

BULLS EYE

WW III set to break out...

A crazy man named Trump dropped bombs on three nuclear power plants in Iran. The bombs dropped by Trump, that is, the missiles used in all three places, had no effect on Iran. Iran itself has announced this. Such attacks will not have any effect on our nuclear program. Iran's Khomeini has also announced this. Khomeini further says that you started the war. Now we will end it. At 2 am in the morning according to Indian Standard Time, America attacked Iran. Within two hours, it has fired three dozen missiles at Israel, along with its great Khyber, and has put Israel in a very terrible situation. The damage that Israel has suffered is enormous. Now Iran has announced that Iran will attack the places where American military bases are located. There, the American people have taken to the streets against the arrogant Trump who has assumed the presidency of America. Trump has done a stupid thing by attacking without the approval of the US Congress. Because of this, America will have to suffer losses. Here, Russia, China and North Korea have come out in support of Iran. There are seven or eight US military bases in Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Kuwait, Bahrain etc. These military bases or US bases can easily be used to destroy Iran. Iran has shown its experience by attacking Israel. Not only the capital of Israel. But the Iranian attacks on 14 other cities have caused tremendous damage. There are dangerous chemical bombs near Iraq. This was declared. For this, a few years ago, America had also attacked Iraq and killed Saddam Hussein. But after that, Iraq did not have such dangerous weapons. America had to tell it publicly. This is exactly what this reckless US President, i.e. Trump, has done regarding Iran. Iran is many times bigger and more prosperous than Iraq. Therefore, at that time, no country came forward to speak out against America's tyranny. But now, that is not the case at all. The extremely belligerent Israel has never respected any international law. The citizens of Gaza should not even get food grains. Therefore, the monstrosity of the warlord Netanyahu continued as it was. Now that Iran has attacked, Israel is remembering international laws. What will happen to America from Iran. Trump probably knows this. But if Iran continues its massive bombings, then Trump probably does not know what will happen to Israel, which has been a bully until now. In World War II, the whole world was against Germany, Italy and Japan. This time, however, due to America's bigotry, the world is going to be divided. The main point is that in America itself, the people of America are protesting to stop Trump's display of stupidity. Considering the overall situation, the peace lovers of the world must have wondered whether America has declared the beginning of World War III. Now, without attacking America or its bases, Iran has started firing missiles at Israel. If it continues like this. So, in the next two-four days, Israel will have to look at itself as a land of stones and stones. No matter how much the leader pretends. It is not at all likely that Iran will give him any respect. The US has attacked within two-three days despite giving a 14-day ultimatum. Iran is in no hurry to take revenge. But if America attacks again, it will lead to a world war. Who will be burnt to ashes in the future and what signs of destruction will start to appear. It is difficult to even imagine. This crazy Trump jumped into the war. But his own leg has been fractured due to Iran's bump. Who will tell that lame man this. As Vinobaji says, let us say in India. Jai Jagat!

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Army Chief reviews security, preparedness for Amarnath Yatra

Srinagar, June 22 (UNI) Chief of Army Staff General Upendra Dwivedi reviewed the security grid in Kashmir and assessed preparedness for the upcoming Amarnath Yatra. Army said on Sunday. During his visit, the Army Chief was briefed on the prevailing security scenario, operational dynamics, and broader strategic landscape in the region. A demonstration was also held on the integration of advanced technologies to enhance surveillance, decision-making, and response capabilities. Army's ADGPI in a post on X said COAS, reviewed the security grid in the Kashmir region and assessed preparedness for the upcoming Shri Amarnath Yatra 2025. "He was briefed on the current operational dynamics and the broader strategic landscape including a demonstration on integration of advanced technologies in operations, leading to smarter decisions, enhanced surveillance and response mechanisms," ADGPI said. The COAS lauded all ranks of Srinagar based Chinara Corps for their unwavering commitment in ensuring peace and stability through decisive counter-terror operations and initiatives aimed at development of the region & upliftment of local population. The annual Amarnath Yatra is set to begin on July 3 and conclude on August 8. Securing the pilgrimage is regarded as one of the Valley's most extensive security exercises. This year's yatra, significantly shorter than last year's 52-day schedule, comes in the backdrop of the April 22 terrorist attack that claimed the lives of 25 tourists and a local resident.

Naxals kill duo on suspicion of being informers

Bijapur, Jun 22 (UNI) Two people, including a former Naxalite, were allegedly killed by Naxalites in Bijapur district of Chhattisgarh last night on suspicion of being informers. The incident occurred in Yampuri Sandra Bor village under the jurisdiction of Pamed police station. The deceased were identified as former Maoist Weko Dewa and a villager named Samaiya. Bijapur Superintendent of Police Dr Jitendra Yadav confirmed that they have received information about the incident and a team has been dispatched to the spot. Verification and confirmation of the details are underway.

Iran approves closing of Hormuz Strait in aftermath of US strike on N-installations

Tehran/New Delhi 22 June: Iran is considering closing the key oil shipping route Strait of Hormuz after the US bombed three of its nuclear facilities, Iranian media reported today. The Strait of Hormuz is one of the world's most critical chokepoints, through which a fifth of global oil and gas supply flows. It connects the Persian Gulf to the Arabian Sea and the Indian Ocean. The narrow channel, approximately 33 km wide at the narrowest point, separates Iran (north) from the Arabian Peninsula (south). But shipping lanes in the waterway are even narrower - 3 km wide in each direction, making them vulnerable to attacks and



threats of being shut down, which Iran has decided to do now. The bulk of oil exports from regional powerhouses - Saudi Arabia, Iraq, the UAE, Qatar, Iran, and Kuwait - must transit this narrow waterway. In the past, it was the West - chiefly the US and Europe - that stood most exposed to disruption in Persian Gulf energy flows, but today it is China and Asia that would bear the brunt of any closure. For India, the Strait of Hormuz is important as about 2 million barrels per day (bpd) of crude oil out of its total import of 5.5 million bpd transits through the narrow waterway. Having diversified its sources of

Modi calls for de-escalation

PM Modi spoke with Iran President Dr. Masoud Pezeshkian and reiterated that immediate de-escalation, dialogue and diplomacy were the way forward for early restoration of regional peace, security and stability. The Prime Minister also expressed deep concern over the recent escalations. In a post on X the Prime Minister said "spoke with President of Iran @drpezeskian. We discussed in detail about the current situation. Expressed deep concern at the recent escalations. Reiterated our call for immediate de-escalation, dialogue and diplomacy as the way forward and for early restoration of regional peace, security and stability."



imports, India, however, is unlikely to lose sleep even if the Strait of Hormuz is shut down as alternative sources

from Russia to the US and Brazil are readily available to fill any void, industry officials and analysts said.

Shah warns Naxals of no respite from operations

Raipur 22 June: Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Sunday said Naxalites won't get rest during monsoon as operations against them will continue during rains, even as he ruled out talks and appealed to the ultras to lay down arms and join the journey of development. Since January last year, more than 400 Maoist ultras have been gunned down by security forces in separate encounters in the state, the most notable being the killing of Nambala Keshav Rao alias Basavaraju (70), the general secretary and top most operative of the outlawed Communist Party of India (Maoist), in Bastar on May 21. "Every time during monsoon, Naxalites used to get rest (as swollen rivers



hamper anti-Naxal operations inside dense forest). But this time, we will not let them sleep during monsoon and we will move further to achieve the target of 31/3 (2026 to eliminate Naxalism)", Shah said. He appealed to Naxals to surrender, join the journey of development and avail of the benefits of a "lucrative" surrender policy. "No need for talks. Just give up armed struggle and join the mainstream. I wholeheartedly welcome all those who have laid down arms and joined the mainstream and assure them whatever promises the Chhattisgarh government and the Centre have made to them will be fulfilled. We will try to help you even more," he added.

No one wants to stay in Shiv Sena (UBT): BJP

Mumbai, Jun 22 (UNI) Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Mumbai President and state Cultural Minister Ashish Shelar claimed here on Sunday that the condition of the Shiv Sena (UBT) party is dangerous and dilapidated. Shelar said that Shiv Sena (UBT) has become dangerous due to its "anti Hindutva" policies and added that the group has given up Hindutva ideas which were espoused by the late Balasaheb Thackeray. "No one is ready to stay in this dilapidated party," said Shelar who is also State Cultural Affairs Minister. Former corporator Ishwar Tayde of Shiv Sena (UBT) group and former corporator Akanksha Shetty joined BJP along with their supporters today.



