

## BULLS EYE

Rahul Juggernaut ...

Currently, Rahul Gandhi is making a series of allegations against the Modi government. Many BJP spokespersons, speakers, many Chief Ministers and many others are shouting and refuting those allegations. But Rahul Gandhi makes new allegations every day and how to respond to them. A powerful party like BJP seems to be helpless in such a dilemma. Rahul Gandhi alleged that there was a mess in the results of the Maharashtra elections. We had talked about it in this column. Now all the speakers and spokespersons of the Bharatiya Janata Party are denying it vehemently. They are making revelations after revelations. After that, Rahul Gandhi is making accusations after accusations. Today, on the occasion of the first anniversary of the third term of the Modi government, big advertisements have been published in Modi-loving newspapers. A storm of propaganda has been created by the powerful propaganda machinery of the Bharatiya Janata Party. Other opposition parties are not looking so much in form. But Rahul Gandhi is hitting sixes on sixes. In 2014, the Bharatiya Janata Party government came to power for the first time with a clear majority. At that time, Rahul Gandhi was a partial leader of the Congress. Because at that time he was the favorite pappu of the BJP. Therefore, the allegations he made were not taken seriously by the ruling party at that time. Nor did the public take them seriously. Now Rahul Gandhi has directly targeted the Election Commission. By questioning the credibility of this Commission, its credibility is in danger. After making such a statement, the Election Commission has called the allegations made by Rahul Gandhi. A clarification is needed while rejecting ridiculous allegations. However, the Election Commission has not made that. In the recently concluded war between India and Pakistan, the central government was very sincerely and actively supported by the governments of all the states in India. It was very sincere. At that time, it was not only Rahul Gandhi or the Congress party. All the opposition parties in the country supported the government. Parties with a particular caste in India had also said many times that they were with the government and had shown it through their actions. But now after the end of Operation Sindoor, Rahul Gandhi has torn that sindoor in such a way that the government is struggling to give an answer. Some Indian aircraft have been damaged in this war with Pakistan. There are allegations that Rafale also failed in it. But what is the problem in telling the country clearly about this Operation Sindoor. This is Rahul Gandhi's allegation. Many political experts say that this is very objective. A third party should not mediate in the differences between India and Pakistan. This was agreed upon during the Shimla Agreement and it is an eternal truth. Then the arrogant President of America, Trump, stopped the war ten, eleven times because of him. That is, he worked to stop the war. Why did he act so arrogantly? No one has understood this yet. Rahul Gandhi has also been targeted. The allegations that Rahul Gandhi is currently making. No one is disclosing it. It is not even understood where the terrorists who attacked have gone. However, Rahul Gandhi makes anti-national statements. This is the answer to every question of Rahul Gandhi. Which does not seem to be consistent at all in the current period, the people say. Then in this and such a situation, the Bharatiya Janata Party is now having to make accusations against the Congress and the Gandhi family, which are being chewed and rubbed. That is, the answers are being given like the Gandhi family's dynastic rule in the Congress, the Muslim-friendly Congress party, along with being anti-religious or anti-national, etc. Rahul Gandhi is left alone. Then there are one or two speakers like Kanhaiya Kumar who speak with such hatred in the Congress party. So the mouths of the Congress people are almost closed. But Rahul Gandhi alone is shocking the government by making strong allegations as we said above. Now the day before yesterday, Rahul Gandhi has alleged that there will be a vote counting scam in Bihar as well as Maharashtra. The army of the mighty Bharatiya Janata Party is not effective enough to answer the allegations of Rahul Gandhi alone. Overall, Rahul Gandhi alone has brought the government to its knees. It would not be an exaggeration to say this.

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## Fadnavis launches Guru Circuit, calls it inspiring journey



**Mumbai, June 9 (UNI)** Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis inaugurated the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Guru Circuit, a special train service under Indian Railways' Guru Yatra initiative, on Monday, describing it as an inspiring experience for all passengers. The launch took place at the historic Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus. Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister emphasized that the railways will preserve and celebrate the legacy of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. Currently, over 700 passengers travel on this circuit, with 80% under the age of 40 years, eager to witness firsthand the rich history associated with Shivaji Maharaj. The route promises travelers an immersive historical journey. Marking 351 years since Shivaji's coronation, Fadnavis expressed his delight that the railways was launched on this significant day. He highlighted Shivaji Maharaj's triumph over the Mughals and foreign invaders in establishing Swarajya. The Guru Yatra's itinerary includes key historical sites such as Raigad, Shivneri, Lal Mahal, Shivruti in Pune, and Amba Bai in Kolhapur. The Chief Minister congratulated Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw, Maharashtra's Cultural Affairs Minister Ashish Shelar, and the Tourism Department for their roles in making the project a reality. He also commended the passengers embarking on the inaugural journey of Guru Circuit.

# Five killed, 7 injured as passengers fall off local train at Mumbra station

**Mumbai, June 9 (UNI)**

Five people were killed and seven others injured on Monday when at least 10 passengers fell off an overcrowded local train that was about to arrive at Mumbra railway station in Maharashtra from Kasara, said police. Anil Shinde, senior police inspector of Mumbra police station, said the accident occurred around 9 am. "We rushed to the spot to find five people dead and 7 injured. The victims were rushed to the nearby Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Hospital, Kalwa out of which the four injured went to Jupiter hospital on



their own," Shinde added. Authorities attributed the tragedy to severe overcrowding, with many passengers reportedly hanging onto the train doors at the time. Railway officials and police promptly arrived at the scene, and the injured have been rushed to nearby hospitals for medical treatment. An investigation into the circumstances

leading to the accident is currently underway. The accident has disrupted local train services on the affected route. Further details are awaited as rescue efforts continue. Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis expressed sorrow over the accident. "I offer my heartfelt condolences to the deceased. The local administration is coordinating efforts on the ground. I pray to the Almighty for the swift recovery of the injured. The railway department has initiated an investigation to determine the exact cause of the incident," he said.

## Train incident unfortunate, the Railways has started inquiry: CM

Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis on Monday said the railways has begun a probe into the exact cause of the incident in which five train passengers died and seven were injured after they fell off an overcrowded local train. Terming the incident as very unfortunate, the CM said the injured were admitted to Shivaji Hospital and Thane General Hospital and are undergoing treatment. In a post on X, the CM said: "The incident of a total of eight passengers falling from a local train between Diva-Mumbra station and some of them lost their lives is very unfortunate. I pay my heartfelt tributes to them. We share the grief of their families."



## Good governance across sectors has boosted ease of living: PM

**New Delhi, June 9 (UNI)**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Monday that with collective participation of 140 crore people backed by good governance during his tenure, India has witnessed rapid transformation across diverse sectors leading to rapid progress and 'Ease of Living'. As he completes eleven years in his office on Monday, Modi also said, India has not only become the fastest-growing major economy but also a key global voice on pressing issues like climate action and digital innovation.

## HC lifts ban on manufacture, sale of PoP Ganesh idols ahead of upcoming Ganeshotsav

**Mumbai, June 9 (UNI)** Ahead of upcoming 10-day-long Ganeshotsav festival in Maharashtra, the Bombay High Court on Monday lifted the ban on the Lord Ganesh idols made of plaster of paris (PoP), creating an atmosphere of jubilation among sculptors and public Ganeshotsav mandals alike. The High Court has lifted the ban on the manufacture and sale of PoP Ganesh idols, however, it comes with a rider that these idols should be immersed only in artificial lakes and not in natural water sources. A bench of Chief Justice Alok Aradhe and Justice Sandeep Marne clearly said that it will not allow immersion of any PoP idols in natural water bodies. The court has directed the state government to appoint a committee within three weeks and submit a detailed and in-depth report to the court on the measures to be taken for immersion of PoP idols. With this decision, there is no obstacle for sculptors to make small and big PoP idols of Lord Ganesh for both household and public Ganeshotsav mandals.

## 'Modi govt's 11 years have harmed democracy, economy, society'

**New Delhi, June 9 (UNI)**

Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge on Monday hit out at the Modi government alleging that the past 11 years have deeply harmed "Indian democracy, the economy, and the country's social fabric". In a statement on social media platform X, Kharge accused the BJP-RSS alliance of systematically weakening constitutional institutions and undermining their



autonomy. He claimed that democratic values have been eroded through backdoor efforts to topple elected governments and by imposing a one-party authoritarian rule.

## 11 yrs of PM Modi's leadership have been 'golden period': Amit Shah

**New Delhi, June 9 (UNI)**

Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Monday hailed the 11 years of the Modi government as a "golden period marked by unwavering resolve, tireless endeavour, and dedicated public service". On his social media handle X, Shah said, "In these 11 years of service, India has witnessed a transformative era of economic resurgence, social justice, cultural pride, and robust national security." "The Modi government



has proven that when leadership is clear, resolve is unwavering, and the intent is rooted in public service, new benchmarks of service, security, and good governance are established," Shah asserted. Recalling the state of the nation in 2014, Shah noted that when Prime Minister Narendra Modi assumed office, the country was grappling with policy paralysis, lack of leadership, and rampant corruption.

## BJP's attempt to prove Rahul Gandhi's article false

**YAVATMAL / NAGPUR POST:** Leader of the opposition in the Lok Sabha and Congress MP Rahul Gandhi has alleged rigging in the Maharashtra assembly elections held in 2024. He has written an article in an English newspaper and claimed that the BJP colluded with the Election Commission. The BJP is getting angry over this article by Rahul Gandhi. Due to this, the Mahayuti government of Maharashtra is trying to prove that Rahul Gandhi's article is false. This information was given by former Congress state president Manikrao Thakare at a press conference at on Sunday. Speaking further, he said that the Mahavikas Aghadi has won the Lok Sabha elections. Due to this, there was talk among the voters that there was a wave of Mahavikas Aghadi in the Maharashtra assembly. But the Election Commission increased the voting percentage and the Mahayuti was able to win the assembly



elections. While everything was going well in favor of the Mahavikas Aghadi. After that, the Election Commission has played the game of increasing the voting percentage. In the five months preceding the assembly elections, the number of voters increased more than in the last five years. Voters are still confused about how the voting percentage increased so much. This was a pre-planned plan by BJP and Election Commission. Now Congress opposition leader Rahul Gandhi is presenting the truth to the public through his article. Agricultural Produce Market Committee Chairman Ravi Dhok, Congress councilor Prof. Anil alias Bablu Deshmukh, Arvind Vadhonkar were present.

## EAM holds talks with Belgian DPM



**Brussels/New Delhi, June 9 (UNI)** EAM S Jaishankar, who is visiting Brussels, today met the Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Belgium Maxime Prevot, during which he welcomed Belgium's support and solidarity with India in combatting terrorism. In a post on X, the EAM also said that he appreciated the strong momentum of the bilateral engagement and the India-EU partnership. "Pleased to meet DPM & FM @prevotmaxime at the start of my visit to Belgium. "Welcomed Belgium's support and solidarity in combatting terrorism. "Appreciated the strong momentum of our bilateral engagement and the India - EU partnership.

**Pune, June 9 (UNI)**

The Vidyanketan Education Trust on Monday launched the Kalpana Chawla Space Academy here. Speaking at inauguration ceremony, Bharat Bhushan Joshi, a retired scientist of the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), said that no matter how advanced science has become, only five percent of the total information of the universe has been made available to humans till date. In the coming period, it is the job of young scientists to bring the remaining information to light, there is a huge scope for the youth for this, he noted. Not everyone has to become an astronaut like Kalpana Chawla, but one can contribute to the progress of humanity in any role such as an engineer, scientist, artist, he added. Joshi advised students that to be successful in life, they should have a vision backed by continuous efforts. The programme was attended by the president of the institute, Advocate Madhav Bhone, vice president Narayan Bhargava and several others.

## 351ST ANNIVERSARY OF SHIVAJI MAHARAJ'S CORONATION CELEBRATED...



A large number of people gathered to witness the celebrations of 351st anniversary of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj's coronation, at Shivaji Maharaj Chowk, Mahalin Nagpur, Monday

Double murder shocks Nagpur within few hours

Ragpicker killed in Tehsil, man stabbed over loan in Kotwali

**Nagpur 9 June:** Two brutal murders within a span of few hours have sent shockwaves across Nagpur city, with incidents reported from Tehsil and Kotwali Police Station jurisdictions on the night of Sunday, June 8. One victim, a ragpicker, was bludgeoned to death in the Agrasen Square, while another man was fatally stabbed in a dispute over a loan in Lakadganj.

Ragpicker Bludgeoned to Death with Stone at Agrasen Square

At around 9:45 pm, Anurag alias Ghoda Sunil Borkar (33), a resident of Shantinagar, allegedly attacked and killed Anna alias Shailesh (aged 40-45), a ragpicker known to him. The incident occurred in front of Punjab Hardware and Sanitary Stores, Agrasen Square. Borkar is accused of

repeatedly hitting the victim on his chest and head with a stone, severely injuring him. He was taken to Mayo Hospital, where doctors declared him dead. Based on a complaint by Rakesh Sridhar Sabal (45), Tehsil Police registered a case under Section 103 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) and swiftly arrested the accused. The motive behind the attack is still under investigation.

Man Killed Over Loan Dispute, Two Accused Apprehended

Around 11:00 pm, a loan dispute turned deadly when Rahul Mohan Pande (24) was allegedly stabbed by Rohit alias Mari Namdev Chandekar (29) at Royal Electricals, behind Lakadganj bus stop. According to the police, Rahul had lent Rs 8 thousand to the



accused. When he asked for repayment, the accused called him to meet at the location, where he and his accomplices—Vicky Namdev Chandekar (33) and Niraj Larokar—were already waiting. After a verbal altercation, the trio allegedly assaulted Rahul and his friends. Rohit then stabbed Rahul, causing

fatal injuries. Rahul was rushed to Mayo Hospital but was declared dead on arrival. Based on a complaint by Rahul's mother, Sunita Mohan Pande (49), Kotwali Police registered a case under Sections 103(1) and 3(5) of BNS. Two of the accused—Rohit and Vicky—have been apprehended, while further investigation is ongoing.

Beware! Fake traffic e-challan scam spreading on WhatsApp in Nagpur, warn cyber cops

**Nagpur 9 June:** A fresh wave of cyber fraud has hit Nagpur and surrounding regions, with fraudsters circulating fake traffic e-challan messages via WhatsApp. These deceptive messages are designed to trick citizens into downloading a malicious application that can steal personal data and drain money from their bank accounts. Cyber Police officials have confirmed a surge in complaints related to this scam and have issued a warning to the public against interacting with such messages.

Fraudsters Impersonate Traffic Authorities:

The scam begins with a message received on WhatsApp from an unknown number. Disguised as an official notice, it often bears logos of the RTO (Regional Transport Office), Traffic Police, or the mParivahan app. The message claims the user has committed a traffic offence—such as jumping a red light—and needs to pay a fine.

Example of fake message content:

**Challan Number:** VA4516SDG4S168DG  
**Violation:** Red Light Jump  
**Fine Amount:** Rs 1,000

The message asks the recipient to view evidence

and settle the fine by downloading an app file named mParivahan.apk (8.6 MB), which is attached to the message.

Malicious App Poses Major Risk:

Once the file is downloaded and installed, it prompts the user to grant multiple permissions—access to contacts, SMS, phone logs, and more. The app may also attempt to set itself as the default SMS app on the device. By gaining these permissions, the fake app can secretly access OTPs, forward messages, and siphon off sensitive data—leading to potential bank fraud and identity theft.

