

BULLS EYE

Certainly there will be a caste centric census!

Finally, the notification for the caste-wise census was announced. The need for the census, which was repeatedly expressed by the Leader of the Opposition Rahul Gandhi, is now becoming a reality. Whenever Rahul Gandhi was discussing the caste-wise census, he was being attacked from the top of his head. But when the discussion of the caste-wise census spread from the ground to the sky, then even Modi understood its importance. What is the direction of the wind, what is in the minds of the people, when to take the pulse of the people, how to connect with the people. Along with that, how to recognize the inner voice of the people, what action should be taken to attract the people, how to recognize the Mann Ki Baat in the minds of the people, how to touch the hearts of the people and how to bring joy to the people in the ocean of slogans. Our Prime Minister Narendra Modi is very adept in all these things. How adept he is in all these things. There is no need to say this. The credit for any important issue should not be taken by the opposition. We have seen this formula so far. Now, Modi has prepared his devotees by taking the issue of caste-wise census with him. This census should be carried out very properly. Therefore, this census will not be carried out properly with a speed like Duranto. This is Modi's firm belief. Therefore, like many passenger trains that have been stopped in India, the government is now going to do the work of conducting this caste-wise census slowly but in the right direction. The first phase of this census will start from October 1, 2026. The first phase of the Muhurta will last for exactly a year. There is no objection to understanding that the purpose behind all this is that the caste census should be carried out without any errors. Although the notification was issued today, the government still has 14 to 15 months to start the first phase. This is plenty of time. This sacred work will start on the eve of Mahatma Gandhi's birthday, that is, his birth anniversary, in 2026. The government will not take the easy route of completing the census by making unnecessary fuss and rushing. This is a good thing. After this first phase is over, the second phase will continue from March 1, 2027 to 28. We estimate that perhaps the third phase or the final phase will be completed before the 2029 elections. That is, in the last election, Rahul Gandhi raised the issue of caste census in every campaign meeting and created curiosity about this census in the minds of the people. It will automatically calm down. This is a very simple calculation. Now no one should be able to raise different issues on this issue. Complete preparations are being made for this. This skill plan of the government is definitely worthy of praise. After this census, the results of the 2029 elections will be expected to come out for its results. Then how will this complex table be deciphered gently. We should understand this. What our government wants to do. The government does it. But what it does not want to do and what the people want. We have to show that we do that too. In this regard, party spokespersons and one-party news channels are eager to cheer all these things. We have already mentioned above that on which issue can we catch the pulse of the people. Our government is an expert in taking up those issues and using the system at its disposal. Now let us hope for one thing. Let us hope that at least the answer to this question will be found after May-June 2029. Because by then, Modi will probably have won the Lok Sabha elections and the people will also see the answer to this question. There is nothing wrong in hoping for this. We should also respect the government's decision of caste-wise census and whenever the census workers come to our door. Then and there, give them detailed information. That way, they too will be saved. That is all that needs to be said on this occasion.

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Congress demands high-level inquiry into Indrayani bridge collapse

Mumbai, June 16 (UNI) The Maharashtra Congress on Monday demanded for a high-level inquiry into the Indrayani river bridge collapse incident near Pune, in which four people died and many injured. "The deaths due to the collapse of the bridge over the Indrayani river in Pune district are the victims of the government's negligence. Why did the dangerous bridge remain open when it was known that hundreds of tourists visit Kundamala during the monsoon," questioned Maharashtra Pradesh Congress Committee President Harshvardhan Sapkal here. He has demanded that the government fix the responsibility and file a case of culpable homicide against the concerned officials. Speaking on the Indrayani bridge accident, the Congress state president further said that the iron bridge at Kundamala was weak, the government is saying that funds were approved for it a year ago. Then, why was the work not done for a year? Was the government waiting for an accident to happen?

Three of family die, two others injured in lightning strike in Jalgaon

Jalgaon, June 16 (UNI) Three members of a family were killed, and two others were injured after lightning struck them in Chalisgaon taluka of the district. The victims were standing under a tree in a field to shelter themselves from a spell of heavy rain on Sunday evening, when lightning struck them, police said on Monday. The deceased have been identified as Dashrath Udai Pawar (aged 24), his nephew Dilip Pawar (14, both of Konganagar) and schoolboy Samadhan Prakash Rathod (9). Dashrath had been married 15 days ago. The Pawar family had gone to a field near the village in Chalisgaon taluka to plant cotton, when incident occurred, sources added.

Warnings on weak bridge were ignored: Fadnavis

Mumbai, June 16 (UNI) A day after four people died and 50 suffered injuries when an iron bridge over the Indrayani river collapsed with over 150 tourists on it in Pune's Kundamala, Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis on Monday lamented that many tourists ignored warnings about the weak bridge, which led to the fatal accident. The Chief Minister stressed the need to learn from this incident to prevent future occurrences. The CM said the district collector had previously declared the bridge dangerous, and villagers had even put up warning signs about its unsafe condition. Speaking to the media in Palghar, Fadnavis expressed deep sorrow over the incident and emphasized that even if repair work had begun after the contract was



awarded on June 10, it would not have been completed so soon to prevent the tragedy. He said that many tourists ignored the warnings, possibly assuming the bridge was abandoned or too weak to be hazardous, which led to the fatal accident. The CM said the District Collector had identified

around 500 similar tourist spots across the state that pose risks during the monsoon season, underscoring the urgent need for enhanced safety measures. Fadnavis reiterated the government's commitment to ensuring public safety and conducting a thorough investigation. Following the bridge collapse, rescue operations were swiftly mounted, involving the National Disaster Response Force and local teams. At least six people were rescued, and 32 others were injured, with six in a critical condition. Local residents played a vital role in rescue efforts.

India lost 91 tigers under six months: NTCA

New Delhi, June 16 (UNI) In the past five-and-a-half months, India has lost 91 royal tigers—an alarming figure - due to poaching, territorial disputes, human-wildlife conflicts, train mishaps and natural causes, according to data from the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA). On an average, this equates to nearly 17 tiger deaths every month. If this trend persists, the total number of tiger fatalities this year could surpass last year's figure of 126. In the five-year period from 2019 to 2023, a total of 628 striped predators have died across India. The data from the NTCA, which oversees Project Tiger in India, shows 96 deaths in 2019, 106 in 2020, 127 in 2021, 121 in 2022, and 178 in 2023. This widespread loss in the first five months till to date is uneven across states, with more than half ie 49 mortalities



occurring in Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra where train accidents and infectious disease too have been found to be the cause of the deaths. Maharashtra alone reported the deaths of 26 tigers, followed closely by Madhya Pradesh with 24. Other affected states include Kerala (nine), Assam (eight), Uttarakhand (seven), Karnataka and Uttar Pradesh (four each), and Telangana (one).

ISM graduates face financial penalty under credit point fee

YAVATMAL / NAGPUR POST: The National Integrated Medical Association (NIMA) Yavatmal branch has strongly opposed the fee imposed by MCIM Mumbai in the name of credit point in the degree registration renewal and registration process of ISM (Ayurveda and Unani) graduates. Due to this decision, all the office bearers of 'NIMA Branch Yavatmal' have expressed their anger in a special executive meeting over the imposition of financial penalty on B.A.M.S graduates by 'MCIM'. Maharashtra Council of Indian Medicine (MCIM) is a council formed under the auspices of the Maharashtra Government for ISM i.e. Ayurveda and Unani graduates. As per the rules, it is mandatory for registered graduates to renew their registration every five years.



In this, a registration fee of Rs. 5,000 has been charged and a renewal fee of Rs. 2,000 has been charged. While increasing the renewal fee by Rs. 2,000, the council had given the reason of searching for bogus doctors. But now, as per the circular published on June 3, 2025, 50 credit points are required for renewal and as per the order of the Union Ministry of AYUSH, the council has clarified that this charge is being levied at a rate of Rs 600 for each point from 1,100. The NIMA organization has strongly opposed the entire process of this credit point fee as well as the huge increase and has raised the question of whether this council was formed by the state government or the central government. Due to this circular of the council, a

financial penalty of Rs 30,000 will fall on BAMS graduates, i.e. Rs 600 for each point from a professional. The government should immediately pay attention to this and remove this imposed fee and reduce the financial penalty on BAMS graduates. Otherwise, a strong protest has been warned at this time. The special executive meeting was attended by NIMA Yavatmal President Dr. Vijay Agrawal, Secretary Dr. Novesh Kolhe, Treasurer Dr. Aditya Adhaukar, Senior Vice President Dr. Mangesh Hatgaonkar, National Legal Advisor Dr. Nitin Kothale, Dr. Vinod Dehankar, Dr. Praveen Rakhunde, Dr. Sanjay Ambadekar, Dr. Atish Gajbiye, Dr. Amol Deewane, Dr. Manoj Barloti, Dr. Manish Sadavarte, Dr. Mangala Nikam, Dr. Kavita Borkar, Dr. Manisha Pohre, Dr. Shipra Rathod and other office bearers, informed District liaison officer Dr. Prasad Palikundwar.

Bacchu Kadu criticises BJP after being disqualified from post of Cooperative bank director

Amravati, June 16 (UNI) Prahar Janshakti Party president Bacchu Kadu who was on hunger strike for the cause of state farmers, on Monday criticised the ruling BJP after being disqualified from the post of director of the District Central Cooperative Bank. He expressed surprise over his disqualification from the post of director of the District Bank and said that he first

came to know about it from the media. He lamented that he was not given a simple notice of it. Kadu alleged that action against him was taken out of revenge and claimed that some directors of the Congress had demanded that he be disqualified. The BJP has taken this action against him by using them, he further alleged. "This is a violation of the Constitution," he added.

Shah calls for zero-casualty approach

New Delhi, June 16 (UNI) Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Monday emphasised the need to adopt a zero-casualty approach in the face of disasters, asserting that while the country is well-prepared to handle such situations, it must also address their root causes. Addressing the annual conference of relief commissioners and disaster response forces of states and Union Territories, Shah identified climate change and global warming as the primary drivers of natural disasters, calling for environmental conservation to be made an integral part of disaster mitigation strategies, a Home Ministry statement said. "Climate change



efforts made over the past 11 years, including the launch of Mission LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment), the proposal for the creation of 'Pro-Planet People,' and India's key role in establishing the International Solar Alliance and the Global Biofuel Alliance. Shah also underlined India's contributions to global disaster risk reduction, citing Prime Minister Modi's 10-point agenda, the formation of the CDRI, and the establishment of a G-20 task force on disaster risk reduction.

and global warming are the primary causes of disasters, and therefore, we must move forward with environmental conservation as a core component," Shah said. He highlighted the significant efforts made over the past 11 years, including the launch of Mission LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment), the proposal for the creation of 'Pro-Planet People,' and India's key role in establishing the International Solar Alliance and the Global Biofuel Alliance. Shah also underlined India's contributions to global disaster risk reduction, citing Prime Minister Modi's 10-point agenda, the formation of the CDRI, and the establishment of a G-20 task force on disaster risk reduction.

SC declares 2nd & 4th Saturdays as working days again from July 14

New Delhi, June 16 (UNI) In a significant administrative shift, the Ministry of Law and Justice has notified the Supreme Court (Amendment) Rules, 2025, declaring that second and fourth Saturdays—which were previously observed as off days—will now be working days once again for the Supreme Court's registry and offices. The amendment will come into effect from July 14, 2025. The notification redefines working hours and operational days under Order II, Rules 1 to 3 of the Supreme Court Rules, reflecting a move aimed at improving court administration and efficiency. Key changes introduced include the change in daily working hours: The Supreme Court office shall now remain open from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM on all working days, excluding holidays and partial working days. Only urgent filings will



be accepted after 4:30 PM on regular working days. The Court office will now remain open on all Saturdays, including the second and fourth Saturdays, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Urgent matters will be accepted only until 12:00 noon on Saturdays. Special holidays (for example Christmas, New Year): Working hours on such days will be determined and notified by the Chief Justice of India on a case-by-case

basis. This move comes as part of broader efforts to enhance access to justice, improve the pace of court operations, and optimise court infrastructure and registry responsiveness. The notification marks a return to pre-pandemic norms when the court registry operated with extended working days, thereby allowing greater procedural efficiency in case processing. This amendment follows ongoing deliberations around judicial reforms and the need to reduce pendency in courts. It is expected to ease pressure on the system by facilitating quicker administrative processing of case files, listings, and orders. The full text of the Supreme Court (Amendment) Rules, 2025 will be available on the official website of the Supreme Court and the Ministry of Law and Justice.

Deputy CM Pawar welcomes students on the first day of school

Pune, June 16 (UNI) As part of the School Entrance Festival programme, Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister and Guardian Minister of the district Ajit Pawar welcomed the students of Zilla Parishad School Alegaon Punarvasan in Daund taluka on the very first day of school by giving them flowers here on Monday. Group Development Officer Mahesh Dhoke, Group Education Officer Sanjay Mahajan, Extension Officer Sharifa Tamboli, Center Head Asha Dhadge, former Zilla Parishad member Virdhawal (Baba) Jagdale etc. were present on the

occasion. Stating that today the memories of school life were revived, Ajit Pawar said that it is the moral responsibility of the state government to provide modern, quality education to the students and also to provide infrastructure facilities in all schools to shape the future generation. In this regard, free textbooks, uniforms and shoes are being provided to the students, he said, and added that the state government is spending a lot on education. He said that care is being taken to ensure that students do not face any difficulties while pursuing their education.

PM awarded Cyprus' highest honour



Nicosia/New Delhi, June 16 (UNI) Prime Minister Narendra Modi was today awarded Cyprus' highest honour, the Grand Cross of the Order of Makarios III, by President Nikos Christodoulides at the presidential palace in Nicosia. PM Modi said he is humbled to receive the 'Grand Cross of the Order of Makarios III' of Cyprus and dedicated it to the friendship between the two nations. The MEA spokesperson said in a post on X: "An award dedicated to the trusted India-Cyprus friendship & 1.4 billion people of India." President Christodoulides conferred PM @narendramodi with the 'Grand Cross of the Order of Makarios III' of Cyprus. "The honour reflects the enduring India-Cyprus bilateral partnership and shared commitment to work together for the common vision for peace, progress and prosperity."

Amid rising Iran-Israel conflict, Jaishankar speaks with counterparts in UAE, Armenia

New Delhi, June 16 (UNI) Amid the continued missile attacks between Iran and Israel, India has been in touch with the UAE and Armenia in the likely evacuation of some 1,300 Indian students stuck in Iran. External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar spoke with his counterparts from both the UAE and Armenia today. Armenia shares a land border with Iran while UAE shares a maritime border. EAM Jaishankar spoke with the Deputy PM and Foreign Minister of UAE Abdullah bin Zayed during which they discussed the current situation in the Middle East and the role of diplomacy. "Had a telecon with DPM & FM @ABZayed of UAE on the current situation in West Asia and the role of diplomacy." Agreed to remain in touch. On his conversation with his Armenian counterpart Ararat Mirzoyan,



EAM Jaishankar said they discussed the current situation in the region and their bilateral cooperation. "Spoke with FM @AraratMirzoyan of Armenia." Discussed ongoing developments in the region and our close cooperation. "The Indian Embassy in Tehran has said it continuously monitoring the security situation and engaging with Indian students in Iran to ensure their safety. In a statement, the Ministry of External Affairs said that in some cases, Indian students are being relocated with the Embassy's facilitation to safer places within Iran. Other feasible options are also under examination. Further updates will follow, it added. Separately, the Indian Embassy is in touch with Indian community leaders regarding their welfare and safety.

Pune bridge mishap: Thackeray lambasts state govt

Mumbai, June 16 (UNI) Maharashtra Navnirman Sena (MNS) president, Raj Thackeray, on Monday sharply criticised the BJP alliance government over its negligence following tragic collapse of the Kanthamala bridge over the Indrayani River in Pune district, which resulted in four deaths and 51 injuries. Expressing condolences on behalf of himself and the MNS, Thackeray extended sympathies to the families of the victims of the Sunday afternoon disaster. He questioned the government's failure to prevent the tragedy, asking why the bridge, known to be in a dangerous condition, was not completely closed or replaced. "If the bridge was hazardous, why wasn't it demolished and rebuilt? Why was it still accessible to the public?" he demanded. Raj Thackeray dismissed the government's routine statement that "rescue operations are underway and the government stands firmly with the affected," calling it a mere platitude.



