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Illegal construction work thrives on unapproved colony 'Eden Garden'

Local bodies minister overlooks mushrooming of illegal colonies says MLA N K Sharma



DIKSHA RANI Commissioner News Service **ZIRAKPUR** : A sprawling colony named 'Eden Garden' is coming up on 16 Acre land having 300 plot carved out by the builder Vivek Singla. The architectural plan prepared by Akar Architecture is shown by the staff of 'Eden Garden' which does't manifest any approval by the Municipal competent authorities, Executive officer, Municipal Engineer and Building Inspector. It is appraised without the stamped approval of these officers, no colony can be passed under the Municipal Act 1911. Otherwise, selective colonies are picked up who have not pleased the MC authorities, yet a spate of colonies are being neglected and norms of master plan are being infringed as the compliance is subjected to scrutiny by several scrupulous and right thinking persons, groans Sukhdev Singh President of local Joint Action Committee. Morethan 100 upapproved colonies are existing and very well known to Lakhvinder Singh Building Inspector who frequents his visits on field duties. It is here the game starts and ends nowhere but in the ambience of the local bodies minister who remains mute spectator despite hundreds of grudges & complaints are forwarded for the action yet nothing transpires. Illegal sewerage connections, possession without completion certificates absence of CLU (Change of Land Use) are the basic traits, seen by a common man or the client of the estate buildes. "The cash money has been greasing the hands" points out the MLA NK Sharma. The MLA adds saying no illegal colony has ever stopped its construction work as builders enjoy close patronage of the authorities. Even the concerned minister enjoys the benefits, takes no action, allowing the master plan falling into depression and unsavoury soup. How the power connections to illegal colonies are permitted by the electricity department sans 'NOC' of the Municipal authorities, remain the eye opener question ??

Kulwant declared MLA candidate for AAP outfit

MOHALI : Kulwant Singh AAP activist and former Mayor has been declared officially the MLA candidate for Aam Aadmi Party, Mohali seat. Mr Kulwant extended his all heartfelt gratitude to Arvind Kejriwal National Convener of AAP, for giving him occasion to serve the electorate of Mohali. Mr Bhagwant Maan, party president of Punjab AAP unit appreciated Kulwant candidature for the MLA seat. Mr Kulwant lauded the performance of AAP in Delhi which has been exemplary in annals of history. Extending warm wishes, Mr Kulwant exalted the party performance in Chandigarh Municipal polls and similar, glorious results in ensuing Punjab Vidhan Sabha elections in the month of February would be shown by his exclusive hard work.



2 Punjab Congress MLAs join BJP, big jolt to party

NEW DELHI : Among the new entrants in the BJP fold are Congress MLA Fateh Jung Singh Bajwa, the brother of senior party leader and MP Pratap Bajwa. Two Punjab Congress MLAs, including a prominent leader tipped to be the party's candidate in the state election, joined the BJP. Fateh Jung Bajwa is the MLA from Punjab's Qadian. The constituency may now see a battle of the brothers in the election with Pratap Bajwa reportedly eager to contest from there only. At a recent rally, Congress's Punjab president Navjot Singh Sidhu had even declared Fateh Bajwa as a party candidate. However, soon after that pronouncement, Pratap Bajwa made it clear to his party that he is also interested in the same seat. Partap Singh Bajwa anticipating that he would lose the race to his brother, Fateh Jung Bajwa opted for a pre-emptive move. The other new BJP recruit in Punjab is Balwinder Singh Laddi, Congress MLA from Hargobindpur. Rana Gurmeet Sodhi, another congress MLA had joined the BJP last week. All three MLAs are, incidentally, loyalists of former Congress leader Amarinder Singh, who quit last month and launched his Punjab Lok Congress party. But all these leaders joined the BJP, instead of Amarinder Singh's new outfit. The BJP, which had till now played second fiddle in Punjab to ex ally Akali Dal, has raised its stakes in the state and plans to go big in the elections. Party leaders claim more Congress and Akali Dal leaders are expected to join in the run-up to the polls.

Beti Bachao, Beti Padoo scheme falling flat

AMBALA : After the birth of girl infant in Civil hospital here the born issue was done to death by pressing her throat as well nose at about 4.50 am on Sunday. On checking the infant, Dr Divesh on duty found the finger points left on her throat and nose which signified the pressing of throat & nose resulting into assassination of the infant. The mother named Kajal r/o Malikpur under Barara Block was admitted for normal delivery which did materialise very safely. The SHO of Baldev Nagar Police Station Mr Ajaib Singh after a thorough investigation has registered a criminal case under IPC Sec 302 against the mother of the deceased infant. The lack of sensitisation of mothers keeps them ignorant on the desire and place of the girl child and thwarts the slogan 'Beti Bachao, Beti Padoo'.



Residents demand segregation of wet and dry garbage

ZIRAKPUR : Segregation and collection of waste remains a far sighted vision of the local sanitation department as Viender Singh, Sanitary Inspector of the local body says there is no plan for such facility as yet. While talking with Commissioner New Service Rajinder Singh Chief Sanitary Inspector said the town Zirakpur is unplanned, and here garbage segregation is uphill task, cant be implemented. "How come this proposition stays before the electorate, is sanitation not required, pollution should go without check. The need for wet garbage must be looked into and segregated waste would pave the way for cleaner city comment several residents of this town.



