived in full. If legal heir/heirs of a deceased borrower deposit the entire principal outstanding amount, they would receive 100 per cent

not repay his/her loan and was declared a defaulter by the bank on March 31, 2022, may avail benefits of this settlement," he said. It is noteworthy that the 19 District Primary Cooperative Agriculture and Rural Development Banks together have 61,767 borrowers, with total outstanding dues of Rs 1,857.92 crore (Rs 723.55 crore principal, Rs 1,002.91 crore interest and Rs 131.47 crore penal interest). The government extended the OTS Scheme once again to facilitate repayment by these borrowers. Rana said, "The scheme has been extended for a limited period. The beneficiaries should avail its benefits on a 'first come, first served' basis. For availing the scheme and obtaining further information, borrowers may contact any of the 19 District Primary Cooperative Agriculture and Rural Development Banks or the 70 branches established at the tehsil

waiver of overdue interest, along with waiver of penal interest and other charges, he said. The bank currently has 17,229 deceased and widow borrower accounts, with dues amounting to Rs 190.70 crore in principal, Rs 246.77 crore in interest and Rs 41.68 crore in penal interest, totalling Rs 479.14 crore. "In addition, under the OTS Scheme 2022, all other overdue borrowers will be eligible for 50 per cent waiver of interest, while penal interest and additional charges will also be waived. The scheme will apply to all categories of loans issued by the bank," Rana said. "As per the scheme, any borrower who, for whatever reason, could



Against notices from Chandigarh Housing Board all-party delegation meets CEO

Commissioner News Service CHANDIGARH : Against irrational notices, leaders from various political parties demanded a review of the notices being issued by the board and relief for allottees. This delegation included Jatinder Pal Malhotra, Chandigarh BJP president, Gurpreet Singh Gabi, Congress councillor, Vijay Pal Singh, president, Aam Aadmi Party, and Hardeep Singh Butera, councillor. The all-party representatives met the CEO of the Chandigarh Housing Board,



Pradeep Kumar, to address the demolition notices being sent to flat allottees by the Chandigarh Housing Board (CHB). The leaders stated that the notices being sent by the Board have created an atmosphere of confusion and fear among allottees. Gurpreet Singh Gabi stated that a one-time policy should be formulated.

1,400 govt houses procure net-zero bill in power consumption

Commissioner News Service CHANDIGARH : Rooftop solar plants have been installed atop nearly 6,000 government houses across the city and nearly 1,400 of these have become net-zero in energy consumption. With a total installed capacity of 18.1 MWp (Megawatt-peak), these houses are expected to generate around 23.5 million units of solar power annually. With the installation of rooftop solar plants, nearly 1,400 government houses in the city have achieved net-zero in power consumption. The allottees of the government residential units, however, have to pay solar user charges of nearly Rs 300 per kW monthly. In a likely relief for thousands of government employees, the UT Administration is considering abolishing user fee currently being levied on rooftop solar power plants. Similarly, 148 beneficiaries have achieved zero electricity bills under the PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana launched in



February 2024. Out of the total 1,542 applications received for installation of solar panels till January 28 under the scheme, solar panels had been installed at 1,026 private houses. Subsidy worth Rs 5.51 crore had been disbursed among 989 households till December 31 last year. Under the PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana, the Central Government provides a subsidy of up to Rs 78,000 for installation of solar plants with a capacity of up to 3 kW. The UT Administration has set a target to generate 15 MWp more solar power by the end of this year so as to achieve the aim of making Chandigarh a model solar city by 2030.

Lok Samadhan Unified online grievance monitoring system launched by administrator