Reservation for slaughterhouse in town of Alandi canceled, announces CM Fadnavis

Mumbai 22 June: Bowing to the demand of locals, pro-Hindutva groups and cow protection activists, Maharashtra chief minister Devendra Fadnavis has cancelled the proposed slaughterhouse in Moshi near the pilgrimage town of Alandi in Pune district. The slaughterhouse in Moshi, which was earmarked in development plan of the Pimpri-Chinchwad Municipal Corporation (PCMC), now stands cancelled. "There will be no compromise when it comes to the faith of Warkaris, local communities, and farmers," Fadnavis said. Alandi is the resting place of the 13th century saint Sant Dnyaneshwar. Last week, during a foundation stone laying and



inauguration ceremony for various development works in Pimpri-Chinchwad, local residents and community leaders submitted a memorandum to the Chief Minister requesting cancellation of the slaughterhouse reservation. BJP MLA Mahesh Landge also raised the demand with Municipal Commissioner Shekhar Singh and the Chief Minister, urging them to positively consider the sentiments of Moshi and Charholi residents. "The current development plan includes a reservation for a slaughterhouse in the Moshi-Alandi area. However, under no circumstances will a slaughterhouse be allowed there. I have ordered to remove reservation" he said.

Gadkari takes swipe at Congress over Hindutva

Nagpur 22 June: Union Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari took swipe at the opposition Congress party over its misinterpretation of Hindutva. In a public interview conducted by senior journalist Dr Uday Nirgudkar here on Saturday night, he made it clear that taking to the streets with saffron flags or doing some actions is not Hindutva but it is a value-based lifestyle. He said, "we also pray for world welfare during worship. Unity in diversity and tolerance of all religions is the true form of Indianness. This is Hindutva." When asked about his role in the forthcoming Lok Sabha elections to be held in the year 2029, Gadkari replied that, "what we saw in 11 years was just a news reel, the real film is yet to start."

Op Sindhu: Another special flight brings back Indians from Iran

New Delhi, June 22 (UNI) As part of Operation Sindhu, another special flight arrived from Iran today, bringing 311 Indian nationals stranded in that country, amid the fighting with Israel. Another flight is expected to arrive later tonight. With the current flight, so far 1,428 Indian nationals have been evacuated. The MEA spokesperson said in a post on X: "Operation Sindhu continues." 311 Indian nationals arrived in New Delhi on a special

flight from Mashhad at 1630 hrs on 22nd June. "1428 Indian nationals have now been evacuated from Iran." On Saturday night, a flight had arrived bringing 290 Indian nationals back from Mashhad in Iran. One flight is expected to arrive at 11.30 tonight, bringing back more Indian nationals. India launched Operation Sindhu to evacuate its nationals from Iran and Israel, amid the raging fighting between the two nations.

MoS Defence to visit Kenya & Madagascar



New Delhi, June 22 (UNI) An Indian delegation led by MoS Defence Sanjay Seth will be on a visit to Kenya and Madagascar from June 23 to 26. In the first leg, Seth will visit Kenya for the joint unveiling of Commemorative Pillar (War memorial honouring the fallen soldiers of India and Kenya) at Taita-Taveta County on June 23, a Ministry statement said.

ASSESSING SITUATION...



CM Fadnavis, along with Union Minister Nitin Gadkari, chaired a review meeting on the Nag River Pollution Abatement Project in Nagpur on Sunday.

Bumrah 5 wicket haul restricts England to 465

Leeds 22 June: England speedster Mark Wood didn't mind words when he lauded India's Jasprit Bumrah, calling him the "best bowler in the world", a tag the Indian ace seemed eager to validate almost instantly on the field. "Bumrah is phenomenal. He's dangerous, deceptive, and incredibly hard to face. He's quicker than he looks and can impact the game at any stage," Wood said on Sky Sports, adding that the 31-year-old's ability to swing momentum made him a standout performer across formats. Just as Wood's praise reverberated across the commentary box, Bumrah delivered. In a blistering opening spell, Bumrah knocked over Zak Crawley with a delivery that had "magic" written all over it. Shaping in from a good length and straightening



viciously off the deck, the ball kissed the outside edge of Crawley's bat as he shaped for a flick. Karun Nair did the rest, pouncing a sharp catch at slip to send the opener back for 4 off 6 balls. If Crawley

was stunned, Ben Duckett was lucky. In the final ball of Bumrah's seventh over, Duckett slashed one hard toward Ravindra Jadeja at backward point. Jadeja got hands to it, but the ball popped out and it was a missed chance that handed Duckett a lifeline at 15. Bumrah, however, was far from done. Returning after lunch, he prised out Duckett for 62, before striking late in the day to remove England's Joe Root, who edged one to the slips for 28. In vintage Bumrah fashion, the damage was quiet but clinical and unmistakably game-changing.

Another battle of Pawars unfolding in Baramati

Mumbai 22 June: After two major electoral battles involving the Pawar family in Lok Sabha and Vidhan Sabha polls in Maharashtra and the subsequent talks of NCP and NCP (SP) merger or alliance, another political drama is unfolding in their bastion of Baramati in Pune district. The Malegaon Sahakari Sakhar Karkhana Ltd (Malegaon Cooperative Sugar Mill) is the new battleground. While voting for the cooperative sector polls was held on Sunday, the counting of votes would be taken up on Tuesday. The elections are crucial for both - NCP (SP) supremo Sharad Pawar, a key leader of the Congress-led I.N.D.I.A. opposition bloc, and his nephew and NCP president Ajit Pawar, who is the deputy chief minister in the BJP-led MahaYuti dispensation. In the Lok Sabha polls in



Baramati, Sharad Pawar's daughter Supriya Sule won the elections for the fourth time defeating Ajit Pawar's wife Sunetra Pawar. However, Sunetra Pawar was later sent to the Rajya Sabha with the support of the BJP. In the Maharashtra Legislative Assembly elections from Baramati, Ajit Pawar won the polls for a record eighth time defeating Yugendra Pawar, the son of his brother Shrinivas Pawar. The elections to Malegaon Cooperative Sugar Mill has gained importance as Ajit Pawar, a six-time deputy chief minister, is among the 90 candidates in fray for the 21-member board. It is after a gap of 40 years that he is personally contesting the cooperative sector polls. Ajit Pawar is currently the state finance and planning minister.

Only Uddhav & Raj to decide on alliance: Raut

Mumbai 22 June: As Maharashtra's political firmament closely observes the possible alliance between the Shiv Sena (UBT) and MNS, Rajya Sabha member Sanjay Raut on Sunday said the brothers will decide on it and no one knows better than him about what is going to happen. Last week, Shiv Sena (UBT) head and former chief minister Uddhav Thackeray, said - "whatever people of Maharashtra wish, will happen" - keeping the hopes alive. "A decision on the alliance will be taken by Raj Thackeray and Uddhav Thackeray as leaders and

brothers," Raut, a journalist-politician and chief spokesperson of Shiv Sena (UBT). He dismissed statements of some of the MNS leaders including its Mumbai unit chief Sandeep Deshpande, who had indirectly targeted Uddhav. "Those from the MNS who are speaking against the alliance have come into politics late. What others say has no value. I have seen the Thackeray brothers closely for several years. I know what is going to happen and what is not. Nobody knows better than me," said Raut, the Man Friday of Uddhav and close friend of Raj.

District Collector Vanmathi Cinaugurates Multimedia Photo exhibition

Wardha 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): District Collector Vanmathi C inaugurated a multimedia photo exhibition on the occasion of International Yoga Day 2025 at New English High School and Junior College, Mahadevpura. The event was jointly organized by the Central Bureau of Communication, Wardha, along with the District Administration, Police Department, and local institutions. On this occasion, She urged citizens and students to practice yoga regularly for physical and mental well-being. The exhibition showcased various yoga postures with visual explanations. Parshant



Sawarkar, Hansraj Raut and Anil Kathane also expressed their opinions on Yoga and health. Priyanka Updev and Archana Salve jointly conducted the Programme while Angha Aagwan proposed vote of thanks. Social activist, senior citizens, teachers and students from various schools attended the programme in large numbers.

Citizens get acquainted with various aspects of disaster management

Chandrapur 22 June: The District Disaster Management Authority and Chandrapur Taluka Administration jointly organised a training session at the lake in Lohara on the precautions that citizens should take during floods and other natural disasters that are likely to occur during the monsoon season. Additional District Collector Nitin Vyavahare, Sub-Divisional Officer Sanjay Pawar, Tehsildar Vijay Pawar imparted guidance during this training session.

