

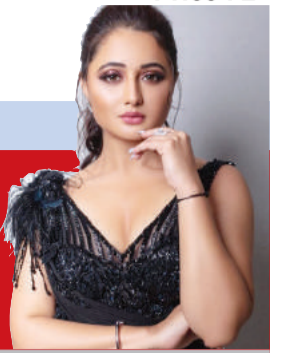


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In Shorts

ACB team caught Munshi of Gumla's Sisai police station taking bribe



Gumla: Munshi Madhusudan Jha of Sisai police station of Gumla district of Jharkhand has been caught by ACB (Anti Corruption Bureau) taking a bribe of nine thousand rupees. After arresting Munshi, the ACB team took him to Ranchi for questioning. On the complaint of Saurabh Gupta, resident of Itki, Ranchi, the ACB team took action and arrested him red handed while taking bribe.

After Munshi was caught taking bribe, the police of Sisai police station of Gumla district kept suppressing the matter. It is being told that ACB Ranchi team has taken action on the complaint of Saurabh Gupta, resident of Itki village of Itki police station area of Ranchi district.

Militants attack in Manipur, two CRPF soldiers killed

Imphal: Two CRPF personnel were killed and two other personnel were injured in an attack by militants on a camp of security forces in Manipur's Bishnupur district. Police gave this information. Police said that the militants attacked the IRBN (Indian Reserve Corps) camp at Naransena in Moirang police station area. A senior police officer said the militants opened indiscriminate fire targeting the camp from the hilltops.

Hardcore Naxalite Rajendra Bhuiyan arrested

Palamu: Jharkhand Police and CRPF team, taking joint action, have arrested hardcore Naxalite Rajendra Bhuiyan. Four weapons have also been recovered from the arrested Naxalite commander. Police officers are interrogating Rajendra Bhuiyan. Although the police is not yet confirming the arrest of Rajendra Bhuiyan, Rajendra Bhuiyan is accused of carrying out many Naxalite incidents. According to the information, Rajendra Bhuiyan has been arrested this Saturday morning.

Rajendra Bhuiyan is a resident of Mahuadand area of Hussainabad in Palamu. He is very close to Maoist commander Nitish Yadav, carrying a reward of Rs 10 lakh. He is an important member of his squad.

Lok Sabha election: JMM releases list of 40 star campaigners for Lok Sabha elections



DN ■ Ranchi

In view of the Lok Sabha Elections 2024, JMM (Jharkhand Mukti Morcha) has released the list of its star campaigners. In which 40 party leaders have been given place. The main election campaigner of the party is party president Shibu Soren. He will lead the election campaign in the Lok Sabha constituencies of Odisha, Bihar, West Bengal and Assam state including Jharkhand.

Let us tell you, Hemant Soren is currently lodged in Hotwar jail in and how will he campaign for the elections while in jail. However, it is being said that he will send a message to his workers and fans while in jail. Can send message as. There is a provision that messages can come from jail. They can send their message to the workers by writing. And during the election campaign, their leaders can read the letter written by

The party included in the list of star campaigners:

The list of star campaigners includes Chief Minister Champai Soren, former CM Hemant Soren, Kalpana Murmu Soren, Lok Sabha candidate Nalin Soren, Stephen Marandi, Lok Sabha candidate Mathura Prasad Mahato, Savita Mahato, Rajya Sabha MP Sarfaraz Ahmed, Baidyanath Ram, Vinod Kumar Pandey, Fagu Besra, Supriyo Bhattacharya, Minister Deepak Birua, Sudivya Kumar Sonu, Minister Mithilesh Thakur, Chamra Linda, Yogendra Mahato, Abhishek Kumar Pintu, Nandkishore Mehta, Joba Manjhi, Sameer Mohanty, Vijay Hansda, Mahua Maji, Niral Purti, Ramdas Soren, Dashrath Gagrai, Basant. Soren, Hafizul Hasan, Baby Mahato, Nizamuddin Ansari, Sukhran Oraon, Bhushan Tirkey, Mangal Kalindi, Vikas Singh Munda, Sanjeev Sardar, Dinesh William Marandi, Hemlal Murmu are mainly included.

them and convey their message to the people. Such a provision has been given under the law.

Apart from this, the party has included rebel MLA Chamra Linda among its star campaigners. However, he has announced to contest the elections as an independent candidate from Lohardaga Lok Sabha seat and has even filed nomination forms.

For your information, let us tell you that there is an Indian coalition government in Jharkhand and in seat sharing for the elections, Lohardaga seat has come in the quota of Congress party and from this seat, Congress has made former district president of Congress Sukhdev Bhagat its candidate against whom Chamra Linda has filed independent nomination.

Poonam Mahajan's ticket cancelled BJP bets on 26/11 case lawyer from Mumbai North Central seat

Senior lawyer Ujjwal Nikam had got terrorist Kasab hanged

Mumbai: BJP announced its candidate for North Central Mumbai constituency for the Lok Sabha election 2024



on 27 April. In which he has announced to give ticket to senior lawyer Ujjwal Nikam. That means BJP has canceled the ticket of the sitting MP Poonam Mahajan. Famous lawyer Ujjwal Nikam will be the BJP candidate from Mumbai North Central seat. BJP's focus is on 'Mission 400'. Therefore, BJP is focusing on testing each of its candidates. That is why veteran lawyer Ujjwal Nikam has canceled the ticket of two-time MP Poonam Mahajan from this Mumbai North-Central seat. Earlier it was discussed that BJP has approached actress Madhuri Dixit for this seat. On the other hand, there was also strong discussion that BJP MLA Ashish Shelar is willing to contest elections from this seat. But Ujjwal Nikam has defeated all of them.

As a special public prosecutor, Nikam represented the government in several high-profile cases such as the 26/11 Mumbai attacks, the 1993 Mumbai serial blasts case, the case against Sanjay Dutt. That's why they always remain in the news. BJP can take advantage of all this in terms of elections. Historically the Mumbai North-Central constituency has been considered a Congress stronghold until 2014. However, in the Modi wave of 2014, Poonam Mahajan won the first election from this seat. Therefore, in 2019 he won from here again.

Passenger bus overturns due to brake failure in Chatra, 2 dead, 16 injured



DN ■ Chatra

In a tragic road accident in the district, two people including a girl died on the spot. A dozen passengers have been seriously injured. This accident happened due to the accident of City Ride bus named Suman Rath going from Chatra to Kunda.

According to eyewitnesses, due to brake failure of the bus, the driver lost his balance and the bus overturned on the roadside. Ten girl students of Chatra College are also among those injured in this accident. Who was returning home after giving the graduation semester one examination from the examination center located at RDS Inter College operated in the Police Line area of the

city. There was an outcry in the area after this accident.

Ten injured girl students are being treated. A seriously injured female passenger, Lalita Devi, has been referred to better Ranchi RIMS after first aid.

According to the data of Sadar Hospital, the passengers injured in the accident of the passenger bus included Simran Kumari, Baby Kumari, Shruti Kumari, Anisha Kumari, Poonam Kumari, Priyanka Kumari, Sushma Kumari, Nishu Kumari, and Soni Kumari and 16 people including Lalita Devi. Are. All of them are students of Chatra College, who were returning home with their families after appearing in the BA Semester One examination held at RDS Inter College.

All of them are being treated under the special supervision of senior doctors in Chatra Sadar Hospital. The district administration is also informing their family members about the incident. There is chaos in Sadar Hospital after this road accident.

Former CM Hemant Soren did not get interim bail



DN ■ Ranchi

The special court under Prevention of Money Laundering Act refused to grant interim bail to former CM Hemant Soren. After the court order, now Hemant Soren will not be able to attend his uncle's funeral.

In fact, on Saturday he had filed a petition in the court requesting that he be allowed to attend his uncle's funeral. Along with this, he had also sought interim bail of 13 days from the court. The court has given this order while hearing this.

Let us tell you that on Saturday morning, Raja Ram Soren, elder brother of JMM supreme Shibu Soren, died. In the petition, he requested the court to allow him to attend the funeral. Along with this, he sought interim bail of 13 days from the court.

Shibu Soren's elder brother Rajaram Soren passes away



Ramgarh: Rajaram Soren, elder brother of Jharkhand Mukti Morcha supreme Shibu Soren, died on Saturday. He was ill for a long time. The mortal remains of Rajaram Soren have been brought to his native village Nemra village under Gola block of Ramgarh district. The last rites of Rajaram Soren will be held in Nemar village itself. According to the information, Chief Minister Champai Soren will attend the funeral of Rajaram Soren.

Massive fire in the forests of Uttarakhand, 1780 acres of forest affected in 11 districts

The army was called, reached near the army area; Army helicopters deployed



Nainital

There is news of fire in the forests of Uttarakhand. There is smoke on the roads due to a massive fire in the pine forests on Nainital Bhawali Road. The fire has reached High Court Colony. Vehicular movement has been disrupted. A fire has also broken out in Ladykanta near Nainital. Indian Army areas may also come under fire. Due to this apprehension, army personnel have also started working on war footing to extinguish the fire.

Nainital's ITI building also in the grip of fire

Due to strong winds, the fire department team is having difficulty in controlling the fire. ITI building of Nainital has also come under fire. The administration has started efforts to extinguish the fire by taking water from Nainital and Bhimtal lakes through helicopters. In view of the fire, the district administration has banned boating in Naini Lake. Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhama has asked officials to remain on alert.

Dhama has ordered officials of all departments to take measures to stop the fire with mutual coor-

dination. According to reports, there is a fire in the forests of Kumaon including Nainital. The fire is spreading in the surrounding forests including Bhimtal, Mukteshwar Baldiyakhan, Jeolikot, Mangoli, Khurpatal, Devidhura, Bhawali, Pinus of Nainital. Due to the fire, the residents of High Court Colony located in Pines area are in danger.

31 incidents of fire in 24 hours, 33.34 hectare forest area affected

Nainital Divisional Forest Officer Chandrashekhar Joshi has informed that the department has deployed 40 personnel of Manora Range and two forest rangers to extinguish the fire. The Forest Department says that in the last 24 hours, there have been 26 incidents of forest fire in the Kumaon region of the state, five in the Garhwal region. 33.34 hectare forest area has been affected by the fire.

Three people arrested for setting fire in the forest

It has been told that from November 1 last year till now, about 575 incidents of forest fire have taken place in Uttarakhand. 689.89 hectares of forest area has been affected by the fire. According to sources, three people have been arrested for setting fire to the forest in two different areas of Jakholi and Rudraprayag. Rudraprayag's Divisional Forest Officer Abhimanyu has informed that the team formed to stop the fire has caught sheepherder Naresh Bhatt of Tadiyaal village of Jakholi from the spot while setting fire in the forest. The sheepherder told that he had set the fire to grow new grass for grazing his sheep.

Sunita Kejriwal entered election campaign for the first time

New Delhi: Ahead of the third phase of Lok Sabha election voting, Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal's wife Sunita campaigned for Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) East Delhi candidate Kuldeep Kumar in the national capital today. During this, Sunita Kejriwal said that for one month they have forcibly kept your CM and my husband in jail. No court has convicted him yet. They are saying that investigation is going on. He asked that if the investigation continues for 10 years, will they keep him in jail for 10 years?

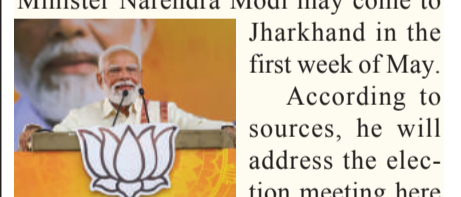
The CM's wife said that earlier, people were put in jail only after the court found someone guilty, but they have



come up with a new system and are saying that the person will be kept in jail till the investigation goes on. Will go. This is dictatorship. She said that Arvind Kejriwal has been a diabetic patient for 22 years and has been on insulin for 12 years. He has been refused insulin in jail... Do they want to kill Arvind Kejriwal? I know you guys love him and that's his problem. What is his mistake?

PM Modi may come to Jharkhand in the first week of May

Ranchi: BJP's star campaigner Prime Minister Narendra Modi may come to



Jharkhand in the first week of May. According to sources, he will address the election meeting here in Chaibasa. Although his program is not finalized yet, Jharkhand BJP has started preparations for the possible visit of PM. In the fourth phase in Jharkhand, voting is to be held on Singhbhum seat on May 13. BJP has fielded Geeta Koda in the elections from Singhbhum.

In the 2019 Lok Sabha elections, BJP lost the election from Singhbhum seat. Because of this, Geeta will try hard to make Koda win here.

UP Child Commission rescued 95 children in Ayodhya, they were brought from Bihar; Five clerics also arrested

Ayodhya: On Friday, UP Police stopped a bus carrying 95 children from Araria in Bihar to Saharanpur (UP) at Devkali Bypass (Ayodhya) and took it into custody. According to reports, five clerics who were taking 95 children of Muslim community from different districts of Bihar to Saharanpur by bus have been arrested. With the active participation of the



State Child Rights Protection Commission, the anti-human trafficking unit with the help of the police rescued these children.

The age of the children is said to be between nine and 12 years. The children have

been kept in Mumtaz Asylum in Lucknow. The police is busy interrogating the clerics and getting information about the entire racket. The children being brought from Araria and Purnia of Bihar have been rescued.

Maulvis were taken to Civil Lines for questioning

Dr. Suchita Chaturvedi had received information that children from Araria and Purnia

were being taken illegally to Deoband in Saharanpur. She gave this information to the Anti Human Trafficking Unit. A team of Trafficking Unit and Ayodhya Police cordoned off the highway at Badi Devkali in the city and stopped a bus. They found 95 children and five clerics in the bus. All the children and clerics were taken to Civil Lines for questioning.

News In Brief

Direct collision between trailer and highway, drivers of both narrowly escaped

Chaibasa: Trailer at Hata-Birsa Chowk and turned straight into highway. In the incident, the occupants of both the vehicles had a narrow escape while both the vehicles were blown to pieces. After receiving the information, a crowd of people had gathered at the spot. Trailer at Hata-Birsa Chowk and turned straight into highway. In the incident, the occupants of both the vehicles had a narrow escape while both the vehicles were blown to pieces. After receiving the information, a crowd of people had gathered at the spot. Hiva's tests were blown away. Along with this, the platform of Birsa Munda has also been damaged.

Old man dies due to heat wave in Haldipokhar

Seraikela: The dead body of an old man was recovered from the verandah of Haldipokhar Bungalow Board Middle School in Kowali police station area on Saturday morning. It is suspected that he may have died due to heat stroke. Kowali police station in-charge Dhananjay Paswan has identified the body as that of Santosh Sardar. After this the body was handed over to the family. Regarding the incident, Devi Kumari Bhumij, head of Haldipokhar, said that he had been earning his living by begging in Haldipokhar and its surrounding areas for three-four years. On the other hand, due to weakness in one leg, he walked with a limp. He used to beg all day and sleep in the verandah of the school. Then in the morning he would go out for alms. Meanwhile, the old man has died due to strong sunlight and heat waves. Such suspicion is being expressed.

Ghaghra BDO inspected many polling stations of the block, gave many necessary guidelines

Gumla : Ghaghra BDO Dinesh Kumar inspected many polling stations of the block on Saturday. In this sequence, BDO Dinesh Kumar inspected the polling stations in Mahugaon, Icha, Burju, Hapamuni, Sanson, Sarjama, Kotamati, Leha, Mile, Jangai, Lafsar, Ranhe schools Information related to basic facilities.

Monthly cum Special Lok Adalat organized in Behavioral Court Gumla

DN ■ Gumla

As per the instructions of Jhalsa and Principal District and Sessions Judge cum Chairman, District Legal Services Authority, Gumla, Mr. Dhruv Chandra Mishra, monthly cum special Lok Adalat was organized in Vibhag Court, Gumla. It was inaugurated by lighting the lamp by Honorable Secretary, District Legal Services Authority Gumla, Mrs. Nirmala Barla, Permanent Lok Adalat member, Mr. Shambhu Singh, Bundeshwar Gop of Legal Aid Defense Council and other advocates. On this occasion, Secretary Smt. Nirmala Barla said

Intensive vehicle checking campaign conducted under the leadership of District Transport Officer

During the investigation, a total fine of Rs 254000 was recovered from 11 vehicles

DN ■ Ramgarh

In view of the upcoming Lok Sabha General Election 2024, as per the instructions of District Election Officer cum Deputy Commissioner, Ramgarh Chandan Kumar, an intensive vehicle checking campaign was conducted at various intersections under the leadership of District Transport Officer Mrs. Manisha Vats on Friday night.

During the investigation, the District Transport Officer also checked the RC book of goods vehicles and other vehicles, fitness, pollution and driving license, overloading, etc. along with the reflective tape applied on the vehicles. During the investigation, documents of a total of 11 vehicles were found to be incomplete and



as per rules was recovered from the drivers of all those vehicles in which a total fine of Rs 257000 was recovered. On this occasion, District Transport Officer Ramgarh Manisha

Vats appealed to all the drivers. Kia said that all drivers must use reflective tapes behind their vehicles so that the chances of accidents happening every day can be reduced.

Reorganization of Gumla District Unit of Advocates Council



DN ■ Gumla

State President also announced the name of Shri Baldev Prasad Sharma for the coordinator of Gumla-Lohardaga-Simdega districts. In the conference, State President of the Council and in-charge of Regional Organization Dimensions, Mr. Rajendra Kumar Mishra, while giving detailed information regarding the establishment of the Council, threw detailed light on its objectives, told about setting up of Justice Centers and Justice Camps and also described the activities of the Council. While calling upon the people present to vote as much as possible in the ongoing Lok Sabha elections, he called door-to-door contact for public awareness as his duty and also talked about staying away from the use of NOTA. On this occasion, members of the State Working Committee and members of the provincial organization Aam Toli, Mr. Haradhan Pramanik and Leena Mukherjee.

Deoghar team reached the semi-finals by defeating Lohardaga team by 70 runs in the quarter final match

DN ■ Gumla

In the quarter final match of JSCA Inter District Under-16 Cricket Tournament, Deoghar defeated Lohardaga by 70 runs and secured its place in the semi-finals of the state level competition. The knockout matches were played at the Shaheed Telga Khadiya Cricket Stadium of the district headquarters on Saturday. Deoghar's team, batting first, scored a respectable score of 251 runs at the loss of 9 wickets in the stipulated 50 overs. On behalf of the team, Pratik Kumar played the highest innings of 85 runs. Yash Sinha made an important contribution of



61 runs and Kumar Shobhit made an important contribution of 41 runs. Lohardaga's On the other hand, Pawan Shaurya took four wickets for 32 runs in 7 overs. Chaitanya and Ayush got one success each. Chasing the target, Lohardaga made a better start and maintained the excitement of the match. Later the team faltered and the entire team 181 all out in 38.3 overs. On behalf of

Two notorious criminals were arrested by the DC cum District Magistrate in District Badar

DN ■ Ramgarh

Notorious criminal Pradeep Paswan (Bhurkunda, Patratu) and notorious criminal Deepak Dhobi alias Deepak Rajak were arrested by the court of Deputy Commissioner cum District Magistrate Ramgarh Chandan Kumar under the Jharkhand Crime Control Act 2002 for the purpose of maintaining law and order and public peace and curbing criminal activities. The following orders have been issued against (Jaynagar, Patratu). Both the accused have been expelled from Ramgarh



district jurisdiction (District Badar) for 3 months or till the expiry of the Model Code of Conduct period, whichever is earlier. The accused will have to leave the district limits within 24 hours of the passing of the order and

will not be allowed to enter the district limits without prior written permission for the next six months. If there is a license based weapon then it will be deposited in the local police station without any delay and will not be in possession of the weapon under any circumstances during this period. All the above orders are applicable with immediate effect and contempt or violation of the order will be punishable under Section 25 of Jharkhand Crime Control Act 2002 and other relevant sections of the Indian Penal Code, etc.