Commissioner News Service CHANDIGARH : Mr Gulab Chand Kataria Punjab Governor and UT Administrator launched the Lok Samadhan - Unified Online Grievance Monitoring System of the Chandigarh Administration. Kataria launched the system at a 'Samadhan Shivir' held in Guru Dronacharya Stadium, Dadumajra, for residents of Dhanas and Daddumajra. Chief Secretary H Rajesh Prasad, along with senior UT officers and representatives of various departments, was present at the first-of-its-kind camp organised by the Chandigarh Administration. The portal, available at <https://loksamadhan.chd.gov.in>, enables citizens to register and monitor their grievances online at any time and from anywhere, thereby eliminating the need for repeated visits to government offices. Under the Lok Samadhan system, citizens can submit grievances after mandatory registration using a valid mobile number verified via OTP. Upon submission, an electronic



acknowledgment, along with a unique grievance number is generated and shared with the complainant through SMS, enabling real-time tracking of grievance status and ensuring transparency in the redressal process. The portal provides a centralised digital mechanism for receiving, processing, monitoring and resolving public grievances across departments. The system facilitates structured workflows, defined timelines for disposal, and effective inter-departmental coordination, while significantly reducing manual intervention and paperwork. This initiative is expected to enhance administrative efficiency, strengthen accountability and ensure timely delivery of public services.

HESMA 1974 law extended in Chandigarh by six months

Commissioner News Service CHANDIGARH : The application of the Haryana Essential Services (Maintenance) Act (HESMA), 1974, in the city has been extended by another six months. The ban on strikes by employees of Chandigarh Power Distribution Limited (CPDL) will continue, said an official of the UT Administration. Power supply is an essential service and any disruption would directly affect the city's residents. To ensure uninterrupted power supply, HESMA has been imposed, prohibiting CPDL employees from going on strike. Any employee who participates in a strike or similar protest during this period will face legal action, in accordance with a notification issued by the UT Administration. Since the employees were reportedly planning a large-scale protest on January 30



in support of their demands, the unequivocal decision was taken to frustrate the designs of the employees union. The HESMA imposed six months back was in force till January 26. Until recently, the Punjab ESMA was applicable in Chandigarh. However, amid ongoing protests against the privatisation of the Electricity Department, the Administration scrapped the Punjab ESMA and invoked the Haryana ESMA, citing its stricter provisions. Officials said that under the earlier rules, only employees directly participating in a strike could face action, but under the Haryana ESMA, even those who plan a strike or provide funds for it could be penalised.

Free ration kits to 40 lakh families to begin from April

Commissioner News Service CHANDIGARH : To all 40 lakh blue card holders in the state from April. Ahead of the coming Vidhan Sabha election, Punjab's government will start distributing ration kits. After a meeting of the Punjab Council of Ministers in Chandigarh on Monday the announcement by Bhagwant Mann Chief Minister Punjab. 'Meri Raso', the scheme will ensure that all blue card holders get 2 kg of dal, 2 kg of sugar, 1 kg of iodised salt, 200 grams of haldi and 1 litre of mustard oil, along with the free wheat they get each month. "These families will get the ration kit for three months, beginning April," said the CM. It is learnt that the state government has set aside Rs



1,000 crore for the scheme. While the kits will be made by MARKFED, the Food and Supplies Department will distribute them. Mann said it was ironic that Punjab had been feeding millions of people in the country, but many families in the state get just one meal a day. "Our children are undernourished and suffer from

iron deficiency. The meals they get are not rich in protein. As a welfare government, it is our duty to ensure that every citizen in the state gets wholesome meals," he said. The CM said frequent quality control checks would be made to ensure that all beneficiaries get good quality ration. Mann said the Budget session would be held between March 6 and 16, and the budget proposals presented on March 8 coinciding with International Women's Day. He said the state government would give full cooperation to the Election Commission for the Special Intensive Revision of electoral rolls. "But we will oppose any move to delete the voters," he said.

Juhi Jalota becomes Deputy Passport Officer at Chandigarh regional office

Commissioner News Service CHANDIGARH : Juhi Jalota Indian Foreign Service officer on Monday assumed charge as Deputy Passport Officer and Head of Office at the Regional Passport Office (RPO), Chandigarh. Jalota has previously served in Indian Missions



in Madrid, Spain, and Buenos Aires, Argentina, as well as at the Ministry

of External Affairs, New Delhi, in various capacities. An officer of the 2018 batch, she succeeds outgoing RPO Priyanka Mehtani (IFS 2015) and will oversee passport services for Chandigarh and parts of Punjab and Haryana under the jurisdiction of the RPO.

