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## UGC, AICTE, NCTE to merge into a single regulator, bill approved by cabinet

Commissioner News Service

New Delhi : The cabinet govt has approved proposal for Viksit Bharat Shiksha, Adhikshan Bill for merging of UGC, AICTE and NCTE into a single overarching regulator for higher education

cation which was previously called Higher Education Commission of India, said Union Education Minister Dharamendra Pardhan. The act will oversee functioning of this singular commission educational institutions as the sole authority responsible for coordinating and determining standards of higher education, research, scientific and technical institutions nationwide including IIT and IIM institutions.

ing IIT and IIM institutions. The bill having been passed in Parliament would have (a) Viksit Bharat Shiksha Parishad, into a unified central body.

Bharat Shiksha Parishad (Regulation) (b) Viksit Bharat Siksha (Accreditation) (c) Viksit Bharat Shiksha Manak (Standard) Parishad, into a unified central body.

The UGC earlier regulated non technical higher education institutions in India. The VBSA would oversee functioning of Central, state technical, private universities including open universities, digital, besides online education with holistic development. The bill passed by the cabinet was envisioned by the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 which proposed 3 verticals of HECI.

## Rs 65 Cr accorded for Dhakoli overbridge, tendering process to begin soon by railways

Commissioner News Service

Zirakpur : The fly-over bridge on Rly crossing, project in Dhakoli area has been sanctioned Rs



### India accelerates business visas for Chinese professionals

Commissioner News Service New Delhi: India has cut red tape to speed business visas for Chinese professionals, said two officials. A major step to boost ties between the Asian giants and end chronic delays that cost output worth billions of dollars because of scarce technicians. As Prime Minister Narendra Modi cautiously rekindles ties with Beijing in the face of punishing U.S. tariffs, the officials said New Delhi dropped a layer of bureaucratic scrutiny and shortened visa approval times to less than a month. India had blocked virtually all Chinese visits after the nuclear-armed neighbours clashed on their Himalayan frontier in mid-2020, widening its vetting of business visas beyond the home



and the top think tank on policy, did not respond to e-mail requests for comment. Following the news, China's foreign ministry said it had noticed "positive action" from India to facilitate people-to-people exchanges in the common interest. "China is willing to maintain communication and consultation with India to continuously enhance the level of facilitation of exchanges," added ministry spokesperson Guo Jiakun. Think tank the Observer Research Foundation estimates the tougher scrutiny led to production losses of \$15 billion over four years to Indian electronics makers, which import key machinery from China to make mobile telephones.

65 Cr by the union ministry of railways. Residents in the affected area have been demanding

the provision of rly over bridge as the congestion had been unbearable, at least 20 times the railway "phatak

"remains closed. Several people designated the number of jams as curse/misery offered by the ruthless nature.

No more headaches will be tolerated due to uneasy awaits near the railway crossing, consoled Manpreet

Singh Banni Sandhu, a local BJP leader of DeraBassi block constituency.

### Trump's \$100,000 H-1B visa fee draws legal challenge from U.S. states

Commissioner News Service Washington : California and 19 other U.S. states filed a lawsuit on Friday (December 12, 2025) seeking to block President Donald Trump's \$100,000 fee on new H-1B visas for highly skilled foreign workers.



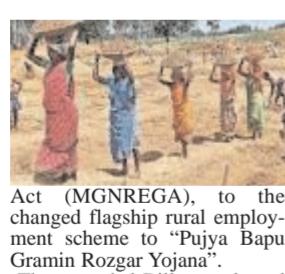
The lawsuit in federal court in Boston is at least the third to challenge the fee announced by Trump in September, which dramatically raises the cost of obtaining H-1B visas. California Attorney General Rob Bonta's office said in a release that Trump lacks the power to impose the fee and that

Bonta, a Democrat, said the \$100,000 fee would create unnecessary financial burdens for providers of vital services such as education and healthcare, exacerbating labor shortages and threatening to cut services.

The states joining California in the lawsuit include New York, Massachusetts, Illinois, New Jersey and Washington. The White House, in response to other lawsuits, has said the new fee is a lawful exercise of Trump's powers and will discourage employers from abusing the H-1B.

### Gramin Rozgar Yojna from old MGNREGA Act

Commissioner News Service New Delhi : On the amended legislation, the Bill envisaged to increase the guaranteed employment up to 100 days to 125 days, and introduce tweaks for better utilisation of funds, especially in economically weaker states.



The proposed Bill in the ongoing Winter session of Parliament would amend the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), to the changed flagship rural employment scheme to "Pujya Bapu Gramin Rozgar Yojana". The amended Bill was cleared by the Union Cabinet in its

meeting held on Friday (December 12, 2025) disclosed the senior govt officials.

There was no official announcement on the proposal at the Cabinet briefing addressed by Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw. The original Bill passed by Parliament on August 25, 2005 was called "National Rural Employment Guarantee Act". The prefix "Mahatma Gandhi" was added in 2009.

### Demand for regulation of airfare, free, compulsory early childhood care



ber's resolution on regulating airfares, brought in by Congress member Shafi Paramaband. The Union Cabinet on Friday (December 12, 2025) cleared a Bill to repeal 71 laws which have outlived

their utility in the statute books, officials said. Out of the 71 laws, 65 are amendments to principal Acts and six are principal laws. At least one law proposed to be repealed is of the British era, the officials. The issue of air pollution in major cities of the country was raised by Rahul Gandhi, leader of opposition and asked the Centre for a discussion in the matter.

### Cabinet approves for conduct of census in 2027

Commissioner News Service New Delhi : The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has approved the proposal for conducting Census of India 2027 at a cost of Rs.11,718.24 crore. The Indian Census is the largest administrative and statistical exercise in the world. The Census of India would be conducted in two phases: (i) Houselisting and Housing Census – April to September, 2026 and (ii) Population Enumeration (PE) – February 2027 (For the UT of Ladakh and snow bound non-synchronous areas of UT of Jammu & Kashmir and states of Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand, PE shall be conducted in September, 2026).

About 30 lakh field functionaries will complete this gigantic exercise of national importance. Use of mobile app for data collection and the Central portal for monitoring purpose will ensure better quality data. Data dissemination will be much better and in a user friendly way so that all the queries on required parameters for policy making will be made available on the click of a button.

