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Light rainfall lashed several parts of Delhi on Tuesday evening, temperatures are expected to drop further in the next two days  
Photo: Ranjan Dimri/The Pioneer

## AQI under 400, Grap-III invoked in Delhi NCR

RAJESH KUMAR ■ NEW DELHI

### WEATHER

AQI	369
MAX	20.8°C
MIN	9.9°C

The Commission for Air Quality Management (CAQM) on Tuesday assessed the situation and lifted the restrictions of Stage-IV under the Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) in Delhi and the neighbouring region, following a decline in pollution levels. However, the restrictions under GRAP Stage I, II and III will continue including curbs on construction and industrial activities remain in place to control pollution levels. The Stage-IV was enforced on December 16 in Delhi and NCR when it breached the 400 mark. The decision comes after Delhi's Air Quality Index (AQI) improved to 369 ("Very

Poor") at 4 PM on December 24, down from a peak of 401 ("Severe") recorded on December 16. The improvement in air quality was attributed to favourable meteorological conditions, including improved wind speed, according to forecasts from the India Meteorological Department (IMD) and the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM). Residents are urged to remain cautious and adhere to guidelines issued by the authorities to mitigate the

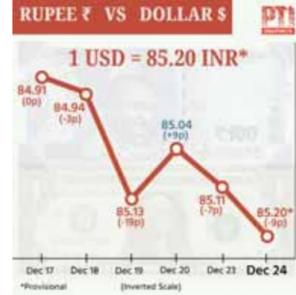
impact of air pollution on health and daily life. Under Stage-III, classes up to five are required to shift to hybrid mode. Parents and students have the option to choose online education, wherever available. Stage III bans on non-essential diesel-operated medium goods vehicles with BS-IV or older standards within Delhi. The restrictions also include on plying of BS-III petrol and BS IV diesel LMVs (4 wheelers) in Delhi and in the districts of Gurugram, Faridabad, Ghaziabad and Gautam Budh Nagar. Persons with Disabilities shall be permitted to ply BS-III Petrol / BS-IV Diesel LMVs, provided that these are specifically adopted for them and are run only for their personal use.

## Rupee at fresh record low of 85.20 against US dollar

PTI ■ MUMBAI

The rupee extended the slide for the second straight session and depreciated 9 paise to settle at a fresh all-time low of 85.20 (provisional) against the US dollar on Tuesday, dragged by a strong greenback against major crosses overseas and subdued domestic equities. According to analysts, increased demand of the dollar due to month-end payment obligations and the fear of an aggressive import tariff by the Donald Trump administration in the US strengthened the greenback. Besides, surging crude oil prices pushed the rupee down further, they added. At the interbank foreign exchange, the rupee opened at 85.10 and touched

the lowest ever level of 85.21 against the greenback during intra-day. The unit finally ended the session at a fresh all-time low of 85.20 (provisional) against the dollar, registering a loss of 9 paise from its previous close. On Monday, the rupee settled 7 paise lower at 85.11 against the US dollar. Anuj Choudhary, Research Analyst at Mirae Asset Sharekhan, said the rupee fell to a fresh all-time low on weak domestic markets and a strong US dollar due to increased demand from importers and surging crude oil prices. He said a hawkish tone of the US Federal Reserve and an improved US economy may further support the dollar. "FII outflows may also weigh on the rupee. However, any intervention by the RBI may support



the rupee at lower levels. USD-INR spot price is expected to trade in a range of Rs 85 to Rs 85.40," Choudhary said.

Meanwhile, the dollar index, which gauges the greenback's strength against a basket of six currencies, was trading higher by 0.11 per cent at 107.93, amid soaring US Treasury yields and the fear of delayed interest rate cuts by the US Federal Reserve. Brent crude, the global oil benchmark, rose 0.69 per cent to USD 73.13 per barrel in futures trade. In the domestic equity market, the 30-share BSE Sensex closed lower by 67.30 points, or 0.09 per cent, at 78,472.87 points, while Nifty fell 25.80 points, or 0.11 per cent to close at 23,727.65 points. Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs) were net sellers in the capital markets on Monday, as they offloaded shares worth Rs 168.71 crore, according to exchange data.

## Former Home Secy Bhalla is new Manipur Gov

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

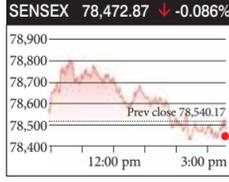
In a major reshuffle, former Union Home Secretary Ajay Kumar Bhalla has been appointed as Manipur Governor amid ongoing trouble in the north eastern State. Some of the other States where change was effected according to a Rashtrapati Bhawan communique includes former Union Minister and army chief Vijay Kumar Singh was appointed as Mizoram Governor, while Arif Mohammed Khan was moved to Bihar as Governor. In a surprise move following the resignation of Raghuraj Das as Odisha governor, Hari Babu Kamthampati was appointed as the new man for the State's gubernatorial post. Das has served earlier as Chief Minister of Jharkhand and State Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) President as well.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS



Park street, Kolkata all decked up for Christmas eve

## MARKETS



## LoPs record dissent over NHRC postings

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

Leaders of Opposition Mallikarjun Kharge and Rahul Gandhi had recorded their dissent over the selection of the Chairperson and Members of the National Human Rights Commission on the grounds that the process adopted was "fundamentally flawed" and a "predetermined" exercise that ignored mutual consultation and consensus. They had proposed the names of Justice Rohinton Fali Nariman and Justice KM Joseph for the position of chairperson. The Opposition leader's dissent note was released to the media a day after former Supreme Court judge V Ramasubramanian was appointed as the new Chairperson of the NHRC. The Opposition leaders also suggested retired High Court judges Muralidhar and Akil Abdulhamid Qureshi as NHRC Members. The meeting of the Selection Committee for picking the Chairperson and Members of the NHRC was held on December 18 at the Parliament House. The Selection Committee is headed by the Prime Minister and the panel comprises Lok Sabha Speaker, Deputy Chairperson of Rajya Sabha, Home Minister and Leaders of Opposition from Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha.

## Dalit boy dies by suicide after being forced to drink urine

BISWAJEET BANERJEE ■ LUCKNOW

In a horrifying incident from Uttar Pradesh's Basti district, a 17-year-old Dalit boy died by suicide after being subjected to brutal assault and humiliation during a birthday party. The boy was allegedly forced to strip, beaten, made to drink urine, and further humiliated by being forced to lick spit. The perpetrators also recorded the abuse. Traumatized by the ordeal, the boy hanged himself at his maternal uncle's house on Monday. The victim, a Class 10 student living with his maternal uncle in Kaptanganj, was invited to a birthday party on December 20 by a local youth. According to the complaint filed by his uncle, the boy was ambushed at the gathering, where four to five individuals forced him to strip and assaulted him. They urinated in his mouth and recorded the incident. When the boy later demanded the deletion of the video, the accused humiliated him further by forcing him to lick their spit. Unable to bear the trauma and humiliation, the boy returned home, narrated the incident to his family, and later took his life by hanging. The family approached the police soon after the incident, but the initial response was reportedly lackluster. Two suspects were detained briefly but were released the same evening. This inaction prompted the grieving family to take the boy's body to the Superintendent of Police (SP) office, demanding justice. Amid public outrage, a case was registered against four individuals under charges of assault, criminal intimidation, and abetment of suicide. Three accused-Vinay Kumar, Akash, and Kaju Prasad-have been arrested, while efforts are ongoing to nab the fourth suspect, Sonal. The boy's family revealed that he had been facing harassment from the accused for some time.

## Delhi Police bust gang settling illegal migrants, 11 arrested



SAUMYA SHUKLA ■ NEW DELHI

Even as a high voltage EPOLITICAL drama has been underway over the issue of Rohingyas and Bangladeshi immigrants staying illegally in the National Capital, the murder of a man, who used to push women in prostitution, led to the Delhi Police in busting a gang involved in settling these immigrants in Delhi. Police have arrested 11 people including four Bangladeshi nationals. The accused involve seven people who were allegedly involved in making forged documents including Aadhaar card, birth certificates, caste certificates, matriculation certificates, COVID certificates, and income certificates, at nominal prices starting from

Rs 7, Aadhaar operators and tech experts. A woman in the intervening night of October 20 and 21 came to Sangam Vihar police station to report that her husband, Santu Sheikh alias Raja, has been murdered which led to the police tracking down four people involved in his murder and subsequently busting the gang. The Bangladeshi nationals, 26 years old Midul Miyan alias Akash Ahmed and 24 years old Fardeen Ahmed alias Abhi Ahmed along with their wives, were arrested and interrogated in connection with the murder of Santu Sheikh alias Raja. Among the motives behind the murder, Raja used to push the wives of the accused into prostitution and also tried to make physical relations with

them while also bullying them for minor issues. They all lived in close proximity. "However, the police learnt during interrogation that these accused had entered India illegally and had been residing in Sangam Vihar for several years," Deputy Commissioner of Police (South) Ankit Chauhan said. They were found in possession of Bangladeshi ID cards (chip-based NID cards) and birth certificates. Around 21 Aadhaar cards, four voter ID cards, and eight PAN cards were also recovered from the victim's residence. Chauhan said, "Under the guidance of Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor Vinai Kumar Saxena, we formed a team to unearth the entire matter and conduct a thorough probe into the illegal immigration issue." These immigrants came to India through the jungle route and then took bikes and taxis to reach the nearest town from where they took AC trains to travel to Delhi, he said. Further questioning of the accused led to the arrest of 26 year old Sahil Sehgal who ran a 'Poonam Online Computer Centre' in Rohini Sector 5.

## Accident in Poonch: Five soldiers killed

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ JAMMU

At least five Indian soldiers were killed and several others received injuries after the vehicle in which they were travelling rolled down in a deep gorge in the Balnoi sector of the frontier Poonch district on Tuesday. The soldiers were on operational duty at the time of the mishap. Initial reports suggested the army vehicle skidded off the road and rolled down a deep gorge after the driver lost control of the vehicle. Confirming the same Nagrota-based White Knight Corps in a post on X said, "All ranks of White Knight Corps extend their deepest condolences on the tragic loss of five brave soldiers in a vehicle accident during operational duty in the Poonch sector". According to statement the vehicle, part of an army convoy, veered off the road near the Line of Control (LoC). At the time of filing the report, the rescue operations were going on, and the injured personnel were receiving medical care in a nearby hospital.

## Jump in Maharashtra voter turnout normal: EC issues FAQs

RAJESH KUMAR ■ NEW DELHI

Amid concerns flagged by the Congress, the Election Commission (EC) on Tuesday clarified the misconception regarding the jump in voting percentage in Maharashtra that occurred on polling day saying the increase in voter turnout from 5 pm to 11.45 pm is normal and there were no arbitrary additions or deletions of voters in the state. In its 66-page response to the Congress, the Commission said it would not be correct to compare 5 pm voter turnout data with final polling data. The poll body asserted that it is impossible to change actual voter turnout as statutory Form 17C giving details of voter turnout is available with authorised agents of candidates at the time of close of poll at the polling station itself. The Congress had approached the poll panel in November flagging various concerns related to the Maharashtra assembly polls. In a letter to the EC, the Congress said that there was an "inexplicable increase" in voter turnout between 5pm and the final voter percentage announced by the EC at 11.30pm on the day of polling. Coming out with a detailed



note and frequently asked questions (FAQs), the EC told the Congress that increase in voter turnout from 5 PM to 11:45 PM was normal, being part of the process of aggregation of voter turnout. It said there can be bona fide but inconsequential differences in votes polled and votes counted. It said rule-based process was followed with transparency in Maharashtra electoral roll preparation and there was no irregular pattern in voter deletions in the state. It told the Congress that due process was followed, including participation of Congress representatives in preparation of electoral rolls. The poll body said that its complaint of an average addition of 50,000 electors between July and November in 50 assembly seats, out of which 47 have been won by the Mahayuti, is factually incorrect and misleading.

## Cattle shelters along highways: Unique solution to a perennial problem

DEEPAK KUMAR JHA ■ NEW DELHI

In a step to enhance road safety and address the challenge of stray cattle and to avoid animal-related accidents on the National Highways (NH), the central road making agency National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has taken a pilot project to provide cattle shelters along the NHs. The initiative aims to create a safer travel experience for commuters while ensuring care and management of stray cattle, and animals found along the National Highways. With shelter areas ranging from 0.21 to 2.29 hectares, shelters under the pilot project will be strategically located to serve as safe spaces for stray cattle, reducing their presence on National Highways. The initiative will be implemented on various National Highway stretches, including the UP/Haryana Border to Rohna

section of NH-334B, where shelters will be set up along the Kharkhoda Bypass. Similarly, shelters will be constructed along Bhiwani - Hansi section of NH-148B at Hansi Bypass, Kiratpur-Nerchowk section of NH-21 and the Dangiawas to Jajiwala section of the Jodhpur Ring Road on NH-112. The NHAI has been facing challenges posted by stray cattle/animal movement on National Highway in several states across the country which is hazardous to road users' safety. Although several steps for removal of cattle from the National Highways were taken in the past but they could not get anticipated success due to several ancillary issues having social and sensitive angles, which included problems pertaining to unknown ownership/transportation of cattle/healthcare/ first aid treatment



during transportation of any injured animals, feeding the cattle till identification of owner or handing them over to the State Government agencies. Several Courts in various states were also very keen in holistic resolution of the changes posted by movement of stray cattle on National Highways. Although control for the root cause of this

issue lies in the purview of various departments of respective State Governments, NHAI has taken this initiative to address this issue within its jurisdiction. To implement this initiative, NHAI has signed an agreement with the existing concessionaire Gawar Construction Ltd. Under the contract they will build Cattle-Shelters on land provided by

NHAI. The concessionaire will also maintain these shelters by providing first aid, adequate fodder, water, and caretakers throughout the concession period, ensuring the well-being of the animals. To further support this initiative, the concessionaire under its CSR initiative will deploy cattle ambulances to transport and treat injured stray animals, set up first-aid centres and hospitals to cater 50 km on each side for timely medical care of these animals. Beyond the construction and maintenance of shelters, the concessionaire will ensure safe transportation of stray cattle to these facilities, provide feed and enforce the provisions of the Cattle Trespas Act, 1871. NHAI Chairman Santosh Kumar Yadav said by addressing the challenges posed by stray cattle/animals on the National

Highways, this unique initiative is another step that furthers NHAI's commitment to not only to create safer National Highways for commuters by enhancing road safety but also fulfils a humane requirement of taking care of stray cattle/animals. "I am sure that this initiative will set a new benchmark for a holistic National Highway infrastructure development in the country," Yadav said. Sharing his thoughts Dineshchandra Agrawal, President - National Highway Builders Federation said "We welcome this step from NHAI to develop shelters for stray cattle/animals along the National Highways and offer our support for this initiative. I would urge our members to come forward and partner in this path breaking initiative that will help spread this noble cause of rehabilitating stray animals and enhancing road safety."

# Classifieds

## BEDKHALI NOTICE

**I, Sandeep Kumar** S/o Ram Parkash R/o #231, Village-Bir Ghaggar, Chandimandir, Panchkula (Haryana) My son Vivek Lohat is out of my control, I disown him from my moveable/immovable property. Anybody deals with him, at their own risk.

**We, Sandeep Kumar** S/o Surender Kumar, Dolly W/o Sandeep Kumar R/o 515, Model Town, Yamuna Nagar declare that our Son Nakul Wahni, daughter in law Pooja Wahni are out of our control. So, We disown them from our all movable - immovable properties. In future, the person dealing with them will himself be responsible, We and our family will not have any responsibility.

**I, Radhe Shyam** S/o Babu Ram R/o C-2/2318, Vishal Nagar Colony, Jagadhri, Distt Yamuna Nagar declare that my Sons Bhupinder, Lalit Saini and Karan and daughter in laws Poonam, Roma and Reena all are out of my control. So, I disown them from my all movable - immovable properties. In future, the person dealing with them will himself be responsible, me and my family will not have any responsibility.

**I, Promila Devi**, wife of Late Baljinder Singh, resident of House No. 285/1, Khudda Ali Sher, Chandigarh, hereby declare that my son, Riki Singh Bhumbak, and daughter-in-law, Lipika Anjali, are beyond my control. I disown them from all my movable and immovable properties. Anyone dealing with them shall do so at their own risk.

**I, Sheela** W/o Sh. Hari Prkash R/o Qumasapur, Sonipat, Haryana has disowned my daughter Ritika from my all movable-immovable property as she is out of my control. In future, if anybody deals with her, he/she will do at their own risk.

**I, Zile Singh** S/o Sh. Sube Singh R/o Liwan, Distt. Sonipat, Haryana has disowned my son Pradeep Saroha & his wife Arpana alias Noori from my all movable-immovable property as they are out of my control. In future, if anybody deals with them, he/she will do at their own risk.

**I, Suman Sharma** Widow Late Sh. Mahender Sharma R/o Ward No. 06, Cheeka, Tehsil Guhla, Distt. Kaithal (Haryana) declares that our son Sachin Sharma and his wife Preeti are out of my control. I disown/evict them from my movable/immovable properties. I am no longer concerned with them. Deal with them at your own risk, Me and my family are not responsible for their work/dealing.

**I, Dayanand** S/o Data Ram R/o Gandhi Nagar, Pehowa, Kurukshetra, my son Pawan Kumar, daughter-in-law Rekha Rani, grandson Rohit Panchal and granddaughter Nidhi Panchal are out of our control. We, disown them from all our moveable and immovable properties. If anybody deals with him at their own risk.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**I, Pushpa Singh** Mother of No. 15707534M Hav Pinku Kumar Singh R/o Birla Gate, Kulti, PO & PS Kulti, Distt. Paschim Bardhaman (WB), Pin- 713343 declare that in my son's army record my name and Date of Birth was wrongly mentioned as Pushpa Devi and DOB written as 01-07-1964. My correct name is Pushpa Singh and DOB is 14-03-1967.

**I, Rameshwar Singh** Father of No. 15707534M Hav Pinku Kumar Singh R/o Birla Gate, Kulti, PO & PS Kulti, Distt. Paschim Bardhaman (WB), Pin- 713343 declare that in my son's service record my Date of Birth was wrongly mentioned as 01-07-1961. My correct date of birth is 11-02-1955.

**I, No. 16128051F** Rank L/NK Name Vinoth Kumar D Unit 38 AER C/o 56 APO Bathinda Cantt. (Punjab) permanent resident of 177/A, Perumal Kovil Street, Muthukondapuram, Distt. Tiruvallur, State Tamil Nadu-631204 declare That I have changed name from Vinoth Kumar D C to Vinoth Kumar D. vide affidavit no IN-PB91806384739475W dated 24.12.2024 before the court of Bathinda

**I, A Palaniammal** legally mother of No. 16129571Y Rank Spr Name A Dharanikumar Unit 4 Engr Regt C/o 56 APO Bathinda Cantt. (Punjab) permanent resident of 12.2.95/2, Urkalasamy Street, Battalundi, Nilakottai Distt. Dindigul, State Tamil Nadu-624202 declare That I have changed name from A Palaniammal to Palaniammal A vide affidavit dated 24.12.2024

**I, Smt. S Vijayanthimala** legally spouse of No. JC-313774A Rank SUB Name B Sasi Kumar Unit 4 Engr Regt C/o 56 APO Bathinda Cantt. (Punjab) permanent resident of 3/224-7, Kottaimedu, Kamuthi, VTC : Kamuthi, PO Kottaimedu Distt. Ramanathapuram, State Tamil Nadu-623604 declare That I have changed name from S Vijayanthimala to Vijayanthimala vide affidavit dated 24.12.2024

**I, No. JC-315169L** Rank Nb/Sub Name Anil Kumar V Unit 4 Engr Regt C/o 56 APO Bathinda Cantt. (Punjab) permanent resident of Anil Bhavan, Pavumba South PO, Karunagappally Pavumba, Distt. Kollam, State Kerala-690574 declare That I have changed my minor daughter name from A Adhulya to Adhulya A vide affidavit dated 24.12.2024

**I, Bisnupriya Parida** W/o No. 15694812N Hav Nishikanta Behera R/o Khudaputali Dhanghera Udala, Dhanghera Mayurbhanj, Dhanghera Odisha Pin-757087 declare that in my husband's service record my name was wrongly written as Bisnu Priya Behera. My correct name is Bisnupriya Parida.

**I, Sushma Devi** is spouse of JC-374218A Sub Madan Lal Sharma (Retd), resi of Vill - Bharoli Jauid, PO - Rakkar, Tehsil - Dehra Gopipur, Distt - Kangra hereby declare that my date of birth 03-03-1965 is recorded in service documents of my husband is incorrect. My correct date of birth is 12-03-1962 vide Affidavit dated 24 Dec 2024 before executive Magistrate Jalandhar.

**I, No. 15332843M** Hav Nandha Kumar P (Unit - 201 Engr Regt C/o 56 APO) residing at 129 (1), Killaimedu, Unaipallathur, PO - Unai, Distt - Vellore (TN) have changed my minor son name from N Kamalesh to Kamalesh N vide Affidavit dated 24/12/2024 before Executive Magistrate Jalandhar, (PB).

**I, No. 15332843M** Hav Nandha Kumar P (Unit - 201 Engr Regt C/o 56 APO) residing at 129 (1), Killaimedu, Unaipallathur, PO - Unai, Distt - Vellore (TN) have changed my minor son name from N Lingesh to Lingesh N vide Affidavit dated 24/12/2024 before Executive Magistrate Jalandhar, (PB).

**I, No. 16119469H** NK Burusu Nagaraju (Unit - 201 Engr Regt C/o 56 APO) presently residing at House No. 1-29, Noonumudanapalli, H/o Kondamari, Chowdepalli Mandal, Kondamari, Chittoor (AP) have changed my minor daughter name from B Trishika to Burusu Trishika vide Affidavit dated 24/12/2024 before Executive Magistrate Jalandhar, (PB).

**I, No. 16119469H** NK Burusu Nagaraju (Unit - 201 Engr Regt C/o 56 APO) presently residing at House No. 1-29, Noonumudanapalli, H/o Kondamari, Chowdepalli Mandal, Kondamari, Chittoor (AP) have changed my minor daughter name from B Kiranya to Burusu Kiranya vide Affidavit dated 24/12/2024 before Executive Magistrate Jalandhar, (PB).

**I, B Gowthami** spouse of No. 16119469H NK Burusu Nagaraju (Unit - 201 Engr Regt C/o 56 APO) presently residing at House No. 1-29, Noonumudanapalli, H/o Kondamari, Chowdepalli Mandal, Kondamari, Chittoor (AP) have changed my name from B Gowthami to Burusu Gowthami vide Affidavit dated 24/12/2024 before Executive Magistrate Jalandhar, (PB).

**I, B Lakshmi Devi** legally Mother of No. 16119469H NK Burusu Nagaraju (Unit - 201 Engr Regt C/o 56 APO) presently residing at House No. 1-29, Noonumudanapalli, H/o Kondamari, Chowdepalli Mandal, Kondamari, Chittoor (AP) have changed my name from B Lakshmi Devi to Burusu Lakshmi Devi vide Affidavit dated 24/12/2024 before Executive Magistrate Jalandhar, (PB).