All India Marwari Yuva Manch organized a health program at DU Mission School



DN ■ Ramgarh

A five-day health program was organized by All India Marwari Yuva Manch Ramgarh Cantt branch on Saturday. Under this health programme, an awareness program about physical fitness was organized among the school children at DU Mission School located at Jhanda Chowk on the fifth day. Along with the school children, members of the Youth Forum and the school trainer made them exercise and explained the benefits of exercise. On this occasion, Forum President Ashish Aggarwal told inspirational stories to the children which left the children very excited. Additionally, buttermilk and biscuits were distributed among the children. This program was completed with great enthusiasm by Youth President Ashish Agarwal, Youth Secretary Dheeraj.

Dispute regarding demolition of the park built in the District Behavior Court premises and installation of containers was resolved

DN ■ Jamshedpur

The ongoing dispute regarding demolition of the park built in the Jamshedpur District Civil Court premises and keeping of containers meant for the server room ended after talks between the two parties on Friday. It was decided in the meeting that the advocates sitting outside the Bar Bhawan will have to leave the land outside and go to the Bar Bhawan to sit in the container meant for the server room. The park in front of the bar building was damaged, which has been assured to be repaired in its original condition. It is noteworthy that in front of the Bar Bhawan, the advo-



ates had constructed a park with the help of MLA Saryu Rai. The park was vandalized and damaged the previous day to construct a server room at the said park site. On Thursday, lawyers created a ruckus in the court premises and disrupted the judicial work in protest against the demolition of the park and installation of containers in the park site. But

as no conclusion was reached till noon, the advocates called a general meeting on Friday and it was decided in the meeting that if no result was reached on these issues, it was decided to go on an indefinite strike. Later, a delegation of lawyers met the Chief Justice and tried to resolve the matter, and also submitted a memorandum Only then the matter.

Anjuman Islamia applied to the Electricity Department Gumla to remove and rectify the 11 thousand volt open wire adjacent to the houses of Hussain Nagar

Khadiyapara and Azad Basti the minority population area of Gumla city

DN ■ Gumla

This afternoon, under the leadership of Anjuman Islamia Sadar Mushahid Azmi Pammu, Anjuman Islamia officials, social workers, local residents and city advocates went to the Electricity Department, Karaundi Gumla and informed about the dangers and problems caused by the eleven thousand volt electric wire adjacent to the houses of the local residents as soon as possible. To find a solution, the SDO submitted a demand letter to the Electricity Department, Gumla. On this occasion, Anjuman Islamia Sadar Mushahid Azmi Pammu, Advocate



Hafinder Sahu, Advocate Tauheed Alam, Advocate Taufiq Alam, Advocate Mohammad Adil Hussain, Advocate Mohammad Mumtaz, social workers. Mohammad Laddan, Afsar Alam Kallu, Mohammad Meraj, Khurshid Alam alias Pappu Naseem Khalifa, Chhotu Mistry, Shahnawaz Alam, Tabrez Alam, Qayamuddin Ansari Shahid Khan, Naseem Khan, Mohammad Kausar

etc. were included. All of them reached the electricity department office in the scorching sun. An application has been submitted to the office of the SDO of the Electricity Department on behalf of Anjuman Islamia Gumla and the residents of the locality. It has been told that 11000 volt open wire has passed through places like Azad Basti, Hussain Nagar, Khadiyapara etc. due to

which incidents are happening every day. Many innocent people have lost their lives, the residents of the locality have protested several times for the removal of hanging wires and 11000 volt wires. All these things were given by the Anjuman in the form of an application before the SDO of the Electricity Department and Even on phone, Sadar Anjuman gave information about the situation to the electricity department official. The SDO of the electricity department, after listening seriously, assured Anjuman Gumla that this matter has been going on for years but now.

Nominations of 14 candidates along with Joba Geeta for Singhbhum parliamentary seat valid 7 nominations canceled

DN ■ Chaibasa

In the scrutiny on Friday for the voting of Singhbhum parliamentary seat to be held under the fourth phase of Lok Sabha elections 2024, the nomination papers of a total of 14 candidates were found eligible, while the nomination papers of 07 candidates were declared ineligible. Under this, BJP's Geeta Koda, Joba Majhi of JMM, Paradesi Lal Munda of Bahujan Samaj Party, Krishna Mardi of Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (Ulgulan), Chitrasen Sinku of Jharkhand Party, Panmani Singh of Socialist Unity Center of India (Communist), Veer Singh



Devgam of Right to Recall Party, The nominations of Ambedkarite IT Party of India's Vishwa Vijay Mardi, People's Party of India (Democratic)'s Sudha Rani Besra and independent candidates Asha Kumari Runda, Damodar Singh Hansda, Durga Lal Murmu Madhav Singh Kunkal and Sangram Mardi were found valid, while the nominations of independent candidates Apart from John Miran Munda, Parvati Kisku, Subhadra Birua.

Railways issued a notification saying that summer special train will run from Puri to Delhi via Chaibasa

DN ■ Chakradharpur

There is another relief news for the people of Kolhan. Railways has decided to run another summer special train from Puri in Odisha to New Delhi (Anand Vihar) via Bihar, Uttar Pradesh. This train will run 9 trips each in both directions. Railways has issued a notification regarding this. The operation of this train will be between Puri - Anand Bihar in which this train will stop at H a r i c h a n d a n p u r, Kendujhargarh, Naya Garh, Banspani, Dogaposhi, Chaibasa, Chandil, Muri, Bokaro, Netaji Subhash Chandra



Bose (Gomo), Gaya, Sasaram stations. It will depart from Puri for Anand Vihar every Monday from 29th April to 24th June. Whereas from May 1 to June 26, it will depart from Anand Vihar for Puri every Wednesday. This train number 08481 will depart from Puri every Monday night at 11.45 minutes. After Puri, the train will

reach Sakshigopal station at 12.07 in the night. After a halt of two minutes, this train will depart for Khurda Road. Khurda Road will reach at 12.40 in the morning and depart at 5.15, meanwhile after stopping at several stations, Banspani will reach at 12.03 in the day and depart at 12.05. Apart from this, Dogaposhi will reach.

Electricity failure in large area due to tripping in Hatia grid, electricity available for one hour or so

DN ■ Ranchi

Amidst the scorching heat, electricity has started playing havoc in the capital Ranchi. Let us tell you that electricity crisis has started in large areas of the city. After which people now have no way to escape the heat. On one hand, people are facing problems due to extreme heat and heat wave, on the other hand, people are facing a lot of problems due to power failure.



According to Ranchi power supply area, the line from Hatia grid has tripped. Due to which there has been power failure from all the feeders of Raj Bhavan sub station. However, electricity is being supplied by taking electricity from Kanke grid and shedding it for one hour.

The effect of load shedding is being seen in the capital Ranchi since Saturday morning. Load shedding is being done in the capital due to line tripping in Hatia grid. According to Ranchi electricity supply area, electricity is being provided to the areas in the capital by load shedding for one hour. At the same time, people's problems have increased due to power cuts amid increasing heat and humidity. Due to power cuts lasting for hours in most parts of Ranchi, people are facing problems ranging from water to daily tasks.

Hatia grid is tripping again and again due to high power voltage. There was power trip from Hatia grid for one hour on Saturday morning and at 2.30 pm. Due to which power supply from Raj Bhavan and Kanke grid was affected. Due to this, power crisis is being seen in large areas including Hatia, Tupudana, Argora, Harmu, Ratu Road, Piska Mod, Kanke.

Bird Flu: Sales of chicken decreased by 40% and eggs by 60%, people are avoiding eating In Ranchi, there has been a 40% decline in chicken sales and 50 to 60% decline in egg sales



DN ■ Ranchi

After the confirmation of bird flu in the district, people who eat chicken and eggs are quite scared. The effect of the fear of the people of the capital is being seen on the egg and chicken trade. After the confirmation of bird flu in Hotwar Regional Poultry Farm on

Wednesday, the district administration swung into action and killed thousands of broilers (farmed chickens) by burning them.

After the confirmation of bird flu in Ranchi, the district administration decided to burn and kill all the chickens and birds up to one kilometer area of Hotwar area. Along with

this, all poultry farms in the affected area have also been ordered not to sell chicken. So that the bird flu virus cannot reach humans.

According to the information received from the district administration, about two thousand birds were killed and about two and a half thousand eggs were destroyed. After the confirmation of bird flu, as soon as the news reached the people, they automatically stopped buying chicken and eggs.

After the confirmation of bird flu in Ranchi district,

business has been significantly affected. After bird flu, the sale of chicken has declined by 40 percent and the sale of eggs has declined by 50 to 60 percent. There is a lot of sale of chicken during the season of Lagan. But after the confirmation of bird flu, people are canceling orders for chicken at weddings. 60 to 70 thousand kg chicken is sold every day in Ranchi. But after Wednesday it has reduced to thirty thousand kg to forty thousand kg.

In Jharkhand, there is a trade of chicken and eggs worth Rs 500 crore every

month. The effect of bird flu in Ranchi district is being seen to some extent in other districts of Jharkhand also. However, no cases of bird flu have been seen so far in districts like Hazaribagh and Dhanbad. But 10 percent people seem to be avoiding buying chicken and eggs.

Let us tell you that in a state like Jharkhand, chicken and eggs are sold in large quantities. In such a situation, after the confirmation of bird flu, the chicken and egg traders of Ranchi district are facing huge losses.

School bus overturned in Mandar, 15 children injured, admitted to hospital

Driver was driving the bus at high speed

The mother of a child has made serious allegations against the driver. She said that the driver was talking on the phone at the time of the accident. She also claimed that "The bus came late by 45 minutes. Due to the delay, the driver was driving the bus at high speed and was also talking to someone on the phone."



rear glass of the bus and took out all the children.

As soon as information about the incident was received, the ambulance also immediately reached the spot. After which Mandar police station in-charge Rahul Kumar and the local

Local people told that the bus of St. Marius School was going towards the school with children, during this time the bus went out of control at a sharp turn and overturned in a field on the roadside. As soon as the bus turned, the children started screaming. The bus had turned to the right from the door, so no child was able to get out of the bus even if he wanted to.

Meanwhile, the local people came to know about the matter, after which Mandar police station was also informed about the accident. As soon as the information was received, the local people reached the spot and along with Mandar police broke the

people broke the glass of the bus, took out all the injured children from the bus, put them in an ambulance and police vehicle and immediately took them to the nearest hospital. As soon as information about the matter was received, Khalari DSP Ramnarayan Chaudhary also reached the hospital. Mandar police station in-charge and Khalari DSP got all the injured children treated under their supervision. The most relieving thing is that there were 16 children in the bus and all are safe. The driver and passenger of the school bus were also injured in the accident. CT scan of a child has been done.

Up to 10% discount will be available on paying advance holding tax before June 30

DN ■ Ranchi

Ranchi Municipal Corporation (RMC) is giving discount to house holders on paying advance tax. If the lump sum payment of withholding tax for the financial year 2024-2025 is made by June 30, 2024, the tax payer will be given a maximum rebate of 10% on the tax amount. The corporation has appealed to the people of the city to deposit advance holding tax online or offline.

It is noteworthy that a large population lives in the corporation area. More than 2.25 lakh house holders in 53 wards are registered with the corporation. Except a few, all house holders deposit the holding tax in the Municipal Corporation. Religious places are exempted from this. But the Municipal Corporation also collects annual tax from government buildings.

You will get benefit like this

There will be a 10% discount on the tax amount on payment through online-offline mode. There will be a discount of 7.5% on the tax amount if payment is made



through public convenience centres. There will be a discount of 5% on the tax amount if payment is made through door-to-door tax collector.

It should be known that the responsibility of the corporation is to provide better facilities to the people of the city. He collects holding tax from people for providing facilities like cleaning, fogging, development, fogging, street lights, drinking water etc. The process of paying taxes continues for years. But concession is also given on depositing tax on time.

DN ■ Ranchi

A school bus overturned near the water park located in Brambe of Mandar police station area of Ranchi. A dozen children have been injured in this accident. According to the information, the bus belongs to St. Marius School. Mandar police station in-charge Rahul Kumar along with the local people took the children out of the bus and took them to the hospital. Khalari DSP Ramnarayan Chaudhary said that all the children are safe.

The bus went out of control at a sharp turn

Three arrested with looted jewellery, brown sugar and ganja



DN ■ Ranchi

Ranchi Police has taken action against drug trade. On the instructions of SSP Chandan Sinha, the police team led by Kotwali DSP Prakash Soe took action. During this time, anti-crime checking campaign was conducted near Marwari College in Hindpuri police station area. During this, the police arrested Mangra alias Mohd. Caught a young man named Guddu.

The police recovered the looted gold chain, three pieces of mangalsutra, 85 grams of ganja and earrings from him. The police team under the leadership of City DSP took action and arrested Nazrul Alam and Arshad Ayub with 37.50 grams of opium and 10.66 grams of brown sugar from Lower Bazaar police station area. SSP Chandan Sinha and City SP Rajkumar Mehta spoke to PC on Saturday and informed about this.

Help in saving youth from drug trap: Ranchi Police

Ranchi: Ranchi Police has released a video message to save the youth from the trap of drug addiction. Ranchi SSP Chandan Sinha has released this video message. This video message has been released to highlight the cooperation of the community in saving the youth from the trap of drugs and to promote the participation of the society. In the video, the SSP has urged the society to play a conscious role in the war against drugs and use technology to solve this problem from the roots. WhatsApp number 9153886238 has also been issued for this. So that information about such activities can reach the police through WhatsApp also. He has appealed to the people that if anyone knows the base or place of such activities, then they can help the police by going to that place and sending its current location to the above number.

He instructed that to send the location, go to that place only when such anti-social activities are not happening there. If anyone has the photo, name and address of a drug dealer available then he appealed to share the same. He has assured that the confidentiality of the person giving information will be taken full care of. Through the video, the harmful effects of drug addiction have been shown and every section of the society has been urged to support to save the youth from this danger.

NSUI distributed Congress Youth Justice Manifesto among students in DSPMU campus



DN ■ Ranchi

On Saturday, the National Student Union of India (NSUI) distributed the Congress Youth Justice Manifesto among the students by running the Mohabbat Ki Dukan campaign in Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee University campus.

Mainly state president Aamir Hashmi, state secretary Abhijeet Pratap Singh, district president Aman Ahmed, Hussain Ansari, Chandan Singh, Chandan Kumar, Anuj Sharma, Ankita Kumari, Sarfaraz Ahmed, Shami Haider, Pawan Sahu,

Shams Bilal, and other district officials of NSUI were present in this program.

- Five guarantees of Yuva Nyay**
- Bharti Bharosa-** Immediate permanent appointments will be made on 30 lakh vacant government posts in central government departments.
 - First job confirmed-** Every graduate and diploma holder youth is guaranteed apprenticeship (job) in government and private companies with a stipend of 1 lakh per annum.
 - Guarantee of paper leak-** Guarantee of conducting the examination in a reliable manner by making a law to prevent paper leak.
 - Social security to gig workers-** Guarantee of better conditions, pension and social security of gig workers or app based employees.
 - Yuva Roshni-** Guarantee of making youth entrepreneurs by giving start-up funds at the district level from the national fund of Rs 5000 crore.

CID caught two cyber criminals who cheated by posing as customer care executives of Meesho

DN ■ Ranchi

If you are searching the customer care number of that company on Google for any product related complaint and refund, then be careful otherwise you too can become the next victim of cyber fraudsters. CID's Cyber Crime police station has exposed one such gang of cyber thugs, who used to cheat people by posting fake customer care numbers of various companies on Google with the help of Google Ads. In this case, the police raided Deoghar and arrested two cyber thugs.



They have been identified as Jamaluddin Ansari (age 32), father-Kuttu Mian, resident of Bagdabra in Sarath police station area of Deoghar district and Sajid

Wix.com, the creator of the accused website page. Using hopp.bio, Link Forest, Google Firebase, Campsite.bio etc., he used to create web pages in the name of Customer Care Complaints, Online Complaints, Customer Care 24X7 Solution. He used to put his fake number on this page and put it in Google through Google Ads. The accused had entered hopp.bo/amitagarwal in which Customer Care Number- 9679863481, 9 6 7 9 8 6 3 4 8 1, linkforest.web.app/online complaint in which Customer Care Number- 9193571436, 9193571436, Campsite.bio/online support complaints in which Customer Care Number- 8180084431 were entered. The accused had created all these

web pages and put fake numbers in the name of customer care.

Money was stolen from the woman's account:

On February 2024, CID's Ranchi Cyber Crime Police Station (Case No. 53/2024) under IPC sections 419/420/467/468/471/120 (B) and 66 (B)/66 (C)/66 (D) IT Act. An FIR was registered on the application of the victim. The accused had committed cyber fraud by making the victim download Avtal Desk Application by posing as the representative of Meesho App Customer Care and making illegal transfer of Rs 2,06,496 to various accounts. While investigating the point of involvement in the case, Sajid Ansari and Jamaluddin Ansari were arrested from Deoghar.

Working hours will be rescheduled for workers in scorching heat, there will be continuous health checkup

DN ■ Ranchi

The increasing heat across the state has become a cause of trouble. In view of this, the Ministry of Labor and Employment, Government of India has also sent necessary guidelines to Jharkhand and asked it to implement them. On this basis, the Deputy Labor Commissioner's Office, Shram Bhawan, Ranchi has asked all the districts to keep in mind some important points regarding workers on Saturday.

All the establishments, builders, construction workers and planners in Ranchi district have been asked to



reschedule the working hours of the workers. Regular health check-ups of workers have to be done. There should be ample provision of water at the work place, shady arrangement for rest, first aid kit, ORS etc. There should be provision of medicine and ambulance for emergency. To protect against heat waves,

the frequency of rest breaks for outdoor activities should be increased. Take the worker suffering from heat-stroke to the nearest health center.

Extra attention should be given to pregnant women and workers with medical conditions. Inform employees about heat wave warnings.

Protest against Dhanbad Congress candidate Anupama Singh is not stopping

Dedicated workers protested on the road, demanding reconsideration from the high command

DN ■ Dhanbad

There is huge anger among Congress workers, Congress voters and civil society over the appointment of Congress candidate for Dhanbad parliamentary constituency from outside Dhanbad district, which is now visible on the streets. After the resignation of senior Congress leader Lalan Choubey, voices of protest have started becoming openly vocal. There is a strong demand for change of candidate from Congress workers and voters of all the assembly constituencies of the district.