### NDA captures power in Kerala local body polls

Commissioner News Service Thiruvananthapuram : UDF (United Democratic Front) once again has reclaimed Thrissur Corporation; where a Suresh Gopi wave failed to show up the solitary wave. The United Democratic Front headed towards a decisive comeback in the Thrissur Corporation after a decade, with trends pointing to an absolute majority and a clear rejection of the much-hyped "Suresh Gopi effect." As counting progressed the UDF led in 33 divisions, well past the halfway mark, while the LDF is ahead in 11 and the NDA in eight. Four independent candidates are also in the lead. The results mark a sharp reversal from the 2020 civic polls, when the UDF narrowly missed



power in a dramatic finish. That projection has fallen short. While the NDA has marginally improved its tally — from six seats in 2020 to eight leads now — it has failed to make the breakthrough it promised. The anticipated translation of parliamentary momentum into local body gains did not materialise.

### Chandigarh has 11300 govt buildings with solar panels

Commissioner News Service Chandigarh : "I am surprised there are 6000 govt buildings of the UT Administration. From Oct 24 to Dec 24, Chandigarh administration kept browbeating inhabitants of Chandigarh that their land registration would be cancelled. Who in Chandigarh administration issued so illegal, arbitrary instruction in a malicious exercise of power," asked Manish Tewari, the Chandigarh MP. In response, Mr. Shridhar Yesso Naik, Union Minister of State for Renewable Energy categorically denied any such type of statement was ever issued.



He disclosed as of 31 Oct, 2025, total of 22.42 GW of roof top solar RTS capacity was installed across various categories of consumers in the country. A total of 52825 MW RTS capacity with rooftop solar plants were installed on these 11,300 govt buildings, added Mr Naik.

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3. Hotel Classic, 9501175566 SCO 34, Main Silver City, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
4. Hotel A One, 8168535996 SCO 8, Silver City, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur.
5. Hotel Kuber 7, 9041881078, 9041881076 Near Silver City, Amb-Chd road, Opp Royal City, ZRK
6. Royal Plaza Hotel, 8837859503, 9357007777, SCO 25, Silver City, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
7. Hotel KC Royal, 9888625636

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Amb-Chd road, Opp Royale Estate, Zirakpur

8. Hotel Galaxy View, 8684930771 Near Patiala Chowk, Zirakpur

9. Hotel D' Plaza, 9578000020 SCO 9, Modern Complex, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur

10. Hotel Waves, 01762-510909, 9041092622 SCO 21, Kalgidhar Enclave, Zirakpur-Kalka road, Baltana Zirakpur

11. Hotel # Tag, 7999900050 SCO17, Kalgidhar Market, Opp. K.Area, Baltana,ZRK

12. Hotel Taj Inn, 8968284079 SCO22, Kalgidhar Market, Opp. K.Area, Baltana,ZRK

13. Hotel Atlante, Properties 9578110000 SCO24, Kalgidhar Market, Opp. K.Area, Baltana,ZRK

14. Hotel Magus, 9872791857 SCO 3, Shimla Highway, Zirakpur

15. Hotel Shine Inn, 7341134340 SCO4,(Near Sohi Banquet Hall) Simla Highway, ZRK

16. Prime Land Regency, 7837767769 SCO 34-35, Simla Highway, ZRK

17. Hotel Z, 9478479235 Roof Top Restaurant Shimla road, Zirakpur

## CLINIC/HOSPITAL/LAB

1. AMCARE Hospital, Abhi Tej Nibber 7087113922 VIP road, Zirakpur
2. Public Clinic & Nursing Home (Lab Facility Also Available) Dr Ashwani Bansal, Mobile : 9915866644
- Near N.K. Sharma Office, Amb-chd road, Zirakpur
3. Santosh Hospital, 9779968778
- SCF101-A, Shree Balaji Enclave, Patiala road, Zirakpur
4. Dr Dhawan's, 9876931601 Renovin Skin & Cosmetology Clinic, SCO 17, First Floor, Navjot Square, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
5. Ashirwad Hospital, 9501775448 Bhabat road, Zirakpur
6. Myoma Clinic, Dr Chatli, 9872669171 Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur

## MEDICINES &amp; CHEMISTS/MEDICOS

1. Mohan Medical Hall, 9063000061 Amb-chd road, Zirakpur
2. MF Chemist, 7341130032 Allopathic/Ayurvedic/Cosmetics SCO 16, Navjot Square, Near NK Sharma office, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
3. The Diabetes Store, (Retail & Wholesale) 16, Navjot Square, Zirakpur

## PROPERTY GROUP

1. Investors Home, 9781077770 Civil Construction, Interior Designer, Shop 9, Silver City Mains, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
2. SBP Group, 9888854530 Plot no. 1265, Near Tata Motors, Sector 82, Mohali
3. Maya Garden Magnesia, 9815521552 Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
4. Om Property, 7696445500 SCO 2, Near Parmar Petrol Pump, Chd-Amb road, ZRK.

## TAXI, TRANSPORTS

1. Guru Nanak Taxi Service, 9988531007 \*\*A/c, Non A/c cars\*\*
- Near UCO Bank, Modern Complex, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
2. GS Tezi Transport, 24 Hrs Mobile : 9316017250 Ranjan Plaza, Zirakpur
3. Satguru, Loading Jeep Operator Union, 9872531068, 9814722165, Ranjan Plaza, Chd-road, Zirakpur
4. Sai Tour & Travels 9888875827 A/c, Non A/c 24 Hours, Shop 1, Dev Shopping Complex, Bhabat road, Zirakpur

## RESTAURANTS, EATRIES, DHABA

1. Dine o City, Mobile 9876629396 Buffet & Restaurants, SCO 5, Opp. Royal City, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
2. Baba Ki Rasoi, 8427468720 Amritsari Kulcha, Near NK Sharma office, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
3. Guru Nanak Vaishnu Dhabha, 9779004974 Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur

## JEWELLERS SHINE

1. Shri Kapila Jewellers, 9872207279 SCO 21, Block-B, VIP road, Zirakpur
2. Mahadev Jewellers, 9876826740 9, Block-B, Ground Floor, High Street, VIP road, Zirakpur
3. Bagga Jewellers, 9815000662 SCO 6, Badal Colony, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
4. MG Jewellers, 988881869 Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
5. Kalaji Jeweller, 9815076523, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur

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2. Ganesh Electricals, 9417621222 Shop 637, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
3. Shiv Electricals, 9569243076 Repair & Spare, Amb-chd road, Zirakpur
4. CLOTH HOUSE/EMPORIUM/BOUTIQUE
1. Paridhaan, (9570000069) Designer Suit Saree, Lehenga G-10, Hollywood Plaza, VIP road, Zirakpur
2. Brand Tree, Fashion Wear, 7888721165 VIP road, Block-C, Zirakpur
3. Sanorita, 9878523318 (Kiran) The Fashion Town, Western Outfit, SCO 5, AMCARE Plaza, VIP road, Zirakpur
4. Indian Shadow Handloom, 7082071500 Curtain King, Near PTC, Lower Ground, Shop 14, VIP road, Zirakpur
5. Raymond, Dulha Collection, 9888388919 Men's Tailoring Shop, Shop 5, 1st Floor, VIP road, Near AMCARE Hospital, Zirakpur
6. Vijay Cobb Brand Fabric, 9625168599
7. Octave Clothing Apparel, 9988886017 Upper Ground Floor, Shop 1,2 Singhpara, Zirakpur
8. Gupta Cloth House, 9815694155, Suits, Sarees, Lehnga, Handloom SCO 1, Royale Estates, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
9. Veena Fashion, 9855595548 \*\* Party wear Suit/Dress Material/Wedding Collection SCO 4, Royale Estate Market, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur

## DENTAL CARE/CLINIC/DENTURE

1. Aesthetic Dental Centre Dr Samir Anand 9872184048, VIP road, Shopping Centre, Zirakpur
2. Dr Hayer's, Dental Care 9914495951 SCO 2, First Floor, Royal Estate, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
3. Smile Dental Clinic, 9888345500 SCO 56, Dev Shopping Complex, Pabbat road, Zirakpur
4. Books & STATIONERS, GIFT, TOYS
1. Jindal Book Centre, 9417851069, 9463420594 \*Gift Item Sports\*, near Mona Green, Opp Apple Height, VIP road, Zirakpur

2. Fancy Stationers, Vivek, 828382651 SCO 42, Ground Floor, B-Block, VIP road, Zirakpur
3. Gopal Ji Gift Gallery Archies, 9968590015 SCO 6, Block-C, (Opp Indus Ind Bank) VIP road, ZRK
4. Garg Stationery Zone, 7341111142 SCO 3, Block B, Royale Palm, VIP road, Zirakpur
5. SANITARY, HARDWARE/PLY/PLY/TIMBER
1. Aggarwal Building Store, 7814999997 SCO 12, Near ICICI Bank, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur

2. Ganga Traders, 9034794483 Chd-Amb road, (Opp. NK Sharma) Zirakpur
3. Bansal & Sons, 9815245803 \*\*Plywood, Hardware, Sanitary, Paints SCO 1 A, B Royale Estate, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
4. Shiv Hardware, 9417728473 Paints, Sanitary Near NK Sharma Office, Opp. Royale Estates, Zirakpur
5. Amara Trading Co., 9356948172 \*\*Aluminium Section, A.C.P, A.P.P sheets, Laminated Board\*\* Opp. UCO Bank, Chd-Amb road, Badal Colony, Zrk.

6. AS Enterprises, 8194980063 \*\*Manufacturing variety of boards including 2D & 3D Jaali\*\* SCO 1, Near GS Memorial Public School, Zirakpur
7. SWEETS WONDER
1. Khalsa Sweets & Dairy, 9914304596 (Jawaharpurian Dee Hatti), Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
2. Longia Sweets, 9814906894, 9914351215 21, near Hotel Citi Inn, Zirakpur
3. Goyal's Chandigarh Sweets, 9357258011, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
4. Annpurna Sweets, 7508700555 Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
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1. Kothari Graphics, 9988335861 Near NK Sharma Office, SCO 13, 15 Navjot Square, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur

2. Graphics Printing, 9256338644 SCO 6/697, Basement, Opp. Parmar Petrol Pump), Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
3. AV Traders, 9888063232 Amb-Chd road, Parmar petrol pump, Zirakpur
4. Yadav Document Centre, 9888348862 \*\*Documents all solutions\*\* Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
5. Glow Signage Chg, 9316198717 (A Complete Printing Hub) SCO 1, Modern Complex, Near Vijay Bank, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
6. GROCERY, KARYANA STORE
1. Tushan Gupta, Mobile 8437061864 Ganpati Karyana Store, Shop 4, VIP road, Zirakpur

2. Aggarwal Provision Store, Mobile 8195998148, Shop 41, Lower Ground, High Street, VIP road, Zirakpur
3. PTC Retail, Shop No. 44, Block-B, High Street Market, VIP road, Zirakpur

## COMMUNICATION, LAPTOP, MOBILE, COMPUTERS

1. Tricity Computers Service, Link Patiala Road Sigma City, Opp Defence Enclve Lohgarh (Zirakpur) Balwinder Singh Mobile 7814422624
2. The Mobile Gallery, 9888301099 Near Lottery Bazar, SCO 06, PKL-road, Zirakpur New Mobiles, Accessories and Mobile Repair etc.
3. Phone Zone, Mobile : 9464856771 VIP road, near KFC, Zirakpur
4. Sachhi Trading, Mobile 9914669100 Shop 10, Ground Floor, B-Block, VIP road, Zirakpur
5. Dell Store, Gulam Heddar 9878614133, 9914007121 Computer, Laptop, High Street, Block-A, VIP road, Zirakpur

## BAKERS/oven/DAIRY

1. Pulkit Dairy, Mobile 9872715495 Butter, Milk, Cream, Paneer, Shop No.3, Opp. Apple Height VIP road, Zirakpur
2. Khan Dairy, Butter, Milk, Cream, Paneer, VIP road, Kaseri Plaza, Zirakpur (Mr Sonu) 8872413205, 9779908814
3. Blu Heaven (Cake Shop), Mobile 8146030300 VIP road, SCO 11, (VIP Shopping Centre) Zirakpur
4. Gurpal Bakers, 8728852525 Baker & Confectioners, 37, Block-B, High Street, VIP road, Zirakpur
5. National Baker's Bake Shop, 9646688997 Patiala road, Near PNB Bank, Zirakpur