FAIMA calls for complete shutdown of healthcare services

NEW DELHI : Resident Doctors' Association announced the complete shutdown of healthcare services, the Federation of All India Medical Association (FAIMA) has also called for the complete withdrawal of all healthcare services across the country from 8 am on December 29 "in protest of brute force by Delhi Police against doctors in Delhi." Resident doctors in Delhi alleged they were "brutally thrashed, dragged, and detained" by the Delhi Police on Monday. Since November 27, the resident doctors across the country have been protesting against the multiple postponement of the NEET-PG counselling 2021. Hours after the Federation of The protesting resident doctors in Delhi alleged they were "brutally thrashed, dragged, and detained" by the Delhi Police on Monday.

Pond for water conservation encroached by Civic body

YAMUNA NAGAR : A joint committee under Yamuna Nagar district magistrate and Haryana State Pollution Control Board would, already constituted, assess the actual damage and encroachment on the village pond by the civic body. The land meant for a pond has been conserving water, said National Green Tribunal Justice Adarsh Goel and sought report within 2 months. Besides an illegal structure on the pond of Govindpura village under Jagadhari Tehsil, the civic body has been dumping debris in the pond area, revealed the sources. On the portal of Haryana Pond and Waste Water Management Authority a complaint was lodged, but no action was initiated. Since the area is a dark Zone in terms of ground water, the pond carries much significance for ground water recharge, water availability and other environmental functions, read the orders. The Haryana State Pollution Control Board will be the Nodal agency to conduct coordination and compliance.



Civic body yet to take action against illegal stacking of building material

KHARAR : In the residential area of Swaraj Nagar, ward No 6, against the illegal stacking of bricks, cement, a delegation led by Kanwaljit Singh Dhillon apprised the civic body officials of the adverse and unsavoury situation. The delegation comprised of Darshan Singh, Rohit Sharma, Vikas Kumar, Varinder Singh, Dharampal Singh, Bhajan Lal Mann, Amit Kumar, Ranbir Singh, Kewal Singh, Harjinder Singh, Sahil Kumar and Ram Dev Gupta. All these residents demanded removal of their grievance as they were facing dust pollution affecting the safety of their lungs. On the street repeated loading, unloading projected bottlenecks in the traffic movements which smacked his irresponsible attitude devoid of anticipated civic duty.



Chief Justice Ramana exalts vaccine 'Covaxin'

HYDERABAD : "Several multi-national companies, like Pfizer, on one hand, and scores of people from within India, on the other hand, had made unfair attempts to defame Covaxin of Bharat Biotech. They had even complained to WHO and tried to stall recognition to this Made-in-India vaccine, said NV Ramana Chief Justice of India. All Telugu people must come forward to tell the world about the greatness of our Telugu company that made this vaccine. It has now brought name and fame to our country," Ramana said while handing the awards given by the foundation to Krishna Ella and Suchitra Ella, the founder couple of Bharat Bio teach. "Rule of law is very important for any democratic nation. When rule of law is not implemented, anarchy will prevail. Whenever there is a violation of rights of people guaranteed by the Constitution under Article 19 and 21, the courts will intervene to protect the rights of people," the CJ said.



Master plan collapsing, unplanned development continues

NHA to demolish widely spreading illegal encroachments : Pardeep Atri

ZIRAKPUR : The already enforced contents of Master plan dictates minimum 66 ft wide road in commercial area besides minimum 35 ft width of roads in residential area. But the authority of compliance speaks otherwise. No adequate parking space are being carved out by the builders in the absence of strict vigil of the municipal authorities. On a survey carried out by the Commissioner New Service unruly scenarios transpired on the missing width of envisaged 66 ft in commercial area and 35 ft in residential area open transgression of bye laws may be seen. Even on parking space encroachments are seen, said Sukhdev Choudhary, the president of the Joint Action Committee. He said even frequent dharnas are not sufficient to awake the municipal authority. Leaving aside



the episode of Nabha, another illegal colony of 'Eden Garden' is latest eye opening where no approval of municipal officials is seen in their documents. On entrance very narrow road of 10 feet is existing, how the vehicular traffic would be feasible. The additional Deputy Commissioner at Mohali has already been apprised of the collapsing master plan said another disgruntled person. The unplanned and unchecked development sans byelaws is seen all round even service lane along the national high way have been encroached upon by unscrupulous traders and builders, groans Pardeep Atri, the Project. Director of NHA. He adds NHA authorities would spare none and remove the illegal encroachments without serving any notice, as willful nexus are mushrooming time and again.

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- Ashirwad Hospital, 9501775448 Bhabat road, Zirakpur
- Myoma Clinic, Dr Chatli, 9872669171 Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur

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Organisation of Islamic countries pledges nothing