Cyber Police Advisory

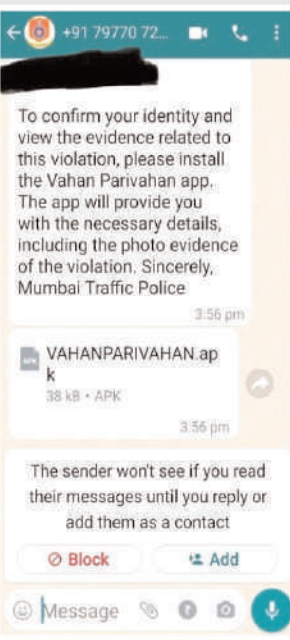
Cyber Police have urged residents to avoid clicking on any suspicious WhatsApp links or downloading files from unknown sources. They clarified that no government agency sends traffic challans through WhatsApp or asks users to install APK files.

Citizens are advised to check traffic violation details and pay fines only through verified portals such as:

https://echallan.parivahan.gov.in

Official State Transport Department websites

What To Do If You Receive Such a Message:



Do not click on links or download attached files.

Report the number to the Cyber Crime Helpline (1930) or file a complaint at www.cybercrime.gov.in.

Uninstall any suspicious apps immediately and perform a security scan on your phone.

As cybercriminals continue to exploit new methods, authorities are urging people to stay alert, verify messages, and protect their personal information at all costs.

'Pushcam' and 'Robocam' technology to detect pipeline obstructions

**Nagpur 9 June:** The Municipal Corporation (NMC) regularly supplies water to a vast urban sprawl — from large residential societies to small settlements. To ensure household-level water supply across the city, hundreds of kilometers of underground pipelines have been laid. Detecting leaks or any obstructions in this vast pipeline network poses a significant challenge. To ensure safe and pure drinking water for citizens, the NMC and Orange City Water Pvt. Ltd. (OCW) have taken a significant initiative. To address the issues encountered in maintaining a continuous water supply in Nagpur, NMC and OCW have now begun using advanced technologies. With the help of modern devices like 'Pushcam' and 'Robocam', obstructions within pipelines laid beneath the city's busy roads are being identified and rectified. In cases where residents report low water pressure or contaminated water, these devices conduct a thorough internal inspection of the pipelines. Devices such as the Endo 90 Robocam, Small Pushcam, and Big Pushcam can navigate and inspect pipe diameters ranging from 90 mm to 250 mm, identifying even the tiniest faults. These devices are equipped with advanced sensors that meticulously scan every inch of the pipe interior, detecting even minute defects. Through this technology, long-ignored issues are now being brought to light and addressed effectively. Often, water pressure drops due to accumulation of debris or silt within the pipes.



These cameras help identify such blockages, making it easier to restore proper pressure and flow to households. Contaminated drinking water is a serious health hazard. Whether due to pipe leaks or outdated connections, these cameras help trace the source of contamination, ensuring a clean water supply to residents. They are also capable of identifying unauthorized connections to the water network, aiding in their removal. Additionally, aging pipes often suffer from rust, silt build-up, or cracks — these devices help inspect the internal condition of the pipes, enabling timely replacements when needed. By adopting this cutting-edge technology, the Nagpur Municipal Corporation and OCW have taken a crucial step forward in pipeline management. Through the use of Pushcam and Robocam, the water supply system in Nagpur is becoming more efficient and safer, ensuring better public health and service quality. For more information about water supply, consumers can contact NMC-OCW Helpline No 1800 266 9899 or email at contact@ocwindia.com.

Traffic cops take action on 4511 riders flouting norms

**Nagpur 9 June:** Traffic cops took action against a total of 4511 riders under various sections of the Motor Vehicles Act and collected a total fine of Rs 5.60 lakh from the erring riders. Under the Bombay Liquor Prohibition

Act, 3 suspects have been arrested in 3 cases and material worth Rs 2 thousand was seized from their possession.

The Traffic Department has called upon the citizens to keep all the documents

related to the vehicle with them while driving.

Citizens and commuters have also been advised to abide by traffic rules, failing which fines and other penal action can be imposed upon them.

No significant monsoon rain expected until June 14

Avoid Sowing', Agriculture department advices farmers



**Nagpur 9 June:** The progress of the southwest monsoon has stalled across Maharashtra for nearly two weeks and is expected to remain sluggish until at least June 15. As a result, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) has predicted a rise in maximum temperatures across most parts of the state—except along the western coastal region—until June 14.

Vidarbha, Marathwada, and Khandesh to Witness Intense Heat

The forecast indicates that maximum temperatures will remain significantly high in Vidarbha, Marathwada, and Khandesh regions. In East Vidarbha, temperatures could soar to around 45°C, while in most parts of Vidarbha, the mercury is expected to stay above 40°C. Similarly, several areas in Marathwada and Khandesh are also likely to see temperatures hovering around 40°C.

Scattered Thunderstorms in Limited Areas

No widespread or monsoon-related rainfall is anticipated across the state before June 14. However, isolated pre-monsoon showers accompanied by thunderstorms may occur in parts of South Marathwada and South-Central Maharashtra, particularly in the early part of this week. Other regions may experience scattered and patchy rainfall, mainly in the afternoon or evening hours.

Agriculture Department Cautions Farmers

Given the absence of widespread rainfall and the expected rise in maximum temperatures, the State Agriculture Department has advised farmers—especially those in rainfed (dryland) areas—not to rush into sowing or plantation activities. Early sowing in dry conditions could lead to crop failure or wasted inputs if monsoon rains do not arrive on time.

Raisoni Chess: Top five seeded player sail smoothly



**Nagpur 9 June:** The top five seeded players won their first round games in the International FIDE Rating Open Chess Tournament (classical format), part of GH Raisoni Chess Festival that got under way on Sunday. The Chess Festival, consisting of classical, rapid and blitz FIDE rating chess events, was inaugurated at the hands of Atul Kumar Rastogi, IRS, Principal Commissioner of Central GST, Nagpur at GH Raisoni Institute of Information and Technology, Shradha Park, Wadi-Hingna Link Road on Sunday.

The tournament is being organised by GH Raisoni Sports and Cultural Foundation jointly with Kalpana Prakash Welfare Foundation and is recognised by the Chess Association Nagpur, Maharashtra Chess Association, All India Chess Federation and FIDE. CAMilind Kanade, Eminent Economist, spokesperson and president of Economic Cell of Maharashtra BJP was the guest of honour. Dr Vivek Kapoor, Director, Raisoni Group presided over the function. Bhushan Shrivastava, Organising Secretary & Secretary CAN and IAAjinkya Pingale were prominently present on the occasion. SS Soman, Member, MCA Observer Committee conducted the programme and proposed a vote of thanks. The first event is the International FIDE Rating Open Chess Tournament to be played from June 8-13 which is the classical event. The event shall be played in 11 rounds and has attracted 255 entries which includes 114 FIDE-rated players vying for the top prize of Rs 51000. The total prize fund for all three events is Rs 4,51,000. There are 48 female participants and 25 veteran participants in the event. The players of various age categories from 5 to 79 are participating in the event.

Former MLC Girish Vyas robbed of Rs 50 thousand in broad daylight



**Nagpur 9 June:** In a shocking incident, former Member of Legislative Council (MLC) Girish Vyas was robbed of Rs 50,000 in cash by two unidentified miscreants in a cleverly executed daylight theft near Darodkar Square in Nagpur on Sunday. According to police, Vyas was driving his car with his wife seated in the back seat when two men on foot signalled him to stop, claiming that his vehicle was leaking oil. Concerned, Vyas pulled over and stepped out to check beneath the car. As he was inspecting the vehicle,

one of the miscreants suddenly sprayed a chemical substance near his eyes, briefly disorienting him. Taking advantage of the confusion, the other accused swiftly opened the car door and snatched a bag containing Rs 50,000 in cash that was kept inside the vehicle. Both accused fled the scene immediately. Vyas promptly alerted the Lakadganj Police, who rushed to the spot and began a preliminary investigation. Senior officers, including Crime Branch personnel, visited the scene and began reviewing CCTV footage from nearby establishments to identify the culprits. Police have registered a case and launched a manhunt for the two accused. Further investigation is underway. This incident has raised concerns over public safety and the boldness of criminals targeting high-profile individuals in busy areas during daylight hours.

Nagpur traffic signals now speak Marathi: A cultural shift on the streets!



**Nagpur 9 June:** In a symbolic yet significant move to promote the use of Marathi in everyday life, the Nagpur Traffic Police have reprogrammed traffic signals at major intersections across the city to display instructions in Marathi. Motorists waiting at signals will now be greeted with the words 'thamba' (Stop) and 'Ja' (Go), replacing the usual English cues. The countdown timers, too, display Marathi numerals, marking a cultural shift on the city's roads. The move comes in the wake of Marathi being granted classical language status by the Centre in October 2024—a long-standing demand by language activists. Since then, the Maharashtra Government has stepped up efforts to assert Marathi's presence in official and public domains. From mandating its use in CBSE-affiliated schools and Central

Government offices, to encouraging Marathi signage and communication across departments, the campaign has been steadily gaining ground. The Traffic Police initiative may seem minor at first glance, but it represents a deeper effort to embed the language in the daily lives of citizens. Officials say the transition to Marathi signals is aimed at reinforcing linguistic pride and making the language more visible in urban public spaces.

"This is not just about traffic signs. It's about giving Marathi the prominence it deserves," said a senior traffic official involved in the project. As the initiative rolls out more widely across Nagpur, language lovers and cultural advocates are hailing it as a small but meaningful step toward preserving and celebrating Maharashtra's rich linguistic heritage—one signal at a time.

Horrific crash on Wardha Road: Youth killed in BMW hit-and-run incident

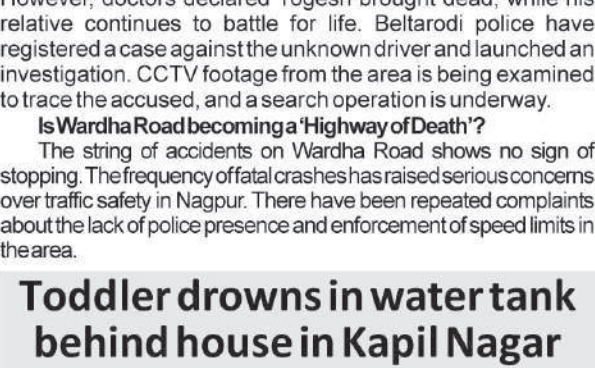
**Nagpur 9 June:** Yet another incident of reckless speeding has claimed a life on Nagpur's Wardha Road. A 25-year-old youth died after a BMW car rammed into his two-wheeler late Saturday night (June 8) in the Beltarodi Police Station area. The accused driver fled the scene following the accident. The deceased has been identified as Yogesh Bopche (25). He was returning after delivering a tiffin to a relative at AIIMS hospital when tragedy struck. Around 3:15 am near Chinchbhavan area, a speeding BMW car (HP-89/A 1592) rammed into their motorcycle from behind. The impact was so intense that both Yogesh and his relative were flung far onto the road. After the collision, the BMW driver fled from the scene. According to eyewitnesses, both victims were rushed to AIIMS hospital in a critical condition. However, doctors declared Yogesh brought dead, while his relative continues to battle for life. Beltarodi police have registered a case against the unknown driver and launched an investigation. CCTV footage from the area is being examined to trace the accused, and a search operation is underway.



Is Wardha Road becoming a 'Highway of Death'?

The string of accidents on Wardha Road shows no sign of stopping. The frequency of fatal crashes has raised serious concerns over traffic safety in Nagpur. There have been repeated complaints about the lack of police presence and enforcement of speed limits in the area.

Toddler drowns in water tank behind house in Kapil Nagar



**Nagpur 9 June:** A 3.5-year-old boy tragically drowned after accidentally falling into a water tank behind his home in Kapil Nagar area on Sunday, June 8 morning. The deceased, identified as Bhoumik Bisen, was the son of Brijesh Dhulichand Bisen (34), a resident of Plot No. 65, Goodluck Society, Nari Road, Santa Nagar, Kapil Nagar. According to police reports,

the child was playing near the rear side of the house when he fell into a tank meant for wastewater storage.

He was found unconscious and rushed to Mayo Hospital, where doctors declared him dead on arrival. Based on medical reports, Kapil Nagar Police have registered a case of accidental death. Further inquiry is ongoing.

Thieves steal gold ornaments worth Rs 4.88 lakh from locked railway quarter in Ajni



**Nagpur 9 June:** A burglary has been reported from the Ajni Railway Quarters in Ajni where gold jewellery worth Rs 4.88 lakh was stolen while the homeowners were away. According to the police, the incident took place between 7:00 am on June 7 and 12:30 pm on June 8 at Quarter No. 165/M near Durga Mata Mandir, Ajni. The complainant, Satish Baijural Shendre (46), had locked his house and left with his family to visit relatives in Rajnandgaon, Madhya Pradesh. During their absence, unidentified thieves broke the lock and latch of the main door, entered the house, and stole gold ornaments kept inside two wardrobes in the bedroom. A case has been registered at Ajni Police Station under Sections 305(a), 331(3), and 331(4) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS). Efforts are underway to identify and apprehend the culprits.

Amravati, Tuesday 10 June 2025

# Shiv Sena (Shinde Faction) and Moghe group establish dominance in Pandharkawada APMC polls

## BJP-Parwekar supported panel fails to win a single seat

**Amravati 9 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** In a resounding victory, the Shiv Sena (Shinde faction) and the Moghe-supported Shetkari Ekta Panel claimed 17 out of 18 seats in the Pandharkawada Agricultural Produce Market Committee (APMC) elections, leaving just one seat to an independent candidate. The BJP and the Parwekar-supported panel failed to secure even a single seat, marking a significant political upset. Voting took place on Saturday, with an impressive turnout of 98.56%. Out of 978 eligible voters, 964 cast their votes. The polling began at 8 a.m. and concluded by 4 p.m., followed by counting at the Shaheed Nageshwar Jiddewar Hall. Results were announced late at night. This defeat came as a



major blow to the BJP. The election was seen as a prestige battle for senior BJP leader Annasaheb Parwekar, Minister Ashok Uike, and MLA Raju Toddsan. A brief period of tension was reported during the counting process, but it was managed effectively under police supervision.

**Tough Contest in the Cooperative Societies Constituency**

The most intense contest was observed in the Cooperative Societies constituency, where members from 22 societies cast their votes. Salim Khetani, a staunch supporter of Guardian Minister Sanjay Rathod from the Shiv Sena (Shinde faction), played a key role in meticulously planning the campaign with support from the Moghe group. The combined strategy of both leaders led to a near-clean sweep for the Shetkari Ekta Panel, effectively securing their control over the market committee. Political observers view this election as a "trial run" ahead of upcoming local body elections. Given the decisive nature of the result, it is likely to have significant political implications across the region.

## ZP CEO Sanjita Mohapatra receives 'Scotch Award'

**Amravati 9 June (NAGPUR POST/DC):** Amravati Zilla Parishad Chief Executive Officer Sanjita Mohapatra has been awarded this year's prestigious Scotch Award. This award has been given to her for her innovative initiative 'Mission Melghat 28' to prevent malnutrition, reduce child and maternal mortality in Melghat. Launched in January 2022, the effective implementation of this

initiative has reduced the prevalence of malnutrition in Dharavi and Chikhaldara talukas and there has been a significant increase in institutional deliveries. As a direct result of the initiative, there has been a significant decrease in maternal and infant deaths since 2022. Mission Melghat 28 was selected as one of the 1 thousand projects from across the country, the first presentation of this project was successfully presented by CEO Sanjita Mohapatra to the Scotch award jury members on March 26. After that, the rating process for the 'Order of Merit' was completed, from which 50 projects were selected for the semi-finals.

**Only 20 projects selected from across the country**

On June 6, in the final presentation, Mission Melghat 28 was selected among the 20 best projects



Melghat @ 28, many infants have been saved directly and indirectly. This is not just service, an exemplary humanitarian initiative. The contribution of Anganwadi supervisors, workers and helpers is invaluable in the success of this initiative.