## VITALITY FRUITS, DRY MEWA

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2. PUNGENT TARKA, SPICES

## INTERIOR DECOR, GIFTS/ GLITTERS/PVC

1. Dhruv Interiors, 9356280216 Shop 4,5 Navjot Square, Near NK Sharma Office, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
2. Chandigarh Wallpapers HUB Mobile, 9729687777 Saurav Sikri, Opp. Domino's Pizza VIP road, Zirakpur
3. Fuzzon, 9958828833, 9540722215 SCO 19, VIP road, Shopping Centre, Zirakpur
4. Decor Plus, Pawan Jain 9215600099 SCO 25, Block-B, VIP road, Zirakpur
5. Doro Homes Concepts, 7814572180 Shop 22, Block-A, VIP road, Zirakpur
6. Chandigarh Interior Hub, 9050374005 Handloom & Wallpaper, SCO 5, Hollywood Plaza, Near CCC, VIP road, Zirakpur
7. Hariom Handloom Craft, Mobile 6283934250 (Home Décor Item) 14, RBC Mall, Zirakpur

## DISPOSABLE &amp; PLASTIC ITEMS

1. Sri Balaji Enterprises, Mobile 8708478658, 8968215182 Shop 36 Opp. Square Hospital, VIP road, Shopping Centre, Zirakpur
2. Bhagwati Plastics, Manoj Goyal, 9315538654 43, Royal Palm, VIP road, Zirakpur.

## OPTICAL/VISION/SPECS

1. B.L. & Sons Opticals 9888549073 EYE CARE CLINIC (Computerised Eye Testing) Gali no. 2, Chd-Amb, Zirakpur
2. Care Vision Opticals 8284908330, 9988920377 SCF, Block-C, HighStreet Mkt, Zirakpur.
3. Sun Glasses, Square-Mobile 9728310732, SCO 39, Block-B, VIP road, Zirakpur
4. Kalra Opticians, 9872399095 Showroom no.5, High Street, C-Block, VIP road, Zrk.

## KITCHEN WARES &amp; SPARKS

1. Kitchen Concepts (Devanshu Goel) 7696617533, 8196857770 SCO 1, Ground Floor, High Street, Block-A, VIP road, Zirakpur
2. Ten 11 Kitchen, Vikash Tomar, 7657999655, Block-A, VIP road, Zirakpur

## READYMADE/BOUTIQUE/APPARELS

1. Odhani, 9888889021, RNT Enterprises, (For Lady Purses, Luggage) 614, Hollywood Plaza, near CCC, VIP road, Zirakpur
2. Odhani, 9888888299, Shivam All Clothings from Indian to Western, Amb-chd road, Shingpura chowk, Zirakpur
3. The Junior's, Complete Kids Store, Mobile 9888777053 396, 1st floor, Sector 8, Panchkula.
4. Patiala House, Mobile 9888806044, Suits Sarees Lehngas, SCO 5, Singhpara Chowk, Zirakpur
5. Elegant Saloni Collection, 9417303402 (A complete range of lady wear) SCO 16, AMCARE Plaza, VIP road, Zirakpur

## FURNITURE/PLY/DOORS

1. Elite Furniture 9219200009, 8427069000 (Kurl on) Shop 11, Hollywood Plaza, VIP road, Zirakpur
2. Chopal Ply House, 9896501800, 9896429408 Silver City, SCF 24, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
3. Jindal Door & Ply, 7027071715 Near Corporation Bank, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
4. Shiv Ply Woods, 9417728473 (Opp. Royal Estates), Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
5. Shiv Plywoods, 9417554773 Near NK Sharma Office, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
6. Vijay Plywood, Hardware & Sanitary, 9814117595 Near NK Sharma Office, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
7. Mansa Ply Woods, 9988885422, Hardware & Glass SCO 5, Modern Complex, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
8. JD Furniture & Decors, 9876558444 Near Kabir Nursery, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
9. Bala Ji Timbers & Plywood, 9814301729 Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur

## PERSONALITY ORNAMENTS, FOOTWEAR, BAGS ETC

1. Sandalz, 9872172134, Neha Singh (For Shoes, Bags), SCO 4, Lower 'G' Floor, Amb-Highway Zirakpur
2. Me n Moms, Cuddles n Snuggles, Mobile 9876016099
3. Raksha Business Centre, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur

## TYRES/WHEELS/BLANDERS

1. Auto Care, 8196098829, Shop 35, Chaura Bazar, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur

## ROARING MACHINE/BULLET CAFE

1. Bullets Sale & Services, 7347029497, 7347029498 Amb-Chd road, Singhpara, Zirakpur
2. The Bullet Café, 9872000106 SCO 3, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur

## TAILORING/DESIGNING EXPERTS

## EDITORIAL -

**Basmati rice are not subsidised for export**

Exporters fear that if this false claim of subsidy spreads, other countries may also believe it. "If we do not stop this lie now, it may reach Europe and other major markets," said Ranjit Singh Jossan, vice-president of Basmati Rice Millers and Exporters Association.

Indian rice exporters deny receiving any subsidies, especially for basmati, which is the primary variety shipped into the US. They say that no govt financial support exists at any stage neither for farming, purchase, milling, nor export of basmati and that the small interest benefit previously available was discontinued on Jan 1, 2025.

MSP applies exclusively to non-basmati paddy, which India does not export to the US. Rice procured under MSP is reserved for domestic welfare schemes and is often sold internationally at a higher price than competing rice from nations like Pakistan, Thailand, or Vietnam. Basmati, being a high-quality, premium product, is grown by private farmers and traded purely through open market competition. Even Sona Mussoorie, a premium non-Basmati variety

exported in small volumes, receives no subsidy, they pointed out. "Calling Indian rice 'subsidised' is not only wrong, but also a planned move to influence US trade policy," said Jossan. Exporters fear more losses due to the high US tariff and have urged Indian govt to ask US to remove it. Since Sept 2025, US has been charging a 50% tariff on Indian rice, which has resulted in India's exports to the US dropping by almost half. If the remaining 2.5-3 lakh tonnes of basmati export is also stopped due to new rules or higher tariffs, it will hit the Indian market badly, Jossan said.