**I, No. 15725489N**, NK Bhuvan Prasad Sahu S/o Firat Ram Sahu R/o Q.No. E-7/7, Head Quarter 474 Engr. Bde Signal Section K-Area, Zirakpur SAS Nagar Punjab declare that my mother's name Fifteen Bai and Date of birth 17-03-1970 mentioned incorrect in my service record. Her Correct name is Firin Bai and correct date of birth is 01-01-1976. Concern please note

**I, Sapna** D/o Sh. Balram R/o H.No. 1486/11, Ranak Pura Rohtak declare that my date of birth is recorded as 25-06-2004 in my 10th and 12th class marksheet, whereas my date of birth is recorded as 26-06-2004 in my Aadhaar card. Now I want to get my date of birth corrected as 26-06-2004 instead of 25-06-2004 in my 10th and 12th class marksheet.

**I, Army No.2512125-Y** Sunil Kumar NK Unit 30 Punjab and presently posted at 22 Rashtariya Rifle S/O Joginder Pal R/o VP0 Dher Tehsil Anandpur Sahib Distt. Rupnagar (Punjab), declare that in my Army record my father's name entered as Joginder Lal, whereas his correct name is Joginder Pal.

**I, Bachittar Singh** Banipal S/o Wazir Singh R/o Village Kamma Tehsil Khanna (Distt. Ludhiana) That I am known by Bachittar Singh Banipal, Gurdial Singh, Gurinderpal Singh, Gurinder Singh S/o Wazir Singh. That Bachittar Singh Banipal, Gurdial Singh, Gurinderpal Singh, Gurinder Singh S/o Wazir Singh is one and same person.

It Is For The Information That I, Kuldeep Singh Kang S/O Amrik Singh R/O Village Dakaunda, Tehsil Nabha, District Patiala-147104 Declares That In My Ppo No. 1123046572 The Name Of Mime Has Been Wrongly Written As Kuldeep Singh. The Actual Name Of Mine Is Kuldeep Singh Kang, Which May Be Amended Accordingly.

**I, Nandha Kumar** P Presently Serving With 201 Engr Regt C/O 56 Apo Hereby Declare That In School Records My Son Name Erroneously Recorded As N Lingesh, Whereas His Correct Name Is Lingesh N. Father And Mother Name Also Erroneously Recorded As P Nandha Kumar And N Devaki Respectively, Whereas Correct Name Are Nandha Kumar P And Devaki S Respectively Vide Affidavit Dated 24/12/2024 Before Executive Magistrate Jalandhar, (PB).

## CHANGE OF NAME

**I, Suman Rani** W/O Sandeep R/O H.No.1136, Sector-12, Sonipat Have Changed My Name To Suman For All Purposes.

**I, Harshit Bishnoi** s/o Ram Naresh r/o vpo Khairampur, Mandi Adampur, District Hisar, Haryana (India) 125052 have changed my name from Harshit to Harshit Bishnoi for all future purposes.

**I, Kapil Kumar** Son of Rajesh Kumar, R/o H. No. 1167, Durga Colony, Tehsil Jagadhri, District Yamuna Nagar-135003, Haryana, India declares that I have changed my name from Kapil Kumar to Kapil Gupta.

**I, Seema Rani** Wife of Shri Jitender Kumar resident of H.No. 1180, Radha Krishna Enclave, Sector 24, Near Bharat Mata Chowk Panipat, Distt Panipat-132103, state that I have changed my name from Seema Rani to Seema.

**I, Neeru** W/o Sh. Ajay Kumar R/o Uchana Mandi, Tehsil Uchana, Distt. Jind, have changed my name from Neeru to Neeru Devi.

**I, Akshil** S/o Anupam Ahuja R/o House No- 813, Sector -7, Panchkula Haryana 134109 have changed my name to Akshil Ahuja.

**I, Kuldip Kaur** W/O Surjit Singh R/O Bhikhiwind Tehsil Patti Distt. Tarn Taran have changed my name from Kuldip Kaur to Kuldeep Kaur. Concerned please note.

**I, Rukmesh Rani** W/o Nain Singh R/o Village Aliyaspur, Tehsil Barara, Distt Ambala have Changed my name from Rukmesh to Rukmesh Rani

**I, Parkasho Devi** W/o Mohinder Saini R/o V.P.O Saran, Sub-Tehsil Saraswati Nagar, Tehsil Jagadhri, Distt Yamunanagar have changed my name from Parkasho Devi to Kamlesh Saini.

**I, Simran** W/o Sh. Sukhpal Singh R/o DD122, Near Lal Godown, Ward No.03, Officer Colony, Tehsil Samalkha, Distt. Panipat, declare that my name Simmi written in my 10th and 12th Marksheet which is incorrect. But my real name is Simran for all purposes.

**I, Mayank** S/o Sushil Kumar Garg R/o #465, Aggarwal Colony, Ward No.4, Gharaunda, Karnal (Haryana) have changed my name from Mayank to Mayank Garg. In future, I should be known as Mayank Garg.

**I, Raj Rani** W/o Sh. Ram Chander R/o H.No.607, Ward No.23, Krishanpura, Panipat, declare that Janak Kumari and Raj Kumari and Raj Rani three are my same person name for all purposes.

**I, Ajay** S/o Sh. Ishwar Singh, R/o Uchana Mandi, Tehsil Uchana, Distt. Jind, have changed my name from Ajay to Ajay Kumar.

**I, Faraha Naz** Zaidi W/O Sayed Kamal, #164, Senior Citizen Society, Mohali Golf Range, Sector 48-C, Chandigarh. I Have Changed My Minor Son Name From Mohammad Askari Kazmi To Mohd Askari Kazmi.

**I, Jagjit Singh** s/o Sh. Gurdarshan Singh Saini, R/O # 1977, Sector 45, Buraill, Chandigarh have changed my name to Jagjit Singh Saini.

**I, Ranjana** w/o Sh. Jagjit Singh Saini, R/o # 1977, Sector 45, Buraill, Chandigarh have changed my name to Ranjana Singh Saini.

**I, Sheetal** w/o Mukesh Kumar Resident Jagdish Nagar Colony, Hansi, Hisar, declare that Sheetal & Sheetal Madan both names are same and one person.

**I, Aarti Devi** D/o Paramjeet Singh R/O Village Musimbal Hindwan, PO Mussimbal, Tehsil Jagadhri, Distt Yamuna Nagar, Haryana-135003, India declare that name of my mother has been wrongly written as Pragasi in my 10th class educational document. The actual name of my mother is Pargasho Devi.

**I, Bhavna** D/o Nirmal Singh R/O Village Kandrauli, PO Gumthala Rao, Tehsil Radaur, Distt Yamuna Nagar, Haryana-135133, India declare that name of my mother has been wrongly written as Sukhbinder in my 10th and 12th classes educational documents. The actual name of my mother is Sukhvinder.

**I, Gagan Bhambri** S/o Durga Dass Bhambri R/o H. No. 676, Subhash Gali, Choti Line, Tehsil Jagadhri, Yamuna Nagar-135001, Haryana (India) declare that name of mine and my wife has been wrongly written as Gagan and Poonam respectively in my minor son (aged 16 years) Om Bhambri in his 10th class educational document. The actual name of mine and my wife are Gagan Bhambri and Poonam Bhambri.

**I, Keshav Malik** S/o Kamal Kant Malik R/o H. No. C-7/173, Street No. 1, Gandhi Dham, Jagadhri, Tehsil Jagadhri, Distt Yamuna Nagar, Haryana-135001, India declare that name of my father and mother has been wrongly written as Kamal Malik and Ekta Malik respectively in my 10th class educational document. The actual name of my father and mother are Kamal Kant Malik and Akta Malik.

**I, Raghubir Singh** S/o Shri Ram R/O House No. 2223, Sector -7, Urban Estate, Karnal have changed my name from Raghubir Singh to Raghubir Singh.

**I, Sunita Chauhan** W/o Sh. Raj Kumar R/o H.No. 39, Ranjiti Enclave, (Ashoka Nursery), Karnal have changed my name from Sunita Chauhan to Sunita Rani. In future, I should be known as Sunita Rani.

**I, Sandeep Singla** S/o Nand Lal R/O House No.738, Sector -16, Karnal have changed my name from Sandeep Kumar to Sandeep Singla.

**I, JC 261479A** Sub Gurmukh Singh (Retd.) S/O Late Sh. Baru Singh R/O Village Kishangarh, P.O. Rattangarh, Tehsil Shahbad (M), District Kurukshetra declares that in my service record my wife's name is wrongly written as Sukhminder Kaur instead of Sukhvinder Kaur. Note all concerns.

**I, Kulwant Kaur** W/o Harbhajan Singh R/O Village-Jharoli Khurd, Tehsil Shahabad Markanda, Distt.Kurukshetra (Haryana) have changed my name from Kulwant Kaur to Surender Kaur.

**I, Dilshad** S/o Sarajudeen R/o Ward no. 02, VPO Buria, Tehsil Jagadhri, Distt Yamuna Nagar have changed my name from Dilshad Ahmed to Dilshad.

**I, Ankur Kukreja** S/o Subhash Chander Kukreja, R/o H.No. 788, Near Town Park, Sector Police Line Area, Hisar-125001 have changed my minor daughter's name from Raavya to Raavya Kukreja.

**I, Bajinder** S/o Sh. Man phool R/O Dhani Dirja, Tehsil Siwani, Distt. Bhiwani declare that I have changed my name from Bajinder to Vijender Singh for all purposes.

**I, Babli** W/o Raj Kumar R/O H. No. D-210, New Model Town Ext. Near Shiv Mandir, Hisar, Haryana, 125001 declare that I have changed my name from Babli to Sunita Devi for all purpose.

**I, Eak Bahadur Karki** S/o Sh. Lekh Bahadur R/O H. No. 31 DC Quali Foils, Hisar teh. and Distt. Hisar, Haryana, declare that I have changed the name of my minor daughter from Siya to Siya Karki for all future purpose.

**I, Jayant** S/o Anil Kumar R/O House No. 356 Defence Colony, Hisar, Haryana, declare that I have changed my name from Jayant to Sumitra Devi. That I will be responsible myself for any illegal activity, if any is carried out by me after changing my name.

**I, Tanishq** S/o Rajpal Sharma, R/o Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar, Chak Bhajura, Sujjanpur, Tehsil & District Pathankot, Have Changed My Name From Tanishq to Tanishq Sharma, Kindly Note.

**I, Smt Ishro Kaur** spouse of No 6798118 Ex NK Late Sadhu Ram resident of H. 17, VPO- Kakar Majra, Teh-Naraingarh Distt - Ambala (Haryana) have changed my name from Smt Eshwar Kaur to Smt. Ishro Kaur (Proposed/ adopted new name) Date of Birth 15-07-1943 vide Affidavit dated 24-12-2024 before Naraingarh.

**I, Gugul** S/O Tang Raj R/O H.No- 263 Village Nada Sahib Sector- 31 Panchkula, Have Changed My Name From Gugul To Gokul Nath.

**I, Priyanka** Amit Singla W/O Sh. Arpit Singla R/O House No. 378 P Sector-12 Panchkula Haryana Have Changed My Name From Priyanka Bansal To Priyanka Amit Singla.

**I, Vanita** W/O Sh. Ram Kumar R/O # 26, Green Valley Near Ats, Barwala Road Dera Bassi, Tehsil Dera Bassi. Distt. SAS Nagar (Mohali), Punjab, Have Changed My Name From Vanita To Banita Rani.

**I, Tarun Kumar** Garg @Tarun Kumar S/O Naresh Kumar Garg R/O Kailash Bhawan, Bathinda Road, Near New Grain Market, Kotkapura, Faridkot

**I, Rita Rani** W/O Pirthi Village Badhupur Tehsil Mukerian Distt Hoshiarpur Have Changed My Name To Rita

**I, Pirthi Chand** S/O Kishan Singh Village Badhupur Tehsil Mukerian Distt Hoshiarpur Have Changed My Name To Pirthi

**I, Tarsem Lal** S/O Niranjan Singh Resident Of Village Kot Kalan, Distt. Jalandhar, Have Changed My Daughter Name From Manjeet Kaur To Manjeet Kaur Paul.

**I, No.14898336L** Rank T-Mate, Karnail Singh S/O Sh.Prem Singh, R/O H.No.57, Village Bharouli, Po Kandaiwala, Mes Chandimandir Cantt. Panchkula, Declare That In Service Records Of My Minor Son Name Himanshu Written. Whereas His Correct Name Himanshu Bazard.

**I, Rahul Ramesh** Mahajan Son Of Sh. Ramesh Laxman Mahajan, Resident Of Q. No. 20, Type-3, Niper, Sector-617, S.A.S. Nagar, Mohali-Punjab, Declared That Rahul Ramesh Mahajan Of Mahajan Rahul Ramesh Is The One And The Same Person.

**I, Rekha Devi** W/o Bishan Pal, no 457/68, ward 33, gali no 02, Tophkhana bazar, Ambala Cantt, Haryana-133001. Have Changed My name to rekha Rani to Rekha Devi.

**I, Dharamwati** (Aadhar no. 7533-6990-9652), wife of sh. raghuvir Singh Mann, Resident of H.no 240, Sector-D, Defence Colony, Ambala Cantt-133001 Haryana. My bank record, passport and other documents my name is mentioned as Dharamvati. and my aadhar card, pan card and my husband 's PPO record my name is mentioned as Dharamwati. That dharamwati & Dharamvati both are the same and single person name

**I, Nikhil Sush** S/o Bishan pal, H.no 457/68, ward 33, gali no 02, Tophkhana bazar, Ambala Cantt, Haryana-133001. have changed my name Nikhil to Nikhil Sush.

**I Vipin Kumar** alias Vipin Raheja S/O Nathu Ram R/O H. n.2352, N.H.B.C, Sector 11-12, Panipat have changed my name from Vipin Kumar alias Vipin Raheja to Vipin for all future purposes.

**I Ankush** S/O Ompal Singh R/O H.n.319, Arjun Nagar kabdi road, Panipat have changed my name from Ankush to Ankush Bhatti for all future purposes.

**I Shilpi** W/o Dheeraj Sharma R/o H. No. 701-L, near kinder kin school, model town Panipat have changed my name from Shilpi to Shilpi Sharma for all future purposes.

**I, Kamla** W/o Sh. Prem Singh R/O Vill. Lalerhi Khurd Tehsil Ganaur Distt Sonipat declare that my old name is Kamla and I want to change my name to Sumitra Devi. That I will be responsible myself for any illegal activity, if any is carried out by me after changing my name.

**I, Bhavi Garg** S/o Sh. Ajay Kumar R/O Samalkha Distt. Panipat declare that in my Aadhar & Pan card my father's name is written Ajay Kumar & in Marksheet name is Ajay Garg. That Ajay Kumar & Ajay Garg both are my father's name. In future will be consider.

**I, Satinder Singh** S/O Kartar Singh R/O F-13/206, Gali No.5, Gopal Nagar, Friends Colony, Majitha Road, Amritsar, Punjab have changed my name from Satinder Singh to Satinder Singh Chawla.

**I, Vijay Singh** Bisht S/O Baldev Singh R/O H.No.166, Gali No.7, Vishal Vihar, Ram Bali Chowk, Sandhu Colony, Amritsar, Punjab have changed my name from Vijay Singh Bisht to Vijay Singh

**I, Neelam Devi** W/o Vijay Singh R/O H.No.166, Gali No.7, Vishal Vihar, Ram Bali Chowk, Sandhu Colony, Amritsar, Punjab have changed my name from Neelam Devi to Neelam Bist.

**I, Bajinder Kaur** W/o Sukhpal Singh R/O Jand, PO Nangal Dial Singh, Distt. Amritsar, Punjab-143113 have changed my name from Bajinder Kaur to Baljinder Kaur.

**I Tamanna** D/o Balwan Singh R/O H.No- 2715/21 Safidon Road, Near JIET School, Ekta Nagar, Jind, Haryana 126102 have changed my name from Tamanna to Tamanna Nehra.

**IAnil** S/O Satpal Sharma R/O Po. Barwala Distt Panchkula Haryana I Have Changed My Name From Anil To Anil Kumar.

**I, Jaswinder** Singh S/O Kesar Ram , Dhkraba , Patiala, Punjab 147001 have changed my name from Jaswinder Singh to Jaswinder Sharma.

**I Fateh Singh** S/O Sh. Ram Dia R/O H.No-21 New Kanch Ghar Ambala City have changed my Name as Fateh Singh Lakhalw S/O Sh. Ram Dia Lakhalw.

**I, Jasbir** Singh S/O Sadhu Singh R/O VPO. Budhi Pind, Tehsil Tanda, Distt. Hoshiarpur, Punjab have changed my name from Jasbir Singh to Jasvir Singh.

**I, Sangeeta** W/o Vinay Rana R/O 138/3, Top Khana Bazar, Jalandhar Cantt have changed my name to Sangeeta Rana. Concerned Note.

**I, Sukhvinder Kour** W/o Parvinder Singh R/O 1367/10, Gali Shaheedan Chowk Pragas, Amritsar have changed my name from Sukhvinder Kour to Sukhvinder Kaur

**I, Satish Kumar** S/o Harban Lal R/O H.No.352, Akash Avenue, Near Baijwa Hospital, Fatehgarh Chawia Road, Amritsar have changed my name from Satish Kumar to Satish Kumar Madaan

**I, Vishal** S/o Inderjeet R/O H.No.21, New Golden Avenue, Opp Park, Amritsar have changed my name from Vishal to Vishal Kumar Mahajan

**I, Sindhi Devi** mother of No.13781022H Nk Vishal Sharma Unit of 11 Jak Rif C/o 56 Apo that in my son's army service record my name has been wrongly entered as Sindhi Devi but my correct name is Shindi Devi Vide Affidavit No.IN-PB91719336899252W Dt.24.12.2024 before Executive Magistrate Amritsar

**I, Amritpal Singh** S/O Mangal Singh R/O VPO Dharar, Amritsar have changed my name Amritpal Singh to Amritpal as my Given name and Sing is my Surname.

**I, Beantroop Singh** S/O Amir Singh R/O Village Gujjapeer PO Dharival Kaler, Amritsar have changed my minor son's name from Harsimran Singh to Harsimran Singh

**I, Ramchandra Kumar** S/O Baldeo Singh R/O Qtr No.6/5, Raina Vihar, Sujjanpur Cantt, Pathankot, Punjab declare that name of mine is wrongly written as Ram Chandra Kumar in my minor daughter Simran Kumari aged 14 years in her School Records. Actual name of mine is Ramchandra Kumar.

**I, Anshu Puri** W/O Jatinder Pal R/O #01, Near Kalgidhar, Gurdawara, Mohalla Mata Rani, Khanna, Ludhiana, Punjab-141401 have changed my name to Anshu.

**I, Kavita Devi** W/O Manender Singh R/O D 186, Kakrali (69), Palwal, Haryana-121102 have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Kavita.

**I, Gagandeep Singh** S/o Charan Kanwal Bir Singh R/O 140/2, College Road, New Sant Nagar, Gurdaspur have changed my minor son's name from Ankit to Ankit Bawa. Concerned note.

**I, Harjit** S/O Jagdish Singh R/O H. No. 1018/25, Block No.5 Green Avenue, Trimmo Road, Gurdaspur have changed my name from Harjit to Harjit Singh. Concerned note.

**I, Sandeep Kumar** S/O Satpal R/O Village Badnara, Tehsil Pundri, Distt. Kaithal (Haryana) declares that I am known by two names Sandeep Kumar and Sandeep, my both names are correct and used for the same one person but in future, I will be known by the name of Sandeep Kumar. All concerned please note.

**I, Sheela Devi** W/o Sandeep Kumar R/O Village Badnara, Tehsil Pundri, Distt. Kaithal (Haryana) declares that I am known by two names Sheela Devi and Sheela, my both names are correct and used for the same one person but in future, I will be known by the name of Sheela Devi. All concerned please note.

**I, Bakhsheesh Kaur** W/o Gurmial Singh R/O 1238 Sector 80, SAS Nagar, Mohali, Punjab, have changed my name from Bakshish Kaur to Bakhsheesh Kaur.

**I, Sukhbir Narwal** S/O Rajbir R/O Village Jhamola, PO Karela, Block Juliana, Jind-126101, Haryana, declare that I have changed my name from Sukhbir to Sukhbir Narwal for all future purpose.

**I, Sapina Devi** W/o Mohammad Azam R/O Mohalla Berian Wala, Malerkotla, Distt Malerkotla, have changed my name to Speena.

**I, P Padmavathy** Dhillon D/O Piara Singh Dhillon R/O Kothi No. 26, Phase-2, Tehsil & District SAS Nagar, Mohali, Punjab have changed my name from P Padmavathy Dhillon to Padmavathy Dhillon.

**I, Monikantan** S/O Ayyasamy R/O House No. 3541 1st Floor, Sector-71, Sas Nagar Mohali, Punjab, Have Changed My Name Monikantan To Monikantan Ayyasamy.

**I, Sornalatha** W/O Monikantan R/O House No. 3541 1st Floor Sector-71, Sas Nagar Mohali, Punjab Have Changed My Name From Sornalatha To Sornalatha Monikantan.

**I, Banarsi Dass** S/o Chamela Ram R/o #176 Sector-7 Urban Estate Ambala City Haryana have changed my name from Banarsi Dass to Banarsi Dass Saini.

**I, Army No. 15324991H** Rank: HAV Name: Prakash D Unit: 1 AER C/o 56 APO, Residing at Village Mugaiyur Post Mugaiyur, Taluk Kandachipuram, Distt. Villupuram (State) Tamil Nadu Pin-605755 have changed my Son's name from Dalwin Arok to P Dalwin Arok.

**I, Army No. 15324991H** Rank: HAV Name: Prakash D Unit: 1 AER C/o 56 APO, Residing at Village Mugaiyur Post Mugaiyur, Taluk Kandachipuram, Distt. Villupuram

# Day 29 of Fast: Dallewal gives call for unity; Punjab Bandh on Dec 30

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Delhi Chalo Andolan 2.0 — the ongoing farmers' protests at the Punjab-Haryana borders since February — has entered a pivotal phase with senior farmer leader Jagjit Singh Dallewal's indefinite hunger strike crossing 29 days on Tuesday at the Khanauri border. Despite his frail condition and deteriorating health, Dallewal remained resolute in his demand for a legal guarantee on minimum support price (MSP) for crops — a key issue that has retained nationwide attention, while giving farmers a call to stand united.

As the farmers' movements gain momentum, the Samyukta Kisan Morcha (SKM) — the pan-India farmers' body that led the 2020 farmers' agitation against Centre's three farm laws — has, as of now, decided to refrain from directly joining the ongoing protest, while pledging to intensify efforts for unity and dialogue. A meeting with the President or Union Agriculture Minister is slated for early January to push forward their demands.