They took care of the diet, health and care of each child, the efforts to increase the weight and height of children through the Village Child Development Center (VCDC), daily door-to-door visits and other related efforts are all highly commendable. Pregnant women and lactating mothers have also been taken care of under the Amrit Aahar Yojana which is also noteworthy.

Therefore, the contribution of the Women and Child Development Department is as important as that of the Health Department in this concern. This award has been received for the service-minded work carried out by the officials and employees of various departments of the Zilla Parishad in Melghat Mission 28.

All this was possible due to teamwork, Sanjita Mohapatra, ZP CEO said.

from across the country and Sanjita Mohapatra was announced the Scotch Award for this initiative.

The Scotch Award is an award given to eminent individuals who have contributed towards the country. This award honours those people who have carried out excellent work in the fields of environment, education, health, women and child welfare, digital technology and administration.

This is a national level recognition of ZP CEO Sanjita Mohapatra's vision, hard work and social commitment. This award has brought laurels to Amravati district. The award ceremony will be held in New Delhi in September 2025.

**What is Mission Melghat @ 28**  
Through Mission

## Yashoda Coaching Classes celebrates World Environment Day



**Amravati 9 June (NAGPUR POST/DC):** Yashoda Coaching Classes organised a beautiful and important event to celebrate World Environment Day. In this event, an attempt was made to create awareness on the environment by planting saplings, organising awareness rallies and presenting plays. These encouraging activities were taken to maintain respect for the environment. While the occasion was celebrated all over the world, Yashoda Coaching Classes organised a rally to spread awareness about the importance of the environment in the local community. The rally took place from Yashoda Coaching Classes to Tapwon Gate, in which students gave various slogans for saving the environment. Slogans like 'Plant trees, save trees, save earth, 'Go Green', 'Environment is great, religion is great' reverberated across the atmosphere. An enthusiastic atmosphere prevailed in the areas through which the rally passed. Students presented plays on the environment at Tapwon Gate and Panchsheel square. The importance of planting trees, spreading awareness about the ill effects of plastic use and the message of 100 percent protection of the environment were conveyed through this play. 'Without planting trees, the intense heat of the sun will burn people', 'Remove plastic, save lives by planting trees' were some of the mottos which became prominently imprinted in the minds of the audience. Prof. Shubham Kadu, Director of Yashoda Coaching Classes, Prof. Shubham Ranawere the leaders of this initiative. The contribution of Prof. Rishikesh Pande, Prof. Sunamrata Khatri, Akshay Rathod, Andurkar Sir, Tejal Ingle, Sarika Rane, Hemant Sir was important in the preparation and organisation of this rally. The cooperation and enthusiasm of social worker Gajanan Jadhav, citizens of the area and students present were also important from the point of view of World Environment Day celebrations.

**Amravati 9 June (NAGPUR POST/DC):** Army soldier Ishwar Rameshwar Khadse (35), a resident of Narsinghpur in Dayapur taluka, died on Friday. He was cremated with full state honours in the presence of thousands of people in Narsinghpur village on Sunday at around 3 pm in a mournful atmosphere. The villagers gave a tearful farewell to Ishwar. Ishwar Khadse had been serving in the Army in Siliguri, Assam for 14 years to protect India. He lived in Narsinghpur with his family. He died on June 6 in Siliguri, Assam. His body was brought to his residence in Narsinghpur at around 1 pm on Sunday. At this time, Ishwar's mother, wife and other family members cried profusely. His funeral procession was taken out with full state honours. After that, he was cremated at the village Nirvana Bhumi with state honours. On the occasion, Vishnu Mondhe of the District Soldier Welfare Office, Prashant Bhad, ZB Kolsak, Taluka President of the Bharatiya Bhutpur Sainik Sanghatana Manohar Sardar, Subedar Mahashir Kumar of 8 Maharashtra Battalion NCC Amravati, CHM Rameshwar Jadhav, MLA Gajanan Lawete, Sub-Divisional Officer Rakeshwar Hander, Tehsildar Dr. Ravindra Kandaje, Pramod Kale, Engineer Nitesh Wankhade, Sahebrao Wakpanjar, Mohan Baikar and other dignitaries were present.



## Eid-ul-Adha celebrated with enthusiasm



**Achalpur 9 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** The holy festival of Islam, Eid-ul-Adha was celebrated with faith, devotion and enthusiasm at the historic Shahi Eidgah Maidan in the town. Special prayers were offered for peace, unity and brotherhood in the country. The Eid prayers were led by Khatib Syed Afzal Hussain. On the occasion, Syed Sagar Hussain, Syed Ejaz Hussain and city Qazi Syed Gaisuddin told the attendees about the religious significance of sacrifice. They also emphasised on the need to adhere to Islamic teachings, discharge their social responsibility and pursue religious education. Syed Sagar Hussain announced on the occasion that the Sunni

Ijtema will be organised on November 22 and 23. Against the backdrop of the festival, appropriate security arrangements were made by the police department and administration in the Shahi Eidgah area. A large number of prominent people and citizens from various fields of Achalpur attended this programme. Feroz Khan, Dr. Rehman, Dr. Anar Ansari, Mohammad Rafiq, Master Tanveer, Ahtesham Nabil, Jamil Saudagar, Abdul Munaf Saudagar can be specially mentioned. On the occasion, District Congress Rural President Bablu Deshmukh and other Congress office bearers extended Eid greetings to Muslim community brethren.

## Illegal banner menace proving to be a cause of concern

### Civic authorities turning a blind eye to the issue



**Daryapur 9 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** Currently, a network of unauthorised banners and hoardings has spread in the town, disfiguring the natural beauty of the town. These banners, which are placed without permission on electricity poles, squares, public buildings, and road stretches in the name of birthday celebrations, receptions, political programmes, or advertisements of various social institutions, have started to catch the eye of the citizens. <

What is particularly striking is that the Municipal Council administration is turning a blind eye to this menace. According to the Maharashtra Municipal Council Act, permission from the local administration is required to put up any advertisement board,

banner, or hoarding. But many people are avoiding the need to take this permission in Daryapur town. Banners have ruined the beauty of the squares and main roads of the city, and the possibility of accidents taking place has increased due to banners on electricity poles. Many banners often obstruct the vision of drivers. In some places, the banners are so large that the view of the road stretch is also blocked. Now the onset of the rainy season is about to take place. There is a possibility of thunderstorms looming large. Therefore, these hoardings and banners can be dangerous in such circumstances. Such incidents involving banners have already taken place in various cities of the state. Instead of pressurising the

administration to take action, many social organisations, trade associations, and local leaders in the city are keeping silent on this issue. This is also unfortunate as far as the people of Daryapur are concerned.

**Administrative negligence or political pressure being exerted?**

Importantly, unauthorised banners not only cause revenue loss, but even more troubling is the fact that the role of the municipal council administration becomes dubious regarding the whole issue.

It is being said that action is being avoided due to political connections as some elements among the civic authorities are well connected to some of the leaders whose activists have put up the banners in the first place.

## Final list for class XI admission to be declared tomorrow

**Amravati 9 June (NAGPUR POST/DC):** Admission to class XI in higher secondary schools has started through the central online system. The final merit list was to be declared on Sunday (June 8). Now the final merit list will be declared on Wednesday

(June 11). According to the information received from the board authorities, one more day was given to the students in the previous schedule dated June 2 for filling the application part-II (Priority of junior colleges). 84 Thousand students had filled part I of the application.

## FIR registered for hurting religious sentiments via WhatsApp status, accused arrested



**Balapur 9 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** An FIR has been registered at Balapur Police Station against one Mohammad Arkan Sheikh Kaleem (age 19, resident of Wadegaon, Tal. Balapur) under Crime No. 288/2025 and Section 299 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) for allegedly hurting religious sentiments through a WhatsApp status, which was offensive to certain religious beliefs. Acting swiftly on confidential information, the Balapur Police arrested

the accused promptly. The operation was carried out under the guidance of Superintendent of Police Archit Chandak, Additional SP Abhay Dongre, and Sub-Divisional Police Officer (SDPO) Gajanan Padghan. The arrest team included API Pankaj Kamble, PSI Hiwale, Police Constable Radheshyam Patel, Police Constable Ankush More, and Police Constable Akash Waghmare. Police have reiterated their commitment to acting decisively against any actions that could disrupt communal harmony and have appealed to the public to maintain peace and report sensitive matters to the authorities without delay.

## Akola police initiate crack down on public drinking

### Rs 1.49 lakh collected in fines from traffic rule violators

**Akola 9 June (NAGPUR POST/DC):** In a determined effort to ensure law and order in the district, the Akola Police, under the leadership of Superintendent of Police Archit Chandak, conducted a surprise blockade operation on June 7, 2025, between 7:00 PM and 11:00 PM. The operation aimed to curb illegal activities and maintain peace and public safety. During the drive, special police teams were deployed at various public locations across the district.

Action was taken against 57 individuals found consuming alcohol and creating public disturbances. These individuals were booked under relevant provisions of the Mumbai Police Act. Simultaneously, police checkpoints were set up at 24 different locations



across Akola district. A total of 1,063 vehicles were inspected, resulting in 288 cases of traffic violations. Fines amounting to Rs 1,49,500 were collected under the Motor Vehicles Act. Additionally, two cases were registered under Section 185 of the same.

Act for driving under the influence of alcohol. SP Archit Chandak has appealed to citizens to refrain from

engaging in unlawful activities and to cooperate with the police in maintaining law and order. He also urged residents to report any untoward incidents immediately to the police control room.

The Akola Police assured that stringent action will continue to be taken against offenders, and no leniency will be shown towards those who disrupt public peace.

## Two-wheeler stolen

**Amravati 9 June (NAGPUR POST/DC):** The incident of a motorcycle being stolen from the grounds in front of Nida High School, a place under the jurisdiction of Gadgenagar police station came to light on Saturday. The name of the owner of the lost motorcycle is Sachin Muralidhar Khande (aged 45 years, resident of Radhanagar Line, Shivajinagar). He has filed a complaint against an unidentified thief at Gadgenagar police station and further investigation in the matter is underway.

## GMC Amravati gets National Medical Commission show cause notice over deficiencies

**Amravati 9 June:** The National Medical Commission (NMC) has issued a show-cause notice to the Government Medical College in Amravati over inadequate infrastructural facilities and faculty shortage. In its inspection report, the Apex Medical Education Regulatory Body has highlighted that the college has less than 50 percent of the teaching staff prescribed in NMC's Maintenance of Standard Medical Education Regulations 2023, Rule 8. Live Nagpur has reported. Further, the Commission has also issued directions to the medical college to immediately start the recruitment process to fill up the vacant posts at the medical college. As per the latest media report, government medical colleges in Maharashtra received an NMC show cause notice in the month of May. The Commission issued the

show-cause after the infrastructure of the government medical colleges in the State was recently inspected by teams from the Maharashtra University of Medical Sciences. These teams highlighted in their reports major deficiencies in the infrastructure of government medical colleges.

They also concluded that less than 50 per cent teaching staff were available at the colleges as opposed to the norms. Consequently, the Commission issued the show cause notices using Section 8 of Chapter 3 of the Maintenance of Standard Medical Education Regulations 2023. NMC has the authority under these regulations to impose a maximum fine of Rs one crore for each deficiency in medical colleges. The college administration has already responded to the NMC notice issued

in May regarding the required number of beds, OTs, and teaching staff. The Government Medical College in Amravati has also received a show cause notice from NMC.

Media agencies have reported that the college was inaugurated in October last year, and the permission to fill up 450 posts was granted. However, the recruitment process could not be completed. In its inspection report, NMC has expressed discontent over the deficiencies in the college. Lokmat has reported that NMC's show cause notice to Amravati GMC is attributed to the mismanagement of the State's Medical Education Department. The policy of transferring teaching staff from established government medical colleges was adopted to show a documentary picture of meeting the criteria of the National

Medical Commission for approval of medical colleges. Commenting on the matter, the Dean of Amravati Medical College, Dr. Kishore Ingole told reporters, "We have the required number of beds."

We have informed the NMC that the recruitment process and interviews for the teaching staff are also underway. "Medical Dialogues had earlier reported that the National Medical Commission (NMC) had issued show-cause notices to almost all government medical colleges in Pune over vacancies of professors, staff, and insufficient infrastructure."

NMC issued the show cause after its team recently visited and examined the facilities available at the medical colleges. During the inspection, the NMC team found that the GMCs in Pune did not have enough staff/faculty, and facilities.

BUSINESS

Aayush Art and Bullion Ltd posts profitable growth in FY25 with Revenue up by 1000% to Rs 73.77 crores

**Mumbai 9 June:** Aayush Art and Bullion Ltd (BSE: 540718), formerly known as AKM Creations Ltd, today announced its audited consolidated financial results for H2 FY25 and FY25 for the financial year that ended March 31, 2025. The company reported a significant growth in revenue and profitability, driven by strong demand in its core segments and strategic business initiatives. This reflects the company's disciplined financial management and a focused approach toward growth.

For the financial year ended March 31, 2025, the company reported Rs 73.77 crore revenue from operations, 10 times Y-o-Y growth compared to Rs 7.33 crores reported in FY24. The company posted a net profit of Rs. 1.81 crore in FY25 compared to Rs 26 lakhs net profit reported in FY24, marking a almost 700% Y-o-Y increase. Earnings Per Share (EPS) was reported at Rs 1.81 as compared to Rs 0.21 in FY24. Company is completed debt free as on March 2025 with a strong growth over the last 5 years with Sales CAGR of 104% and 62% in Net profit over the last 5 years. Promoter group holding as on March 2025 stands at 20.71% (holding 31.70 lakh shares) as compared to 7.01% as on March 2024 (holding 8.70 lakh shares). Company management, Aayush Art and Bullion Ltd said, "FY25 has been a transformational year for Aayush Art and Bullion Ltd, marked by strong revenue growth and a significant improvement in profitability. This performance is a testament to the successful execution of our strategic initiatives, disciplined financial management, and the efforts of our dedicated team. As we turn the corner toward sustainable profitability, we are focused on scaling our business responsibly, creating long-term value for our stakeholders, and continuing our journey of growth and innovation." For the half year that ended on March 31, 2025 (October 1, 2024- March 31, 2025), company reported total income of Rs 47.19 crore, a Y-o-Y 77% growth from H1 FY25 (April 1, 2024- September 30, 2024) total income of Rs 26.58 crore.

Ericsson secures multi-year Managed Services Deal with Bharti Airtel

**New Delhi 9 June:** Ericsson (NASDAQ: ERIC) has been awarded a multi-year NOC Managed Services (MS) contract by Bharti Airtel, further strengthening the long-standing partnership between the two companies. This strategic agreement underscores Ericsson's leadership in managed services and reaffirms its commitment to delivering exceptional value to Airtel customers.

Under this agreement, Ericsson will enable intent-based operations, powered by its centralized Network Operations Center (NOC), to manage Airtel services across 4G, 5G NSA, 5G SA, Fixed Wireless Access (FWA), Private Networks, and Network Slicing.

This partnership will see Ericsson manage Airtel's pan-India network through its state-of-the-art NOC while scaling FWA and Network Slicing across the country.

"We are excited to enhance our strong collaboration with Ericsson as we pursue our goal of creating a future-ready network that delivers an exceptional experience for our customers. We believe that these innovative technologies will empower us to meet the growing data demands of consumers in a digitally connected India," Randeep Sekhon, CTO Bharti Airtel.