Rice exporters from Punjab have rejected the charge by some US rice producers that India "dumping" low-priced rice in the US market, and have urged Govt of India to counter the "false story" by explaining to US and other markets that minimum support price (MSP) does not apply to basmati rice. Prices in India may fall, and exporters may suffer huge losses on shipments already on the way. Though the US takes only a small share of India's total basmati exports, it is a premium and important market. During a White

House roundtable discussion where President Donald Trump unveiled an aid package for US farmers on Dec 8, the CEO of a rice mill accused India of "dumping" low-priced rice into the US market. US producers argued that these subsidised imports were undercutting domestic prices and making it difficult for American farmers to compete. With a US delegation visiting India to discuss tariffs, including the one on rice, the All India Rice Exporters' Association (AIREA) has been working with the commerce ministry to firmly explain that MSP applies only to non-basmati, which is not exported to the US. Exporters also demand removal of the 50% tariff on basmati, which hurts both Indian exporters and American buyers. "If the false story about 'subsidised Indian rice' continues, it can harm India's long-term trade. As India prepares for important talks with the US, exporters hope the govt it will give a strong and clear reply to protect India's basmati industry from false allegations and heavy tariff pressure," said Jossan.

**Datesheet of CBSE Class 10, 12 released, exams to begin on Feb 17, 2026**



Bhardwaj said that the schedule was prepared with students' convenience in mind. "A sufficient gap has been provided between major subjects for both classes. The dates of entrance examinations for Class 12 students have also been considered, ensuring that board exams finish well in advance," he said. "This will help students manage their time effectively for both board and entrance exams."

The board has also made subject-specific changes from the earlier draft. For Class 10, the revised dates affect subjects such as Data Science, French, Urdu, Punjabi, Bengali, Tamil, Security, and Automotive. For Class 12, changes have been made to the exam schedule for Business Studies, Business Administration, Psychology, and Accountancy.

**Mass rapid transport system needs Rs 25,000 Cr for Metro project : MP Manish Tewari**

Commissioner News Service

**CHANDIGARH :** The Chandigarh Metro project, scrapped once in 2017 and revived again in 2022, continues to inch through paperwork with no construction activity in sight. The project remains off-track even 13 years after it was first conceived, despite multiple feasibility studies, revised proposals, formation of key committees and repeated official endorsements that the Tricity urgently needs a mass rapid transport system (MRTS) in view of increasing traffic. Raising the matter in the Lok Sabha, Chandigarh MP Manish Tewari demanded that the Centre should immediately declare the Chandigarh Metro as Strategic Connectivity Project and sanction a special grant of Rs 25,000 crore so that the long-delayed system can finally move to execution. He pointed out that the cost of the project has already escalated from Rs 16,000 crore during initial planning to around Rs 25,000 crore, and further delay



would push it even higher. Tewari reminded the House that he had written to the Union Ministers of Road Transport and Highways and Housing and Urban Affairs in November 2019, pressing for MRTS connectivity between Chandigarh, Mohali, Panchkula and New Chandigarh to unlock the economic potential of the region and ease the rising traffic burden. He said UMTA — the Unified Metropolitan Transport Authority — formed to oversee the project, had met only three times, even as RITES submitted two feasibility reports affirming that a Metro was essential and viable for all four cities. Despite this, he said, "nothing has moved on ground".

**Monthly pass for parking across Chandigarh scheduled to come up**

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**CHANDIGARH :** Soon, the implementation process of a single pass system for all paid sites under its jurisdiction will be initiated. The local body has launched a significant step towards easing parking access for residents by initiating a high-level meeting chaired by MC Commissioner Amit Kumar to discuss the Phase-I rollout and integration framework of the new system. Under the proposed structure, monthly passes will be issued at Rs 500 for four-wheelers and Rs 250 for two-wheelers, offering citywide access to all MC-



managed paid parking locations. Officials from the MC, the Department of Information Technology Chandigarh, and representatives of various banks attended the presentation-cum-pre-consultation meeting. The MC Commissioner directed that a committee be constituted to scrutinise technical and financial proposals and finalise the banking partner for implementation of the system.

**For academic session ALLEN scholarship admission test to be conducted on December 21**

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**CHANDIGARH :** The scholarship test for the 2026-27 will be held on December 21 at ALLEN Career Institute, test centres across the country for admissions to the new session. The admission process for the academic session at ALLEN Career Institute has commenced for aspirants of engineering and medical entrance examinations. The ALLEN Scholarship Admission Test (ASAT) will be organised for Kota and other centres. By appearing in the test, students can avail scholarships up to 90 per cent. Students can apply on [www.allen.in](http://www.allen.in). The



next national ASAT will be held on January 4. ALLEN is offering double benefits to students who appear in ASAT and then enroll. Students who participate in ASAT on December 21 and secure early admission will be eligible for scholarships along with additional fee benefits. For the last two consecutive years, ALLEN Career Institute, Kota, has produced the All India Rank 1 in JEE Advanced, said a press release.

**Civic body to formalise new MC limits by December end**

Commissioner News Service

**MOHALI :** Residents of TDI City, Balongi, Badhajra, Bafiyali, Green Enclave have resented the decision to exclude the villages from the new civic body limits and have even threatened to approach the court if their villages are not included in the new limits. The expansion of the Municipal Corporation (MC) limits is set to be formalised before December 31, Local Bodies Department sources have disclosed. After the deadline for suggestions and objections regarding the draft notification finished on November 6, the department has intensified the process to formalise the new MC limits as the government is keen to complete the process after much delay. Mohali MLA Kulwant Singh said, "The government has taken the decision after much deliberation keeping in mind the pros and cons of the move. However, after the residents expressed their desire to include their villages in the notification, government is considering their demand sympathetically and the decision will be taken in the benefit of all concerned." Mayor Amarjit Singh Sidhu, meanwhile, "The House had resolved to include these villages in the new limits in 2021. But now the government



has taken a decision arbitrarily. We will support the residents of these villages and will knock on the doors of the court if AAP government does not reconsider its decision." Significantly, the government will have to complete the entire process before December 31 as the Registrar General of India and Census Commissioner Mrityunjay Kumar Narayan in a letter to Chief Secretaries of states and UTs has stated that the administrative boundaries will be frozen on December 31, disallowing the states and Union Territories to change the boundaries of its municipalities, panchayats, police stations, sub-districts and districts from January 1 2025 to March 31, 2027.