Bomb threat sparks panic at Mumbai school

Mumbai, June 16 (UNI) An alleged bomb threat sent shockwaves through an international school in Kandivali area of Mumbai on Monday morning, triggering panic among students, staff, and parents. Promptly responding to the threat, the Samta Nagar Police, accompanied by a bomb disposal squad, conducted a thorough search of the entire school premises but found no explosives, police said.

Health camp organised on initiative of Guardian Minister Rathod

NER / NAGPUR POST: "Disease disappears, when service becomes faith" was once again realized in the soil of Ner. Nearly two thousand patients got a new lease of life in the grand camp of the Arogya Sankalp Abhiyan organized in Ner on the occasion of the birthday of the State Water Conservation Minister and Guardian Minister of the district Sanjay Rathod. This richness of health service was realized on Monday, June 15 at Nehru College. Every year, on the occasion of the birth anniversary of the late Hindu Hruday Samrat Balasaheb Thackeray and the birthday of Sanjay Rathod, free health check-up and treatment camps are organized in Ner, Digras, Darvha areas. This year's camp was held in the joint auspices of the Maa Arogya Sewa Samiti Yavatmal, Datta Meghe Institute of Medical Sciences, and Acharya Vinoba Bhawe Rural Hospital Sawangi (Meghe). Important tests like heart disease, cancer, breast cancer, liver check-up, kidney, varicose veins, plastic surgery, infertility counseling, bone fragility check-up, X-ray, sonography were done in this



camp. Notably, the surgery of needy and eligible patients will be done free of cost at Sawangi (Meghe). A team of expert doctors provided compassionate service in the camp. The patients were registered between 10 am and 2 pm. On this occasion, Legislative Assembly Liaison Chief Bhaurao Dhawale, Shiv Sena Shinde group taluka chief Manoj Nalhe, Mahila Aghadi district chief Vaishali Masal, Deepak Aade, Archana Isalkar, Pankaj Gulhane, Indrajit Chavan, Rupesh Gulhane, Vicky Raut, Ritesh Chirade, Bharat Masram, Nikhil Thackeray, Nilesh Shelke, Nagsen Dongre, Ganesh Mendhe, Yuvraj Mohurle, Manoj Soone, Ravindra Raut,

Diwakar Dhoke, Nemichand Rathod, Sameer Mahure Sujit Kumbhare, Mithun Rathod, Jhumbarsingh Chavan, Nilesh Nalhe, Roshan Chopde, Pramod Rathod Mahure, Bhimrao Khobragade, Ganesh Chavan, Pallavi Deshmukh, Sarika Mahalle, worked hard. Along with them, local office bearers and activists were present and helped the patients. Such a grand camp is organized two to three times a year on the initiative of Guardian Minister Sanjay Rathod. This is not just a check-up, but a life-giving hope for the people. Inspired by this spirit of service, many needy people have sought treatment and taken the first step towards health.

Cracks appear on Kalgaon Flyover wall, demand of urgent repairs put forth

Mahagaon 16 (NAGPUR POST/TC): Cracks have emerged on the wall adjacent to the Kalgaon T-Point underpass on the Nagpur-Tuljapur National Highway, raising serious safety concerns for daily commuters. The compromised structure poses a potential threat of collapse, prompting urgent calls for maintenance by the concerned department and the responsible contractor. The affected section lies on State Highway 361, where visible cracks have appeared on the upper portion of the Kalgaon flyover. Local residents fear that if timely repairs are not carried out, a serious accident could occur. Authorities are being urged to take immediate action to prevent any mishap. This situation has once again highlighted the substandard construction quality of the highway, including the Samruddhi Mahamarg project. In the past, the absence of proper signboards and speed breakers at this very point led to the tragic deaths of two young men. Although toll collection has recently begun on this route, residents complain that contractors are



neglecting the upkeep of the road despite collecting fees from motorists. Several stretches of the service roads remain incomplete, and critical road safety infrastructure such as directional signboards and speed breakers are still missing in many places. As the highway is relatively new to the public, the lack of proper signage is causing confusion and inconvenience to commuters. Moreover, multiple accidents have occurred on this stretch due to inadequate signage and lack of pedestrian crossing infrastructure, resulting in the loss of several lives. Locals are now demanding that the highway authorities and construction firms take immediate notice and carry out necessary repairs and safety enhancements before further casualties occur.

Accused acquitted after 13 years in notorious crop insurance scam

Farmer had filed a complaint against irregularities in District Bank's Mahagaon branch

Mahagaon 16 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): In a significant development in the long-standing and widely discussed crop insurance fraud case, all accused have been acquitted after 13 years by the Mahagaon court. The case, which involved alleged misappropriation of insurance premiums collected from farmers, had created a major stir at the time. The complaint was originally lodged in 2011 by Manikrao Maroti Gawande, a farmer from Uti village in Mahagaon taluka. He alleged that during the month of September, upon learning about compensation for crop damage, he and other farmers visited the Mahagaon branch of the District Central Cooperative Bank to check their claims. While some farmers had received insurance payouts, others, including Gawande, had not. Upon inquiry, the bank informed them that no insurance premiums had been deposited on their behalf. However, when the farmers produced receipts showing payment of the premiums, the bank officials



checked and stated that the amounts were not reflected in the bank's official vouchers. This raised suspicions of embezzlement and fraud. Following the complaint, Mahagaon Police registered a case against then Branch Manager Chandrashekhar Mandavgade and staff members Baburao Jambhutkar, Vinayak Jadhav, Narayan Jadhav, Vishnu Ade, and Abhay Mandavgade. They were accused of collecting insurance premiums from farmers but failing to deposit the same, thereby depriving the farmers of rightful compensation and causing financial loss. The case led to widespread uproar in the region. All accused were arrested by the Mahagaon police, and the

prosecution and the defense. After careful consideration, Judge S.M. Kolekar of the Mahagaon court ruled that the prosecution had failed to prove the charges beyond reasonable doubt. Consequently, the court acquitted all accused after a prolonged legal battle spanning over 13 years. Advocate Laxmikant Bhanghe strongly defended the primary accused, Chandrashekhar Mandavgade, and his son Abhay Mandavgade, playing a key role in securing the acquittal. The verdict brings closure to one of the most talked-about financial fraud cases involving farmers in the region.

Burglary case cracked, Rs 7.17 lakh worth material recovered, two arrested

Paratwada 16 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Paratwada Police have successfully cracked a house burglary case that occurred between June 2 and June 12, arresting two individuals and recovering stolen property worth Rs. 7.17 lakh. One accused is still absconding. The house of Pravin Krishnakumar Agrawal, located in Naik Plot, Kandali, was burgled with the thieves stealing gold, silver, and cash totaling Rs. 7.47 lakh. Acting on a tip-off, the Detection Branch apprehended Akshay Mohan Uike from Kalimata Nagar and recovered six gold rings meant for children. During questioning, he admitted to committing the theft along with Sanjay alias Munna Kawale. The second accused, Vijay Bahurao Wankhade (32), of Kalimata Slum, was also arrested. The stolen items recovered include gold and silver jewelry worth Rs. 6.37 lakh, cash of Rs. 50,000, and a two-wheeler worth Rs. 30,000. The search for Munna Kawale is ongoing. The operation was carried out under the leadership of Inspector Suresh Mhaske and guidance of senior officers.

Teachers suspended in Buldhana over low enrollment, Union condemns move

Amravati 16 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): About 35 teachers in Buldhana District have been suspended because enrollment dropped below ten students in their government-run district council schools. The Maharashtra Primary Teachers' Association has condemned the decision as unjust, irrational, and harsh, demanding immediate cancellation. The union

criticizes the policy, pointing out that low enrollment stems from broader issues: proliferation of private English-medium schools, under-equipped public schools, migration from rural areas, falling birth rates, and policy decisions like establishing schools every 1 km, not teacher incompetence. They warn of statewide protests if the suspension order is not revoked.

Education department officials given warm farewell in Amravati

Amravati 16 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): A farewell event was held for Group Education Officer Deepak Kokatre (transferred to Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar) and School Nutrition Supervisor Narendra Gaikwad (transferred to Buldhana), organized by the Bhatkuli Panchayat Samiti's education department at the group resource center. The event included a puja in honor of Savitribai Phule. Several dignitaries, including Principals and Education Officers, praised their integrity, coordination, and leadership. In their responses, both officials expressed gratitude and emphasized the importance of future collaboration for quality education.

BJP workshop as per 'Sankalp Se Siddhi' initiative held at Morshi

Hiwarkhed 16 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): A key workshop under the BJP's "Sankalp Se Siddhi" initiative was held on June 14 at 4 p.m. in front of the Ram Temple near the government hospital on Main Market Road, Morshi, organized by the BJP city and rural wings. District President Raviraj Deshmukh attended as the chief guest. The workshop was led by MLA Umesh Yawalkar and aimed to bring together all booth

presidents, strength-centre heads, organizational office-bearers, local representatives, and aspiring candidates for the upcoming local self-government elections. Organizers emphasized its importance and urged full attendance. The appeal was jointly issued by Regional Coordinator Praveen Raut (Rural Amravati), Rural Morshi Taluka President Umesh Konde, and City President Rahul A. Choudhary.

Homemade pickles become costlier due to price hike

Pathrot 16 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): The traditional favorite homemade pickles, especially rural mango (kairi) pickles, have doubled in cost this season. Kairi prices have risen from Rs 40 to Rs 70 per kg, with rising oil and spice costs pushing overall expenses higher. Many households are now debating whether to prepare large batches. Although processed pickles are available, homemakers still prefer homemade for its taste and longevity. Additional changes include seamstresses no longer slicing mangoes at home, tiring women rely on vendors (Rs 10-20/kg). Demand for wild tribal mangoes, believed to preserve better, has surged.

Avnish Welfare Foundation opens Special Child Development Centre

Amravati 16 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): Avnish Welfare Foundation has launched a Special Child Development Center under its "Breaking Barrier, Building Future" initiative. The center supports approximately 400 children with special needs, offering integrated physical, intellectual, educational, and personal development therapies—including Ayurvedic, allopathic, and homeopathic treatments—free of charge. Services include physiotherapy, Shirodhara, dental and eye check-ups, arts, dance, and vocational training, with a trained team of doctors and special educators. Parents also receive guidance and emotional support.

Unattended drain paving way for health hazards in Anjanagaon Bari

Anjanagaon Bari 16 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Residents of Ward 6 report severe neglect of the main drain from Sharad Ingole's house toward Mahadevpura, which has collapsed and become clogged. Accumulated sewage and rainwater are causing odor and posing serious health risks, especially with the impending monsoon. Despite repeated complaints since 1978, the Gram Panchayat has only offered assurances. Locals warn of dengue and malaria threats, demanding immediate repair or facing protests. "Why has such a vital drain remained unattended for years?" asked resident Sharad Ingole.

Seven pole transmission line restored in Dabka Substation in aftermath of thunderstorm

Amravati 16 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): After heavy rains and storms on June 12 disrupted power to 170 villages by damaging seven 33 kV transmission poles feeding the Dabka substation, Maharashtra State Power Distribution Company (MAHADISCOM)

teams swiftly repaired the lines. By June 14, full power restoration was completed. The sons of the effort included Superintendent Engineer Deepak Devhate, Executive Engineer Pradeep Andhare, and Deputy Engineer Shyam Yenagantiwar, led by the Chief Engineer.

Several people participate in blood donation camp organised in memory of Haji Yusuf Khan

Amravati 16 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): A blood donation camp was held at Science Core during the Amravati Utsav Mela in memory of late Haji Yusuf Khan. The event was jointly organized by the YK Group and Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Blood Bank. Hundreds of citizens participated in the camp, paying tribute to Haji Yusuf Khan, known for performing last rites for unclaimed bodies and helping the poor and destitute throughout his life.

Modi govt's 11 years have proved to be an 'Amrit Yug': Dr. Parinay Fuke

Legislator highlights regime's performance, govt paved way for developed India

Bhandara 16 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): The accomplishments during the tenure of the Modi regime will be written in golden letters in the history of the country. This decade has been marked by the success pursuits of a developed India, a self-reliant India and determined India in various fields of human endeavour. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has completed a successful journey of 11 years with the blessings of 140 crore Indians. During this period, a strong foundation for India's bright future has been laid. It is not possible to describe the achievements made in these 11 years in a single speech or discussion session. The tenure of the Modi government is an 'Amrit Yug' which has paved the way for a developed India, said legislator Dr. Parinay Fuke in a press conference organized in Bhandara on Saturday (June 14). On the occasion, BJP District President Ashu Gonda, Lok Sabha constituency publicity chief Bala Anjankar, State executive committee member Rekha Bhajipale, District General Secretary Mayur Bisen, Kunda Vaidya, Vinod Bante, Kalyani Bhure, Vijay Lichade, Sandeep Meshram and other dignitaries were prominently present. Speaking further during the press conference, legislator Dr. Fuke said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi



has given a new momentum to development by using technology in an effective manner. Where BJP is in power, the poor have developed in the true sense of the word. The Modi government has made the concept of government as service and good governance a part of the country's culture. Before 2014, the country was entangled in corruption. However, the Modi government has started a new era of development in the country by adopting transparency and reforms. He said that the DBT system, which delivers the benefits of the scheme directly to the bank accounts of the beneficiaries, is a clear example of their decisive policy making and exemplary governance. Also, today many schemes like Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana, Ayushman Bharat Yojana, Ujjwala Yojana, Awas Yojana, Jal Jiban Mission, Kisan Samman Nidhi, Jan Dhan Yojana

are being implemented successfully. Under the Ayushman Bharat Yojana, free treatment of up to Rs 5 lakh has been made available. Due to 'Make in India', the country is becoming self-sufficient in production, and India is exporting many goods and services in the present era. India's security and strength have been enhanced and showcased in front of the world through campaigns like Operation Sindoor. Historical works like Ram Temple, Kashi Vishwanath Corridor are not only a symbol of development oriented ideology, but also of preserving the culture of the country. Decisions like GST imposition have curbed corruption in the economic system. He said that the unity of the country has been strengthened by removing controversial sections in our constitution like Article 370. Finally, when the representatives of the print and electronic media present at the press conference asked him questions about the development works carried out in Bhandara district, he answered the questions convincingly and satisfied them. If there is any neglect, he assured that the relevant issues will be resolved after taking due cognisance of it.

Janaki Nagar based underground conduit malfunctions

MSEDCL employees work overnight to ensure proper repairs

Nagpur 16 June: On Sunday night, about 9 thousand consumers in Janaki Nagar, Avadhut Nagar and Shivshakti Nagar areas of Nagpur had to spend the night in darkness due to power outage. This situation was created due to a malfunction in the underground cable joint of the 11 KV Janaki Nagar power conduit at Manewada square. However, in this dire situation, MSEDCL employees worked tirelessly throughout the night and made every effort to provide relief to the consumers. Around 9.30 pm on Sunday, a sudden malfunction in the Janaki Nagar power conduit disrupted power supply in the area. Since it is an underground conduit, finding out where the malfunction occurred was a big challenge for the employees. MSEDCL employees were struggling all night to find the location of the malfunction. After tireless

efforts, they found that the cable joint at Manewada square had melted. Since the electrical load on this channel was very high, attempts to start the power supply by backfeeding it immediately were also fruitless. Even after tireless efforts all night, it was not possible to start the temporary power supply. Finally, by 9 am, the employees connected the power from another channel and started the temporary supply, which gave some relief to the citizens of the area. On Monday morning, the engineers and employees led by Sameer Tekade, Executive Engineer of MSEDCL's Mahal Division, resumed the work of repairing the fault. After working tirelessly all day and overcoming many technical difficulties, they could not completely repair the fault late at night. The work of repairing the underground cable at Manewada square is still



underway. For this, a pit 8 feet deep, 8 feet long and 3 feet wide is being dug from the ground and the cable joints are being checked. Since one joint has to be dug again and the next joint has to be checked in the same way, it is likely to take another three to four hours for the repair. MSEDCL employees are working on a war footing to restore power supply to the remaining parts by diverting most of the damaged lines to another line. If the fault is not repaired by night, it may be necessary to regulate the load in a circular manner in the affected areas, in which case, MSEDCL has appealed to the customers to cooperate.

Jyotibai Gulhane passes away

Chandur Railway 16 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Jyotibai Amarsingh Gulhane (84), mother of Pappu alias Ashutosh Gulhane, director of the Agricultural Produce Market Committee in Ghodegaon, passed away on June 13 after a brief illness. Funeral rites were conducted at the Ghuikhed crematorium. She is survived by three sons, one daughter, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, and several grandchildren.