Force provided information about CPR and precautions to be taken during natural disasters through a demonstration. The citizens of the village as well as the police patil of the taluka, officials and employees of other government offices, sarpanch, talathi, circle officer, kotwal, Gramsevak, agricultural assistant, Asha volunteers and Aapda Mitras availed benefit of the training session. District Disaster Management Officer Salim Sheikh and his team cooperated to make the programme successful.

Numerous infrastructure facilities have been made available: Dr. Aarti Fupate

PUSAD / NAGPUR POST: In the last 11 years, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has made all-round progress in science and technology, including creating infrastructure in the country. After the Pahalgam attack, by eliminating the bases of terrorist groups and implementing the Operation Sindoor mission, India has shown that it will not tolerate any injustice. The farmers and agricultural laborers are working hard to improve the living standards of the country and make it a superpower by

2047, and the BJP workers should take this work to the grassroots of the society. Dr. Aarti Fupate expressed her opinion. She was speaking at the district workshop of the 'Sankalp se Siddhita' campaign at the Pusad district office. Former MLC Adv. Nilay Naik, District Coordinator Nitin Bhutada, former MLA Prakash Patil Desvarkar, Vijayrao Khadse, Namdevrao Sasane, District General Secretary Mahesh Kaleshwarkar, Adv. Vishwas Bhaware, Dr. Rupali Jaiswal, Vinod Jilewar, Nilkanth Patil,



Datta Rahane, Dr. Irfan Kundan were present. On this occasion, Nitin Bhutada appealed to every activist to reach every house to provide

the opportunity to work in this local self-government body for the Bharatiya Janata Party in the upcoming Zilla Parishad, Panchayat Samiti, Nagar Parishad, Nagar Panchayat elections. While concluding the meeting, Adv. Nilay Naik appealed to the activists to put aside their differences and work to plant the BJP flag on the local self-government body in the Pusad assembly constituency. Vishwas Bhaware conducted the meeting. Dr. Rupali Jaiswal expressed vote of thanks.

International Yoga Day celebrated at MGAHV

Make Yoga a part of your Lifestyle: Prof. Kumud Sharma



Wardha 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): Mahatma Gandhi Antarrashtriya Hindi Vishwavidyalaya celebrated the 11th International Yoga Day. Presiding over the event, the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Kumud Sharma, emphasized that yoga should become an essential part of our daily lifestyle. She said the origin of International Yoga Day fills us with pride and self-respect. On September 27, 2014, Prime Minister

Narendra Modi proposed the idea at the United Nations General Assembly. Yoga is a priceless gift from our ancient Indian tradition; it unites the body, mind, thoughts, and actions. District and Sessions Judge Sanjay J. Bharuka, Senior Civil Judge and Secretary of the District Legal Services Authority Vivek Deshmukh, and University Finance Officer P. Sardar Singh, were prominently present on this occasion.

Wardha district celebrates International Yoga Day with enthusiasm

Wardha 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): International Yoga Day 2025 was celebrated with great enthusiasm across Wardha through a series of events organized at multiple venues including schools, government offices, and the district hospital. The central message emphasized the importance of regular yoga practice for physical and mental well-being. The district-level celebration was held at the Rang Mandir premises of New English High School and Junior College. The event was jointly organized by the Central Bureau of Communication (Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India), District Administration, Zilla Parishad, SP Office, MY Bharat, District Sports Office, and local organizations like Patanjali Yoga Samiti and Nisarg Seva Samiti. Guardian Minister Dr. Pankaj Bhojar, who presided over the event, stressed the global recognition of yoga and urged citizens to adopt yoga as a daily practice to lead a healthy



Guardian Minister Dr Pankaj Bhojar and District Collector Vanmathi C performing Yoga during the event

and satisfying life. "Yoga is a treasure of Indian tradition and has emerged as an effective remedy for various chronic illnesses," he stated. He also acknowledged the contribution of Prime Minister Narendra Modi in declaring June 21 as International Yoga Day. District Collector Vanmathi C, ZP CEO Parag Soman, SP Anurag Jain, and CBC Officer Hansraj Raut were prominently present on this occasion. Live demonstrations of yoga Asanas were conducted by Patanjali Yoga Samiti's District President Prashant Savarkar, with support from trained instructors. The event commenced

with the Maharashtra Geet and concluded with the national anthem. Simultaneously, a Yoga Day program was organized at the AYUSH Department of District Hospital, in the presence of Pediatrician Dr. Sanjay Gathe and other senior doctors. Yoga instructor Dr. Shankar Traya led the session with practical demonstrations. He guided on topics like women's health, adolescent well-being, senior citizen care, and mental health. The event at the hospital concluded with a tree plantation activity under the theme "Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam".

7 Day Yoga Boot Camp concludes successfully at CMPDI Jaripatka

Nagpur 22 June: On the occasion of the 11th International Yoga Day, a grand 7-day Yoga Boot Camp was organized at CMPDI (Central Mine Planning and Design Institute) Regional Institute-4, Jaripatka, Nagpur. The camp was held under the theme "Yoga for One Earth, One Health" and the campaign "Yoga Se Yogyata (Yoga for Competence)". A large number of officers, employees, and their family members actively participated in the event. The yoga sessions were conducted and guided by renowned yoga trainer and therapist Dr. Pravin Dabli. Each day, Dr. Dabli introduced participants to various yoga asanas, pranayama, meditation, and yoga nidra techniques, highlighting the importance of incorporating yoga into daily life. Dr. Dabli stated, "Yoga is not limited to physical fitness alone; it is a science that

balances the body, mind, emotions, and consciousness. Regular practice of yoga enables a person to become physically, mentally, and spiritually strong." A special program was held on June 21 to mark International Yoga Day. Mr. Rajesh Ralhan, Regional Director of CMPDI, Nagpur, was present as the chief guest. He felicitated Dr. Pravin Dabli with a bouquet and a certificate of appreciation. In his address, Mr. Ralhan said, "Yoga should not be limited to just one day of celebration. It should become an integral part of our daily lives. This will not only



improve personal health but also enhance workplace energy and productivity." During the closing session, participants who attended the camp regularly for all 7 days were honored with T-shirts and special certificates. All other participants were also awarded certificates of participation and souvenirs. The success of the event was made possible by the dedicated efforts of the CMPDI officials and staff, who worked tirelessly on planning, coordination, and execution. Throughout the camp, a spirit of awareness and enthusiasm toward yoga and wellness was clearly visible. Organizers informed that similar health-oriented programs will continue to be organized in the future as well.

Renowned Psychiatrist Dr. Prashant Jawarkar commits suicide in Akola

Mystery deepens, medical fraternity in a state of shock

Akola 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): In a deeply disturbing and mysterious incident that has sent shockwaves across the medical community and local society, well-known psychiatrist Dr. Prashant Jawarkar (age 40) died by suicide at his residence in New Tapadia Nagar, Akola, on Saturday evening. Dr. Jawarkar, who was widely respected for his work in mental health and known for guiding patients through emotional and psychological crises, is reported to have administered a lethal injection, as per the preliminary investigation. He was rushed to City Hospital, where doctors declared him dead on arrival. His body was later sent for post-mortem to



the District Hospital and subsequently referred to Amravati for further forensic analysis.

Questions Arise: Why did a mental ailments healer take his own life?

This incident has left many questioning how a psychiatrist—who treated countless individuals for stress, depression, and psychological disorders—could reach such a tragic end.

Dr. Jawarkar was associated with the Sanmitra Psychiatric Hospital, led by Dr. Deepak Kelkar, where he served in a managerial role. His guidance had helped reshape many lives battling mental health issues. In addition to his medical role, Dr. Jawarkar also held the prestigious position of Chairman of the Sanmitra Bank, balancing both administrative and therapeutic responsibilities.

This has only deepened the mystery surrounding his death, as his personal and professional life appeared to be stable and respected.

Police investigation underway

Police have begun a detailed investigation to ascertain the reasons behind this heartbreaking decision. As of now, the exact cause remains unclear. Authorities are probing both personal and professional angles to determine whether stress, relationship issues, or professional pressures may have played a role.

A wake-up call for mental health awareness

Dr. Jawarkar's death has triggered widespread concern about mental health awareness, especially among professionals who are expected to be emotionally

resilient. It has reignited conversations around the hidden mental battles faced by those who help others heal. Experts emphasize that no one is immune to psychological struggles, not even those trained to deal with them. This tragic case serves as a stark reminder that mental health challenges can affect anyone, regardless of their expertise or status. It also highlights the need for greater support systems within the healthcare and medical professions.