Under RTE 25% EWS admission ordered by High Court

Commissioner News Service CHANDIGARH : All private non-minority schools allotted land prior to 1996 are entitled to full reimbursement for 25 per cent EWS admissions under the RTE Act, a fresh confrontation has erupted, with Vivek High School transferring its EWS students to a government school citing non-payment of dues and alleged defiance of judicial directions. In its May 29, 2025, judgment in "CWP No. 3881 of 2020 and the Chandigarh Administration could not restrict reimbursement to 10 per cent under its 1996 land allotment scheme. Justice Harsimran Singh Sethi had made it clear that statutory obligations under the Right to Education Act, 2009, would prevail. "Once, the scheme 1996 does not operate retrospectively or expressly include the institutions which were already allotted land prior to January 31, 1996, the endeavour of the Chandigarh Administration to bring all the operational schools under the ambit of clause 18 of the 1996



scheme is not sustainable under law and is incorrect," the court had held. The Bench had further clarified: "Once the 1996 policy is basically a land allotment scheme the conditions therein can only be applied to institutions that benefitted under the scheme. A specific clause, which is ancillary to the primary purpose of the scheme, cannot be treated as a general clause applicable to all institutions." The court directed that all private non-minority institutions "will be bound to give admission to children of the EWS category to the extent of 25 per cent of total seats" and, significantly, that the Administration must reimburse accordingly. It had also mandated that reimbursement be released within four months.

A bunch of appeal in the matter were filed by the UT Administration sometimes in November last. The matter last came up for hearing before the Bench of Justice Anoop Chitkara and Justice Sukhvinder Kaur on February 19 and stands adjourned to March 12. In the meantime, Vivek High School, Sector 38-B, in a series of communications to the District Education Officer (DEO), has alleged that the Administration continues to propose reimbursement at 10 per cent and has with held payments for the past two years - with cumulative dues allegedly stretching back over a decade. Referring directly to the High Court's mandate, the school wrote: "Issuing letters proposing reimbursement at 10 per cent is in direct violation of the High Court's order and may amount to contempt of court. We, therefore, request you to withdraw these letters forthwith. Failing this, we will be constrained to approach the High Court next week to initiate contempt proceedings."

'Ashirwad Scheme' pleas only through portal of seva kendras

Commissioner News Service CHANDIGARH : The Department of Social Justice, Empowerment and Minority Affairs, Punjab Government, has made an important change in the application process of the Ashirwad Scheme, with the objective of ensuring transparency, uniformity and smooth delivery of services to beneficiaries. Till now, most beneficiaries were applying for the Ashirwad Scheme online through private cyber cafes and personal computers. However, from January 28, the Minister of Social



Justice, Empowerment and Minority Affairs has formally inaugurated the facility of submitting applications on the Ashirwad portal exclusively through seva kendras. With immediate effect, the option of applying for the Ashirwad Scheme through

private cyber cafes or personal computers has been discontinued. Now, applicants wishing to avail of the benefits of the scheme will be able to submit their applications only through authorised seva kendras. District Social Justice and Empowerment Officer Ashish Kathuria has requested all departments concerned and field officers to disseminate this information widely among the people at their respective levels. Applications under this scheme can be made till 60 days after the date of marriage.

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From April 01, cash transactions at NH may end

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New Delhi : Cash payments would be likely disallowed from April 1, and the issue of penalties for over loading would be rationalised. and facilitated over the loading penalty payments," said the official. The proposed measure is aimed at consolidating the gains



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Minister inspects 6 govt schools, issues show cause notice to teachers

Commissioner News Service
Chandigarh : In Machhiwara, at govt Primary School ,The Government of Punjab on Wednesday issued show-cause notices to six teachers after Education Minister Harjot Singh Bains conducted a surprise inspection and found serious lapses. The action is part of the state government's ongoing "Sikhya Kranti" reforms to improve learning outcomes in government schools. Mr Bains said the Bhagwant Singh Mann-led government has a zero-tolerance



policy towards negligence in education. "Children's future is shaped in classrooms. Strict action will be taken against any dereliction of duty," he added. The minister has been conducting surprise visits to government schools across the state to review academic standards, attendance, mid-day meals and infrastructure.