Through protests, Congress workers and voters have demanded the high command to reconsider the Congress candidate from Dhanbad Lok Sabha in the



interest of the party. They say that conscientious Congress workers struggle on the streets for five years continuously and when elections come, outside candidates are imposed. In 2019, Kirti Jha Azad from Bhagalpur, now in 2024, Anupama Singh, wife of Bermo MLA Jaimangal Singh, who is not an active mem-

ber of Congress and does not even recognize any Congress worker. In such a situation, on what criteria has she been made a candidate? State Congress President Rajesh Thakur and in-charge Ghulam Ahmed Mir have misled the high command and got the candidates elected. This is definitely a conspiracy to insult

and make fun of Rahul Gandhi's resolve and thinking to provide a share to the backward, Dalit, tribal and minority communities under the slogan "Jiski Jitni Abadi-Uski Umi Hissedari". This is an attack on the spirit of Jharkhandiyat on which Jharkhand was formed.

Rahul's Bharat Jodo Nyay Yatra had mobilized the majority of the society for the Congress, but the short-sighted thinking of the Jharkhand Congress in-charge and the state president has caused a lot of disappointment. This decision seems to pave the way for a big victory for BJP from Dhanbad. In the Lok Sabha Coordination Committee meeting, state in-charge Ghulam Ahmed Mir had assured on the

request of local leaders that a local candidate would be given from Dhanbad district, but the said criteria were not followed in the announcement of the candidate. Due to the above announcement, the local candidate of Dhanbad district has been disregarded, due to which all the contenders have been disappointed and disappointed.

Therefore, in the interest of the Congress Party, the candidate should be changed and a local leader should be made the candidate. If Congress does not reconsider the Dhanbad Lok Sabha candidate, then all of them will collectively resign from Congress. Due to this, Congress will have to face bad results in the upcoming assembly elections also.

12 tonnes of coal seized in CISF raid

DN ■ Bhowra

On the basis of secret information, CISF jawans of East Jharia area today again conducted an intensive raid against



coal thieves in the pump house located on the banks of river Damodar in Bai Quarter of Sudamdih police station area and its surrounding area, due to which there was a stampede among the coal thieves. There was chaos. Seeing the soldiers coming, many coal thieves jumped into the river and ran across the river. The soldiers seized about 12 tonnes of coal from here and handed it over to the management.

It is known that CISF Bhowra Unit is continuously taking action against coal thieves. Till now, more than 300 tonnes of coal has been recovered by the soldiers, but the evil deeds of coal thieves are not showing any signs of stopping. As soon as the raid was conducted and the soldiers left, the thieves picked up coal from the nearby outsourcing patch and OB dump and deposited it in the three pit OB dump, power house, pump house and surrounding areas, filled it in sacks and carried it on bikes, bicycles or big tubes. Take it across the river with the help of. Coal smugglers charge Rs 50 to 100 as a convenience fee for carrying coal across the river. CISF Inspector BK Sharma, officials of East Jharia area along with QRT team were involved in the raid.

News In Brief

Rs 3 lakh cash stolen from Indira Awas Colony Putki



Putki: Thieves entered the house of Rajnandan Rajak alias Sheru Rajak in Indira Awas Colony of Putki police station area and stole Rs 3 lakh in cash and fled away. It is said that Sheru Rajak is a ward member, who had withdrawn Rs 3 lakh from the bank on Friday and brought it home to give to his beneficiaries. When he woke up in the morning, he saw that things were scattered in the room. When the room was checked, it was found that the cupboard was broken and Rs 3 lakh kept in it was missing. After receiving the information, Putki police reached the incident site and started investigation.

Warning of agitation if proper compensation and rehabilitation is not given Alkadiha: Surunga Panchayat head Vijay Kalindi, apprehensive about the displacement of hundreds of villagers and ryots as soon as BCCIL's NT/ST project started on MDO mode, held a meeting today at South Third Office Dhauda. They decided to protest in favor of the villagers and against the management, demanding proper compensation and displacement. The chief told the journalists that there is a danger that hundreds of houses and hundreds of acres of land of Surunga Panchayat will be affected if the project is run in MDO mode.

Intensive ticket checking campaign started in Dhanbad Division Railway



DN ■ Dhanbad

An intensive ticket checking campaign was conducted continuously for 36 hours at various stations of Dhanbad Division Railway. In the campaign, ticket checking was done in various sections of the division like Gomo, Koderma, Daltenganj, Chopan, Barkakana, Singrauli along with other stations and various trains running or passing through the division. 345 checking personnel were deployed in the campaign. During this period, a total of 3203 passengers were caught and a fine amount of Rs 16 lakh 45 thousand 160 was collected from them.

During the campaign, passengers without tickets, those traveling without proper authorization, those traveling with unbooked luggage were caught and fined, and strict instructions were given not to do so again. The campaign was run under the leadership of Senior Division Commercial Manager Amresh Kumar.

Administration takes major action against illegal excavation of soil, case registered

DN ■ Dhanbad

On the instructions of Deputy Commissioner Ms. Madhavi Mishra, as part of the continuous action being taken by the District Mining Task Force against illegal mining, storage and transportation of coal, sand and other mineral resources, Mine Inspector Binod Bihari Pramanik has registered a case against the illegal soil miners at Barora police station. I have filed a first complaint. Shri Pramanik told that a JCB machine and two tractors laden with soil seized by Barora police station on April 24 were examined today. During investigation, it was found that illegally mined soil was loaded in



both the tractors from JCB. During interrogation, it was revealed that soil is mined illegally from that place and sent to the illegal brick kiln of the district.

After investigation, Mine Inspector seized JCB, owner of JCB, operator of JCB, tractor number JH 10 AN 8677 carrying approximately 80 cubic feet of soil, owner of tractor num-

ber JH 09P 5657 carrying approximately 40 cubic feet of soil and its drivers and unknown persons involved in this work. An FIR has been lodged against the people under the Mines and Mineral Development and Regulation Act 1957, Jharkhand Minor Mineral Grant Rules-2004 and various sections of the IPC.

Minorities angry in front of Youth Congress District President during public relations

DN ■ Giridih

District Public Relations President of Youth Congress Hasnain Ali conducted a public relations campaign in Gandeya assembly constituency. He visited many villages. Expressing displeasure over not giving ticket to even a single minority candidate in the Lok Sabha elections in Jharkhand, local villagers stopped the vehicle of the district president and protested. Villagers said that despite the minority community population in Jharkhand being 18 percent, it is unfortunate not to give ticket to even a single minority candidate. If the Congress high command does not field a minority



candidate for Lok Sabha, then we will not allow any party leader to enter our village and will protest strongly. Hasnain Ali said that today he visited various areas of Gandeya Assembly.

During this period, tremendous resentment was seen among the people of minority community. There is resentment among the minority community throughout the state. Therefore, there is a request to the high command that out of 14 Lok Sabha, one seat should be given to the minority community.

Dissatisfaction in the community for not fielding a single Muslim candidate in the state

DN ■ Dhanbad

Candidates for 14 Lok Sabha seats of Jharkhand have been declared by NDA and India Alliance. However, no person from the minority community has been made a candidate by any party. There is resentment among the Muslim community due to the India Alliance not fielding a single Muslim candidate and voices of protest have started becoming vocal among them. In this connection, people of Muslim community held a meeting in Dhanbad Naya Bazaar, in which most of the Muslim leaders of Congress, JMM, RJD were present. The speakers expressed their displeasure over India Alliance



not fielding a candidate from any Lok Sabha seat of Jharkhand and also demanded to field a candidate from any one Lok Sabha seat of Jharkhand in time.

Hundreds of people attending the meeting unanimously demanded to give minority candidates in Jharkhand. People expressed their anger in front of the leaders and said

that they were cheated. Congress state spokesperson Shamsheer Alam said that 18 percent of the people in Jharkhand belong to the Muslim community. Therefore, they have a share in 3 Lok Sabha seats, but not a single Muslim candidate was given from any Lok Sabha seat. If their demands are not met, they will be forced to think of another strategy.

Every moment of time and every drop of blood is priceless: District Judge

DN ■ Dhanbad

Under the aegis of District Legal Services Authority Dhanbad, a blood donation camp was organized today at the Legal Aid Defense Council office located at Civil Court, Dhanbad. In the camp, 12 judicial officers, eight prosecution officers, members of Legal Aid Defense Council, civil court employees, advocates and para legal volunteers of Dalsa donated a total of 26 units of blood. Dhanbad District and Sessions Judge Kuldeep Mann was the first to donate blood. After this, Junior Judge Nitasha Barla, First Class Judicial Magistrate Pooja Pandey, Additional Public Prosecutor Samit Prakash, his wife Minal Prakash, Umesh Dixit, Police Jai Kumar Ravani, Saurav Sarkar, Abhijeet Kumar Sadhu, Pankaj Kumar Srivastava, Srichand Prasad, Sandeep Kumar, Arun Kumar, Raghunath Mahato, Suman Pathak, Shailendra Jha, Neeraj Goyal, Muskan Chopra, Swati Kumari, Hemraj Chauhan, Jaydev Banerjee, Chandan Kumar, Pradeep Kumar Sinha, Shamsheer Alam, Anup Kumar, Ashok Kumar had donated blood till 12 noon. Principal District and Sessions Judge cum President of Dalsa Ram Sharma said that every moment of time and every drop of blood is priceless. Donating blood is a great work. By donating blood you can save someone's



life. There is no better donation than this in social work. Sub Judge Nitasha Barla said that apart from providing free legal aid, Dalsa actively participates in social work. In this series, a blood donation camp was organized today. Chief Judicial Magistrate of Inferior Court Aarti Mala, Inferior Justice Angelina John, Sub-Divisional Judicial Magistrate Poonam Kumari, First Class Judicial Magistrate Poonam Kumari, Registrar Abhinav Tripathi, Dr. BK Pandey of SNMCH were present on the occasion. Dozens of people including Ashok Sharma, Sanjeev Kumar, Raju Mahato, Shambhu Sahni, Vishnupad Kumbhkar Technician, Prarthana Gupta, Priyanka Kumari, Prerna, Para Legal Volunteer Rajesh Singh were present.

Three day Shiv Shakti Mahayagya started in Kharikabad

DN ■ Kendua

A three-day Sri Sri 108 Shiv Shakti Mahayagya has been organized from Saturday to April 29 in Kharikabad under Gondudih OP area. For the first time, hundreds of devotees took out Kalash Shobha Yatra with musical instruments and flags, following the code of conduct, which reached Kusunda Chhath Talab after visiting many Mullas. There, Shyam Sundar Pandit filled the Kalash with water while chanting mantras and returned to the Yagya site and installed it.

During the program, free water and sherbet were provided to the devotees by the Nirankari organization Dhanbad branch. Kheer was distributed as Prasad



by the Yagya Committee. In the Yagya, Panchang worship, Mandap entry, evening aarti and night sermon, altar worship, Saptashati Durga recitation, Purnahuti, Brahmin food, virgin girl worship and Bhandara will be done. The sermon will be given by the congregation of Deoghar.

In making the Yagya and Haven program successful, the main host was Vimal Chand Pramanik, President, Shankar Karmakar Vice

President, Bhunesh Ravani Secretary, Tarun Kumar Ravani Treasurer, Kailashpati Madhesia, Sonu Kumar Ravani, Raju Ravani, Ravindra, Ganesh Ravani, Gopal Ravani, Deepak Pramanik, Dhananjay. Pramanik, Vijay Rawani, Radheshyam, Ramswaroop Paswan of Nirankari Mandali, Prince Khatri, Hiralal, Urmila, Balbir Yadav, Ramu Rawani, Ashok Rajak, Ram Prasad Mukhi etc. are active.

Tribute paid to social worker Ashish Mishra on his third death anniversary

DN ■ Mahuda

On the third death anniversary of late Ashish Mishra, member of Dhanbad District Literacy Vahini, health worker and Panchayat Samiti member, a tribute meeting was organized at PK Mishra Middle School Belakhonda today. First of all, students, teachers and dignitaries of the area paid their respects by offering garlands and floral tributes to the photograph of Late Mishra. Chairman of Child Welfare Committee Bokaro, Shankar Ravani said that the people of Dhanbad will always remember the work done by Late Mishra against literacy, health and social



evils. He was a skilled social worker. The only true tribute to him would be to follow his footsteps. On the occasion, his wife Rekha Mishra, Block Literacy Coordinator Bhagirath Singh, Binod Mahato, Mumtaz Ansari, Radhu Rai, Ainul Ansari, Vishnu Gayali, Naeemuddin Ansari, Ajit Ravani, Neeraj Kumar Mishra, Ganesh Ravani, Rajendra Bauri, Deepak Sarak, Suresh Ravani, Baleshwar, Reena, Rupali, Poonam, Sunaina, Mangala etc. were present.

Kendriya Vidyalaya Gomo's annual festival celebrated with pomp

DN ■ Gomo

The annual festival of PM Shri Kendriya Vidyalaya located in B Type Colony of Gomo Railway City was celebrated with pomp. The chief guest was Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer TRS cum School Chairman Hari Shankar Prasad. The students welcomed the guests by singing welcome songs. Teachers were honored with bouquets. The program was started with Saraswati Vahadana. Various dances were presented by the students on Hindi, Khortha, Bhojpuri, Bengali, Santhali and Rajasthani songs. Dowry system and people's distance from social media were shown through the drama and the ill effects of Facebook, Instagram, WhatsApp, TikTok were explained in detail. Drama and dance enthralled the parents.

The Chief Guest said that the children of PMSHree Kendriya Vidyalaya perform well in every field apart from sports with



better marks in CBSE board examination and 12th examination. It is due to the hard work of the children that Gomo KV is becoming famous in the entire country. Principal Vibhuti Bhushan Pandey said that the most important contribution in providing good education and values to children is that of their parents. DFO AK Manjul, RPF Inspector Santosh Kumar Jha, Abhishek Kumar, teachers Vishnukant Dubey, Pradeep Kumar Verma, Abhay Kumar Das, Ram Singh, Prem Kumar, Sujit Kumar, Punit Prasad and others were present on the occasion.

Will file election nomination on May 6 independent candidate journalist Ishtiaq

DN ■ Jarangdih

During this time's Lok Sabha elections, many incidents are happening such that seeing and hearing one cannot believe one's eyes and ears, especially if we talk about Giridih Lok Sabha elections, there seems to be a lot of confusion i.e. incomprehensible situation here. Talking about the sitting MP from here, it is Chandra Prakash Choudhary of NDA alliance AJSU. Apart from Mathura Prasad Mahato of Indi Alliance Congress, meanwhile, Mohd. Ishteyak Ahmed, a journalist cum resident of Khetko, is gearing up for the election battle to con-



test the elections as an independent candidate and has announced to file his nomination on May 6. While talking to the media, he said that at present every party has done the work of showing the way out of the election process to the people of Muslim community due to which the minority community is feeling

cheated and neglected. According to the candidate Mr. Ahmed, he is getting full support from AIMIM, Bharatiya Manava Jan Adhikar Party, Samta Sainik Dal, International Human Rights and media organization Education Cell. He said that he will win this Lok Sabha election with a good amount of votes. In this sequence, the benefits that independent candidate Mr. Ahmed is claiming to provide to the people after winning the elections include 50,000 annual employment, 25,000 health, 25,000 education and many other populist claims. He said that the fight against the corrupt will continue.

Program on Entrepreneurship and Intellectual Property Rights concluded at Guru Gobind Singh Educational Society Technical Campus

DN ■ Bokaro

The program focused on Entrepreneurship and Intellectual Property Rights was conducted in two sessions at Guru Gobind Singh Educational Society's Technical Campus, Engineering and Management College, Bokaro. This program was granted by the Ministry of Education, AICTE, Government of India and was organized in collaboration with Institute Innovation Council. Inauguration of the Guest Welcome Service Chief Guest and Bhakti Chair Professor IPR National University of A Study and



Research in Law Ranchi DR Srinivas Murthy MR and State President Jharkhand Small and Tiny Business and Enterprise Organization Kundan Upadhyay DR Srinivas Murthy in his speech Intellectual Kundan Upadhyay explained what

is property right and its importance. Kundan Upadhyay made the audience aware about the government schemes. Director of the college, Dr. Priyadarshi Zarhar Har said that to achieve the first position in the world, the country should create its

intellectual property. A quiz session was also organized in the Do It Yourself program. Student Sahib Akram conducted the stage. Coordinator Professor Daya Shankar Divakar expressed the vote of thanks. The program ended with the national anthem. It is known that the patents of Electrical Engineering Professor Pankaj Rai and Computer Engineering Professor Hussain Ansari. After approval, the college is the first self-funded college with 10 patents. President Tarsem Singh and Secretary Surendra Pal Singh congratulated.

News In Brief

Lead Auditor Training Program on ISO 45001:2018 OHS MS concluded

Bokaro. Training program for Lead Auditor on ISO 45001:2018 OHSMS was organized by Business Excellence Department from 22nd to 26th April in Human Resources Department. Chief General Manager BK Sartape participated as the chief guest in the program. General Manager in-charge of Business Excellence Department AK Singh participated. And General Manager Anupam Tiwari welcomed all the participants and gave information about the program. On this occasion, Chief Trainer of TUV Salam Kapoor and Civic contributed in the training program of Lead Auditor. During the training, detail was given on all the main topics of ISO 45001 standard and auditing.

Four new ambulances included in Bokaro General Hospital

Bokaro. Four ambulances were formally inducted into Bokaro General Hospital in the presence of Virendra Kumar Tiwari, Director in-charge of Bokaro Steel Plant. C R Mahapatra Executive Director Project and Additional Charge Material Management Suresh Rangani Executive Director Finance and Accounts Rajan Prasad Executive Director Personnel in the program And administration and additional charge song work, in-charge of Bokaro General Hospital, Dr. BB Karunamoy along with senior doctors, officers and personnel were included. All the basic facilities for saving the life of patients are available in the new ambulance, two of them in the occupational health center located at the ambulance plant and two more. Will be deployed in Bokaro General Hospital and will operate 24 hours within the plant and township.

Excise department raided and recovered illegal country liquor

Bokaro. On Saturday, under the guidance of Assistant Commissioner of Production and supervision of Inspector of Production, the District Production Team conducted a raid in Naba Dih and seized 2580 kg of Java Mahua Liquor and 105 liters of illegal liquor.

Anapati Devi Saraswati Shishu Vidya Mandir Phusro Emphasis on spiritual education

DN ■ Bermo

A meeting of the principals of 6 schools of Kasturba Sankul was held for moral and spiritual education in Anapati Devi Saraswati Shishu Vidya Mandir, Phusro. In which local school Principal Pankaj Kumar Mishra, Vice President Ramnaresh Dwivedi, Ganesh Kumar Pal from Makoli Vidya Mandir, Mantu Giri from Tupkadih Vidya Mandir, Parmanand Singh from Dhori Vidya Mandir, Pradeep Kumar from Kasturba Shri Vidya Niketan, Jharna Chatterjee from Pichri Vidya Mandir, Chief In this session, a plan was made on how to implement moral and spiritual education in the



school. A parent meeting was organized in which about 80 parents of classes 8th to 10th participated. The meeting was inaugurated by the Vice President of the school Ramnaresh Dwivedi, Principal Pankaj Kumar Mishra, Acharya Bhagwanti Nonia, Acharya Diwakar Pandey and visiting parents by lighting the lamp and offering flowers on the picture of Bharat Mata. The visiting parents also presented their views and appreciated this type of parent seminar.