MUHS's foundation day celebrated at PDMC

Amravati 16 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): PDMC celebrated the foundation day of Maharashtra University of Health Sciences with great enthusiasm. The event included flag hoisting and university song presentation led by Dean Dr. Anil Deshmukh. Faculty, non-teaching staff, and students actively participated in the celebration. The event was conducted by sports officer Sanjay Watole.

Three held for robbery, vehicle thefts

Six cases solved by Pachpaoli Police



Nagpur 16 June: Pachpaoli Police cracked down on a robbery and vehicle theft gang by arresting three accused, solving six criminal cases, and recovering stolen property worth over Rs 4.49 lakh. On June 12 around 12:30 AM, the complainant Tufani Kripashankar Shukla, a 30-year-old resident of Kalamna, was walking near Barse Nagar in search of food when he was confronted by three unknown men.

After asking about nearby food stalls, the accused abused, assaulted, and forcibly robbed him of his mobile phone and Rs 5,600 cash — totaling a loss of Rs 19,600. Following his complaint, Pachpaoli Police

registered a case and arrested two suspects — Rakesh alias Khatya Naresh Zodape (29) and Piyush alias Dadu Prakash Salve (30) — both residents of Barse Nagar. Further investigation led to the arrest of the third accused Ganesh alias Anna Anand Burde (41) from Yashodharanagar. The black Activa moped (MH-31 ES 5368), valued at Rs 60,000, used in the crime was seized. On interrogation, the trio confessed to two more thefts in Pachpaoli, two in Yashodharanagar, and one in Ganeshpeth. They also disclosed details of a stolen Diomoped (MH-31 CW8710) worth Rs 50,000 from Sadar limits, which hadn't been reported yet.

Gadchiroli mining body shielded from legal suits, challenges

Gadchiroli 16 June: The government has given legal immunity to the Gadchiroli District Mining Authority (GDMA) formed to develop the Maoist-affected Gadchiroli district as the new steel hub of the country. The GDMA will be protected from all suits, prosecutions and other legal proceedings against it. The body has also been accorded powers to frame rules and regulations that it may deem necessary to exercise its powers and discharge its duties.

The powers were granted through legislation for which the state government promulgated an ordinance on June 2. The state government is looking to develop Gadchiroli as the next steel city of the country. The top private players in the steel sector have committed to investing Rs 50,000 crore in the district, and one company has already started mining high-quality iron ore, chief minister Devendra Fadnis informed the state legislature in December last year.

Accordingly, a mining authority for the district was approved in the state cabinet meeting held in the first week of April. Now the government has further decided to give protective cover to GDMA by enacting a law. "No suit, prosecution or other legal proceeding shall lie against any member of the authority or the executive committee constituted under this ordinance for anything done or any action taken in good faith under this ordinance," states the ordinance promulgated by the state mining department, which will be converted into legislation by tabling a bill in the upcoming monsoon session of the state legislature. The 16-member GDMA will be



headed by the chief minister. The ordinance has also allowed the formation of an executive committee, headed by the chief secretary, that will finalise the terms and conditions of the tender and approve the tenders for appointing a mine developer-cum-operator (MDO) for the operationalisation of the mineral blocks. The protection from legal proceedings has been extended to the nine-member executive committee as well.

The GDMA will have all the power to make rules and regulations that it believes are necessary for discharging its duties. "The authority may, with the prior approval of the government, from time to time, make regulations, not inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance and the rules made thereunder, for all or any of the matters to be provided under this ordinance by regulations and generally for all other matters for which the provision is, in the opinion of the authority, necessary for the exercise of its powers and the discharge of its functions under this ordinance," the ordinance noted. The state mining department was of the view that the absence of an integrated administrative mechanism was hampering swift execution of the mining project, and thus the formation of a unified authority to expedite mining

approvals was proposed. "It will foster the growth of mineral-based industries and accelerate the holistic development of Gadchiroli district," said a senior mining official, adding, "The GDMA will act as a catalyst in speeding up the process of operationalisation of approved mining leases. It will also generate employment in the said area and boost the state's revenue."

I S Chahal, additional chief secretary of the state mining department said that the government did not intend to give any such protection to GDMA. "The provision has been incorporated only to protect the government resolutions to be issued in this regard. In the absence of legislation, people often challenge the government resolution, saying that there is no such provision in any of the existing acts," he told reporters.

Currently, Lloyds Metals & Energy Ltd operates iron ore mines in Gadchiroli's Surjagarh, which were awarded on lease in 2007. The operation of the mines could be started only in 2021 owing to the Maoist insurgency. Surjagad Ispat has now proposed a Rs 10,000-crore steel plant in Wadlapeth village while JSV Steel too has announced a plan to set up the world's largest steel plant in Gadchiroli district.

Land titles distributed to 500 Khapri PAPs



Nagpur 16 June: Maharashtra revenue minister Chandrashekhar Bawankule on Saturday handed over land allotment documents to project-affected families from Khapri (Railway) under the Mihan rehabilitation scheme, declaring that the long-pending demand for justice to the region's displaced residents was now met. Out of 765 eligible beneficiaries in Khapri, 500 PAPs (Project Affected Persons) received pattas (land ownership documents). The remaining 265 are expected to receive theirs soon. The function was held on the premises of a school at the rehabilitated layout in Mihan. "Under the leadership of chief minister Devendra Fadnis, we are committed to ensuring that no beneficiary is left behind. The Mihan project-affected persons from Khapri, as well as the adjoining villages of Kalkuhi, Dahagaon and Telhara have now received what they waited for 15 years," the guardian minister said adding that those still awaiting land allotment should apply afresh, while those already granted plots should refrain from reapplying.

The document distribution was held under the joint initiative of the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Revenue Campaign and the

100-day action programme, in collaboration with the district collector's office and the Maharashtra Airport Development Company (MADC). Six beneficiaries — Ashok Sontakke, Vinayak Barai, Vijay Barai, Bhushan Junghare, Pramod Lakshane, and Ramdas Sonule — were symbolically handed over documents by Bawankule. The function was attended by collector Dr Vipin Itankar, ZP CEO Vinayak Mahamuni, SDM Vandana Savrangpate, and former ZP and gram panchayat representatives. Bawankule also pitched for the wider implementation of the 'Nagpur Pattern', a model in which administrative officers hold weekly field meetings to resolve issues at the village level. "This decentralised, direct communication system must be adopted statewide to address public grievances more effectively," he said. The resettlement of Khapri families was executed across 28 hectares with modern civic infrastructure developed at a cost of Rs 38 crore.

Amenities include covered internal roads, asphalted and open drains, water pipelines, sewerage lines, and 11KV and 33KV electric supply networks. Homes acquired under the MIHAN project were duly compensated through the collector's office.

Global recruiters heading elsewhere, Vidarbha youth deprived lament statehood activists

Nagpur 16 June: As five top international universities prepare to establish campuses in Navi Mumbai, statehood activists in Vidarbha have once again raised their voices against what they call 'chronic regional neglect'. The Maharashtra govt's decision to welcome institutions like Aberdeen University, University of York, University of Western Australia, Illinois Institute of Technology, and Istituto Europeo di Design (IED), who have expressed interest in setting up their campuses in Navi Mumbai, has sparked criticism from Vidarbha leaders. They claim the eastern region is being reduced to a spectator in the state's development narrative. Speaking to reporters, statehood supporters argue that premier institutions could have been set up in Nagpur or Amravati, cities that not only have space but also the potential to transform into knowledge hubs. Instead, Navi Mumbai continues to be the focal point

of investment and policy attention, leaving Vidarbha sidelined. Former MLA Wamanrao Chatap criticised the govt, calling them 'anti-Vidarbha', and claimed that the decision to prioritise Navi Mumbai is politically motivated. "This is being done to keep alliance partners happy and the govt in power," he alleged, targeting the chief minister for 'compromising Vidarbha's interests'. Atharv Kothekar, senior digital marketing manager at the Association for Industrial Development (AID), echoed similar sentiments.

"Vidarbha lies at the centre of India and has immense logistical value, but it is consistently left out of major policy decisions," he said. Despite institutions like AIIMS and IIM existing in Nagpur, they are rarely highlighted in development narratives. Kothekar added that inadequate infrastructure — including limited international air connectivity — and a Mumbai-focused model of

development are keeping Vidarbha from progressing. "Mumbai is saturated with educational institutions and companies too. It's time we build an ecosystem in Vidarbha, starting with investment in basic infrastructure," he said. Another expert on the topic, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said the state govt is diverting already strained resources to Mumbai and western Maharashtra. "There is no political will to support Vidarbha."

Even with 62 MLAs from this region, the power still lies in the hands of leaders from western parts of the state," he said. He added that local initiatives like Symbiosis College in Nagpur have proven doubters wrong, showing that the people are ready — it is only the govt that lacks intent. "This imbalance only reaffirms our demand for a separate Vidarbha. Without statehood, these aspirations will never materialise," he said.

Mega blood donation camp evokes enthusiastic response

Nagpur 16 June: A blood donation and health check-up camp was organised on Saturday at the MIDC Industries Association (MIA) premises in Hingna, in a joint effort by the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), Nagpur Division, and the GSK Blood Centre. The camp received a positive response, with a focus on awareness of community health and the importance of voluntary blood donation. Medical supervision was provided by Dr Ashish Khandelwal and Dr Shweta Khandelwal, who ensured the smooth and hygienic conduct of the blood donation process. Organisers confirmed that the collected blood units would support life-saving treatments at regional hospitals. Speaking at the event, MIA President P. Mohan said, "This initiative is a reflection of our collective



commitment towards social responsibility. The industrial fraternity has once again demonstrated its willingness to serve society beyond business." MIA, executive president Sachin Jain, treasurer Manish Sawal, vice-president KK Daga, and MSME joint director Vijay Sirsat were among the key dignitaries present at the event. Several office-bearers and senior members from the industrial community also attended, with many participating in the blood donation drive. The camp was coordinated by Abhay Nath, deputy director, MSME Nagpur Division, with operational support from Team MIA to ensure smooth conduct of activities.

Second capital celebrates Father's day with gusto

Nagpur 16 June: Father's Day brought a quiet wave of emotions, gratitude, and celebration across Nagpur on Sunday. From bustling cafés across the city to the silent lakesides of Futala and Ambazari, the city paused to honour the bond between fathers and children — sometimes loud, sometimes silent, but always strong. Adding to the day's charm was the welcome change in weather. After three days of sultry, humid conditions, Sunday evening brought relief in the form of a cool breeze and a noticeable dip in temperature. Though there was no rainfall, the softened air and gentler climate made evening strolls and family outings more enjoyable. "It felt like the weather too joined in to make Father's Day special," smiled Manjusha Barve, out with her elderly father. Families stepped out to spend quality time together, treating their dads to their favourite meals, surprise gifts, or simply an unhurried conversation. "We gave him a handmade card," said 10-year-old Aarav Sakharbari, who was out with his family. Restaurants in Ramdaspeth and Dharampeth offered 'Father's Day Specials', while local bakeries and florists saw an uptick in orders. "Wallets, books, perfumes, and home gadgets were the top buys," said Dilip Patel, a gift shop owner in Sitabuldi. Some moments didn't need grand gestures. "I made tea and sat with my father for an hour. He told me stories from his childhood. That was my gift," said Aayushi Deshmukh, a student from Nandanvan. Even in homes where the father is no longer present, the day carried significance. "I lit a diya for my father and read a few pages from his favourite book," said Rajendra Uke, a senior citizen from Reshimbagh. "His wisdom still guides me." Across WhatsApp statuses and Instagram reels, Nagpurites expressed love with childhood photos, candid videos, and emotional tributes. "My first hero, my forever guide," read one caption on a photo of a father teaching his daughter to ride a bicycle. Facebook groups saw floods of photo albums — some nostalgic, some humorous — with old-school dads in bell-bottoms and side-parted hair.

Second complaint filed in Municipal Council recruitment scam



Mul 16 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): The recruitment scam of the Municipal Council in the smart city has been in the news for the past few months. However, with the filing of a second complaint today, the attention of the citizens has now been focused. Creating fake advertisements regarding the Municipal recruitment, circulating them on social media, and committing financial fraud by showing the lure of jobs is a serious crime. A complaint has been filed with the Mul police after some employees working at the Municipal Council Mul defrauded unemployed youths by

showing them vacant posts. Since crores of rupees have been collected from many youths with the intention of getting them jobs at the Municipal Council, it is necessary to investigate this. As soon as a complaint was filed regarding the luring by showing the lure of getting them jobs in the Municipal Council Mul, the investigation has started in the city about what turn the fake Mul Nagar Parishad post recruitment case will take, and public attention has been drawn to the police investigation.

Cybercriminals using fake traffic challans sent via WhatsApp to dupe citizens

Nagpur 16 June: Cybercriminals are now using fake traffic challans sent via WhatsApp to dupe unsuspecting citizens in Nagpur. In a recent case, a citizen, Manish, narrowly escaped falling prey to such a scam after receiving a bogus traffic violation notice on his mobile phone — even though his vehicle hadn't left the parking lot outside his home. Shared his experience in detail, Manish warned fellow citizens about how cybercrooks are now impersonating traffic police officials using fake logos, genuine-looking messages, and even valid vehicle registration numbers.

"I got a WhatsApp message at 5.16pm claiming I had violated traffic rules and fined Rs2,000. It mentioned my car number and included a challan number. But I didn't take my car out all day. It was parked outside my house," he told reporters adding, "I cross-checked with my wife and reviewed CCTV footage at home. My car hadn't moved." On closer inspection, Manish noticed that the message included an APK file — a type of Android application file —



that could potentially compromise his phone and siphon off sensitive data like bank account details. "Luckily, I didn't click on it. I had read about such scams in the news. I informed the police right away," he said. The fake message came from an unknown number and even used an official-looking profile photo of the traffic police to add credibility.

Manish later submitted the details to the assistant commissioner of police (ACP), cautioning others not to download unknown files or click on suspicious links. He also highlighted that genuine traffic challans are issued via official govt SMS channels, not through

WhatsApp. "Another friend of mine recently received similar scam messages pretending to be from toll collection services and banks."

These fraudsters are using emotional triggers to trick people into panicking and paying up," he said. The Nagpur police have received several such complaints in recent weeks and are urging citizens to remain vigilant, avoid clicking on APK files, and report suspicious activity immediately.

DCP Lohit Matani, head of the cyber cell, posted a video warning citizens about the scam. "A woman received a message claiming she had a pending

traffic challan and was asked to download an APK file to view and pay it."

As soon as the file was downloaded, a large sum of money was deducted from her account.

"Explaining the modus operandi, Matani said fraudsters send messages saying an e-challan is pending and provide a link to download an app that mimics the official 'mParivahan' platform."

Once the APK file is installed, the criminals gain full access to the victim's phone, including photos, messages, banking apps, SMS, and OTPs. "People should never click on such links or download any APK files from unverified sources," Matani cautioned. "If you receive such a message, visit the official Parivahan website to check your challan status."

Do not respond to suspicious messages or make payments through third-party apps. "The DCP further advised victims of such frauds to immediately report the incident by calling the national cybercrime helpline 1930, visiting the nearest cyber police station, or lodging a complaint at the local police station."

BJP appoints four in-charge



YAVATMAL / NAGPUR POST: On behalf of Bharatiya Janata Party Yavatmal District, the in-charge and chief of the four municipal councils in the district are appointed. Adv. Prafulla Chauhan, Tribal Development Minister Ashokrao Uike, and former minister Madan Yerawar have appointed municipal council election in-charges and chiefs. The

appointments are being made with immediate effect in view of planning and preparation for the upcoming municipal council elections in the district.

In this, Datta Rahane has been appointed as the in-charge of Yavatmal Municipal Council and Shantanu Shete as the chief, Arni Nagar Parishad Raju Padgilwar as the in-charge and Vipin Rathod as the chief, Ghatanji Nagar Parishad Ajay Bihade as the in-charge and Suresh Dahake as the in-charge, Pandharkavda Municipal Council Pratik Kulsange as the in-charge and Narayan Bhanarkar as chief, Wani Municipal Council Shriram Melkewar as the in-charge and Ravi Belurkar as the chief.