Meanwhile, a Punjab-wide shutdown has been announced for December 30, with detailed planning underway to ensure widespread participation while safeguarding essential services. A meeting, to decide the strategy, is slated for December 26.

Dallewal, despite his frail health and after losing over 15 kilograms during the 29 days of his hunger strike, on Tuesday addressed the gathered farmers from a specially-arranged stage. Expressing his unwavering determination, Dallewal said: "This fight is for every farmer in the country. We must stand together to ensure that the government cannot ignore us" — emphasizing the need for solidarity across states.

"I want to tell all of you that I am alright... We have to win this battle. This battle will be won only if the whole country fights unitedly... I want that the government should not be able to evict us from here at any cost. If it is not able to do so, then either we will win or die, one of two things will happen," said the 70-year-old in his over two-minute-long speech.

The protest, organized under the banners of Samyukta Kisan Morcha (Non-Political) — led by Dallewal; and Kisan Mazdoor Morcha (KMM) — led by Sarwan Singh Pandher, has seen farmers camping at the Shambhu and Khanauri border points between Punjab and Haryana since February 13, following repeated blockades preventing their march to Delhi.

Despite setbacks, the movement's spirit remained undeterred, with nationwide candlelight marches on Tuesday evening, and solidarity initiatives highlighting the farmers' demands for justice and dignity.

Dallewal's hunger strike, which began on November 26, revolved around securing a legal framework for MSP, a demand central to ensuring economic security for farmers and shielding them from market volatility. His hunger strike, however, has taken a severe toll on his health. Doctors monitoring the 70-year-old leader have raised alarms over high ketone levels, compromised immunity, and the risk of cardiac arrest.

"The hunger strike has

severely weakened his immune system, making him susceptible to infection. His vital organs, including his liver and kidneys, are also showing signs of strain," said one of the doctors attending him.

SKM leaders, including Prem Singh Bhangu, have condemned the "stubborn" stance of both the Central and Punjab Governments, accusing them of ignoring farmers' legitimate grievances. Bhangu announced plans to meet the President or Agriculture Minister in January to discuss the MSP issue and other critical concerns. "Efforts for unity among farmers continue," Bhangu stated, underscoring the importance of a cohesive approach to amplify their demands.

Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann has also called on the Central Government to engage in meaningful dialogue with the farmers. Criticizing the government's inaction, Mann remarked, "If Prime Minister Modi can mediate between Russia and Ukraine, why can't he address the concerns of farmers just 200 kilometers away?" He further compared the government's behaviour to a pigeon closing its eyes to an approaching cat, urging immediate action to resolve the impasse.

Meanwhile, BJP leader Harjit Singh Grewal shifted the onus onto Mann, suggesting that the Chief Minister should facilitate talks between the farmers and the Central Government. However, Mann's appeals for dialogue appear to have gained limited traction at the national level.

The farmers' protest has received significant support from various quarters. The Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (SGPC) president Harjinder Singh Dhami also visited Dallewal at the Khanauri border, extending prayers and solidarity. Across the country, a candlelight march was organized on Tuesday evening to rally public awareness and support for the farmers' cause. These gestures of solidarity have further strengthened the movement's resolve.

## Punjab Bandh on Dec 30

On December 26, a strategic meeting was planned at Khanauri, bringing together trade unions, social and religious organizations, and taxi unions to finalize preparations for the Punjab shutdown. Scheduled for December 30, the strike will exclude essential services such as medical and emergency facilities but will see other activities suspended from 7 am to 4 pm. Organizers hope the strike will draw significant attention to the farmers' plight and pressurize the government to act.

The current agitation follows the landmark 2020-21 farmers' protests, during which nationwide mobilization compelled the government to repeal three contentious farm laws. However, the demand for a legally guaranteed MSP remains unresolved. Critics argued that without this guarantee, farmers remain vulnerable to market exploitation and economic instability, undermining their livelihoods.

Dallewal's pivotal role in both the earlier protests and the current movement has made him a symbol of the farmers' fight for justice. His appeal for nationwide unity — "This bat-

tle can only be won if we stand together" — has resonated deeply among farmers and supporters alike. Farmers from Haryana have already joined their Punjab counterparts, adding weight to the movement's demands.

## Punjab CM Slams Modi Govt for Ignoring Farmers' Plight, Urges Immediate Dialogue

Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann on Tuesday strongly criticized the Narendra Modi-led Union Government for its "step-motherly treatment" towards farmers, accusing it of ignoring their legitimate demands. In a scathing statement, Mann lamented that Prime Minister Narendra Modi seems more focused on portraying himself as a "global leader", intervening in international crises like the Russia-Ukraine war, while remaining apathetic to the struggles of India's food growers.

Mann underscored the crucial role farmers have played in making India self-reliant in food production. "When the country faced a severe food production crisis, it was the relentless efforts of our farmers, particularly those from Punjab, that ensured the nation's food security," he said. The Chief Minister highlighted the sacrifices made by farmers, including the overexploitation of fertile soil and water resources, to fill the national food pool. Despite these contributions, the Union government has shown hostility toward farmers and refused to even engage in dialogue with those protesting just 200 kilometers from the national capital.

Calling the government's approach "deplorable", Mann accused the Prime Minister of prioritizing his global image over the needs of India's citizens. He described the Union government's refusal to meet with agitating farmers as a reflection of its "haughty attitude" and urged it to shed its arrogance. "The Centre must stop waiting for a special moment and immediately open avenues for meaningful dialogue with the farmers," he said, emphasizing

that resolving their grievances is imperative in the larger public interest.

The Chief Minister also reminded the Union government of its duty to honour and address the contributions of farmers. "These are the same people who made the nation self-reliant in food production during its darkest times. Ignoring their cries for help is not only unfair but also shortsighted," he asserted. Mann's remarks came at a time when tensions between the farmers and the government have reached new heights, with protests intensifying over demands for a legal guarantee on minimum support price (MSP) and other critical issues.

Mann urged the Centre to act swiftly, warning that further delay would deepen the crisis. "Listen to the farmers, and resolve their issues before it's too late," he said, calling for immediate action to restore trust and ensure justice for the backbone of India's economy.

# Punjab attracts Rs 86k-cr Investment, creates nearly 4L jobs: CM

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Steadily transforming into an industrial powerhouse, Punjab, over the past 30 months, has attracted investments worth Rs 86,000 crore, paving the way for the creation of 3.92 lakh jobs.

Highlighting the State Government's unwavering commitment to propelling Punjab's development through industrialization, Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann on Tuesday noted that companies like Tata Steel and Sanatan Textiles are among the many leading firms eager to invest in the state, citing Punjab's peaceful and harmonious environment as a significant factor driving this growth.

The Chief Minister emphasized that his government is leaving no stone unturned in ensuring Punjab's transition to a high-growth trajectory. "Within just 30 months, we have provided a massive boost

## Scuffle breaks out between councillors over Ambedkar row at Chandigarh Municipal body meet

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A major ruckus was witnessed during the monthly general house meeting between municipal councillors of the Congress-Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) alliance and Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) over Union Home Minister Amit Shah's controversial remarks on BR Ambedkar.

Congress and AAP councillors passed a motion against Shah, calling for his resignation. The arguments started when BJP councillors levelled allegations against the city mayor, claiming that sand was lifted from the Dhanas area at his behest.

Following this, Congress-AAP members entered the well with a poster of Anil Masih, a nominated councillor, and started raising slogans against him by chanting "Vote Chor, Vote Chor" (Vote Thief). This led to a scuffle between Congress councillor Gurpreet Singh and BJP councillor Kuljeet Singh Sandhu, as Sandhu tried to snatch the

poster from Singh's hands.

BJP's Anil Masih, who was allegedly involved in tampering with the mayoral polls held earlier this year, shouted that Congress leaders Sonia Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi, and AAP leaders Arvind Kejriwal and Manish Sisodia were all "out on bail". He argued that the Congress had no right to criticise others.

As the situation grew tense, several councillors rushed in to manage the chaos and calm everyone down. Eventually, the situation escalated to the point where a ten-minute break had to be announced to de-escalate tensions.

Masih, the returning officer for the Chandigarh mayoral elections held on January 30, was allegedly caught on camera defacing eight votes from AAP councillors in an apparent attempt to sway the election results in favour of the BJP. In response to a show-cause notice from the Supreme Court for making a false statement, he later issued an unconditional apology to the court.

to industrialization, making Punjab a sought-after destination for major industries," said Mann, adding that this unprecedented industrial surge has been supported by the state's top-tier infrastructure, skilled workforce, and favourable business environment.

Mann underscored his government's commitment to empowering local youth, stating that job creation for Punjab is a non-negotiable condition for all incoming investors. "Our primary condition for investors is that employment opportunities must prioritize local youth. This ensures that the state's young talent actively contributes to Punjab's socio-economic growth," he asserted.

The Chief Minister expressed pride in Punjab's ability to attract top-tier investors who are leveraging the state's strategic advantages. "Entrepreneurs benefit immensely from our excellent infrastructure, reliable power supply, skilled human resources, and exemplary industrial culture. These factors have positioned Punjab as a rapidly emerging industrial hub," Mann said.

He further reassured investors of the government's openness to innovative ideas and partnerships to accelerate industrial growth. "We are always receptive to new concepts and technologies that can propel Punjab's industrial ecosystem to new heights," he added.

Mann reaffirmed his vision for Punjab's industrial future, highlighting that this transformative wave of investment not only uplifts the state's economy but also creates sustainable livelihoods for its people. With communal harmony and economic growth working hand in hand, Punjab is poised to emerge as a national leader in industrial development.

After MC Poll Win, AAP's Punjab leaders Meet Kejriwal

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## Rs 5452 crore to be spent on Metro expansion in Gurugram, says CM Saini

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Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini on Tuesday chaired a key meeting for the metro expansion under the Gurugram Metro Rail Limited (GMRL) from Millennium City Center to the Railway Station, Sector-22, and Cyber City in Gurugram.

Saini said that for the convenience of the residents of Gurugram, the expansion of the metro network between Gurugram's Millennium City Center to Railway Station, Sector-22 and Cyber City will be done. "This project aims to further enhance connectivity, ease traffic congestion, and provide an efficient, eco-friendly transport option for the city. A total investment of Rs. 5452.72 crores will be allocated for the successful completion of the metro expansion project. The construction work is scheduled to begin on May 1, 2025," Saini added.

In the meeting, Saini was apprised that the Metro expansion will take four years to complete. He directed officers concerned to accelerate the

work while ensuring minimal inconvenience to residents during construction. He directed the officers to create a robust infrastructure to benefit people for the long term. He said that whenever a major infrastructure project is undertaken, the officers concerned should devise a plan that ensures its longevity and provides long-term benefits to the people.

The Chief Minister was apprised that an amount of Rs 896.19 crore will be spent on this project by the Central Government and Rs 4556.53 crore by the Haryana Government. Under this project, a medium metro will be established and it will operate on standard gauge. Besides this, the Metro will be based on Communication-Based Train Control (CBTC) signaling and will have a maximum speed of 80 km/h. Initially, it will operate with three coaches, expandable to six. It was further informed that five underpasses and flyovers will also be constructed as part of the project. Industry Minister Rao Narbir Singh and former MLA Bimla Chaudhary were present on the occasion.

## BRIEFS

### NO MORE QUEUES FOR VISITOR PASSES AT SECRETARIATS; PUNJAB LAUNCHES E-PASS FACILITY

**Chandigarh:** To enhance citizen convenience, the Punjab Government on Tuesday digitized the issuance of visitor passes for Civil Secretariat-I and II in Chandigarh. Informing, the state Governance Reforms Minister Aman Arora said that the move will eliminate the need for citizens and government officials to wait in queues for physical passes by streamlining visitor pass application process. The Minister said that citizens and government officials can conveniently apply for visitor passes online via Connect portal — connect.punjab.gov.in or at the Reception Counter of PCS-1 and PCS-2. Applicants can also track status of their applications and view their pass history in real-time.

### PUNJAB SEC LIFTS MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT

**Chandigarh:** An official spokesperson of the Punjab State Election Commission on Tuesday said that the Model Code of Conduct, enforced from December 8, 2024, following the announcement of election schedule for General/Bye Elections to various municipalities in the State of Punjab, now ceases to be in operation in the revenue estates of the concerned Municipalities in the State with immediate effect, with the conclusion of Elections Schedule.

### PUNJAB GOV GREETS PEOPLE ON CHRISTMAS

**Chandigarh:** Punjab Governor and UT-Chandigarh Administrator Gulab Chand Kataria on Tuesday wished everyone in Punjab and Chandigarh a joyous and blessed Christmas. Kataria, in his message, said: "Christmas is a time to celebrate the values of love, compassion, and selflessness, as taught by Jesus Christ. His teachings of kindness, forgiveness, and service to humanity inspire us to strive for a better, harmonious world... The spirit of Christmas encourages us to foster unity, share joy with those in need, and strengthen the bonds of brotherhood within our communities. Let us embrace this festive season as an opportunity to promote peace and goodwill among all."

### PUNJAB GOVT FOCUSING ON HEALTH CARE FOR ELDERLY

**Chandigarh:** Punjab government is running 'Our Elderly, Our Pride' campaign, under which the department officials will be going door-to-door to collect health-related information about the elderly. The Social Security, Women and Child Development Minister Dr Baljit Kaur said that it is essential to conduct health surveys to ensure the well-being of elderly and improve their quality of life. She emphasized that the Government's primary goal is to honour the elderly and make their lives more fulfilling. "Anganwadi supervisors would visit each household to collect data through the M-Seva mobile app. This app will display details of pensioners, including their name, age, village, phone number, and health information," she said.

### SHOCKING TO SEE CM HOLIDAYING IN AUSTRALIA DURING DAYS OF SHAHEEDI FORTNIGHT: SAD

**Chandigarh:** Lashing out at Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann for holidaying in Australia during days of Shaheedi fortnight of four Sahibzade of Guru Gobind Singh ji, the SAD on Tuesday asserted that even though the farmer agitation was going on since almost one year, the Chief Minister was least bothered to get the issue resolved. SAD chief spokesman Arshdeep Singh Kler said that it was shocking to note that Mann had opted to enjoy new year party at a time when Punjab is quietly observing Shaheedi fortnight by paying tributes to four Sahibzade of Guru Gobind Singh Sahib ji who were martyred during the month of Poh. "It is shameful for the Chief Minister that he did not even bother to talk to farmers and get their grievances resolved by talking to the Prime Minister but instead gave political statements that the Centre was not bothered about farmers," he added.

### ALOK MITTAL TAKES CHARGE AS DG, HARYANA ANTI-CORRUPTION BUREAU

**Panchkula:** Alok Mittal on Tuesday took charge as Director General of Haryana Anti-Corruption Bureau at its Headquarters in Panchkula. After assuming charge, he inspected the bureau's office, gathered information about the official and staff work processes, and provided necessary guidelines. Mittal outlined his priorities, stating that the formation of the Haryana Anti-Corruption Bureau aims to make the state corruption-free. "To achieve this goal, we must all work as an effective and efficient team," he added. Mittal emphasized that it is essential for every officer and employee in the bureau to have clarity about their work. The clearer the understanding of one's work, the better and more effective the work process will be. The bureau will adopt a zero-tolerance policy against corruption. No negligence in this matter will be tolerated, he added.

### HOODA ACCUSES BJP OF INSULTING CONSTITUTION, AMBEDKAR

**Rohtak:** Senior Congress leader Bhupinder Singh Hooda on Tuesday led the Baba Saheb Ambedkar Samman March in Rohtak and alleged that the BJP government and its leaders are constantly insulting the Constitution and its maker, Dr BR Ambedkar. The protest march, attended by Congress MLAs and workers, submitted a memorandum to the district authorities, condemning Shah's remark as derogatory. Talking to reporters, Former Chief Minister Hooda emphasised that the nation will not tolerate such insults, citing the Congress party's role in creating the Constitution under Ambedkar's leadership. The participants included Bharat Bhushan Batra from Rohtak, Shakuntala Khatak from Kalanaur (reserved) and Balram Singh Dangi from Meham.

### HRV GOVT TO RUN SPECIAL CAMPAIGN UNDER 'SWACHH HARYANA MISSION': CHIEF SECY

**Chandigarh:** Haryana Government will run a special campaign under the 'Swachh Haryana Mission' for institutionalising Swachhata and minimising pendency in government offices. Haryana Chief Secretary Vivek Joshi has written a letter to all Administrative Secretaries, Chief Administrators of Boards/Corporations and Divisional & Deputy Commissioners wherein guidelines have been issued to carry out activities under this campaign as preparatory phase up to December 31.

### SOLAR PANELS TO BE INSTALLED ON ALL GOVT BUILDINGS IN HRY: POWER MINISTER

**Chandigarh:** Under a plan by the Haryana government, modern plants will be established in every district of the state to generate electricity from waste. These plants will convert waste into energy, contributing to both cleanliness in districts and electricity production. This decision was taken during a review meeting of the Department of New and Renewable Energy, chaired by Haryana Energy Minister Anil Vij. The meeting included detailed discussions on the use of renewable energy and energy conservation strategies. It was also discussed in the meeting that solar panels will be installed on all government buildings in the state. Departments will be directed to provide information about their buildings to facilitate this process. Besides this, solar powerhouses will be set up in each district to power streetlights using solar energy. During the day, energy will be stored, which will then be used to supply electricity to street lights at night.

### STUDENT SHOOTS SELF OUTSIDE MAHARSHI DAYANAND UNIVERSITY IN ROHTAK, CRITICAL

**Rohtak:** In a shocking incident, a 25-year-old student from in Sonipat district attempted to end his life by shooting himself in the head outside the History Department of the Maharshi Dayanand University (MDU), Rohtak. Eyewitnesses said he fell on the ground bleeding profusely after he shot himself. The weapon used in the act was reportedly a pistol meant for shooting sports. The injured student, identified as Sumit, a Bachelor of Physical Education (B.P. Ed) student at MDU, was immediately rushed to Rohtak P.G. Rohtak by fellow students. His condition is said to be critical. Authorities, including officers from the PGI police station and a Forensic Science Laboratory (FSL) team, arrived at the scene after getting information about the incident to collect evidence and initiate an investigation.

## Himachal CM inaugurates Winter Carnival in Shimla

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Himachal Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu inaugurated the Winter Carnival Shimla at The Ridge on Tuesday and said that such carnivals and festivals depict the rich culture and traditions of the State.

Sukhu said that it was the present State Government who started Winter Carnivals at Shimla and Dharamshala for the first time. He said that the Winter Carnival Manali was also being organized on a large scale by the Government, adding that the State Government was making earnest efforts to harness the tourism potential of the State so that more and more tourists are attracted towards the State thereby it could become a most favoured tourist destination.

He said that the Government has issued a notification regarding opening of restaurants and other eatable shops round-the-clock from 23rd December 2024 to 5th January, 2025 so that tourists and visitors do not face any



inconvenience during their stays in the State, adding that the State Government would provide all logistic assistance to the tourists. He urged the visitors to enjoy the carnival and snowfall and also made a fervent appeal to all to keep the State polychrome free by using dustbins.

The Chief Minister expressed hope that hilly areas of the State including Shimla city would get another spell of snowfall during Christmas and New Year which will be an added attraction for the tourists. He said that he was optimistic that there will be

good snowfall during this winter season which goes a long way in recharging our water sources.

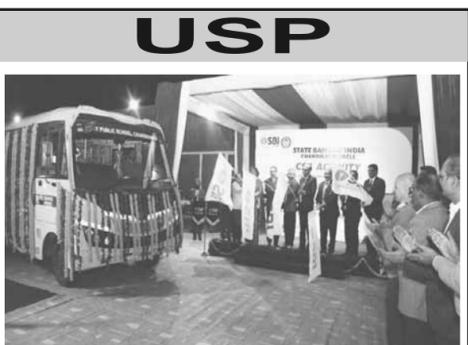
Sukhu also participated in Mahanati and flagged off a cultural parade on the occasion in which participants from 11 districts took part.

## SNOWFALL LEADS TO CLOSURE OF OVER 170 ROADS

Over 170 roads, including three national highways, were closed in Himachal Pradesh following snowfall in several districts, officials said on

Tuesday. Many of these roads, however, were made operational for traffic after removing snow. Snowfall was recorded in the Kinnaur, Lahaul and Spiti and the higher reaches of Shimla, Kullu, Mandi, Chamba and Sirmour districts. A maximum 89 roads were closed in Shimla, followed by 44 in Kinnaur and 25 in Mandi. Some areas were without electricity after 683 transformers stopped working, the State Emergency Operation Centre said.

Officials have advised the tourists to adhere to the advisories issued by the district administration and the police, listen to suggestions from locals and refrain from driving in the snow. Khadrula received 24 cm of snow, followed by Sangla (16.5 cm), Shillaro (15.3 cm), Chopal and Jubbal (15 cm each), Kalpa (13.7 cm), Nichar (10 cm), Shimla (7 cm), Pooh (6 cm) and Jot (5 cm). Snowfall was also witnessed in the suburbs of Manali and Dalhousie since Monday while a few places in the mid and lower hills received light rain.



State Bank of India, Chandigarh Under CSR initiative, State Bank of India, Chandigarh Circle donated a school bus to Army Public School, Chandimandir in the presence of Shri. Ashwini Kumar Tewari, Managing Director of SBI, Shri. Kishan Kumar, Chief General Manager, SBI Chandigarh Circle, Maj. Gen. A.S. Rathore, Brig. Ajay Jamwal, Chairman Army Public School and Ms. Poonam Kohli, Vice Principal, APS Chandimandir.



Inauguration of solar panel and laying of foundation stone of lifts at Harco Bank Headquarters

Today: the Honorable Chairman of Harco Bank, Mr. Hukam Singh Bhati and Managing Director/CEO Dr. Praful Ranjan, in compliance with the guidelines of Chandigarh Administration, inaugurated a 30 kW solar panel on the roof of the building in the bank. On this occasion, Dr. Ranjan informed that the cost of this project is about Rs 16.50 lakh and its energy production capacity is 120 units per day, due to which the bank will save electricity worth about Rs 0.3.50 lakh per year and this is an excellent initiative taken by the bank in view of the environment. He also informed that the work of installing new lifts has been started in place of the 12 lifts installed in the headquarters and staff colony sector-20 Panchkula of Harco Bank, which had become very old. Apart from this, he informed that the Bank had signed an agreement with Haryana Warehouse Corporation for the renovation work of Bank Headquarters Building, Chandigarh and Employee Training Centre, Panchkula, the work of which has been started and the building will be equipped in an excellent manner.