Would Trump prefer to kill Khamenei and son in targeted Iran strikes

Commissioner News Service
Tehran : Donald Trump US President has been presented with military options that include the targeted killing of Iran's Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei and his son Mojtaba Khamenei, as per an Axios report, citing senior administration sources. One of the scenarios discussed would "take out the Ayatollah and his son and the mullahs," a senior Trump advisor was quoted as saying Referring to Khamenei and Mojtaba, who is widely seen as a potential successor to his father. However, the advisor stressed that no final



decision had been made. "The President hasn't decided to strike yet. I know that because we haven't struck. He might never do it. He might wake up tomorrow. According to the report, the US Defence Department has laid out multiple military options before Trump. "They have something for every scenario," the

advisor said, adding that the ultimate course of action remains uncertain. A second source confirmed that a plan involving the killing of Khamenei and his son had been floated to Trump several weeks ago, indicating that such a possibility has been under consideration for some time Any direct strike on Iran's top leadership would mark a dramatic escalation in tensions between Washington and Tehran and could have far-reaching consequences for regional stability in the Middle East.

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Synthetic milk dominates market unchecked by health authority

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, former 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.

8,630 complaints against sitting judges received in past decade : Minister

Commissioner News Service
New Delhi : Independence of judiciary is enshrined in the Constitution . The complaints received against judges and chief justices of High Courts are handled by the judiciary through an in house mechanism, the law minister the other day was responding to a query in the lok sabha. The inhouse procedure comes from two resolutions adopted by the SC in 1997 which provided for restatement of Values of Judicial Life. The inhouse procedure also



provides for taking suitable remedial measures against judges who don't follow the university accepted values of judicial life including those in the restatement of Values of

Judicial Life. In accordance with established inhouse procedure of the Supreme Court to handle complaints against the higher judiciary, the CJI is competent to receive complaints against judges of the Supreme Court and Chief Justices of High Courts. Similarly chief justices of High Courts are competent to receive complaints against the conducts of High Court judges said the Law Minister. The govt receive the complaints and get it forwarded to law ministry by thereupon

India's resilience of economy would drive world growth : Modi

Commissioner News Service
New Delhi : "I am proud that unprecedented development, great delivery and strengthening of democracy have marked this decade in India amid numerous disruptions," remarked Prime Minister Narendra Modi. A decade before there used to exist considerable apprehensions that India might slip from its position of 11 th largest economy, but now it has accelerated it's momentum to new heights ever to becoming third biggest one in this world. Our country has now been accounting for 16 % of global growth and the share will grow



more vigorously . India hence will drive the world growth and be its engine. We can notice that budgets are reflecting the changes ushered in by his BJP governance. Citing reforms in a host of sectors,

including GST changes, education and nuclear energy, labour law, repeal of article 370 and WaqF law . Technology and innovation have become the core drivers of the growth. The "Reform Express" Is being driven by our Indian machination and will continue to gain speed, said Mr Modi. While earlier reforms, be of 1991, when the economy was on the brink or during the UPA era, when NIA was formed after the 26/11 terror attack were undertaken under compulsion these are powered now by conviction.

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Trust Deficit' Between Bengal Govt & ECI Forces Supreme Court To Appoint Judicial Officers For SIR Duty

Commissioner News Service
 New Delhi :The Supreme Court on Saturday directed the appointment of judicial officers for the adjudication of claims and objections in the special intensive revision of the electoral roll, as given the "trust deficit" running between the West Bengal Government and the Election Commission of India.

The judicial officers would perform the function of the Electoral Register Officers (ERO) in the process. The Court took this step in view of the dispute as to whether sufficient Group B officers in the rank of SDM have been provided by the State to the ECI to function as EROs. The State, on its part, objected to the ECI relying on the micro-observers and spe-



cial roll observers appointed by it. In the order, the bench observed that there was "an unfortunate blame game" and "allegations and counter-allegations", which indicated a "trust deficit between two Constitutional bodies, namely the democratically elected State Government and the Election Commission of India" observed a bench comprising Chief Justice of India Surya Kant, Justices Joymalya Bagchi and Vipul M Pancholi. "In order to ensure fairness in the adjudication

of the genuineness of the documents and consequential inclusion/exclusion in voters list, and as agreed to by both sides, we are left with hardly any other option but to request the hon'ble Chief Justice of the High Court of Calcutta to spare serving judicial officers along with some former judicial officers in the rank of Addl District Judge or District Judges who can then be requested to revisit/dispose of the pending claims under the category of 'logical discrepancy'. Each such judicial officer/former judicial officer shall be assisted by micro observers from the ECI and officers from the State Government who have already been deployed for such duties.