Envoys from 57 Islamic nations and observer delegations participated in the conference in Islamabad, the biggest event on Afghanistan after the fall of the US backed government in the country. The Taliban takeover of Afghanistan in mid-August had prompted the international community to freeze the country's billions of dollars in aid and assets, plunging the nation of 38 million into the worst economic and humanitarian disaster. The extraordinary conference of the member nations of the Organization of Islamic Countries (OIC) on Afghanistan concluded in Islamabad the other day without any direct announcement of economic and humanitarian assistance for the war-ravaged country. 70 delegations, including interim Taliban foreign minister Mullah Amir Khan Muttaqi and delegates from the US, China, Russia the European Union and the UN, took part in the event. At the end of the session, a draft resolution was issued that was full of phrases, like the extraordinary session of the OIC council of foreign ministers welcomed the initiative, commended Pakistan's role, recognised the deep

rooted Islamic values that form the ethos of the Muslim society. Moreover, the resolution carried statements, such as the body of Islamic nations expressed deep alarm at the deteriorating humanitarian crisis in Afghanistan. It noted with deep concern the breakdown of Afghanistan's health system, disease outbreaks and severe malnutrition. Additionally it urged on necessity for continuation of economic cooperation to the country and reaffirmed strong commitment to the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Afghanistan. Pledgers also called for a quick opening of the country's banking system. The president of the Islamic Development Bank Muhammad Sulaiman-Jasser, who attended the meet, offered several concrete financing proposals. He said the IDB can manage trusts that could be used to move money into Afghanistan, jumpstart businesses and help salvage the deeply troubled economy. The OIC also resolved to arrange for a team of international Muslim scholars to engage with the Taliban on issues "such as, but not limited to, tolerance and moderation in Islam, equal access to education and women's rights in Islam".

Pakistan PM Imran Khan, during his keynote address at the meeting, warned the global community that situation in Afghanistan would become the biggest "man-made crisis in the world" if it did not act immediately. Khan said no other country had suffered as much as Afghanistan, adding that 75% of the country's budget was supported by foreign aid before the Taliban had seized control. He urged Washington to delink the Taliban government from the Afghan citizens. "They have been in conflict with the Taliban for 20 years but this concerns the people of Afghanistan," Khan said, reiterating that Afghanistan would head for chaos if the world failed to take immediate action. "Such a situation will not suit the US because chaos means the inability to fight terrorism." He noted that the Taliban had to fulfil the commitments they had made to the international community, which included forming an inclusive government and ensuring women's rights. Earlier, the acting Afghan foreign minister claimed the Taliban government has restored peace and security and done much to address demands for more inclusive government with respect for human rights, including the rights of women.

680 hawkers to be issued mandatory licences in Panchkula

Commissioner News Service PANCHKULA : Now only licensed hawkers will be allowed to operate on streets. The monthly charge for licensed hawkers will be Rs3,000 for non-motorised carts and Rs5,000 for motorised carts. The Municipal Corporation has decided to issue licences to vegetable and fruit hawkers. "For licence, hawkers can submit their applications to the Superintendent of the enforcement wing between December 27 and 31 at the Sector 12 community centre," said Mayor Kulbhushan Goyal. The licences would be issued on

impounded," MC officials said. A decision to issue licences was taken at a recent meeting of general House the MC. According to officials, vendors, who have been allotted spaces in vending zones, will not be allowed to submit their application for the licence. Similarly, the licensed hawkers will not be allowed to operate in the vending zones. "It is big step towards making the city encroachment-free," said Goyal. A total of 16 vending zones are to be set up in the city. At least eight will be built in the trans-Ghaggar sectors.



Passport applications abounds in regional office

Commissioner News Service CHANDIGARH : "There were around 2,000 applications per day before September. After the Covid-induced lockdown and travel restrictions were lifted, the number of applications went up to around 4,000 per day" said Sibash Kabiraj, Regional Passport Officer. Passport applications at the Regional Passport Office in Sector 34 here have almost doubled ever since the lockdown restrictions were lifted after the second wave of Covid-19. "The number of appointments at Passport Seva Kendras in Chandigarh, Ludhiana and Ambala, which provide services to a total of 12 districts in Haryana and 11 in Punjab, including Chandigarh, has now been increased to meet the growing number of applications," said Kabiraj. "The spurt in passport



applications has resulted in an increase of waiting period for appointments. Tatkal applications, which had a waiting period of one day, are now taking about a week. Normal applications, where the waiting period was of one week, are now taking about three weeks for appointments," said Mr Kabiraj. He said: "Appointments at our Passport Seva Kendras in Ludhiana, Chandigarh and Ambala have been increased by 30 per cent so that the waiting period can be shortened for the convenience of the applicants."

Unvaccinated persons can't enter public places in Chandigarh from January 1

Commissioner News Service CHANDIGARH : To ensure the safety of non-vaccinated adults as they should not visit public places and stay at their residences as the "threat of Omicron looms large". In view of the new variant of concern, Omicron, persons who are not fully vaccinated are required to take more precautions. All adults who have not yet taken both doses of the Covid vaccine should remain at their residences and should not visit vulnerable public places/markets/functions/public transport/religious places, said UT Adviser Dharam Pal. Non-vaccinated persons will have to refrain from coming to public places with large gatherings such as the sabzi mandi, grain market, parks, religious places, malls and shopping complexes. Here, only fully vaccinated adults or those who are not due for the second dose as per the health protocol would be allowed. The UT Administration has decided to restrict the entry of unvaccinated individuals to public places, hotels, banks and government offices from January 1. Over 1.85 lakh beneficiaries are yet to take their second dose as they have failed



to turn up on the due date. Violation of these orders will attract a fine of Rs500 and non-payment of the fine by the violator will attract proceedings under Section 188 of the IPC. All additional/joint commissioners, Municipal Corporation, medical officer of health, medical officers as designated by the Director, Health and Family Welfare, UT, station house officers and any other officer/official specifically designated by the Deputy Commissioner have been designated for enforcing these directions. The entry is also restricted at all government/board/corporation offices, hotels, bars, restaurants, malls, shopping complexes, cinema halls, gyms and fitness centres and both private and government sector banks. "A large number of beneficiaries are "due and overdue" since long for the second dose of the Covid vaccine.