Andres Vicente, Head of Market Area Southeast Asia, Oceania and India, Ericsson, says: "This milestone agreement with Bharti Airtel reinforces our commitment to helping Airtel deliver the best possible experience for its customers. By leveraging Intent-Based NOC Operations, we will enable Airtel to unlock wider service diversification to meet customer needs, thereby enabling new revenue opportunities for Airtel."

Proud moment for the nation, Indian Medtech Start-up rings the bell in New York, Celebrates Nasdaq Debut



**New Delhi 9 June:** In a defining leap for Indian medical technology on the global stage, SS Innovations International, the creators of the indigenous SSI Mantra surgical robotic system—rang the opening bell today at the Nasdaq MarketSite in New York City. The company's shares are listed under the ticker symbol 'SSII'. The ceremony was led by Dr. Sudhir Srivastava, Founder, Chairman, and CEO of SS Innovations International, joined by members of the company's management team, Board of Directors, key advisors, and special guests. This milestone marks a proud moment for India, underscoring the nation's growing leadership in advanced medical technologies and heralding a new era of innovation and international recognition for Indian-origin healthcare solutions. SS Innovations International has made remarkable progress with its clinically validated and patented SSI Mantra Surgical Robotic System, which has been installed in 80 hospitals across 75 locations in India. The company has also expanded its presence internationally to countries including Nepal, Ecuador, Guatemala, the Philippines, Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Colombia and Ukraine. With over 4,000 successful robotic surgeries completed across more than 100 surgical procedures, the SSI Mantra is transforming access to advanced robotic surgery by offering a cost-effective solution to a broader patient population. With plans to expand into Europe and the United States, SS Innovations is positioning itself as a global leader in medical robotics, further solidifying India's pivotal role in shaping the future of healthcare technology worldwide. Expressing immense happiness and gratitude on the occasion of SS Innovations International ringing the opening bell at NASDAQ, Dr. Sudhir Srivastava, Founder, Chairman, and CEO of SS Innovations International, marks a proud moment for all of us at SS Innovations International, commemorating our successful uplisting to Nasdaq in April 2025. This milestone reflects the relentless dedication of our team in developing the SSI Mantra, an advanced, cost-effective and world-class surgical robotic system designed and built in India. We are also celebrating the successful completion of over 4,000 robotic procedures across more than 100 types of surgeries, with zero complications, injuries or mortalities, which is a testament to the system's precision and safety.

EDITORIAL

Eye Donation : A Noble Task



Imagine the happiness of someone who has lost their sight and is experiencing the world for the first time. Donating an eye is a meaningful gift that gives recipients the chance to experience something amazing. Donations of eyes are desperately needed in India, where millions of people are blinded by corneal disease. The gap between the number of people in need of corneal transplants and the number of potential donors is still quite large, even with advances in medical research. Donating an eye is a compassionate gesture that gives individuals who dwell in darkness the gift of sight, and it is more than just a medical operation.

Though all organs of the body are equally significant, eyes can somehow be considered a little more special. It renders us vision and lets us enjoy the aesthetics that the world has to offer. However, due to several kinds of visual impairments, many people lose their vision and the world turns dark to them. We can give them the gift of light by a simple step of eye donation.

June 10th is World Eye Donation Day, which raises awareness of the value of eye donation in helping people with corneal blindness regain their vision. It promotes efforts to boost corneal transplants globally and invites people to donate their eyes. The purpose of World Eye Donation Day is to raise public awareness of the importance of ocular donations and how they aid in their restoration. By lending their eyes to others in need, persons with the gift of sight can transform lives and help create a better, more promising future.

Approximately 25% of all visual impairment globally is caused by corneal blindness, one of the avoidable and treatable causes of blindness. About 1.5 crore blind people worldwide are caused by corneal blindness, with about 46 lakh cases occurring in India each and an additional 35,000 cases each year. The prevalence of corneal blindness is rising annually as a result of a number of factors,

including vitamin A deficiency, trauma, infections, and congenital conditions.

In India, only about 50,000 eye donations are made each year, of which only 60% can be used for corneal transplants, despite the fact that 2,50,000 corneal transplants are required annually to clear the backlog. Just 25,000 persons, or 0.3% to 0.4% of all fatalities in India, actually donate their eyes each year, and only 50,000 of those donations are gathered. In India, about 15,000 corneal transplants are performed annually.

Due to lack of awareness, social or religious reserves, etc, eye donation is not yet its due importance in our country. Thus, to raise awareness among the masses on eye donation, the National Eye Donation Fortnight is observed from August 25 to September 8 every year. Anyone can pledge their eyes irrespective of their age, religion or even medical history like diabetes, glaucoma and cataract can donate eyes. There is religious misconception that after the eye donation, the face will suffer from deformation by having holes. It is religious myth that if you donate your eyes in this birth it leads to blindness in the next birth; there is no scientific proof with the theory. In this process, the doctors remove only the cornea and part of the sclera which is the topmost layer of eye.

Eye donation is a noble act. The trend of donation with advanced technologies promises the world for providing more and more corneas to the affected people. The corneal transplant procedure is the gift of sight for someone in need. It is important that more and more people must join the fight against blindness and donate their eyes so that someone who is suffering from corneal blindness will be able to see this beautiful world.

**"Give the Gift of Sight"**  
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Time to reassess, size up Pakistan

Pakistan is a failed State. Pakistan should be declared a terrorist state. Pakistan's economy is sinking. Pakistan has been internationally isolated. We have dehyphenated ourselves from Pakistan. Even Prabowo Subianto, President of Indonesia, the world's largest Muslim-majority nation, delinked his visit to India from a trip to Pakistan. For a decade now, the Indian public has been fed this narrative. A leading New Delhi think tank even published a paper by one of its senior scholars, titled, 'Jaishankar Makes it Clear: Pakistan is Now Just a Sideshow for India.' What accounts for this hesitation on the part of the so-called 'international community' to call a spade a spade? On June 4, less than a month after the two nations were engaged in hostilities focused on terrorist groups based in Pakistan, the United Nations Security Council named Pakistan as vice-chair of its Counter-Terrorism Committee. This comes on top of a series of minor and major diplomatic victories for Pakistan over the past month. It is time to pay greater attention to our relations with our neighbour and to how the world views Pakistan. The first diplomatic shock came when on May 9, two days into the cross-border hostilities, the executive board of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) voted to extend an over \$2-billion loan to Pakistan. India was the only member of the board that abstained. All others, including all members of the Group of Seven, voted to give Pakistan a breather. The only Indian official who publicly criticised the IMF board for this decision, Raksha Mantri Rajnath Singh, did so almost as an afterthought. The IMF decision was followed by financial support from the



World Bank and the Asian Development Bank. Then spoke US President Donald Trump. In the first of a dozen statements so far, he claimed credit for getting the warring neighbours to declare a ceasefire. He persisted with his claims even after India officially denied that the US had anything to do with the ceasefire. To rub salt into Indian diplomatic wounds, President Trump not only equated India and Pakistan as good friends of the US but claimed that both are important countries because they are nuclear powers and that they would now trade with each other and the US to avoid future conflict. While many countries supported India in its battle against terrorism, only two — Israel and Afghanistan — named Pakistan as its sponsor. Within days, Beijing hosted a trilateral with Pakistan and Afghanistan and made the two make up. That left only Israel, accused today of conducting genocide against a hapless people, supporting India. Even Russia spoke with a forked tongue.

Days after the Pahalgam terror attack, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar mocked the European Union, saying that India was seeking "partners not preachers". Sure, no one preached after that. However, few partnered. Many in India are aghast. What accounts for this

hesitation on the part of the so-called 'international community' to call a spade a spade? Why has there been no whole-hearted condemnation of Pakistan or at least a more genuine expression of solidarity with India? Why did Prime Minister Narendra Modi have to depute multi-party delegations of members of Parliament around the world to do the work of India's ambassadors?

The point is that it was not always like this. The international community stood with India when in 1999 it repulsed Pakistani soldiers attired in mufti at Kargil. The global opinion on the status of Kashmir changed after that, with US President Bill Clinton giving his imprimatur to the Simla Agreement that sanctified the Line of Control as a virtual border. Clinton visited India for five days and Pakistan for five hours. He praised India and admonished Pakistan. Again, in November 2008, after the terror attack in Mumbai, the entire world stood with India. Pakistan was shamed for its role on both occasions because its role was manifest and, equally importantly, the world gave Indian statements due regard. Statements made by the governments of Atal Bihari Vajpayee and Manmohan Singh were taken seriously in all major capitals of the world.

ENTERTAINMENT

Navjot Singh Sidhu returns to 'The Great Indian Kapil Show 3': Feels like coming home gain



**Mumbai 9 June:** Former cricketer Navjot Singh Sidhu is set to make his comeback to Kapil Sharma's comedy show with its third season, the makers announced on Monday.

Sidhu was a permanent guest at "Comedy Nights with Kapil" between 2013 and 2016. He also appeared in the first two seasons of "The Kapil Sharma Show" and "Family Time with Kapil Sharma".

"The Great Indian Kapil Show 3" will stream on Netflix from June 21. The streaming platform shared the announcement with a video on its Instagram handle. "Ekkursipaajikeliye please. Har Funnyvaar Badhega Humara Parivaar with the comeback of Navjot Singh Sidhu & Archana Puran Singh. Watch them in the new season of The Great Indian Kapil Show, streaming from 21st June, at 8 PM only on Netflix," the caption on the streamer's X read.

Sidhu said returning to

the show feels like coming back home. "Coming to 'The Great Indian Kapil Show' feels like I'm coming home again. It is a home run for me. We heard the voice of the people, so many fans and well-wishers who loved our interactions and wanted to see more," he said in a statement. "A smile doesn't cost you a cent, but it is worth millions of dollars and 'The Great Indian Kapil Show' is an instrument of God's goodwill to bring happiness to mankind - honoured to be part of it again," he added.

Sharma said, "Humne promise kiya tha ki Har funnyvaar badhega Humaara parivaar and I'm so excited to have Sidhu paaji part of the family along with Archana ji to enjoy all the chutkules (jokes), the shayaris (poetry) and masti (fun). The mahaul (mood) is set, so stay tuned because this season jokes aur laughter dono ho gayein hain triple." The upcoming season also features Sunil Grover, Krushna Abhishek and Kiku Sharda.

Remember comedian Ahsaan Qureshi? He's back on television with Zee TV's Saru

**Mumbai 9 June:** Zee TV's Saru has struck a deep emotional chord with viewers, resonating through its heartfelt storytelling and powerful performances. As the show follows Saru's (Mohak Matkar) journey of courage and resilience in the big city, it's the dynamic ensemble cast that enriches the narrative. One such character bringing humour, heart, and poetic charm to the screen is Narayan Ji—fondly known as NJ in the show, played by celebrated actor and comedian Ahsaan Qureshi.

For years, Ahsaan Qureshi made the nation laugh with his signature shayari and sharp comic timing. Audiences have known and loved his work—and now, after a six-year hiatus, he's back on television, doing exactly what he does best: bringing laughter into people's lives.

Marking his return to television, Ahsaan steps into a role that feels like a natural extension of his unique comedic and poetic flair. As Ved's (Shagun Pandey) childhood caretaker and lifelong confidant, NJ is much more than a companion—he is a guide, a sounding board, and a steady presence who softens life's wit with shayari-laced punchlines and impeccable timing. NJ offers light-hearted relief while also serving as the emotional anchor in Ved's life.

Sharing his enthusiasm, Ahsaan Qureshi said, "I've returned to the camera after a long time, but didn't let go of the mic or my sense of humour! I am looking forward



to working on my first show with Zee TV and thrilled to team up once again with the wonderful team at Shashi Sumet Productions. Stepping into the world of Saru has felt like the perfect next chapter for me, the show carries depth and meaning. NJ isn't just a character for me—he's the voice of everyone who knows how to smile even on life's toughest turns. NJ is always a steady source of support, be it for Ved or Saru. Through poetry, I hope to share some wisdom, and with humour, a little comfort—that's what I aim to bring to Saru."

As Ahsaan Qureshi brings his signature poetic twist to Saru, the show continues to evolve with new challenges, especially with Anika constantly stirring up conflict in Saru's path.

Stay tuned to Saru to find out more, every day at 7:30 PM, only on Zee TV!

'Housefull 5' earns Rs 91.83 crore at box office in three days



**Mumbai 9 June:** fifth instalment in the 'Housefull 5', featuring Akshay Kumar, Nana Patekar and Jacqueline Fernandez among others, has collected Rs 91.83 crore nett on its first weekend, and the makers announced on Monday. Produced by Sajid Nadiadwala's production banner Nadiadwala Films, the film has been directed by Tarun Mansukhani of 'Dostana' fame.

Also featuring Sonam Bajwa, Nargis Fakhri, Soundarya Sharma, Jackie Shroff, Riteish Deshmukh, Fardeen Khan and Sanjay Dutt, the film released in theatres on June 6. It is the

collection on its X office with the day-wise breakdown. "A weekend full of laughter, love and 'Housefull' screens! Thank you for making Day 3 so special. Our hearts are full because of you. #Housefull5 In Cinemas NOW! Book your tickets today," read the caption.

The franchise began in 2010 with the first 'Housefull' film, which went on to have good business at the box office. Following, the other instalments released in 2012, 2016 and 2019, respectively.

Al Pacino on denying 'Star Wars' film: Can't play something if I don't speak the language

**Los Angeles 9 June:** Hollywood veteran Al Pacino says he was offered a "Star Wars" film, but he turned it down as he didn't connect with the script. The first "Star Wars" film released in 1977, starring Mark Hamill and Harrison Ford was directed by George Lucas. There have been 12 films in the franchise in total.

Pacino recalled getting the script for the film but said he couldn't understand it. "So I

loved their work, but I was doing a show on Broadway at the time, and they handed me this script, and I thought, I don't understand. (I thought), I must be out of space myself."

"But I looked at this thing and I sent it to Charlie Loughton, my friend and mentor, actually. I said, 'What do you make of this?' He was pretty wise and he said, 'I don't get it. Al, I don't know. I don't get it.' I said, 'Well, I don't either;

what are we going to do? They offered me a fortune, but I don't know. No, I can't play something if I don't speak the language," he added. The last "Star Wars" film, titled "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker" was released in 2019. Directed by J.J. Abrams, it featured Hamill. Pacino's latest work is "The Ritual" from David Midell, which released on June 6. It featured the actor alongside Abigail Cowen.



# 351st Anniversary of Shivaji Maharaj's coronation celebrated at Zilla Parishad

**Amravati 9 June (NAGPUR POST/DC):** On the occasion of the 351st anniversary of coronation of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, an event commemorating the occasion was held at Zilla Parishad Amravati. ZP Chief Executive Officer Sanjita Mahapatra worshipped and garlanded the statue of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj in ZP premises.



Maharaj.

Also, the Swarajya flag along with Swarajya Gudhi was erected and saluted on the occasion. After that, the national anthem and state anthem were sung by the dignitaries. This day is a day of pride for every Marathi person. While working in Maharashtra for so many years, I have been hearing about Shivaji Maharaj's glorious and noble deeds. Therefore, I feel very proud that I am working in a state whose history has been shaped by the works of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, Sanjita Mahapatra said on the occasion. She also extended best wishes to everyone and said that there are many things to learn from the reign of Chhatrapati Shivaji

She appealed to the officials and employees to emulate him. On the occasion, Project Director Priti Deshmukh, Chief Accounts and Finance Officer Hemant Thakre, Deputy Chief (Finance) Sanjay Khairkar, District Animal Husbandry Officer Dr. Purushottam Solanke, Education Officer (Secondary) Priya Deshmukh, Account Head of the ZP were prominently present during the ceremony. On the occasion, under the leadership of Group Education Officer Dhananjay Wankhade, the NCC students of Girls' High School Amravati saluted the chief guest amidst a guard of honour being given

by the band squad. This ceremony was attended by personal assistants Dnyaneshwar Ghatge, Nilesh Talan, Pankaj Gulhane, Nitin Mahore, Shrikant Meshram, Parmeshwar Rathod, Hemantkumar Yawale, Vijay Kavitar, Sujit Gawande, Satish Pawar, Avinash Gawande, Gajanan Pachpore Vishal Widhe, Jivan Nare, Balkrishna Andhale, Dinesh Tambde, Dinesh Raut, Archana Mankar, Arpana Atram, Pankaj Gorle, Rajni Maske, Devendra Duble, Aditya Tayade, Nishant Tayade, Sharad Chahakar, Manisha Andhare, Parikshit Barahate, Gajanan Junghare, Sachin Gaigole and other officials and employees of the Zilla

Parishad. Rajesh Savarkar disseminated information in this concern.