Trident Group Honoured by Union Minister Giriraj Singh for Excellence in HR at TBD Textile Connect

Punjab / Chandigarh : Trident Group, a global USD 2 Billion+ conglomerate, was recognized for its outstanding human resources practices at the prestigious TBD Textile Connect - Textile & Apparel Industry HR Summit Excellence Awards. Supported by the Ministry of Textiles, Government of India, Trident Group swept key categories, including Best HR Practice, Best Employer Manufacturing, Excellence in Recruitment and Campus Hiring, and Workforce Diversity. The awards were presented by Giriraj Singh, Union Minister of Textiles, at an event recently held at Noida, who commended Trident Group for its leadership in driving HR innovation and fostering an inclusive and diverse workforce. These accolades underscore the Group's dedication to creating a thriving work environment that prioritizes employee development, diversity, and sustainable growth, driving its global success.

"How Is Art Transforming Lives in BaghaPurana?"

Bagha Purana Punjab: Amid the quiet rhythm of this small town, a revolution is taking shape. At its heart is 17-year-old Rajkanwar from Punjab Convent School, an Innovative entrepreneur who has turned his passion for art and social justice into a mission to empower the women of BaghaPurana. Through his brainchild, Artiverse, Rajkanwar is creating pathways for underprivileged and underrepresented women artists to share their talent with the world. Founded during Rajkanwar's teenage years, Artiverse is more than a platform; it's a movement. Combining the rich tapestry of traditional Punjabi artforms like Phulkari with contemporary business strategies, Artiverse equips women artisans with the tools to market their craft on a global stage. "These women carry centuries of tradition in their hands," says Rajkanwar. "My goal is to amplify their voices and let the world see their brilliance." Rajkanwar's journey began in the tracks of BaghaPurana, where he grew up watching women weave intricate stories into their art. However, these creations often remained confined to local markets, undervalued and overlooked. Determined to change this narrative, he founded his Non-Profit Artiverse to provide these artisans with the resources, mentorship, and connections they need to succeed. He did not create Artiverse to sell products; it was about selling stories," explains Rajkanwar. "Every stitch, every brushstroke has a narrative, and the world needs to hear it." Artiverse has since evolved into a powerhouse for creative business consulting, offering design guidance and much more. The impact has been profound. Women who once earned limited wages now run thriving small businesses, and their artwork has found homes across the globe. Rajkanwar's work embodies the Sikh principle of sarbat da bhala—the welfare of all. But his efforts go beyond altruism. They challenge societal norms, advocate for gender equality, and bring financial independence to women who have long been marginalized.

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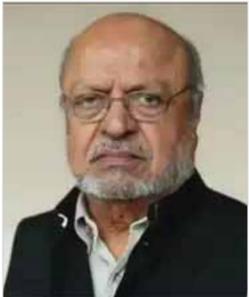
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## Adieu Shyam Benegal

With passing of Shyam Benegal, Indian cinema has lost a luminary, but his films will continue to illuminate and educate

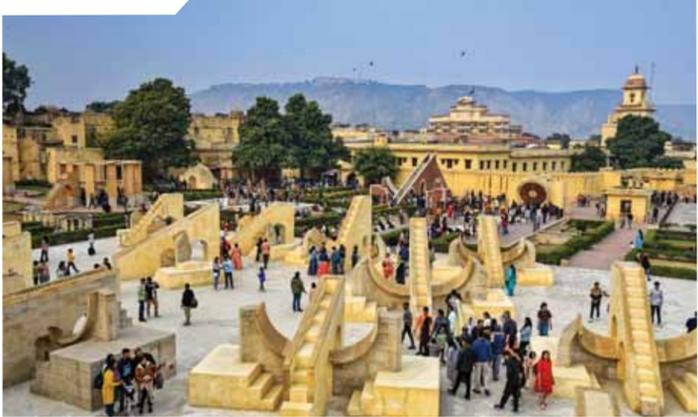
The curtains have fallen on one of the most illustrious chapters in Indian cinema. Shyam Benegal, the pioneering filmmaker who redefined storytelling in Indian cinema, passed away at the age of 90 on December 23, 2024. He succumbed to chronic kidney disease at Wockhardt Hospital in Bombay Central. Known as the father of Indian parallel cinema, Benegal's legacy remains etched in the heart of Indian filmmaking, his films celebrated for their realism, depth, and transformative impact on society. Born on December 14, 1934, Benegal celebrated his milestone 90th birthday just days ago, surrounded by close family and friends. Yet, even in his twilight years, the veteran filmmaker remained deeply connected to his art. Benegal's career was marked by his groundbreaking contribution to the Indian New Wave movement in the 1970s and 1980s. With films like 'Ankur' (1974), 'Nishant' (1975), 'Manthan' (1976), and 'Bhumika' (1977), he charted a new cinematic course that delved into realism and social commentary, a stark contrast to the formulaic escapism of mainstream Bollywood.



His films gave voice to the marginalised and explored themes of gender, class struggles, and rural India, bringing to light the unseen facets of Indian society. 'Nishant', a harrowing tale of oppression and resistance, and 'Manthan', inspired by Dr. Verghese Kurien's milk cooperative movement, became cult classics. The latter, crowdfunded by 500,000 farmers, stands as a testament to Benegal's ability to connect with grassroots realities. The film, India's official entry for the 1976 Academy Awards, exemplified his commitment to blending art with advocacy. Benegal's films also

became a platform for some of India's finest acting talents. Actors like Shabana Azmi, Naseeruddin Shah, Smita Patil, and Om Puri found their early footing in his films. Azmi, who debuted in Benegal's 'Ankur', recently shared a poignant moment from his 90th birthday celebrations, underscoring the indelible bond they shared. His collaboration with screenwriter Vijay Tendulkar produced narratives that were both poignant and thought-provoking, winning multiple National Awards. From 'Junoon' to 'Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose: The Forgotten Hero', Benegal's oeuvre showcased an unmatched versatility, spanning historical dramas, rural sagas, and contemporary commentaries. Earlier this year, 'Manthan' was restored and screened at the Cannes Film Festival under the Cannes Classics segment, reiterating the timeless relevance of Benegal's vision. Despite his declining health, the event underscored his enduring influence on global cinema. Benegal's storytelling was never confined to entertainment. His films were instruments of change, questioning societal norms and sparking dialogues. His pioneering approach laid the foundation for generations of filmmakers who sought to marry art with social responsibility. Rest in peace, Shyam Benegal, the maestro who showed us the soul of India through his lens.

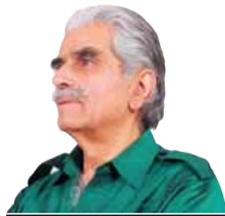
### PICTALK



Tourists visit the historical Jantar Mantar, in Jaipur

# India recalibrates Myanmar strategy

The stakes are high for India, balancing its Act East policy, border security and competition with China, all against the backdrop of a fractured Myanmar



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After four years of civil war in Myanmar, India has quietly changed its policy towards the Junta from one of total and unflinching support following its coup against democracy to one of nuanced support. Junta leader General Min Aung Hlaing has been advocating holding elections for the last four years but only now with China's assistance, they are slated for 2025. China is playing with both sides: supporting the Junta as well as some EAOs (Ethnic Armed Organisations) especially in the north contiguous with its Yunnan province. India too has shifted the goalposts but less perceptibly and engaging some EAOs and the National Unity Government (NUG) after the Junta lost its control in the Rakhine and Chin territories along India and Bangladesh borders.

Last week the Junta's control of the ground began crumbling further with the loss of Ann, Headquarters Western Military Command, the second military command to fall to resistance groups. Junta has lost two airports - Thandwe (Rakhine) and Lashio and 75 towns and cities out of some 340 of them. It has also lost control of six border trading posts. 40 of 70 towns in Rakhine have been captured by the Arakan Army which is part of the Three Brotherhood Alliance, the other two being MNDA and TNLA.

Two critical seaports on the west coast - India-operated Sittwe and Chinese-owned Kyaukphyu - are on AA's target list next year unless Beijing can dissuade it from attacking Kyaukphyu though the loss of Ann has opened the gates to it. Magaung is the other target in Rakhine.

On the Thailand border, the Karen National Union took Manerplaw, the Junta losing possession after 30 years. A humanitarian corridor with Thailand has existed with the help of the Junta. In the North, TBA has been persuaded by China to go slow against the Junta, and not support NUG and the People's Defence Force. The Kachin Independence Army has seized Bemo and Mansi, popular tourist areas in the



northeast. In the central Sagaing region, Mandalay, the second largest city after Yangon, came under rocket attack last month and National Highway 3 from Mandalay to China border, was under resistance control. In sum, the Junta controls less than 50 per cent of the land but has the majority of the population in it. These are Bamar-predominant areas in Sagaing, Irrawaddy Delta, the new capital Nyaung-U and Yangon. They are likely to lose more ground next year despite pressure from the Chinese on EAOs. Beijing is nursing the Junta and its leader, Hlaing.

He was invited to meet PM Li Qiang after attending the Greater Mekong Subregional Summit at Kunming last month. China is replenishing the Junta's military arsenal - so is Russia - including three fighter jets with assured ammunition supply. It wants to locate a private security company (like in Pakistan) for the protection of its strategic assets like China Myanmar Economic Corridor (CMEC) containing oil and gas pipelines along with a railway link from Kunming to Kyaukphyu. Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi is a frequent visitor to Myanmar though most people resent Chinese support for the Junta and its presence. The Chinese consulate in



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Mandalay came under attack recently. Theoretically, an election could be held contingent upon the ground situation in November next year. Even with low turnout and rigging an election will be manipulated. ASEAN's problem is Myanmar after the failure of its five-point consensus peace formula. Many meetings have been held with and without Myanmar representation without any light at the end of the tunnel. During the 18 December talks in Bangkok, with Myanmar's neighbouring countries, Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri, a former Ambassador in Myanmar, discussed prospects for elections with Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Than Shwe.

There was a separate set of talks with stakeholders from non-neighbouring countries. India's stakes are high given competition with China, a disturbed situation in its northeast and a troubling relationship developing with Bangladesh. Myanmar is a pivotal land bridge for its Act East policy, the Asean Trilateral Highway and the security of its Eastern frontier.

The junta's loss of control in Rakhine and Chin states has created an adverse situation along the border with Mizoram and a broken Manipur. While India is not proactive like China, its new policy pronouncement - old wine in a new bottle - is "immediate cessation of violence, peaceful resolution of

the ethnic issue through a genuine federal democracy where the process should be Myanmar-owned and Myanmar-driven. While Delhi has taken its time to engage resistance groups, it did organise one-and-a-half track meetings with select EAOs and Junta separately. In November, it first engaged Junta officials followed by EAOs who met the Joint Secretary (Bangladesh- Sri Lanka- Myanmar) at the Indian Council for World Affairs. In September, it had met representatives from Chin, Rakhine, Sagaing and Magwe who are already in refugee camps in Mizoram.

While India has not opened humanitarian corridors to these areas it is providing food, fuel medicines across the border. But that is not enough as they also want weapons and cash. Delhi does not want to annoy the Junta with which it has little leverage, unlike China. NUG was not invited to Delhi though it is being engaged back channel. India has to get real; be proactive, take risks and support AA and Chin rebels as its Act East policy is pivoted in areas under their control. It can't dump the Junta as it will be a key constituent of any outcome.

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### STRENGTHENING INDIA-KUWAIT TIES

Madam —The two-day visit of PM Narendra Modi to Kuwait will further boost the bilateral ties between two historically friendly nations. This is the first visit by any Indian prime minister to the Gulf nation in 43 years. Though India and Kuwait have enjoyed traditionally friendly relations, which date back to the pre-oil era of Kuwait when maritime trade with India was the backbone of its economy, India and most Arab countries, especially Kuwait, have enjoyed very cordial relations based on mutual trust and people-to-people contact, nurtured over several millennia. Till 1961, the Indian rupee was the legal currency tender of Kuwait till it introduced its currency, the Kuwaiti Dinar (KWD). This was a symbol of enduring economic and cultural centuries between two brother nations.

PM Modi was conferred with Kuwait's highest civilian honour, the prestigious "Order of Mubarak Al Kabeer". The Order of Mubarak Al Kabeer is a knighthood order of Kuwait. It is awarded to heads of state and foreign sovereigns and members of foreign royal families in a sign of friendship and has been previously awarded to foreign leaders like Bill Clinton, Prince Charles, George Bush, King Salman Bin Saud, and King Hussein of Jordan. This visit of PM Modi holds great significance as current global volatility requires better cooperation and stability among nations, especially among regional players, for energy security, and India's desire for stability in the Gulf region, beside Kuwait, holds significant strategic importance. The Kuwait Investment Authority (KIA) has the world's oldest and fifth largest sovereign wealth fund, valued around US \$1 trillion, which has US \$969 billion in assets under its management. This visit of PM Modi has heralded a new era of friendship, which will further boost trade, cooperation, and peace at a time when economic concerns and regional stability dictate are of the foremost importance in the formation of political alliances.

Ramesh G Jethwani | Bengaluru

#### PV Sindhu marries Venkata Datta Sai



Indian badminton star Pusarla Venkata Sindhu, a two-time Olympic (silver and bronze) medalist, is married to Venkata Datta Sai in Udaipur. Sindhu, a five-time World Championship medallist, a few days ago, clinched the Syed Modi India International title and announced her engagement via an Instagram post on December 14, 2024, that captured a memorable moment with the couple holding their rings and smiling from ear to ear. The wedding festivities began on December 20th

in the lake city of Rajasthan at the exclusive and majestic Raffles Udaipur Resort. Pre-wedding festivities included sangeet, haldi, and mehendi ceremonies. The families, long-time acquaintances, planned the wedding swiftly to accommodate Sindhu's training schedule.

Union Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat (shockingly, he was wearing a black kurta in an auspicious ceremony, even as a Hindu party leader) shared a captivating photo of the couple, offering his blessings. Now the reception is scheduled in Sindhu's native city, Hyderabad, on December 24. Congratulations to the darling daughter of Mother India, P. V. Sindhu, and her husband, Venkata Datta Sai. Best wishes to the newlyweds for a wonderful & eternal married life. Whatsoever, the first image of the wedding has already captivated hearts, setting the tone for the couple's happily ever after.

Bidyut Kumar Chatterjee | Faridabad

#### POPCORN PRICING DEBATE

Madam—The recent decision by the GST Council has turned popcorn from a simple snack into a focal point of economic debate. Under the new rules, salted popcorn is taxed at 5 per cent, packaged popcorn at 12 per cent, and sugar-flavoured popcorn at 18 per cent. This decision raises questions about the priorities of the tax structure while adding complexity to people's daily lives. Will samosas, tea, and water also be classified into tax categories based on taste and packaging? The tax determination for popcorn signals that the government is exploring every possible avenue to increase revenue. The aroma of popcorn in cinemas might now bring concerns about tax slabs before the joy of taste. Popcorn, once a symbol of social equality, has now become a marker of class division due to the 5 per cent and 18 per cent tax differential. This decision could negatively impact the Rs 1,200 crore popcorn industry, pushing people toward cheaper alternatives. The government must recognise that such decisions add to the burden on citizens already grap-

pling with inflation. Popcorn is no longer just a snack but a representation of the complexities of policymaking.

RK Jain | Barwani

#### TRIBES PROTECT NATURE

Madam —It is a great irony that all the well-educated and better-placed-in-life populations are destroying nature and damaging the environment; it is the indigenous tribes across the world who are supposedly backward and primitive who are doing their best to protect it. The bond between nature and her people has all but broken down in all urban centres, and the city dwellers do not think twice about their lifestyles, which is slowly destroying the environment. After all, we, the human race, are not the sole inhabitants of the planet, and other living creatures are co-inheritors too. It is time for all the nations with tribal populations to learn from them on how to care for and protect the planet.

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## Across cultures and ages: The beauty of unexpected friendships

The unexpected joy of forging meaningful friendships in middle age defies the common belief that the best opportunities for connection are behind us

Your hat is fantastic. It makes you look more Bavarian than any of us, the concierge quipped as I entered the venue for the coffee-and-cake event at a resort in southern Germany. Although he was stretching the truth — I have neither blonde hair nor blue eyes — I accepted the compliment with a coy smile. "Danke schön," I said, tipping my woolen hat. Just then, another guest remarked, "That's a pretty pin on your hat," pointing to the delicate hand-crafted Edelweiss flower. A cherished gift from my friends, Wolfgang and Amelie, the pin symbolised a friendship that began just a year ago, in this very Bavarian town of Schliersee.



The Wolfgang — a handsome, warm-hearted couple — are a testament to the unexpected joy of friendships made in middle age. Our bond didn't begin with shared childhoods or decades of history but with a simple "hello" and an open heart. The modest origins of our connection and the way it blossomed over the past year defy the notion that meaningful friendships are reserved

for youth. Our paths crossed serendipitously during an evening walk. A casual exchange of pleasantries evolved into deeper conversations about life, culture, and shared interests. What began as polite conversation in an Alpine countryside ended with an exchange of coordinates and it continued with texting in the months after. It is widely held that the friends we make in our formative years are the ones who stay, while those forged later in life are fleeting, superficial, or driven by necessity. This belief may hold some truth; adulthood brings with it obligations, scepticism, and wariness. We become cautious in extending ourselves. The

innocence of youthful camaraderie gives way to guarded interactions, and we convince ourselves that the window for profound friendship has closed. Yet, the Wolfgang remind me that this window is not sealed shut — it merely takes a little more effort to open. Friendships formed in middle age are special not despite our life experiences, but because of them. We bring to these connections a deeper sense of self-awareness, empathy, and appreciation.

There's no rush to impress or to conform. The pressures of youthful identity-building are gone. In their place, we find sincerity, authenticity, and the willingness to value people for who they truly are. They remind us of the universality of human warmth and curiosity. Meeting someone from another country — someone whose life, traditions, and language are different — can feel like discovering an entirely new world. And when such encounters lead to genuine friendship, they break down the invisible walls that geography and culture often build around us. There is also a profound joy

in the intentionality of these connections. In our younger years, friendships are often born of proximity — classmates, neighbours, or college roommates. As adults, friendships require deliberate effort. This intentionality infuses middle-aged friendships with a depth and resilience that can be even more rewarding than the bonds of our youth. I think back to the pin on my hat — that delicate Edelweiss — and I see it as a metaphor for these kinds of friendships. The Edelweiss, a rare Alpine flower, thrives in challenging conditions. It symbolises courage, devotion, and the willingness to climb new heights. Like the flower, friendships made in middle age might take more effort to cultivate, but they are hardy, resilient, and precious.

A year after that first meeting, I found myself once again in Schliersee last month, sharing coffee and cake with the Wolfgang, laughing over our language blunders and cultural quirks. It is never too late to make friends.

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ASHA KUMAR IYER



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## THE ETERNAL WISDOM OF SUNDAR KAND

Sacred texts and mantras hold a timeless power to uplift the soul



RAVI VALLURI

The faithful recognise the profound benefits of chanting or reading sacred texts, mantras, and scriptures like the Hanuman Chalisa and Sundar Kand. These practices are especially embraced by large numbers on auspicious days such as Tuesdays and Saturdays. The vibrations generated by reading these sacred books and meditating on the mantras foster positive thoughts, beautify the mind, and empower us to overcome internal obstacles and dispel negativity clouding our perspective. Yet, many of us struggle to engage in these practices regularly, often citing demanding schedules and lack of time. As spiritual leader Sri Sri Ravi Shankar observes, "The time given to the Divine is the least." Consequently, we neglect to devote quality time to the Lord, remembering Him only in moments of distress. Even when time is found, many face difficulties focusing, maintaining clarity, or chanting with proper intonation. The mind frequently drifts into worldly concerns.



To aid this practice, here is a simple version of Sundar Kand:

Ram Ram Jai Ram  
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 Peaceful, Compassionate, Sinless,  
 One served by Brahma and Shambhu,  
 One who appears in human form by Maya,  
 O Raghuvhar, I bow to you.  
 You are my innermost Self.  
 Liberate me, O Lord,  
 Instill devotion within me.

O Lord Hanuman, epitome of strength, knowledge, and wisdom, emboldened by Jambavanth's counsel, set out to cross the mighty ocean in search of Sita. He triumphed over the demoness Surasa and reached Lanka under the cover of night. Guided by divine intuition, he discovered Sita and presented her with Lord Ram's ring, bowing at her feet and seeking her blessings. Hanuman then wreaked havoc in Ashok Vatika—eating fruits, breaking branches, and shaking trees.

Allowing himself to be captured by the asuras, he was taken to Ravana's court. There, he urged Ravana to repent and return Sita to Lord Ram. Ravana, consumed by ego, refused and instead set Hanuman's tail ablaze. In response, Hanuman used the fire to destroy Lanka's golden city. Before departing, Hanuman comforted Sita and took her Chudamani (jewel) as a token for Lord Ram. On returning, he presented it to Ram, who embraced him, deeply moved by his devotion and bravery. When asked how he accomplished the task, Hanuman humbly replied that nothing is impossible with the grace of Lord Ram. Lord Ram then instructed Sugreev to assemble the army and seek the ocean's permission to cross into Lanka. Meanwhile, Mandodari, Ravana's queen, warned him of the dire consequences of his actions and implored him to release Sita, but he refused. Ravana's virtuous brother Vibheeshan also advised him to repent, cautioning that even Lord Shiva would disapprove of his deeds.

Ignoring all advice, Ravana's stubbornness led Vibheeshan to abandon Lanka and seek refuge at Lord Ram's feet. Recognising his righteousness, Lord Ram crowned Vibheeshan as the future king of Lanka. Ravana sent spies disguised as messengers to gather information on Lord Ram's plans. They returned with alarming news and urged Ravana to free Sita, but he remained defiant. With the help of Nal and Neel, Lord Ram constructed the Setu bridge to cross the ocean. Along the way, he released the river Sarayu from its curse and advanced toward Lanka. This timeless Sundar Kand, penned by Tulsidas, continues to inspire and guide devotees on their spiritual journey.

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## Atal ji: The statesman with vision and resolve



NARENDRA MODI

Today, as we mark the 100th Jayanti of Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee, we celebrate the life and legacy of a statesman whose vision and leadership continue to inspire generations



Today, 25th December is a very special day for all of us. Our nation marks the 100th Jayanti of our beloved former Prime Minister, Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Ji. He stands tall as a statesman who continues to inspire countless people.

Our nation will always be grateful to Atal Ji for being the architect of India's transition into the 21st century. When he took oath as PM in 1998 our nation had passed through a period of political instability. In about 9 years we had seen 4 Lok Sabha elections. The people of India were getting impatient and also sceptical about governments being able to deliver. It was Atal Ji who turned this tide by providing stable and effective governance. Coming from humble roots, he realised the struggles of the common citizen and the transformative power of effective governance.

One can see the long-term impact of Atal Ji's leadership in so many sectors around us. His era marked a gigantic leap in the world of Information Technology, telecom and communications. This was particularly important for a nation like ours, which is also blessed with a very dynamic Yuva Shakti. The NDA Government under Atal Ji made the first serious attempt to make technology accessible to the common citizens. At the same time, there was foresight in connecting India. Even today, most people recall the Golden Quadrilateral Project, which connected the length and breadth of India. Equally notable were the Vajpayee Government's efforts to enhance local connectivity as well through initiatives like the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana. Similarly, his Government gave a push to metro connectivity by doing extensive work for the Delhi Metro, which stands out as a world-class infrastructure project.