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BUSINESS

Ambuja Cements empowers Sankrail woman farmer to build a thriving multi-income enterprise



Howrah 16 June: Ambuja Cements, the cement and building material company of the diversified Adani Portfolio, as part of its CSR initiatives, is proud to spotlight the inspiring journey of Krishna Bodok, a homemaker-turned-entrepreneur from Mohisgot village in Sankrail block, West Bengal. What began as a single community meeting transformed her livelihood into a diversified agricultural enterprise generating Rs 2.5–3 lakh annually. Encouraged by Ambuja Cements' CSR team, Krishna adopted poly tunnel farming to grow off-season vegetables, followed by scaffolding for creepers like cucumber and bitter melon. Her consistent reinvestment and training enabled her to lease land, diversify into exotic vegetables, and later expand to poultry and goat rearing. Krishna's journey exemplifies Ambuja Cements' grassroots approach to rural empowerment—providing training, tools, and knowledge to women farmers to help them shift from survival-based farming to profitable, self-sustaining agri-businesses.

Crompton secures largest-ever solar pumps order of Rs 101 Crore from MEDA

Mumbai 16 June: Crompton Greaves Consumer Electricals Ltd., a trusted leader in India's pumps industry, has achieved a landmark milestone in its green energy journey by securing its largest-ever order in the solar water pump segment. The company has received a Letter of Award (LOA) from the Maharashtra Energy Development Agency (MEDA) valued at over Rs 101 crore (exclusive of GST) for the design, manufacture, supply, transportation, installation, testing, and commissioning of 4,500 Off-grid Solar Photovoltaic Water Pumping Systems (SPWPS) across Maharashtra under Component-B of the PM-KUSUM scheme. This significant order underscores Crompton's ongoing commitment to providing sustainable irrigation solutions that empower farmers across India. The turnkey project also includes a comprehensive five-year maintenance contract (CMC), ensuring long-term reliability and support for the installed systems. Crompton's advanced solar-powered DC submersible pumps are engineered for durability, high performance, and ease of use, specifically designed to address water access challenges in off-grid and rural regions. The company will leverage its trained field personnel, local district support teams, and robust after-sales service network to ensure seamless implementation and operational excellence throughout the project's lifecycle. This initiative aligns directly with national objectives to facilitate farmers' transition from conventional energy sources to renewable solar energy, delivering both economic savings and environmental benefits. The order comes amid rapid growth in India's submersible water pump market, driven by increasing demand in agriculture, rural water supply, and off-grid applications. Solar-powered submersible pumps are becoming vital in regions with irregular rainfall and limited grid power, enabling consistent and sustainable irrigation. Mr. Rajat Chopra, Business Head – Home Electricals & Pumps at Crompton Greaves Consumer Electricals Ltd., commented, "We are delighted to have received the Letter of Award from MEDA for 4,500 Solar Photovoltaic Water Pumping Systems under the PM-KUSUM scheme. This milestone not only marks our largest pump order to date but also reflects our ongoing commitment to delivering reliable and high-performance pumping solutions tailored to the needs of farmers across India. The order reinforces confidence in Crompton's product excellence, long-lasting performance, and robust service network. It further strengthens our position as a trusted partner in driving solar-powered irrigation forward. At Crompton, we remain focused on enabling clean energy access for farmers while ensuring seamless execution backed by quality, innovation, and strong after-sales support." Crompton actively participated in the tender process across four key states — Haryana, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, and Madhya Pradesh. The initial phase, overseen by SECI and MNRE, has transitioned to respective state nodal agencies including HAREDA, MEDA, MSEDCL, MPUVNL, and RHDS for final execution. While Crompton is already operational in Haryana, Rajasthan, and Maharashtra, the company is preparing to commence work in Madhya Pradesh and is poised to expand its footprint across other Indian states. With over 85 years of experience, Crompton continues to innovate and lead in delivering energy-efficient, durable, and smart pumping technologies that support India's clean energy and water access goals.

India's export rose 2.8% in May at \$71.1 billion; trade deficit narrowed

New Delhi 16 June: India's overall exports, merchandise and services combined, in May were reported at USD 71.12 billion, marking a 2.77 per cent rise on a yearly basis, data from the Union Commerce Ministry showed on Monday. The total exports in May 2024 were pegged at USD 69.20 billion. Exports of merchandise declined from USD 39.59 billion to USD 38.73 billion, and exports of services rose from USD 29.61 billion to USD 32.39 billion during May 2025. India imported goods and services worth USD 77.75 billion, down from USD 78.55 billion in the same month last year. The trade deficit in May narrowed to USD 6.62 billion from USD 9.35 billion same month last year. So far in 2025-26, April-May, India's total exports now stood at around USD 142.43 billion, up 5.75 per cent year-on-year. The country's imports too increased year-on-year in April-May, by 6.52 per cent as per data published today. Overall imports, both merchandise and services combined, during April-May increased from USD 149.81 billion to USD 157.57 billion.



EDITORIAL

Unlimited liability: The soldier's ancient covenant



India's martial tradition was not forged by empire but shaped by enduring rulers and epic resistors alike—those who built states over decades, and those who stood, however briefly, as unyielding sentinels of courage and conscience. From Chandragupta, the strategic unifier; Shivaji, the guerrilla genius; Guru Gobind Singh, the saint-soldier; Tipu Sultan, the rocket pioneer; Lachit Borphukan, Assam's sentinel; Rani Lakshmi Bai, the warrior queen; Hari Singh Nalwa, the frontier lion; Rana Sanga, the warrior-king; Maharaja Surajmal, the strategist; Veerapandiya Kattabomman, the defiant; Ashoka, the moral transformer; Akbar, the syncretic statesman; Bajji Rao, the thunderbolt strategist; Krishnadevaraya, the southern sentinel; to Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, the patriot in uniform. This is only a sampling—drawn from all corners of our geography, across faiths, languages and centuries. These were not figures of fantasy. They were warriors of character—honour over plunder, justice over subjugation, legacy over loot. India's soldier has never been forged by coin or conquest. He is the product of a civilisational legacy—older than empire, deeper than doctrine, immune to mercenary logic. While many post-colonial states inherited imperial militaries, India brought something else to the battlefield: The covenant of unlimited liability in the service of Naam (honour), Namak (duty) and Nishan (flag). This is not a British gift. It is inheritance.

What the empire could not own
The British may have flown the flag. But they never owned the soul. Indian soldiers fought under foreign colours, yes—but not for empire. They fought for paltan, izzat and legacy. The East India Company counted skill. But it couldn't extinguish honour. Even in foreign wars, the Indian soldier followed an inner code, not imperial command. Battle honours were not imperial trophies. They were moral testaments. The flag may have been foreign. But the fidelity was always Indian.

World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought

Desertification and Drought Day was officially declared by the UN General Assembly as "World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought" (Resolution A/RES/49/115). (Resolution A/RES/49/115). Since 2019, it has been known simply as Desertification and Drought Day and is observed on 17 June to promote public awareness of international efforts to combat desertification.

Each year, a country is selected to host global celebrations for Desertification and Drought Day. The host country works with the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) Secretariat to organize a programme of activities aimed at policymakers, other key stakeholders, and the public at large in support of the Day's objectives. In addition to the main global observance event, countries and communities around the world organize activities to mark Desertification and Drought Day.

Previous global Desertification and Drought Day celebrations took place in Colombia (2025), Germany (2024), the USA (2023), Spain (2022), Costa Rica (2021), The Republic of Korea (2020), Türkiye (2019), Ecuador (2018), and Burkina Faso (2017). We have the power to bring land back to life. A restored land is a land of endless opportunities. It's time to unlock them now. In 2025, Desertification and Drought Day focuses on one of the most urgent global challenges: restoring 1.5 billion hectares of degraded land and jumpstarting a trillion-dollar land restoration economy by 2030. Under the theme



"Restore the land. Unlock the opportunities," the 2025 observance shines a light on how restoring nature's foundation—land—can create jobs, boost food and water security, support climate action, and build economic resilience.

Why land restoration matters

More than half of global GDP relies on healthy ecosystems. Yet each year, an area the size of Egypt is degraded, driving biodiversity loss, increasing drought risk, and displacing communities. The ripple effects are global, from rising food prices to instability and migration. But restoring land flips the script. Every dollar invested in restoration generates USD7 to USD30 in returns. Reviving land restores productivity, strengthens water cycles, and supports millions of rural livelihoods. "Land degradation and drought are major disruptors of our economy, stability, food

production, water, and quality of life," said UNCCD Executive Secretary Ibrahim Thiaw. "Land restoration is our chance to reverse these threats and create new possibilities."

A turning point for the planet

As we reach the midpoint of the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration (2021–2030), action is more urgent than ever. To meet global goals, 1.5 billion hectares must be restored by 2030. So far, 1 billion hectares have been pledged through initiatives like the G20 Global Land Restoration Initiative and the G Great Green Wall Initiative. Now is the time to turn ambition into action. Scaling up investment. The financial case is clear, but action must follow. According to the UNCCD Global Mechanism, the world needs to invest USD1 billion every day between 2025 and 2030 to stop and reverse land degradation. Current investments fall

short at USD66 billion annually, with only 6 per cent coming from the private sector. We need to scale up ambition and investment by both governments and businesses. This means unlocking new finance, creating decent jobs, embracing innovation and making the most of traditional knowledge. 2000: Desertification: A Global Threat
2001: 7th World Day to Combat Desertification
2002: Land degradation
2004: Migration and poverty
2005: Women and desertification
2006: The beauty of deserts - The challenge of desertification
2007: Desertification and climate change - one global challenge
2008: Combating land degradation for sustainable agriculture
2009: Conserving land and water = Securing our common future
2010: Enhancing soils everywhere enhances life everywhere
2011: Forests keep drylands working
2012: Healthy soil sustains your life: Let's go land degradation neutral
2013: Drought and water scarcity
2014: Land belongs to the future - Let's climate-proof it!
2015: Attainment of food security for all through sustainable food systems: "No such thing as a free lunch. Invest in healthy soils."
2016: Protect Earth. Restore Land. Engage People
2017: Our Land. Our Home. Our Future
2018: Land has true value—Invest in it!
2019: Let's grow the future together

ENTERTAINMENT

International Yoga Day: Sony SAB artists share how yoga helps them stay fit and sets a positive tone for the day



Mumbai 16 June: Yoga isn't just a practice—it's a pause, a reset, and a gentle reminder to reconnect with oneself. As the world marks International Yoga Day, Sony SAB's cherished faces—Priyamvada Kant, Ashi Singh and Sayli Salunkhe reflect on how small practices have brought big shifts to their daily lives. From calming breaths to mindful movement, they share how yoga helps them stay fit while recharging themselves before their shoots. Priyamvada Kant, who plays Sharda in Tenali Rama, said, "I start my day by doing Surya Namaskar, and it's surprising how something so simple can ground you so deeply. Sharda is someone who looks for hope in the ordinary, and I feel yoga does the same. It doesn't just stretch your body—it stretches your perspective. That quiet time with yourself, even if just for a few minutes, can completely change how you approach the rest of the day. In a world that moves so fast, these few mindful breaths remind me to slow down and listen, to my body, to my thoughts, and sometimes, to the silence." Ashi Singh, known for her role as Kairi Sharma in Uff... Yeh Love Hai Mushkil, said, "Yoga has become my quiet anchor. Even if it's just ten minutes of breathing or a few stretches before I head to set, it changes how I feel. There's a calm that settles in, like I'm centred before the day even begins. It's not about doing everything perfectly—it's about showing up for yourself in small, steady ways. Over time, those small moments start to mean a lot. And after a while, those small moments start to make a big difference."

How actors stay fashionably monsoon ready?

Mumbai 16 June: Monsoon brings with it the joy of cool showers, earthy aromas, and the challenge of staying fashionable amidst sudden downpours and puddles. It is a season where style meets practicality, requiring more thought in wardrobe choices. &TV actors share how they tackle the rain with the right mix of comfort, colour, and clever styling. From water-friendly footwear to moisture-proof accessories, here is how these stars turn monsoon fashion into a cheerful affair. These include Sonal Panwar (Malaika in Happu Ki Ultan Paltan) and Shubhangi Atre (Angoori Bhabi in Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai). Sonal Panwar, aka Malaika from Happu Ki Ultan Paltan, shares, "Monsoon fashion is all about being smart and stylish. I typically choose ankle-length dresses or knee-length kurtas to avoid muddy clothes when I step outside. Fabrics like mulmul and rayon are ideal for the season, as they dry quickly and do not cling to the body. I prefer darker colours like navy blue, emerald, green, and maroon during this



season, as they are more suitable for rainy weather and can better conceal water stains. I completely avoid denim and opt for loose pants or leggings instead. For footwear, I love stylish rubber sandals or Crocs that are both fashionable and functional. A compact umbrella with fun prints and a waterproof sling bag always completes my look."

Shubhangi Atre, aka Angoori Bhabi from Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai, adds, "Monsoon brings a beautiful charm, but it's important to be mindful of fashion. I love wearing lightweight sarees made from georgette or synthetic blends; they do not get ruined in the rain and still look elegant. For blouses, I prefer elbow-length or sleeveless styles made from quick-dry fabrics. When I am not wearing sarees, I prefer A-line kurtis paired with printed palazzos in bright hues like coral, mustard, and turquoise. These colours instantly lift the mood during the rainy season! As for accessories, I keep it simple with plastic or resin bangles, waterproof bags, and cute rain-friendly jelly shoes. A floral-scented body mist and a microfiber towel are essentials for me this season. Staying stylish in the season is all about being prepared and playful with your choices!"

Watch Happu Ki Ultan Paltan at 10:00 pm and Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai at 10:30 pm, airing every Monday to Friday only on &TV!

Hunar Hali Gandhi essays the role of the warrior queen Kaikeyi in Sony SAB's mythological epic Veer Hanuman

Mumbai 16 June: Sony SAB's Veer Hanuman continues to impress with its powerful cast and the lesser-known stories of young Hanuman. Besides the other characters, one that stands out is Queen Kaikeyi, played by Hunar Hali Gandhi, who has stepped into the show. Known for her strong screen presence and depth of performance, Hunar brings a refreshing perspective to one of mythology's layered characters. A refreshing perspective on the conventional portrayal of Kaikeyi, she is introduced as a fierce warrior queen, a

devoted wife, and a deeply loving mother, full of complexity and emotional nuance. It is a role layered with emotional conflict, courage, and maternal instinct, making Kaikeyi pivotal to the show's larger arc.

Hunar Hali Gandhi, reflecting on her portrayal of Kaikeyi, shared: "I'm incredibly grateful to God that I got this opportunity for this role. Kaikeyi is one of the most layered and powerful characters I've played in my 18-year journey. She's not just the queen people think they know—she's a fiery



warrior, a devoted mother,

and a woman whose decisions are driven by fierce love and duty. When I heard the narration, I was moved beyond words. It was an instant yes.

The shoot can be challenging, but the energy on set is incredible. We laugh, we learn, and we push each other to give our best. This role has not only given me artistic satisfaction but also reminded me of the importance of balance between family and career, emotion and duty." Tune in to Veer Hanuman, Monday to Saturday at 7.30 PM, only on Sony SAB.

It's a Wrap for Zee TV's Bhagya Lakshmi – But the Magic of RishMi Will Stand Forever

Mumbai 16 June: Zee TV's beloved show Bhagya Lakshmi, which has captivated audiences for nearly four years with its heartfelt storytelling and unforgettable characters, is set to go off-air very soon. With over 1350 episodes, the show has carved a permanent place in the hearts of millions across the country. Known for its gripping narrative centred around destiny, resilience, and love, the series will conclude with a promising high emotional drama and closure to Lakshmi and Rishi's long, turbulent journey.

As the show nears its finale, fans are hoping for a happy ending where Lakshmi (Aishwarya Khare) and Rishi (Rohit Suchanti) finally overcome the trials that have tested



their relationship time and again. The shoot wrapped up recently, and emotions ran high on set as the cast and crew came together to celebrate the show's remarkable journey. A special cake-cutting ceremony marked the occasion, filled with laughter, tears, hugs, and memories, reflecting the deep, familial bond shared by everyone who brought Bhagya Lakshmi to life.

Reflecting on her journey, Aishwarya Khare shared, "I lived Lakshmi's life every single day for the past four years, her joys, her heartbreak, her unwavering belief in doing the right thing. She wasn't just a character; she became a part of my personality. Walking away from her is like letting go of a part of

myself. From the very first day, the audience showered us with love and embraced Lakshmi's journey. I'm forever grateful for that. This show gave me more than a platform; it gave me friendships, family, and countless memories. From our director to the spot dadda, every single person put their heart into making Bhagya Lakshmi what it is today. Rohit has been an amazing co-star, and so have Smita Ma'am, Aman, Munira, Parul Ma'am, Megha; each one brought something beautiful to the table. This journey has been life-changing, and I walk away with nothing but gratitude."

Rohit Suchanti added, "Rishi Oberoi will always be one of the most special characters of my career."