Coal workers will benefit only with the withdrawal of the BJP government at the Centre: Raghavan

DN ■ Phusro

Meeting of Coal Field Mazdoor Union, Dhori Area, affiliated with Phusro Hind Mazdoor Sabha, was held on Saturday at the head office of the union located in Kargali Bazaar. Dozens of workers left various labor organizations and joined the Coal Field Mazdoor Union. General Secretary Raghavan Raghunandan said that ever since the BJP government came to power at the Centre, it has been continuously trying to weaken the coal industry and hand it over to the capitalists. Said that the existence of coal workers is in danger due to the privatization initiative of the



Central Government. Said that laborers and the working class are being exploited to benefit corporate houses. He said that now the time has come for coal workers to unite and vote against the central government. Coal workers will be benefited only by the removal of the present BJP government at the Centre. Dhori regional secretary R Unesh said that the organization will become stronger with the cooper-

ation of new friends. Those who joined the union mainly included Mohan Das, Santosh Kumar, Jeevlal Mahato, Nunu Chand Sahu, Sanjit Kumar Bauri, Ramesh Kumar, Pramod Yadav, Srishti Dhar Bauri, Nitesh Kumar Nayak, Surendra Nania, Thursday Devi Shanti Devi, etc. Is. The program was presided over by Regional President Raju Bhukia. Dhori regional secretary R Unesh, regional president.

Illegal sand smuggling is happening indiscriminately from the sand ghats in Ramo

DN ■ Phusro

These days illegal sand is being smuggled indiscriminately from the sand ghats of Damodar River in Bermo area. Illegal lifting of sand from the sand ghats is being done through tractors in the light of day and in the darkness of night. Maximum sand is being lifted from Damodar River near Chalkari Bridge in Phusro area. There is hustle and bustle of people in Phusro market till late night. Due to which a major incident can happen at any time while carrying illegal sand at high speed. At the same time, sand is also lifted from Hindustan Pul, Phusro Sand Ghat, Balu Banker Ghat, Dhori Khas, Kargli Gate, Bermo,



Khetko Ghat of Phusro city in the dark of night. But due to lack of action by the administration, the morale of tractor owners is increasing. Meanwhile, President of Youth Business Association Phusro, Baibhav Chaurasia said that these days, illegal sand is being transported through tractors every night through Phusro market. The speed of the tractor is so fast that if there is an imbalance, a major incident can happen. In this regard, Bermo CO Sanjeet Kumar Singh.

SC ST Employees Federation meeting in SAIL SRU Bokaro regarding committee formation

DN ■ Bokaro

The meeting of SAIL SRU SC ST Employees Federation was held in the office located in Sector 4 which was presided over by Ramakant Ram in which the committee was expanded because after the retirement of late Mahesh Narayan Chaudhary Treasurer of the Federation and Rana Pratap General Secretary, both the posts were vacant, hence the vacancy was filled. According to the information done, Aarti Kumari was given the job of General Secretary and Chandradeep Bhagat was given the job of Treasurer. Along with this, the officers of all the units will be called and the reconstitution of the committee will be discussed. In the meeting, the National Vice President of the Federation MK Abhimanyu Jagdish Chhura was mainly present. Ravindra Mahali, General Secretary, Bokaro Unit, Shambhu Prasad,



Treasurer, Joint General Secretary, Mahesh Paswan were present. After the meeting, Chief General Manager Personnel and Administration Niranjana Kumar met and demanded that a Central Committee meeting

should be called in SRU in which Bhilai, Bhandaridah, Ranchi Road and IFFCO everywhere. Representatives of SC/ST were included and problems related to SC/ST were discussed.

Workshop organized at Dr S. Radhakrishnan College

DN ■ Chas

A workshop was organized under IQAC in the Dr. S. Radhakrishnan College of Education college campus. The topic of this workshop was Future Training. The main objective of the workshop was to prepare the B.Ed student trainers for a better life. Under the future training, he mainly guided everyone on three topics which included time management, decision making and drug abuse and addiction. It is said that at present our training is the future of tomorrow's country, that is, it is very important for these trainees to have knowledge related to future planning. The



objective of the program was also that the trainees can get the right guidance related to life planning. The expert of the program was JC Ashish Goenka. He made this program more interesting by giving specific information about time management and

avoiding drug addiction. On this occasion, Principal of the college, Dr. Gayatri Kumari said that today's workshop is very useful not only for the trainers but for everyone present here. And it is beneficial which will help someone to be successful in life.

District Election Officer inspected Bokaro Parishad

DN ■ Bokaro

Bokaro Parishad District Election Officer Vijaya Jadhav inspected the spot. On the spot, Assistant Elected Officer Apar Samarth Mumtaz Ansari, District Nazar Top Collector Sadanand Mahato, Examiner Ravi Kumar Singh, Assistant Officer Shakti Kumar, Media Cell Incharge Officer Avinash Kumar etc. were present. IDC took stock of the work going on here less frequently. The team showed the work being done by the concerned agency in the council and directed the concerned



agency to ensure uniformity in the photo frames, curtains, flowerpots etc. installed for decoration. Apart from this, regular Instructions were also given for cleanliness. The agency which is executing this work was asked to work in a better manner. Instructions were given to ensure that there

is no excessive anger in the district by monitoring it. During this, he visited the office of the Observer Cell operating here. Also inspected the resources available. He directed the Election Commission of India to ensure timely allocation of rooms, transportation, security etc. for the deputation observers.

Role of the presiding officer is important in the successful conduct of voting

DN ■ Bokaro

On Saturday, at Bokaro Ispat Plus Two School located in Bokaro Ispat Senior Secondary School, Sector 2, training was given to the presiding officer of the second phase regarding the successful conduct of elections in the Lok Sabha, which was inspected by the District Election Officer. On the spot, Nodal Officer Jagannath Lohar, Officer-in-Charge Atul Kumar. Choubey Avinash Kumar Singh is present. District Election Officer inspected the training session organized in both the schools. A total of 660 presiding officers participated in the training. While briefing the presiding officer in the school auditorium, he addressed that the role of the presiding officer is important in the election work. They have to work like team leaders, hence they have to work with everyone by creating opportunities. In this great festival of democracy, everyone should work with enthusiasm because once in 5 years, only a few people have the opportunity to vote. It is received that the District Election Officer said that everyone's training session is going well. Take the things told in the training seriously and perform your work responsibilities accordingly Study thoroughly the handbook manual issued.

Anupama Singh of India Alliance met the advocates

DN ■ Bokaro

In the court premises of Bokaro, Anupama Singh, wife of Congress candidate of India Alliance and Bermo MLA Kumar Jai Mangal, met the advocates and appealed for their cooperation in her favor. Mrs. Singh said that she is also a law graduate and is a member of her family. Anupam Singh was welcomed on this occasion. On this occasion, Advocate Ranjit Giri, National Council Member of the Indian Association of Lawyers, appealed to the advocates that the members of the advocate family should support law



graduate and eligible candidate Anupama Singh by raising the problems of the advocates in the Parliament. On this occasion, Anupam Singh, advocate, went to each table and sought cooperation. Advocate Hari Prakash Singh, Saket Kumar Singh, Uday Singh, Sanjay Kumar, Akash Tudu,

Somnath Shekhar, Arjun Shahar, Vijay Kumar, Rampad, Amardev Singh, Deepika Singh, Sanjeet Singh, Hasnain, Alam, Omprakash Lal, Jyoti Prakash Chaudhary Vivah Kumari Vinod Kumar Singh Anil Kumar Singh Pankaj Yadav Pankaj Bansal Sanjay Kumar Prasad Naresh Mahato.

News In Brief

Villagers applied to DC to free government hand pump from private possession

Chatra: In Lubdhiya Tola of Bariatu Panchayat under Gidhaur block, a water pipe was installed in 2009 in non-profitable land for public use under the MLA head. The village teacher Hemant Yadav has taken possession of the hand pump for his personal gain. Regarding this, an application signed by 5 dozen villagers has been given to the Gidhaur Block Development Officer, Circle Officer along with the Deputy Development Commissioner's office under the leadership of Dinesh Yadav. It has been said in the application that a hand pump was installed in the village under the MLA. Also, PCC path is being constructed by Zilla Parishad.

Three girls sent to Ranchi to learn sewing
Chatra: On Saturday, three girls from Deendayal Upadhyaya Rural Skill Scheme JSLPS Gidhaur from Gidhaur block were sent to Ranchi ID Tech Solution Center to learn tailoring. The girls have been sent under the leadership of JSLPS Block Administrative Assistant Amarjeet Sinha. The girls sent include the names of Suman Kumari from Mayadih of the block, Rani Kumari Rupa Kumari from Rupin. JSLPS's FTC Anil Prajapati, Ujjwal Sinha and Kumkum Devi gave detailed information about Deendayal Upadhyay Rural Skills Scheme to the mothers of the girls.

349 cases settled in Monthly Lok Adalat
Chaibasa: Monthly Lok Adalat was organized in the local Civil Court premises under the auspices of District Legal Services Authority West Singhbhum. During this, 7 benches formed during the hearing of the cases, successfully resolved a total of 349 issues and also adjusted the amount of Rs. 1116300/-. Rajeev Kumar Singh, Secretary of the authority, said that as per the instructions of Jharkhand Legal Services Authority, Ranchi, Lok Adalat is organized every month in which people can appeal for disposal of their settled cases. He further said that in today's Lok Adalat, in the 7 benches formed, judicial officers Yogeshwar Mani.

Bus full of passengers overturns in Sanghari Valley passenger and a married woman killed

DC reached Sadar Hospital gave necessary guidelines regarding the treatment of the injured

DN ■ Chatra

On Saturday, a passenger bus named Suman Rath, returning from Chatra to Kunda, went out of control and overturned in Sanghari valley of Sadar police station area. In which the bus driver Parshuram Singh, resident of Hunterganj police station area and Rekha Kumari, 20 year old wife of Chintaman Ganju, resident of Khushayla village of Kunda police station area, died on the spot. While a dozen passengers were seriously injured. As soon as information about the incident was received,



Sadar police station in-charge Vipin Kumar reached the spot, rescued the injured and took them to Sadar Hospital in a police vehicle along with 107 ambulance for treatment. However, after the accident, there was chaos on the spot due to the screams of the people.

According to the information received, Rekha was returning back to the village by Rath bus after giving her graduation examination. In this sequence, the bus went out of control and overturned in Sanghari Valley and the above two lost their lives. Other injured passengers are

being treated at Sadar Hospital Chatra. On the other hand, as soon as the information about this tragic accident was received, Deputy Commissioner Ramesh Gholap and SDPO Sandeep Suman reached the hospital, took stock of the condition of the injured and gave necessary guidelines to the concerned regarding proper treatment and facilities for the injured. Also, as soon as information about the incident was received, independent Lok Sabha candidate Dr. Abhishek Kumar Singh reached Chatra.

Palamu Lok Sabha: Meeting held regarding voting of absentee voters through postal ballot

DN ■ Palamu

With the aim of ensuring 100 percent voting in the Palamu Lok Sabha general elections, a meeting was organized in the Collectorate Room on Saturday under the chairmanship of District Election Officer cum Deputy Commissioner Shashi Ranjan to allow absentee voters to vote through postal ballot. In the meeting, Deputy Commissioner Mr. Ranjan Under the guidelines issued by the Election Commission regarding voting through postal ballot, many important instructions were given after reviewing the prepa-



rations so far in the district, along with voting of officers and personnel of various departments falling under the category of essential services for the Lok Sabha elections. Instructed all the concerned to ensure the same in 2024. He directed the nodal officers of all the essential services to submit the names of all eligible voters in the prescribed

12D form. Block wise review meeting of accommodation, ISR verification, AMF verification of central forces was also held. District Election Officer Shri Ranjan said that there should be no shortage of accommodation and basic facilities for the central forces, officials should take care of it. There should be complete arrangements for drinking water, toilets.

BDO held a meeting with sector officials everyone was made aware of their responsibilities and duties



DN ■ Chatra

Regarding peaceful voting, in-charge BDO cum CO Rahul Dev held a meeting in the Pathalgada block office auditorium. All the sector police and administrative officers of the block were present in the meeting. On the occasion, BDO administered oath to the present officials for participation in fair and peaceful voting. He discussed about ensuring 100 percent voting and informed the concerned officials about their responsibilities and duties before voting and polling. After taking information about the facilities provided to voters and polling personnel in all the polling stations, instructions were given to restore the facilities. SI Arvind Ravidas, Vijay Kumar, Mishil Soren, BPO Rajeshwar Kumar, Panchayat servant Rakesh Kumar, Aslam Alam, employment servant and others were present in the meeting.

Police has detained a minor with 8 kg opium worth Rs 40 lakh

Also conducting raids to arrest the main accused

DN ■ Chatra

On the basis of secret information received by the SP, the police, with the help of Gidhaur police station area, was successful in arresting a minor with 08 kg of illegal opium worth about Rs 40 lakh. The above action has been taken by the police team under the leadership of SDPO Simaria Ajay Kumar Keshari along with police station in-charge Amit Kumar Gupta. Giving the above information, the SDPO said that on the basis of secret information received by the SP, when the raid team reached Balbal, they



interrogated and searched the minor waiting for the bus on the basis of suspicion near the Balbal temple located on the Chatra-Hazaribagh main road. Went. During the search, a mobile phone of Samsung company and eight kilos of gila

opium were recovered from him. After which the child was detained and duly presented before the Juvenile Justice Board and sent to a juvenile home. In this case, an FIR has been registered under the NDPS Act against Rahul Pandey, son of the main opium smuggler Gidhaur Pandeytola resident Manoj Pandey, and further action is being taken and raids are being conducted to arrest the main smuggler. If sources are to be believed, after women, smugglers have also started using minors as couriers for smuggling.

Police seized a tractor carrying illegal sand load



DN ■ Chatra

On Saturday, the police seized a tractor carrying illegal sand loading from Baltharwa under Singhania Panchayat of Pathalgada police station area. Police station in-charge Alok Ranjan Chaudhary said that secret information was received that illegal sand was being loaded and taken out from Parsonia river. While verifying the information, SI Arvind Ravidas, who was part of the raid team, seized the above tractor from Baltharva. Whereas after seeing the police, the driver left the tractor and fled from the spot. An application has been given to Pathalgada BDO cum CO for taking further action by seizing the tractor and bringing it to the police station. Let it be known that the police is continuously taking action against illegal sand mining.

Ganesh Ravi launched a public relations campaign

DN ■ Medininagar

Independent candidate from Palamu Lok Sabha reserved area, Ganesh Ravi visited various villages of Daltonganj block and conducted a public relations campaign. He met people in Chianki, Ganke, Bhusahi, Sua Koriya and appealed to help in the elections. Speaking on this occasion, Ganesh Ravi said that whether it is the Central Government or the State Government, all the government properties are being sold to private hands. Shri Ravi said that the effect of the laws of privatization, globalization and liberalization is beginning to be seen. Due to this law, government and non-



government properties have started going into private hands. Shri Ravi said that there is a dairy farm in Ganke, Daltonganj. If the village people were given a group cooperative society to run, it would have provided employment to thousands of people. But due to handing over to private hands, development is not happening at a fast pace. And the schemes that are there are gradually reaching private hands. He

said that if I get the opportunity, thousands of dairy farms will be set up in Palamu Lok Sabha constituency. He said that even today milk is coming to Palamu from outside. Even today there is shortage of milk, curd, cheese, khova cream in Palamu Garhwa. And all this is being supplied from outside. Whereas ghee and milk from Palamu were exported. Shri Ravi said that the objectives for which the dairy farm has been constructed. It has deviated from its objectives. He said that employment can be provided to thousands of people through self-help groups and cooperative societies.

CERC team inspected NTPC project area, held meeting with management, regulatory compliance regarding work progress

Financial non-dispute and legal implications reviewed

DN ■ Chatra

The six-member team, including the Chairman of CERC (Central Electricity Regulatory Commission), which arrived at NTPC's Tandwa unit on Saturday, was duly welcomed by CGM Swapendu Kumar Panda. It was told that the team led by CERC Chairman Jishnu Barua closely inspected the progress and various complications in the construction work such as power operation, construction of the third unit and coal conveyor. After this, in the review meeting with the project officials, the topic of regulatory compliance, financial non-dispute and its legal implications remained at the center of discussion. Let it be known that the massive fire that broke out in the yard of BHEL Company on the afternoon of 19th April and the damage caused by it



and the future concerns over such incidents have completely shaken even the central management. Where the high authority is continuously deliberating on reducing the chances of recurrence to zero. On the occasion, Chairman of CERC including Member Finance Arun Goyal, Member Legal Affairs Pravas Kumar Singh, Secretary Harpreet Singh Pruthi, Chief

Finance Department Rajeev Pushyakarna, Chief Regulatory Affairs Dr. SK Chatterjee and Director Fuel on behalf of Project Management Shivam Srivastava, Regional Executive Director were present. Sudeep Nag, Director Commerce Ajay Dua, Director CMHQ Animesh Jain, CGM HR Rajneesh Rastogi and GM Commerce AC Pandey were main.

Disposal of 146 cases in Lok Adalat

DN ■ Medininagar

Under the guidelines of Jhalsa and under the chairmanship of Principal District and Sessions Judge of Palamu Neeraj Kumar Srivastava, Monthly Lok Adalat and Special Lok Adalat will be held in the Vyavar Court premises from 7:30 am on Saturday, 27th April, under the chairmanship of Palamu Principal District and Sessions Judge Neeraj Kumar Srivastava, cases related to NI Act and Bidhut Department. Lok Adalat has been organized for the disposal of cases. 146 cases were disposed of in it. And a case worth Rs 9 lakh 49 thousand 975 was settled. Giving information in this regard,



District Legal Services Authority Secretary Arpit Srivastava said that Lok Adalat 11 benches were formed in the court to dispose of the cases. A help desk was created there. In the first bench, the family dispute was being settled by Chief Justice of the Family Court Martand Pratap Mishra and advocate Veena Mishra. In bench number two, the cases related to the Electricity Act were being disposed of by District and Additional Sessions Judge II Vinod Kumar Singh and advocate Amitabh Chand

Singh. In this bench, 36 cases of Electricity Department were being disposed of. In bench number three, the court of District and Sessions Judge And all the cases related to the court of District and Additional Sessions Judge were being resolved by District and Additional Sessions Judge Pancham Abhimanyu Kumar and advocate Shailendra Nath Chaturvedi. In this, one case of MACT was disposed of. The criminal case was being disposed of in bench number four by Anand Singh, Chief Judicial Magistrate and advocate Satish Kumar Dubey 18 criminal cases were disposed.

Bees attack on Sadar Hospital staff injured

DN ■ Medininagar

Sadar Hospital staff Mukesh Kumar was seriously injured in a bee attack on Saturday morning. Injured Mukesh Kumar told that he lives in a government building near the post-mortem house. On Saturday morning, he was going to work in Sadar Hospital. Was. Meanwhile, bees attacked him and he got injured. After this, he was brought to Sadar Hospital for treatment by other staff. Where he is out of danger after treatment. Let us tell you that a few days ago, bees had attacked the family members and other people who had come to get the post-mortem of the



deceased Rajmohan Polu done in the post-mortem house of Sadar Hospital. Two people were seriously injured in the attack. Other people had saved themselves from the bees by running away from there. Due to the presence of beehives in the building near the post-mortem house, incidents are happening with people.