Thus, the Vajpayee Government not only boosted economic growth but also brought distant regions closer, fostering unity and integration. When it comes to



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the social sector, an initiative like the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan highlights how Atal Ji dreamt of building an India where modern education is accessible to people across the nation, particularly for the poor and marginalised sections. At the same time, his government presided over many economic reforms which set the stage for India's economic surge after several decades of following an economic philosophy which encouraged cronyism and stagnation.

A wonderful example of Vajpayee Ji's leadership can be seen in the summer of 1998. His Government had just assumed office and on 11th May, India conducted the Pokhran tests, known as Operation Shakti. These tests exemplified the prowess of India's scientific community.

The world was stunned that India had done the tests and expressed their anger in no uncertain terms. Any ordinary leader would have buckled, but Atal Ji was made differently. And what happened? India stood firm and resolute with the government calling for another set of tests two days later, on 13th May! If the tests of the 11th showed scientific skill, the ones on 13th showed true leadership. It was a message to the world that gone were the days when India would buckle under threats or pressure. Despite facing international sanctions, the then NDA government of Vajpayee Ji stood firm, articulating India's right to safeguard its sovereignty while simultaneously being the strongest proponent of world peace.

Atal Ji understood Indian democracy and also the need to make it stronger. Atal Ji presided over the creation of the NDA, which redefined coalitions in Indian politics. He brought people together and

made NDA a force for development, national progress and regional ambitions. His Parliamentary brilliance was seen throughout his political journey. He belonged to a party with a handful of MPs but his words were enough to rattle the might of the all-powerful Congress Party that time. As Prime Minister, he blunted the criticisms of the Opposition with style and substance. His was a career spent largely in the Opposition benches but never carried any trace of bitterness against anyone, even though the Congress stooped to new lows by going to the extent of calling him a traitor! He was also not one to cling on to power through opportunistic means. He preferred to resign in 1996 instead of following the path of horse-trading and dirty politics. In 1999, his Government was defeated by 1 vote.

A lot of people told him to challenge the immoral politics happening then but he preferred to go by the rules. Eventually, he came back with another resounding mandate from the people. When it comes to commitment to protecting our Constitution too, Atal Ji stands tall. He was deeply impacted by the martyrdom of Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee. Years later, he was a pillar of the anti-Emergency movement. In the run-up to the 1977 elections after the Emergency, he agreed to merger of his own Party (Jan Sangh) into the Janata Party. I am sure it would have been a painful decision for him and the others, but safeguarding the Constitution was all that mattered to him.

It is also noteworthy how deeply rooted Atal Ji was in Indian culture. Upon becoming India's External Affairs Minister, he became the first Indian leader to speak in Hindi at

the United Nations. This one gesture showcased his immense pride in India's heritage and identity, leaving an indelible mark on the global stage.

Atal Ji's persona was magnetic and his life was enriched by his love for literature and expression. A prolific writer and poet, he used words to inspire, provoke thought, and even offer solace. His poetry, often reflective of his inner struggles and hopes for the nation, continues to resonate with people across age groups.

For so many Bharatiya Janata Party Karyakartas like me, it is our privilege that we were able to learn and interact with a person like Atal Ji. His contribution to the BJP was foundational.

In those days to spear-head an alternative narrative to the dominant Congress showed his greatness. Alongside stalwarts like Shri L.K. Advani Ji and Dr. Murli Manohar Joshi Ji he nurtured the party from its formative years, guiding it through challenges, setbacks and triumphs. Whenever the choice came between ideology and power, he always chose the former. He was able to convince the nation that an alternative world view from the Congress was possible and such a world view could deliver.

On his 100th Jayanti, let us rededicate ourselves to realising his ideals and fulfilling his vision for India. Let us strive to build an India that embodies his principles of good governance, unity, and progress. Atal Ji's unwavering belief in the potential of our nation continues to inspire us to aim higher and work harder.

(This tribute to the visionary statesman late former PM Atal Bihari Vajpayee has been penned by PM Narendra Modi)

## Dreaming of a White Christmas in New York City

The first snowfall and the twinkle of lights on the Rockefeller tree—there's a certain magic that makes Christmas in New York unforgettable

The first time I saw New York City during the holidays, I was 19, a college freshman on a whirlwind trip with my friends. It was my first real taste of winter—snow, bitter cold, and the kind of brisk air that turns your cheeks red. Coming from a place where Christmas meant palm trees with twinkle lights, the sight of NYC blanketed in snow felt like stepping into a new world. I didn't know it then, but that trip would spark a love affair with the city that would eventually bring me back here five years later.

**My First Snow, My First NYC Christmas**  
 I still remember how the snow caught me off guard. It wasn't the gentle, picture-perfect kind I'd imagined from movies. It was harsh, relentless, and



SHREYA DAYAL

absolutely freezing. Walking through Times Square that Black Friday, bundled up in layers that still didn't feel like enough, I saw the city come alive in a way that felt electric. It wasn't just the towering billboards or the endless sales signs luring shoppers into stores at all hours of the night.

It was the energy—the palpable hum of people chasing holiday deals while dodging each other in the snow. It was chaotic, overwhelming, and unforgettable. Somewhere in the madness of flashing lights and icy sidewalks, I knew I wanted to come back someday—not as a visitor, but as someone who belonged here.

**The Magic of NYC's Holiday Icons**

During that trip, we did all the things you're supposed to do when you're experiencing Christmas in New York for the first time. We saw the Rockefeller Center tree, towering above the skating rink, every inch of it glowing like it had been plucked from a fairytale. The cold bit at my fingers as we stood there, taking it all in. For a moment, the crowds

and the cold faded away, leaving only the soft twinkle of the lights and the awe of standing in front of something so iconic.

The Met was another world entirely. As someone who'd only read about it in books, stepping into its grandeur felt surreal. Wandering through the exhibits, I found myself captivated by the way history and art came alive here. Outside, the snow was falling again, but I was too caught up in the beauty around me to notice the cold.

**The Broadway Moment That Changed Everything**

That trip wasn't just about the sights; it was about the moments that stayed with me long after I left. One of those moments was seeing Phantom of the Opera on Broadway.



Sitting in that theater, watching the chandelier crash and the Phantom's haunting story unfold, I felt a kind of magic I couldn't quite explain. It was more than just a show—it was a moment that made me feel alive in a way I hadn't before. Walking out of the theater into the snowy night, the sounds of

the orchestra still echoing in my mind, I felt a connection to the city that I couldn't shake. It was as if New York had opened its arms to me and whispered, "Come back."

**Coming Full Circle**

Five years later, I did come back. I'd dreamed of living in New York ever since that first

trip, and now here I was, not as a wide-eyed tourist, but as someone calling the city home. It's funny how those early memories still feel so vivid, like they're a part of me.

Walking through Times Square today, I still think about that freezing Black Friday night when I braved the snow for the first time. Seeing the Rockefeller tree now brings back flashes of that first tripping in awe of its beauty and dreaming about a future that somehow feels like the present now. Even when I catch a Broadway show, I can't help but remember how Phantom of the Opera made me fall in love with this city in the first place.

**The Spirit of a NYC Christmas**

There's something timeless

about Christmas in New York. No matter how many years pass or how many times you see it, the magic never fades. The snow still glistens, the lights still dazzle, and the city still hums with that unmistakable holiday energy.

For me, it's not just about the sights or the snow—it's about how this city makes you feel. It's about the way it wraps you up in its chaos, its beauty, and its magic, and leaves you with memories that last a lifetime. A White Christmas in New York City isn't just a holiday—it's a story. And for me, it's the story of a 19-year-old who fell in love with the snow, the lights, and the city that would one day become home!

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# No justification in US curbs on Pak firms, says Shehbaz

PTI ■ ISLAMABAD

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Tuesday defended Pakistan's nuclear and missile programme, saying the recent US sanctions against the country's four entities have "no justification". His remarks came days after the US slapped sanctions on four Pakistani firms, including the state-owned flagship aerospace and defence agency — National Development Complex (NDC) — on charges of contributing to ballistic missile programme. In addition to the NDC, the three other entities are Akhtar and Sons Private Limited, Affiliates International and Rockside Enterprise. All three are based in Karachi, while the NDC is in Islamabad. "The sanctions placed upon our National Development Complex and other entities have no justification," Prime Minister Shehbaz said while addressing a federal cabinet meeting.

"Pakistan has absolutely no intention for our nuclear system to be aggressive. It is 100 per cent for Pakistan's defence. It's just deterrence; nothing else," he added. The prime minister also said that Pakistan's ballistic missile programme was for defending itself "if God forbid there is aggression against Pakistan". Earlier, the Foreign Office termed the US decision to impose sanctions on NDC and three commercial entities as "unfortunate and biased". Shehbaz noted that the FO had given a "comprehensive response" and said that the missile programme belonged to the entire nation. "It's dearer to them (the public) than their hearts and there will be no compromise," he said, clarifying that the nation was united on the issue. Pakistan and the US have experienced an uneasy relationship in recent years due to issues related to human rights, terrorism, nuclear weapons and missile pro-

gramme. US expresses concern over sentencing of 25 civilians by Pakistan military court: Expressing concern over the sentencing of 25 civilians by a military court in Pakistan, the United States on Monday said that it lacked judicial independence, transparency and due process guarantees. "The United States is deeply concerned that Pakistani civilians have been sentenced by a military tribunal for their involvement in protests on May 9, 2023. These military courts lack judicial independence, transparency, and due process guarantees," said State Department spokesperson Matthew Miller. "The United States continues to call on Pakistani authorities to respect the right to a fair trial and due process, as enshrined in Pakistan's constitution," he added. However, a close aide of President-elect Donald Trump described it as too little and too weak. "You are late. And this is too little and too weak. Speak

normally. Free Imran Khan," said Richard Grenell, who served as acting director of national intelligence under President Trump in 2020 and was the US ambassador to Germany from 2018 to 2020. Indian American Congressman Ro Khanna joined Grenell in seeking freedom for Imran Khan. "I agree with Richard Grenell. It's time to free Imran Khan and allow the people of Pakistan to hold new democratic elections," Khanna said. "Free Imran Khan. This is bipartisan. We need to not recognize the rigged election in Pakistan and the new government. We need a new election in Pakistan and Imran Khan needs to be out of jail," Khanna said in a video posted on a social media platform. Former Trump envoy on Afghanistan, Zalmay Khalilzad, said it is time to put more pressure on Pakistan, especially the military, to facilitate reaching a balanced political agreement with PTI and the release of Imran Khan.

# 'We should try again': Punjab Assembly Speaker on Vajpayee's failed India-Pak peace initiative

PTI ■ LAHORE

"Even though the chance was missed, we should try again," says Punjab Assembly Speaker Malik Ahmad Khan when asked about Atal Bihari Vajpayee's 1999 'bus yatra', a bold attempt by the then Indian prime minister to put India-Pakistan relations on the peace track. Vajpayee took a bus ride to Lahore on February 19, 1999. He and Pakistan premier Nawaz Sharif signed the Lahore Declaration after a historic summit here. The agreement signalled a breakthrough, but just months later a Pakistani intrusion led to the Kargil War. Wednesday is Vajpayee's 100th birth anniversary. "Vajpayee's visit to Lahore in 1999 was a defining moment. Even though the chance was missed, we should try again. With Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who follows Vajpayee's vision, leading India, and Shehbaz Sharif, Nawaz's brother, in charge in Pakistan, there is a real possibility of restarting the peace process," says Khan, who is a senior member of the Pakistan Muslim League-

Nawaz (PML-N). Khan says the future of the region depends on free trade and unrestricted movement between countries. "Peace in the region is not just a good idea — it is necessary for growth and prosperity," the Punjab Speaker adds. Another senior PML-N leader from Punjab, Mohammad Mehdi, describes Vajpayee's Lahore visit as historic. He believes the visit could have led to lasting peace if the Kargil conflict had not happened. "The Western media paid a lot of attention to Vajpayee's visit because it came just months after both countries became nuclear powers," Mehdi says, referring to nuclear tests conducted by India and Pakistan in May 1998. "There was excitement, especially within PML-N ranks, when Vajpayee arrived in Lahore in February 1999. His speech, saying 'Pakistan is a reality, and both countries now need to move forward and leave the past behind,' gave hope to many," Mehdi recalls. Unfortunately, the Kargil conflict happened soon after, and the peace efforts were unsuccessful, he says.

Mehdi says Jamaat-e-Islami (JI) held protests during Vajpayee's visit, which many believe were organised by the military led by General Pervez Musharraf. "Jamaat-i-Islami workers even attacked the Turkish ambassador's car near Lahore Fort, mistaking it for an Indian delegation," he says. Mehdi believes back-channel talks between Pakistan and India are still happening. "Right now, relations between the two countries are at their lowest point. Neither country has an envoy in the other's capital. However, businessmen on both sides desperately want to restore ties to improve trade and use shorter routes through Pakistan to reach Central Asia and Europe," he says. Political expert Brig (ret.) Farooq Hameed says Nawaz Sharif should have involved the powerful Pakistan Army in the peace process. "The initiative failed because the military was not consulted, which led to the Kargil conflict and ended the peace process. If Nawaz Sharif had taken the military on board before Vajpayee's visit, the chances of the peace talks being success-

ful would have been higher." Hameed says Nawaz has repeatedly shown interest in improving ties with India, including his desire to meet Prime Minister Narendra Modi after returning to Pakistan last year from a four-year self-imposed exile in London. However, he pointed out, that Nawaz's younger brother, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, has not made any recent public statements indicating a similar desire. "Nawaz should first consult Shehbaz, who enjoys the military establishment's favour, to determine if he shares this vision for improved relations with India," he says. He also notes the lack of progress after Indian Foreign Minister S Jaishankar visited Pakistan recently. "Most Pakistanis are not anti-India. Unlike in India, politicians here do not need to criticise India to win elections," Hameed says. However, terrorism remains a major obstacle to reconciliation, he says. India has often accused Pakistan of supporting terrorism, while Pakistan now blames India for terror attacks in Balochistan.

# Syria's new authorities 'very receptive' to probe of Assad war crimes

AP ■ UNITED NATIONS

The UN organization assisting in investigating the most serious crimes in Syria said Monday the country's new authorities were "very receptive" to its request for cooperation during a just-concluded visit to Damascus, and it is preparing to deploy. The visit led by Robert Petit, head of the International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism for Syria, was the first since the organization was established by the UN General Assembly in 2016. It was created to assist in evidence-gathering and prosecution of indi-

viduals responsible for possible war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide since Syria's civil war began in 2011. Petit highlighted the urgency of preserving documents and other evidence before it is lost. Since the rebel overthrow of Syria's President Bashar Assad and the rebel opening of prisons and detention facilities there have been rising demands from Syrians for the prosecution of those responsible for atrocities and killings while he was in power. "The fall of the Assad rule is a significant opportunity for us to fulfill our mandate on the ground," Petit said. "Time is

running out. There is a small window of opportunity to secure these sites and the material they hold." UN associate spokesperson Stephane Tremblay said Monday the investigative team "is preparing for an operational deployment as early as possible and as soon as it is authorized to conduct activities on Syrian soil." The spokesperson for the organization, known as the IIIM, who was on the trip with Petit, went further, telling The Associated Press: "We are preparing to deploy on the expectation that we will get authorization." "The representatives from the

caretaker authorities were very receptive to our request for cooperation and are aware of the scale of the task ahead," the spokesperson said, speaking on condition of not being named. "They emphasized that they will need expertise to help safeguard the newly accessible documentation." The IIIM did not disclose which officials in the new government it met with or the site that Petit visited afterward. "Even at one facility," Petit said, "the mountains of government documentation reveal the chilling efficiency of systematizing the regime's atrocity crimes."

# Hong Kong police issue arrest warrants, bounties for six activists

AP ■ HONG KONG

Hong Kong police on Tuesday announced a fresh round of arrest warrants for six activists based overseas, with bounties set at USD 1 million Hong Kong dollars for information leading to their arrests. According to the warrants, the six are wanted for national security offences such as secession, subversion and collusion with foreign forces. They include Tony Chung, the former leader of now-defunct pro-independence group Studentlocalism. UK-based Carmen Lau, a former district councillor and current activist with the Hong Kong Democracy Council, as

well as Chloe Cheung, an activist with the Committee for Freedom in Hong Kong, also had warrants issued against them. The latest round of warrants signals that the Hong Kong government is targeting vocal critics based abroad. The government had previously issued two rounds of arrest warrants and bounties for more prominent activists, including ex-lawmakers Ted Hui and Nathan Law. The increasing number of wanted individuals abroad come as Hong Kong continues to crack down on political dissent following massive anti-government protests in 2019 that resulted in a wave of pro-democracy move-

ments. Many outspoken pro-democracy activists have since been jailed, with others fleeing abroad. "The Hong Kong government's latest round of arrest warrants and bounties against six Hong Kong activists is a cowardly act of intimidation that aims to silence Hong Kong people," said Maya Wang, associate China director at Human Rights Watch. "The six — including two Canadian citizens — live in the UK and Canada. We call on the UK and Canadian governments to act immediately to push back against the Hong Kong government's attempts to threaten Hong Kongers living in their

countries." Tuesday's arrest warrants take the total number of wanted people to 19. Others on the list Tuesday are Chung Kim-wah, previously a senior member of independent polling organization Hong Kong Public Opinion Research Institute; Joseph Tay, co-founder of Canada-based NGO HongKonger Station; and YouTuber Victor Ho. Separately on Tuesday, the Hong Kong government issued orders for the cancellation of passports belonging to seven "absconders", including ex-lawmakers Hui and Dennis Kwok, who are wanted under the security law.

# UK PM Keir Starmer hopes for peace in Middle East in Christmas message

PTI ■ LONDON

Keir Starmer has said he will be hoping for peace in the Middle East, the birthplace of the Christmas story, and a brighter future for all in his first festive message since being elected British Prime Minister. In a video message released by Downing Street ahead of Christmas Day on Wednesday, Starmer attempts to strike an optimistic tone and encourages people to "look after those around us". He extended his special gratitude to the armed forces and frontline workers who will be helping people up and down the country. "This Christmas, I will be hoping for peace, particularly in the Middle East as the birthplace of the Christmas story," said Starmer. "I'll be looking towards a better, brighter future for every person and celebrating the joy and



wonder that Christmas brings," he said. He said the festival was a reminder of what's really important, such as family, friendship and fellowship between all people. He added: "Being there for one another — in these celebrations, as well as the more difficult times. I'd like especially to thank those who will spend their

Christmas serving others this year. In our NHS [National Health Service] and emergency services, our Armed Forces and the churches and charities that will welcome every person this Christmas." "Because I know that this is not an easy time for everyone, and my thoughts are with all those who are lonely this Christmas. Having a tough time, missing a loved one. You are not alone, because as Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, the Christmas story reminds all of us to reach out to one another. To care for one another. And to look after those around us," he said. Earlier, Downing Street indicated that Starmer and his family would spend Christmas at the Prime Minister's country retreat of Chequers in Buckinghamshire. He is then set to travel abroad "for a few days" for his first family holiday since taking charge at 10 Downing

Street following the July general election. It comes as King Charles III set a new tradition for his customary Christmas Day message and chose Fitzrovia Chapel in London for its recording. It is understood that his speech will reflect on international, national and personal challenges and how they can be overcome by communities supporting one another. "The living Christmas tree shown in this year's broadcast was decorated with sustainable decorations including pinecones, metal bells, twisted glass and glass baubles," Buckingham Palace said. It added that 2024 marks the first time a British monarch's Christmas message has been filmed outside a royal residence since 2006 when the late Queen Elizabeth II filmed a message at Southwark Cathedral in London.



People celebrate with Christmas decorations in Haifa, Israel.

AP/PTI

# Where does Santa live? It's a trickier question to answer than you may think

THE CONVERSATION ■ QUEENSLAND

Sending a letter to Santa can be difficult as no one can agree on where exactly Santa lives. Several countries are competing to claim Santa as one of their citizens. Finland's tourism industry suggests Korvatunturi in Lapland is where Santa keeps his workshop, and the link between Santa and Lapland brings in hundreds of millions of tourist dollars. Danes say Santa is in Greenland. Sweden suggests Mora is the place, and has built the theme park Santaworld. These places certainly look the part with white snow in winter and reindeer. They're also close to the North Pole. Not so jolly traditions: They also have old and often quite disturbing folklore about the man in red. Pagan Finns celebrated St Knut's Day in wintry January by having men in furry jackets, the nuuttipukki, go from house to house with a sack of presents. Except the nuuttipukki weren't giving gifts and would likely make children cry.

They came demanding gifts and would curse bad luck to any household not handing over a present. Eventually the gift grabbing nuuttipukki became the gift giving Joulupukki. Like other northern traditions such as the Yule Lads of Iceland, this visitor gave gifts but only to well behaved children. By the 19th century, Santa Claus was settled in popular awareness more or less what we think of now: a jolly old man with a beard, a sleigh, reindeer and presents, living somewhere northern and cold. That image built on but sanitised the more grotesque European folklores of elves, gnomes and other supernatural creatures who either brought or demanded gifts. But standardising Santa's appearance did not settle where he actually lived and worked. In the mid-19th century the illustrator Thomas Nast portrayed Santa as a jolly old man in Harper's Weekly, and the illustration and the archetype took off. But Nast just showed Santa in a wintry landscape. It could have been the North Pole, and no one in 1866 had actually



been to the Pole. No explorer reached there until 1926, leaving Santa, if he did live there, undis-

turbed in his workshop. Santa and territorial disputes: The medieval and pagan mytholo-

gies in Finland and Scandinavia give some credibility to these countries' efforts to claim Santa as their

own. After all, these are old legends. Other countries take a more modern approach. The Canadian government makes sure Christmas happens each year by allowing Santa to travel through Canadian airspace. Taking that a step further, in 2013 the Conservative government of Stephen Harper issued Santa and his wife with Canadian passports. That action might seem twee or whimsical or simply some Christmas fun for children, but it may also have shown that some governments want to claim a lot more than Santa. Harper's gesture came at a time of an international political dispute about ownership of the North Pole and specifically Canadian claims to Arctic regions. Somewhere hotter than the Pole: But are all these countries wrong, or being opportunistic? Despite what we think, where Santa really comes from is a lot hotter and a lot further east — and those red robes would be uncomfortable to wear. Santa Claus is a name derived from Sinterklaas or Saint Nicholas. Along with pagan elves and gnomes,

another element in the long and very complex history of Santa is the Christian bishop St Nicholas of Smyrna. Or is that Nicholas of Myra? Myra, now called Izmir in Turkey, and Myra, now Demre in Turkey, are both associated with Nicholas. Just as in northern Europe, different places in Anatolia compete to be associated with Santa. Nicholas is patron saint of seemingly everything including archers and brewers but also children and sailors. The link with children explains the later association as Santa, especially as Saint Nicholas gave children gifts. The link with sailors is why his legend is known around the world. A 2017 archaeological dig under the Church of Saint Nicholas in Turkey was believed to have found the burial place and therefore the body of Saint Nicholas. A grave full of old bones is not very Christmas-like, but it may be an authentic link between a place and a person which no amount of snow or reindeer in northern Europe could match.