Dhamangaon social workers bring laurels to town with prestigious awards

Dhamangaon
Railway 16 June
(NAGPUR POST/TC):

A grand felicitation ceremony, tree distribution, and award function was recently held at Joshi Hall, Shyam Chowk, Amravati, to honour distinguished individuals for their contribution to society. The event was organised to celebrate the achievements of Dr. Manish Gawai and Vijay Gaikwad, Editor of Samandhya Dainik Matdar Raj, among others. Social workers from Dhamangaon added glory to the town by being conferred with multiple prestigious awards, including the Samaj Ratna, Ideal Teacher, Darpan, and Health Worker awards. The recipients of the awards were lauded for their dedication and excellence in various fields. Prominent among them was Sharad Pusadkar, a well-known social worker. Retired Branch Engineer Pramod Kadu was honoured with the Samaj Bhushan award for his outstanding work in irrigation, water recovery, and strengthening of water use associations in the command area of the Upper Wardha Project. Smt.



Radha Gopal Bhut was recognised for her relentless involvement in social, educational, and religious activities, serving as an inspiration to many. Others who were felicitated with the Samaj Ratna award for their notable contributions to society included Dr. Sachin Karade, social workers Sushil Marve, Deepak Rathi, Amol Pandit, Mohan Bamnote, Smt. Sangeeta Manoj Dhotre, journalist Santosh Wagmare, and Gramseeta activist Suresh Thakre. All the awardees were presented with a memento, certificate, shawl, coconut, and bouquet by dignitaries in attendance. Ankush Dumre and Dr. Tejas Solanke received the Health Worker award in recognition

of their services in the medical field. Journalists Salman Khan, Gopal Pardke, and Nilesh Ramgavkar were conferred with the Darpan award for excellence in journalism. Ashfaq Ahmed Sheikh Latif was honoured with the Ideal Teacher award for his exemplary role in education. The awards served as an acknowledgment of the recipients' dedicated service to society. The ceremony was graced by several dignitaries, government officials, political leaders, and social activists. The program began with a welcome song by Suresh Thakre and concluded with the national anthem, leaving behind an inspiring message of selfless service and community leadership.

Enthusiastic response to Arogya Sankalp Abhiyan; 2,300 patients avail benefit

DIGRAS / NAGPUR

POST: On the occasion of the birthday of the State Soil and Water Conservation Minister and Guardian Minister of the district Sanjay Rathod, the Arogya Sankalp Abhiyan camp organized by Maa Arogya Seva Samiti Yavatmal with the help of Datta Meghe Higher Education and Research Institute, and Acharya Vinoba Bhave Rural Hospital, Sawangi (Meghe) from 10 am at Dinbai Vidyalaya on Sunday (15th) has received a spontaneous response and about 2,300 patients benefited from this camp. In this free diagnosis, surgery, treatment and medicine distribution health



resolution campaign, all these doctors, including medicine experts, cardiologists, ophthalmologists, surgeons, gynecologists, orthopedics, skin diseases, pediatrics, ear, nose and throat, respiratory

diseases, psychiatrists, neurosurgeons, dental and oral diseases, urologists (kidneys), oncologists, etc., examined and treated various diseases for free and distributed medicines. Arrangements for food and cold water for the patients and their relatives were made at the camp site. After the examination of two thousand three hundred patients, the patients who need further treatment will be contacted and given a date and sent to Datta Meghe Institute of Medical Sciences, Acharya Vinoba Bhave Rural Hospital, Sawangi (Meghe) for further treatment in a phased manner. The special thing is that the organizers will arrange for free transportation, food and accommodation for the patient and one of his relatives and the patients will be treated under the Mahatma Phule Jan Arogya Yojana. The treatment of diseases not included in the scheme will be done free of cost by the organizers. Patients and their relatives were expressing satisfaction with the medical services provided through this Arogya Sankalp Abhiyan. Shiv Sena, Yuva Sena Vidyarthi Sena and Mahila Aghadi office bearers and workers took the initiative for the success of the Arogya Sankalp Abhiyan.

Major milestone achieved in WW-3 basement construction at Nagpur Railway station

Nagpur 16 June: Central Railway's Nagpur Division continues to make significant strides in the ongoing redevelopment of Nagpur Railway Station. A major achievement has been recorded in the construction of the West Wing-3 Basement Parking structure; a vital component of the station's modernization plan aimed at enhancing commuter experience and easing congestion. The project is being executed in two distinct phases. Phase I,

encompassing an area of 1800 sqm, was successfully completed and handed over to the Division in September 2024. It is currently in use as a surface-level parking zone. Simultaneously, Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, and Firefighting (MEPF) installations and interior finishing works are progressing steadily. In Phase II, covering 1620 sqm, both excavation and foundation works have been completed. Nearly 90% of the basement slab casting has

also been accomplished, while shuttering for the remaining 10% area is underway. Once completed, this phase will contribute significantly to decongesting the surface area and provide a modern, spacious parking facility for commuters. This development stands as a testament to Central Railway's commitment to building a smart, efficient, and passenger-centric transport infrastructure, positioning Nagpur Station as a future-ready railway hub.



Youth killed over gambling dispute, two friends held



Paratwada 16 June: Two friends murdered a youth over a gambling dispute and dumped his body on a deserted road near Paratwada. The incident came to light around 7 pm on Saturday. The deceased was identified as Sagar Arun Dhadwe (22) of Mahavir Chowk. Accused Afsan Khan Noor Khan (19) and Ayan Rizwan Shah (18), all residents of Paratwada, had gone with the victim to

Nimbhora (Madhya Pradesh) to gamble. Sagar won 18,000 in the game. While returning, the duo allegedly strangled Sagar and smashed his head with a brick on the Paratwada-Wadura road. The two accused dumped his body in a drain near Saheba Colony in night, ensuring the face would not be visible. They then fled the scene. However, police apprehended the accused within four hours.

Journalist Salman Ayesha Faiyyaz Khan honoured with Amravati Darpan Award

Dhamangaon Railway 16 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):

Journalist Salman Ayesha Faiyyaz Khan, editor of Vidarbh Today News Channel, has been honoured with the prestigious Amravati Darpan Award in recognition of his outstanding contribution to journalism spanning over a decade. Known for his impactful reporting on social, educational, cultural, and sports issues, Khan has consistently worked to voice the concerns of the common man, particularly the marginalized and Muslim communities. The award was presented at a grand felicitation ceremony held at Joshi Hall, Shyam Chowk, Amravati. The event was jointly organised by Dr.



Khan began his journalism career in 2015 through YouTube channels, steadily gaining recognition across digital platforms. By 2020, he was working with national-level media, further enhancing his experience and credibility. Reflecting on the honour, Khan said, "Receiving the Amravati Darpan Award is a matter of great pride for me. I dedicate this award to my mother, Ayesha Khan, and my father, Faiyyaz Khan, whose unwavering support has been my strength throughout this journey."

Manish Shobha Shankarrao Gawai, a national awardee of

the Government of India, and Vijay Manutai Kisanrao Gaikwad, editor of Matdar Raj. During the ceremony, Khan was applauded for his commitment to truth and social justice through journalism. A resident of Dhamangaon Railway, Khan has been actively involved in journalism and social service for over ten years. Through his investigative reporting and thoughtful analysis in electronic media, he has highlighted critical issues and closely examined the effectiveness of government schemes for the common people. His fearless reporting has brought many social concerns to light, thereby contributing to increased public awareness and accountability.

Pension Adalat 2025 (I) successfully conducted



Nagpur 16 June: In accordance with the directives of the Railway Board, Pension Adalat 2025 (I) was successfully organized by the Nagpur Division of Central Railway on 16th June 2025 at Gunjan Sabhagruha, DRM Office Campus, Nagpur. Shri Rupesh Chandekar, Additional Divisional Railway Manager (Technical), was present on the occasion and addressed the gathering of retired railway employees. The Adalat served as a vital platform for resolving pension-related grievances in a transparent and time-bound manner. A total of 39 applications were received, out of which 10 cases were found tenable and resolved. An amount of Rs 1,84,338/- was disbursed against these tenable cases. The remaining 29 cases were found non-tenable as per the prevailing rules and guidelines. The event witnessed active participation from representatives of unions, associations, and pensioners' groups. The entire process was conducted in a smooth and organized manner, reflecting the division's commitment to the welfare of its retired personnel.

1,000 Km road network approved for 32 Rajasthan districts

Gadkari sanctions Rs 1914 crore



Nagpur 16 June: Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari has announced good news for Rajasthan. The central government has approved Rs 1914.71 crore for 40 road projects in the state. Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma has expressed gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra

Modi and Union Minister Nitin Gadkari for this. This amount has been sanctioned for 40 state road projects spanning 1000 kilometres. These include 31 major district roads, 8 state highways, and one other district road. Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways,

Nitin Gadkari, announced on social media that Rs 1914.71 crore has been approved for 40 state road projects totalling 1000.90 kilometres under the Central Road Infrastructure Fund (CRIF). These projects primarily involve strengthening and widening sections of various state roads (31 major district roads, 8 state highways, and 1 other district road). This will improve road connectivity and ensure smoother travel across different parts of Rajasthan. Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma, while thanking PM Modi and the Union Minister, stated that this unprecedented gift will significantly improve road connectivity in Rajasthan. He expressed his gratitude and thanks to Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Hon'ble Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways, Nitin Gadkari.

Citizens approach parliamentarian with complaints, suggestions

Nagpur 16 June: Hundreds of citizens flocked to Union minister Nitin Gadkari's Janata Darbar on Sunday, raising issues ranging from lack of civic amenities to loan delays and domestic disputes. Many of them, frustrated over lack of cooperation from local authorities, brought their concerns directly to the minister. Among those present was Mohini, a working woman who travels home late at night. Highlighting safety concerns near Vidhya Nagar Chowk on Koradi Road, she said the presence of multiple liquor shops and the absence of functioning traffic signals make the area unsafe for women.

She told the minister that, so far, she has avoided incidents thanks to occasional passers-by, but the situation remains risky. When she approached the local police for help, she was

advised to contact guardian minister Chandrashekar Bawankule. Another attendee, Mohini Retar, a Marathi entrepreneur with two decades of experience in the medical sector, shared that her application for a Rs10 lakh loan from a private bank has been repeatedly denied over the last two years without clear reasons. She said the lack of support has stalled her startup's operations and affected her livelihood. A young woman also approached Gadkari with a domestic violence complaint. She alleged that her husband and in-laws began demanding dowry soon after marriage, and that the situation worsened after she became pregnant. Eventually abandoned by her husband, she is now raising her child on her own with support from her parents. She sought government help for

financial assistance and rehabilitation. In addition to individual grievances, several representatives of social, religious, and civic organisations also met the minister to request support for various community-related issues. Some asked for assistance in obtaining permissions or funds for infrastructure and events. Others, including senior citizens and persons with disabilities, requested help with accessing welfare schemes and health-related support. In some cases, Gadkari directed officials to arrange for artificial limbs and to expedite application processing. Gadkari's office has said all issues submitted during the Janata Darbar have been documented and will be forwarded to the concerned departments for necessary action.

Missing minor rescued under 'Operation Nanhey Farishte'

Nagpur 16 June: On 13.06.2025 at around 14:35 hrs, information was received from DSCR/Nagpur that a minor boy, approximately 3 years old, was left behind in train number 12843 in the general coach. His mother had alighted at Kalamna station to fetch water when the train started moving, leaving the child alone onboard. Upon arrival of the train at Nagpur station, RPF personnel – including Head Constable and two Constables – immediately attended the said coach and found a crying minor boy seated alone. Upon gentle inquiry, the child revealed his first name but could not provide further information. The child was safely brought to the RPF Post at Nagpur. With the assistance of a representative from Childline, the minor was comforted and questioned in a child-friendly manner. Soon after, the child's mother and maternal grandfather arrived at the RPF Post. They provided valid travel documents and confirmed that the incident occurred when the mother got down at Kalamna station for water and was unable to reboard the train in time. As per instructions from the Child Welfare Committee (CWC), and in the presence of two independent witnesses, the child was safely handed over to the family following all due procedures. This timely and sensitive action under Operation Nanhey Farishte reflects the continued commitment of RPF Nagpur towards child safety and passenger welfare.

Sufi Saint Baba Shah Qalandar's birth anniversary celebrated with fervour



Wadi 16 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): The birth anniversary of famous Sufi saint Baba Shah Qalandar was celebrated with enthusiasm on Sunday (June 15) at Samarth Guru Dhara Meditation Centre at Rashtara Bhasha Bhavan, Sitabuldi. In this programme, group meditation was carried out through

Sufi methodology. The programme was conducted under the guidance of Samarth Guru Dhara State Coordinator Acharya Diwakar Patne and Maa Jyoti Bagde, Acharya Diwakar Patne informed all the attendees about the work, ideology and divine powers of Sufi saints. Swami Mayuresh, Swami Pawankar, Swami Mankar, Prakash Khobragade, Acharya Mahendra Nagpal and Acharya Haridharshan Bagde worked hard for the successful organisation of the programme.

First polls in Besa-Pipala, Bahadura, Godhani Nagar Panchayats set to be closely contested elections

Wadi 16 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Elections are being held for the first time in the newly formed Nagar Panchayats of Besa-Pipala, Bahadura and Godhani (Railway) in Nagpur Rural Taluka. These Gram Panchayats were given Nagar Panchayat status by the Urban Development Department of the state government in the year 2023. However, the poll process was delayed for as long as two years. As soon as the ward formation schedule was announced on June 12, political activities have gained momentum in the region, and a big race is being seen at the local level. BJP, Congress and other major political parties have also started enhancing their preparedness for this election. All 3 Nagar Panchayats are located on the city limits and are considered financially capable self governing bodies. Therefore, everyone's attention is on who will be coming to power here. According to the ward structure, there will be 17 members each, one mayor and two nominated members. The final structure will be published by September 4. After former Congress sarpanch Deepak Raut joined the BJP in Godhani Nagar Panchayat, the BJP's dominance seems to have strengthened even further. On the other hand, since former sarpanches have also switched sides and ended up in the BJP camp in Besa-

Pipala and Bahadura, the saffron party is preparing to stake a claim for the post of mayor in the first election. Whom do the political analysts perceive as favourites? * Former sarpanch of Besa Gram Panchayat Surendra Banait (BJP) * Former sarpanch of Pipala (Ghogali) Naresh Bhojar (BJP) * Former sarpanch of Bahadura Gram Panchayat Pushpa Gaidhane (BJP) * Former sarpanch of Godhani (Railway) Deepak Raut (formerly a Congress leader, currently in BJP) Since all four former sarpanches are now in BJP, it is certain that there will be a strong claim on behalf of the saffron party for the post of mayor. But Congress is also not ready to leave the field either. Congress members were elected in 4 out of the 6 Zilla Parishad circles in Nagpur taluka, one was from the Nationalist Congress Party and one from the BJP. Congress had also held sway in the Panchayat Samiti for the last 5 years. Due to this, Congress's role is getting stronger at the local level. Prakash Kokate Nagpur Taluka President, Congress

Since BJP is the ruling party, two Nagar Panchayats come in the constituency of Chief Minister Devendra Fadnis' district and Guardian Minister Chandrashekar Bawankule. Looking at the development activities carried out by them, BJP's flag will be hoisted on Besa-Pipala and Bahadur Nagar Panchayats. Naresh Bhojar Former Sarpanch, Pipala (Ghogali) Finally, we are satisfied that we will get our own people's representative. There was an administrative rule for two years. Now, it remains to be seen how much actual development work is carried out here. Ashish Gaidhan Besa The aggressive campaigning of political parties is visible. But we are voters, we know who works and who just talks. First of all, we should focus on how those at the helm of affairs deliver the goods as far as issues like water availability, road connectivity & infrastructure, cleanliness and other critical issues are concerned. Subhash Raut Godhani

MoS Ashish Jaiswal lays foundation stone and inaugurates various development works in Ramtek