The community now awaits the outcome of the ongoing investigation, hoping it will shed light on the factors that led to this unexpected and sorrowful loss. Meanwhile, tributes continue to pour in for a doctor whose dedication once gave hope to many.

Gambling den raided in Sindkhed, 6 detained

Material worth Rs 2,32,700 seized



Akola 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): As part of "Operation Prahar" launched under the guidance of Akola Superintendent of Police Archit Chandak, aimed at eradicating illegal activities, a crackdown was conducted on a gambling den in the jurisdiction of Barshitaki Police Station. The raid resulted in the seizure of illegal material worth Rs 2,32,700. On June 21, 2025, at approximately 3:30 PM, police officials raided a gambling den operating in the village of Sindkhed under Barshitaki taluka. During the operation,

six individuals were apprehended at the scene. The accused have been identified as:

1. Suresh Uttam Wankhade, 45 years
2. Nandagopal Gulabrao Agarkar, 49 years
3. Jitendra Pralhad Wankhade, 55 years
4. Sopan Digambar Kaldade, 36 years
5. Harihbau Nimbaji Ingle, 68 years
6. Digambar Omkar Wankhade, 50 years

All accused are residents of Sindkhed village. The raid resulted in the seizure of Rs 5,030 in cash from the

accused, Rs 47 thousand worth of five mobile phones, Rs 670 in cash from the gambling spot, and four motorcycles valued at Rs 1.80 lakh. The total seized material amounts to be worth Rs 2,32,700. The action was executed under the guidance of Superintendent of Police Archit Chandak, Additional SP Abhay Dongre, and Sub-Divisional Police Officer Anmol Mittal. The operation was conducted under the supervision of Local Crime Branch Police Inspector Shankar Shelke and Barshitaki Police Station PI Pravin Dhmal. The team involved in the raid included police constables Mangesh Mahajan, Yogesh Padwal, Manish Ghughe, Ishwar Patond, Govind Sapkal, Ganesh Patil, and Maske. "Strict action will continue against illegal activities under Operation Prahar. No one involved in unlawful practices will be spared," said Superintendent of Police Archit Chandak. Further investigations are underway.

International Yoga Day celebrated at Jyotirgamaya English School



Pusad 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Jyotirgamaya English School celebrated International Yoga Day with great enthusiasm and devotion. On this occasion, Patanjali Taluka In-charge Prakash Wanare emphasized the significance of yoga through the theme "Yoga: Karmasu Kaushalam," explaining how yoga contributes to skillfulness in action.

The event was graced by the presence of Madhuri Wanare, Mukteshwar Padamwar, Shankar Mandade, Vinod Chakkarwar, Ram Padamwar, Shridhar Zharkar, Tai Zharkar, Ranjana Kinhihar, and Gargi Wanare, among others. Marking the occasion, all teachers presented live demonstrations of various pranayama and asanas. The school's President Dr. Satish Chiddarwar, Secretary Dr. Supriya Chiddarwar, Joint Secretary Dr. Sajal Chiddarwar, and Treasurer Dr. Deepali Chiddarwar extended their greetings and best wishes to all. Headmaster Rajesh Prajapati and Vice-Principal Sanjay Sengar addressed the gathering, highlighting the importance of yoga in everyday life. The programme was efficiently compered by Jyoti Tajne.

Devotees to celebrate 'Chandan-Utti' festival in a spiritual atmosphere at Savanga Vitthal Temple

Chandur Railway 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): The famous pilgrimage centre of Shri Kshetra Savanga (Vitthal), located in the Chandur Railway taluka, is all set to host the sacred "Chandan-Utti Festival" with great devotion and enthusiasm on the occasion of Amavasya. The event is being organized by the Shri Krishna Avadhoot Buwa Sansthan on Wednesday, June 25, 2025, at 4:30 PM. During the recent Yatra Mahotsav held from Gudi Padwa to Ram Navami, lakhs of devotees thronged the temple, offering hundreds of quintals of camphor while praying for their wishes to be fulfilled. Following the success of that grand celebration, another devotional occasion awaits the devotees through the "Chandan-Utti" festival. Sansthan President Punjaram Nemade, Vice President Krupasagar Raut, Secretary Ashok Sonwal, and trustees Vinayak Patil, Vaman Ramteke, Govind Rathod, Phulsingh Rathod, Charandas Kandalkar, Laxman Rathod, Vaibhav Mankar, and Swapnil Chaudhary are expected to be present during the event. After the program, a grand Mahaprasad



(community feast) will be organized through the Annadan Committee for devotees visiting from outside. The Sansthan has appealed to all devotees to participate wholeheartedly—physically, mentally, and spiritually—in this sacred celebration and take divine benefit from the holy event.

Yoga Day celebrated by Chaitanya Group of Sports

Darwha 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): On the occasion of International Yoga Day, various government and semi-government offices, as well as local institutions in Darwha city and rural areas, organized yoga sessions. A prominent event was held at the centrally located Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Sports Ground on June 21, organized by the Chaitanya Group of Sports. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from office-bearers, students, and sportspersons. On this occasion, Ganesh Bhojar, Shyam Pandey, and Pravin Bhojar guided the participants through

different yoga practices. Demonstrations of Surya Namaskar, Tadasana, Anulom-Vilom, Padmasana, and Shavasana were conducted. Present at the event were Vice President Anil Labhsetwar, Vijay Kale, Ramesh Guddu, Chandu Kanojia, Rohan Singanjudhe, Raju Chaudhary, Mahesh Bhojar, Gokul Jadhav, Nitin Dhore, Siddharth Bhojar, Shivkant Kanoje, Nayan Bhojar, Nikhil Bhojar, and Gopal Bhojar, along with a large number of sportspersons. The event promoted health awareness and the importance of yoga for physical and mental well-being.



WANI / NAGPUR POST: Most of the cotton and soybean sowing of farmers in the taluka has been completed and the farmers are currently waiting for the rain. Farmers are seen offerings to Varun Raja for the arrival of rain. In this, on the initiative of Vijay Babu Chordiya, an entrepreneur and social activist from Vanicity, Mitra Parivar distributed masala grams to the citizens in front of his Parasmal Premraj establishment at Moti Kaman Chowk in the city and offered offerings to Varun Raja. Due to the rains that occurred seven to eight days ago, most of the farmers completed the sowing of cotton, tur and soybean. But since then, the farmers are facing the problem of



city, distributed masala chana on Sunday, and in a way, prayed to Varun Raja for rain.

having to sow again due to the sudden rains. Farmers who have access to irrigation are struggling to save their crops, while dry-land farmers are completely relying on Varun Raja. Therefore, to appease the angry Varun Raja, Vijay Babu Chordiya, a prominent industrialist and social activist in the

Pinjar police solve molestation case within 24 hours under 'Operation Prahar', chargesheet filed against accused

Akola 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): As part of the ongoing Operation Prahar initiative launched by Superintendent of Police Archit Chandak to crack down on crimes and ensure speedy justice, the Pinjar Police Station has successfully investigated a molestation case and filed a chargesheet in court within 24 hours of the incident being reported. According to the complaint filed on June 20, 2025, a 35-year-old woman from Paturnandapur in Barshitakli taluka reported that on the afternoon of June 18, 2025, while she was at home taking prescribed medication after lunch due to illness, her brother-in-law—identified as Deepak Keshav Bhagat (aged 36)—entered her house under the pretext of bringing mutton curry. He allegedly commented that she no longer looked as beautiful as before and proceeded to hug her from behind, molesting her by pressing her chest. Based on the woman's complaint, a



case was promptly registered at Pinjar Police Station under IPC Sections 74, 79, and 333.BNS (Case No. 178/25). Senior police officials, including Superintendent of Police Archit Chandak, Additional Superintendent of Police Abhay Dongre, and

Assistant Superintendent of Police Anmol Mittal, guided the investigation. Acting swiftly under Operation Prahar, the investigation team visited the crime scene, conducted a panchnama using the E-Sakshya mobile app, and recorded statements of

witnesses. The accused, Deepak Keshav Bhagat, was immediately detained. The investigation was completed within 24 hours, and the chargesheet was submitted to the Hon'ble JMFC Court, Barshitakli (Case No. 126/2025). A request has also been made to the court to conduct the trial on a fast-track basis. Speaking on the matter, SP Archit Chandak said, "The Akola Police is committed to delivering swift justice in cases of crime against women. Under 'Operation Prahar', we are ensuring that such offenses are investigated promptly and the accused are brought to justice without delay." The operation was executed by PSI Gangadhar Darade, ASI Chavan (1191), Head Constable Pradeep Dhamane (HC 234), Police Constable Narhari Devkatte (PC 427), Woman Police Constable Soumina Rathod (WPC 2445), and Driver Head Constable Nagesh Dandi (HC 426).