# Bangladesh launches \$5 billion graft probe against Sheikh Hasina in nuclear power plant case

PTI ■ DHAKA

An anti-graft panel in Bangladesh has launched an investigation against former prime minister Sheikh Hasina and her family in connection with the allegations of embezzling USD 5 billion in the Rooppur nuclear power plant, according to a media report. Indian companies are participating in constructing the Rooppur nuclear power plant, which is being built by Rosatom, Russia's state-run corporation, in Bangladesh. The first Bangladeshi nuclear power plant, the Russian-designed Rooppur, is being built 160 km west of the Bangladeshi capital of Dhaka. Rosatom has refuted the "provocative statements" in the media about the Rooppur NPP project. Along with Hasina, her son, Sajeeb Wazed Joy, and Tulip Siddiq, her niece and the UK's Treasury minister, were also questioned, BDNews reported on Sunday. There are accusations of embezzling USD 5 billion in the Rooppur Nuclear Power Plant project, the report added. The development came two days after the High Court issued a rule asking why the Anti-Corruption Commission's (ACC) inaction over an alleged transfer of USD 5 billion from the Rooppur Nuclear Power Plant project to a Malaysian bank by Hasina, Joy, and Tulip should not be declared illegal, the report added. According to ACC documents, the allegations of corruption in the Rooppur Nuclear Power

Plant project were brought to light by Bobby Hajaj, chairman of the National Democratic Movement (NDM). Hasina, 77, has been living in India since August 5 when she fled the country following a massive student-led protest that toppled her 16-year regime. Her sister Rehana accompanied her. Joy resides in the US, while her niece Tulip is a member of the British parliament. Bangladesh-based International Crimes Tribunal (ICT) has issued arrest warrants for Hasina and several former Cabinet ministers, advisers, and military and civil officials for "crimes against humanity and genocide". They are also named in multiple murder cases filed in connection with the demonstrations. Refuting the allegations, the Russian Corporation said that it is committed to a policy of openness and the principle of combating corruption in all its projects and maintains a transparent procurement system. "Rosatom State Corporation refutes provocative statements about the implementation of the Rooppur NPP project that have appeared in the media," the statement said. "Rosatom State Corporation is ready to defend its interests and reputation in court. We consider false statements in the media as an attempt to discredit the Rooppur NPP project, which is being implemented to solve the country's energy supply problems and is aimed at improving the well-being of the people of Bangladesh," it said.

# US NSA Sullivan, Yunus discuss human rights' issue

PTI ■ SAN FRANCISCO

Amid growing outrage here about the large-scale attack on minority Hindus and their places of worship in Bangladesh, US National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan on Monday spoke with the interim government's Chief Adviser Muhammad Yunus and both leaders expressed commitment to protect human rights in the troubled South Asian nation. "Both leaders expressed their commitment to respecting and protecting the human rights of all people, regardless of religion," the White House said in a readout of the call between Sullivan and Yunus. The call comes less than a month before the Biden administration passes on the power to Donald Trump, who would be sworn in as the 47th President of the United States on January 20 next year. This comes days after Indian American Democratic Congressman Shri Thanedar urged the White House to strongly raise the issue of killing of Hindus and destruction of their temples in Bangladesh with the head of the country's interim government. "The United States has a storied history of championing the oppressed and this issue should be no different. When we receive a global call for help, we must respond appropriately as the world's bellwether of human rights. We must urge Prime Minister Muhammad Yunus to fulfill his promise of restoring peace and rebuilding the nation on principles of equality and justice," Thanedar told reporters at the footsteps of the US Capitol last week.

# South Korea's opposition vows to impeach acting president

AP ■ SEOUL

South Korea's main opposition party said Tuesday it will seek to impeach acting leader Han Duck-soo after he missed an opposition-set deadline to approve independent investigations into impeached President Yoon Suk Yeol and his wife. If realised, Han's impeachment would further deepen South Korea's political tumult and worries by neighbouring countries caused by Yoon's stunning December 3 martial law declaration and ensuing impeachment. Han, the country's No. 2 official, has taken over presidential powers and duties since Yoon's impeachment. If he's impeached too, the finance minister is next in line. The main liberal opposition Democratic Party, which holds a majority in parliament, has slammed Han for vetoing several opposition-sponsored bills, including a controversial agriculture bill. It also urged Han to quickly appoint justices to vacant seats on the Constitutional Court, which is

reviewing Yoon's impeachment and will determine whether to dismiss or reinstate him. Filling the court's three empty posts could make conviction more likely, as it requires the support of six of the court's nine possible members. The Democratic Party also demanded that Han approve by Tuesday bills calling for the appointments of special prosecutors to investigate Yoon for rebellion over his martial law decree, and his wife for corruption and other allegations. But Han didn't do so during Tuesday's Cabinet Council meeting, calling for the ruling and opposition parties to negotiate. Democratic Party floor leader Park Chan-dae responded that there's no room for negotiations about a Yoon investigation, and that his party would begin steps toward an impeachment at once. "We've clearly warned that it's totally up to Prime Minister Han Duck-soo whether he would go down in history as a disgraceful figure as a puppet

of rebellion plot leader Yoon Suk Yeol or a public servant that has faithfully carried out the orders by the public," Park told a televised party meeting. Korean prosecutors and other officials are separately probing whether Yoon committed rebellion and abuse of power, but he's ignored requests by investigative agencies to appear for questioning and allow searches of his office. Yoon's defence minister, police chief and several other senior military commanders have already been arrested over the deployment of troops and police officers to the National Assembly, which prompted a dramatic standoff that ended when lawmakers managed to enter the chamber and voted unanimously to overrule Yoon's decree. The governing People Power Party said that the opposition's impeachment threats are interfering with Han's "legitimate

exercise of authority." Floor leader Kwon Seong-dong, a Yoon loyalist, said the Democratic Party's "politics of intimidation have reached their peak." An impeachment vote would face legal ambiguities. Most Korean officials can be impeached with a simple majority of parliament, but impeaching the presidents takes two-thirds. The rival parties differ on which standard would apply to an acting president. The Democratic Party controls 170 of the National Assembly's 300 seats, so it would need support from members of other parties including Yoon's own to get a two-thirds majority. The Constitutional Court has up to six months to determine Yoon's fate. If he's thrown of office, a national election to find his successor must take place within two months.

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**NOTICE TO MEMBERS**

Notice is hereby given that 02<sup>nd</sup> Extra-Ordinary General Meeting of the Company is scheduled to be held on Thursday, January 18, 2025, at 03:00 P.M (IST) at the Registered office of the Company situated at 6 and 6/1 UPSIDC Industrial Area Sikandrabad Bulandshahr UP 203205, to transact the business as set out in the notice convening EGM. The Members of the Company are hereby informed that the Company has completed the dispatch of Notice of the meeting along with Explanatory Statement to the members by email to the Members whose email addresses are registered with the Company/Depository Participant. Notice of the EGM along with Explanatory Statement for the year 2024-25 are also available on the website of the Company www.icmcapitals.com/fedders-electric-engineering/

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General Secretary

**Public Notice**

Notice is hereby given that one Mr. Shanku Gupta & Ms. Priyanka (hereinafter referred to as the said Mortgagees/Purchasers) have agreed to create mortgage in respect of the Property more particularly described in the Schedule hereunder written in favour of my client PNB Housing Finance Ltd. (PNB Housing Finance Ltd. Sector-3, Noida-201301). The Seller Mr. Pushpak Gupta S/o Mr. Suresh Chandra Gupta has been issued the Original General Form of Attorney executed by Mr. Swaroop S/o Mr. Choudhary, registered on 28.04.2016 in the Office of Registrar, Gurgaon vide Registration No. 433 Page No. 101/102 & Document No. 1536, in respect of the Leasehold Residential Plot, F83A, in Block F situated at Sector-07, GWP Patel Nagar Residential Colony, Thakur Dutt, Ghaziabad (U.P.) A/P D/P No. 8871, in respect of the Leasehold Residential Plot, F83A, in Block F situated at Sector-07, GWP Patel Nagar Residential Colony, Thakur Dutt, Ghaziabad (U.P.) Any person having any claim against or in respect of the said property should immediately write to the Schedule hereunder or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, equitable or deposit of title deed or otherwise, by Trust, inheritance, family arrangement, maintenance, bequest, partnership, possession, lease, sub-lease, tenancy, license, lien, charge, pledge, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to produce the original documents with supporting documentary evidence at the address mentioned in the Schedule hereunder on or before the date hereof, failing which the claim, if any, of such person will be considered to have been waived/forfeited or abandoned by him/her and shall proceed with the disbursement of loan and creation of mortgage on the scheduled property.

The Schedule showing the description of the property: Leasehold Residential Plot, F83A, in Block F, measuring area 20.80 sq. mtr. Block F situated at Sector-07, GWP Patel Nagar Residential Colony, Thakur Dutt, Ghaziabad (U.P.) Date: 24.12.2024. Page: Ghaziabad. Duesh Singh (Joint Beneficiary/Advocate)

Office No. 24 on Ground Floor, "New Double Water Tank" Situated at Block-C Shree Nagar, Ghaziabad (U.P.) 201002 / Also @Chamber No. 76, "Tent" Compound, Ghaziabad. (M: 9811834005)

**Can Fin Homes Ltd**  
Regd. Off: No. 29/1, 1st Floor, Sir M N Krishna Rao Road, Near Laibagh West Gate, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru-560004 Web: [www.canfinhomes.com](http://www.canfinhomes.com)

**WANTED OFFICE PREMISES**

Can Fin Homes Ltd. a Housing Finance Company requires space of 800-1000 sq. ft. in Ground /First/ Second Floor in a good locality on lease for 5 to 10 years at the following location:

Sl. No.	Location	Contact Person & Designation	Contact No. Mob. & Landline
1.	Bulandshahar, Uttar Pradesh	Mr. S.P. Srivastava (Deputy General Manager)	908-96060 84363 Mob: 0129-4151209

Interested Premises Owner may send their offers in a closed envelope to **Can Fin Homes Ltd. Zonal Office-North Zone, 112A, Part-B, Second Floor, NIT No.5, Nation Hut, Main Road (171 ft wide road), Faridabad, Haryana** as per our format in our website [www.canfinhomes.com](http://www.canfinhomes.com) on or before 06th January, 2025.

Premises should be ready for occupation with all facilities/ amenities. Offers from the brokers / intermediaries will not be entertained. Can Fin Homes Ltd. reserves the right to reject any or all the offers without assigning any reason whatsoever. Canvassing in any form will disqualify the offer. No brokerage will be paid.

Place: Haryana  
Date: 24.12.2024  
Sd/-  
Deputy General Manager

**Public Notice**

It is informed to the public at large that Jammu and Kashmir Bank Ltd., D-63, Basant Lok, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi, is desirous of sanctioning housing loan facility in favour of Mrs. Saroj Kujur W/o Sh. Asit Wilson Kujur, for purchase of Portion / Unit No. UGF-1, on Upper Ground Floor (Front RHS South Eastern), measuring approx. 750 sq. ft., forming part of properties bearing No. (S) 899-B, 892/A-6, and 892/A-3, situated at Ward No. 8, Village Mehrauli, Tehsil Hauz Khas, New Delhi. If anyone has any objection or claim, the title/ rights of the said property, please contact the undersigned, within 5 days from the date of publication hereof.

Jammu & Kashmir Bank Ltd., D-63, Basant Lok, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi, Mo. 9810293946

**S&T WORK**

E-Tender Notice No.: N-2024-K-28; dated: 20-12-2024. E-tenders are invited by the undersigned for the following work: **Name of the work: Safety enhancement in block working by provision of HASSDAC in Kathar-Mukuria and replacement of Diado with provision of UFSBI in Kathar-Mukuria, Kathar-Kumudpur in Kathar Division, Tender Value: ₹.56,48,331/-; Earnest Money: ₹.4,34,300/-**. E-tender will be closed at 15:00 hrs. on 13-01-2025 and opened at 15:30 hrs. on 13-01-2025. The complete information with the tender document of above e-tender will be available upto 15:00 hrs of 13-01-2025 in website <http://www.iregs.gov.in>

DRM (S&T), Kathar, NORTHEAST FRONTIER RAILWAY "Serving Customers with a smile"

**PUBLIC NOTICE ON AUCTION OF PLEDGED GOLD ORNAMENTS**

The borrower/s in specific and interested bidders in general, are hereby informed that on account of non-repayment of the Banks due by the borrowers as under despite the payment notice and recall/auction notice issued by the Bank, the gold ornaments pledged with the Bank security by the respective borrowers for the loan availed by them will be sold in public auction on "as is where is" and "non-recourse" basis through e-auction portal <http://csbgold.auctiontiger.net> on 05<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 10.30 AM. The auction may be adjourned to any other later date at the discretion of the bank upon publication of the same in the Bank's notice board. The borrowers are hereby further inform that the gold ornaments will be disposed of by private sale if the public auction is not successful and if there is a further balance to be recovered thereafter, legal action will be initiated against the borrower/s for recovery of the balance amounts due to the bank. In case of diseased borrower, all conditions will be applicable to legal heirs

S. No.	Account Name	Client ID	No. of Acc.	Bal. Outstanding as on 23/12/2024	Weight (grams)
53	Rajiv Ranjan Paswan	4872805	001	83,252.28	15.61
54	Pooja	4875413	001	1,65,463.35	34.56
55	Sunil Sharma	4882525	001	81,635.58	17.17
56	Harsh Gill	4885555	001	2,15,254.07	40.98
57	Naryan	4885620	001	1,64,736.77	31.71
58	Ajit Kumar Sinha	5345565	001	3,38,015.93	62.28
59	Jaswinder Kaur	7920471	001	18,863.651	161.97
60	Khalid Parwez	7937007	001	2,19,589.33	46.03
61	Lakhvinder Singh Gill	7950753	001	3,56,817.75	70.50
<b>MAYUR VIHAR - NEW DELHI</b>					
62	Mohd Kasing	4504169	001	3,46,233.46	72.96
63	Mahesh Singh	4889595	001	1,54,795.66	32.10
64	Naem Abbas	4891016	001	83,562.65	17.20
65	Himanshu Gupta	7587756	001	8,95,366.44	199.30
<b>TILAK NAGAR, NEW DELHI</b>					
66	Ashish Yadav	4873126	001	1,49,489.88	31.75
67	Ashish Yadav	4873145	001	1,93,131.19	34.75
68	Ankit	4871819	001	48,680.76	9.16
69	Vikas Sharma	4879273	001	1,18,117.19	21.76
70	Lokesh	4885556	001	1,99,341.17	35.51
71	Kamal Mehrotra	7941423	001	1,41,077.94	27.90
72	Divy Mehrotra	7943530	001	54,611.70	9.64
<b>DILSHAD GARDEN</b>					
73	Bandi Devi	4481104	001	14,583.00	3.61
74	Monti	4682617	001	1,08,996.72	21.43
75	Rohit Kumar	4874283	001	75,446.39	14.17
76	Nagma	4882434	005	64,822.19	136.31
77	Sagar	4884463	002	49,718.79	10.46
78	Amir Khan	4885507	001	2,01,015.84	41.04
79	Nancy	7919042	003	4,75,640.82	92.15
80	Azaf Ahmed Sultan	7942909	001	4,29,575.14	86.71
<b>RAJOURI GARDEN</b>					
81	Man Mohan Singh Dua	3955732	005	41,88,167.05	716.16
82	Mahesh Kumar	4653814	001	80,915.88	16.00
83	Prabhat Singh Nagal	4876903	001	1,64,898.79	33.20
84	Sahib Singh	4877372	001	1,26,566.51	26.00
85	Sunil Arora	4877615	001	2,38,395.52	45.00
86	Kaushliya	4877663	001	1,25,300.22	24.00
87	Varun Chandok	4885409	003	6,85,577.25	128.28
88	Harish Mittal	7947703	001	5,07,883.73	110.74
89	Rehana Khan	7955278	001	5,25,621.87	95.59
<b>NAJAFGARH, NEW DELHI</b>					
90	Mukul Gupta	4743826	001	4,77,233.37	85.90
91	Raju Poddar	4890076	001	75,855.28	14.29
92	Sheha Gautam	7939518	001	5,58,544.78	104.45
<b>NARELA</b>					
93	Sangeeta Devi	4643465	001	3,51,817.59	95.25
94	Pammy	4740634	001	39,048.54	8.71
95	Poojan	4869918	001	1,10,372.89	21.61
96	Sunaina Devi	4872373	001	39,998.21	7.93
97	Namish Kumar	4881248	001	13,675.96	3.67
98	Sunil Kumar	7689496	001	2,67,833.89	52.95
99	Neha	7792576	001	3,04,519.66	58.21
100	Harsha	7943902	002	6,22,197.97	123.66
<b>BHAJANPURA - NEW DELHI</b>					
101	Sagna	4554923	001	21,418.84	4.95
102	Nitin Kumar	4869407	003	1,59,380.64	32.76
103	Kasim Ali	7939730	001	6,84,999.49	141.74
104	Suhail Ali	7939875	001	5,52,039.38	121.46
<b>SHYAM NAGAR - NEW DELHI</b>					
105	Gurbir Singh	4627145	001	1,92,179.92	40.63
<b>KALKAJI</b>					
106	Sandeep	4872440	001	25,965.94	4.90
<b>PUNJABI BAGH - NEW DELHI</b>					
107	Karan Lakra	4878753	001	45,963.72	9.39
<b>MODEL TOWN - NEW DELHI</b>					
108	Naaveen Nagpal	4433518	001	72,867.06	15.16
109	Rajeev Chhabra	4871609	003	7,50,696.71	144.17
<b>NARAINA VIHAR - NEW DELHI</b>					
110	Sanjay Kumar	4887399	001	93,058.23	20.50

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**NTPC Limited**  
(A Govt. of India Enterprise)

**NOTICE**

Registered Office Address : NTPC Bhawan, Core-7, SCOPE Complex, 7-Institutional Area, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110 003  
Corporate Identification Number - L40110L1975GOI007966

The applicant above named has made an application before the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC), New Delhi for determination of tariff of **Auraiya Gas Power Station (663.36 MW)** from 01.04.2024 to 31.03.2029.

1. The beneficiaries of the generating station are:

- Uttar Pradesh Power Corp. Ltd. (UPPCL), Shakti Bhawan 14, Ashok Marg, Lucknow-226001.
- Tata Power Delhi Distribution Ltd. (TPDDL), Grid Substation, Hudson Road, Kingsway Camp, Delhi-110009.
- BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd. (BRPL), BSES Bhawan, Nehru Place, New Delhi-110019.
- BSES Yamuna Power Ltd. (BYPL), Shakti Kiran Building, Karkardooma, Delhi-110092.
- J&K State Power Trading Company Ltd., (on behalf of Power Development Department (PDD), J&K Civil Secretariat, Srinagar.</

# UPI transactions jump 33 per cent at retail stores in India this year: Report

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

UPI transactions at retail stores have increased by 33 per cent in semi-urban and rural areas this year, reflecting the growing adoption of digital payments, says a report.



Moreover, insurance policy purchases and premium collections saw a 127 per cent increase in transaction volume and a 96 per cent growth in new customer adoption during the year, the report by branchless banking and digital network PayNearby said.

"The data highlights the role digital retail stores play in overcoming the challenges of insurance penetration across Bharat," it stated. The report is based on an analysis of real transaction data derived from over 10,00,000 small retailers (kirana stores, mobile recharge stores etc) offering financial and digital services spread across India in rural

and semi-urban regions. The findings compare business data from January to November 2024 with the same period in 2023. The report, Retail-O-Nomics, stated that there has been an impressive 297 per cent volume rise across credit

products, including business loans, gold loans, personal loans, and revolving credit in rural and semi-urban areas. This significant uptick reflects a growing awareness and demand for credit solutions at the grassroots level, it said.

However, micro ATM and Aadhaar Enabled Payment Systems (AePS) cash withdrawals saw a decline in 2024. Both transaction volumes and the average cash withdrawal per transaction saw a slight decline, with the latter dropping from Rs 2,624

in 2023 to Rs 2,482 in 2024, the report said. AePS withdrawals surged by 35-45 per cent during DBT releases, particularly under schemes like PM Kisan Yojana, compared to the rest of the year.

"Cash withdrawals in Jammu and Kashmir recorded an impressive growth of 58 per cent in value and 74 per cent in volume," the report said. "By equipping local retailers with tools to offer diverse services like insurance, e-commerce, and lending, we are empowering them to become key enablers of financial access and economic progress at the grassroots," Anand Kumar Bajaj, Founder, MD & CEO, PayNearby, said. PayNearby is a branchless banking and digital network that operates on a B2B2C model. It has more than 10 lakh retail touchpoints comprising kirana stores, medical shops, travel agents and others.

# Govt launches AI-enabled consumer helpline, e-commerce giants pledge safety

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Food and Consumer Affairs Minister Pralhad Joshi on Tuesday launched several initiatives to strengthen consumer protection, including artificial intelligence-enabled helpline and tools to detect deceptive marketing practices, while major e-commerce players pledged to enhance online shopping safety.



Leading platforms, including Reliance Retail, Tata Sons and Zomato adopted a safety pledge as the government rolled out new consumer protection measures like the AI-enabled National Consumer Helpline, e-maap portal and Jago Grahak Jago mobile application. "Significant progress has been made in expediting resolutions of consumer disputes," Joshi said at the National Consumer Day event. The minister, who attended the event online, highlighted that out of 3,628 cases filed with the National Commission between January and November this year, 6,587 cases have been

disposed of through the country's three-tier consumer court system at district, state and national levels. The government's e-Daakhil Portal, launched in 2020 and expanded nationwide in June 2023, has achieved 100 per cent adoption for online complaint filing in states like Karnataka, Punjab and Rajasthan, as well as several districts. Addressing growing e-commerce concerns, Joshi said: "While this digital revolution offers incredible opportunities, the Indian government believes it is equally important for our

consumers to feel confident and make informed choices." The Consumer Protection Authority (CPA) is drafting new guidelines to regulate surrogate advertising and has issued notices to 13 companies for non-compliance with existing rules, he added. Minister of State for Consumer Affairs B L Verma, Telecom Regulatory Authority of India Chairman Anil Kumar Lahoti, All India Council for Technical Education T G Sitharam and Consumer Affairs Secretary Nidhi Khare were present at the event.