Glass fibre grid in new technology to overpower cracks on Chandigarh roads



Commissioner News Service CHANDIGARH : The glass fibre technology National Institute of Technical Teachers Training and Research, Sector 26 was used in parts of the airport road in Mohali. The method was recommended by the national institute for the civic body as per an MoU signed between the two. The technology is used on weak roads which develop regular cracks and where the soil has moisture. It is one of the many methods to prevent the problem. After using this technology on the Sec 55/56 road, we will wait to see its outcome. If it produces good results, the same technology will be implemented on other roads," said an MC official. To check the problem of regular cracks on roads, the local Municipal Corporation has introduced a new

technology of re-carpeting roads by using a glass-fibre grid. The re-carpeting work is underway on the road separating Sector 55 and 56 which often developed potholes and cracks, giving commuters a bumpy ride. The work has been completed on the Sector 55 side of the road. The technology is also seen as an alternative to costly concrete roads which were earlier laid in Sector 32 and Sector 39. The glass-fibre grid is a net which is laid between the wearing surface and the binder layer of a road. It reinforces asphalt structures. It is claimed to be a multipurpose solution to improve performance, to extend service life and thus to reduce maintenance costs of roads.

"Honest politics triumphs over corrupt politics" says Arvind Kejriwal, AAP convenor

Commissioner News Service NEW DELHI : The party's victory is a sign of the ensuing change in Punjab which will go to assembly polls early next year, said Arvind Kejriwal on Monday. The people of Chandigarh have chosen "honest politics" of the AAP, rejecting the "corrupt politics" of its rival parties added Mr Kejriwal. With the AAP emerging as the leading party winning 14 of 35 wards in Chandigarh Municipal Corporation polls, its national convenor and Delhi Chief Minister The AAP won 14 of 35 wards in



the final results declared on Monday. The BJP, which enjoyed a majority in the previous Municipal Corporation House, came a close second registering win in 12 wards, while the Congress bagged eight seats and the Shiromani Akali Dal one. The Congress, which was aiming to defeat the BJP, has been pushed to the third

place. "The victory of Aam Aadmi Party in Chandigarh Municipal Corporation is a sign of ensuing change in Punjab. People of Chandigarh have today chosen honest politics of AAP, rejecting the corrupt politics," Kejriwal tweeted. "Many congratulations to all the winning candidates and workers of the AAP. Punjab is ready for change change," he added. The AAP, which is the main Opposition party in Punjab, has contested the Chandigarh Municipal Corporation polls for the first time.

Adolescents to get vaccination on Cowin App from Jan 1

Commissioner News Service NEW DELHI : Eligible teens intending to be vaccinated would be required to register themselves on the Cowin app through their Aadhar Card and school IDs. Registration process for adolescents' vaccination on Cowin App will begin from January 1, Cowin Platform Chief Dr R.S. Sharma said on Monday. The registration process will begin from January 1 for teens using their Aadhar Card. He informed that those who do not have Aadhar Cards can register with their school IDs. One more option for the vaccine registration has been made



available on the app. All options will be operational from January 1. Prime Minister Narendra Modi, in his address to the nation on Saturday, had announced that the vaccination for children aged between 15 to 18 will start from January 3. "The decision to vaccinate children will not only strengthen our fight against Covid, it would also reduce the worries of parents whose children are going to schools,"

he said while announcing the major decision. Modi also announced booster dose for healthcare and frontline workers. As the elderly and the people with comorbidities are more vulnerable to serious illness from Omicron strain, the PM also announced a precaution dose for them. Hyderabad based vaccine manufacturer Bharat Biotech's Covid vaccine Covaxin has been granted approval from Drug Controller General of India for emergency use for children aged between 12 and 18 years. Earlier, Zyudus Cadila's three-dose DNA vaccine was allowed to be used on adults and children over the age of 12.

EOW to investigate cases of Rs1 cr and above

Commissioner News Service CHANDIGARH : Instead of minimum limit for EOW cases Rs50 lakh. Economic Offences Wing (EOW) of the Chandigarh police will now be dealing with complaints of fraud of Rs1 crore and above. Owing to limited staff in the wing and a rise in the number of complaints, the Police Department decided to revise the limit. Now, complaints involving cheating, embezzlement, forgery, etc. of Rs1 crore and above will be investigated by the EOW.