DNS Foundation distributed study materials among 80 children

DN ■ Medininagar

DNS Foundation, Ranchi, an NGO dedicated to public service, distributed study materials among 80 children of Holy Cross School located at Palamu district headquarters. DNS Foundation Director Geeta Sinha, School Director Chandrabhushan Sinha and many teachers, parents and children were present on the occasion. Addressing the program, Geeta Sinha said that DNS Foundation always gives priority to educational attainment. Only through education, today's children will become responsible citizens of the country tomorrow, who will build



a strong and successful society. It is noteworthy that DNS Foundation has been distributing study material among the children of Palamu for the last several years for their better studies. Apart from this, like last year, this year too DNS Foundation has taken the entire responsibility of the education of 10 children of the school. DNS Foundation

Director Geeta Sinha said that out of many children, 10 such children have been selected, who are either from extremely poor families or whose parents are no longer in this world. DNS Foundation has tried to ensure that these children do not face any problem in studying. He said that the school fees of these children will be borne by DNS Foundation.

Conference of JMM workers regarding upcoming Lok Sabha elections

DN ■ Katakamsandi

In view of the upcoming Lok Sabha elections, a conference of JMM's District Convenor Mandal and active workers of various blocks was organized in Hirabagh of the city. Present in the conference as the chief guest and Lok Sabha candidate of India Alliance, JP Patel addressed the JMM workers and said that they have to vote to save democracy and the Constitution. And a new era has to be started by defeating BJP from Hazaribagh Lok Sabha. He further said that the Modi government has started the practice of 'donate and take business' under the electronic bond. Today,



Ambani and Adani have control over three percent of the country's wealth. Farmers and laborers are helpless. Unemployment and inflation are at their peak. The problem of displacement is increasing. Meanwhile, JMM Convenor Mandali District President Sanjeev Bedia said that change is the basis of development. Use your vote to send JP Patel to Parliament. For this, JMM soldiers should strengthen their respective Panchayat

booths and destroy the monopoly of BJP. Former Assembly candidate cum Congress leader Munna Singh said in the program that people should work hard in their respective areas with dedication to ensure victory of India Alliance's Lok Sabha candidate JP Patel with record votes and destroy the morale of the opponents. The program was conducted by Neelkanth Mahato. Block President Raja Mohammad.

Review meeting of the Central Election Observer deputed by the Election Commission of India

DN ■ Hazaribagh

Central Election Observer (Expenditure) deputed by the Election Commission of India held a meeting with the district level officials along with Expenditure Observers Rajesh Vitthalrao Shelke (IRS), Tangirala Muralidhar (IRS) to take stock of the activities of the election related expenditure cell in 14 Hazaribagh Lok Sabha constituency. District Election Officer cum DC Nancy Sahay, Superintendent of Police Arvind Kumar Singh, ARO Santosh Kumar Singh were present in the



meeting. On April 27 (Saturday), in the Collectorate Auditorium, the nodal officers of the Expenditure Cell were directed to work in coordination and coordination with the Expenditure Monitoring Cell during the elections and to immediately give information about all the seizures to the central team. The expen-

diture observer asked bank representatives to keep a special vigil on any suspicious transaction of more than Rs 10 lakh. Besides, the candidates were also asked to keep a close watch on financial transactions of more than Rs 10 lakh from their bank accounts and also directed to share the information. He said monitoring the movement of

illicit liquor is very important during the election period. Therefore, there is a need to maintain extra vigilance at all major checkpoints. The Expenditure Observer directed the Nodal Officer of the Model Code of Conduct Law and Order Cell to provide the report regarding the daily expenditure activities of the flying squad team to the Assistant Expenditure Observer of the concerned Assembly Constituency on complaints related to the Model Code of Conduct. Nodal officers of all police were directed to obtain daily activity report.

Migrant laborer from Madman dies in Mumbai Pune

DN ■ Bishnugarh

Process of deaths of migrant laborers is not stopping. News of deaths of migrant laborers is continuously coming. In the same sequence, another laborer from Bishnugarh block died in Mumbai Pune. It is said that Afzal Ansari, 24 year old son of Shekhawat Ansari, resident of Madamo under Bishnugadh police station area, was taken to the hospital in an injured condition after falling from a high building while working on Friday. Where he died during treatment. As soon as the news of death was received, the family members were in bad



condition and started crying. Afzal Ansari had gone to Pune a few months ago to earn his livelihood. Let us tell you that Afzal left behind his old parents, his wife as well as two small.

What will happen to the people if the businessman becomes king: Jai Prakash Bhai Patel

Congress's guarantee card has to reach the masses: Shailendra Kumar Yadav

DN ■ Hazaribagh

A very important meeting of the Congress Committee Executive and related to the Lok Sabha elections was held at Varniga Hotel. This meeting was presided over by District President of Congress Committee Shailendra Kumar Yadav and vote of thanks was given by Razi Ahmed. In this meeting, mainly district in-charge Mr. Ajay Singh, Honorable MLA Umashankar Akela Yadav, Honorable MLA Ms. Amba Prasad, Hindu Trust Board President Jaishankar Pathak, State Mahila President Gunjan Singh, State Vice



President Bhim Kumar, Scheduled Caste State President Kedar Paswan, State General Secretary Binod Kushwaha, Sadar Assembly in-charge Kamal Thakur, Dr. RC Prasad, Munna Singh Hazaribagh Lok Sabha candidate Jai Prakash Bhai Patel were present. Addressing this meeting, District President Shailendra Kumar Yadav said that the manifesto of

Congress is not a paper, but a letter of justice. And this is the solution to every problem. Which NDA has imposed on the public during its 10 years of rule. BJP is expert in creating communal atmosphere for polarization of votes. In such a situation, every Congressman will have to remain alert. The manifesto of Congress mentions the welfare of all sections including farmers.

Married woman committed suicide by hanging herself with the help of a fan

DN ■ Chakradharpur

A married woman committed suicide by hanging herself in Manisai Tola of Ulibeda village of Chainpur Panchayat of Chakradharpur police station area. It is said that 20-year-old Muni Bodra, wife of Satish Bodra, resident of Manisai Tola, went to her room after taking bath in the river on Saturday afternoon. After this, when Muni Bodra's mother-in-law reached home, Muni Bodra was hanging from the ceiling fan in the house. After the family members got information about the incident, Muni Bodra was taken down and brought to the sub-divisional hospital. The doctor declared him dead in the hospital.



The family members of the deceased Muni Bodra told that Muni Bodra and Satish Bodra had a love marriage only eight months ago. When the woman hanged herself, her husband Satish Bodra was not at home. Here, after receiving information about the incident, officers and soldiers of Chakradharpur police station reached the sub-divisional hospital and started investigating the matter.

Shubham Sandesh Impact: Birhor will be settled at a safe place basic facilities will be provided

DN ■ Hazaribagh

The news of Shubham Sandesh has once again had a big impact. Shubham Sandesh has been continuously publishing news in its issues regarding the problems of Birhors. The district administration has taken cognizance of the news. An important meeting was held in the Keredari block office on Saturday under the chairmanship of Sadar SDO Shailaish Kumar regarding the problems of Birhors. In the meeting, discussions were held to shift Birhor Tola Pagar to a safer place and to resolve other problems related to Chatti Bariatu Coal Mines. In the meeting, it was decided to solve other problems of Birhors also. Besides, other issues including pollution and displacement from Chatti Bariatu Coal Mines were also raised. The SDO took action as per the rules and directed NTPC to remove pollution



control and other problems including displacement benefits. In this meeting, Sadar SDO Shailaish Kumar, Keredari CO Ram Ratan Kumar Varnwal, Keredari BDO Amit Kumar, Block Head Sunita Devi, Chief Jharilal Mahato, Panchayat Committee representative Mahendra Rajak, Sundar Gupta, Binod Nayak, SP Gupta, Swann, Sohrai DGM Manoj Sinha, Co-ordi-

nator Ravi Sinha, Anurag Gupta, Awadhesh Singh, Ward member Prabhu Ram, Bisun Birhor, Malti Birhorin and others. were present. It was decided in the meeting that account number 436 should be transferred to Birhor Tola Pagar. It was asked to immediately make arrangements for housing, roads, schools, bridges and water for the Birhor families at the above identified site.

Gangster Aman Sahu acquitted in absconding case from Barkagaon police station

DN ■ Hazaribagh

Gangster Aman Sahu has been acquitted in the famous absconding case from Barkagaon police station. Gangster Aman Sahu, lodged in Central Jail Palamu, was produced in the court of Hazaribagh Chief Judicial Magistrate on Saturday through video conferencing. The court acquitted Aman due to lack of evidence in Barkagaon police station case number - 169/19. The case was related to a fatal attack on policemen while they were in police custody in Barkagaon police station and absconding. However, cases are still pending against Aman in many districts of the state, the hear-



ing of which is going on. Public prosecutor on behalf of the government and senior advocate Saurabh Pandey on behalf of the defense side. He was detained in the case of murder of a JMM leader. On 24 September 2019, Aman Sahu was arrested by Hazaribagh police from Ramgarh jail gate. No case

was registered against Aman. He was released on bail. He was detained for questioning in the case of murder of a JMM leader in Urimari police station area of Hazaribagh. Meanwhile, on the night of 28-29 September 2019, Aman Sahu had escaped from Barkagaon police station in a dramatic manner.

Ghaghra police recovered the body of an elderly person from the waterlogging of a pond in Gutwa village

DN ■ Gumla

Ghaghra police recovered the body of elderly Shivalal Pahan, a resident of Gutwa village, from the water logging site in the form of a pond and brought it to Ghaghra police station. The same police sent the body to Gumla Sadar Hospital at 9:00 am on Saturday for post-mortem. In this regard, the deceased's wife Kaushalya Devi told that her husband Shivalal Pahan had left the house last Wednesday at 8:00 pm saying that he had to go to the toilet. After this



he did not return home. There was a marriage purpose in the nearby village, where it seemed that he might have gone. But when he did not return even on the second day, a lot of investigation was done. Still no trace of him could be found. At 6:30 pm on Friday evening, information was received

about the dead body of a person in the pond formed by breaking stones in the village. After which, after going to the said place, he was identified as Shivalal Pahan. After which this information was given by the villagers to Ghaghra police station. The same police is busy investigating the matter.

Sanha registered in Katkamsandi police station regarding missing woman

DN ■ Katakamsandi

A complaint has been lodged in Katkamsandi police station regarding the missing woman. In the recorded Sanha, it was told by Lucknow resident and brother Anwarul Khan that his 65 year old sister Gulshan Khatun has been mentally ill for years. She used to roam around in the streets of the village throughout the day and used to come to her room and sleep at night. On April 25 last, she went out of the house at around ten o'clock in the night and did not return. The family searched every-



where for him since night. But he was not found anywhere. Tired of getting tired, he applied to the police station demanding appropriate action. The woman is wearing a yellow colored saree and also talks normally.

AOM AL Rao of Chakradharpur Railway Division was made the new station director of Tatanagar

DN ■ Jamshedpur

AL Rao took charge as the new director of Tatanagar Railway Station on Saturday. Meanwhile, he was warmly welcomed by the station officials. As soon as he took charge, he held a necessary meeting with all the subordinates of the station and along with collecting information, also gave necessary directions. AL Rao was earlier working on the post of AOM in Chakradharpur Railway Division. From there he has been transferred as Tatanagar Station Director.



New station director AL Rao said in the conversation that running the trains of Tatanagar railway station on time will be his priority. Apart from this, along with paying attention to passenger facilities, the cleanliness of the station will also be monitored.

For this, they will also seek cooperation from people of all the departments. The post of Station Director is vacant at Tatanagar station since March 15. Since the transfer of Raghuvansh Kumar, Tatanagar station was running without a station director.

News In Brief

Case of a child's mother absconding with her lover from Masipadhi came to light

Barkatta. Mukesh Mandal, 30 years old, father Gendo Mahato, resident of Maspidhi village of the police station area, has accused the youth of the village, Kush Kumar, father Birbal Mahato of taking away his wife Sunita Devi (fictitious name) along with cash and jewelry. In this regard, the married woman's husband has given a written application to Barkatha police station. In which he has said in his written application that I live in Orissa and work as a daily wage laborer. On 21/04/2024, at 6 am, my mother informed me on phone that your wife Kush Kumar has absconded with your two year old child.

Wild elephants created havoc, villagers in panic

Hazaribagh: A herd of 22 wild elephants created havoc in Potmo and Sisamo villages of Ango police station area under Churchu block on Friday night. The villagers of both the villages remained in fear throughout the night due to the arrival of wild elephants. Herds of elephants completely destroyed the mud house of Potmo resident Arjun Manjhi and the wall of Sisamo resident Hemlal Agaria and ate the rice and other grains kept inside the house. To drive away the herds of elephants, the villagers of both the villages united and chased away the elephants. Duryodhan Mahato, former chief of Churchu block, said that herds of elephants suddenly arrived in both the villages, seeing which panic spread among the villagers. People came out of the house and started running here and there. This information has been given to the Forest Department.

Swearing in of student council at Galaxy School Katakamsandi.

Ceremony: The swearing-in ceremony of the Student Council was organized on Saturday at Galaxy School located on Pabra Road. On the occasion, the children presented a variety of cultural programs and enthralled the guests and parents. On this occasion, Director Chand Ansari encouraged the children.

Tesla's troubles and Musk's delayed tryst with India

ELECTRIC carmaker Tesla's boss Elon Musk put off his visit to India at the eleventh hour due to 'very heavy obligations'. He was expected to be in the country on April 21-22 and scheduled to meet Prime Minister Narendra Modi. However, he wrote on X (formerly Twitter) that he was looking forward to coming to India later this year. The New Delhi trip would have been very interesting, considering that India is in the middle of parliamentary elections.

His regret at not being able to visit India now reeks of despair and desperation. Investment, production and an entry into a market of crores of consumers, helped by 'duty-concession' import and sale of vehicles is undoubtedly attractive for the high-profile tech billionaire.

Musk's delayed 'Mission Delhi' holds promise because foreign direct investment, quality import and indigenous production for industrial development are always welcome for India. Yet, there are questions regarding on how strong a wicket he is on his home turf to be ready for his India venture? Undoubtedly, the high-tech Tesla electric vehicle (EV) has done well since its entry into the world market. But today, strong headwinds have already made the Tesla drive extremely tricky. First, hasn't the cheaper Chinese EV (notwithstanding its dubious quality) eclipsed Musk's automobile? Secondly, with the EV demand witnessing a slump in the West, which is Musk's own backyard, can Tesla's downsizing this year — after the boom in 2022 and 2023 — be stalled?

That's not all. Virtually overnight, Musk laid off 14,000 staff members, constituting 10 per cent of the global automobile workforce of 140,000, through a laconic message. Even more shocking was the appeal of Musk to seek 'the judge-voided' 2018 pay. He provoked his critics further, justifying the en masse sacking "to prepare the firm for the next phase of growth" and urging shareholders of his company to approve for him the record-breaking \$56-billion pay fixed in 2018 but rejected in January this year by Judge Kathleen McCormick of the Delaware Court of Chancery, terming the Tesla Board-granted compensation to its CEO "an unfathomable sum" that is unfair to shareholders. That certainly resulted in the tech adventurer losing goodwill even among his shareholding peers.

No doubt, Musk is the epitome of US capitalism and laissez-faire, and the maker of landmark tech companies of the 21st century, unlike the defence and aviation corporations, the offshoots of 20th-century World Wars. With the onset of globalisation and privatisation to create wealth and avoid wars of total destruction by entangling all major economies, the world did change radically. But, it also opened another disproportionate front in the form of successful billionaires like Musk (net worth, \$174 billion), Mark Zuckerberg (\$175 billion), Bernard Arnault (\$221 billion), Jeff Bezos (\$203 billion) and Bill Gates (\$149 billion).

An individual with such 'nuclear-powered' monetary muscle can any day, any time, any place make or break institutions of any Third World nation if he chooses to do so from a remote location and finds his business interests being incompatible with any investment or industry-seeking Global South capital. Thus, in his own country, Musk has openly spoken against regulators and instantly shifted the site of incorporation of his rocket company SpaceX to Texas and brain-chip start-up Neuralink to Nevada, both from Delaware.

The message is loud and clear: any profit-making Western company whose owner's net worth is over \$150 billion, will regard state-made laws as 'irritants' as the world over, multi-billionaires don't like taking 'no' for an answer for 'development and expansion' of their business and profit. Indian history shows how the dogged English traders hung around successive emperors to ultimately have their way on initiating lucrative trade to build the 'Empire of the East' and later of the world.

Police accountability beset by myriad challenges

The prevailing administrative sub-culture, probity in private and public life and quality of political leadership have a bearing on police accountability.

Policing has always been a challenging task, even as its dimensions and nature keep varying with the change in polity and socio-economic circumstances. Presently, law-enforcing agencies find themselves at a crossroads. The police force is in a bind. If it refuses to carry out the orders of the political masters, it can be accused of being disobedient and disloyal to the government; and if it carries out these orders, it often not only violates the due process of law but also inflicts harm on the body politic. The unfortunate part is that this desire to use the police to neutralise opponents is not confined to any political party. The temptation to use the police is too alluring, and with the availability of willing officers, it has spread like a disease. Policing is synonymous with challenges as the police are the first responders to all kinds of problems confronting the nation. The current challenges before the police and related accountability issues are very complex and need to be understood with due sensitivity in the overall scheme of governance. The police are an instrument of the law, designed to enforce laws; its accountability, therefore, should always be traced to the laws and constitutional ideals. At the same time, it is also true that the police are an unalienable tool of governance in the hands of the powers that be. Ideally, governance should always be beholden to the concept of rule of law, but, at times, faultlines become evident when conflicting interests are to be addressed. In such situations, the police have no option but to act as per the wishes of the ruling dispensation and often constitutionalism takes a back seat; accountability gets blurred by the call of duty. However, it is up to the individual police officer to decide whether to deviate from the constitutional principles to accommodate the political masters. It is here that the strength of character of the officers at the helm of affairs is put to the test; some buckle, whereas others stand tall against all odds. Police accountability cannot be discussed in isolation — the prevailing administrative sub-culture, probity in private and public life and the quality of the political leadership have a bearing on it. Career-oriented officers have eclipsed true professionals in every department of the government; they prioritise self-promotion without caring for ethics, professional standards and duty towards the nation. Being a careerist is not bad if one remembers one's duty towards the nation and commitment to the rule of law.

Indian politics has increasingly embraced indiscipline and irresponsibility. Misuse of power and authority, corruption and usurping powers of the executive are common traits of the political class, though honourable exceptions may always be there. It is a real challenge for the present-day police officers to accommodate



their political bosses and maintain their commitment to fair play in their duties.

Members of the police force, wielding so much power having a direct bearing on the life and liberty of people, cannot afford to be indiscipline in their professional conduct. The time has arrived for the police to examine the recruiting system at all levels. Policing has become so technical that generalists cannot do justice to the work at hand. Moreover, there are no parameters regarding aptitude that can be checked prior to recruitment in the police force. Unfortunately, psychologists are not being attached with the recruiting authorities. The profile of crimes and criminals is changing at a faster pace than ever before, but policing methods and practices have not changed proportionately. Accountability is the byproduct of professionalism; the police should upgrade their standard of investigation by overhauling the system. Information technology, artificial intelligence (AI) and cybercrime have already thrown up new challenges to the police; this is the time to evaluate our preparedness to meet them. The three new criminal laws, especially the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, have empowered the police to ensure free and fair investigations. New provisions relating to the attachment of proceeds of crimes, preliminary enquiry and police remand, etc. have increased the powers of investigating officers to a large extent.