# Puri, Varanasi, Haridwar top spiritual destinations in 2024, Hyderabad most-booked city: Travelopia 2024 annual report

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Puri, Varanasi and Haridwar are the most travelled spiritual destinations while Hyderabad is India's top-booked city this year, according to OYO's 'Travelopia 2024' annual report unveiled on Tuesday. The report delves into travel patterns and trends, with its findings based on the booking data of the travel tech major for the entire year. "In India, religious tourism continued to be a key focus, with Puri, Varanasi, and Haridwar dominating the

pilgrimage sector. However, a significant trend emerged with Deoghar, Palani, and Govardhan experiencing substantial growth, indicating a shift towards less explored spiritual destinations..."OYO stated. Following Hyderabad, cities like Bengaluru, Delhi, and Kolkata rounded out the top spots for bookings, with Uttar Pradesh maintaining its position as the most popular state for travel. High volume of bookings were reported from Maharashtra, Telangana, and Karnataka, which continue to be dominant travel

contributors. Smaller towns like Patna, Rajahmundry, and Hubli have shown tremendous growth, with bookings increasing by as much as 48 per cent year-on-year. "The year also saw a surge in leisure travel, with Jaipur continuing to be a top tourist magnet, followed by perennial favourites Goa, Pondicherry, and Mysore. Interestingly, Mumbai saw a drop in bookings, with travellers preferring nearby locations for leisure," OYO stated. Shreerang Godbole, Global Chief Service Officer, OYO said, "2024 has marked

a year of transformation in the global travel landscape. We've seen how travellers are embracing flexibility and adaptability, whether for business or leisure. As remote work trends continue to shape how people approach travel, the demand for both quick getaways and long stays has been a significant driver of bookings this year." The fourth of July weekend saw the highest number of bookings, aligning with national celebrations, while the Christmas season was also notable for a sharp spike in travel.

# Inflation continues to hit FMCG industry, urban growth expected to slow in H1/2025

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Heading towards a slowdown amid inflationary pressures, the FMCG industry's volume growth during August-October this year has dropped to 4.3 per cent from 6.4 per cent in the year-ago period, research and insight firm Kantar said in a report. Moreover, the FMCG volume growth was lower sequentially also as in the May-July period, this was 4.5 per cent, according to Kantar's latest FMCG Pulse report. "We are in that last quarter,

and the FMCG growth as of the quarter ending October is 4.3 per cent. This number is a far cry from the 6.4 per cent growth seen in Q/E Oct '23, but is also a tad lower than 4.5 per cent we saw in the last quarter, i.e. Q/E Jul '24," it said. Volume growth in the urban market was at 4.5 per cent in the August-October period, down from 6.9 per cent in the same period of 2023. However, the report added: "It is also true that a 4.5 per cent growth following a near 7 per cent growth in the previous term is extremely rare. In fact, over the last five

years, this has only happened in the quarters of 2024." Therefore, technically urban is in a slowdown, though "it is far from a slump." About the inflation, the report said that per-household average quarterly spending crossed Rs 6,000 for the first time in the August-October period of 2022, and two years since then, spending has seen a 13 per cent jump and is at Rs 6,761 during this quarter. In May-July 2024, shoppers were paying Rs 133 per KG of FMCG on average. Just one quarter since then, shoppers are paying Rs 137 per KG, a

jump of Rs 4 per KG in the latest August-October period. "In recent years, this kind of growth in a single consecutive quarter was only seen during the initial months of the 2022 inflation period," it said. With no signs of food inflation relenting in the immediate future, where value growth rapidly draws away from volume growth for some more time, it's hard to see urban (market) growing more rapidly than the rural levels. "We are expecting similar levels of growth to continue into the first half of the next year," it said.

# Sensex, Nifty settle almost flat in highly volatile trade; metal, power stocks drag

PTI ■ MUMBAI

Benchmark equity indices Sensex and Nifty ended on a flat note in a volatile trade on Tuesday, as investors preferred to stay on the sidelines awaiting further triggers amid persistent foreign fund outflows. After gyrating between highs and lows, the 30-share index declined 67.30 points or 0.09 per cent to settle at 78,472.87. During the day, it dropped 142.38 points or 0.18 per cent to 78,397.79. The NSE Nifty dipped 25.80 points or 0.11 per cent to 23,727.65. As many as 2,019 stocks declined, while 1,977 advanced and 96 remained unchanged on the BSE.

"The domestic market concluded flat ahead of the holiday, with metal and power stocks dragging performance while FMCG and auto sectors gained from recent corrections. The near-term market trajectory hinges on the outcome of Q3 results and the Union budget, but caution prevails due to a strong dollar, high bond yields, and concerns over rate cuts. The rupee hitting an all-time low further evoked the caution," Vinod Nair, Head of Research, Geojit Financial Services, said. From the 30 blue-chip stocks, Power Grid, State Bank of India, Titan, Tata Steel, IndusInd Bank, UltraTech Cement, Adani Ports and Infosys were among the laggards. In contrast, Tata Motors, ITC, Nestle, Tata Consultancy Services, NTPC and Zomato were among the gainers. The BSE smallcap gauge climbed 0.37 per cent, and the BSE midcap index rose 0.09 per cent.

hit a record low of Rs. 85.13 against the dollar. "These factors weighed on investor sentiment, keeping the market directionless and choppy throughout the day. Our earlier call suggested a low-volume trading session, and that prediction held true as Nifty traded in a volatile range," Prashanth Tapse, Senior VP (Research), Mehta Equities Ltd, said. Among sectoral indices, metal slumped 0.93 per cent, power declined 0.73 per cent, utilities (0.52 per cent), consumer durables (0.50 per cent) and commodities (0.33 per cent).

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Place: Haryana  
Date: 24.12.2024

Sd/-  
Deputy General Manager

**IDFC FIRST Bank Limited**  
(erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)  
CIN : L65110TN2014PLC097792  
Registered Office: KRM Towers, 8th Floor, Harrington Road, Chetpet, Chennai - 600031. TEL: +91 44 4564 4000 | FAX: +91 44 4564 4022.

**APPENDIX IV [Rule 8(1)]  
POSSESSION NOTICE  
(For immovable property)**

Whereas the undersigned being the authorized officer of IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited) under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with [rule 3] of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notices calling upon the Borrower/ Co-borrowers and Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the demand notice appended below within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice together with further interest and other charges from the date of demand notice till payment/realization.

The Borrower/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors and public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this notice.

LOAN ACCOUNT NUMBER	BORROWER/S/ CO-BORROWERS/ GUARANTORS NAME	DESCRIPTION OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTIES	DEMAND NOTICE		DATE AND TYPE OF POSSESSION TAKEN
			DATE	OUTSTANDING AMOUNT (RS.)	
128103084	1. NAIBO DEVI, 2. VIKRANT CHAUDHARY,	ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL PLOT/HOUSE BEARING U.I.D. NO. 57836WB1S5000R02320, HAVING TOTAL AREA 240.10053869 SQ. MTRS. AND BUILT UP AREA 154.5615001 SQ. MTRS. SITUATED IN LAL DORA OF VILLAGE: KHAJURI, TEHSIL: RADAUR, DISTRICT: YAMUNA NAGAR, HARYANA-135133, BOUNDED AS UNDER- EAST: HOUSE OF VIRENDRA SINGH, W E S T : GALI 18', NORTH: GALI 5', SOUTH: OTHER PLOT.	27.09.2024	Rs. 10,72,585.95/-	19-12-2024 Symbolic Possession
7915892	1. AMRIK SINGH, 2. PARAMJEET KAUR,	ALL THE PIECE AND PARCEL OF THE PROPERTY CONSISTING KHASRA NO. 54, SITUATED AT MOUJA KHEDI RANGHRAN, ABADI DEH, THE JAGADHARI, DSIT YAMUNANAGAR, HARYANA - 135001	21.02.2019	Rs. 10,80,620.53/-	19-12-2024 Physical Possession

The Borrower/ Co-borrowers/ Guarantors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited) for an amount mentioned in the demand notice together with further interest and other charges from the date of demand notice till payment/realization.

Authorised Officer  
IDFC FIRST Bank Limited  
(erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)

**AAVAS FINANCIERS LIMITED**  
(CIN:L65922RJ2011PLC034297) Regd. & Corp. Office: 201-202, 2nd Floor, South End Square, Mansarovar Industrial Area, Jaipur. 302020

**AUCTION NOTICE**

Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of AAVAS FINANCIERS LIMITED Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis. The details of the cases are as under.

Name of Borrowers/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/Mortgagors	Dues As on	Date & Amount of 13(2) Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Description of Property	Reserve Price For Property	Earnest Money For Property	Date & Time of Auction	Place of Tender Submission, Tender Open & Auction at Aavas Financiers Ltd.
<b>SURAJ RANA, MRS. SAPNA DEVI, MR. OMPAL SINGH (AC NO.) LNAMB02920-210155631</b>	Rs. 18,85,543.00/- DUES AS ON 19 NOV 2024	Rs. 1317967/- DUES AS ON MAR 22	16 NOV 23	RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY SITUATED AT KHEWAT NO. 328, KHATAUNI NO. 1219, KH NO. 272(1-10), VILLAGE BARARA, H.B NO. 203, TEH. BARARA, DISTT. AMBALA, HARYANA ADMEASURING 347.87 SQ. YARD	Rs. 2328048/-	Rs. 232805/-	11.00 AM TO 01.00 PM 29 JAN 2025	GROUND FLOOR, TRILOKI CHAMBERS OPP. MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, AM BALA CANT- 133001, HARYANA-INDIA
<b>TAPAN BARMAN, MRS. PRABHATI BARMAN (AC NO.) LNYMNO4320-210144786</b>	Rs. 7,45,953.00/- & Rs. 1053947/- DUES AS ON 19 NOV 2024	Rs. 532007/- & Rs. 1053947/- DUES AS ON 6 JUL 23	27 MAR 24	PROPERTY BEARING KHEWAT NO. 36, KHATONI NO. 40, KHARSA NO. 198, SITUATED AT YAMUNA NAGAR, JAGDARI, YAMUNA NAGAR, HARYANA ADMEASURING 126 SQ. YARD	Rs. 1360800/-	Rs. 136080/-	11.00 AM TO 01.00 PM 29 JAN 2025	1ST FLOOR, SCO-142, SECTOR - 17, HUDA, JAGADHRI-YAMUNA NAGAR-135003, HARYANA-INDIA
<b>GUARANTOR : MR. RAJAN (AC NO.) LNYMNO0619-200106417</b>	Rs. 10,60,369.00/- DUES AS ON 19 NOV 2024	Rs. 675150/- & Rs. 127941/- DUES AS ON 6 DEC 22	31 JAN 24	HOUSE SITUATED AT VILL. HABRI INSIDE LAL DORA TEH. PUNDRI AND DISTT. KATHAL, HARYANA ADMEASURING 90 SQ. YARD	Rs. 1329754.5/-	Rs. 132975/-	11.00 AM TO 01.00 PM 29 JAN 2025	1ST FLOOR, SCO - 216 P, SECTOR - 12 - I, URBAN ESTATE 132001, HARYANA-INDIA
<b>RAJPATI, MR. GOPAL DASS VERMA, MRS. ANITA VERMA GUARANTOR : MR. HARISH CHANDER (AC NO.) LKNKL06819-200136571 &amp; LKNKL11721-220180891</b>	Rs. 10,72,454.00/- & Rs. 1,74,709.00/- DUES AS ON 19 NOV 2024	Rs. 675150/- & Rs. 127941/- DUES AS ON 6 DEC 22	31 JAN 24	HOUSE SITUATED AT VILL. HABRI INSIDE LAL DORA TEH. PUNDRI AND DISTT. KATHAL, HARYANA ADMEASURING 90 SQ. YARD	Rs. 1329754.5/-	Rs. 132975/-	11.00 AM TO 01.00 PM 29 JAN 2025	1ST FLOOR, SCO - 216 P, SECTOR - 12 - I, URBAN ESTATE 132001, HARYANA-INDIA

**Terms & Conditions:** 1). The person, taking part in the tender, will have to deposit his offer in the tender form provided by the AFL which is to be collected from the above branch offices during working hours of any working day, super scribing "Tender Offer for name of the property" on the sealed envelope along with the Cheque/DD/pay order of 10% of the Reserve Price as Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in favour of AAVAS FINANCIERS LIMITED payable at Jaipur on/before time of auction during office hours at the above mentioned offices. The sealed envelopes will be opened in the presence of the available interested parties at above mentioned office of AAVAS FINANCIERS LIMITED The inter-se bidding, if necessary will also take place among the available bidders. The EMD is refundable if the bid is not successful. 2). The successful bidder will deposit 25% of the bidding amount adjusting the EMD amount as initial deposit immediately or within 24hrs after the fall of the hammer towards the purchase of the asset. The successful bidder failing to deposit the said 25% towards initial payment, the entire EMD deposited will be forfeited & balance amount of the sale price will have to be deposited within 30 days after the confirmation of the sale by the secured creditor; otherwise his initial payment deposited amount will be forfeited. 3). The authorised officer has absolute right to accept or reject any bid or adjourn/postpone the sale process without assigning any reason therefor. If the date of tender depositing or the date of tender opening is declared as holiday by Government, then the auction will be held on next working day. 4). For inspection and interested parties who want to know about the procedure of tender may contact: AAVAS FINANCIERS LIMITED 201,202, 1st Floor, South End Square, Mansarovar Industrial Area, jaipur-302020 or Manoj Kumar - 8130291423 or respective branch during office hours. Note: This is also a 15/30 days notice under Rule 9(1)(b)(6) to the Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagor of the above said loan accounts about tender inter se bidding sale on the above mentioned date. The property will be sold, if their out standing dues are not repaid in full.

Place: Jaipur Date: 25-12-2024 Authorised Officer Aavas Financiers Limited

**AU SMALL FINANCE BANK LIMITED**  
(A SCHEDULED COMMERCIAL BANK)  
Regd. Office: 19-A, Dhuleshwar Garden, Ajmer Road, Jaipur - 302001 (CIN:L36911RJ1996PLC011381)

**APPENDIX IV [SEE RULE 8(1)] POSSESSION NOTICE**

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the AU Small Finance Bank Limited (A Scheduled Commercial Bank) under the "Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest [Act, 2002 (54 of 2002)] and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notice on the date as mentioned below calling upon the borrowers to repay the amount mentioned in the said notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice as per the details given in below table:

Name of Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Mortgagor/Guarantor / Loan A/c No.	13(2) Notice Date & Amount	Description of Mortgaged Property	Date of Possession Taken
(A/c No.) L9001060127264192 R M Enterprises (Borrower), Rahul Kumar (Co-Borrower), Ajit Kumar (Co-Borrower)	16-Aug-24 Rs. 1021149/- Rs. Ten Lac Twenty-One Thousand One Hundred Forty-Nine Only 13-Aug-24	All that part and parcel of residential/commercial property Land/ Building/ Structure and fixtures Property Situated At- Khasra No. 247 0-9, Plot Of 248 1/6, Gayatri Mandir, Dist- Jhajar, Haryana Admeasuring 160 SqYds	20-Dec-24
(A/c No.) L9001060131687415 Ankit (Borrower), Smt. Rekha Sharma (Co-Borrower), Aman (Co-Borrower), Anshul (Co-Borrower)	17-Aug-24 Rs. 1497566/- Rs. Fourteen Lac Ninety-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-Six Only 13-Aug-24	All that part and parcel of residential/commercial property Land/ Building/ Structure and fixtures Property Situated At- Khasra No 680 2-2,25/3176, Property Id No Bgr/W25.787, Khevat No 670/670, Khatoni No 1087, Badli Road Jhajar, Distt- Jhajar, Haryana Admeasuring 50 Sq.Yds.	20-Dec-24
(A/c No.) L9001060728048515 Rakesh Jaiswal (Borrower), Smt. Anita (Co-Borrower)	12-Sep-24 Rs. 780406/- Rs. Seven Lac Eighty Thousand Four Hundred Six Only 10-Sep-24	All that part and parcel of residential/commercial property Land/ Building/ Structure and fixtures Property Situated At- Plot No C-61, Khevat No 574 Khatoni No 721, Mu No 65, Baba Mohan Ram, Dist- Faridabad, Haryana Admeasuring 60 Sq.Yds	20-Dec-24
(A/c No.) L9001060124276874 M/S Khalsa Medical Store Through It's Proprietor Dalvirinder Pal Singh (Borrower), Dalvirinder Pal Singh (Co-Borrower), Smt. Gurvinder Kaur (Co-Borrower)	13-Aug-24 Rs. 334304/- Rs. Three Lac Thirty-Four Thousand Three Hundred Forty Only 13-Aug-24	All that part and parcel of residential/commercial property Land/ Building/ Structure and fixtures A property measuring 36 Sq. Yards being 1/9 share of 0 Kanal 11 Marle Comprised In Khevat No 785 Khasra No. 180, Jamabandof The Year 2016-17, vide Transfer Deed No. 1411/1, Dated 13-11-2020 Read With Mutation No. 7402, Situated At Village Kheri Saraf Ali, Tehsil- Assandh, Distt. Karnal, Haryana, Bounded As East - Shop Of Tony V, West - House Of Jaswinder Singh, North - House Of Jaswinder Singh, South - Road Admeasuring 36 SqYds I.E 1/9 Share Of 0K-11M.	23-Dec-24

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, therefore notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein above mentioned table in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said (Act-2002) read with Rule 8 of the said rule on the date mentioned in the above table. "The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets." The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the AU Small Finance Bank Limited (A Scheduled Commercial Bank) for the amount and interest thereon mentioned in the above table.

Place: HARYANA Date: 24 DEC 2024 Authorised Officer AU Small Finance Bank Limited

# Inter Milan beats Como 2-0 to cement third place in Serie A

AP ■ FLORENCE (ITALY)

Inter Milan beat Como 2-0 to cement third place in Serie A and close the gap on top two Atalanta and Napoli on Monday. Carlos Augusto got the opener when he headed home a corner kick in the 48th minute. Marcus Thuram scored the second in stoppage time with a potent strike into the roof of the net.

It was the first time these teams have played each other in the top division since 2003 and although Inter had lost only one league game all season it struggled to impose itself on 15th-placed Como. However, it won without exerting itself and the three points were enough to take Simone Inzaghi's men within three points of leader Atalanta and within one of Napoli. Inter has a game in hand over both clubs. Fiorentina missed a chance to go fourth when it lost at home to Udinese 2-1. The Florence club won a record eight consecutive Serie



A games before losing to Bologna 1-0 on Dec. 15, and it looked to be back on track when Moises Kean converted a penalty after eight minutes to become the first Fiorentina player to reach double figures in the league since Federico Chiesa in the 2019-20 season. However, Udinese was a different prospect after the break. Lorenzo Lucca equalized with the aid of sloppy defending four minutes into the second half and then Florian Thauvin found space on the edge of the box to curl in the second eight minutes later.

The result left Udinese in ninth place and Fiorentina in fifth. The match was a special one for Edoardo Bove, the Fiorentina player whose collapse with a heart issue led to the suspension of its game with Inter Milan on Dec. 1. Bove was fitted with a defibrillator implant soon after and sat on the Fiorentina bench for the first time since his collapse. He is not allowed to play but his position on the sideline alongside coach Raffaele Palladino was seen as a step towards normality for the 22-year-old midfielder.



# Lindsey Vonn thinks her new titanium knee could start a trend in skiing

AP ■ ST MORITZ

When Lindsey Vonn last raced on the World Cup circuit nearly six years ago, the constant pain in her knee left her in tears and led to retirement. Flash forward to Vonn's comeback race on a titanium knee at age 40 last weekend, and the American skiing standout couldn't have felt more different. No more pain. No more swelling. No more tears. "The last few years of my career were so much different than they are right now. I'm skiing without thinking about my knee, which I really haven't done since I first tore my ACL in 2013. So it's been a long time that I felt this good," Vonn said on Saturday after placing 14th in a super-G in St Moritz. "I'm a little bit older, but honestly I'm a hell of a lot stronger than I once was." So much stronger that she's talking up her knee replacement surgery — the first of its kind in World Cup skiing — as a new frontier for the sport. In April, Vonn had a robot-assisted replacement performed by Martin Roche, a South Florida-based orthopedist specializing in complex knee disorders. Part of the bone in her right knee

was cut off and replaced by two titanium pieces. A month later, she was planning her comeback. "It's a lot better than my non-existent cartilage," said Vonn, one of the most successful skiers of all time with 82 World Cup wins. "I've talked to a lot of skiers already about it and I really think that it could be something that should be considered. "I feel amazing. I mean, obviously not everyone responds the same way to surgeries. For some reason, I bounce back pretty well from surgery. But I think it's something to seriously consider for athletes that have a lot of knee problems." Knee replacements are usually reserved for older people. Andrea Panzeri, the Italian Winter Sports Federation's head physician and an orthopedist who has operated numerous times on Vonn's good friend and fellow downhiller, Sofia Goggia, said knee replacements are usually performed on patients older than 50. "This is definitely the first time in World Cup history that such a young athlete has raced with one," Panzeri told The Associated Press. "And I'm not aware of any

other elite-level athletes in other sports competing with one, either." Panzeri performs knee replacements. But he had never even thought about doing one on a World Cup skier — until he saw Vonn competing with one. "Partial prosthetics, like the half-knee ones, are definitely the ones that offer the best performance and we're seeing that (with Vonn)," Panzeri said. "I don't think her decision is going to change pro sports. But it could provide more motivation for so-called normal people to try a prosthetic." Three-time Grand Slam tennis champion Andy Murray played with an artificial hip at the end of his career. Vonn's former skiing teammate Julia Mancuso also redid her hip a few months after she retired in 2018 and maintains an active lifestyle. "I, for sure, would have considered a comeback if I didn't have kids," Mancuso told The AP recently. "So I can totally relate to Lindsey." But Panzeri said that "hips have different biomechanics than a knee and many more people are able to play sports with a hip prosthetic than a knee prosthetic."

# Hero MotoSports names Nacho Cornejo as new rider

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Hero MotoSports Team Rally on Tuesday named young Chilean rider Nacho Cornejo as its new recruit while announcing a three-member team for the Dakar Rally 2025. Cornejo will team up with Sebastian Buhler and 2024 FIM World Rally-Raid Championship (W2RC) winner Ross Branch. This will be the team's ninth appearance in the world's toughest race, scheduled to take place in Saudi Arabia from January 3 to 17. It was memorable 2024 for the young team as it secured an overall second finish. In the 12-stage 2024 edition, Branch led the race for four days and remained at second spot for eight days, eventually finishing second overall, making Hero MotoCorp the first Indian manufacturer

team to make it to the Dakar podium. For Botswana's Branch, this will be his third Dakar outing with the team. Buhler, a German living in Portugal, has given consistent performances this year, marking his biggest achievement by securing his first FIM World Championship race podium at Rally Raid Portugal, where he finished second overall. At the 2024 Dakar Rally, Buhler came close to winning his first Dakar stage. Young Chilean rider Cornejo boasts of an impressive Dakar record, including a fourth-place finish in 2020 and nine stage wins. The 47th Dakar Rally will kick off in Bisha, featuring a prologue and 12 stages spanning 7,700 km across the vast desert. For the first time, five stages will have separate courses for FIM and FIA

vehicles, covering 45 per cent of the timed distance. Dakar 2025 will also be the opening race of the fourth edition of the World Rally Raid Championship (W2RC). Hero MotoSports is a Rally GP-class participant at the W2RC 2025, and will attend its five rounds starting with the Dakar, followed by the Abu Dhabi Desert Challenge (February), South African Safari Rally (May), BP Ultimate Rally Raid in Portugal (September), and finally closing the season with the Rallye du Maroc (October). "2024 has been an incredible year for us. Finishing second at Dakar, a first for any Indian manufacturer, and winning the 2024 World Championship have given us a new level of respect and recognition in motorsports," Wolfgang Fischer, the team manager said.