We should not forget our historical happenings

What is the purpose behind celebrating any historical occasion? We should not forget our history. Shivaji Maharaj never saw himself as a king, he sat on the throne in order to serve the people.

Similarly, we officers and employees, when we are on the chair, should be behaving as a public servant and not as bureaucrats dealing in a high handed manner. Everyone should inculcate virtues such as transparency, impartiality and render service while on duty, she said on the occasion.

## Three day idols installation & consecration ceremony commences today

**NER / NAGPUR POST:** The work of the Sant Nagaji Maharaj temple in Ashoknagar has been completed.

Therefore, the installation of the idols of Sant Nagaji Maharaj, Shri Krishna and Sant Sena Maharaj and the Pranpratishtha ceremony of the Mahadev pind brought from Rajasthan will be held from June 10 to 12. Religious ceremonies such as Jalabhishek, Shobhayatra, Homahavan, Pranpratishtha, Kalayache Kirtan and Mahaprasad will be held. The idols installation and Pranpratishtha ceremony will be held on June 11 by Vasudev Maharaj (Dabha). Kirtan of Madhukar Maharaj Pachpute will be held at night. Kalayache Kirtan and Mahaprasad have been organised on June 12. The idols donors include Sumitra Manik Chinchorkar, Diwakar Tulshiram Dhole and Sanjay Govind Tambakhe.



The ceremony will be attended by Guardian Minister Sanjay Rathod, Uddhavbaba Sansthan Manki Amba President Pawan Jaiswal, Pradipnand Mauli, Vitthal Maharaj Pune, Devdutt Maharaj Adhav, Vithoba Maharaj Khanjode, Arun Maharaj Salodkar. Organizing committee members Gajanan Maharaj Papalkar, Neelkanth Tayde, Vilas Mahulkar, Ajab Chinchorkar, Purushottam Ugvekar, Vinod Agashe, Naresh Kohle, Santosh Darvathkar and Nitin Khedkar have appealed to attend the ceremony.

## District Committee of Kshatriya Rajput Samaj Samiti formed

**YAVATMAL / NAGPUR POST:** The new executive committee of Kshatriya Rajput Samaj Samiti Yavatmal district was elected unopposed. In this, Raghuveersingh Chauhan has been elected unopposed as the district president of the committee for the second consecutive time.

A special meeting was recently held at the office of the Thakur Vidyalaya to elect the new executive committee. On this occasion, the office bearers and members present elected the new executive committee of the committee. In this, Raghuveersingh Chauhan, Vice President Vijaysingh Sengar, Vice President Mahendrasingh Bhadoria, Secretary Narendrasingh Sengar, Joint Secretary Adv. Areshsingh Khatwar, Treasurer Raghuveersingh Bais, Publicity Chief Bharatsingh Bais, Executive Members D. P. Singh, Hirasingh Chauhan, Dinesh Singh Geherwar,



Yogeshsingh Biser, Panchamsingh Sarswar, Kailashsingh Bais were elected. District President Raghuveersingh Chauhan assured that with the cooperation of office bearers, members and all the Kshatriya Rajput families of Yavatmal district, the Kshatriya Rajput Society and the District Committee will be actively working for the welfare of the society and the Kshatriya Rajput families in the district will be organized soon.

## Free Health Diagnosis Camp in Darwha on June 15

**DARWHA / NAGPUR POST:** On the birthday of the State Soil and Water Conservation Minister and Guardian Minister of the district Sanjay Rathod, the Arogya Sankalp Abhiyan is being implemented in Digra-Darwha-Ner assembly constituency. Under this campaign, a free diagnosis, surgery, treatment and medicine distribution camp has been organized on June 15 from 10 am to 2 pm at Nagar Parishad School No. 2 in Darwha. It is being implemented in collaboration with Maa Arogya Seva Samiti, Yavatmal and Acharya Vinoba Bhave Rural Hospital, Sawangi Meghe run by Datta Meghe Medical Institute. In this camp, free examination, diagnosis, treatment, surgery and medicine distribution will be provided for cancer, blood pressure,

kidney disease, heart disease, eye disease, hydrocele, hernia, hemorrhoids, stomach disorders, thyroid, breast cancer, menstrual diseases, bone diseases, ear-nose-throat, respiratory diseases, dental diseases, brain disorders, mental diseases, pediatric diseases etc. In this camp, examinations will be conducted by renowned expert doctors. Mammography examination for breast cancer, plastic surgery, infertility



counseling, varicose vein examination will be done. Necessary tests of the admitted patients will also be done free of cost. The patients participating in this camp will also get highly specialized treatment and facilities. The registration of the patients will be done at the camp site itself. While coming to the health check-up camp, the patients should bring their Aadhaar card and ration card. Also, a blood donation camp has been organized at the health camp site on the occasion of the birthday of Guardian Minister Sanjay Rathod. Shiv Sena Darwa and the organizers have appealed to more and more citizens to participate in this camp.

## MPCC's Mashaal rally on June 12

**Gadchiroli 9 June:** Maharashtra Pradesh Congress Committee (MPCC) will hold 'Mashaal Rally' in Gadchiroli on June 12, to create awareness about 'social, political and agrarian' issues.

Party spokesperson Atul Londhe said, "We will focus on farmer issues apart from what our leader, Rahul Gandhi, wrote about the state

assembly polls being rigged in Maharashtra last year." The rally will be spearheaded by state Congress president Harshwardhan Sapkal who is currently locked in a battle of words with his counterpart in BJP Chandrashekhar Bawankule over allegations of Maharashtra assembly polls being rigged. On Saturday, Congress neta

Rahul Gandhi wrote an article alleging poll rigging by BJP in Maharashtra, and picked Kamptee constituency as a case study.

Since Bawankule represents that constituency, a war-of-words between him and Sapkal ensued. With Sapkal arriving on Monday in Nagpur, this verbal duel is likely to escalate. Congress' rally is being keenly watched

by political observers as local body polls are due in a few months. It was Rahul Gandhi's Bharat Jodo Yatra which created quite a stir and traction for the party ahead of Lok Sabha polls. Many leaders in the party believe that such long yatras or at least rallies which connect the party with public directly is a key element in poll strategy to regain lost ground.

## Karate students succeed



**NER / NAGPUR POST:** The first district level karate competition organized by the Sports Shotokan Karate Association of India was held at Digra on Sunday, June 8, 2025. In this competition, the students of Sports Shotokan Karate Club Ner participated according to weight group and age group. The students of Ner showed excellent performance and secured first, second and third positions and brought glory in Ner city.

These students are selected for the zonal level karate competition to be held on July 20, 2025 at Wardha. The participating students are Ayush Daroi, Adarsh Daroi, Aryan Wadekar, Bhavesh Dhole, Aryan Brahmatkar, Samarth Yadav, Samyak Misme, Tanmay Khandel, Atul Kumawat, Anshuman Bansod, Ankit Dhole, Piyush Avghad. The students of this competition gave the credit for their success to their parents. Their guide and coach are Vijay Salode and Preeti Shrivastava.

## C-60 commandos gearing up for final, decisive assault on Abujmarh

**Gadchiroli 9 June:** Maharashtra's elite C-60 commandos are gearing up for a final assault on Abujmarh, tottering headquarters of the People's Liberation Guerrilla Army, buoyed by CM Devendra Fadnis's historic visit to the area on Friday. In Odisha, police have intensified searches in Charnal forests of Sambalpur after reports about the influx of Maoists pushed out by security forces' offensives in neighbouring Chhattisgarh. The spotlight, however, remains on Abujmarh, where Operation Clean-up aims to decimate the last vestiges of the military wing of the five-decade old Maoist movement in Maharashtra's eastern flank, say top sources in the state's anti-Naxalite apparatus. A top guerrilla on the radar is central committee member Mallojula Venugopal Reddy, alias Bhupathi or Sonu. Intelligence inputs suggested he was holed up deep inside

the booby-trapped forested hills of Abujmarh and spotted a few km off Kawade -- the hamlet CM Fadnis visited two days ago. Although Bhupathi had appealed to the Centre for a ceasefire and despite his wife Tarakka surrendering a year ago, the veteran may opt to fight till his last breath. Apart from the uncertain terrain, the battle-hardened C60 commandos are also concerned about rains which would make the hills unapproachable with numerous overflowing rivulets and nullahs. Other Maoists on the hit list are Kadari Satyanarayana Reddy alias Kosa, Madvi Hidma, Devuji alias Devji and CPI (Maoist) general secretary Ganapathy. They are frequently shifting bases in Abujmarh and in the three-state junction of Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh and Telangana. Another top leader, Prabhakar, head of the Dandakaranya Special Zonal Committee, is also a



challenge for the forces. Kosa, a veteran revolutionary, and Bhupathi are considered the ideological fountainhead and brother of the late Maoist leader Mallojula Koteswara Rao (Kishenji). Intelligence reports suggest the duo is desperately changing locations to evade capture, moving through the treacherous terrain of Abujmarh, a region known for its inaccessibility and strategic importance to the Maoists. Sources claimed the youngest among the last few

politburo members, Hidma, heading "Battalion One" in Chhattisgarh, is likely to have suffered injuries in gun battles with forces last month and has gone underground. "All the top Telugu leaders of the Central Committee and Politburo are 60 years and above, which has made them unsuitable for this challenge," said a top cop. Pressure on top cadres intensified after 12 senior Maoists surrendered to Gadchiroli police on Friday, a significant setback for the outfit. The surrendered cadres, reportedly from the

Maad area, are believed to have provided critical intelligence about the movements of Kosa and Bhupathi. In Odisha's Sambalpur, intelligence inputs suggested suspicious movement of some rebels from Chhattisgarh, prompting the searches. "It is not fully confirmed if the rebels dispersed and are trying to shift their bases. Considering their dwindling numbers in Odisha, it is not likely that they will mount offensive action against forces," said a senior police officer. Earlier, DGP Y B Khurana said Odisha police are working hard to nip left-wing extremism in the bud, reiterating the police effort to meet the Centre's target of eliminating LWE violence by March 2026.

## World Environment Day celebrated with gusto

**Nagpur 9 June:** On the occasion of World Environment Day, in order to responsibly play its role in environmental protection, South East Central Railway Nagpur Division under the guidance of Divisional Railway Manager Deepak Kumar Gupta organised activities based on imparting awareness, dialogue, and behaviour change and environmental awareness programme in the major railway stations and premises/railway colonies of the division for sake of enhanced awareness regarding environment conservation. On the occasion, the dignitaries reminisced the organisation's contributions from the point of view of enhancing awareness related to environment conservation and taking initiatives from the point of view of environment conservation especially in the form of conducting tree plantation drives.

## High fluoride content in water emanating from Gosikhurd dam a concern for farmers

**Bhandara 9 June:** Lahu Ghuguskar, Ramesh Yelne, Rajaram Jhaware and other farmers, who head different water users cooperatives in Bhandara district, are happy to finally get water from the Gosikhurd dam in recent years. However, there is also a concern -- they say the water has high fluoride content. Their farmhands come under Ambhara, Nerla and Tekepar lift irrigation schemes (LIS) of the Gosikhurd project. If irrigation helped them go for a summer crop too, the dam water also comes with the fluoride hazards, said the farmers who had gathered at the Pani Parishad conference under way in the city on Sunday. "We have been getting water since 2018. It has helped cultivate a second round of paddy crop. However, the water is full of fluoride, and the fields turn white due to the residue," said Yelne, whose cooperative draws water from Nerla LIS. Farmers have to form registered users cooperatives to draw water from an irrigation project. "The water needs to be filtered before it reaches the farmers," said Yelne. Ghuguskar, from Jai Kisan Water Users Society under the Ambhara LIS, says

that because of the fluoride content, no other crop can be taken up. "Paddy is rugged, but even its yield has come down. I could not cultivate chili due to the fluoride issue," he said. "The water is not fit for cattle. It also leads to kidney ailments among humans," said one of them. "Even the farmhands who enter the fields start turning white faceskin issues," said Anil Talmale of Jai Hanuman Water Users Cooperative. The water from Nag Nadi and Kanhan at Nagpur merges into the Wainganga river, on which the Gosikhurd dam is built. "There has to be filtering at the stage where Kanhan merges into Wainganga so that the fluoride levels can be controlled," said the farmers. "I am not sure if it's fluoride or not. We started getting the Gosikhurd water only two years ago, but it certainly leaves a white cover on the fields," said a farmer from a water users cooperative from the area under Tekepar LIS. Pravin Mahajan, an independent water expert, said measures are needed to prevent sewage water from Nagpur flowing into the Wainganga. "This would help in saving the Gosikhurd dam too," he said.

## Damaged road stretch near Jhulelal Park posing serious risk among locals



**Nagpur 9 June:** Commuters travelling through the Jaripatka area of Nagpur are facing serious safety risks due to the worsening condition of the road near Jhulelal Park, particularly between Shivgiri Chowk, Om Nagar, and Arcado Tower III. A large, water-filled pothole in front of Arcado Tower III has become nearly invisible due to stagnant water, especially after recent rainfall. With no proper drainage in place, the road has become a hazard, making it difficult for two-wheeler and four-wheeler users to judge where the road ends and the pothole begins. Rajiv Bhagchandani, a local resident, shared his close encounter: "While dropping my daughter for her class,

I almost lost control of the vehicle. You can't see the pothole at all. It's just a pool of muddy water." Locals complain that despite multiple appeals, there has been no response or action from civic authorities. Many residents are unsure about where and how to lodge complaints, and feel that their voices are being ignored. The road has reportedly been in a damaged state since early June. With the monsoon approaching, residents fear that the condition may deteriorate further, increasing the risk of accidents. Citizens are now urging the Nagpur Municipal Corporation to take immediate action to repair the road, clear the waterlogging, and provide a safer commuting route before the situation worsens.

## Nagpur schools mandate GPS trackers on buses, driver checks to boost safety

**Nagpur 9 June:** The Maharashtra State Education Department has introduced new rules to enhance safety in school transportation across the city, just before the start of the new academic year. According to the Government Resolution (GR), all school buses must now be equipped with GPS trackers. This will allow authorities and parents to monitor the bus routes and ensure students' timely and safe travel. In addition to GPS tracking, comprehensive background checks will soon be mandatory for all school bus drivers. This includes verifying their driving records and checking for any history of accidents. To further ensure safety, drivers, cleaners, and female attendants will be subjected to regular alcohol and drug tests, particularly before the morning pick-up and evening drop-off times. Only authorised personnel will be allowed inside the school buses, and parents using private



vehicles such as vans or autos for their children's transport are urged to verify the driver's identity and share this information with the school. It is also advised that parents keep a record of driver details for their own safety. Sanjay Tayde-Patil, founder-president of the Maharashtra English Schools Trustees Association (MESTA), stressed the importance of police verification for

drivers of private vehicles. He said, "Parents must ensure the drivers they employ have a police-issued character certificate." However, he acknowledged that enforcing these rules practically, especially after school hours, may be challenging. Schools have also been asked to set up systems to alert parents if a student does not board the bus or is absent on a particular

day. While many organised school fleets already follow these safety norms, this new government directive formalises and expands the requirements to cover all schools and transport providers. These steps aim to provide a safer travel environment for students and give parents peace of mind regarding their children's safety on the road.