The order to revise the limit has been issued by UT DGP Praveer Ranjan. The sources said the number of complaints had been increased in past few years. "With time the limit has to be increased as the number of complaints involving fraud of up to Rs1 crore has

increased, which has led to a huge backlog of complaints," said a police official. Police officials said now, the complaints involving amounts less than Rs1 crore will be dealt with by the police stations concerned. A police official said the EOW deal with important cases concerning multi-level marketing fraud, share market fraud, foreign trade-related fraud, land and building racket, offence of forgery, cheating by individuals and non-banking financial companies, cyber crime, etc

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Panchkula police faces severe staff crunch

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PANCHKULA : Despite the approach in writing by the Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP) to the top officials, no action has been taken to improve the khaki strength. The district police are facing critical shortage of staff as the department is functioning with the strength approved on the 1991 Census even though new police stations and police posts were created after Panchkula was declared a district in 1995. In reply to an RTI application, the DCP stated that a proposal had been sent to the top officials on December 8 last year for approving a total of 841 posts, including 42 of sub-inspector, 106 of assistant sub-inspector, 215 of head constable and 478 of constable. In the motor transport branch of the local police, only 78 cops have been

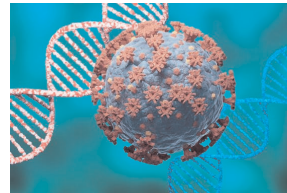


while about 300 police personnel are on duty at the Haryana Police Headquarter and on temporary duty with various units of the Haryana Police. This comes to 25 per cent of the total sanctioned strength of the Panchkula police. The RTI reply revealed that not a single post had been sanctioned for the Sector 14 police station. Besides, there are five police outposts in Sector 2, 6, 10, Ramgarh and Madhawala where not a single post has been approved. Interestingly, these police posts are still functioning. Vijay Bansal, an advocate and president of Shivalik Vikas Manch, has sent a letter to state Home Minister Anil Vij on behalf of the general public and requested for providing providing force in all police stations and police posts in the district to maintain law and order.

As per a report of the Bureau of Police Research and Development, 114 cops are required in each police station, but on an average there are only 20 to 30 in each police station of Panchkula. Now, the situation is that no police personnel are on deputation in the Police Commissionerate, Panchkula, whereas a total of 320 cops from here are on deputation in other stations

Tricity faces advent of 3 fresh Omicron cases

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CHANDIGARH : In the UT, two family members of the city's first Omicron case, a 20-year-old international traveller from Italy who came to meet his relatives in the city, tested positive for the new variant. Tricity reported three new cases of the Omicron variant, two from Chandigarh and one from Panchkula. With these fresh cases, the number of Omicron cases in the tricity has risen to four. One of them is an 80-year-old man who is a patient of hypertension. Though he is asymptomatic, he has been isolated in the hospital. The second patient, a 45-year-old man, was discharged after his re-test result came out negative on December 24. A total of seven family members of the first Omicron patient of



the city were tested for Covid and five of them were found positive, following which their samples were sent to Delhi for genome sequencing. According to health officials, the results of three samples that were sent for genome sequencing were still pending. A 23-year-old woman from Kalka, who studies in the US and arrived in India on December 15 to meet her family, today became the first person in the district to test positive for the Omicron variant.

Alertness must for fighting the Omicron variant, says Narendra Modi

Commissioner News Service
NEW DELHI : Individual alertness and discipline are a big strength of the country in the fight against the Omicron variant of Covid said Prime Minister Narendra Modi during "Mann Ki Baat" radio broadcast, on Sunday. India has done an "unprecedented" work in its inoculation drive if its vaccination numbers are compared with global figures said Mr Modi. He, however, also asked people to maintain caution against the new variant of the virus. "The Omicron variant is being constantly reviewed by our scientists. Every day, they are getting new data and steps are being taken based on their suggestions," Modi said. Individual alertness and discipline are a "big strength" of the country in the fight against the new variant of coronavirus, he said. "It is our collective strength which will defeat Covid. We have to enter 2022 with this sense of responsibility," said the Prime Minister.



"Crossing the 140 million vaccine doses is an achievement of each and every Indian. This shows the trust of every Indian in the system," he added. In his address, Modi also paid tribute to Group Captain Varun Singh, who died last week after battling for life for several days after a chopper crash on December 8 that killed Chief of Defence Staff General Bipin Rawat, his wife, and other personnel. "He inspired millions of Indians," Modi said. The Prime Minister also spoke about Arunachal Pradesh's conservation efforts and said it was praiseworthy that the people of the state were willing to surrender their airguns to save birds. So far, more than 1,600 airguns have been surrendered.

Indian judiciary faces challenges of future : CJI

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AMARAVATI : While delivering the fifth Sri Lavu Venkateswarlu Endowment Lecture on "Indian Judiciary — Challenges of future" at Siddhartha Law College in Vijayawada, NV Ramana Chief Justice of India said Indian judiciary would have to face challenges in future. The notion that "judges are themselves appointing judges" is a myth as the judiciary is just one of the many players involved in the process of selecting judicial officers, said NV Ramana Chief Justice of India. He also said that in recent times, physical attacks on judicial officers were on the rise and at times, there were concerted campaigns in the print and social media against judges if parties did not get a favourable order while these attacks appeared to be "sponsored and synchronised". There was a need to liberate the



institution of public prosecutors. Total independence must be granted to them and to make them answerable only to the courts, he further said. "It is nowadays fashionable to reiterate phrases such as 'judges are themselves appointing judges'. I consider this to be one of the widely propagated myths. The fact is the judiciary is merely one of the many players involved in the process," Justice Ramana said. Recently, Kerala MP John Brittas had reportedly said during a debate in Parliament on the High Court and Supreme Court Judges (Salaries and

Conditions of Service) Amendment Bill, 2021, that judges appointing judges was unheard of anywhere. "Many authorities are involved, including the Union Law Ministry, state governments, Governor, High Court Collegium, Intelligence Bureau and lastly, the topmost executive, who all are designated to examine the suitability of a candidate. I am sad to note that the well-informed persons propagate the aforesaid notion. After all, this narrative suits certain sections," Justice Ramana said.