MLC Sanjay Khodke donates blood in honour of Chief Justice Bhushan R. Gavai

Amravati 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): As a tribute to the Chief Justice of India, Justice Bhushan R. Gavai, a two-day blood donation camp was organised by the Amravati District Bar Association on June 20 and 21. NCP State General Secretary and MLC Sanjay Khodke personally participated by donating blood to honour Justice Gavai, who is set to be felicitated on June 25. The camp was held at the Bar Council, Amravati, where MLC Khodke expressed that blood donation is a noble act that adds social value to any virtuous initiative. "It is a matter of great pride for



Amravati that one of its sons has become the Chief Justice of India. This blood donation drive conveys a powerful message to a society, he said. MLC Khodke also distributed certificates to donors. Notable attendees included former Lady Governor Dr. Kamal Gavai, District Blood Donation

Committee President Mahendra Bhutada, Bar Association President Adv. Sunil Deshmukh, Secretary Adv. Amol Mural, and several other senior advocates and citizens. The event symbolised the united effort of Amravati's citizens to honour the legacy of Justice Gavai.

Following the report, officials promptly inspected and trimmed the branches on Saturday afternoon. Local citizens expressed gratitude to the municipal authorities and the newspaper, noting that a major accident was averted. The episode underlined the power of responsible journalism and responsive governance.

Dainik Mahasagar report prompts swift action from AMC

Amravati 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): Taking prompt action on a report published by Dainik Mahasagar regarding hazardous tree branches in the Sahu Building area of Ambapeth, the Municipal Corporation's Garden Department pruned the dangerous limbs within hours of the news. The area is a popular spot, frequented by students, women, and shopkeepers, and the overhanging tree branches had become entangled with electric wires, posing a threat to public safety. Despite being identified for over a year, no action had been taken until the newspaper highlighted the risk. Following the report, officials promptly inspected and trimmed the branches on Saturday afternoon. Local citizens expressed gratitude to the municipal authorities and the newspaper, noting that a major accident was averted. The episode underlined the power of responsible journalism and responsive governance.

Robbery bid foiled, trio nabbed & duo flee



Amravati 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): A team from the LCB foiled a robbery attempt near the Sonora-Bhitek junction under Chandur Railway Police limits, arresting three suspects while two managed to escape on motorcycles. The operation, led by PSI Mohammad Taslim, was part of an ongoing investigation into a fake gold scam. Based on a tip-off, the team discovered five masked men with suspicious behaviour. Upon raiding the location, three were caught and two fled the scene. The arrested individuals were identified as

Govind Duryodhan Wagh (25), Hemant Ravi Bhure (24), and Prem Vinod Chakranarayan (19), all residents of Badnera. Initial investigation confirmed they were planning a robbery. The police seized two Android phones, two motorcycles, sharp weapons, red chilli powder, sticks, fake number plates, adhesive tapes, and a red college bag—collectively worth Rs 2.10 lakh. The suspects and seized material have been handed over to Chandur Railway Police for further investigation. Search operations for the absconding duo are ongoing.

Dialysis centre launched at Tiwasa Sub-District Hospital



Tiwasa 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): In a major relief for kidney patients, a new dialysis centre was inaugurated at Tiwasa Sub-District Hospital. The centre became operational on June 20, with the first successful dialysis procedure conducted on 55-year-old Gajanan Charpe from Raghunathpur. The facility will spare patients from travelling to distant cities like Akola, Amravati, or Nagpur. The centre is equipped with eight modern machines and beds, and treatment is being provided free of cost under the supervision of nephrologist Dr. Kakde. "With the launch of this centre, patients in Tiwasa and nearby areas will save significant time,

expense, and inconvenience," said Dr. Shivraj Mane, Medical Officer, Tiwasa. "We urge all eligible patients to take full advantage of this facility."

State level Yogasana competition to be held at Anjangaon Surji on June 29

Anjangaon Surji 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): The Manavseva Vikas Foundation is organising a state-level open Yogasana competition on Sunday, June 29, 2025, at Manavseva Paramedical College, Laddha Campus, Mahesh Nagar. The event aims to promote ancient yogic traditions and will begin at 8 AM. Prize distribution will follow the competition.

Participants must bring Aadhaar card, three passport-size photographs, school leaving certificate, birth certificate, and a health certificate. The contest is open to students, yoga practitioners, men, women, and senior citizens, with participants expected from schools, colleges, gyms, coaching institutes, and sports academies across the state.

Woman dies of severe burn injuries in Amravati

Amravati 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): A woman who suffered severe burns due to a fire at her residence succumbed to her injuries during treatment. The incident occurred in the MR Colony area under Rajapeth Police Station on June 19. The deceased, identified as Madhuri Laxman Dhopade (55), sustained 95% burns and was admitted to the District



General Hospital. Unfortunately, she passed away during treatment. The hospital authorities informed Rajapeth Police, who have begun an investigation to ascertain the cause of the fire.

Major reshuffle in Amravati rural police, key transfers announced

Amravati 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): In a significant administrative move, Amravati Rural Superintendent of Police Vishal Anand issued transfer orders late Saturday night, implementing a major reshuffle within the rural police force. The orders affect seven Police Inspectors and 24 Assistant Police Inspectors, along with multiple Sub-Inspectors.



Key Inspector-Level Transfers:
* **Ashok Jadhav**, previously Station House Officer (SHO) of Dharni, has been transferred to Chandur Bazar.
* **Avtar Singh Chavan** from the Control Room has been appointed as the new SHO of Dharni.
* **Shri Ram Lambade**, Inspector with the Economic Offences Wing, is now SHO of Nandgaon Khandeshwar.
* **Suraj Bonde**, in-charge Deputy SP at the headquarters, will now take charge as SHO of Morshi.
* **Rahul Athawale**, from the Control Room, will replace Bonde at the headquarters.
* **Ajit Rathod** has been appointed the new head of the Economic Offences Wing.
* **Nitin Deshmukh**, SHO of Morshi, has been transferred to the Control Room upon his request.
Additional Reshuffling: Along with these Inspector-level changes, 24

Assistant Police Inspectors—including those transferred from other districts or serving at various police stations—have been newly appointed. Several Police Sub-Inspectors have also received fresh postings across the district. This reshuffle, anticipated for over a week, is part of an internal effort to improve policing efficiency and strengthen field operations. Superintendent of Police Vishal Anand, I.P.S., stated: "Amravati Rural Police shall ensure the Rule of Law, enforce the law of the land impartially and firmly without fear or favour, and strive to create a fear-free environment that is conducive to growth and development. We remain committed to maintaining public order, preventing and detecting crime, promoting communal harmony, ensuring smooth flow of traffic, and taking strong action against terrorism, organized crime, and anti-social or illicit activities."

Agriculture students promote soil testing awareness in rural areas

Chandur Bazar 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): As part of the Rural Awareness Work Experience Programme (RAWEP), students from the Punjabrao Deshmukh Agricultural College, operating under the ShramSafalya Foundation, conducted a soil testing awareness drive in the village of Pusda. Students Ms. Sakshi Surendra Kadu and Ms. Sakshi Ganesh Kad demonstrated soil testing procedures and explained its significance to local farmers. They highlighted that despite using fertilizers and pesticides, farmers often do not receive the expected yield due to a lack of understanding of soil nutrient deficiencies. "Soil testing reveals the proportion of essential nutrients in the soil. This enables farmers to make informed decisions regarding crop selection and nutrient management," the students explained. The practical demonstration was conducted under the technical guidance of Prof. Akshata from the Soil Science and Agricultural Chemistry



Chief Minister's Medical Assistance and Charitable Hospital Help Desk inaugurated at Amravati Collectorate

MLA Pratap Adsad discusses implementation with officials
Amravati 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): In a significant step towards making healthcare assistance more accessible to the underprivileged, the Chief Minister's Medical Assistance and Charitable Hospital Help Desk has been officially inaugurated at the Amravati Collectorate's Office. This initiative is part of the vision of Maharashtra



Department, along with associate professor Chaudhary. The event was graced by the college principal, Dr. Sanjay Ram Deshmukh, faculty member Mrs. Deshmukh, programme officer Prof. Saurabh D. Ingole, and other staff members, who provided valuable support and guidance. Local villagers actively participated in the initiative.