The first phase of the Census 2026 will begin from April 1. The house-listing operation will begin on April 1, 2026 whereas population enumeration will start on February 1, 2027.

**Vajpayee's statue in Panchkula to be unveiled on December 24 : Nayab Saini**

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**PANCHKULA :** On the eve of the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister and Bharat Ratna Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Union Home Minister Amit Shah will unveil Vajpayee's statue at Atal Park, MDC, Sector-1, Panchkula. On 24 December, announced Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini.



"He will participate in several other events scheduled in Panchkula," Saini said. The Chief Minister (CM) was addressing journalists after inspecting arrangements for the programme at Atal Park. Haryana BJP president Mohan Lal Badoli was also present on the occasion.

**Submit suggestions for formulation of excise policy 2026-27 - UT Excise deptt**

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**CHANDIGARH :** Facing allegations of cartelisation, the UT Excise and Taxation Department has invited suggestions from stakeholders and general public for the formulation of the Excise Policy 2026-27. The suggestions or feedback could be submitted latest by December 30.

Seeking consumer-friendly policy, Darshan Singh Kler, president, Chandigarh Wine Contractors' Association, suggested that the upcoming Excise Policy 2026-27 should be formulated while considering the transparency and to prevent "cartelisation" of the liquor trade in the city. "The policy should focus on the retailers and the consumers of the city while preventing the increase in rates of various kinds of liquor like the previous years," he further added.

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Advocate Sachit Jaiswal, who deals in excise and taxation cases, suggested that any officer against whom complaints were pending should not be the part in formulating the upcoming Excise Policy. "The administration should take steps against monopolisation of the liquor trade in the city," he said, further adding that a single individual from a family/enterprise/business firm or as an individual should only be allowed to run not more than five liquor vends. "To strengthen revenue

protection, promoting transparency, safeguarding public health, ensuring fairness, and improving enforcement," Ajay Jagga, member, Administrator's Advisory Council, suggested that prohibition of employment of men under the age of 25 years and women.

Further suggestions included that no person licensed to sell liquor should employ with or without remuneration any man under the age of 25 years or any women in any part of such premises where liquor or intoxicating drugs are consumed by the public. Besides, the number of liquor drinking places/restaurants must be freezed (or reduced) in the areas like Sector 10, 11, 15, 26, 32, 36 etc, where educational institutions are high in numbers.

**Haryana govt extends farmers' loan waiver scheme till March 2026**

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**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 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

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## Digging 'Modi's grave' slogan by Congress triggers storm in Parliament

**Commissioner News Service**  
NEW DELHI : The Lok Sabha witnessed an uproar over the combustible issue, leading to adjournments. The Rajya Sabha also saw heated exchanges, including an early adjournment, as Leader of the House JP Nadda condemned the Congress and sought an apology from senior party leader Sonia Gandhi and Leader of Opposition in the Upper House Mallikarjun Kharge.

The Parliament witnessed several adjournments on Monday as the ruling BJP demanded an apology from the Congress over "digging the grave" slogans raised against PM Narendra Modi during its "Vote Chor, Gaadi Chhod" rally in the national capital on Sunday. The Congress, on its part, denied that any such slogans were raised during the rally.

The Lok Sabha was first adjourned till 12 pm and then till 2 pm as BJP and Congress members were locked in a verbal duel over the issue. Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju condemned the slogans and demanded an



apology from the top leadership of the main Opposition party. "We are political opponents, not enemies. Congress workers have threatened to dig the PM's grave at the party rally. This is the most unfortunate incident," Rijiju said as the Lok Sabha convened for the day at 11 am, triggering protests from Congress members. Amid the turmoil, Speaker Om Birla adjourned the proceedings till 12 noon.

When the House reassembled at 12 pm, Congress members were in the well raising slogans against Home Minister Amit Shah, seeking an apology from the BJP over his alleged objectionable language during the discussion on electoral reforms in the Lok Sabha last week.

BJP member Dilip Saikia, who was in the Chair, allowed the tabling of parliamentary papers and assured Congress members that he would allow them to raise their issues after Zero Hour mentions. With members remaining unrelenting in their protests, Saikia adjourned the proceedings till 2 pm.

Similar scenes were witnessed in the Rajya Sabha as heated exchanges took place between Treasury and Opposition benches over the alleged anti-Modi remarks.

Nadda again condemned the Congress and sought an apology from Sonia and Kharge. Rajya Sabha proceedings were adjourned till 12 noon amid uproar from the Treasury benches after papers were laid in the Upper House and Nadda raised the issue, saying the slogans reflected the Congress' thinking.

Nadda said shouting derogatory slogans against the PM and wishing his death was unacceptable. "The Congress has stooped to a low level in politics that is beyond imagination. I strongly condemn this," Nadda said.

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**BATHINDA :** "Kangana did not appear in court on Monday, and her proxy counsel had filed an application seeking her exemption for the day, citing the ongoing winter session of the Lok Sabha, which was granted," said Advocate Raghbir Singh Behniwal.

A special MP-MLA court on Monday adjourned the hearing in the defamation case against BJP's Mandi MP and Bollywood actor Kangana Ranaut to January 5 after the prosecution witnesses and the accused failed to appear.

The case was listed for the cross-examination of the prosecution witnesses—complainant Mahinder Kaur, an elderly farmer from Bahadurgarh Jandian village here, and her relative Gurpreet Singh. Arguments on Kangana's plea for permanent exemption from personal appearance in the court were also scheduled to be heard.

"Mahinder Kaur could not appear due to her old age

and the cold weather. The court has directed that all witnesses be presented by furnishing their names to the court as well as to the accused's counsel before the next hearing. The court has also directed Kangana to appear at the next hearing," he added.