Jabs for 5-15 age group sought by Congress

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NEW DELHI : Randeep Surjewala, Congress chief spokesperson while briefing media at AICC headquarters here, alleged that the Modi government had "failed India" during the pandemic. He said, "Modi ji failed the migrant workers, poor and small traders during the Covid waves." A day after Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced expansion of vaccination coverage, the Congress demanded jabs for children between 5 and 15 years. Demanding that the government must follow a clear vaccination policy, the Opposition party also asked the PM to spell out the plan for combating the pandemic. Taking a swipe at the PM for holding political rallies, the Congress said, while in Uttar Pradesh gatherings at weddings were being limited to 200, Modi was holding



huge rallies. On Saturday, the PM had announced that vaccination for children between 15 and 18 years would start from January 3, while the "precaution dose" for healthcare and frontline workers would be administered from January 10. In an address to the nation, Modi said the precaution dose would also be available for citizens above 60 years of age having comorbidities on the advice of their doctors from January 10 next year. Alleging that Covid "mismanagement" led to "death of nearly 40 lakh

Indians" Surjewala said, "The tepid response on Omicron virus is even more alarming now." The Congress leader said despite the "lofty announcement", the harsh reality is that 47.95 crore adults over 18 years of age are yet to be administered 59.40 crore doses. Questioning job availability, Surjewala said the PM's announcement would mean that 25.69 crore people would be entitled to 35.7 crore more vaccine doses. He said the need was over 90 crore doses.

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Key resource of economic growth power demand shoots 10% more

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NEW DELHI : In the current financial year, India's power demand a key indicator of economic growth escalated more than 10% from April to November.

Indeed, coal-fired plants stepped up generation by 14% to bridge the gap left by a 28% fall in output from stations running on imported coal and 43% from imported gas as a sharp rise in their prices made them uneconomical for cash-strapped distribution companies. The picture could have been different had Coal



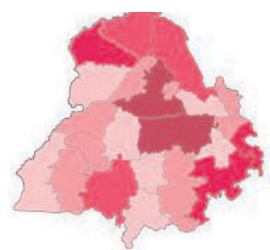
India, which accounts for 80% of fuel supplies for power production and captive mines not ramped up production to keep pace with the rising power demand except for a short period when supplies were hit by heavy rains in coal-bearing states between

mid-August and September. Coal India's production has registered a 5.6% growth and dispatch rose 19% in the April-November period compared to the same period of last year. Production from captive mines surged nearly 56%.

Punjab to get assistance from Centre in defeating Covid-19

Commissioner News Service

CHANDIGARH : Punjab is on amidst the threat of Omicron variant of Covid-19 having vaccine coverage below the national average. It has so far managed to provide the first dose to 75% and the second dose to only 40% of the eligible population. The Union government has deputed a team of experts to assist the state government in taking corrective measures. The team has been entrusted with the responsibility of assessing the prevailing situation, suggesting remedial action and submitting report every day to the Centre well as the state government. The experts will also look at areas such as contact tracing, testing and other containment



operations. It will also take stock of the availability of hospital beds and sufficient logistics, including ambulances, ventilators and medical oxygen. The vaccination drive and measure like testing and contact tracing in the state have been severely hit by strike by the employee of national Health Mission who have been staying away from Covid-19 duties for over a month now. The testing average of many districts is even below the state's average. The state has

failed to cross the one lakh vaccination mark in the last 10 days and recorded the lowest count of giving jabs to 9,908 beneficiaries. As Covid-19 vaccines are the safest method of gaining immunity, the central government has been asking the state government for ensuring rapid vaccination coverage for all eligible beneficiaries. Experts are of the view that vaccines generate a wide immune response and are likely to be effective against variant. Mutation are unlikely to make vaccines completely ineffective. To counter the threat of Omicron, the Union health ministry has directed the state government to launch door-to-door drive for testing and tracing of the infected persons.

Climate change can't be ignored: German envoy

Commissioner News Service

SHIMLA : Climate change is a indispensable subject that cannot be ignored or neglected anymore, said Walter J Lindner the German envoy. It manifests in different ways and support from developed countries is required for developing countries.

Germany and India have a long standing cooperation especially in Himachal Pradesh, on topics such as climate change, hydropower and agriculture among others, added Walter J Lindner.

Experts and scientists from all over the world should join hands to discuss prevention and mitigation of climate change, induced risks in the Himalayas, said Prabodh Saxena, Additional chief secretary (environment, science and technology). Speaking on the occasion, Soham Wanchuk director, students educational and cultural movement of Ladakh, said future will see many unprecedented calamities if we don't act now. He said it is



important to engage the youth to build the prosperity of the mountains. Eco literacy and climate literacy should become paramount in the education system, especially in the mountain regions, he added. He said bigger cities owe the support and finances to deal with hazards and prepare better. Department of environment, science & technology, government of Himachal Pradesh in association with German Development Cooperation (GIZ) is organizing the conference 'secure Himalaya, safe India reducing climate change induced risks & vulnerabilities due to GLOF glacial lake outburst floods in himalayas'.