## Conferment of Autonomous Status to JDIET by UGC



**YAVATMAL / NAGPUR POST:** Shri Jawaharlal Darda Education Society established Jawaharlal Darda Institute of Engineering and Technology (JDIET) with a vision to deliver excellence in engineering education. The society purposely established this institute way back in 1996 in Yavatmal so as to cater the need of local and regional students who were aspirant for engineering education. Around 8000 students completed their engineering degree from JDIET and are now placed in more than 26 different countries in the world. This not only uplifted the students of Yavatmal region but also made them

capable to take care and give better life style to their families. JDIET is committed to provide quality education and is continuously upgrading its standard. Last year JDIET got accredited with A+ grade by NAAC and this year UGC has conferred Autonomous Status from the academic session 2025-26. By getting Autonomous status JDIET will be able to develop curriculum and conduct examinations for the students so as to make them competent and employable. Institute is developing competency focused curriculum which will be in line with NEP-2020 requirements. The Industry Institute Interaction cell of

JDIET is active in collaborating with Industries and are getting inputs for curriculum design based on requirements of industries. Institute is also working on all round development of students and considering their capabilities ensuring attainment of attributes among them. The team of JDIET collectively worked for the conferment of Autonomous status and Dr. Vijay Darda, Founder President JDES, Shri Devendra Darda, President JDES and Shri Kishor Darda, Secretary, JDES appreciated the work done by Dr. R. S. Tatwawadi, Principal and entire staff members of JDIET for this achievement.

## Three cows die after eating stale food

**Daryapur 9 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** Three cows in Thilori have died after getting poisoned due to stale food thrown at Meher Krupa Resort here. This incident is extremely infuriating, and local citizens have expressed strong displeasure over the local administration's negligence. When the cows of farmers Amit Hole and Nilesh Sudhakar Raut from Thilori went out for grazing, they ate stale food thrown in the vicinity of Meher Krupa Resort on Bhatkuli Road. Two cows of Nilesh Raut and one belonging to Amit Hole died due to poisoning. Earlier also, one cow of Amit Hole had died in a similar manner. After the death of the cow, Amit Hole had submitted a written memorandum to authorities at Municipal Council Daryapur. However, no concrete action has been taken till date. The matter has been reported to Daryapur police station, and the police



are investigating the incident further. Such incidents are raising questions about public health issues and the endangering of the lives of animals due to the menace. Citizens are expressing the view that the government agencies should immediately pay attention and take strict action against such resorts. Citizens submit memoranda to the municipal council administration from time to time. But such unfortunate incidents are happening due

to lack of action. So before whom should citizens put forth their problems, Thilori based social activists Aniruddha Hole asked. This problem is not limited to Meher Krupa Resort. In many Mangal Karyalayas in Daryapur, stale food is thrown out in the open. Due to this, stray cattle become victims of food poisoning. Will the administration wake up only after the death of animals, Thilori based social activists Er Aniket Wakpanjar asked.

## Strict implementation of Cow Slaughter Ban Act necessary

**Chandur Bazar 9 June (NAGPUR POST/BADALDAKRE):** In order to stop the slaughter of cows in the name of sacrifice rituals, the Central Commission for cow service has issued a letter directing that the purchase and sale of cattle meat in all market committees across the state be closed from 3 to 8 June. This decision, taken against the backdrop of Bakri Eid, was followed by most of the agricultural produce market committees. The Chandur Bazar APMC also followed this directive and suspended the cattle market that was being held on Sunday, but it is a concrete solution to close down only the cattle market? This question is once again arising on the occasion. The public is expecting that if the Cow Slaughter Ban Act is strictly implemented, the rate of cattle slaughter will be reduced to a large extent. Despite laws banning cow slaughter in Maharashtra, the Central Commission for cow service has finally had to intervene in the matter as its directives have not been effectively implemented. Against the backdrop of the Bakri Eid festivities, which was organised on June 7, the state government announced measures to control cow slaughter. However, it is clear that this decision was taken only keeping in mind the festival. In Hinduism, the cow



is given the status of 'mother'. In such a situation, the question of why the implementation is lacklustre even when the government that advocates Hindutva is in power is becoming the focus of discussion among citizens and social organisations. The demand that the concerned authorities take immediate action is now gaining momentum.

### Former parliamentarian had put forth the demand a week ago

Former parliamentarian from Amravati had demanded strict action in this regard from the local guardian minister a few weeks ago. However, while responding to the query, it came to light that the guardian ministers had expressed the opinion that efforts would have to be made at the entire state level for this initiative. Despite the BJP government being in power in Madhya

Pradesh and Maharashtra, many cases have come to light that illegal cattle trafficking and slaughter are still going on in both states on a large scale. This situation is especially serious in Amravati district.

### Smuggling from Madhya Pradesh continues unabated

Local citizens have pointed out that illegal cattle trafficking is still going on in large scale from Dharani, Shirajgaon Kasba, Brahmanwada Thadi, Paratwada, Benoda, Morshi, Warud, Talegaon Dashasara, Chandur Railway, Tiwasa, Anjangaon Suji and Daryapur areas bordering Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra. However, angry reactions have started to come to the fore as local police authorities are not taking concrete steps in order to effectively deal with the menace.

### Actions stalled

Effective action was taken against illegal cattle trafficking and slaughter during the tenure of the then Amravati Rural Superintendent of Police Lakhmi Gautam, Avinash Kumar and Dr. Hari Balaji N. Under his leadership, strict instructions were given to police inspectors and raids were conducted at some places and culprits were arrested. However, in recent times, this action seems to have subsided.

## 12 Year old boy injured in knife attack, suspect absconding

**Amravati 9 June (NAGPUR POST/DC):** A shocking incident of a knife attack on a 12 year old boy in the Frazerpura locality of Amravati city took place on Saturday evening. The name of the boy who was seriously injured in this attack is Sonu alias Aman Sandeep Borkar (aged 12 years, resident of Kumbharwada). In this case, a serious case has been registered against Anup alias Annu Dhavane (Sanjay Gandhinagar resident) at Frazerpura police station and he is currently absconding. According to the information received, Aman only asked the accused Anup, why do you carry a knife? Angered by this



query, Anup immediately attacked Aman with a sharp weapon. This unexpected and very serious incident created an atmosphere of tension in the area. After the attack, local citizens showed promptness

and admitted the seriously injured child Aman to the District General Hospital, where he is undergoing treatment. According to the doctors, his condition is critical. Sonu's father Sandeep Marotrao Borkar (30) has filed a complaint with the local police in this regard. Police personnel have visited the spot and conducted a panchnama of the incident

site. A special team has been formed to search for the accused. This incident has created an atmosphere of fear in Kumbharwada and Sanjay Gandhinagar localities. It is a very worrying incident that a minor boy was attacked over a simple question. There is a demand emanating from citizens that the police should arrest the suspect as soon as possible. The officers of Frazerpura police station are investigating the incident, and a manhunt has been launched at various places. Efforts to nab the accused are underway.

## Vihigaon's Soham bags gold medal for India in international yoga event held in Vietnam

**Anjangaon Surji 9 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** Barely 7 years old, Soham Mohan Nesneskar hailing from the small village of Vihigaon in Anjangaon Surji taluka has hoisted the national flag in a far off country by winning a gold medal in an international yoga competition held in Vietnam on the sheer strength of his impeccable yoga skills. By achieving this phenomenal success, he has brought laurels for the entire taluka. The competition was organised on June 7 under the joint initiative of AVIYA Astanga Vinyasa International Yoga Academy (Karnataka, India) and Vietnamese organisers. Representing India in the 6 years to 8 years age group in this competition, Soham won the gold medal for India, beating formidable competitors from Nepal,



**First of all, I congratulate Soham Mohan Nesneskar for winning the gold medal in the yoga competition held in Vietnam. I will fully cooperate in extending benefits of government schemes in which he is eligible, Amravati Parliamentarian Balwant Wankhade said.**

**First of all, I congratulate Soham for winning the coveted gold medal in the yoga competition. Soham is a boy hailing from a poor family, I will do whatever I can to help him for his upliftment. I will certainly follow up with the government for whatever assistance that can be provided by the government, said Daryapur legislator Gajanan Lawate.**

Bhutan, Malaysia and other countries. Soham, who grew up in a family hailing from a modest financial background, achieved this

success on the sheer strength of his hard work, perseverance and loyalty. Talking about his success, Soham's father said, "We



greater work in future as well." Soham's performance in this competition has not only brought glory to Anjangaon Surji, but also to the entire Amravati district and Maharashtra state.

Various social organisations and citizens in the village and taluka have praised and congratulated Soham for his phenomenal success.

Soham's success is inspiring other students in rural areas. Soham has proved that with proper guidance, hard work and parental support, there are no limits to success which can be achieved through sheer perseverance.

There is a demand from the local level that the government should provide appropriate assistance to Soham, and it is expected that the government should extend a helping hand in his further endeavours.

## Poor irrigation infrastructure a cause of concern, says award winning farmer

**Buldhana 9 June:** At the Pani Parishad, a conference on water conservation, Buldhana's Rajendra Gadekar proudly shows his picture receiving the Shastriya Jal Puraskar from President Draupadi Murmu. Gadekar, who hails from Mehkar taluka in the drought-prone Buldhana district, received the award for covering an optimum area with limited water. However, he says everything is not well, and the govt needs to change its approach towards building irrigation projects. The farmers in his area get water from the Pentakli dam on the river Painganga.

The dam can irrigate more than 10,000 hectares of land, he says. However, an unprepared canal has prevented irrigation in over 4,500 hectares of land so far. It took years of correspondence to finally start the work in 2025, when the funds were released. Now, it is up to the contractor to finish it at the earliest, he told reporters.

## Review meet of NCP Amravati District (Rural) convened



member registration drive was held and further planning was discussed. All the dignitaries appealed to the activists to work with dedication to increase the party's strength in the upcoming local body elections. There is a favourable environment for the party in the district, emphasis was laid on using it properly and reaching out to

maximum people.

### Legislator Sanjay Khodke felicitated

On the occasion, legislator Sanjay Khodke was felicitated for being elected as a member of the Legislative Council. The meeting was attended by a large number of office bearers of NCP women's front, representatives of NCP Youth wing and NCP student wing,

various taluka and city presidents, district presidents of frontal cells, former members and activists. The programme's proceedings were carried out by Ankush Gharad. Atharva Chunde proposed the vote of thanks. This meeting proved to be an enthusiastic introduction to the organisational strength and unity of the activists at the district level.

## World Environment Day celebrated with tree plantation drive at Shri Shankar Temple

**Amravati 9 June (NAGPUR POST/DC):** On the occasion of World Environment Day, a tree plantation drive was carried out in a very inspiring manner at Shri Shankar Temple Sansthan, Rahatgaon, Amravati. Five trees that are very useful for the environment, namely, Banyan, Peepal, Nember, Neem and Sandalwood, were planted on the occasion. World Environment Day was celebrated by worshipping these sacred trees. All these five trees are considered essential for human life. Therefore, protecting and nurturing these trees together is the need of the hour, said former parliamentarian and



president of the organisation Anant Rao Gudhe. He insisted that the balance of the environment is deteriorating due to increasing deforestation, and it has become essential to preserve traditional and medicinal

trees like Banyan, Peepal, Mango, Neem and Sandalwood. The organisation previously protected and nurtured the trees planted in collaboration with Amravati Municipal Corporation.

The trustees have taken the responsibility of taking proper care of the saplings planted this year as well. For this initiative, a protective wall has been built in the temple premises and necessary precautions are being taken to prevent animals from entering the premises. The programme was attended by the president of the organisation, Anant Rao Gudhe, treasurer Kailash Gilorkar, Abhimanyu Doijad, Nilesh Dake, Abhijeet Gudhe, manager Subhash Chaudhary, Amar Rajput, priest Ashok Maharaj Neware and servant Dhyaneswar, who is responsible for protection of these saplings and trees.

## Mercury soars to 41 degrees celsius on last day of Nautapa

**Amravati 9 June (NAGPUR POST/DC):** On the last day of Nautapa, the sun showed its uncompromising intensity in Amravati district and a maximum temperature of 41.6 degrees celsius was recorded. The intensity of this heat is 4.8 degrees celsius more as compared to Saturday's temperature readings. According to the report of the Regional Meteorological Department office, Nagpur, the minimum temperature was 26.5 degrees celsius. Due to this, the people of the city started feeling extremely hot in the morning. Nautapa, which started on May 25, initially seemed mild due to unseasonal rains in the month of May. However, in the last 3-4 days, the temperature jumped and started testing the citizens. For the first time this year, the temperature crossed the 40 degree celsius mark in June, due to which citizens had to face a difficult situation. Nautapa's beginning marks a rise in the intensity of heat as the Sun comes closer to the Earth. Intense heat waves are common in districts like Amravati during this period. However, this year the heat was felt in a rather intense manner in the last phase.

**Day-long heatwave**  
Due to the day-long heatwave, gusty winds and increased heat, there was less traffic visible on the road stretches in the city. It became difficult for those who went out for employment to work in the sun. The number of problems like dehydration has increased among young children, the elderly and women living at home. There were some clouds in the evening, but no rain was recorded till the time of writing the news report. However, the Meteorological Department has issued a yellow alert and



has predicted the possibility of rain in the next few days or so. **Wait for monsoon to get over in next few days or so**  
The administration has advised citizens to wear hats, goggles, umbrellas and drink plenty of water to protect themselves from the sun. It has also been appealed not to go out in the afternoon unless and until it is absolutely necessary. The impact of this weather pattern is also being felt in the agriculture sector, and some rain is necessary before sowing seeds. The farmers are also now keeping an eye on the arrival of the monsoon. Although the sun has shown its intensity at the end of the Nautapa, now everyone is eagerly waiting for the arrival of the monsoon. If the weather department's forecast is accurate, there is a possibility of rainfall in the district taking place in the few days or so.

**CHANGE NAME**  
My old name was Chandu Kishore Guruprasad Jaiswal. Now my name is Chandu Kishore Guruprasad Jaiswal.  
**Add : Chandani Travels Darwaha Road Yavatmal 445001.**  
**My Passport No:- Z3549822**

## Nagpur railway passengers cancel tickets worth Rs 60 crore

**Nagpur 9 June:** Despite grand promises by the railway administration to provide enhanced amenities for passengers, frequent train delays and cancellations continue to plague commuters. While authorities point to multi-crore infrastructure projects underway under schemes like the Amrit Bharat Station initiative, these developments have failed to address the core issue of unreliable train schedules. As a result, frustrated passengers are increasingly choosing to cancel their confirmed bookings, with some abandoning travel plans entirely due to a lack of viable alternatives. In the last 25 months, passengers under the Central Railway's Nagpur division alone have cancelled tickets worth Rs 59.81 crore. Data acquired under the Right to Information Act revealed that ticket cancellations amounted to Rs 27.53 crore in the year 2023-24, Rs 29.64 crore in 2024-25, and Rs 2.64 crore in April 2025 alone. These figures reflect growing dissatisfaction among rail



users, many of whom had booked their tickets well in advance, only to have their plans ruined by abrupt train changes, reroutes, or cancellations. Over the past two years, Indian Railways has aggressively pushed for modernization, including new third and fourth railway lines, bridges, tunnels, and upgraded signaling systems. Stations in Nagpur and other locations are being transformed into "world-class" facilities with spacious parking, smooth roads, automated ticketing machines, improved lighting, and modern waiting rooms. However, while these physical upgrades are visible, operational efficiency continues to lag, nullifying the

benefits of such large-scale investments for everyday commuters. Passengers have expressed growing resentment as trains are frequently rerouted or cancelled without proper notice. These disruptions are not just inconvenient - they often force travellers to abandon their journeys, especially when alternate routes are costlier or less accessible. The lack of accountability and poor communication have left passengers feeling ignored in the rush for cosmetic station upgrades. Many are demanding that the railway administration prioritize schedule reliability over aesthetics if it truly wants to serve the needs of the public.