The case pertains to a 2020 tweet by Kangana during the farmers' protest, in which she shared a photograph of Mahinder Kaur, mistakenly identifying her as Shaheen Bagh protester Bilkis Bano and alleging that such women were "available for Rs 100" to participate in protests. Mahinder Kaur filed a defamation complaint against her in January 2021.

"Mahinder Kaur could not appear due to her old age

## Kangana to appear on January 5 as the court case deferred

**Commissioner News Service**  
NEW DELHI : The envisaged novelty centre will carry out research in the nuclear field with applications in energy security, health, agriculture, water and other strategic areas.

## Near Visakhapatnam BARC to set up new centre to boost nuclear research

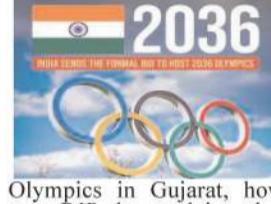


diversion is adjacent to this acquired land and lies between the project site and sea," the minutes of the meeting of the Advisory Committee said. Of the 148.15 hectares, 120.32 hectares will be left undisturbed and will serve as buffer zones required for security and safety reasons. Only 27.83 hectares is planned to be developed for purposes like routing of services and effluent discharge and sea water lines, construction of jetty, security watch towers, compound wall and

patrolling roads.

As many as 1,722 of the 21,244 trees on the land will be felled. However, those located in areas close to the sea will not be cut, and the EAC said this would not affect the general ecosystem. Due to the strategic nature of the project the detailed project report (DPR) is protected from disclosure. "No land use change shall be considered for non-site specific activities in future on the diverted land," the committee said while recommending the proposal.

## BJP's commitment to make Thiruvananthapuram 2036 Olympics venue generate political uproar



saying that, fearing defeat, the party had begun making "fake promises".

"They know they would not even become the main opposition party this time. Hence, such claims," he said. State Revenue Minister K Rajan echoed a similar view, stating that the host for the 2036 Olympics had yet to be announced, but BJP claimed the event would be held in Thiruvananthapuram.

Reacting to the criticism, Chandrasekhar said that other political parties would realise the proposal later.

"They do not understand how it will happen. We will teach them after we get the opportunity to govern," he said.

BJP is currently the main opposition in the CPI(M) government of Thiruvananthapuram Corporation. The local body election in the state will be held in two phases on December 9 and 11.

## 23 daily departures to be held by Navi Mumbai International Airport from Dec 25



expanding to 34 daily departures. "The inaugural flight to arrive at NMIA will be IndiGo 6E460 from Bengaluru, scheduled to touchdown at 8:00 am. Shortly after, IndiGo 6E882 will depart for Hyderabad at 8:40 am, marking the first outbound service from the new airport.

"During the initial launch period, passengers will benefit from services operated by IndiGo, Air India Express, and Akasa Air, connecting Mumbai to 16 major domestic destinations," the release said.

The first phase of NMIA has been built at a cost of Rs 19,650 crore. Spread across 1,160 hectares, the airport will have

one terminal and one runway in the first phase with an annual passenger handling capacity of 20 million.

**Commissioner News Service**

**MUMBAI :** In the first month, Navi Mumbai International Airport (NMIA) will operate for 12 hours between 8 am and 8 pm, handling 23 scheduled daily departures. During this period, the airport will manage up to 10 flight movements per hour, a release said on Monday.

NMIA will start commercial flight operations from December 25 and initially, there will be 23 scheduled daily departures.

The airport has been developed by Navi Mumbai International Airport Pvt Ltd (NMIAL), a special purpose vehicle jointly owned by Adani Group and the City and Industrial Development Corporation of Maharashtra Ltd (CIDCO).

NMIA, the second main airport in the Mumbai Metropolitan Region (MMR), was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on October 8. In the initial phase, the airport will handle around 120 air traffic movements daily.

From February 2026, the airport will transition to round-the-clock operations,

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**Thiruvananthapuram :** BJP Kerala unit urge it would request the Centre to include the city as one of the venues for the 2036 Games. In its manifesto for the Thiruvananthapuram Corporation election.

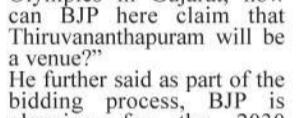
BJP's local body election manifesto promise to develop the state capital into a co-host city for the 2036 Olympics triggered a political row, with leaders of both LDF and UDF on Monday calling it a fake claim.

The International Olympic Committee is yet to announce the host for the 2036 edition of the world's biggest sporting event.

However, there have been reports that India is bidding for the Games with Ahmedabad as its proposed main host city.

Kerala Education Minister V Sivakumari accused BJP of deceiving the people of Thiruvananthapuram.

"When the Union Government has bid for the



Olympics in Gujarat, how can BJP here claim that Thiruvananthapuram will be a venue?"

He further said as part of the bidding process, BJP is planning for the 2030 Commonwealth Games in Ahmedabad, he claimed.

He asked whether BJP state president Rajeev Chandrasekhar considered the people of Thiruvananthapuram "fools".

"The proposal submitted to the Olympic body has no mention of Thiruvananthapuram. This is a trick because BJP has nothing to say about development," he said.

Senior Congress leader K Muraleedharan also hit out at

BJP on its election manifesto,

## Opposition deplores removal of 'Mahatma' from MGNREGA



The draft legislation moots the following major changes — replacement of the current nomenclature dedicated to Mahatma Gandhi with G Ram G; rise in daily wages from Rs 205 to Rs 240; shift from demand-based budget allocation to normative funding that uses pre-defined, objective norms like performance, enrolment and strategic goals, rather than just demand, to distribute funds; switch from 100 per cent centrally funded scheme to centrally sponsored scheme (CCS) model with standard Centre-state fund sharing in 60:40 ratio; mandatory unemployment allowance in case job is not given within 15 days of application;

compulsory 60-day no work period to ensure the availability of agricultural labour during peak sowing and harvesting season. The dropping of Mahatma Gandhi's name has generated political heat, with the Congress dubbing PM Narendra Modi's gestures of homage to the Father of the Nation as "hollow, hypocritical". The government rejected the accusations and said the overhaul of the 20-year-old law was long due. Under the new CCS model, the standard fund sharing ratio will be 60:40 (Centre:state); the North-East and Himalayan states/UTs will have 90:10 Centre-state/UT sharing and the UTs without legislature will have 100 per cent central funding. The states will be free to notify unemployment allowance but it cannot be less than one-fourth of the notified wage rate for the first 30 days during the financial year and not less than one-half of the wage rate for the remaining period of the financial year.