Furthermore, we are living in times where, one by one,

the tools of governance have been contaminated by politics and, therefore, need drastic measures. The police can make little difference if the bureaucracy is too willing to carry out the commands (even illegal) of the political masters. In circumstances where the police and the bureaucracy appear to be standing on the right side of the law, they still need the judiciary to play its role so that justice is taken to its logical conclusion.

At this point in time, AI appears to be a mountain too high to climb. It is obvious that the present force is not equipped to deal with it. A new force with different skill sets and qualifications needs to take charge.

One must not forget that the political hierarchy would not allow the police to slip out of its clutches. The police are a very faithful, obedient and reliable tool of governance, and this is going to remain the same. The real challenge is to find ways and means to bring in reforms from within to upgrade accountability and commitment of the police towards the people and the nation in general, as per the constitutional scheme.

Above all, inadequate staff strength and unscheduled multifarious duties are major problems being faced by our police force. At the same time, the trend of fake police encounters has to be discouraged and shunned. American policing research pioneer David H Bayley has rightly said: "Illegality in the service of public safety makes policing a furtive and anxious activity and undermines the pride, which is the basis of job satisfaction."

RBI cracks the whip

Kotak bank told to put its house in order

IN a significant development having implications for the entire banking sector, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has directed Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited to stop the onboarding of new customers through online and mobile banking with immediate effect and also barred it from issuing credit cards henceforth. The RBI has noted with concern that in the absence of 'a robust IT infrastructure and IT risk management framework, the bank's core banking system and its online and digital banking channels have suffered frequent outages in the past two years... resulting in serious customer inconvenience'. One such major service disruption occurred on April 15. The bank was found deficient in building operational resilience, even as the RBI clarified that there were no curbs on providing services to existing customers, including those using credit cards.

In October 2023, the RBI had imposed a penalty on the bank to the tune of Rs 3.95 crore over non-compliance issues with regard to the code of conduct for outsourcing



of financial services, customer service, recovery agents, loans and advances. Finding itself on the back foot again,

the bank has stated that it would commission a comprehensive audit of its IT systems under the 'approval and supervision' of the RBI. It is laudable that India's central bank has taken pre-emptive action in the interest of customers. This is a stern reminder to all banks that they cannot afford to be complacent about their digital banking and payment systems.

With the financial ecosystem dominated by digital transactions, banks need to invest heavily in tech infrastructure to ensure that their customers' money remains safe. Fraudsters are always on the lookout for chinks in the banking armour. The resilience of tech platforms is being put to the test on a daily basis. Banks must be proactive in addressing the glitches, failing which public trust in the banking system will be hit hard.

Anxiety in the saffron camp

With his charisma fraying at the edges, Modi has stepped up his attack on the Opposition

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi has made us believe that he would retain power with a thumping mandate from the people. I actually perceived anxiety in his voice when he accused the Congress of preparing to take away the gold and silver jewellery collected over the years by his supporters and distribute it among the minorities — those who have large families, meaning the Muslims. Most of the BJP MPs from the South will come from Karnataka, where the party has an established presence. The Congress' response to this statement was that he is 'lying through his teeth', a phrase usually used to denounce a palpable untruth. Nowhere in the Congress manifesto is it mentioned that the rulers whom the BJP ousted 10 years ago are going to go the Robin Hood way — robbing the rich to feed the poor. 'The God That Failed' (Communism) tried that out in Russia and East Europe in a big way. It only succeeded in 'distributing' poverty. Modi's assertion has hit the bull's eye with a section of voters that has traditionally supported the saffron party. But it has also caused a flutter in the Congress doves. The Opposition does not have to worry that much. Despite what some experts prophesy, the truth is that there is 'no wave' this time. Modi's charisma is fraying at the edges. He is struggling to stay in power. The very fact that he needs to hit his opponents below the belt is a clear indication that even retaining the 303 seats his party won in the 2019 Lok Sabha polls will be difficult. Modi is using every weapon in his armour (and he is adept at finding new weapons almost every day) to achieve the difficult task of winning 400 seats (370 for the BJP and the rest for its allies). He is bound to win, but with a reduced margin. Today's voter is not the 'docile' individual that we



knew. He hears many voices, even contrarian ones, and his aspirations have risen exponentially. Modi's oratory used to sway the masses. It sparked a ray of hope in their hearts. Not any longer. That hope has been beaten black and blue. The reported promise of transferring Rs 15 lakh into each Indian's bank account has wafted with the wind. Instead, 5 kg of rice or wheat, free of cost, to every ration card holder every month is what 60 per cent of the population gets. For the poorest of the poor, this barely enables them to keep body and soul together. For those willing to live at the subsistence level, oil, lentils and cooking gas are also required. He tribal women of Palghar in Maharashtra made this clear to the BJP's workers who distributed saris and shopping bags with Modi's picture on them. They returned the goodies and asked for employment instead! They want to eat like their intended benefactors — nothing fancy but with sufficient calories.

There is no doubt that Modi is trying to improve the

quality of life of India's citizens (of course, those disqualified for citizenship by the CAA and the NRC will be excluded). For this to happen, he says he has to win a third term. To do so, he is intent on neutralising Opposition leaders like Arvind Kejriwal. Third-rung leaders are summoned to New Delhi by the Enforcement Directorate to answer questions in a bid to stop them from canvassing during the Lok Sabha polls. These below-the-belt tactics have not gone down well with the common man. In my city of Mumbai, even the unlettered have got the hang of such moves. The chatterati, which had veered towards Modi in a big way, has also shown signs of disagreeing with his methods. Of late, Modi has been overplaying his hand. The aura that was built around him by his image consultants is slipping. The inauguration of the Ram Mandir in Ayodhya by him is being commented upon negatively by many. The gesture lacked any trace of humility. The dive into the sea off Dwarka was an unmitigated disaster.

In view of such publicity and mainly because of the persistent assault on the Opposition leaders in the run-up to the elections, Modi seems to be losing some of the goodwill he acquired over the past decade. He had eliminated the middlemen by making direct bank transfers of LPG subsidy and other welfare payments to below-poverty-line citizens and building homes for the poor under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana. The security scenario has improved under his reign, though China continues its bullying tactics because of its economic and military superiority.

I still feel that Modi will squeak through at the final

count. He has worked very hard to make inroads in the South. He seems to have succeeded in Andhra Pradesh, where his party's tie-up with Chandrababu Naidu's Telugu Desam Party is showing signs of paying dividends. The friction between YS Jagan Mohan Reddy and his sister YS Sharmila, who has cast in her lot with the Congress, is helping the BJP.

In the Tamil heartland, the BJP has lured my old service mate, K Annamalai, to spearhead the party's entry into perennially hostile territory. That, too, looks to be paying. The BJP has left its pariah status in Tamil Nadu behind and become a party of interest. It may even open its account there, which will be quite an achievement. In Kerala, it is hoping to tempt a slice of Christian voters to try out the saffron party. How these tentative voters reconcile their interests with Hindutva's proclivities will be a matter of interest to political observers. Most BJP MPs from the South will come from Karnataka, where the party has an established presence, yet it will not get 25 (out of 28) Lok Sabha seats that it won in 2019. If it adds to its overall tally in the South, it will be marginal at best.

In Maharashtra, Bihar and even UP, the Opposition is likely to perform better than it did last time. In Maharashtra, the split in the Shiv Sena and the Nationalist Congress Party will not help the BJP, as it had expected. In Bihar, voters have not taken kindly to CM Nitish Kumar's continuous change of loyalties. Gujarat will continue to favour the BJP. Where the party will gain will be in West Bengal. Hindutva politics has succeeded in loosening Mamata Banerjee's hold. The Trinamool Congress will probably lose more seats to the BJP than it did in 2019. Modi will get a third term, but with a more determined Opposition. That, hopefully, should stop him from keeping Opposition leaders in jail during poll time.

Forex kitty falls \$2.28 billion to \$640.33 billion

NEW DELHI. The country's forex reserves decreased by \$2.282 billion to \$640.334 billion for the seven days ending April 19 in the second consecutive week of drop in the kitty, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) said on Friday. Reserves had declined by \$5.401 billion to \$643.162 billion in the previous reporting week, ending a multi-week trend of an increase, which also saw the overall reserves touching a new all-time high of \$648.562 billion for the week ending April 5. In September 2021, the country's forex kitty had reached a high of USD 642.453 billion, which was breached in March this year. The reserves took a hit as the central bank deployed the kitty to defend the rupee amid pressures caused majorly by global events, but there had been a steady accretion over the past few months. For the week ending April 19, foreign currency assets, a major component of reserves, fell by \$3.793 billion to \$560.86 billion.

SBI Card net profit rises 11% to Rs 662 crore

NEW DELHI. SBI Card on Friday reported an 11% rise in net profit to Rs 662 crore for the quarter ending March 2024. SBI Cards and Payment Services Ltd (SBI Card) had a profit of Rs 596 crore in the fourth quarter of FY23. Total revenue rose 14% to Rs 4,475 crore in the fourth quarter of FY24, compared to Rs 3,917 crore in the year-ago period. Interest income grew by 28% to Rs 2,139 crore in Q4FY24. For the full 2023-24 fiscal, profit after tax (PAT) climbed 7% to Rs 2,408 crore. The company had a profit of Rs 2,258 crore in fiscal 2022-23. The size of the company's balance sheet as of March 31, 2024, was Rs 58,171 crore as against Rs 45,546 crore in the same period last fiscal. SBI Cards and Payment Services is an NBFC that offers credit card portfolio to individual cardholders and corporate clients which includes lifestyle, rewards, travel and fuel, and banking partnerships cards along with corporate cards.

Tamilnad Mercantile Bank profit up 4% to Rs 2,349 cr

NEW DELHI. Tamil Nadu-based Tamilnad Mercantile Bank posted 4% growth in net profit in FY24 to Rs 1,072 crore as against Rs 1,029 crore a year ago. Total income rose from Rs 4,710 crore in FY23 to Rs 5,493 crore FY24. Interest income improved to Rs 4,848 crore in FY24 from Rs 4,081 crore a year ago. Total business has increased to Rs 89,485 crore in FY24 from Rs 85,348 crore a year-ago. CASA rose to Rs 14,676 crore in FY24 from Rs 13,736 crore in FY23. On asset quality, gross NPA as a percentage of total advances stood at 1.44% (as against 1.39% in FY23) and net NPA stood at 0.85% (against 0.62% in FY23). Total SMA (special mention account) to gross advances has reduced to 3.97% from 6.51%, while stressed assets ratio decreased to 2.70% from 3.18%.

Shriram Finance profit rises 57% in fourth quarter

MUMBAI. The country's largest auto-focused non-bank lender Shriram Finance on Friday reported a 57% jump in consolidated net income to Rs 2,021.28 crore on better asset quality and stable margins coupled with higher income led by incremental loan sales in Q4FY24. Consolidated net interest income for the quarter rose 22.27% to Rs 5,543.47 crore as against Rs 4,533.63 crore in the same period previous year. Disbursements clipped at a tad over 15 percent on-year. For the full year, consolidated profit after tax rose 20.26% to Rs 7,190.48 crore as against Rs 5,979.34 crore in the previous year. Total assets under management rose 21.10% to Rs 224,862 crore as against Rs 185,682.86 crore in March 2023 and Rs 214,233.47 crore in December, 2023.

IT firms focus on 'Generative AI'

BENGALURU. Generative AI has now become a part of every conversation that IT firms are having with their clients. IT firms recently in Q4 earnings call announced that excitement over this technology is substantial. "Gen AI is steadfastly at the forefront of the technology trends and customers are on the lookout for POCs (proof of concept) on the efficiencies that can be enabled by Gen AI in application development, application maintenance and deployment automation," said K Krithivasan, CEO and MD, TCS



Gen AI's ability to create new data and content is driving innovation across sectors. TCS is currently developing AI and Gen AI projects worth \$900 million. Accenture recently reported \$1.1 billion in revenue in new bookings from Gen AI in first half of the year (it follows Sept-Aug financial year). On Gen AI, the work we are doing is quite comprehensive, said Salil Parekh, CEO and MD, Infosys. "We don't disclose revenue element of that work externally. However, what we are doing today is working across a large number of projects with several of our clients on not just proof of concept, but on actual programs, which they are deploying across the enterprise," he said. He added that the 3 million lines of codes that we have generated via large language models in Gen AI is absolutely industry leading. Wipro, Tech Mahindra and HCLTech too in their earnings call spoke about Gen AI and its significance.

Delhi HC asks DGCA to deregister 54 leased Go First planes

It is also a big setback for creditors of the airline who were looking to trim their exposure from the insolvency process.

NEW DELHI: In a setback for Go First, the Delhi High Court on Friday directed the country's aviation regulator Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) to go ahead with the process of deregistering 54 aircraft leased by the grounded airline within the next five working days.

"DGCA shall forthwith and not later than five working days process the deregistration applications filed by the 54 aircrafts," the court said. This order has the capability to derail the revival process of the airline as it would leave minuscule assets for the two interested bidders. It is also a big setback for creditors of the airline who were looking to trim their



exposure from the insolvency process. Resolution professional of the airline, Shailendra Ajmera of consultancy firm EY, has admitted claims of Rs 4,254 crore from the financial creditors. Including operational creditors, the total admitted claims stand at about Rs 6,188 crore. Two parties (a consortium led by SpiceJet's Ajay Singh and Nishant Pitti's Busy Bee

Airways, and another one from Sharjah-based Sky One) have submitted bids to take over the airline. According to reports, Singh and Pitti have jointly submitted a bid of Rs 1,600 crore for the airline. "We will review the details of the order once we receive the official document. Following this review, we will evaluate our position and consider any necessary

adjustments to our proposed offer for Go Air. Our commitment remains to proceed in a manner that respects the legal process and aligns with our strategic objectives," said Pitti on behalf of Busy Bee Airways. Pitti is co-founder and CEO of EaseMyTrip. The order, however, offers a major relief to aircraft lessors who have been working to reclaim their aircraft for about a year now when the Wadia-family owned airline declared bankruptcy. Go First stopped flying on May 3, 2023, a day after it filed for bankruptcy. Justice Tara Vitasta Ganju, while orally pronouncing the order, restrained the resolution professional (RP) appointed under the insolvency law to manage the airline, and its directors from moving or taking away the planes or spare parts, documents, records and any other material. The HC said the DGCA, Airport Authority of India and its authorised representatives shall aid and assist the petitioner lessors and grant them access to the airports.

Coal imports for blending purposes decline 3.4% as supply improves



NEW DELHI. The abundance of coal in the country has led to decline in imports for blending purposes by the domestic power plants in the first three weeks (till April 22, 2024) of this month. This comes despite high demand for power due to a heat wave in the country.

According to the data from the coal ministry, imports declined to 1.42 million tonne (MT) till April 2024, 3.4% lower than 1.47 MT in the same

period last year. The power ministry mandated generating companies (gencos) to blend imported coal in thermal power plants to prevent a coal crisis during the peak summer season. Not only this, the supply to the non-power sector also surged by 28% to 12.75 MT till 22 April 2024. Official data reveals that supplies to the non-regulated sector (NRS), which includes industries like cement, steel, sponge iron, and aluminium, stood at

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9.93 MT during the same period last year.

"Coal availability is high in the country this year, and there are no restrictions on prioritizing supply to the power sector. This is why coal dispatch to the non-power sector has skyrocketed this month," said an official. The official also mentioned that coal price in the international market declined by 30% from the last year.

The price drop of the international coal led imported coal based (ICB) power plants run in the full capacity. Compare to the last, the power generation by imported coal based (ICB) power plants almost doubled from the last year.

RBI provides road map for SFBs' move to universal banks

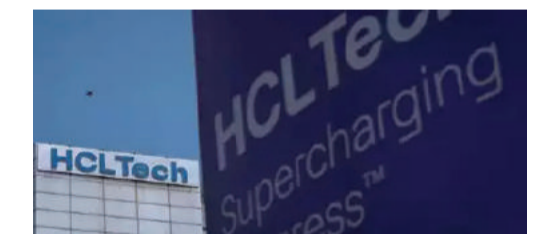
MUMBAI: RBI has outlined the eligibility criteria for small finance banks (SFBs) to become a universal bank. This transition will enable them to provide loans to larger businesses and offer the full range of financial services and banking products.

To apply for conversion to a universal bank, the SFB must have been operating satisfactorily for at least five years, have its shares listed on a recognised stock exchange, maintain a minimum net worth of Rs 1,000 crore (as audited), meet capital adequacy standards, and demonstrate consistent profitability with low levels of bad loans over the past two years.

SFBs came into existence after RBI decided to issue differentiated licences to banks that give small loans and for payment banks. Most of these banks are erstwhile NBFCs or microfinance companies that have chosen to apply for bank licences. There are currently 12 SFBs. While there is no mandatory requirement for a specific promoter, the ownership structure already approved by RBI should remain unchanged.

HCL revenue up 5% in FY24, sees headcount rise

BENGALURU. HCLTech's revenue grew 5% in constant currency for FY24, marking a significant decrease from the 13.7% growth recorded in the previous year. The company's operating margin remained stable at 18.2% year-on-year. HCLTech CEO C Vijayakumar said, "We reacted with agility and maintained good momentum in the services and software



businesses. Our operating margin has aligned with our guidance, ending the year at an 18.2% margin. In the next year (FY25), we anticipate consolidation on both the demand and supply fronts." On a sequential basis, the company's revenue saw a marginal increase of 0.3% in constant currency. However, its operating margin declined by 220 basis points, falling to 17.6% in the March quarter from 19.8% in the December quarter.

Interim Budget for a Viksit Bharat: It's for everyone and all

NEW DELHI The Finance Minister on February 01, 2024, delivered a truly innovative interim budget. At first glance, it did not seem like an interim budget but looked more like the budget to drive further growth and a continuum of inclusive growth-oriented investments.

At the outset, this budget brings a wonderful balance between fiscal prudence and continued investment for growth. It's not easy to continue the glide path of reducing the fiscal deficit and continuing to make significant investments in all areas including infrastructure, R&D, energy transition, technology, skilling, and social welfare. The surprising reduction in fiscal deficit of 5.8% as against the budgeted 5.9% for FY24 and the projection of 5.1% in FY25 with a clear focus on increasing investments was a huge positive. This was a budget for everyone and all because it caters to every part of the Indian economy and society. The FM has carefully catered

to the investment needs of various sectors. The continued focus on youth, impoverished, women and farmers to increase their involvement and contribution to economic growth is evident. By committing an 11.1% increase in capital expenditure to 11,11,111 lakh crore, the FM has clearly brought every single 1 in this growth journey. What was very impressive was the inclusion strategy of the government. The focus on women's empowerment for the past few years is unprecedented, which is reflected in the inclusion of women in the workforce moving from 23.3% to 37% in the last five years. The thirty crore Mudra Yojna loans to women entrepreneurs were a great boost to the Nari Shakti initiative. We already have over 10 million Lakhpati Didis and what is truly evident is like a corporate CFO, the FM has revised the earlier target of 20 million Lakhpati Didis to 30 million. The government also plans to invest in initiatives to encourage

young girls between the ages of 9 and 14 to undertake the vaccination for cervical cancer which is again a great boost to Nari Shakti.