## Residents irked as Khare town garden remains shut

**Nagpur 9 June:** A newly beautified garden in Khare Town, developed by the Nagpur Municipal Corporation (NMC), remains off-limits to the public despite completion of landscaping, walking tracks and plantation. The garden, transformed into a miniature green space with shrubbery, ornamental flora and tiled pathways, has drawn flak from residents who claim they are being denied access to a public facility built using taxpayer money. Though the makeover has aesthetically uplifted what was earlier a neglected patch of land, the main gate remains tightly shut. A steel wire around the latch effectively seals off entry, raising questions about the intent and transparency of the civic project. Locals said there was no notice or signage explaining the closure, and that they were never informed of any restrictions. "When the NMC uses public funds to create something meant for community use, why is it kept locked?" asked Sanjay Jog, a resident. "The garden is beautiful, but what good is it if we can't use it? The walking track is empty, the benches are



unoccupied, and there's no life in the space." A construction labourer working at a nearby site said that if the garden were open, they would have had a place to sit and rest after hours of tiring work. "Looks like this is meant to keep people like us out," he said. A visit revealed a well-maintained plot with blooming flowerbeds, clean tracks and an overall peaceful ambience. Despite the presence of a contaminated well just behind the garden, there was no foul smell or visible neglect. The garden appeared ready for public use, making the locked gate even more puzzling. When contacted, NMC deputy commissioner (garden department) Ganesh Rathod said they are waiting for the plants to develop before opening the space to the public. "Generally, the protocol is to wait for the planted shrubbery and plants to reach a certain age - typically two months - before exposing it to public use," he said.

## Water conservationist advocates people's participation to address region's water woes

**Nagpur 9 June:** Water conservationist Hanumant Kendre, popularly known as the Jaldoot of Marathwada, made an impassioned appeal for greater community participation to tackle Vidarbha's water crisis at a special interview session at Vidarbha Pani Parishad. Widely recognized for transforming his drought-ridden village, Nagardwadi, into a model of water sustainability, Kendre's journey inspired the national award-winning film Paani. "Water retention isn't rocket science. It's about creating a water bank, involving villagers in decision-making, and respecting traditional wisdom. You can't find rural solutions sitting in an AC room," he said. Kendre emphasized the importance of youth participation and suggested that students could lead change by organizing rural appraisals and learning directly from village elders. Kendre recalled how his mother and other women in the village had to walk nearly 5km daily to fetch water. "They carried heavy mud pots weighing around 40kg, filled with nearly 35 litres of

water," he said. Turning point in his life came when his wife made water availability in the village a precondition for their marriage. "We had decided we would marry only each other, but she firmly said the wedding would happen only when our village had water," Kendre said. He then teamed up with his elder brother, who was then associated with Tata Institute of Social Sciences, to develop a sustainable water conservation model. After research, they implemented a pilot project over 1,014ha, designed to capture and retain downhill-flowing rainwater. This initiative evolved into what is now known as Indo-German Watershed Development Programme. The model has since been replicated in more than 50 villages across Maharashtra, with people from Washim, Hingoli, and Yavatmal approaching him for guidance. "Today, in Nagardwadi, wherever you dig a borewell, you find water at just 100 feet," Kendre said with pride, emphasizing that the model is practical and fully replicable across water-scarce regions like Vidarbha. Kendre shared how his appearance on TV show Satyamev Jayate



brought his work into the national spotlight. "Aamir Khan's team invited me to Mumbai. I was scared, nervous, and unsure, but after the episode aired, over 7-8 lakh people reached out to me. That changed everything," he said. He also urged those with the means to adopt villages and dedicate at least one day a week to sustainable work on the ground. Kendre credited individuals like RSS worker Upendra Kulkarni for supporting him in his mission. "We never took a single rupee of government funding. From an RSS shiksha kendra to volunteers who walked alongside us, we created a model based on people's power," he said. Owning a big house or car isn't enough. Do something that benefits hundreds," he said.

## 90% Water conservation structures in region non functional

**Nagpur 9 June:** Nearly 90% of water conservation structures in Nagpur and Amravati districts are non-functional, and restoring them is critical to address the deepening water crisis, said revenue minister Chandrashekhar Bawankule. Speaking at the Vidarbha Pani Parishad, Bawankule stressed the need for the immediate revival of thousands of dead water bodies and emphasised a strategic shift towards water recycling and zero discharge. "There are 6,500 structures in Amravati and 3,500 in Nagpur, but most are not live. They have no proper plugs, water leaks from the sides, and they have not been maintained," he said. A plan is being rolled out to geo-tag each structure and allocate Rs 2-4 lakh per bund for repairs, along with 500-metre deepening wherever needed. Bawankule highlighted the alarming drop in groundwater levels - down to 800-850 feet in parts of Katol and Amravati - as a wake-up call. Misuse of power and water was also called out. "We're giving 12 hours of electricity but there's no water planning. One pump is sanctioned, but ten are being used. If we don't plan both power and water together, we'll hit 1,200 feet," he warned. He also referred to the redirection of Pench water that was earlier wasted. That supply is now routed to

Mahagunco, freeing it up for agricultural use, while the Koradi power plant has transitioned to using treated wastewater supplied by NMC. "This is a working example of zero discharge - there is no option but to move forward with recycling," he said. The comments came during the three-day Vidarbha Water Conference held at Vanamati Hall in collaboration with RTM Nagpur University's NSS Department and Jankalyankari Samiti. Bawankule urged NSS volunteers to identify and help revive dead dams in their regions, calling it a crucial step towards sustainable water management. A series of success stories were presented at the conference, including solar-powered irrigation from Muradpur, the Tamaswada water management model by Puri Jal Sinchchan Sanstha, and Shramdaan-led village transformation efforts in Washim. The event also featured case studies on artificial drainage for salt land improvement and the Sangli River Revitalisation Project. "Water conservation is not just policy - it's participation. From recycling sewage to reviving old dams, every step matters," Bawankule said, reiterating that making Nagpur and Amravati model districts is the goal.

## Chinchbhuvan service lane turning into a death trap for commuters

**Nagpur 9 June:** The service road near Chinchbhuvan has quietly turned into one of the city's most dangerous stretches for pedestrians, with at least six people losing their lives in separate accidents over the past year. Located along the busy Wardha Road, this particular patch has become a deadly corridor due to poor lighting, absence of signage, and sheer volume of unregulated traffic, particularly during evening hours. Despite being a pedestrian-heavy zone, especially with multiple dhabas, restaurants, and bars lining both sides of the road, the area lacks even basic safety infrastructure. Street lights are either non-functional or entirely missing. There are no speed-breakers or pedestrian crossings. In the absence of foot overbridge or underpass, pedestrians who have to go to the other side are forced to cross the national highway braving speeding vehicles, which at times proves very risky, especially after sundown. Inspector Mukund Kawade of Beltarodi police station told reporters, "Many people try to cross the service road and then rush over the highway dividers to reach the other side," adding it becomes extremely difficult for drivers to spot them until it's too late due to lack of street lights. A dhaba owner said



several of his employees have had close brushes with death. "Customers often ask our waiters to run across the street to fetch cigarettes or booze from a nearby wine shop. Late at night, when its pitch dark due to absence of street lights, many staffers have nearly been hit on several occasions," he said. "We've even stopped sending staffers after a certain hour, but accidents continue," he said. Sources in the traffic department say the police have repeatedly written to National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) and the national highways division of public works department (PWD) flagging the dangers. However, the response has been negligible, say sources. "In 2023, there were 12-13 deaths on this patch, but we then brought in rumblers and set up barricades at Khapri, due to which the accident count was reduced," Kawade said. The matter gets even more complicated when motorists drive wrong side on the service road, many a time

blinding the pedestrians with upper beams of the vehicles, the cop said, adding increased police presence has curbed drunk driving by youngsters. "The lack of action from civic authorities is extremely frustrating," said a police source.

"Letters have been sent multiple times calling for installation of street lights, signage, and some form of pedestrian crossing. But nothing has moved," the source added. Speaking to reporters, Sanjeev Jagtap, executive engineer of PWD's national highway division, said two high-profile projects are coming up in the area - one six-lane flyover and a 3km road extension. "These projects are expected to be completed in two years, hence the arrangement demanded by the cops may not be feasible at the moment," he said. However, he added, once the construction begins, all the issues highlighted by the cops will be ticked off as a part of the pre-construction preparation.

## Sokhi-Singh pair records upset victory

**Nagpur 9 June:** Chunharmheet Singh Sokhi and Rohan Singh showed off character to upset the appellation of second seed t Ashok Singh Kapta and Harish Paliwal (2) 15-2, 15-4 in straight two games. Rohan Singh and Sokhi also entered the men's singles quarters. In the pre-quarters, Rohan Singh beat Himanshu Omprakash Hardev 15-9, 15-5, whereas Sokhi got the better of Kabir Virendra Awale 16-14, 15-7. All the quarterfinals will be played on Monday. Results: Men's singles (Round of 16): Priyanshu Pramod Dubey bt Anup Arjun Kadwe 15-9, 16-14; Rohan Singh bt Himanshu Omprakash Hardev 15-9, 15-5; Devesh Jena bt Ameya Joshi 15-12, 15-11; Sandhya Khandare bt Ajitesh Tam Singh Parke 16-14, 15-9; Chunharmheet Singh Sokhi bt Kabir Virendra Awale 16-14, 15-7; Animesh Shailendra Ghate bt Aryan Virendra Awale 15-11, 15-7; Akshad Mukul Vitonde bt Samir

Ranjan Sahoo 15-3, 13-15, 15-5; Shashank Rajesh Kulal bt Nikhil Sudhakar Sakhare 15-8 15-10. Men's doubles (Round of 16): Chunharmheet Singh Sokhi and Rohan Singh, bt Ashok Singh Kapta and Harish Paliwal (2) 15-2, 15-4; Aaryan Prasad Sadhankar and Jeeva Radhakrishnan Pillai bt Kushal Khodiyar and Sriramamurthy Cherukuri 15-7, 15-10; Gaurav Satyajit Rege and Hriday Ashish Deshmukh bt Ganesh Rakesh Shahu and Jai Ghnu Lohra 15-9, 15-3; Akshad Mukul Vitonde and Ashish Amarsingh Rajput bt Ashish Purnachandrababu Khedikar and Uurjiit Ashish Khedikar 15-10, 11-15, 15-10; Deepak Ghanshyam Manglani and Donipudi Satyasree Thilak, bt Gurdas Vikram Bhawani and Nilesh Jibhenkar Ganesh Jibhenkar 15-4, 15-10; Devesh Jena and Shashank Rajesh Kulal bt Karan Shankaral Kewalramani and Prakash Raichandani, 15-10 15-8.

## Cycling awareness event set for June 22 by Ncyclopedia

**Nagpur 9 June:** In celebration of World Bicycle Month, Ncyclopedia has announced a 10-kilometre bicycle rally scheduled for June 22. Riders will gather at the Ncyclopedia premises at 7 a.m. to promote cycling and healthy living. After completing the route, participants will enjoy a nourishing, high-protein breakfast featuring eggs,



urad dal dishes, and soya milk. Organisers have lined

up a lucky draw with prizes including bicycles, branded T-shirts, water bottles, top-tube bags, and goodie packs. All participating riders will receive certificates upon finishing the rally. Additionally, Ncyclopedia is offering complimentary bike tune-ups on June 18 and 19 as part of the lead-up to the event.

## Odia community to debut fully wooden Ratha Yatra chariot this year

**Nagpur 9 June:** Pune's Odia community is gearing up for a historic Ratha Yatra this year. Organised by Shri Jagannath Mandir, Odia Samaj Rameshwari, the festival will feature, for the first time in Nagpur, a majestic city procession of Lord Jagannath, along with Lord Balabhadra, Devi Subhadra and Sudarshan, mounted on a fully wooden chariot crafted in the traditional Puri Rath style. Community leaders including society president



Bhawani Prasad Mishra and general secretary Ganesh Das - confirmed the landmark addition at a press

briefing, extending an open invitation to people across Nagpur to participate in the spiritual celebrations.

## Car catches fire in vicinity of VNIT gate, no casualties reported

**Nagpur 9 June:** A parked car suddenly caught fire near the VNIT gate opposite Abhyankar Nagar, under the jurisdiction of Bajaj Nagar Police Station. Within moments, the vehicle was engulfed in flames and completely gutted. The fire department was alerted immediately and arrived at the scene to control the blaze. Fortunately, no injuries were reported in the incident. According to reports, a group of people had arrived at a café-restaurant in Abhyankar Nagar in a car bearing the registration number MH40AR4999. After stepping



out and heading inside the restaurant, the parking guard attempted to move the vehicle to a proper parking spot. That's when he noticed smoke emerging from the car. Upon seeing the smoke, the driver quickly exited the vehicle. Within seconds, flames spread throughout the entire car.

Nearby people immediately informed the Trimurti Nagar fire station. Acting swiftly, the fire brigade reached the location and managed to extinguish the fire. However, by the time they intervened, the car was already completely charred. There were no casualties or injuries in the incident.

## Sunday vegetable market takes over half the street in Pardi

**Nagpur 9 June:** The weekly vegetable market in Pardi turned into a traffic nightmare for commuters on Sunday, as hawkers set up their stalls along the roadside, occupying more than half of the available road space. The situation was further aggravated by customers who parked their vehicles indiscriminately, choking traffic and creating long snarls. With no visible traffic regulation or police presence, the stretch turned chaotic by late morning. Honking vehicles, abrupt braking, and confused drivers trying to



squeeze through the narrow lanes defined the scene. The lack of traffic discipline, coupled with poor planning, led to prolonged delays for those passing through the area. "I've been selling vegetables here for several years now," said Prakash Wankhede, a vendor at the market.

## After 7 crashes, PWD plans LED-lit height barriers at Gowari Flyover

**Nagpur 9 June:** Seven accidents later, the Public Works Department (PWD) is finally set to act. The department is now planning to install LED-equipped height barriers on the Shaheed Gowari Flyover - popularly known as the Sitabuldi Flyover - after repeated collisions by heavy vehicles raised serious safety concerns. The decision comes in the wake of a high-level meeting held on Saturday at Police Bhavan, where Nagpur Police Commissioner Dr Ravinder Kumar Singal took stock of the situation. Taking a firm stand, Dr Singal directed PWD officials to line the height barriers with blinking LED strips, ensuring they are clearly visible even at night or from a distance. "These flashing lights will act as a warning system for approaching drivers, particularly those in speeding heavy vehicles, giving them enough time to slow down or avoid the flyover," said a senior police official present at the meeting. Not stopping at lights, Dr Singal also recommended installation of CCTV cameras on the barriers to monitor vehicle movement and catch violators. PWD, in turn, requested deployment of police personnel at the flyover around the clock to alert errant drivers before they enter. The Commissioner has given his nod to the proposal. A senior engineer from PWD's World Bank Division revealed that the original barriers, along with signage and rumble strips, were installed at a cost of Rs 25 lakh. However, since then, seven accidents involving heavy vehicles were reported - two at the Rahate Colony end and five at the Zero Mile end. The repeated impact left the barriers mangled and dangerous. "They were no longer just ineffective - they had become a safety hazard. Any loosened component could've fallen on commuters below," the official explained. The barriers were eventually removed as a precaution, once again leaving the flyover vulnerable to illegal heavy vehicle movement. PWD is now preparing to float a new tender for the installation of fresh height barriers, this time enhanced with visibility features like LEDs. However, no specific timeline has been shared for when the new infrastructure will be in place. Until then, the flyover remains without any physical deterrent for large vehicles - an issue that continues to compromise road safety in the heart of the city.