Rs 16.14 crore allocated for town's development

Ramtek 16 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): It is the dream of every town resident to make our city clean and beautiful. As a people's representative, it is my primary duty to fulfill this dream. Traversing on this path, my continuous and relentless development work has been going on, as a part of which, today, development initiatives have been inaugurated at various places in Ramtek town. The foundation stone & dedication ceremony of the same was held by MoS Ashish Jaiswal on Sunday (June 15). Soon these development works will be completed and the town's residents will be able to benefit from it, Adv Ashish Jaiswal said. Beautification work of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar square in Ramtek, renovation of Late Sadashivrao Vishnunar Municipal Council Primary School, renovation of Late Vitthalrao Hatwar Municipal Council Primary School, renovation of Late Jathiram Barve Municipal Council Primary School, renovation of Late Ramji Mahajan Municipal Council Primary School, commissioning of electrical system at Ramaleshwar Temple, commissioning of electrical system at Dumareshwar Temple, commissioning of electrical system at Tilbhandeshwar Temple, commissioning of electrical system at Papadupeshwar Temple, inauguration of futsal ground at Mohan Mangal Sangode School in Tilak Ward, construction of rest house at Kiran Point, BT road stretch's work from Hande Painter's residence to Gahu Talav Road, beautification works at Sant Goroba Kaka square, beautification of Jain Mandir square, beautification of Nehru square, development of garden at Kalanka Temple area, from Dilip Bhojar's house to Kalanka Temple Road Construction, Construction of road stretch from Moreshwar Temple, commissioning of Janabandhu to Sindhu Dongre's residence, drainage and road stretch from Karan Kirana to Jialal Chandanbatve's house, road stretch from Raju Hatwar's



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residence to Vasantha Ahirkar's house, installation of street lamps from water tank in Ambedkar ward to Gahu Talav road, Drainage and road stretch from Kailash Indorkar's residence to Govind Wankhede's house, road stretch from Sikander Kolte's residence to Durga Nagar's house, road stretch from Vinod Raut's residence to Satibai Ambade's house, road stretch from Panjab Ambade to Vishal Ambade's house, road stretch from Usha Rahate to Pardhi's house, road works near Naresh Manik Durge's house, road stretch from Sanjay Gedam to Avinash Nagpure's house, road stretch from Harshal Kotangale to Dayaram Sukhdev's house, construction of drain from Ramabai Ambedkar Hall to Balu Dhoke's house, road stretch from Madhavrao Divtelwar to Pravin Kadu's house. The foundation stone project worth a total of Rs 16.14 crore was laid and dedicated by Minister of State and legislator of Ramtek

legislative assembly constituency Adv Ashish Jaiswal. This work will be started soon and the construction and other works will be completed. On the occasion of the foundation stone laying ceremony of this development work, Shiv Sena Ramtek, Shiv Sena City Chief Rajesh Vaidyakar, Shiv Sena City Organiser Bikendra Mahajan, Yuva Sena Sub-District Chief Kamlesh Sharanagat, BJP's Sanjay Mulmule, former Municipal Council President Nalini Chaudhary, Vishwas Patil, former Vice President Alok Mankar, BJP's Rahul Kirpan, BJP Ramtek City President Umesh Patle, former corporator Sumit Kothari, Rajat Gajbiye, Himanshu Pantawane, Vilas Tandurkar, Jyoti Padole, Naresh Makde, Radheshyam Sakhe, Pranay Somnath, Rahul Sharma, former corporator Vinayak Sawarkar, former corporator Surekha Makde, Lata Kamble, Ujjwala Dhamgaye, Padma Thengare, Varsha Gadhave, Megha Nerulwar, Priyanka Dhamgaye, Shraddha Indorkar, Pavita Shende, Jyoti Patle, Shubham Bismogre, Rahul Thakur and all the office bearers and activists of Ramtek city Mahayuti coalition partners were prominently present.

Cow seriously injured in tiger attack at Bondri Shivara



Ramtek 16 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): At around 2 pm on Sunday (June 15), a tiger attacked a cow in broad daylight in Bondri Shivara under Ramtek forest circle and seriously injured it. After Satrapur, now a spree of tiger attacks has struck Bondri Shivara locality as a result of which native farmers are scared. Cattle farmer Fulchand Chaudhary had taken his cattle to Bondri for grazing as usual. Suddenly, a tiger attacked his cow in the vicinity of the road stretch from Satrapur to Bondri. However, when Chaudhary shouted in the nick of time, the tiger left the cow and ran away amid the commotion. The cow was seriously injured in this attack nevertheless.

The incident was immediately reported to Ramtek forest officer Rahul Shinde. He immediately sent Mansar area assistant Muneshwar Gondi Meshram, Forest Guard Deepali Nanhe and forest worker Eknath Bhojar to the spot to conduct a panchnama. The injured cow is undergoing treatment. On the other hand, a tiger has been roaming around in Satrapur area for the past 15 days or so. There have been incidents of cows, goats and calves being devoured there. The villagers are demanding that the forest department immediately take control of the tiger menace.

Rs 8.33 crore compensation distributed for wildlife damages in Wardha district

Wardha 16 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): The Forest Department has disbursed a total of Rs 18.33 crore in compensation over the past two years to 18,726 beneficiaries in Wardha district for damages caused by wild animals attack. The compensation covered incidents of crop destruction, human injuries and fatalities, as well as livestock loss in eight forest ranges and the Bor Tiger Reserve area. Wardha Forest Division comprises the ranges of Wardha, Samudrapur, Hingni, Arvi, Kharangana, Talegaon, Ashti, and Karanja. Due to its proximity to forested zones and the Bor Tiger Reserve, the region frequently experiences intrusion by wild animals such as wild boars, deer, monkeys, tigers, leopards, and bears—leading to substantial losses for local farmers and residents. In the year 2023–24, compensation amounting to Rs 9.11 crore was distributed as follows: Rs 1.25 crore to the families of five individuals who lost their lives, Rs 82.04 lakh to 86

individuals who were injured, Rs 5.36 crore to 7,818 farmers for crop losses, and Rs 1.68 crore to 793 livestock owners for animal loss. For the ongoing year 2024–25, Rs 9.22 crore has already been disbursed, including Rs 25 lakh to the family of one deceased individual, Rs 1.28 crore to 73 injured persons, Rs 6 crore to 9,252 farmers for crop damages, and Rs 1.68 crore to 698 livestock owners. Deputy Conservator of Forests Mr. Harveer Singh stated that the department is actively implementing mitigation and relief strategies to reduce wildlife-related losses. He further urged affected farmers and residents to file claims either online through the official website mahaforest.gov.in or at their respective forest range offices. The Forest Department continues to prioritize both wildlife conservation and the well-being of local communities living near forested areas, ensuring timely support and financial aid to mitigate the impact of human-wildlife conflict.

MLA Rajesh Bakane performs groundbreaking ceremony of development works worth Rs 35 lakh in Vadad



Wardha 16 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): MLA Rajesh Bakane performed the Bhoomi Pujan for development works worth Rs 35 lakh in Vadad (Tehsil: Wardha) under the district annual plan. The projects include Rs 28 lakh for drainage and road construction to the crematorium, along with Rs 7 lakh for expanded pipeline work to tackle water scarcity. BJP District President Sanjay Gate, senior leaders Jayant Yerawar, Rahul Chopda,

Milind Bhende, Sushil Vadetkar, Nilesh Kasnare, and numerous villagers were present on this occasion. Addressing the gathering, Bakane stated, "Development is our priority. We're committed for improving rural infrastructure, water supply, and cremation facilities." Villagers submitted various demands during the program for which the MLA promised to address promptly. Gram Panchayat, administration organized this event.

Tiya's dance performance enthralls audience at Bhat Sabhagruha

Nagpur 16 June: In a cultural programme organised by Devranjan Sanstha at Kavivarya Suresh Bhat Sabhagruha, Reshimbag, 6 year old Tiya Sanjog Yerane mesmerised the entire audience as she presented a wonderful dance 'Kashi Mi Jao Mathurey Bazari'. Shrimant Raje Mudhoji Bhosale also praised Tiya's dance. Tiya Yerane, a student of Prabodhan Convent, is taking dance lessons from dance director and choreographer Chinmay Deshkar at Devranjan Sanstha. Apart from dancing, Tiya is also pursuing theatre acting under the guidance of her mother Pooja Yerane. She has played several roles in many skits so far.



House burgled in Wathoda

Nagpur 16 June: A case of house-breaking has been registered at Wathoda Police Station after unidentified burglars looted valuables worth Rs 2.47 lakh, including gold ornaments and cash, from a locked house in Birsia Nagar, Dighori.

The complainant, Arunrao Laxmanji Patil (58), had locked his residence (Plot No. 126) and gone to visit his father-in-law's house in the same locality on June 15 between 1 am and 4 am. During this time, unidentified thieves broke the main door lock, entered the bedroom, and looted Rs 7,000 in cash and gold jewellery stored in a wooden cupboard.

Based on the complaint, PSI Gundewar of Wathoda Police Station registered an offence against unidentified persons under Sections 305(A) and 331(4) of the BNS. Investigations are ongoing to trace the accused.

Eye donation awareness drive held at Dighi Bopapur

Wardha 16 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): On the occasion of World Eye Donation Day, Shalinitali Meghe College of Nursing, run by Datta Meghe Institute of Higher Education and Research, Salod (Hirapur), conducted an extensive eye donation awareness campaign in its adopted village, Dighi (Bopapur) which aimed to educate rural communities about the importance and impact of eye donation. The program featured a morning awareness rally, thought-provoking street plays, and a public awareness meeting. Nursing students from B.Sc. and GNM streams marched through the village, raising slogans and holding placards to encourage posthumous eye and organ donation.



Street plays were performed on key locations, effectively communicating the urgent need for eye donation in society. A major awareness gathering was held in the Dighi Gram Panchayat hall, where topics such as the eye donation process, medical procedures involved, and its societal significance were discussed in detail. Guests including Sarpanch Sandeep Dighikar, Deputy Sarpanch

Prashant Kumre, Police Patil Pratibha Phulmali, Dr. Ranjana Sharma (Principal, B.Sc. Nursing), Akhtaribano Sayyed Shaikh (Principal, GNM Nursing), ASHA worker Vanita Dighikar, and Group Leader Vaishali Dighikar graced the event. To spread awareness, the week-long campaign also included speech competitions, poster exhibitions, and interactive sessions.

Traffic cops take action on 4952 riders flouting norms

Nagpur 16 June: Traffic cops took action against a total of 4952 riders under various sections of the Motor Vehicles Act and collected a total fine of Rs 3.95 lakh from the erring riders. Under the Bombay Liquor Prohibition Act, 4 suspects have been arrested in 4 cases and material worth Rs 68.5 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.

'Ensure Intercity express halts at Salekasa'

Salekasa 16 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): On Monday (June 16) at the Gondia based residence of country's leader, the development man of Gondia district, honourable Parliamentarian and working president of Nationalist Congress Party, Praful Patel, a much-awaited demand was put forth on behalf of NCP Taluka Salekasa to provide a halt for train number 12855/12856 Itwari Bilaspur Intercity Express at Salekasa railway station, as well as to provide a halt for the newly announced Jabalpur Raipur Intercity Express at Salekasa railway station. We have been given a positive assurance that the

Power outage in Gaurkhede Complex & Dawabazar today

Nagpur 16 June: There will be power outage in Gaurkhede Complex under Seminary Hills office and Dawa Bazar circle under Gandhibagh circle office and some surrounding areas. MSIEDCL has taken this decision due to pre-monsoon repair work and installation of new transformers. MSIEDCL has apologised for the inconvenience caused to the citizens and appealed to them for cooperation. Power supply on the 11 KV Gaurkhede Complex power line under Seminary Hills branch will be off from 8 am to 11 am. Due to this, power supply will be off in the areas of Gaurkhede Complex, Hingoli Bika Society, Friends Colony, Phalke Layout, Kolbaswami Society and Netaji Society on this line. Power supply on the 11 KV Gaurkhede power line under Gandhibagh circle will be off from 8.30 am to 1 pm. Due to this, power supply in the areas of Dawa Bazar, Chhota Loharpura, Hotel Pal Palace, Tidar Bhavan, Haj House, Shaikat Ali square, Shabbani Club, Aa Road, Garbage Yard and Arya Samaj Mandir will remain suspended. MSIEDCL has appealed to the customers to plan accordingly as far as urgent works like ensuring water availability, lift during this period in advance. MSIEDCL has also expressed its regret for the inconvenience caused to the citizens on the occasion.

Azim Premji Foundation announces Azim Premji Health Equity Fellowship for PG Doctors

Nagpur 16 June: Azim Premji Foundation has announced the 'Azim Premji Health Equity Fellowship' – an 18-month immersive learning experience for Post Graduate doctors. The Fellowship is a collaborative effort of Azim Premji Foundation, and 11 prestigious health institutions located in various parts of the country. As part of the programme, Fellows will receive first hand exposure to practising effectively with patients in rural areas. A diverse caseload and mentorship by senior doctors will give them an opportunity to acquire effective clinical skills and community experience.

By joining this fellowship, Fellows will:

- * Gain invaluable field experience working on the frontlines of healthcare delivery.
- * Develop a deep understanding of the systemic challenges hindering health equity.
- * Collaborate with experienced professionals and the community to implement impactful solutions.
- * Become part of a network of passionate individuals committed to creating lasting change.

For more information click here: <https://azimpremjifoundation.org/what-we-do/health-azim-premji-health-equity-fellowship-for-postgraduate-doctors/>

A person who is not self-respecting cannot be a true Shiv Sainik: MLA Narendra Bhonekar

Bhandara 16 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): A Shiv Sainik who is not self-respecting is not a true Shiv Sainik, because only if he remains self-respecting will he be bound to work for a strong organisation and such a motivated Shiv Sainik works not for a position but for a bigger cause for sake of the party, said Shiv Sena Deputy Leader MLA Narendra Bhonekar in his speech. On Sunday (June 15), the appointment letter distribution ceremony of newly appointed office bearers of East Vidarbha Shiv Sena was organised at Mangalmurti Hall on Khat Road. He was speaking on the occasion as the presiding dignitary of the programme. The chief guests in this programme were Gondia Bhandara Lok Sabha liaison chief Sanjay Kumbhalkar, Bhandara district chief Anil Gaidhne, newly appointed district chief

Padmakar Bawankar, former legislator Manohar Chandrikapure, former legislator Sahasram Korote, Co-Coordinator Bandu Tagde, Co-Coordinator Ashish Desai, Chandrapur District Liaison Chief Mangesh Kashikar, Wardha Liaison Chief Raju Dixit, Bhandara Gondia Lok Sabha organiser Dr Sugat Chandrikapure, Gondia District Chief Sonu Kuthe, District Chief Surendra Naidu and other office bearers were present on the dias. The programme started with garlanding of statues of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, Hindu Hruday Samrat Balasaheb Thackeray and Anand Dighe. In his presidential speech, Bhonekar further stated that after seeing the appointments made for all the 6 districts of East Vidarbha, his confidence has doubled that he will have men of valour standing beside



him in the upcoming elections and he likes to work with such gallant persons. He said that today's function is like a new experience for him. This is because Shinde in fact of Shiv Sena is at number four in East Vidarbha. But after seeing the elections held, it seems that our party will remain number one in the 2029 elections. So now instead of pondering over mutual differences, we should focus on how to defeat our formidable opponents.

Bhonekar assured that Shiv Sena branches will be established in every village of East Vidarbha. I will stand beside you in your efforts to strengthen the party by personally visiting each of those branches. It is necessary to have a strong team when fighting the adversaries, otherwise we alone will be the victims. So make our party organisation robust, which will make it easier for us to fight in every upcoming election. The programme's proceedings were conducted by Shiv Sena city chief Manoj Sakure while co-coordinator Ashish Desai proposed the vote of thanks. MLA Narendra Bhonekar was given a grand welcome by the office bearers from all the 6 districts of East Vidarbha on the occasion.