A lot needs to be done to bring more women into all parts of economic growth but the journey so far and the vision of the future is truly inspiring.

While India continues on its technological prowess and makes its mark in new technologies like Artificial Intelligence, we need a multi-pronged strategy to harness the power of AI. We need a clear focus on building AI systems in India so that we not only emerge as a global leader in this new era but can build models, which are specific to India that will benefit Indians. At the same time, we need a very wide coverage program to build skills to leverage AI to its fullest potential. The biggest contribution we can make to the inclusion of youth in the economic development of the country is by skilling them in new skill areas.

Maruti Suzuki India Ltd net up 48%; Chairman sees demand post elections

On falling EV sales in the global market, Bhargava said that EVs are one of the key technologies for reaching the carbon neutrality goals.

NEW DELHI: On the back of robust sales volume and favourable commodity prices, the country's largest car maker - Maruti Suzuki India Ltd (MSIL) - on Friday reported a 48% increase in net profit for the March quarter of FY24 (Q4FY24) to Rs 3,878 crore. The auto major had reported a net profit of Rs 2,624 crore in the year-ago period. MSIL registered revenue of Rs 38,235 crore in Q4FY24 as against Rs 32,048 crore clocked in the same quarter last fiscal. Additionally, MSIL declared the company's highest-ever dividend of Rs 125 per share. Aided by increasing demand for SUVs, the maker of Baleno, Brezza and Grand Vitara models, sold



584,031 units in the March quarter, a jump of 13% year-on-year. For the first time, the company surpassed the annual total sales milestone of 2 million (20 lakh) units in the Financial Year 2024. For the entire FY24, MSIL's net profit grew by 64% to Rs 13,209 crore as against Rs 8,049 crore in FY23. Total revenue surged 20% to Rs 140,933 crore in the recently concluded fiscal as compared to Rs 117,523 crore during

FY23. MSIL Chairman RC Bhargava said the car industry will continue to flourish. He believes that the new government which is coming up in less than two months will propel the economy to phenomenal levels. "The new government will have a very good base to go forward," said Bhargava even as many in the industry have forecasted a low single-digit growth for the ongoing fiscal.

Bhargava also said MSIL is working closely with Suzuki Japan to achieve the target of four million car sales and export 750,000 - 800,000 units by FY30-31. He informed that MSIL's expansion plan at Kharkoda is proceeding smoothly and the first line is expected to start production before the end of this financial year and they should be able to add one new production line every 12 months or so.

The carmaker, which tasted with the hybrid technology, said Suzuki Japan is working on affordable hybrid solutions for compact cars. Suzuki is also considering plug-in hybrid technology for the future. On falling EV sales in the global market, Bhargava said that EVs are one of the key technologies for reaching the carbon neutrality goals. "All carmakers have accepted that they have to have EVs. How fast the market for EVs will grow is not only in the hands of manufacturers. It depends on the customers, the infrastructure and the government policies as well," stated Bhargava. MSIL is expected to launch its first EV in FY25.

95 children illegally being taken to Bihar from Uttar Pradesh rescued

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New Delhi. As many as 95 children who were allegedly being transported from Bihar to Uttar Pradesh illegally were rescued by the Uttar Pradesh Child Commission on Friday. "At around 9 am, UP Child Commission member Suchitra Chaturvedi called and said that from Bihar, children were being transported to Saharanpur illegally and that they were in Gorakhpur and would go via Ayodhya. We rescued the children, and they were given food and medical assistance," Ayodhya Child Welfare Committee Chairperson Sarvesh Awasthi said. He said that the children who were rescued were between the age of 4-12. "Those people who brought the children had no consent letters from parents. Children are between the age of 4-12 and most of them said they didn't know where they were being taken. Parents are being contacted and children will be handed over once they arrive. There were a total of 95 children", the CWC

Chairperson said. Earlier, a group of children from Bihar, being sent to madrasas across states, were rescued by the Uttar Pradesh State Child Commission in Gorakhpur. The children were rescued by the state children's panel on orders from the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights. Innocent children who were being sent to madrasas in other states from Bihar have been rescued in Gorakhpur with the help of Uttar Pradesh State Child Commission on the instructions of @NCPCLR, Priyank Kanoongo, Chairperson National Commission for Protection of Child Rights, wrote on X. "The Constitution of India has given the right to education to every child. It is compulsory for every child to go to school. In such a situation, taking poor children to other states and keeping them in madrasas to earn donations on the basis of religion is a violation of the Constitution," he added.



Light rain, strong winds likely in Delhi; heatwave in Bihar, Jharkhand

New Delhi. Delhi is expected to receive light rain with thundershowers on Saturday, accompanied by gusty winds, according to the India Meteorological Department (IMD). Partly cloudy sky, possibility of very light rain/thundershowers with strong surface winds (speed 25-35 kmph) during the day," the weather department predicted. Tomorrow's maximum and minimum temperatures will be around 39 and 24 degrees Celsius respectively, it added. Delhi and adjoining areas of NCR received a spell of rain on Friday, bringing respite from the heat. The pre-



monsoon rain was accompanied by strong winds, bringing down the temperature in the national capital. Meanwhile, parts of India are presently reeling under the heatwave conditions. IMD has predicted that heatwave conditions in Bengal, Odisha, Jharkhand, Bihar and Uttar Pradesh will continue during the next five days. Heat wave to severe heat wave conditions are very likely to prevail in many places over Gangetic West Bengal, in some parts of Odisha and in isolated pockets over Sub-Himalayan West Bengal during the next 5 days, the IMD's latest bulletin read. Heat wave conditions in isolated pockets over Bihar, Jharkhand, Telangana, Rayalaseema, Interior Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, East Uttar Pradesh during the next 5 days; Kerala & Mahe during 26-28; Konkan during 27-29 and West Uttar Pradesh, Coastal Andhra Pradesh and Yanam during 28-30, it added.

Congress Likely To Discuss Amethi, Raebareli Seats In Top Meet

New Delhi: Congress will hold a Central Election Committee (CEC) today to discuss candidates for highly anticipated seats in Uttar Pradesh - Raebareli and Amethi. Congress sources have told news agency ANI that leaders of the UP Congress and the All India Congress Committee (AICC) in charge of UP, Avinash Pandey, have also been called for a meeting today. Earlier, a proposal was given from the UP Congress to the CEC that the Gandhi family should contest the Amethi and Raebareli seats and the decision was left to the CEC and top leadership. A senior party functionary told news agency ANI that the situation is very good and they are very positive for the proposal to be considered in a true spirit. There is a high chance that Congress can announce Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi as their candidates for the Amethi and Raebareli seats respectively. Smriti Irani defeated Congress leader Rahul Gandhi in the 2019 Lok Sabha elections from Amethi. Irani has again been fielded by the Bharatiya Janata Party from the seat. Notably, the businessman-husband of Congress leader Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, who had earlier expressed his desire to contest from the Amethi parliamentary seat, has said that the entire country wishes for him to get into active politics. He also said that Smriti Irani, the sitting MP from Amethi has not fulfilled her promises. "The voice is coming from the entire country. They want me to get into active politics as I have always been among the people of the country. People always want me to be there in their region. I have campaigned there (Amethi) since 1999. Smriti Irani, the sitting MP from hasn't fulfilled her promises," Mr Vadra said on Friday when asked whether he would contest from Amethi Lok Sabha seat. Raebareli has been a Congress bastion since 1960 with both Feroze Gandhi and Indira Gandhi having represented it. Sonia Gandhi has been the MP from the constituency since she won the 2006 by-poll. With Sonia Gandhi moving to the upper house, the Congress is likely to field Priyanka Gandhi Vadra who is the general secretary in the party.

Arvind Kejriwal In Jail, Wife Gets Major Role In AAP Election Campaign

New Delhi: Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal's wife Sunita Kejriwal - who entered the political battleground with fiery speeches at INDIA bloc's rallies last month - will now lead the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP)'s campaign for the Lok Sabha elections in Delhi and other states.



Sunita Kejriwal will hold a mega roadshow in the national capital today in support of AAP's East Delhi candidate Kuldeep Kumar. "In protest against the arrest of Arvind Kejriwal, his wife Sunita Kejriwal will campaign to seek blessings for him and to seek votes for AAP candidates. She will seek blessings for him from the people of Delhi, Punjab, Gujarat and Haryana," Delhi Minister Atishi announced yesterday. Ms Kejriwal is gradually assuming a bigger role in the party to give a boost to the AAP's campaigning, which has

been affected by the Chief Minister's arrest in March, party sources said. AAP Minister Saurabh Bharadwaj said that Ms Kejriwal is the best person to keep the party together in the prevailing circumstances and asserted that her presence has had a "positive effect" on the party workers. Ms Kejriwal last month took part in the INDIA bloc's mega rallies in Delhi and Ranchi, which saw the opposition camp launch a fierce attack on the BJP for allegedly misusing central agencies

to harass opposition-ruled states. She has so far held three digital media briefings mainly focused on communicating Arvind Kejriwal's messages to the people.

Mr Kejriwal was arrested last month by the Enforcement Directorate in a money laundering case linked to the liquor policy scam. He remains the Chief Minister even after his arrest with the AAP asserting no law stops him from running the government from jail. Sunita Kejriwal is a former Indian Revenue Services (IRS) officer who served in the income tax department for 22 years. She met Arvind Kejriwal during a training programme in Bhopal. She is from the 1994 batch, while Arvind Kejriwal is a 1995-batch officer. She took voluntary retirement in 2016. Her last posting was at the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal in Delhi where she served as the income tax commissioner.

South India Stares At Severe Water Crisis As Reservoir Levels Plunge To Mere 17%

New Delhi: The southern region, encompassing states of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu, has significantly reduced water storage compared to historical averages at just 17 per cent of reservoir capacity, according to the recent bulletin of the Central Water Commission (CWC).

In the bulletin released by the CWC concerning reservoir storage levels across various regions of India, it was reported that 42 reservoirs under CWC monitoring in the southern region have a total live storage capacity of 53,334 BCM (billion cubic meters). As per the latest report, the total live storage available in these reservoirs stands at 8,865 BCM, representing only 17 per cent of their total capacity. This figure is considerably lower compared to the storage levels during the same period last year (29 per cent) and the ten-year average for the corresponding period (23 per cent). The reduced storage levels in the southern region are indicative of worsening water scarcity and potential challenges for irrigation, drinking water supply and hydroelectric power generation in these states. In contrast, the eastern region, comprising states like Assam, Odisha and West Bengal, has shown a positive improvement in water storage levels compared to last year and the ten-year average. The bulletin highlighted that in this region, 23 monitored reservoirs with a total live storage capacity of 20,430 BCM currently hold 7,889 BCM of water, representing 39 per cent of their total capacity. This marks an improvement over the storage levels from the same period last year (34 per cent) and the ten-year average (34 per cent).

The situation is less optimistic in other regions. The western region, consisting of Gujarat and Maharashtra, reports storage levels of 11,771 BCM, which is 31.7 per cent of the total capacity of 49 monitored reservoirs. This is notably lower compared to the storage levels of the previous year (38 per cent) and the ten-year average (32.1 per cent). Similarly, the northern and central regions also show declines in water storage levels compared to historical averages.

The broader analysis provided in the bulletin categorizes reservoir storage across various river basins as "better than normal," "close to normal," "deficient," or "highly deficient." Notably, river basins like Brahmaputra, Narmada and Tapi are marked as having better-than-normal storage levels, whereas basins like Cauvery and east flowing rivers between Mahanadi and Pennar are classified as highly deficient.

UP man posing as Singapore Airlines pilot caught at Delhi airport

New Delhi: Two CRPF personnel were killed and two others were injured in a suspected insurgent attack early in the morning today in Manipur's Bishnupur district. According to sources, a group of suspected Kuki insurgents opened gunfire from a hillside in Naranseina village towards the valley region, targeting a central security force post.

The exchange escalated when a bomb detonated within the outpost, causing severe injuries to four personnel. Despite swift medical attention, two security personnel died while two are currently undergoing treatment. Top police sources said that the attack comes six days before the first anniversary of the start of the Manipur crisis and militants hiding in hills are likely to increase attacks in the coming days. The two who died belonged to the Central Reserve Police Force's (CRPF) 128 Battalion, stationed at Naranseina

and were identified as CRPF sub-inspector N Sarkar and head constable Arup Saini. The injured were inspector Jadav Das and constable Aftab Das. The attackers reportedly launched their



assault starting from midnight until approximately 2:15 am. The attack took place at an Indian Reserve Battalion (IRB) camp where CRPF personnel were stationed after poll

duty in the state. This camp is 2 kilometres away from the hills. About a kilometre away from the camp lies an area known as Upper Canal, where central security forces used to be posted since it was designated as a sensitive area after violence broke out in Manipur in May last year.

According to sources, insurgents in the hills used a crude artillery weapon called a "pumpi gun" to attack the camp. "The militants fire indiscriminately from hilltops, targeting the camp. It started around 12.30 am and continued till about 2.15 am. The militants also hurled bombs, one of which exploded in the outpost of CRPF's 128 battalion," a senior police officer said, as quoted by news agency PTI. A massive combing operation is underway in the area to track down the attackers, police said.

CBI Throttling Campaigns": Trinamool To Poll Body After Bombs, Arms Found In Sandeshkhali

This comes after the CBI recovered foreign-made weapons and ammunition in its raids on hideouts linked to suspects in the case, following which NSG teams were deployed.

New Delhi: Bengal's ruling Trinamool Congress has now knocked on the doors of the Election Commissioner with an official complaint against the Central Bureau of Investigation, or CBI, accusing it of "throttling" the Opposition's, including its own, campaigns at a time when elections are on. The letter of complaint was sent last evening. This comes after the Bengal government moved the Supreme Court on Friday against a Calcutta High Court order directing a CBI probe into allegations of

extortion, land grab, and sexual assault from Sandeshkhali against now-suspended Trinamool leader, Sheikh Shahjahan, and his aides. The Supreme Court move followed the CBI's raids on hideouts linked to suspects in the case. The federal agency recovered foreign-made weapons and ammunition, following which teams of the elite National Security Guard (NSG) commandos were deployed to the spot. The party said there is "no way of knowing with certainty" if the weapons allegedly retrieved in the searches were "surreptitiously planted by the CBI/NSG". "Your office has turned a blind eye while Central probe agencies continue to wreak havoc across the nation, especially during the election period," the party's complaint to the poll body read. Today, i.e. 26.04.2024, is the day earmarked as the polling day for Phase II of the ensuing Lok Sabha Elections, 2024. More specifically in West Bengal, the electorate was scheduled to vote in three Parliamentary Constituencies, which are, Darjeeling, Raiganj, and Balurghat.



While elections were going on, the CBI deliberately carried out an unscrupulous raid at an empty location in Sandeshkhali. Media reports suggest that the CBI called in additional forces including the bomb squad of the National Security Guard (NSG). It has also been reported that arms and ammunition have been recovered from a house during such raid," the letter said. "... though 'law and order' is a domain falling completely within the ambit of the state government, the CBI did not issue an

actionable notice to the state government and/or the police authorities before carrying out such a raid. Further, the state police has a fully functional bomb disposal squad which could have assisted the entire operation, if the CBI indeed felt that a bomb squad was required during such a raid. However, no such assistance was sought by the CBI. "It is astonishing to notice that media personnel were already present during such the raid even before the state administration arrived at the spot. At such point in time, it was already nationwide news that weapons had been recovered during the raid. There is no way of knowing with certainty, as to whether these weapons were indeed recovered during the search and seizure procedure or whether they were surreptitiously planted by the CBI/NSG," it alleged. The TMC accused the CBI of "deliberately" informing the media "well in advance so that there is nationwide odium and contempt against the AITC and its candidates during the present election period".

NEWS BOX

World wrestling body threatens to reimpose ban on WFI if ad-hoc committee is brought back

New Delhi. Wrestling's world governing body UWW on Friday threatened to reimpose the ban on India and bar its wrestlers from the final Olympic Qualifiers next month if an ad-hoc committee was brought back to run the sport. Recently, the Delhi High Court directed the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) to file an affidavit stating the circumstances which led to the dissolution of the ad-hoc committee for running the national wrestling body. The UWW (United World Wrestling) in a letter to WFI (Wrestling Federation of India) reiterated its stand that they won't allow any third party interference in the running of the national association of any country.

"We have been informed that the Wrestling Federation of India is once again threatened by your Ministry of Sports with the imposition of an Ad-hoc committee to oversee its affairs," UWW president Nenad Lalovic wrote in his e-mail to WFI.

PARIS OLYMPICS IN JEOPARDY? He reminded the WFI of the serious implications the move could have, including jeopardising India's preparations for the upcoming Olympic Games.

"Besides our lassitude for this additional affair impacting your federation and its members, we would like to reiterate UWW's determination to uphold the principle of autonomy and independence of its national federations in accordance with the UWW Statutes and the Olympic Charter." In case any decision or order should be made against your federation, and a third party be designated to run the daily affairs of our sport in India in violation of the UWW Statutes, UWW would have no other option than to reimpose a temporary suspension of your federation until further notice, and which, this time, could maybe include your athletes," Lalovic warned.

Earlier, in a big relief for WFI, the UWW had lifted its suspension on it on after it conducted elections. However, the sports ministry is yet to lift its suspension. A number of court cases are also pending in the matter as elite wrestlers have challenged the legality of WFI's elections.

Archery World Cup: India bag three gold medals to sweep compound team events

New Delhi. Underlining their supremacy in non-Olympic compound archery, India grabbed a hat-trick of gold medals to make a clean sweep of team events at the ongoing World Cup Stage 1 in Shanghai here on Saturday. India's Jyothi Surekha Vennam, Aditi Swami and Parneet Kaur dropped just four points to trounce Italy 236-225 in the women's compound team event to open their account with a gold in the season-opening global showpiece. The men's team of Abhishek Verma, Priyansh and Prathamesh Fuge went one step better as they missed just two points en route to defeating Netherlands' Mike Schloesser, Sil Pater and Stef Willems 238-231. The mixed team completed the sweep when the second-seeded Jyothi and Abhishek warded off a late resurgence from their Estonian rivals -- Lisell Jaatma and Robin Jaatma -- to win 158-157 in a thrilling finish. This was a double gold medal for the reigning Asian Games champion Jyothi who is also in the hunt for an individual gold and will play her semifinal later in the day. Priyansh is also in the hunt for an individual medal in the compound segment. Medal rounds in the recurve section will be on Sunday and India are eyeing two gold from the Olympic discipline. The Indian men's team will take on Olympic champions South Korea in the gold medal clash. Deepika Kumari is in fray for an individual medal and will play her semifinal against South Korean rival in the women's recurve section. The women's compound team, who qualified as top seed, dropped just four points from 24 arrows to down sixth seeded Italy in the first match of the day. In the first three ends of six arrows each, Jyothi, Aditi and Parneet missed the perfect 10 only twice to take a handsome 178-171 lead over Marcella Tonioli, Irene Franchini and Elisa Roner.

Leicester promoted to Premier League as Leeds crash

LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM. Leicester City were promoted to the Premier League on Friday after rivals Leeds United crashed to a shock 4-0 defeat at Queens Park Rangers. The result leaves Leicester top of the Championship with 94 points with two games to play while Leeds stay second on 90 but with just one match left. Third-place Ipswich Town can pip Leeds to the second automatic promotion place as they currently have 89 points with three matches still to play. "It's not in our hands anymore (automatic promotion), we need to be honest," Leeds boss Daniel Farke told the BBC. "The race is not over, if Ipswich win the next two games then I will say congratulations but if they don't win them then we will have a lot to play for (against Southampton on the final day of the season).