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## Prakriti ka Aashirwad





**Public grievances being redressed with accelerated pace**

Commissioner News Service  
Chandigarh : Heads of departments have been instructed to prioritise genuine issues of the aggrieved persons and maintain accountability with reasonable explanation where legal and policy matters hang over the issues and prevent resolutions said the Chief Secretary H Rajesh Prasad. The administrator's direc-



tions have facilitated the hearings more effective, ensuring time bound resolutions. Mr Kataria has, since July personally heard 95 grievances --- where 62 were resolved and 33 are in the fast process.

The weekly public hearing has ignited the people's interest more and feel about the presence of the citizen centric governance in UT.

Full commitment to transparency and efficiency was assured to the Governor by the incumbent chief secretary.

**18339 cases disposed of by National Lok Adalat at Distt courts**

Commissioner News Service  
P'kula: Haryana State Legal Services Authority (HALSA) organised a speedy effective, amicable resolution of disputes through mutual settlements on Saturday at P'kula as well Sub division Kalka. A dedicated help desk was set up at the district court to guide litigants and the visitors.



Requisite information was catered on lok adalat benches, case categories and settlement procedures ensuring smooth participation and better access to justice.

Mr Jagdeep Singh Lohan Member Secretary HALSA visited the court complex to review the functioning of the Lok Adalat. He inspected benches, interacted with presiding officers and stressed, fair, consensual, settlements and coordination among stakeholders for maximum disposal.

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**Indian designated carriers free to start int'l flights**

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Mohali : "In accordance with existing bilateral air services agreement, Indian designated carriers are free to commence their international operations from Chandigarh International airport," said Murlidhar Mohol, the minister of state for civil aviation. Explaining status of international flights to and fro, the minister gave reply to Rajya Sabha MP Vikramjit Singh Sahney as per the provisions of bilateral agreements, Indian airlines can operate services between any international airport in India including Chandigarh and foreign destinations subject to mutually agreed capacity limits.



The commencement of direct international flights from any point in India is not a govt regulated process but is, a commercial decision of scheduled airlines. Such decisions are taken by airlines based on passengers demand, availability of airport slots, economic viability of routes and other operational considerations.

**Squadron leader Shivangi Singh Rafale pilot silences Pak, joins Hawk training**

Commissioner News Service

Ambala : Squadron Leader Shivangi Singh, India's first woman Rafale pilot, has transitioned to an instructor role in the Indian Air Force's Hawk training fleet, showcasing her dedication and expertise. Despite false claims by Pakistan, her career continues to inspire and mentor the next generation of fighter pilots. Squadron Leader Shivangi Singh, India's first woman Rafale pilot, has moved into a new role as an instructor with the Indian Air Force's Hawk training fleet. The development comes after her name became the subject of false claims by Pakistan during Operation Sindoora, where Pakistani media had circulated fabricated reports suggesting she had been captured by the forces. The claims were eventually debunked by the IAF. Commissioned in 2017, the Varanasi-born officer belongs to the second batch of women fighter pilots.



She previously flew the MiG-21 Bison before joining Ambala's Rafale squadron, where she gained recognition for her professionalism during high-intensity missions and major exercises. She also accompanied President Draupadi Murmu on a recent Rafale sortie. Responding to the false claims, Air Chief Marshal VR Chaudhari dismissed them as "Manohar Kahaaniyaan," underscoring that the IAF would not be distracted by Pakistan's propaganda. Singh's recent graduation from the prestigious Flying Instructors School in Tambaram further highlighted her operational credentials, completing one of the toughest aviation courses in the military.

**Luthra Brothers' detained by Thai police in connection with nightclub fire**

Commissioner News Service

Bangkok : Gaurav and Saurav Luthra, would be routed to India in connection with the Goa nightclub fire that killed 25 people, stepped out of their hotel in Thailand for a meal. Short outing on December 9 led the authorities to apprehend Gaurav and Saurav Luthra in Puket.



The deportation process was then started after formal papers were received from India.

A blaze swept through the nightclub at Arpora village in North Goa around midnight on December 6, killing 25 persons, most of them staff and a few tourists.

Gaurav Luthra, 44, and his brother Saurav, 40, were detained from their hotel room and taken to immigration for further legal process.

tory bail pleas, citing the duo's conduct and the gravity of the offences.

An emergency travel certificate will be issued by the Indian embassy to validate their travel back to the country since their passport remains cancelled, which marks a serious overstay issue. A Goa court also remanded Ajay Gupta, allegedly a silent partner and investor in the nightclub, to police custody. While the Luthra brothers were allegedly at a wedding in Delhi at the time the fire broke out and fled to Thailand within hours, Gupta was in Goa and was later traced to a Delhi hospital.

**Fluoride contaminants in groundwater, a threat to public health**

Commissioner News Service

Dera Bassi : Fluoride habitation carrying water contaminants with the fast depletion of ground water and distant access to safe drinking water has been evolving a serious concern with the ministry of Jal Shakti. As public health has been the intimate concern of Punjab Pollution Control, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, steps must be initiated to eradicate flow of untreated sewage, effluents into the ground water.

The community water purification plants need to be augmented. The control over expansion of fluorosis need to be endemic, sources revealed. The accessibility to safe drinking water has been eloping with the discharge of untreated chemicals, effluents into the ground water, and depletion not halting for a cause. The multiplying cases of cancer are not being contained due to the surge in bacterial growth.

Pathogens like bacteria and viruses are being experienced as a very common hazard with the rural public life. Afflicted several health issues might be arthritis, infertility, hypertension, neurotoxicity and increased risk of skeletal cancer, reveals an official.

Additionally prolonged exposure can damage organs like liver, kidneys, lungs and testis. Water contamination has been posing immediate and chronic health threats, needs serious contemplation, medication and panacea.

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PUDA Office : 0172-2215308, 10, 11

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Industrial Area : 0172-2250910

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