Chandur Bazar 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): A newly constructed road under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), stretching three kilometers from Jagannathpur to Meghnathpur in Chandur Bazar taluka, has developed visible cracks within just 15 days of construction. This has raised serious concerns about the quality of work carried out under the central government's scheme. Villagers have expressed strong dissatisfaction and alleged large-scale financial irregularities in the road construction process. They have demanded an impartial investigation into the role of the contractor and the supervising engineer. Despite ongoing development projects in the taluka, locals claim there is a lack of proper monitoring from authorities, leading to substandard work. "There is a question mark on the quality of development work being executed here. While crores of rupees are sanctioned

for these projects, there seems to be little to no oversight from the concerned agencies," said agitated villagers. Adding to the discontent is the fact that the road has not yet been officially inaugurated, yet it is already showing signs of damage. Villagers are now increasingly vocal, urging the administration to take strict action. "The cracks on the said road have been identified, and repairs will be carried out promptly," said Rahul Janwaj, Engineer, PMGSY.

at providing timely and streamlined medical aid to needy citizens across the state. On this occasion, the desk's Medical Officer Dr. Shyamji Gawande, Superintendent of Social Services Pawanji Gulhane, and Help Desk Member Mangeshji Bambatkar paid a courtesy visit to MLA Pratap Adsad to brief him about the new facility and its functioning. The discussion centered around how to effectively reach and benefit

the maximum number of economically disadvantaged patients in the district. With the launch of this help desk, patients from Amravati district will no longer have to travel to Mumbai to submit applications for financial aid under the Chief Minister's Medical Assistance Fund. The entire application process can now be completed locally at the district level. Moreover, in case of queries or

complaints, citizens can directly approach the help desk for guidance and resolution. This development is expected to significantly ease the burden on poor patients and ensure faster access to financial support for critical medical treatment. It marks a crucial step in decentralizing the medical aid process and bringing essential healthcare support closer to those in need.

BUSINESS

63% firms freeze hiring as geopolitical tensions shake Indian workplaces: Report



New Delhi 22 June: Geopolitical tensions, including wars in the Middle East, have impacted the Indian workplace with 63 per cent of respondents confirming that their companies are either freezing hiring or downsizing teams, claims a report. Over 63 per cent of respondents said their companies are either freezing hiring or downsizing teams with another 15 per cent noting a visible shift towards contract-based or freelance roles as the geopolitical tension escalates, the report by staffing solutions and HR services provider Genius Consultants has claimed. The report is based on an online survey among 2,006 employees from across sectors in the country from May 12 to June 6. The report revealed that 36 per cent of the employees interviewed stated that their salary growth, bonuses, or appraisals are affected in light of geopolitical instability. Over 21 per cent said there is an increase in workload pressure and project timelines while 22 per cent reported that international business exposure or travel is disrupted, and 21 per cent stated that team morale and job confidence are taking a downturn, it added. The report said that 30 per cent of employees admitted that they are extremely worried and are already witnessing early warning signs while 26 per cent described themselves as mildly concerned and closely monitoring the situation.

In such a scenario, the survey found that employees are taking action, with 55 per cent of respondents upskilling or enrolling in new certifications, and 31 per cent starting to explore new job opportunities or backup roles. "This survey is a direct reflection of the times we are in. The external world is reshaping internal work realities at a pace faster than many expected. With 63 per cent of companies freezing or downsizing and employees actively upskilling or seeking alternatives, it is clear that we are not just navigating a moment, we're transitioning into a new era of work."

"Employers must remain transparent and adaptive, while employees continue to stay resilient, agile, and prepared for the road ahead," Genius Consultants Chairman and Managing Director RP Yadav added.

NLC India's renewable arm wins 500 MWh battery energy storage project in Tamil Nadu

New Delhi 22 June: NLC India Renewables Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of NLC India Limited -- a Navratna PSU under the Ministry of Coal -- has been awarded a landmark 500 MWh Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) project by Tamil Nadu Green Energy Corporation Limited (TNGECL). The award comprises the development of three standalone BESS projects with a combined capacity of 250 MW/500 MWh, to be established at: 400/230/110 kV Ottapidaram Substation; 400/230/110 kV Annpankulam Substation; and 400/230/110 kV Kayathar Substation, all in Tamil Nadu. According to a company statement, the projects will be executed under the Build-Own-Operate (BOO) model and were awarded through a tariff-based competitive bidding process under the State Component of the Viability Gap Funding (VGF) scheme. NLC India Limited was the first Central Public Sector Undertaking (CPSU) to commission an 8 MWh Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) at Andaman, integrated with a 20 MW solar power project.

This pioneering initiative has significantly contributed to reducing diesel consumption on the island, enhancing energy reliability, and supporting the region's transition to clean, green power. Under the current tender agreement, Tamil Nadu Power Distribution Corporation Limited (TNPDC) will procure energy storage services from NIREL through a long-term Battery Energy Storage Purchase Agreement (BESPA) for 12 years, the company statement added. This is the first large-scale BESS project to be undertaken by NLCIL and marks a major milestone in India's transition towards clean, dispatchable, and flexible power systems. It will help Tamil Nadu DISCOMs manage peak power demand efficiently; ensure grid stability and reliability; integrate intermittent renewable energy like solar and wind into the grid; and enable the shift from fossil-dominated systems to clean and responsive energy solutions.

India's agrochemicals market eyes \$14.5 billion by 2028 with 9% CAGR: Report

New Delhi 22 June: India's agrochemicals industry remains resilient and is projected to grow to USD 14.5 billion by 2027-28, with a CAGR of 9 per cent, despite global headwinds, according to a report by Rubix Data Sciences -- a leading provider of risk management and monitoring solutions. CAGR is Compound Annual Growth Rate. According to the report, India's agrochemical industry is valued at USD 11.2 billion in 2024-25, having grown 8.7 per cent year-on-year despite a challenging global environment. Exports saw a sharp 22 per cent decline in 2023-24, driven by global inventory destocking, aggressive price competition from China, and weak demand in major markets.

As global supply chains stabilise and agricultural activity rebounds, a moderate recovery is projected in 2024-25, supported by improved demand and cost-competitive manufacturing by Indian players. One of the key trends highlighted in the report is the rapid growth of herbicide exports, which recorded a 20 per cent CAGR from 2019-20 to 2024-25. Their share in India's total agrochemical exports rose from 31 per cent to 37 per cent over this period. According to the report released this week, the shift reflects both rising global demand and fueled by the growing cost of agricultural labour -- and India's strength in producing affordable, effective crop protection solutions.

EDITORIAL

International Women in Engineering Day



International Women in Engineering Day on June 23 highlights a profession that keeps on building. And when it comes to engineering, the profession fills roles across many sectors. Numerous fields require engineering specialties. For example, careers in architecture, aerospace, marine, electrical, and computer engineering. However, many more areas enlist engineering expertise and the demand is growing every year. Despite that, women only fill a fraction of these positions. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor and Statistics, just under 13 per cent of the engineers in the U.S. are women. Australia's numbers are similar. However, in the UK the number dips to 9 per cent. Campaigns around the globe spotlight the need for more women in the engineering workforce.

Not only does it encourage women to enter engineering fields, but it spotlights the need for a diverse workforce. International Women in Engineering Day also celebrates the women engineers in the workforce. As role models, they are distinctly qualified to encourage more women to join the field.

4 Women Engineers You Should Know

- * Emily Warren Roebling - Study her contributions to the development and construction of the Brooklyn Bridge.
- * Olive Dennis - Her pursuit of an engineering degree led her to work for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Learn about her success!
- * Thelma Estrine - After World War II, Estrine earned a Ph.D. in electrical engineering and later her interest grew in biomedical engineering.
- * Ellen Ochoa - Her distinguished career has taken her many places, including becoming an astronaut! In 1990, the first Hispanic woman in space.

HOW TO OBSERVE WOMEN IN ENGINEERING DAY

Women in engineering lead the way for many others to join the workforce. Share your experiences in the engineering field and encourage other women to pursue a career in engineering.