West Indies cricketers load luggage in small van in Nepal: Judgemental video slammed

New Delhi. Star singles players will aim for a consistent run as Indian men embark on a tough journey of defending their title at the Thomas Cup, while a young women's team, sans the peerless P V Sindhu, will look to punch above its weight when it begins its campaign in Uber Cup here on Saturday.

Just two years ago, India had sent shockwaves across the badminton world when they clinched their maiden Thomas Cup crown, considered the team world championship for men. Without the burden of expectations, India went on to dismantle the world's best teams to script an unprecedented chapter in the history of the sport, and now they return to the 33rd edition with the arduous task of once again showing their might against the top echelons of the sport. However, the underdog tag won't be there this time. In fact, all the teams will be gunning for the defending champions, who have retained the core of the 2022 side which had made history in Bangkok. India will count on the experience of last edition as they have been put in the 'Group of Death', featuring multiple-time winners Indonesia, Thailand and England in Group C. Indian men will begin their campaign against Thailand, who boost of reigning world champion Kunlavut

Vitidsarn and young Panitchaphon Teeraratsakul. But the most formidable will be third-seeded Indonesia, who have the likes of Jonatan Christie and Anthony Ginting -- the two played the finals of All England in March --, and world No. 7 pair of Muhammad Rian Ardianto and Fajar Alfian. "It will be tough this year. Based on current form, there are lots of teams with three strong singles and two doubles (players) like China, Denmark, Chinese Taipei, Japan, and Indonesia," HS Prannoy told PTI. A lot can happen in two years' time and none of the Indian players coming to China this week are the same. Prannoy, who had delivered the goods under pressure in the deciding fifth singles, is coming into the tournament after struggling in the first half of the season, owing to a chronic stomach disorder which returned after troubling him in the past. His 90-minute marathon battle en route to a morale-boosting win over China's Lu Guang Zu, however, showed he is close to recovery and will carry the onus of giving the team a good start as he is the top-ranked singles player at world No. 9 now. Lakshya Sen has found his mojo just in time with successive semifinal finishes at the French Open and the All England Championships



after enduring a difficult 2023 and early 2024. Kidambi Srikanth, who had won all six matches in 2022, has blown hot and cold in the last two years. He also endured tough losses in the team championships final at the 2022 Commonwealth Games and 2023 Asian Games. Another player who could be entrusted with the third singles is young Priyanshu Rajawat, who was part of the team which won the epic title in Bangkok, and since then has gone on to claim his maiden Super 300 title last year in Orleans. While the rest had an inconsistent run, Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty have looked unstoppable and are coming into the prestigious event with four straight finals on the World Tour. The duo will be the spearhead of India's campaign. Dhruv Kapila

and Arjun MR, who will play the second doubles, have weaved a few title wins at the Uganda International Challenge and Orlen Polish Open, besides signing off with a quarterfinal finish at the Spain Masters in March. "As a team we have evolved in the last 2-3 years. Everybody has been able to keep aside their individual problems for a one-week time and has been able to push through emotional challenges in a much better way during the team events," Prannoy said. It is likely that Prannoy and Srikanth could be rotated during the event, putting the onus more on Sen and Rajawat to deliver. There is also Kiran George, who has been in decent touch. In Uber Cup, Ashmita Chaliha will lead a young Indian team with all the big guns skipping the tournament after competing in a series of tournaments to qualify for the Paris Olympics. The greenhorns will look to test their mental and physical fortitude against the top international players when they open their campaign against Canada in Group A. Top seeds and multiple-time winners China and Singapore are also in their group, making it improbable for the young women's team to go past the group stage.

PBKS players enjoy Mishti Doi after hammering KKR in Eden Gardens

New Delhi PBKS players enjoyed the famous Kolkata delicacy named Mishti Doi after hammering KKR at the Eden Garden Stadium on April 26, Friday. It was a perfect and sweet end for PBKS, who snapped their 4-match losing streak to register their 3rd win of the season. In a mega-run-fest, PBKS successfully hunted down 262 runs with 8 balls to spare against KKR. The official social media handle of the franchise shared a special video, giving a glimpse of the dressing room's atmosphere after the emphatic win. It was a chill mood in the dressing room with the iconic 'Jatt don't care' song being played in the background. The PBKS players have been obsessed with this Punjabi song since last year and the tradition continued this year as well.

What caught everybody's attention was how the players celebrated the win. Punjab's pacer Arshdeep Singh was seen enjoying a Bengali sweet dish named Mishti Doi. The



bowler seemed to have been relishing the Mishti Doi as the win was as sweet as the dish. Meanwhile, there was a widespread buffet of other dishes as well, but else can be a better way to celebrate than by eating the dish, the franchise's state is famous for. In a historic run-chase at the Eden Gardens, records were shattered one after the other. A total of 523 runs were scored in the match with a record 42 sixes being hit,

most in a T20 match. Batting first, KKR openers, Sunil Narine (71) and Phil Salt (75) shared a 138-run opening stand. The early onslaught was followed by quickfire knocks of 10-ball 28 by Shreyas Iyer and Russell contributed with a 14-ball 24.

While chasing down the 262-run target, PBKS went ballistic from the word go as 93 runs were scored within the powerplay itself. After Prabhsimran Singh departed after scoring 54 runs from just 24 balls,

Jonny Bairstow, who was not in good touch this season, carried the team and made a brilliant return. Bairstow was joined by Punjab's find of the season, Shashank Singh as the KKR bowlers, barring Sunil Narine, looked hapless. Bairstow's thunderous century propelled Punjab to win the match as they registered the highest-ever successful chase in the history of T20 cricket and IPL.

Motivated Prabhsimran Singh looking to make the most of Impact Player rule

← **PBKS chased down the highest-ever target in T20 cricket against KKR on Friday, 26 April. After the game, PBKS youngster Prabhsimran Singh said that he was looking to make the most out of the Impact Player rule this season.**

New Delhi, PBKS chased down a record target in T20 cricket on Friday, 26 April while playing against KKR at the Eden Gardens. Punjab put on an astonishing chase, hitting 262 runs in just 18.4 overs in an absolute bashing of KKR bowlers. Several fans and experts have attributed these high-scoring games due to the Impact Player rule, which has allowed one extra specialist batter to be fielded in the side during the batting innings. While many have shown their dissent against high-scoring games on social media, PBKS opener Prabhsimran Singh has argued that the Impact Player rule is very good for Indian



youngsters, who are desperate to showcase their talent in the Indian Premier League. Speaking at the post-match press conference, a motivated Prabhsimran Singh lauded his team's effort for scripting a record chase in T20 cricket.

"Impact player is an opportunity for younger players, that's how I see it," Prabhsimran said after the match. The 23-year-old smashed a rapid fifty in the second innings before getting out via a direct throw into the stumps from Sunil Narine standing at short fine-leg. Prabhsimran's 20-ball 54 set the

stage for the PBKS team to chase down the massive target of 262 runs. The batter said that the team was motivated despite the string of losses in their home stadium at Mullanpur. "The coaches were motivating us through the losses because they knew what we are capable of, so the environment was fine. We were confident in the second innings, because if we got hit, they can get hit too, the coaches said to go about our normal ways, but ya, obviously we had to consciously dominate," Prabhsimran said. IPL 2024 Full Coverage | IPL 2024 Points Table and Standings | 2024 IPL Full Schedule The batter also lauded player of the match Jonny Bairstow, who smashed a riveting hundred on the day.

"Jonny Bairstow is a big player. You need just one match to get out of form, and you can see what he did today," Prabhsimran concluded. This was Punjab's third win of the season in 9 games. The team is currently in the 8th spot and is tied in points with 9th place MI.

Bowlers are living in 'element of fear': KKR coach Doeschate on run-fest in IPL 2024

New Delhi KKR batting coach Ryan ten Doeschate feels that there is an element of fear among the bowlers with the way batters have been hitting runs in the Indian Premier League 2024 season. PBKS beat the living daylight out of the KKR bowlers, scripting a historic chase in T20 cricket at the Eden Gardens on Friday, 26 April. The Punjab side chased down 262 runs in just 18.4 overs with 8 wickets in hand. Speaking at the press conference after the result, ten Doeschate asked the bowlers to be more brave. Doeschate believed that KKR would have taken 260 any day as a first innings score, but the nature of pitches and the batters are making life very hard for the bowlers.

"I think the way batting is going across the competition. There's if anything, there's an element of fear, and I think there's a lot of upside with the ball if the guys is going to be brave enough to take on that battle. But I think it's a pretty new phenomenon, the way batters are batting, everyone looks like they're just taking a step back. Like you say, Sunil is fantastic, other guys will be disappointed as we are with that performance," Ryan ten Doeschate said in the post-match press conference in Kolkata. "We need to find ways to stop batters, taking the game away like they're doing across the competition," he further added.

'BOWLERS NEED TO BE BRAVE'

The KKR coach explained the mentality shift in batting in the IPL 2024. He spoke about the ability of the batters to play high-risk, high-reward shots and go full-blast from the very first ball due to the presence of an Impact Player - an additional batter in the dugout.

"I think if you told us we're gonna score 262 tonight. Uh, you almost couldn't fathom a team chasing that down. And it's the same for us when you're batting first. You know, you've got an extra batter in the shade so you can go pretty hard. So I guess a - the mindset of the batters has to be that you're prepared to go hard the whole time for the whole 20 overs until the situation changes. And like I said with the ball, I think there's a lot of upside into being brave and really going at the batters instead of just sitting back and waiting till we find a way to stop this stream of runs that's been coming in," ten Doeschate said.

Zinta's team won kya PBKS responds to Salman Khan's viral old tweet

New Delhi. The PBKS would be over the moon by their performance on Friday evening, be it the team or their social media handle and, after all, why not? They successfully chased down the highest-ever score in the history of T20 cricket. The social media handle of Punjab was on song after their enthralling win over KKR at the Eden Garden Stadium, Kolkata. They responded to a viral tweet from Bollywood superstar Salman Khan, which dated back to 2014. PBKS took to 'X' to retweet Salman's old tweet from the night of the IPL qualifier between PBKS (then KXIP) and KKR. In that tweet, Salman enquired by taking a sly dig if Preity Zinta's team won or not. Punjab had lost to Kolkata by 28 runs on May 28, 2014. However, in the eliminator round, they defeated CSK to play the summit clash. It was the first time when Punjab reached the final of the tournament after showcasing some impeccable performances. However,



Punjab had lost to Gautam Gambhir-led Kolkata by 3 wickets in a thrilling final. Almost 10 years later, PBKS retweeted Salman's inquiry and wrote, "Match bil jheete or dil bil" on 'X'.

KKR VS PBKS: AS IT HAPPENED

It was a sweet revenge by PBKS over KKR as they thrashed the home team by 8 wickets at Eden Garden Stadium on April 26, Friday. In

a ruthless batting display by both the sides, a total of 523 runs were scored in 2 innings and a total of 42 sixes were hit, most in a T20 match. IPL 2024 Full Coverage | IPL 2024 Points Table and Standings | 2024 IPL Full Schedule

Jonny Bairstow roared back to form with a scintillating hundred as he scored 108 runs from 49 balls. The KKR bowlers, except Sunil Narine, were taken to the cleaners by the PBKS batters as Shashank Singh clubbed 68 runs from just 28 deliveries to help the team finish off the chase with 8 balls to spare.

Earlier, KKR openers, Sunil Narine and Phil Salt provided a thunderous start to the team with a 138-run opening stand and, despite the contributions from Shreyas Iyer and Andre Russell with the bat, the KKR bowlers failed to defend 262 runs.

Rashami Desai

SLAMS Trolls Fat-Shaming Her At Arti Singh's Wedding: 'I Can't Look 21 Forever'

Rashami Desai recently attended Arti Singh's pre-wedding festivities in Mumbai when she was targeted by trolls who made several comments regarding her body weight. The actress has now given a befitting reply to them. In a recent interview, Rashami slammed those who fat-shamed her at Arti's pre-wedding bash and stated that she does not need validation from anyone. "In the glamour world, there's pressure to meet certain beauty standards. But sometimes, people don't realise what you are going through. I have been unwell for a few months," Rashami told Hindustan Times. "You can either do what you want or listen to others. I choose the former. I don't need validation from anyone. Trolling comes with being in the public eye; it's a part of life," the actress added. Rashami further told trolls that she cannot look young all the time. "Surviving in this industry takes dedication. I can't look 21-22 forever. My journey is beautiful, but change is hard



for some people to accept," she said. The Uttaran actress clarified that the social media negativity does not affect her anymore because she has become strong over a period of time.

"It doesn't affect me anymore because I am not born with a golden spoon. Everything that I have learnt is on my own. The negativity around has never harmed me and that's one of the reasons I have been

very strong," she continued. "The function was Arti's, and her wedding was more important than my appearance. The trolling changes everyday, yesterday it was about my clothes, the day before about my character and before that, for any anonymous reason, which one must not have even thought of. How much attention can you give it? You got to do what you got to do," Rashami concluded.

Rashami Desai is known for shows like Uttaran, Dil Se Dil Tak and Naagin among others. She was also seen in Bigg Boss 13. Previously, in an interview, Rashami shared that she also wants to work in Bollywood. "As an actor, I want to explore more and I think it is my commitment to the relationship that I have with the audience. And that requires me to have patience. Things will not move my way overnight. Everything happens at its own pace and that is the beauty of it. Ever since I started my acting career, the only thing that I have learnt is that kuch acha chahiye toh usmein waqt lagta hai," she told Hindustan Times. "I want to do Bollywood. I have been dreaming and thinking about it for years. I admit that I did limit myself and my potential in some way earlier, which I want to break and explore," the actress added.



Agastya Nanda Gives Sibling Goals as He Fixes Navya Naveli Nanda's Gown, Video Goes Viral



Agastya Nanda won the internet with his sweetest gesture towards his sister, Navya Naveli Nanda. The actor was spotted attending an awards show on Thursday night with Navya and they looked stunning at the event. The Archies star slipped into a smart black tuxedo, which he styled with a bow tie and a pair of formal shoes. Meanwhile, Navya opted for a white gown which featured a long train. In videos shared online, Agastya entered the event holding Navya's train. Once on the carpet, Agastya helped arrange her train and posed with her. He also stepped aside to let her pose for solo shots. The gesture has impressed fans. Watch the video below:

Agastya, who Amitabh Bachchan's grandson, made his acting debut last year. The actor was seen in Zoya Akhtar's The Archies. The film was released directly on Netflix and received mixed reactions. Speaking with The Film Companion earlier this year, Agastya admitted he wasn't prepared for the negative reactions to The Archies. "Honestly, I didn't know how to deal with it. When you are not prepped in this area, you don't know that many people have many opinions. And that's okay, you must have your opinion but I didn't know what was going on. Some people hated it, some people liked it, some people were indifferent to it and that's ok," Agastya said.

The young star further shared that The Archies was his "first try" and even though it did not work as expected, he is ready to work harder. "On some levels, it didn't work and that's ok. It's my first try and I am going to work hard and get back up, try for the second and if that doesn't work then try for the third and then the fourth but to get to that realisation took me some time," he added. On the other hand, Navya often makes headlines for her podcast, What The Hell Navya. Navya hosted her grandmother, actress Jaya Bachchan and mother Shweta Bachchan on the show to discuss all kinds of subjects. Besides her podcast, Navya also recently revealed that she is preparing for her MBA entrance exam.

Kapil Sharma Calls Arti Singh 'Choti Behen' On Her Wedding, Sunil Grover Poses With Krushna Abhishek



Television actress Arti Singh tied the knot with Dipak Chauhan in Mumbai on Thursday. Their wedding ceremony took place at the ISKCON temple and was attended by several celebrities. Kapil Sharma also graced Arti's wedding to bless the couple. In a video that surfaced on social media, the comedian was seen calling Arti "choti behen (little sister)" as he sent her wishes. "I give her best wishes. She is Krushna's younger sister and so is ours. They are going to start a new life. May god bless them with happiness," Kapil said. The actor-comedian was also accompanied by Archana Pura Singh who also sent her wishes to the couple and said, "Hope they have a long and happy married life just like me." Watch the video:

Besides Kapil and Archana, Sunil Grover also attended Arti Singh's wedding. For the occasion, he sported an all-black attire and looked charming. He was seen posing with the bride's brother, Krushna Abhishek. One of the pictures also featured, Kapil, Archana and Rajiv Thakur posing with Krushna Abhishek and Kashmera Shah.

Meanwhile, Arti Singh's uncle and actor Govinda also made a grand entry to her wedding reception. Netizens were unsure about Govinda attending Arti's wedding especially after he skipped the TV star's Haldi, Sangeet and Mehendi ceremonies. Govinda has not been on talking terms with his nephew Krushna Abhishek, who is Arti's elder brother. The duo had a huge fallout in 2016. However, his entry surprised all. In a video shared by Viral Bhayani on Instagram, Govinda was seen all smiles as he made a grand entry to Arti's wedding. He also greeted the paparazzi stationed outside the wedding venue with folded hands. Previously, in an interview with Times Now, Arti revealed that she met Dipak Chauhan through his aunt, who acted as a matchmaker. Despite meeting many potential partners, Arti didn't connect with anyone until Dipak came along and made a genuine effort. Dipak even moved closer to her by relocating from Navi Mumbai to Andheri. Dipak is a successful entrepreneur and founder of an event management company. He's also the brand ambassador for Road Safety World Series. While Arti is well-known in the world of television, Dipak maintains a low profile with a private Instagram account. He's 38 years old.

Arti Singh Gets Emotional As She Walks Down The Aisle To Marry Dipak Chauhan; Inside Video Goes Viral



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surfaced online which shares a glimpse of Arti's bridal entry. In the video, Arti was seen walking down the aisle. She opted for a traditional red lehenga for her D-day and accessorised it with heavy jewellery. She was all smiles as she walked towards the love of her life. Arti was also seen

getting emotional. She then held Dipak's hand who complemented her in white-coloured sherwani. The couple looked gorgeous in their wedding outfits. Watch the video here:

Who Attended Arti Singh and Dipak Chauhan's Wedding?

Arti and Dipak's wedding was a grand affair which was attended by several celebrities. Krushna Abhishek's The Great Indian Kapil Show co-stars Kapil Sharma, Archana Pura Singh, Sunil Grover and Rajiv Thakur graced the wedding. Arti Singh's Bigg Boss 13 contestants including Shefali Jariwala, Vishal Aditya Singh and Hindustani Bhai also attended to bless her. However, the highlight of the evening was surely Arti Singh's uncle and actor Govinda, who also made a grand entry to her wedding reception. Netizens were unsure about Govinda attending Arti's wedding especially after he skipped the TV star's Haldi, Sangeet and Mehendi ceremonies. Govinda has not been on talking terms with his nephew Krushna Abhishek, who is Arti's elder brother. The duo had a huge fallout in 2016. However, his entry surprised all. In a video shared by Viral Bhayani on Instagram, Govinda was seen all smiles as he made a grand entry to Arti's wedding. He also greeted the paparazzi stationed outside the wedding venue with folded hands.

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