# Classifieds

## CHANGE OF NAME

**I, Abhishek S/o Vikram Singh R/o Kalsa, Karah Sahib, Kurukshetra** have changed my given name Abhishek Surname Singh.

**I, Harjinder W/o Davinder Singh R/o Usmanpur, Kurukshetra** have changed my Given name Harjinder Surname Kaur.

**I, Anu Sharma W/o Narender Kumar R/O Vill Naneola Ambala city Distt Ambala** have changed my name To Suman Lata

**I, Rupesh Kumar S/O Narender Kumar R/O1121 Hisar Road Durga Nagar ambala city** have changed my Minor Daughter to Tanvi Mehndiratta

**I, Rupesh Kumar S/O Narender Kumar R/O 1121 Hisar Road Durga Nagar ambala city** have changed my Minor Daughter name to Dikshita Mehndiratta

**I, Pankaj S/O Roop Ram R/O Shanti Nagar alias Kurri Distt Kurukshetra** have changed my name to Pankaj Chahal.

**I, Golu S/O Purshotam R/O H.No. 56 Near peer baba Gorsian** have changed my name to Dilpreet Singh.

**I, Neelam Tripathi** wife of JC-284791A Sub (OpR) Bhupesh Mani Tripathi resident of Vill-Chakshivcher, PO- Lalpur Bhatpura, Teh Bara, Distt-Prayagraj (UP), have cnaged my name from Nilam Tripathi to Neelam Tripathi, Vide Affidavit No. IN-PB906891237400061W, Dated 20-12-2024. Distt. Court, Place - Amritsar.

**I, No. 15692971M Rank-L/HAV Name- Pradip Jash S/o Samir Kumar Jash R/o VPO- Bahiri, District-Birbhum, Pin-731240, West Bengal (India).** Present Address-Amritsar Cantt, have changed my father name from Samir Jash to Samir Kumar Jash. Vide Affidavit No. IN-PB91794651151293W, Dated 24-12-2024, Before Distt. Court, Amritsar.

**I, Chavi Chawla D/o Yash Chawla, R/o H. No 57, Urban Estate-2, Satya Enclave, Hisar, Haryana** declare that after marriage my name is changed from Chavi Chawla to Chavi Jindal. In future, I will be known my new name Chavi Jindal.

**I, Paramjit Kaur,** wife of GS-180865M LDC Harjinder Singh resident of VPO Malakpur, Teh & Distt: Pathankot, State: Punjab, Pin-145025 have changed my Name from Paramjeet Kaur to Paramjit Kaur vide Affidavit dated 20/05/2024 before Executive Magistrate, Pathankot.

**I, Baljit Kaur** Wife Of Pavittar Singh Residing At Village- Jashwali, Po- Sarba, District- Pathankot, Punjab-145025, Do Hereby Declare That I Have Changed The Name Of My Minor Daughter Taqdeer Bajwa, Aged 15 Years, From Taqdeer Bajwa To Taqdeer Kaur.

**I, No. 13981397L** Ex Hav Gulzar Singh resident of Village - Chohan, PO - Gharota Tehsil & Distt Pathankot (Punjab) have changed name of my daughter from Shibani to Shivani Devi vide Affidavit No. IN-PB91612350408170W Dated 24-12-2024 before Executive Magistrate Pathankot (Punjab).

**I, Asha Rani** wife of No 14803286H Ex Nk (TS) Late Pawan Kumar resident of Village Kothe Khiala Post Office Taragarh Tehsil & Distt Pathankot (Punjab) have changed name of my mother-in-law from Kamala Rani to Kamla Rani vide Affidavit No. IN-PB91501839522415W Dated 24-12-2024 before Executive Magistrate Pathankot (Punjab).

**I, Geetika D/o Sh. Manmohan R/o House no 1438/1, Sector-29B, Chandigarh** have changed my name from Geetika to Geetika Sethi.

**I, Smt Manjit Kaur W/O Sh Sukhvinder Singh R/O Village- Bhaini Paswal, Po- Jagowal Bet, Tehsil And Distt- Gurdaspur, State-Punjab.** Have Changed My Name From Manjeet Kaur To Manjit Kaur.

**I, Renu Koul W/o Ajay Koul R/o of House No. 96, Green Valley 2, Sector-127, Sante Majra, Kharar, Mohali,** declare that Renu Koul and Renu Sharma both are same person, after marriage I have change my name from Renu Sharma to Renu Koul.

**I,** hitherto Known as Harbhajan Singh S/o Kehar Singh R/o Vill. Bheelan, Po. Najka, Distt. Jalandhar-144102, Punjab have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Singh Harbhajan.

**I,** hitherto Known as Kamalbir Kaur D/o Balbir Singh W/o Sukhvinder Dhillon R/O H.No. 12, Shiv Nagar, Cantt Road, Garha, Jalandhar-II, Jalandhar-144022, Punjab have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Simran Dhillon.

**I,** hitherto Known as Kajal Sharma D/o Pawan Kumar W/o Inderjit Singh Dhadwal R/O VPO. Lakhpur, Tehsil Phagwara, Distt. Kapurthala-144401, Punjab have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Kajal Kaur Dhadwal.

**I, Amarjeet Kaur W/o Bhupinder Singh R/o H.No. 54, Kala Sangha Road, Basti Sheikh AS Villa, Near Doli Palace, Jalandhar, Punjab** have changed my name from Amarjeet Kaur to Amarjit Kaur.

**I, Amrik Singh Sidhu S/O Karam Singh R/O Vill. Kalyan Malka Tehsil & Distt. Bathinda (Punjab)** Have Changed My Name To Amrik Singh.

**I, Amritpal Kaur** Sidhu W/O Amrik Singh Sidhu R/O Vill. Kalyan Malka Tehsil & Distt. Bathinda (Punjab) Have Changed My Name To Amritpal Kaur.

**I, Ghichar Singh S/O Gurnam Singh R/O Vill. Kalian Malka Tehsil & Distt. Bathinda (Punjab)** Have Changed My Name To Karam Singh.

**I, Shavinder Singh** Kanda S/O Satnam Singh R/O Street No.11R Dogar Basti Faridkot Punjab Have Changed My Name To Shavinder Singh.

**I, Lovepreet Kaur** Kanda W/O Shavinder Singh R/O Street No.11R Dogar Basti Faridkot Punjab Have Changed My Name To Lovepreet Kaur.

**I, Rudla Singh S/O Onkar Chand R/O Village Mirzapur P.O. Garhdiwala Tehsil Dasuya Distt. Hoshiarpur (Pb)** Have Changed My Name From Rudla Singh To Rudla Ram.

**I, Lalit S/O Manoj Kumar R/O St.No.2 Block No.16 Kartar Furniture House Central Town Hoshiarpur** Have Changed My Name From Lalit Kumar Yadav To Lalit.

**I, Jasvinder Kaur W/O Harminder Singh R/O Vpo. Sakruli Tehsil Garhshankar District Hoshiarpur Punjab** Have Changed My Name To Jasvinder Kaur.

**I, Daljit Singh Badwal S/O Santokh Singh R/O Vpo. Binpalke Distt. Jalandhar Punjab** Have Changed My Name To Daljit Singh.

**I, Gurcharan Singh** Sidhu S/O Kartar Singh R/O Burj Tharor Distt. Bathinda Have Changed My Minor Son's Name Jasman Singh To Jasman Singh Sidhu.

**I, Karamvir Kaur W/O Bhagwant Singh Kaler R/O Vpo. Dangian Distt. Ludhiana** Changed My Name To Karamvir Kaur Kaler.

**I, Jaspal Singh S/O Chaman Lal R/O H.No.-942, St.No.-4, Baldev Nagar, Rahon Road Distt. Ludhiana** Have Changed My Name From Jaspal Singh To Singh Jaspal And Singh As My Surname And Jaspal As My Given Name.

**I, Sunder Singh S/O Sh. Jai Bhagwan R/O H.No. 102, Village Khojipur Distt. Panipat (Haryana)** Have Changed My Name From Sunder Singh To Sunder.

**I, Subhash S/O Ramehar R/O Village Anoopgarh Teh. & Distt. Jind** Have Changed My Name From Subhash To Subhash Duhan.

**I, Asha W/O Subhash Duhan R/O Village Anoopgarh Teh. & Distt. Jind** Have Changed My Name From Asha To Asha Devi.

**I, Yash S/O Manoj Kumar R/O H.No. 2429 Urban Estate Teh. & Distt. Jind** Have Changed My Name From Yash To Yash Jangra.

**I, Bhavya D/O Pardeep R/O H.No. 2723 Urban Estate Teh. & Distt. Jind** Have Changed My Name From Bhavya To Bhavya Malik.

**I, No.15807032y L/Nk Chauhan Sanjaysinh Jaydevsinh Resident Of Village- Bamanava, Post-Bamanava, Tehsil- Vijapur, District- Mahesana, State-Gujarat, Pin-384355, Have Changed My Father Name From Chauhan Jaydevsinh To Jaydevsinh Dipsinh Chauhan Vide Affidavit No. IN-PB91695018449169w Dated 24 Dec 2024 Before Notary Public Pathankot**

**I, Roshani** Mother Of No.15733156w Nk Parveen Kumar Resident Of Village- Kharkhara Bass, Post-Dhanounda, Tehsil- Kanina, District- Mahendergarh, State- Haryana, Pin-123027, Have Changed My Name & Dob From Roshani To Roshani Devi And Date Of Birth From 05 May 1970 To 01 Jan 1954 Vide Affidavit No. IN-Pb91694255911013w Dated 24 Dec 2024 Before Notary Public Pathankot

**I, Shushila Devi** Spouse Of No.15802576k Nk Satyaveer Singh Resident Of Village- Karahala Gaorwa, Post-Shahari Madan Garhi, Tehsil- Koi, District- Aligarh, State- Uttar Pradesh, Pin-202123, Have Changed My Name From Shushila Devi To Km Shushila Devi Vide Affidavit No. IN-Pb91654217232095w Dated 24 Dec 2024 Before Notary Public Pathankot

**I, No.17016611x Cfn** Muhammed Muneer T K Of Unit 9 Fod C/O 56 Apo, Resident Of Village- Mankada, Post- Kadannamanna, Tehsil- Perinthalmanna, District- Malappuram, State- Kerala, Pin-679324, Have Changed My Son Name From Mizyan Muhammed To Mizyan Muhammed T K Vide Affidavit No. IN-Pb90917363127218w Dated 20 Dec 2024 Before Notary Public Pathankot

**I, No. Jc-383036n** Sub Chinnathurai P Resident Of D. No:141-E, Old Rice Mill Street, Kodangipatti, Post- Bodinayakanur- Taluk, District- Theni, State- Tamil Nadu, Pin-625531, Have Changed My Son Name From C Padmanathan To Padmanathan C Vide Affidavit No. Ea. 534432 Before Notary Public Theni (Tamil Nadu)

**I, No. 2813985x** Sep Sawant Vijay Shivaji Resident Of Village- Chikhawadi, Post- Ingrul, Tehsil- Shirala, District- Sangli, State- Maharashtra, Pin-415408, Have Changed My Mother Name From Nanda To Nanda Shivaji Sawant Vide Affidavit No. IN-Pb91696145134005w Dated 24 Dec 2024 Before Notary Public Pathankot

**I, Shweta** Spouse Of No. 2813985x Sep Sawant Vijay Shivaji Resident Of Village- Chikhawadi, Post- Ingrul, Tehsil- Shirala, District- Sangli, State- Maharashtra, Pin-415408, Have Changed My Name From Shweta To Shweta Vijay Sawant Vide Affidavit No. IN-Pb91675751954588w Dated 24 Dec 2024 Before Notary Public Pathankot

**I, No 15795390-P** Rank: L/Hav, Name: Munde Dhanraj Himratro S/O Himmatro Mokinda Munde R/O Unit No. 510 Lt Ad Msl Regt. (Sp), Madhopur, Pathankot Declare That I Want To Change The Name Of My Mother From Narmada Himratro To Narmadabai Himmat Munde In My Service Documents.

**I, No 15795390-P** Rank: L/Hav, Name: Munde Dhanraj Himratro S/O Himmatro Mokinda Munde R/O Unit No. 510 Lt Ad Msl Regt. (Sp), Madhopur, Pathankot Declare That I Want To Change The Name Of My Father From Himratro To Himmatro Mokinda Munde In My Service Documents.

**I, Pinki** (Existing Name) D/O No. 14570263p Ex Naik Shri Krishan Resident Of Vpo Khidwala, Tehsil Rohtak, District Rohtak, (Haryana) Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Pinki (Existing Name) To Pinki Rani (New Name) In Future I Shall May Be Known/Written/Called As Pinki Rani As Per My Aadhar Card And Pan Card) For All Work Purposes, Please Correct In My Father Army Records Vide Affidavit Dated Dec 2024 Before Executive Magistrate (Rohtak)

**I, No. 14209578k** Ex Hav Sahab Singh Son Of Gaje Singh Resident Of Vpo Gandhra, Tehsil Sampla, District Rohtak, (Haryana) Declare That I Have Changed My Daughter Name From Sushela Devi (Existing Name) To Sushila Devi (New Name) In Future My Daughter Shall May Be Known/Written/Called As Sushila Devi As Per My Daughter Aadhar Card And Pan Card) For All Work Purposes, Please Correct In My Army Records Vide Affidavit Dated 24 Dec 2024 Before Executive Magistrate (Rohtak)

**I, Gurbaksh Kaur** is legally mother of No.15501979Y Rank LD Name Parminder Singh presently residing at Vill- Attari, PO-Gardley, Teh: Anandpur Sahib, Distt. Rupnagar (Punjab) have changed my name from Gurbaksh Kaur to Gurbax Kaur vide Affidavit dated 24/12/2024 before Notary, Anandpur Sahib.

**I, Balveer Singh** alias Balbir Singh S/o Bakhsis Singh R/o Diwana Distt. Barnala have declare that Balveer Singh and Balbir Singh is name of one and same person.

**I, Navtej Singh** Dhillon S/o Gurdarshan Singh R/o Chaina (Faridkot) have changed my name to Navtej Singh.

**I, Murti Devi** (Existing Name) W/O 2656464n Ex Hav Jai Singh Resident Of Vpo Mokhra, Tehsil Meham, District Rohtak, (Haryana) Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Murti Devi (Existing Name) To Murti (New Name) My Correct /Actual Dob Is 10.02.1950 Instead Of 05.06.1954. In Future I Shall May Be Known/Written/Called As Murti (Dob : 10.02.1950) As Per My Aadhar Card And Pan Card) For All Work Purposes, Please Correct In My Husband Army Records Vide Affidavit Dated 23 Dec 2024 Before Executive Magistrate (Rohtak)

**I, Babbia W/O Kuldeep Sangwan R/O Gama-304, One City, Sector 37, Rohtak-124001** Have Changed My Name To Babita Sangwan For All Purpose.

**I, Karan Kumar S/O Sudarshan Kumar Resident Of Vpo. Abiana Kalan, Tehsil Anandpur Sahib, District Rupnagar (Punjab)** Have Changed My Name To Karan Kumar Puri.

**I, Kundlik Is** Father Of Army No Jc-355325m Rank-Sub Name- Mutkule Dashrath Kundlik Presently Posted At Unit : 105 Engr Regt C/O 56 Apo Permanent Address At Post: Adgaon, Tehsil Distt Hingoli, Maharashtra 431513 Declare That In My Son's Service Record My Name Wrongly Recorded As Kundlik But My Correct Name Is Kundlik Ganaji Mutkule. Vide Affidavit No: 48aa 901297, Dated: 24/12/2024

**I, Sushma Devi** Is Legally Wedded Spouse Of Army No-18002564w Rank-Hav Name: Sripal Singh Presently Posted At Unit: 70 Engr Regt C/O 56 Apo Permanent Address: Pappi, Rikhnikal, Juee, Distt-Pauri Garhwal, State- Uttrakhand-246179 Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Sushma Devi To Sushama Devi. Vide Affidavit No-48aa 901286, Dated: 24/12/24

**I, Prayag Bai** Is Mother Of Army No Jc-355325m Rank-Sub Name- Mutkule Dashrath Kundlik Presently Posted At Unit : 105 Engr Regt C/O 56 Apo Permanent Address At Post: Adgaon, Tehsil Distt Hingoli, Maharashtra 431513 Declare That In My Son's Service Record My Name Wrongly Recorded As Prayag Bai But My Correct Name Is Prayagbai Kundlik Mutkule. Vide Affidavit No-48aa 901282 , Dated 24/12/2024.

**I, Ved Prakash S/O Sh. Bhartu Ram R/O Ward No. 12, Gunoor, Gumar, Sonipat, Haryana-131101** Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Ved Prakash To Ved Parkash.

**I, Manjeet Kaur** Is Legally Wedded Spouse Of Army No. 15340339f Rank-Hav Name-Gurmej Singh Presently Posted At Unit: 57 Engr Regt C/O 56 Apo Permanent Address: Kotli Fassi, Dialgarh, Dial Garh, Gurdaspur, Batala, Punjab-143518 Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Manjeet Kaur To Manjit Kaur. Vide Affidavit No-48aa 901287, Dated: 24/12/24

**I, Banoth Kanthi** Legally Wedded Wife Of Army No. 16134265n Rank Sp Name Banoth Nagesh Unit 422 (I) Engr Sqn C/O 56 Apo Have Change Name From Boda Kanthi To Banoth Kanthi Through Vide Document No. IN-Pb91833086396072w Dated 24-12-2024 Before Notary Public Pathankot.

**I, Harpreet Singh** Dem S/O Amarjit Singh R/O Vpo. Nathowal, Tehsil Raikot, Distt. Ludhiana, Have Changed My Name To Harpreet Singh.

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**I, Navtej Singh** Dhillon S/o Gurdarshan Singh R/o Chaina (Faridkot) have changed my name to Navtej Singh.

**I, Geeta Rani** W/o Sh.Madan Lal, R/o Durga Colony, Ward No.2, Naraingarh, Distt. Ambala, Haryana -134203 has changed my name from Geeta Rani to Geeta.

**I, Madan Lal Saini S/o Sh.Bachan Lal, R/o Durga Colony, Near Guga Madi, Ward No.2, Naraingarh, Distt. Ambala, Haryana -134203** has changed my name from Madan Lal Saini to Madan Lal.

**I, Bhupender Kaur W/o Hardeep Singh R/O Vill: Palaki Teh-Mukerian (Hoshiarpur)** have changed my name from Bhupendra Kaur to Bhupender Kaur.

**I, Sanjeet Kaur** alias Monika Rani W/o Ishpal Singh R/O Ward No. 1, Mohalla Jattan Wala, Zira, District Ferozepur, Punjab have changed my name to Sanjeet Kaur.

**I, Sahjpal Singh** Dhillon S/O Amrik Singh R/o Vill: Mihan Singh Wala Teh-Zira (Ferozepur) have changed my name to Sahjpal Singh.

**I, Manjeet kaur** W/o Jasbir Singh R/O VPO Raniwalah (Tarn Taran) have changed my name to Manjit Kaur.

**I, Daljit Kaur** W/o Amrik Singh R/O Vpo. Manupur Teh-Samrala (Ludhiana) have changed my name from Daljit Kaur Bhangoo to Daljit Kaur.

**I, Gurmeet Kaur** W/o Harbans Lal R/O W.No. 19 St.No. 1 Near Shiv Mandir Anand Nagar Khanna Teh-Khanna (Ludhiana) have changed my name from Gurmit Kaur to Gurmeet Kaur.

**I, Ajay Kumar** Charaya S/o Heera Lal R/O #407 W.No. 2 Malout (Sri Muktsar Sahib) have changed my name to Ajay Kumar.

**I, Jagdish Singh S/O Gittan Singh R/O H No 11389 Vinayak Colony Mour Road Sri Muktsar Sahib Distt Sri Muktsar Sahib Have Changed My Name To Jagdish Singh Brar.**

**I, Shinderpal Kaur @ Gurmeet Kaur W/O Jagdish Singh R/O H No 11389 Vinayak Colony Mod Road Sri Muktsar Sahib Distt Sri Muktsar Sahib Have Changed My Name To Gurmeet Kaur.**

**I, Ram Lubhaya** Son Of Kasturi Lal Resident Of Street Sethi Model School Outside Makhu Gate Ferozepur City Have Changed My Name To Ram Lubhaya.

**I, Ripul Lakhna** Wife Of Sanjay Gill Resident Of Quarter No. 235 Housing Board Colony Ferozepur City Have Changed My Name To Ripul Gill.

**I, Kaur Mohammad S/O Hukama R/O Village Libra, Tehsil Khanna (Ludhiana)** known by two names i.e. Kaur Mohammad and Kaur Mohd. one & the same person.

**I, Abbas Mohammad S/O Kaur Mohammad R/O Village Libra, Tehsil Khanna (Ludhiana)** known by two names i.e. Abbas Mohammad and Abbas Mohd., one & the same person.

**I, Paramjit Kaur W/o Harvinder Singh Sandhu R/O Vpo. Saiduipur (Hoshiarpur) Pb,** have changed my name to Paramjit Kaur Sandhu.

**I, Bhupinder Ram S/o Jagdish Ram R/O Ward no. 11, Bariwala (Muktsar)** have changed my name to Bhupinder Ram.

**I, Gurinder Kaur** Legally Mother Of Sukhjeet Singh Presently Residing At Ramdasia Patti, Karamgarh, Distt - Barnala, State - Punjab Have Changed My Name From Gurinder Kaur To Sinderpal Kaur Vide Affidavit Dated 24/12/2024 Before Executive Magistrate Jalandhar, (Pb).

**I, Avinash Kaur** Legally Mother Of Presently Residing At House No. 138, Ward No.9, Bodha (18) Distt - Kurukshetra, State - Haryana Have Changed My Name From Avinash Kaur To Avnash Kaur Vide Affidavit Dated 24/12/2024 Before Executive Magistrate Jalandhar, (Pb).

**I, Kulwinder Kaur W/O Dharam Singh R/O Near Baha Jakin Shah Fateh Chak (Tarn Taran)** Have Changed My Name From Kulwinder Kaur To Salwinder Kaur.

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