Global lessons in realpolitik

The thing about foreign policy is, that it changes faster than Chandigarh's fickle weather and you have no idea how to deal with an approaching storm until it bursts over your head. Something like this happened in Kananaskis last week. Prime Minister Narendra Modi travelled 11,056 km from Delhi, via Cyprus, to attend one session at the G7 summit where some of the world's most powerful men had gathered -- except Donald Trump left early because Israel had bombed Iran and Pakistan's Field Marshal Asim Munir, it later turned out, was showing up at the White House for lunch. (And yes, it was halal.) Here, then, are three lessons from the global mood change this week: First, like Arjuna in the Mahabharata, keep your eye on the eye of the fish. From revving up the 2019 slogan, 'Abki baar, Trump sarkar,' to turning down Trump's invite to drop in to see him in Washington DC, has been a long and sobering journey for PM Modi. The key lesson in realpolitik here is that there are no permanent friends or enemies, just permanent interests. The PM is a master of this game on the domestic politics front. He is able to beautifully manage the contradictions, for instance, between his avowed admiration for Dalit leader BR Ambedkar and his party's earlier discomfort with a caste census -- and yet, after much badgering from the Congress, such a caste enumeration was announced. It may well be that the BJP can wrest the credit for this, especially since the Congress remains more or less disorganised. The PM has well managed the dissonance on this matter at home. He must do the same on the foreign affairs front. The second much-needed change is the ability to be realistic. Trump's feting of Pakistan's two top generals in the White House -- army chief Asim Munir and ISI chief Gen Asim Malik -- is proof the US is checking out Pakistan as a potential frontline state with Iran, in case the conflict with Israel escalates. Besides, Pakistan has an ingress with China like few others. America understands well the nature of power. By ignoring the Pakistani political leadership and talking to its military establishment, Trump is making clear he has no time for frills. He knows that if anyone can deliver what he wants, it's the

military establishment in Rawalpindi. Does this mean that America no longer cares to believe the Indian position, which is that Pakistan is a sponsor of cross-border terrorism? Or that it no longer believes that the Pahalgaam attack was carried out by Pakistani handlers? The answer is both yes and no. The US surely continues to agree with India's analysis of Pakistan's sponsorship of cross-border terror into India. Unfortunately, its need of Pakistan at this moment seems to be more important than the hurt it may have caused Indians who thought that Trump and Modi would always be fast friends. The point here is that Trump believes he can be best friends with both Asim Munir and Modi -- in fact, not just Trump, all big powers have the ability to deal with nations and leaders it may not like much and who may not like each other.

That's a necessary ingredient of big power-ship. Which is why the international community is probably mystified why there's such a storm in the Delhi teacup about so-called US "mediation" on the India-Pakistan May 10 ceasefire, especially when everyone knows that US diplomats were separately talking to both Indians and Pakistanis to call it off. Which is how it exactly turned out, in the aftermath of the IAF bombing 11 Pakistani airfields on May 10: When the Americans called their counterparts in Delhi, telling them to end the pulverisation of Pakistan, they were told they should tell the Pakistani side to call the Indian side to make that request. Which is what the Pakistani DGMO did later that day. The third change in the global mood this week is a strengthening of rhetoric against the Israeli bombing of Iran.

Trump's early support of Israel is



giving way to a pause. Russia and China have already come out against Israel and the rest of Europe is talking once again about the need to use diplomacy. The Arab street remains deeply worried. It seems as if the world is gathering itself to prevent an expansion of the conflict in the Middle East. In this situation, troubling questions remain over India's abstentions both at the UN and at the China-led Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) on resolutions against Israel. The answer, of course, is the personal chemistry between the PM and Benjamin Netanyahu and the consequential friendship between India and Israel. The Israeli PM called Modi and, no doubt, sought his support. As the global order shifts again, it might be time for New Delhi to expand its relationships with all the powers again, all around, and return to a multi-alignment it had once so carefully crafted and maintained for decades. Certainly, there is much to promote the idea of allying yourself with a strong power and riding on its coat tails in the acquisition of strength -- with the US, for example -- instead of spreading yourself too thin among a galaxy of powers. The problem with alliances, of course, is the danger of becoming a camp follower. On the other hand, walking alone, as Rabindranath Tagore once proposed, is hardly a mantra in the 21st century.

ENTERTAINMENT

Former president Abdul Kalam was linked to 'Tere Naam', reveals Salman Khan



Mumbai 22 June: Even after two decades, 'Tere Naam' remains one of Salman Khan's most memorable films -- not just for its emotional story but also for his iconic hairstyle. Now, Salman has revealed something surprising about that very look. In the first episode of 'The Great Indian Kapil Sharma Show' (Season 3), the 59-year-old actor shared that his hairstyle in Tere Naam was actually inspired by none other than the former President of India, Dr APJ Abdul Kalam.

"Ye Tere Naam ka jo look hai, woh actually inspired the Abdul Kalam saab se," Salman said during the chat with host Kapil Sharma. (My hairstyle in Tere Naam was inspired by Abdul Kalam Sir.) He also mentioned that Rahul Roy had a similar hairstyle before, but for Tere Naam, he imagined a small-town character who would have long hair. "I thought that small-town heroes always had long hair. All the old-school heroes had it too -- that's where the inspiration came from," he added. Directed by the late Satish Kaushik, Tere Naam was released in 2003 and starred Salman as Radhe and Bhumi as Chawla as Nirjala. It was a remake of the 1999 Tamil film Sethu, which originally starred actor Vikram. Though the film received mixed responses from audiences, it was remembered for Salman's intense performance and its music. The film also marked Bhumi's debut in Hindi cinema. During the show, Salman also opened up about a recent incident in which a woman managed to sneak into Salman Khan's home at Galaxy Apartments. The topic came up when Kapil jokingly asked him about fans showing up at his residence with suitcases. Salman confirmed that something like that had indeed happened recently.

"Yes, something like that recently happened. There were security guards outside. A woman told them she wanted to head up to the fourth floor, and she entered. She rang the doorbell, and our servant opened the door. The servant was shocked because the lady said, 'Salman called me over. Obviously, the servant saw her and was sure I definitely didn't call her. She was a fan, so she was escorted out,'" said the 'Sikandar' actor.

Ronit Roy to play King Someshwar in new historical series

Mumbai 22 June: Chronicling the extraordinary life of one of India's most revered rulers, Sony Entertainment Television's grand historical epic Chakravarti Samrat Prithviraj Chauhan reaches a pivotal milestone -- the Rajya Abhishek of King Someshwar, portrayed by Ronit Roy. Following the demise of his elder brother, King Someshwar ascends the throne, stepping forward to bear the immense responsibility of leading the kingdom.

Ronit said, "Portraying King Someshwar has been an incredibly enriching experience for me -- not just as an actor but as a person. He's a man of profound integrity, who carries the weight of the kingdom with quiet strength and wisdom." The Rajya Abhishek sequence is an emotional milestone in the show and it hit me on a very personal level. As an actor, I've always been drawn to roles that challenge me internally, and this one definitely did," he said.



From DJ booths to stage lights, David Walters' journey about connection in rhythm

Chandigarh 22 June: Some artists play music. Others live in it. And then there's David Walters -- French-Caribbean musician, DJ, singer, cultural nomad -- who seems to breathe rhythm like oxygen. As part of the global Fête de la Musique celebrations, Walters brought his genre-bending magic to India, landing at Chandigarh's Tagore Theatre. But here's the thing: he didn't just show up with songs -- he showed up with a heartbeats. DJ booths to deep roots -- I started as a DJ," Walters says casually, like someone explaining how they once worked retail in college. "You just wanna make people dance." Simple enough. But what if the records stop feeling like enough? That's what happened. Walters felt boxed in -- too many borrowed beats, not enough soul. So, he did something a lot of DJs

never do: he picked up a guitar. Then a keyboard. Even dabbled in bass. And somewhere between the chords and choruses, he found something deeper than the drop -- his voice. Why singing hits different? "I realised singing lets you talk to people in ways you can't with just words," he said. There's something about that, right? The way a melody can hold grief, joy and memory all in one breath. Walters sings not just to entertain -- but to reach. Caribbean at the core. Here's what sets Walters apart. He isn't chasing global playlists or the algorithm gods. "Honestly, I don't care about recognition," he shrugs. And yet, his music -- with its roots in the West Indies and echoes of Africa -- has found ears (and feet) all over the planet. From Brazil to Paris, Sheffield to LA, his sound just clicks. Maybe it's



because it's honest. Maybe it's because joy, when it's real, doesn't need subtitles. Or maybe -- and this feels closest to the truth -- it's because rhythm is universal. When the beat's right, your body just knows. Learning from every sound. You know what really lit him up, though? Talking about India. "I feel like Indian classical music is a science," he said, eyes wide. "You have a Guru for a life. It's not just music -- it's a way of living." He respects that deeply -- the idea that you never finish learning music. And for a man whose music is as language, India feels like a whole new dialect to love. Not just an album. His latest album, Soul Tropical, pulses with everything he's been talking about -- movement, emotion, heritage. It's got collabs with legends like Mario Canonge and Ballaké Sissoko and it travels sonically from the Caribbean to Africa, with pit stops in Brazil and France.