India, Brazil world largest democracies cannot remain distant : President Lula

Commissioner News Service

New Delhi : Brazilian President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva, on a four-day visit to New Delhi with the largest-ever Brazilian delegation, has said that ties between Brazil and India are poised for a decisive expansion. "As two of the world's largest democracies and dynamic economies, India and Brazil cannot remain distant" stressed President Lula.

On trade, Lula acknowledged that bilateral commerce, though at a record high in 2025, remains far below potential at around \$15 billion. The visit aims to significantly expand trade flows, with agreements expected in critical minerals



— the first of their kind for Brazil — and small and medium enterprises, a key employment generator. Mr. Lula also highlighted the Brazil-India Business Forum in New Delhi, which will bring together 600 private sector representatives, arguing that business partnerships will convert political goodwill into "shared prosperity."

MC Election for Pkula Mayor post falls due in April

Commissioner News Service

Panchkula : Across 20 wards in the satellite town, about 250 applicants have sought tickets for the seat of respective councillors and approximate strength of 12 congress leaders have applied for the nomination of mayor post.

For the post of Mayoral ticket, several aspirants like Sudha Bharadwaj of Haryana Congress Mahila Chief, Ravinder Rawal, former MC President Manveer Kaur Gill, Suneeta Sharma, Congress Sewa Dal leader



and Advocate Raj Singh Chauhan. Certain outgoing councillors Salim Dabkouri and Akshay Choudhary also filed their application for the post of Mayor.

India shared its role as an 'observer' in Board of Peace meeting: MEA

Commissioner News Service

New Delhi : External Affairs Ministry, a day after an Indian diplomat participated in the first meeting of the Board of Peace for Gaza in Washington Diplomat, India was there as an "observer". The official spokesperson Mr Randhir Jaiswal, reiterated India's position on the Palestinian issue and said India stood for a "sovereign, independent, and viable State of Palestine based on 1967 borders".

"India attended the Board of Peace meeting held in Washington D.C. as an observer. India has supported the Gaza Peace Plan initiative of President Trump and the efforts underway due to UNSC resolution 2803," said Mr. Jaiswal in response to a question on India's presence in the meeting. India was represented by Deputy Chief of Mission of the Indian Embassy in Washington D.C. Namgya



Khampa. Mr. Jaiswal explained India's multiple moves on the Israel-Palestine conflict over the past few days that received sharper focus because of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's scheduled February 25-26 visit to Israel. Earlier this week, India opted out of a joint appearance of member nations at the United Nations (UN) criticising Israel for its continued expansion of West Bank settlements. India did not initially sign a statement critical of Israel that was endorsed by 85 member states.

Congress lowers dignity of global event, becoming a liability for the country : Modi

Commissioner News Service

New Delhi :Prime Minister Narendra Modi in a scathing attack on the Congress on Sunday (February 22, 2026) accused the principal Opposition party of indulging in "dirty and shameful politics". Linking the party's youth wing's "shirtless" protest on Friday (February 20, 2026) at the AI Impact Summit in New Delhi to the nation's image, the Congress and its ecosystem had touched a discernible new low. Describing the topless protest as "nangi rajneeti" (naked politics) in front of industry leaders, he said it was an example of ideo-



logical bankruptcy that had lowered the dignity of a global event. "Everybody knows you are naked. You don't need to take off clothes," Mr. Modi said, addressing a public meeting in Meerut on the sidelines of the inauguration of the Nam Bharat Regional Rapid Transit System (RRTS) and Meerut

Metro. Separating the Congress from the rest of the Opposition, Mr. Modi said even the Congress's allies had deserted it on the issue. He asked the media not to generalise his criticism of the Congress as that of the entire Opposition. "Were the TMC [Trinamool Congress], DMK [Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam], BSP [Bahujan Samaj Party], or NC [National Conference] responsible for the Delhi protest? No, it was just the Congress that sinned, and I want to publicly pay gratitude to those who have criticised the Congress's behaviour," he said.