## Construction firm ordered to compensate buyers in consumer court ruling

**Nagpur 9 June:** The Additional District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission has directed M/s Happy Home Developers to refund Rs 6,63,900 plus 9% interest to two customers, along with Rs 35,000 each for mental and physical harassment and reimbursement of legal costs. The commission, bench-led by President Satish Sapre with Milind Kedar presiding, ruled in favour of complainants Vandana Wasu and Sarika Dahake, who had invested in plots at Brahmani village in



Kalmeshwar Taluka. Wasu had signed an agreement on December 19, 2012, for two plots worth Rs 3,76,658, and

paid Rs 23,47,100 by August 5, 2015. Dahake entered into a similar agreement on April 12, 2013, for Rs 3,70,150,

paying Rs 3,16,800 by November 5, 2014. Despite these payments, the builder failed to execute and register the sale deeds, prompting the complaints. Rejecting the developer's justification, the commission held that withholding payment and depriving buyers of possession constitutes an unfair trade practice and deficiency in service. As a result, Happy Home Developers is obliged to issue full refunds, cover interest and legal fees, and compensate both women for the distress caused.

# SIT inquiry demanded into Rs 25 Crore corruption in YDCCB

**Pusad 9 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** Alleging widespread corruption and irregularities amounting to over Rs 25 crore in the Yavatmal District Central Cooperative Bank, the Vidarbha Farmers' Association has submitted a memorandum to Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister Devendra Fadnis, demanding a Special Investigation Team (SIT) probe and immediate legal action against those responsible. The memorandum, submitted through Sub-Divisional Officer Ashish Bijuwal, highlights the vulnerability of the bank which serves predominantly small and marginal farmers – constituting over 90% of its loan borrowers. The association warned that the collapse of the bank due to corruption could devastate the rural agrarian economy and force farmers into the clutches of private moneylenders. They also expressed concern over the bank's soaring NPA, now exceeding 56%, and

a financial gap nearing Rs 1,000 crore. The memorandum outlines previous complaints filed in 2024 and 2025, including an official directive under Section 81(3) of the Maharashtra Cooperative Societies Act, mandating an audit by a Class-1 Special Auditor.

However, the inquiry reportedly relied on documents submitted by bank officials rather than branch-level verification. It notes that a delayed audit report for Jamb Bazar Branch was only submitted in April 2025, nearly seven months after the directive. Earlier cases of fraud had been exposed in the Hiwara Branch of Mahagaon Taluka, where loans exceeding Rs 2 crore were mismanaged, leading to the suspension of 11 individuals. In the Jamb Bazar branch, funds collected from farmers were allegedly diverted to settle the dues of directors' relatives, and loans were disbursed to ineligible non-members. Yet, key officers

allegedly involved, like recovery officer Prakash Chavan, were not suspended. The memorandum also points out a pattern of selective enforcement, citing the suspension and arrest of Bhau Bhawade in Mahagaon despite repayment, while others in similar positions in Pusad faced no consequences. It further questions how individuals with pending recoveries, such as Mohan Kale, were appointed as branch heads during ongoing investigations. The association has called for a full SIT probe to ensure accountability and prevent further damage to the district's financial ecosystem. Signatories to the memorandum include prominent farmers and activists such as Ashok Babar, Rajesh Salunke, Nagorao Suroshe, Madhavrao Padghane, and many others. The issue has sparked widespread attention, with all eyes now on the state government's response.

# Buddhabhushan Gote appointed as National President of 'Dalit Panther'

**Mumbai 9 June:** Buddhabhushan Kundan Gote, a young leader from the Ambedkarite community, has been appointed as the National President of the 'Dalit Panther', an organization that has long been fighting for the rights of the Dalit community. He was given the appointment letter by the party chief Malika Namdeo Dhasal. The announcement was made by Sandeep Jadhav, the chief spokesperson of the Dalit Panther. Speaking on the occasion, Malika Dhasal said that Gote's years of experience in social work would contribute significantly to the progress of the organization. She added that this marks the beginning of a new phase of struggle, and even after more than fifty years, the influence of Dalit



consciousness still persists in public. She emphasized that there are still passionate fighters in the movement, as Dalit Panther is not just a thought, but a weapon and a flame.

She expressed confidence that Buddhabhushan Gote would never allow this revolutionary flame to be extinguished. Advocate Nitin Khair, while addressing the gathering, stated that Dalit Panther is a force capable of piercing

through the entrenched social structure of this society. He expressed confidence that, under Gote's leadership, the organization would rise with greater strength, as it continues to fight for the establishment of social justice. Panthers from Solapur – Rayappa, Santosh Bhalerao, and Kavita Magre – also shared their views, stating that the relevance of Dalit Panther remains even today, and extended their best

wishes to the new national president Buddhabhushan Kundan Gote. Republican movement leader Nitin More, who also attended the program, pledged to stand shoulder to shoulder in the fight against injustice and oppression faced by society, and extended his best wishes to Gote for his future journey. There is a shared hope that the new leadership will infuse new energy into the organization and effectively raise the issues of the Dalit community. Present at the occasion in large numbers were Dalit Panther members Janardhan Dhaymukte, Kavita Magre, Parapa Davre, Bhujang Salvi, Santosh Bhalerao, Deepak Salvi, Karyum Sayyed, Kiran Mandale, and several office-bearers and activists from across Maharashtra.

# Sonar Sewa Mahasangh felicitated meritorious students



**YAVATMAL / NAGPUR POST:** The felicitation ceremony of meritorious students was held on June 4 at Harshe Mangalam and Lawn on behalf of Sonar Sewa Mahasangh.

In this ceremony, the students who excelled in class 10th and 12th in the academic year 2024-25 and those pursuing higher education were felicitated by dignitaries with mementos and certificates. On the

occasion, the chief guests were Ramet Dhage, who was selected in the Indian Forest Services, Sanjay Raut, Ashish Chamedia, Megha Bhaskarwar. Sonar Sewa Mahasangh's Vidarbha Sanghika Seema Binnod, Taluka executive Ranjana Gogate, Taluka President Prashant Rokde of Sonar Sewa Mahasangh and Taluka General Secretary Umesh Dhokane were present. Laxmikant

Lolge delivered the introductory remarks. The guest was introduced by Adv Praveen Harshe. Sonal Binod conducted the program, while Uday Sajjanwar proposed the vote of thanks. Sant Shiromani Narhari Sonar Maharaj Trust, Sonar Sewa Mahasangh district and taluka office bearers, and Suvarnakar Karagir Sanghatna members took efforts to success the event.

# Abandas Jadhav appointed BJP Taluka President, Rahul Mate assumes charge as city chief

**Darwaha 9 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** The new appointments in the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) for Darwaha were officially announced during the district-level "Sankalp Sindhil" workshop held in Pusad on June 9. The declaration was made by District President Aarati Phupate.

Abandas Jadhav has been appointed as the BJP Taluka President of Darwaha. A seasoned party worker, Jadhav has previously served as the Taluka President of the BJP Kisan Morcha. He began his political

journey with the Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad and has held several positions, including Booth President, Department Head, Taluka General Secretary, and Taluka Vice President. Rahul Mate has been appointed as the BJP City Chief. He is an active member of the BJP's OBC (Other Backward Class) front and is also recognized for his work as a representative in the insurance sector. Both appointments have been met with a wave of congratulatory messages and good wishes from across the Taluka.

# Is plastic ban just a gimmick on Environment Day?

## Strong questions raised on ineffective implementation

**Amravati 9 June (NAGPUR POST/DC):** Every year, on World Environment Day, the United Nations introduces a theme—this year it was "Solutions to Plastic Pollution." In response, local governing bodies and Pollution Control Boards organize awareness campaigns. However, the effectiveness of these one-day drives has come under serious scrutiny. The core question remains: Can a one-day awareness campaign truly enforce a plastic ban? The answer is a resounding no. Despite numerous laws, regulations, official notifications, designated authorities, and penalty provisions in place, implementation of the plastic ban remains weak. The reason? A clear lack of will—both politically and administratively.

Efforts to enforce the ban often collapse due to:

- \* Bribery and corruption
- \* Political interference
- \* Pressure from the plastic industry
- \* Self-interest of political and administrative stakeholders
- \* Lack of awareness and knowledge among implementing officers

Illegal plastic production units continue to operate without restraint. Transport, storage, and sales of plastic bags remain rampant—with bribes ensuring smooth passage of goods. Even local governing bodies like Gram

Panchayats fail to act, as everything continues to function under the influence of money.

Officials who are supposed to implement the ban often lack even basic knowledge about what is banned and the extent of their authority. This ignorance further cripples enforcement. It is alarming that, despite multiple government departments in Maharashtra having enforcement rights, most officers fail to act. The situation is such that plastic pollution—affecting air, water, and soil—is now harming human DNA, according to recent research. The plastic ban has become nothing more than a ritual observed on Environment Day. Until there is strong and consistent enforcement, as seen in cities like Indore, mere observation will not bring real change.

**It being demanded that:**  
\* Officials who fail to enforce the ban should be labeled as "environmental offenders."  
\* Their salaries and promotions should be withheld as a penalty for negligence.  
\* Public money should be spent judiciously and transparently.

In a positive step, Kamdhenu Natural distributed free cloth bags to customers on Environment Day, encouraging citizens to carry reusable bags while shopping. Only those who truly act deserve to be wished a Happy Environment Day.

# Medical aid applications must be addressed promptly as per norms: Bawankule

**Nagpur 9 June:** Guardian Minister Chandrashekhar Bawankule has directed the administration to process all applications received for medical assistance without delay and strictly as per government norms. He issued



these instructions while presiding over the 'Jansamvad' (public interaction) programme at the

District Planning Office in Sadar on Sunday. Bawankule made it clear that requests related to job transfers will not be entertained during the Jansamvad initiative, which is designed specifically to address common citizens' issues.

# Lobby in civic body hell bent on making money from garbage

Clean city would pave the way for ending corruption, hence strategies changed



Waste food from hotels and eateries being thrown away like this and cows are in turn eating it. If cows eat too much of this kind of stale food, they become sick.



Garbage accumulated in vicinity of crematorium in Shankar Nagar

**Amravati 9 June (NAGPUR POST/DC):** About five years ago, all the main road stretches in the city were made of asphalt and gravel. Today, if a layer of oil-mixed asphalt was laid on the road, the road would be as it was in the next six months, the same contractor would get the contract to repair that road stretch and he would again lay a layer of oil-mixed asphalt on this road. Due to this, the contractor would get work for twelve months and the officials in turn would get the commission. Now, due to the concrete road, this collusion between contractors and officials has stopped. Due to this, a new scheme of earning money from garbage has been initiated in the city. If the city is kept clean, this chain of corruption will be broken in fact. Information has come to the fore that certain

elements, especially contractors and officials from among civic authorities are not in favour of a clean city.

After a visit conducted in various parts of Amravati city on Sunday by our team, the sorry state of affairs as far as the cleanliness of the city is concerned, has once again come to light.

The piles of garbage and accumulated dirt from Moti Nagar to Farshi Stop road, as well as the service line in the Subhash Nagar area, are endangering the health of the citizens. In the Shankar Nagar area, a large amount of garbage has been accumulated in the vicinity of the crematorium. From there, garbage has spread from Dastur Nagar to Badnera Bypass Road, in the vicinity of Gaurakshan, and also on the road stretch leading to Chhatra Lake. The



Garbage piled up in this way in the vicinity of cow shelter in Dastur Nagar



Service lines from Moti Nagar to Farshi stop in Subhash Nagar filled with garbage in this way



Garbage accumulated in vicinity of Gandhi Square, Sarvagya Book Depot



Piles of garbage in the rear of Animation College on the road stretch from Tapovan Gate to the city centre

road leading inwards from Tapovan Gate, especially the rear portion of Animation College, has piles of garbage. It has become difficult for the citizens here to breathe, and the stench is adversely affecting their health. A similar situation was observed in the Sarvagya Book Centre area

near Gandhi square. Many citizens are angry after seeing the deteriorating picture of cleanliness in different parts of the city. After the appeal of Dainik Mahasagar, many conscious citizens of the city have sent us photos of garbage in their areas. These photographs reveal the negligence of the

municipal corporation's cleansing system.

**Corruption causing instance 1: Keeping dirt emanating from drain there itself**

Everybody knows how the process of cleansing the drains is implemented before the onset of monsoon. The dirt was to be removed from the amba nullah or the general drain and kept on the embankment of the drain. This dirt was not kept there for one or two days, but for at least fifteen days so that due to the rains, this dirt would go back into the drain, and the work of removing the dirt from the drain could be carried out all over again.

**Corruption causing instance 2: Throwing accumulated garbage in the open**

The garbage collected from each house is thrown together in a public place somewhere. When the stench and epidemic spread in the area, it is picked up at that point only. The modus operandi, where two trucks were used to pick up the garbage and ten trucks were shown. The municipal corporation could have arranged to take the collected garbage directly to the dumping ground, but that has not been carried out. Because the pockets of the contractors and corrupt officials would not have been filled had things gone by the book.

**Corruption causing instance 3: Continuing accumulation of dirt until mosquito menace looms large**

While it is necessary to clean the drains in each ward from time to time, the contractors or officials wait for the place to become dirty all over again until mosquitoes appear.

This can result in a new contract for spraying being floated. Cleanliness initiatives seem to be proceeding only on paper but massive corruption jeopardises matters.

# Pusad mourns the demise of veteran community member Nandkumar Vyavahare

**Pusad 9 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** Nandkumar Laxmikant Vyavahare (Naikiji), a senior and respected member of the Brahmin community from Choubara Chowk, Pusad, passed away after a prolonged illness.



He was 71. He is survived by his wife Sulabhatai, two sons – Abhishek and Abhijit – daughter Aishwarya, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, and an extended family.

His final rites were performed at Mokshadham in Pusad, where a collective tribute was paid by family, friends, and community members.

# Pusad's first railway tunnel completed after 180 days of construction

**Pusad 9 June:** The construction of Pusad subdivision's first railway tunnel, located near the Mahadev Temple in Harsi, has been successfully completed.

The 370-metre-long tunnel, designated as Tunnel No. 3 on the Wardha-Yavatmal-Pusad-Nanded railway route, took 180 days to complete. This milestone marks significant progress on the long-awaited 280-kilometer railway line connecting Wardha to Nanded via Yavatmal and Pusad.

The project, originally inaugurated in 2009 by then Railway Minister Lalu Prasad Yadav at the initiative of former MP and Lokmat Editorial Board Chairman Dr. Vijay Darda, had faced prolonged delays.

The recently completed tunnel is the first to be constructed by Hyderabad-based Shushi Infra and was executed under the supervision of Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL). The total railway track length within the Pusad subdivision is 58.31 kilometers, and two additional tunnels are currently under construction – one of 4 kilometers at Dhundi Ghat and another of 2 kilometers at Shilona Ghat. The railway project is expected to significantly reduce travel time, enhance connectivity, and benefit both farmers and industries in the region. Completion of rail laying work in the coming months is expected to open the Wardha-Nanded route to the public soon.