VIPs' security belt to be strengthened with women commandos

Commissioner News Service

NEW DELHI : All VIPs' Security would be strengthened with more trained CRPF women commandos. The Z-Plus category protectees based in the national capital would include Amit Shah, Home Minister, Sonia Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi Vadra all congress leaders besides Man Mohan Singh former Prime minister, said the sources. The women personnels who have been through a mandatory course covering all aspects of VIP security, may also accompany the protected persons on campaign visits to the states where assembly polls are due in the near future. The CRPF has raised its first- ever contingent of 32



woman commandos in its VIP security wing and they have just concluded a 10 week training in unarmed combat, body frisking and special weapons firing. Source said they are likely to be deployed starting from January. About a dozen other Z-plus protectees will also be provided security by the woman commandos on a rotational basis, source said.

The commandos will be deployed starting with the house protection teams of these VIPs and could accompany the leaders polls in the coming months--- UP, Punjab, Uttarakhand, Manipur and Goa. The woman commandos, like their male counterparts, will carry arms, ballistic protection and other gadgets as required on the job.

Centre extends Covid-related restrictions till January 31, 2022

Commissioner News Service

NEW DELHI : Amid rising cases of Covid-19 and Omicron variant in the country, the Centre has extended the existing Covid-related restrictions in the country till January 31, 2022.

In an order issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs, the local/district administrations have been advised to promptly take containment measures against threat of the Omicron variant based on their own assessment of the situation.

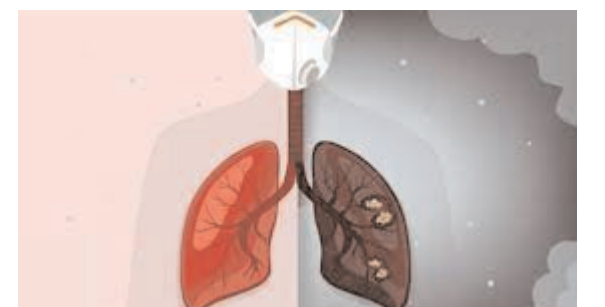
The MHA order said that the guidelines issued on December 21 will be extended till January 31, 2022. In the December 21 guidelines, the Centre said that states/UTs must impose containment measures if Covid-19 testing shows more than 10 per cent positivity rate or if there is

more than 40 per cent of hospital bed occupancy. With distinct presence of Delta variant and detection of Omicron cases in many states, need for greater foresight, data analysis, dynamic decision making, and strict and prompt containment actions at local and district levels, based on assessment of situation," the order stated. The state governments should ensure that the health systems in the States are strengthened to meet any challenge posed by the new variant, the order said. The medical authorities would ensure oxygen supply equipment are installed and are fully functional and the buffer stock of essential drugs maintained, it added.

Rs 15 Lac bad-air compensation sought from govts

Commissioner News Service

NEW DELHI : In a petition a lawyer has sought Rs 15 lakh compensation for "specific and exemplary damages" caused to him. The plea has also claimed that air pollution can also cause serious lung diseases and cancer. Justice Yashwant Verma had posted the plea for December 6, after the petitioner did not appear initially when the case was called. "Please understand the high court is not a playground and you should desist from using it as one," the judge advised the petitioner, who appeared when the case was called for hearing once again in the end.



The court also asked the petitioner to approach the Supreme Court, if he was concerned with the capital's air quality, as the apex court is already looking into the issue. However, the advocate submitted that he has sought health insurance for himself from the Centre and the AAP government on account of the bad air quality. It said the SC already expanded the scope of

Article 21 of the Constitution of India by holding the "Right to clean pollution free environment" as a fundamental right. The petitioner has also prayed for a direction to the authorities to immediately seal the factories that are manufacturing firecrackers in Delhi - NCR and the shops selling them.

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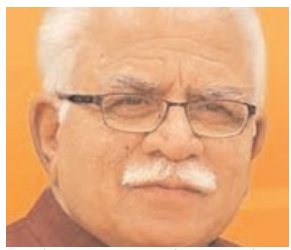
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Arthvyavastha Parivartan Se Sushashan -Khattar

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CHANDIGARH : A patrika named 'Vyavastha Parivartan Se Sushashan' along with the official calendar of year 2022 was launched. On this occasion Manohar Lal Khattar the chief minister of Haryana also honoured 78 officers and employees for doing commendable work in various fields in the State. A portal of Haryana Kaushal Rozgar Nigam along with the announcement of setting up of a Atal Park and Smriti Kendra in Gurgaon a programme was organized on the occasion of Good Governance. On the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Atal Bihar Vajpayee and



Mahamana Madan Mohan Malviya, the chief minister said that after the formation of the government in the year 2014, Prime Minister Narendra Modi called upon us to celebrate Good Governance Day on December 25th every year. Accordingly moving forward in the direction of good governance, the state government has taken various

bold decision in order to strengthen and review the system.

All the problems of the public are being conscientiously solved easily through CM Window system. So far, more than 8.5 lakh issues have been resolved. The government has abolished the practice of remand in the cases of the Revenue Department. Only a maximum of two appeals can be made in this. Apart from this, a run through system has been implemented to accelerate the file work. The government has abolished the contractual practice in the recruitment made in the department," he said.