Nag River Rejuvenation Project hits roadblocks again

Rs 1,927 Crore dream stuck in delays

Nagpur 16 June: Nagpur's Rs 1,927 crore Nag River Rejuvenation Project—touted as a game-changer for the city's polluted river and crumbling sewage infrastructure—is again crawling due to administrative delays and failed tenders. Key among the stalled components is Package 5, which focuses on critical sewage interceptors and drainage. After receiving no viable bids, the Nagpur Municipal Corporation (NMC) was forced to re-tender the package, pushing timelines back significantly. Package 4, targeting riverbed development and pollution control, has shown modest progress. Its Detailed Project Report (DPR) is ready, and tenders are set to be floated soon. Meanwhile, Packages 1 and 2, crucial for tackling upstream sewage inflows in North Nagpur, are nearing final approval. These include extensive sewage



network construction and interceptor laying—vital to prevent untreated waste from flowing into the river. Despite repeated promises, actual ground progress remains sluggish. The Bombay High Court has taken serious note of the delays, reprimanding authorities and demanding a revised timeline. The project aims to lay over 2,000 km of pipelines, build multiple

sewage treatment plants (STPs), and connect 1.3 lakh households—with real-time pollution monitoring. It also promises green zones along the riverbanks. But with tender hiccups and slow coordination between civic bodies and contractors, the ambitious clean-up is losing momentum—and public trust. Time is running out. Nagpur can't afford to watch its lifeline remain a drain

Bouncers assault visitors at Dwarka Water Park

Two women hospitalised, complaint filed at Patansawangi outpost

Nagpur 16 June: A family outing turned violent at Dwarka Water Park near Waki Village under Khapa Police Station limits, when bouncers and security guards allegedly assaulted seven visitors from Kamptee on Sunday, June 15 evening. Two women lost consciousness due to the assault and were later admitted to a government hospital. The matter has been reported to the Patansawangi police outpost. According to reports, Sakshi Gharote, Sonali Shinde, Vivek Shinde, Pawan Shinde, Mayur Ghatole, and their two friends, Shatru and Mayur, had visited Dwarka Water Park on Sunday morning. As the park began closing around 6 pm, a dispute broke out between one of the visitors and a security guard. The argument escalated when more guards and bouncers joined in and physically assaulted five individuals – Sakshi Gharote, Sonali Shinde, Vivek Shinde, Shatru, and Mayur. Bystanders reportedly recorded the incident on their mobile phones. The victims were allegedly locked inside a room within the park for nearly



an hour. Despite repeated pleas by Pawan Shinde and Mayur Ghatole, no immediate help arrived, even after calling Khapa Police Station and Dial 112. During the altercation, Sakshi and Sonali fainted due to the assault. Desperate for help, Pawan contacted a friend in Kamptee who shared the contact of Nagpur Rural SP Harsh Poddar. Following his call, senior police officials initiated action. Fearing police intervention, park staff reportedly dropped the unconscious women at Patansawangi Government Hospital in an Ecosport car and fled. Patansawangi

police reached the hospital and later transferred the injured women to Nagpur Government Hospital via ambulance. A formal complaint has been registered at the Patansawangi police outpost. Victims and their families are now questioning the delayed response from Khapa Police, especially since the incident occurred in their jurisdiction. Sources also revealed that a similar incident had occurred last week, but action was allegedly subdued following intervention by a local political leader, emboldening the park staff.

20 Year old killed in Love Triangle related incident

Quartet including minor nabbed

Nagpur 16 June: A 20-year-old youth was brutally murdered in Nagpur's Gorewada Hills area late Saturday night in a suspected love triangle case. Mankapur Police have arrested four individuals, including a minor, in connection with the crime that came to light 14 hours later on Sunday morning. The deceased has been identified as Aman Gajendra Dhruvanshi (20), a resident of Mankapur, who was pursuing hotel management studies in Shillong and had returned home for summer vacation. Police have arrested Lucky Mendhewar (18, Gangabai Ghat, Lakadganj), Abhishek Kataria (25), Sulabh Thakur (25, Gorewada, Mankapur), and a minor accomplice. **Jealousy Sparked by Love Triangle** According to police, the prime accused Lucky Mendhewar was in a relationship with a young woman. However, their relationship had recently soured, and the woman had begun interacting with Aman. Suspecting a romantic involvement between them, Lucky

grew jealous and blamed Aman for the fallout. In a fit of rage, Lucky conspired with Abhishek, Sulabh, and the minor to kill Aman. On Saturday night around 10:30 PM, they lured Aman to the Gorewada Hills area, where Lucky fatally stabbed him multiple times. **Accused Walks into Police Station** When Aman didn't return home, his family filed a missing person report at Mankapur Police Station around 11:30 AM on Sunday. In a surprising turn, one of the accused, Abhishek, walked into the station and confessed, stating, "My friend has killed someone." At that point, police did not know the victim was Aman. Based on the confession, police began searching Gorewada Hills and soon discovered Aman's body. Acting swiftly, Mankapur Police, under the leadership of PI Harish Kalsekar, apprehended all the accused and solved the case within hours. The incident has sent shockwaves across the city, especially due to the involvement of a minor in such a brutal act.

Suhan wins rapid crown, Badole blitz

Nagpur 16 June: In the rapid event, Suhan scored 8.5 points out of nine and annexed the title. The event was organised by G.H. 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. Shaunak Badole of Nagpur with 9 points out of nine rounds won the blitz crown.

FM Siddhant Gawai, Vibaan Saraogi and Saksham Wadhwa scored 8 points and were placed 2nd to 4th based on their tie break points. In the rapid rating event, Suhan with seven consecutive wins in last seven rounds emerged winner with 8.5 points, a half point more than the runners-up.

After penultimate round, Suhan, FM Kumar Gaurav of Bihar and another Nagpur youngster Dishank Bajaj led the table with 7.5 points each. However, in a dramatic turn of events, Suhan

toppled FM Kumar Gaurav on the top table whereas Dishank Bajaj went down to the top seed IM Kaustav Kundu. Another Nagpur youngster FM Vaibhav Raut scored over Nilay Kulkarni to reach 8 points and bag the second position. Ayush Ramtete of Nagpur topped Aarit Thakur to reach 8 points to finish third thereby completing the top three positions to Nagpur players.

Top seed IM Kaustav Kundu also scored 8 points but was ranked 4th after applying tie breaks. Prizes were distributed at the hands of noted Social Worker Jaiprakash Gupta. Superintendent, CGST and athletics coach Shekhar Suryawanshi, CA Saket Bagadia, Rahul Naidu, ICA secretary Bhushan Shriwa, chief arbiter IAAJinkya Pingale were also present on the occasion. Member MCA Observer Committee SS Soman introduced the guests and conducted the proceedings.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Planned power outage in Seminary hills and nearby areas for pre monsoon maintenance

Nagpur 16 June: The Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Company Limited (MSEDCL) has announced a three-day scheduled power outage in the Seminary Hills area and several adjoining localities from Monday, June 16 to Wednesday, June 18, due to urgent pre-monsoon maintenance, transformer repair, and charging activities. The maintenance work is being carried out across multiple feeder lines under the Seminary Hills branch office of MSEDCL's Civil Lines Division. The utility company has appealed to consumers in the affected areas to cooperate during this period to ensure smoother preparations for the upcoming monsoon season. As part of the planned shutdown, the specific schedule of outages is as follows: **Tuesday, June 17 (8 am to 11 am):** Outages are planned for Gaurkhede Complex, Hingoli Bika Society, Friends Colony, Phalle Layout, Kolbaswami Society, and Netaji Society. **Wednesday, June 18 (8 am to 11 am):** Electricity will be cut off in 11 KV Akar Nagar, VJ Akar Nagar, Swami Colony Phase-1 and 2, Jagdish Nagar, Prerna Nagar, Ganga Nagar, KGN Society, Welcome Society, Akhil Vishwa Bharti Society, Veerachakra Colony, Vighnaharta Colony, MB Estate, Hind Prernanagar, Rakshanagar, and Vidyannagar. MSEDCL has also urged residents to plan their essential tasks—including use of drinking water systems, lifts, and other electrically operated services—in advance to avoid inconvenience. The company expressed regret for the disruption and emphasized the necessity of the maintenance to avoid breakdowns during the heavy rains.



ATM fraud bid foiled: Metal strip found at Wadi T point based machine

Nagpur 16 June: A serious ATM fraud attempt was averted at the Hitachi ATM near Wadi T-Point, thanks to the alertness of a local resident. Unidentified individuals had installed a black metal strip—designed to mimic the machine—inside the ATM cash dispensing slot to trap currency notes and deceive customers. Gunaratan Prasad Dukre, a resident of Sanjay Nagar, visited the ATM to withdraw money. After swiping his card and completing the process, he received a debit alert on his phone, and even heard the sound of the cash being counted. However, no money was dispensed, and the cash outlet appeared sealed. Sensing something unusual, Dukre alerted local residents. Former Panchayat Samiti Vice President Umesh Rajput and ex-Gram Panchayat member Sandeep Sable inspected the ATM and found a suspicious strip installed in the cash dispenser. The MIDC police were immediately informed. A patrolling unit arrived shortly and removed the metal strip, which was expertly placed to avoid



detection. Fortunately, due to the ATM's timer system, the cash was reversed back into the machine, preventing financial loss. Dukre has lodged a formal complaint at the MIDC Police Station. Authorities have initiated an investigation and decided to inspect all nearby ATMs for tampering.

Prostitution racket busted at Massage Parlour in Ganeshpeth, 4 women rescued

Nagpur 16 June: In a significant crackdown, Ganeshpeth Police raided a massage parlour operating under the guise of a salon and rescued four women who were reportedly victims of a prostitution racket. The raid was conducted at Blossom – The Professional Unisex Salon, located on the second floor of Rahul Complex, within the Ganeshpeth Police Station limits. The salon owner, identified as Pranay Keshav Ganvir (27), a resident of Shiv Mandir, Wananadongri, was arrested in connection with the case. According to officials, the raid was carried out following a tip-off about illegal activities being run under the pretext of massage services. A police team led by Inspector Sanjay Mendhe, along with PSI Vijendra Nachan and Malhar Doifode, conducted the operation and rescued the women from the premises. Preliminary investigations revealed that the accused had lured the women to Nagpur under false



pretences of employment, later coercing them into prostitution with promises of higher pay and better job prospects. In addition to the arrest, the police have seized mobile phones and other items valued at Rs. 63,524 from the salon. Further inquiry is underway to determine the full extent of the racket and whether more individuals are involved.

Orange Tigresses women triumph

Nagpur 16 June: Batting first Orange Tigresses scored 136/7 in 20 overs. Skipper Disha Kasat and Sayali Shinde opened the innings for Orange Tigresses Women. The duo added 35 runs for the first wicket partnership before Shinde was dismissed for 12 in 19 balls. Kasat made 42 in 45 balls. Ankita Sudhir Bhongade starred with the bat as she scored 50 in 33 balls. Sai Bhoyar added 13 in 11 balls. For Nagpur Titans Women, Aarti Bahenwal (2/22) and Dharvi Tembure (2/29) grabbed two wickets each. Rukhsar Ansari (1/29) and Mona Meshram (1/8) were chipped in with one. Chasing a target of 137 on the board, Nagpur Titans Women faced a huge setback from the very beginning of the second innings. They were down to 25/6 in 5.4 overs. Aarti Bahenwal and Dharvi Tembure showed some will and added 51 runs for the seventh wicket before Aarti was dismissed for 26 in 27 balls. Dharvi scored 25 in 26 balls. Towards the end, Mansi Borikar scored 23 in 18 balls and Gargi Sunil Wankar remained unbeaten on 15* in 16 balls. They only managed to score 120/9 in 20 overs as they lost by 16 runs. For Orange Tigresses Women, Komal Zanzad was the pick of the bowlers who took 4/17 in 4 overs. Trupti Lodhe (1/26), Janhvi Ranganathan (1/26) and Aditi Palandurkar (1/23) grabbed one wicket each.

Neglected & forgotten: Ward 31 cries for basic amenities



Nagpur 16 June: Nagpur's Ward 31—covering Raghujinagar, Old Somwari Peth, and Somwari Quarters — is battling years of civic apathy. Despite repeated complaints, residents say their problems remain unheard and unresolved. A key grievance: the Labour Welfare Center's public swimming pool has been shut for seven years. Once a training ground for budding swimmers across South Nagpur, it now lies abandoned. "My son now travels to Ambazari just to train," says local resident Uttam Lohkare. "Despite multiple complaints, nothing has changed." Water supply is equally dismal. While other parts of the city enjoy 24x7 access, Ward 31 residents barely get one hour of water

Thunderstorms and rain likely between June 17-21

IMD predicts relief from scorching heat

Nagpur 16 June: Residents of Nagpur reeling under intense heat and humidity may finally get some relief. The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has forecasted thunderstorms and rainfall over the next two days, bringing down temperatures temporarily. According to the IMD, Nagpur is likely to experience strong winds, lightning, and moderate to heavy rainfall from June 17 to 21. However, the relief may be short-lived as temperatures are expected to rise again post-rain, potentially crossing 40°C. A trough extending from East Madhya Pradesh to West Bengal, passing through Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand, along with an upper air cyclonic circulation over South Central Maharashtra, is contributing to current rain activity in parts of Maharashtra. Another cyclonic system over the Bay of Bengal is also likely to influence weather patterns across Central India. Despite the early arrival of monsoon clouds in Gadchiroli on May 28, their progress stalled significantly. The monsoon was expected to activate again around June 14–15, but forecasts fell short.



Weather experts now expect the monsoon to move forward across Vidarbha around June 16 or 17. Earlier in June, Nagpur saw scorching temperatures touching 44.2°C, though surprisingly, it remained below 40°C during the Nawatapa period. The recent heatwave has left citizens exhausted and hoping for consistent monsoon showers. **Key Weather Takeaways:** **■ Rain & Thunderstorm Likely:** June 17–21 **■ Temporary Relief:** Followed by return of high temperatures **■ Monsoon Delay:** Stagnant for over 18 days in the region **■ Cyclonic Systems Active:** Over Maharashtra and Bay of Bengal

Master Blaster emerge champions

Nagpur 16 June: Master Blaster achieved the target of 178 losing just three wickets in 17.5 overs. Opener Vedang Dighade remained unbeaten on 80. His knock in 52 balls was studded with four sixes and eight boundaries. Dighade and Adhyan Daga (22, 16b 2x5, 1x6) made a 31 run partnership for the opening wicket. After the departure of Daga, in-form batter Arya Meshram (42, 26b, 2x4, 3x6) gave good company to Dighade and both stitched up a 90-run partnership for the second wicket. After losing Meshram on 125, Master Blaster lost another wicket in the form of Adyan Routham on 128. But then Jitesh Sharma playing in his usual explosive style hammered the rival bowlers. He smashed 11-ball 30 hitting



three sixes and one four and ensured the victory in the company of Dighade. Earlier after early hiccups, middle order batter Shivam Deshmukh played a brilliant knock of 82 in 45 balls, hitting three boundaries and seven sixes. He was well supported by Pushpak Gujat (25) and Vishesh Tiwari (23 not out) . For Master Blaster, Sanmesh Deshmukh was the pick of the bowlers (3 for 27).

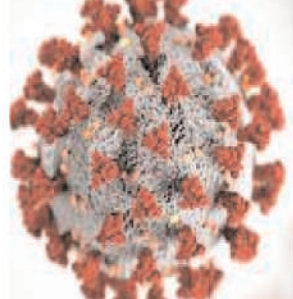
Maharashtra boys, MP girls crowned champions

Nagpur 16 June: The event, hosted under the joint leadership of Firoz Khan, Founder of Dueball, and Arunpal Singh Behal, President of Vidarbha Dueball Association, witnessed participation from top state teams across the country. In the girls' Final, Madhya Pradesh dominated the match, defeating Vidarbha with a convincing 4-0 scoreline. Star player Abhishasha netted two goals, while Naina Sahu and Saniya contributed one goal each to seal the victory. The boys' final was a nail-biting encounter between Maharashtra and Vidarbha, ending 7-7 in regular time. A six-minute extra time period saw Maharashtra edge past Vidarbha with a final score of 11-9. Prajwal of Vidarbha dazzled spectators with 5 goals, while Madhavir of Maharashtra led his team's charge with 3 goals. The Prize Distribution Ceremony was graced by distinguished guests including Syed Nawab (Secretary, Dueball Federation of India), Firoz Khan, Manzur Baig (Secretary, Rajasthan Dueball Association), Riyaz Qazi, Mrs. Renu Sidhu (noted athlete), and veteran Dueball players Gursimran Kaur, Sagar Shivhare, Sunny Bajwa, Dibpal Bajwa, Firdos Khan (Asia Dueball), and Habib Khan. The championship highlighted the growing popularity and competitive spirit of Dueball among young athletes, with Nagpur once again proving to be a vibrant hub for sports development in India.

Nagpur reports two COVID deaths

State govt urges calm amid mild spike

Nagpur 16 June: Nagpur has reported two COVID-19-related deaths, as per Maharashtra's health bulletin on June 14, highlighting renewed concerns for high-risk patients despite low case numbers. The deceased—both men—were battling severe health conditions. A 56-year-old suffered from diabetes and hypertension, while a 32-year-old was undergoing treatment for advanced blood cancer and anemia. Both tested positive on June 12 and tragically passed away earlier in the week. Their deaths were the only COVID fatalities reported in Maharashtra that day. On the same day, the state recorded 53 new COVID cases. Mumbai led with 24 infections, followed by Pune city (11), Thane (5), Pimpri-Chinchwad (3), Pune district (2), Sangli district and city (2 each), and one case each in Navi Mumbai and Raigad. Nagpur currently has five active cases, all mild and under treatment. The total



active COVID count in Maharashtra stands at 578. In response, the State Public Health Department has reassured citizens. Surveillance of Influenza-Like Illness (ILI) and Severe Acute Respiratory Infections (SARI) is ongoing to detect cases early. "Most patients show only mild symptoms and are recovering well," an official stated. Testing and treatment continue to be available at government facilities. Bottom line: Stay cautious, follow safety protocols — but there's no need to panic.