For processing citizenship requests an empowered committee formed : Government

Commissioner News Service

New Delhi : A second empowered committee for the West Bengal to fast track the processing of citizenship has been constituted under the Citizenship Amendment Act 2019 (CAA) . For grant of citizenship, CAA provides to immigrants from Pakistan, Afghanistan and Bangladesh belonging to their Six minority faiths--Hindu, Sikh, Christian, Buddhist, Jain and Parsi --



who entered India before Dec 31,2014, fearing religious persecution in their home countries. West Bengal's new empowered committee -- which takes the final call on citizenship applications forwarded by the district level

committee after verification of documents -- will be headed by the deputy registrar general, directorate of census operations of the state. As the original empowered committee, the new panel shall include a representative from the office of a West Bengal principal secretary (home) and a representative of the Jurisdictional divisional Railway manager as invitees.

Recycling Services of MRF ignored, rush for 2nd construction in phase 1 explored

Commissioner News Service

Pkula : Estimated to be built at the cost of Rs 71.27, services of new Material Recovery Facility would be raised at Industrial Area Phase 1. Such existing facility at Alipur remains non functional only appeared some months after its construction. The construction of a dedicated MRF shed would be afresh completed. The tendering process is under way and the work will be completed within 4



months after getting the work duly allotted as per the contact stipulations. The requisite deployment of machinery, equipment and technical staff would be hired by the authorised

agency. The town's solid waste management system would be strengthened by the new MRF . Besides preparatory site work and construction of a cement concrete base course, sand and stone filling and a 50 mm cement - concrete topping to create a durable surface suited for waste handling options. The scope of waste cycling aksi would include facilities of basic sanitation.

Capacity building workshop under 'Saathi Project' held at CRID

Commissioner News Service

Chandigarh : The UT school education department in CCF (Chandigarh Citizens Foundation) collaboration conducted SAATHI well planned mental health & holistic wellness project. Concentrating on management of emotional issues among the kids and strengthening awareness of child protection laws, 2 major issues during training were



covered as Anger Management in Schoolchildren children and procedures related to the POCSO Act 2012. The counsellors were in 1st session guided over identify-

ing earlier behavioural symptoms of anger, helping them recognise emotional triggers and evolving strategies. The emphasis on mental health education and healthy school environment was laid . An orientation on legal provision, identifying signs of abuse, essentially reporting obligations and safe guarding protocols were covered under Pocso session.

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PUDA Office : 0172-2215308, 10, 11

Punjab School Education Board : 3047444

Industrial Area : 0172-2250910

Police Station Ph-1, 0172-2272850, Ph-II, 9115516027, 9115516015

Police Station Mataur : 9115516020

Police Station Suhana : 9115516029

Police Station Balaugi : 9115516040

Police Station Zirakpur: (M) 95929 16063

COMPLAINT CENTERS

Water Supply : 18001802468

Mohali Division Electricity Complaint Number : 9646115973

COMPLAINTS MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

Street Light : 0172-5044907, Sanitation Branch : 0172-5044907

Birth and Death : 0172-5044902,

Engineering Branch : 0172-5044909, 5044907 (O)

OTHER HELPLINE

WOMEN - 1091 & CHILDREN - 1098

VIGILANCE HELPLINE - 1800-1800-1000

0172-2231669, 0172-2216142

HEALTH SUVIDHA CENTER

Civil Hospital Phase-6, Mohali

Multi Specialists Government Hospital Phone 0172-2225464

Cheema Medical Complex Phase 4, Multi Speciality, Child

Specialist 3101030 Ambulance, Mobile 9815400070

PUDA OFFICE - 0172-2215308

PASSENGERS SERVICE

Punjab Roadways : 0172-2704023

CTU : 0172-2704005

PRTC : 0172-2704128

Haryana Roadways : 0172-2704014,

Himachal Roadways : 0172-2704015

Railway : 0172-2641656

Airport : 0172-2654832

FUNERAL PHONE : 9914855855

GRAVEYARD : 9888970033, 0172-2236403