Varun Gandhi, BJP MP defies logic of curfew, while lakhs being called for rallies

Commissioner News Service
NEW DELHI : Assailing the logic of Yogi govt , Varun Gandhi lambasted the ways lakhs of people are being called for strengthening the hands of BJP outfit in ongoing poll rallies. The rallies would never help in curbing the resurgence of Covid 19 cases. He urged UP govt to restrict the strength of rallies which could spread the infection . Imposing curfew in nights ,calling lakhs of people in day rallies is no justifying step and remains beyond common man's comprehension. added Mr Varun .



Taking state limited health care systems, we have to honestly deal with the spread of dreaded Omicron or seek electoral power. Over the past few months, Mr Varun had supported farmers' protests against the farm laws and criticised the Lakhimpur Kheri violence

'Right to Service Commission' serves show cause notice on Sec 34 SHO

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CHANDIGARH : Mr Devender Singh, SHO Sector 34 has been served a show cause notice by the Chandigarh Right to Service Commission against 'no action' on a sexual harassment complaint even with in a month already passed by. The Commission has served notice asking the SHO to appear before it with complete record of the case on 29 Dec. It may be recalled here that on Oct 6 last, a city resident had filed a complaint at the SSP public window in



Sector 9 against two brothers who are his neighbours. He had alleged that the two made obscene gestures at his wife and also used foul language and passed lewd comments. The complainant claimed that he had earlier provided documentary evidence against the accused to the police, but no

action was taken. The SSP marked the complaint to the Sector 34 police station and the complainant met the SHO and the ASP (South division), but no action was taken against the accused. The complainant alleged that the accused had installed CCTV camera to record their movement or keep an eye on them and it was a case of breach of his privacy. He said the UT police were working under pressure, as the accused had links with a national political party.

Sit ins at sub-divisions by farm, labour outfits from Dec 30

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BATHINDA : Farm and rural labourer organization have decided to show black flags to the chief minister, ministers and MLAs across Punjab in protest against the government's failure to implement the demands it had accepted. They have also decided to hold sit-ins at sub-divisional headquarters on December 28,29 and 30. Seven labourer organizations have formed Sanjha Mazdoor Morcha on the lines of joint farmers' front to fight collectively and put pressure on the government to fulfill its promise. Punjab Khet Mazdoor Union general secretary Lachman Sewewala and Mazdoor Mukti Morcha president Bhagwant Samao said the protest will be held in villages whenever any congress



minister or MLA comes visiting. They said that in a meeting with them on November 23, chief minister Charanajit Singh Channi had accepted their demand for plots those without a roof and to take action against officials if fail to act promptly in providing plots, to provide possession of earmarked plots, reconnecting electricity connected for non payment of bills, waiving off the arrears of power bills, providing loans up to Rs 50,000 by fixing quota of labourers at 25% in

primary agriculture cooperative societies and providing subsidised pulses, sugar, tea leaves apart from wheat to blue card holders.

A committee was formed under ADGP Ishwar Singh to probe cases of atrocities on Dalits and withdrawing cases registered during protests. They said the CM had also assured them to ensure one-third of shamat land is given to Dalits at subsidised lease money and to check dummy auctions. The other assurances given by the CM and not implemented are regarding ex-gratia compensation of Rs 50,000 upon the death of a person due to Covid, provide 10% compensation for cotton crop damage by holding gram sabha session, they added.

Rooms stashed with illegal Rs 284cr, still he rides scooter

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KANPUR : Piyush used to lead a very simple life, local residents said. He also avoided using high-end cars and used to drive in old vehicles to escape focus and public attention . He learnt art of making compounds of perfumes from his father. Piyush Jain visited his ancestral home in Chhipaiti area of Kannauj, he could be seen riding his old Bajaj Priya scooter. Mr Jain learned the art of making compounds of performance from his father, who is a chemist. He started the perfumes business in Kanpur, and expanded to other parts of the country in the past 20 years. He now has a flourishing business in Mumbai and Gujarat. An said that Directorate of Revenue Intelligence has been alerted as 23 kg gold and 600 kg sandalwood oil having a market value of about Rs 6 crore, hid-



den in a cellar, was seized from jain's office and factory premises. "As the gold recovered is having foreign markings, DRI is being appraised about the same so that necessary investigation could be carried out," he said. "Jain during questioning, however, has confessed that the cash recovered from his residential premises is related to sale of goods without payment of GST," he said. Earlier, Jain had stated before the Central agencies that he selling 400kg of ancestral gold.

Vrindavan priests demand ban on Sunny Leone album

Commissioner News Service
AGRA : Sunny Leone through her video album has hurt religious sentiments. In her dance performance 'Madhu ban mein Radhika Nache' the Bolly actress has demonstrated obscene action and maligned the image of Brajbhoomi. Besides Vrindavan Priests



a Hinduitava outfit also has manifested their anger by filing a police

complaint. Mr MP Singh, the police SSP has said as no FIR was lodged against the film actors. Such videos need a total ban and actors must tender a public apology in order to ensure no further obscene dance be allowed to lower the religions uprightness and solidarities, said the priests.

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SSP Office : 0172-2270575, 76, 77
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
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Police Station Suhana : 9115516029
Police Station Balaugi : 9115516040
Graveyard Mohali : 0172-2236403, 18001802468

COMPLAINT CENTERS

Water Supply : 18001802468

Mohali Division Electricity Complaint Number : 9646115973

COMPLAINTS MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

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PUDA OFFICE - 0172-2215308

PASSENGERS SERVICE

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