Maoism on the brink of extinction: CM Fadnavis announces as red terror nears end

Nagpur/Mumbai 16 June: Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis has expressed confidence that the state will soon be free from Maoist activities. The chief minister, who has been spearheading his government's campaign to combat red terror, expressed gratitude to the central government and the security forces for putting the state on the path of becoming Maoist-free. Fadnavis explained the progress made in combating Maoism, citing the recent surrender of 13 Maoists, including senior cadre Vimla Chandra Sidam, in Gadchiroli. Talking to reporters, Chief Minister Fadnavis attributed the success to the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the combined efforts of the Gadchiroli Police and local administration. "In the last 10 years, under the leadership of Prime Minister Modi, the way we have fought against Maoism in Maharashtra, because of this, the backs of Maoists have broken," he said. The Chief Minister noted that the number of active Maoists in Maharashtra has largely decreased, with many either neutralised, arrested, or forced to surrender.

Major blow to Maoist movement

Recently, the surrender of 13 Maoists in Gadchiroli, with a collective bounty of over Rs 1 crore, served as a massive blow to the



Maoist movement. Fadnavis said, "The Maoists are constantly thinking that they cannot fight now. They are also thinking that the motive for which they started the fight is not even a thing." He added that the Maoists were misled and used, and many are now realising the futility of their struggle.

Roadmap to achieve Maoist free India

The chief minister outlined the government's plan to achieve a Maoist-free India by March 2026, as set by Union Home Minister Amit Shah. "There are very few active cadres left in Maharashtra, which we will either arrest, or neutralise, or they will surrender," he said. Lashing out at the previous Congress-led government in the neighbouring state, the Chief Minister emphasised the importance of cooperation from

Chhattisgarh, where the new BJP government has intensified operations against Maoists.

Development of Gadchiroli

CM Fadnavis elaborated on the government's efforts to develop Gadchiroli as a steel hub, leveraging its rich iron ore reserves. "Gadchiroli can become the steel hub of the country," he said, citing investments worth Rs 1.5 lakh crore and the creation of 20,000 employment opportunities. The Chief Minister noted that locals are benefiting from these developments, reducing their support for Maoists. The Maharashtra CM said, "For Gadchiroli, we have also started a long-term plan, especially envisioning it as the steel hub of the country. The country's best iron ore is found in Gadchiroli. We began mining there in 2016-17, and today, we've signed MoUs worth about Rs 1.5 lakh crore, with work worth around Rs 50,000 crore already underway. We've also inaugurated our first steel plant there and are set to inaugurate the second one. As a result, Gadchiroli is transforming from a region known only for MoUs to a thriving steel hub."

The biggest advantage of this development is that locals are gaining substantial employment opportunities, which has shifted their support from Maoist groups to the government and our constitutional

institutions. Notably, former Maoists have been trained in the new industry and offered good jobs, enabling them to start anew. Recently, some of these former Maoists even participated in a collective wedding program. I firmly believe that while Maoism is nearing its end, we're simultaneously developing Gadchiroli into India's steel hub."

Establishing constitutional institutions

Devendra Fadnavis emphasised the importance of establishing constitutional institutions in Maoist-affected areas. "We have set up a system under which our police outpost is not just a police outpost, it is the whole government," he said, stressing on the provision of basic services and amenities to local residents.

With the Maoist movement on the wane, Chief Minister Fadnavis exuded confidence that the state would soon be free from red terror. "I believe that on the one hand, Maoism is coming to an end, and on the other hand, we are developing Gadchiroli as a steel hub of India," he said. As the chief minister assured of meeting the Maoist-free deadline by March 2026 quite conveniently, he underlined the government's commitment to progress and development.

Lawyers' cooperation is very important to resolve old cases: Justice Nitin Sambre

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The Supreme Court's stance is that cases filed in courts should not remain for long time. This court also continuously reviews old cases. There is an effort to resolve 20 and 30 year old cases on priority. Justice Nitin Sambre of the Nagpur bench of the Bombay High Court asserted that the cooperation of lawyers is very necessary for this. Justice Nitin Sambre was speaking on the occasion of the inauguration of a new senior civil court in Wani and the foundation stone ceremony of a new court building. The program was attended by Justice Vrushi Joshi, the judge of the Nagpur bench of the Bombay High Court and the guardian of the district as the chief guest, Chief District and Sessions Judge Nagesh Bhavkar was in the chair. Chief guests were MLA Sanjay Derkar, first civil judge of Wani Senior Level Padmakar Jondhale, and the president of the Wani Lawyers Association Adv. Virendra Mahajan. Initially, the foundation stone was unveiled and the foundation stone was laid by the judges at the site in Parsoda where the new building is being constructed. Trees were also planted. After that, the new senior level civil court was



inaugurated in Wani city. While expressing views as the chief guest, Justice Vrushi Joshi spoke about the literary and cultural importance of Wani city. Cases will be disposed of quickly from the new building being constructed in Wani. Earlier, the citizens of this place had to go to Kelapur. Now their troubles will be reduced. Justice Joshi said that the new spacious building will be constructed soon. In his presidential address, Judge Nagesh Bhavkar said that the Indian Constitution has given high values and traditions. The Supreme Court is moving firmly in that direction. Various schemes are being implemented by the Legal

Services Authorities with the concept of justice for all. He said that new technology is also being used in the courts so that justice should reach every person quickly. President of the Wani Lawyers Association, Adv. Virendra Mahajan, gave the introduction. He said that after many years of waiting, the dream of a court is being realized in Wani. The vote of thanks was expressed by Civil Judge, Senior Level Padmakar Jondhale. The program was conducted by Civil Judge, Senior Level Renuka Patange and Isha Dhande. The program was attended by a large number of judicial officers, lawyers, government officials, employees, and citizens.

Civic body's property tax collection rises by 28% in first 2.5 months

Nagpur 16 June: The rebate scheme launched by Nagpur Municipal Corporation (NMC) on property tax has led to a 28% increase in revenue collection in the first two and a half months of the current financial year. The civic body offers a 15% rebate for online payments made before June 30 and a 10% rebate for offline payments. By June 11, FY 2025-26, NMC collected Rs 45.33 crore from 1.16 lakh property owners, up from Rs 35.47 crore collected from 85,581 taxpayers during the same period last year. Deputy commissioner (Revenue) Milind Meshram told TOI that the steady growth indicates that more citizens are availing themselves of the rebate offer, particularly by making payments online. "Among the 10 zones, Laxmi Nagar recorded the highest number of taxpayers at 18,375 and also topped the revenue chart with Rs 7.3 crore, up from Rs 6.38 crore collected from 14,827 properties last year," said Meshram.

Nagpur leads Maharashtra in rooftop solar installations under PM Suryaghar Scheme

Nagpur 16 June: In a major boost to India's renewable energy mission, Nagpur district has emerged as the frontrunner in the implementation of the Prime Minister's 'Suryaghar - Free Electricity Scheme'. The district has topped the state in rooftop solar installations, showcasing a remarkable commitment to clean and affordable energy.

As per the latest data available till June 15, 2025, Nagpur district has successfully installed 33,641 rooftop solar power units, the highest among all districts in Maharashtra. These installations have collectively generated a potential capacity of 132.35 MW of green



energy, contributing significantly to the state's overall solar output. Across Maharashtra, 2,12,640 rooftop solar systems have been installed under Mahavitaran's jurisdiction, with a total generation capacity of 812.76 MW. Among these, Nagpur alone accounted for over 15% of installations,

underlining its leadership in sustainable energy adoption.

On June 15 alone, Nagpur added 124 new solar systems, with a combined generation capacity of 452.44 kW—a record feat highlighting the district's swift progress in implementing the scheme. When compared to other key districts, Nagpur

outperforms by a considerable margin. Jalgaon has 15,868 installations, while Pune has 15,632.

Together, these two still fall short of Nagpur's total. Other districts in the Nagpur circle have also shown commendable progress: Amravati (12,331), Wardha (6,376), Buldhana (6,232), Akola (6,130), Chandrapur (5,616), Yavatmal (4,998), Bhandara (3,591), Washim (2,562), Gondia (2,511), and Gadchiroli (1,141).

Notably, Wardha added 70 new systems on a single day, with a capacity of 241.7 kW. The success of Nagpur district can be attributed to active citizen participation, efficient planning by local administration, and

widespread awareness about the scheme's benefits. Apart from reducing electricity bills, the adoption of solar energy also promotes environmental sustainability. Under the PM Suryaghar Scheme, residents of Nagpur are truly harnessing the power of the sun, paving the way for a cleaner, greener future.

Join the Solar Revolution Today! Citizens are encouraged to participate in this initiative by installing rooftop solar systems at their homes and becoming energy contributors. For more details, visit:

<https://www.mahadis.com.in/smart/index.php>
<https://pmsuryaghar.gov.in/#/>

Tiger cub killed in territorial fight in vicinity of Chimur

Chandrapur 16 June: A tiger cub, believed to be the offspring of the well-known tigress Paru and tiger Balli, was found dead in the forests near Shelegao, about 7km from Chimur, on Sunday evening.

Forest officials suspect the cub was killed in a territorial clash with a dominant male tiger known as Trishul. The incident came to light around 5.30pm when patrolling staff from the Chimur forest range discovered the lifeless body of the cub in compartment no. 371. The area lies adjacent to the buffer zone of the Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve, a region popular among wildlife

tourists. The male cub, around 8 to 9 months old, bore deep claw and bite marks on its neck, face, and limbs. Preliminary observations suggest it was attacked and killed by another tiger, likely during a territorial conflict, a common behaviour among big cats, especially as cubs grow older and start asserting presence in shared habitats.

Forest officials suspect Trishul, a well-known male tiger active in the area, may be responsible for the attack. Due to fading daylight, the post-mortem was postponed and is expected to be conducted on Monday at the Khadsangi forest rest house.

Installation ceremony of Gopalkrishna idol held

NER / NAGPUR POST: Idols of Sant Nagaji Maharaj, Sant Sena Maharaj and Bhagwan Gopalkrishna were installed in the temple constructed by Sant Nagaji Maharaj Sansthan in an open space on Yavatmal-Amravati highway near Nerpasapant. Guardian Minister Sanjay Rathod was present at the conclusion of the programme.

The temple was built on the initiative of Sakal Nabhik Samaj. Guardian Minister Sanjay Rathod provided valuable support for the work. The programme organizers expressed their gratitude to him and thanked him. Sanjay Rathod constructed a social hall worth Rs 55 lakhs at this place from the government's local development fund.

This hall is being used to conduct social, religious and cultural programmes, said Gajanan Papalkar while conducting the programme.

Before the idol was installed in the temple, a procession was taken out through the city. The procession included many bhajans along with a musical band. The idol was consecrated by Vasudev Maharaj of Dabha (Pahar). The program concluded with a kirtan by Madhukar Pachpute.

First Covid-19 death of the year comes to light in Wardha district

Wardha 16 June: Wardha district reported its first Covid-19 death of the year after a 47-year-old man succumbed during treatment. According to sources, the patient was also suffering from liver cirrhosis. According to officials, his Covid-19 test report, received on June 13, confirmed the infection posthumously. With this, Wardha joins the list of Vidarbha districts that have reported Covid-19 deaths this year. Nagpur has already recorded three deaths, while Chandrapur has reported two so far in 2025. According to the state health department, Nagpur Municipal Corporation (NMC) recorded one fresh case on Sunday. Maharashtra recorded 40 new Covid-19 cases on

June 15. The highest number of cases were reported from Mumbai (22), followed by Pune Municipal Corporation (10), Pune district (2), Pimpri-Chinchwad (2), Chandrapur (2) and Wardha (1). The state's active Covid-19 caseload now stands at 540. Of these, Nagpur has 7 active patients, all reported to have mild symptoms. Health officials reiterated that routine testing and surveillance of Influenza-Like Illness (ILI) and Severe Acute Respiratory Infections (SARI) patients is ongoing across the state. All positive Covid-19 samples are being sent for Whole Genome Sequencing (WGS) to monitor for any emerging variants.

Will not rest until assistance is provided: Minister Naik

PUSAD / NAGPUR POST: Minister of State Indranil Naik assured that he would not rest until financial assistance is provided to the farmers affected by the storm that struck on June 10. As soon as Minister of State Indranil Naik arrived in the constituency, he skipped all the planned programmes and visited the farms of the affected farmers in the taluka and inspected. Naik was heartbroken to see that the crops he had collected after protecting them like a palm for a year were destroyed in an instant by the storm. He will not rest until financial assistance is provided to the affected farmers through an immediate panchnama through the District Collector's Office and the Agriculture Department. He assured the cabinet that he would take the initiative to provide assistance to every community affected by the storm in Pusad taluka. Farmers including Vijay Jadhav, Balasaheb Kamarkar, Babusingh Aade, Sharad Kubde were present during the inspection tour.



Worker dies after fire breaks out during boring work behind D-Mart in MIDC



Nagpur 16 June: A 30-year-old labourer from Madhya Pradesh died in a tragic accident after suffering severe burn injuries during a boring operation behind D-Mart in Mahajanwadi, located in MIDC police jurisdiction. The deceased has been identified as Kunwar (Golu) Dhanu Dhurve, a resident of Ward No. 2, Jagla, Balaghat (M.P.). On June 6, while conducting boring work, he attempted to expand a pipe by setting it on fire using diesel.

However, the fire flared up uncontrollably, resulting in severe burns. He was immediately rushed to Shalinitai Meghe Hospital, where he succumbed to his injuries during treatment around 6 am on June 15.

Following the statement by his wife Mamta Kunwar (29), MIDC Police have registered an accidental death report (ADR) under the supervision of PSI Gawli.

Further inquiry into the incident is underway.

Nishant Sayre's double century in the field of mental health services

230 Prabhujis sent home in four years

YAVATMAL / NAGPUR POST: The rehabilitation of mental patients is done through the Nanddeep Foundation. After the admission of mental patients, they are respectfully called 'Prabhujis'. Nishant Bhimrao Sayre of the center has been doing the work of rehabilitating them with the family for four years.

Till date, he has successfully rehabilitated as many as 230 Prabhujis in 11 states across the country, Nepal and Bangladesh. Self-absorbed mental patients roam around. We never take them for granted.

We ignore them. Sandeep and Nandini Shinde have taken such street mental patients as their own by providing them shelter through the Nanddeep Foundation in Samarathwadi.

The decision to rehabilitate them is taken by the organization after they show good changes through psychotherapy.

The rehabilitation volunteers of the center use this skill to get their families and native villages to reveal their identity.

Nishant Sayre has traveled to Maharashtra, Bengal, Jharkhand, Bihar, Odisha, Karnataka, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Madhya



Pradesh, Telangana, and neighboring countries like Bangladesh and Nepal between 2022 and 5 June 2025 to send Prabhujis. Nishant Sayre is originally from Chikani (Kamathwada).

He is pursuing a postgraduate degree in social work. Apart from this, he has won a gold medal at the national level in the senior group in the sport of softball.

While playing cricket in 2020, he met Sandeep Shinde, a psychiatrist. He became so passionate about Sandeep's work in psychiatric services that he has rehabilitated more than two hundred Prabhujis of Nanddeep and completed his double century in the field of psychiatric services.

Two incidents remembered for a lifetime

Suraj Manjhi, while he was taking Prabhujis to Warisaliganj in Nawada district of Bihar, was attacked by some people. He said that this incident happened because it was Rangpanchami day. While taking Suraj home, a search operation was underway by his relatives.

When he came to know that he had come home, more than a hundred citizens had gathered near the house.

The family burst into tears upon seeing Suraj. He had returned home after a year. Along with this, after Ravi Gorai, a young man, was taken to Manikadagar in Dantan district of Bengal, his father immediately held Sayre's feet.

His father had started worshipping the village deity's temple day and night to demand that the missing Ravi should return home safely. On seeing him after four and a half years, the family expressed gratitude for Nanddeep's work and gave Sayre the status of a deity.

He says that the memories of these incidents are etched in his mind forever.