Vir Das lost his voice before shooting for new special

Mumbai 22 June: Stand-up comedian and actor Vir Das is all set to come up with his new special Vir Das: Fool Volume. The special will be out on Netflix on July 18. Surprisingly, before shooting for the act, Vir lost his voice. "Netflix and I were about to shoot a special with a different theme. The universe had other plans. I lost my voice two months before that show. This is a show rewritten in silence and performed without rehearsal across the world. Turns out the voice in your head is way crazier than the one in your throat. A special that asks the important

question -- how much happiness do you share when it comes back? What does it mean for any of us to really use our voice?" Vir Das recalled. The special marks Vir Das' fifth stand-up special for the streamer. Meanwhile, Vir in March announced his memoir, The Outsider -- A Memoir for Misfits.



A person can attain physical, mental and spiritual bliss through yoga: Guardian Minister Dr. Ashok Uike

Chandrapur 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): Due to our hectic and stressful lifestyle, many people are suffering from various diseases in the present era. If we want to overcome this and lead a healthy and better life, it is necessary to perform yoga in our daily lives. It is not just a form of physical exercise, but yoga also helps in achieving physical, mental and spiritual harmony of a human being, said state Tribal Development Minister and Guardian Minister of Chandrapur district, Dr. Ashok Uike. He was speaking at the main Yoga Day programme organised at the District Sports Complex jointly by the District Administration, District Sports Office, Mera Yuva Bharat and the Education Department. MLA Kishor Jorgewar, ZP Chief Executive Officer Pulkit Singh, Additional District Collector Nitin Vyavahare, Sub-Divisional Officer Sanjay Pawar, Tehsildar



Vijay Pawar, District Sports Officer Avinash Pund, Project Officer Vikas Rachelwar, Education Officer Rajesh Patle, Ashwini Sonawane, Deputy Chief Executive Officer Meena Salunke, Subhash Kasangottuwar and other dignitaries were present on the occasion. The United Nations has recognised the importance of yoga through the initiative of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and passed a resolution to celebrate International

Yoga Day on June 21. For the past 11 years, Yoga Day has been celebrated with gusto in 177 countries of the world. 'One Earth, One Health' is the theme of International Yoga Day 2025. The district administration has organised an impeccable programme through the Patanjali Yoga Committee and various organisations. From next year, everyone should come together and celebrate Yoga Day. It is necessary to witness the

convergence of such a large number of yoga practitioners in Chandrapur. Guardian Minister Dr. Uike also gave instructions that the next International Yoga Day should be organised in an open field and with greater grandeur. A good healthy life can be led only through regular practice of yoga. Regular practice of yoga is necessary to become immune to diseases and for achieving peace of mind, MLA Kishor Jorgewar said.

Pathan wins gold medal in 5000 m race

Nagpur 22 June: Shadab Pathan of Track Star Athletics Club won the gold medal in the 5000 meter race. He clocked 14.05.48 seconds to finish the competition. Kieran Karan Pathan won the silver medal with a time of 14.06.93 and the bronze medal was clinched by Mrunal Sarode of Pune. In the same competition, Nagraj Khursane of Navmaharashtra Krida Mandali finished 21st. Earlier, Shadab had won the gold medal in the 5000 metre race at the Inter-University Championship, setting a new competition record of 13.58 seconds, while his best time recorded so far is 13.53 seconds at the 8th National Federation Cup. In the women's long jump, Ozen Goupre finished fourth with a jump of 5.10 meters, while Swati Mounale finished eighth in the hammer throw with a throw of 33 meters. In the discus throw, Ayesha Naseem achieved sixth place with a throw of 32.90 meters. Shadab practices under the guidance of international coaches Ravindra Tong and Umesh Naidu. NDAA president Gurudev Nagrale, Nagesh Sahare, Umesh Naidu, Shekhar Suryavanshi, Dr. Sanjay Chaudhary, Ramchandra Wani, Archana Kottewar, Dr. Vivekanand Singh, Jitendra Ghordadekar, Gajanan Thakre, Harendra Thakre, Sunil Kappate, Mangesh Paunikar, Amit Thakur, Chandrabhan Kolte, Dr. Brijmohan Singh Rawat, Kamlesh Hinge, Rajesh Bhute, Ganesh Wani, Nitin Dhabekar and Pranali Chanode have congratulated Shadab for his performance.

Now all teams are scared of us: Manohar

Nagpur 22 June: But now those days are gone and all teams are scared of us. He was speaking during the felicitation of heroes who won the Ranji Trophy earlier this season at a glittering function held at VCA Recreation Club banquet hall in Jamtha. Speaking further he said, "We have now won the Ranji Trophy three, and I am sure we will win it many times in the near future". He had special praise for youngsters Yash Rathod, Danish Malewar and Harsh Dubey. "They have a bright future and I am sure they will go on to play India. My advice to them is to remain focused and work hard. You must show determination and dedication to reach that level," he added. Earlier, VCA president Justice Vinay M. Deshpande welcomed Adv Mahohar with a bouquet of flowers. VCA past president Prakash Dixit and secretary Sanjay Badkas were also present. Following an audiovisual presentation on the Vidarbha winning journey, chairman of the Cricket Administration and Development Committee of the VCA Prashant Vaidya lauded the players for their stupendous show. "I admire the resilience of the team. After losing to Mumbai in the 2023-24 season's final, the manner in which the boys bounced back last year was indeed laudable. They went on a winning spree, recording as many as eight outright victories and became unbeaten champions," he said. Justice Deshpande on his part, assured all help to the players from the Association. "We are on the right path and in the right direction under the guidance of Manohar. The VCA will provide all the support our players need to succeed," he said. The vote of thanks was presented by Farokh Dastoor.

'One must learn to deal with setbacks'

Nagpur 22 June: He was speaking during the felicitation function organised by Nagpur Cricket Academy (NCA), in which total of 61 players were honoured for their outstanding performances in BCCI tournaments during the 2024-25 season. Among the awardees were five IPL players—Jitesh Sharma, Harsh Dubey, Yash Thakur, Darshan Nalkande, and Atharva Taide—who brought glory to the academy and the region on the national stage. Justice Deshpande raised the academy's efforts and emphasized the importance of building the temperament to accept both success and failure. The occasion also saw the felicitation of Yash Rathod, the highest run-scorer in the Ranji Trophy, Akshay Wadkar, the captain of Vidarbha's Ranji team, and Sanjeet Desai who scored almost 693 runs with the average of 77 in Ranji trophy from Chhattisgarh for their exemplary performances. In a remarkable show of inclusivity and progress, 10 women cricketers were also honoured, including international cricketer Mona Meshram, along with Latika Inamdar, Arti Bhenwal, Riddhima Maradwar and Arya Patongde recognizing their contributions to women's cricket in the region. In different age groups of boys, Ganesh Bhosle, Satyam Bhoyar, Md. Faiz, Vedant Dighade, Malhar Dhurad and Raunik Hedau were also felicitated for their contributions. Madhav Bakre, Director of Nagpur Cricket Academy, proudly stated that NCA may be the only cricket academy in India to have 61 players represent in BCCI-level matches in a single season. Those who were presented on the occasion include Chandrakant Manke from VCA and T. Sudhindra from Chhattisgarh. The programme was smoothly conducted by Dr. Ram Thakur and the vote of thanks was given by Ravi Kulkarni.

Air India crash in Ahmedabad: Memorial held in Nagpur for Yasha Kamdar, Rudra and Raksha Modha

Nagpur 22 June: A solemn prayer meeting was held in Nagpur on Saturday, June 21, to pay tribute to Yasha Kamdar, her two-year-old son Rudra, and mother-in-law Raksha Modha, all three of whom lost their lives in the tragic Air India Flight AI171 crash in Ahmedabad on June 12. The event, held at Nivedyam Estoria on Kalamna Road, was organized by the Kamdar family to pray for the peace of the departed souls. Prominent figures, including MLA Krishna Khopade, BJP leader Jayprakash Gupja, and members of the Saurashtra Dasha Shrimali Vanik Sangh—such as president Vipul Kothari, vice presidents Jitesh Godha and Vipin Kamdar, and secretary Jinendra Badani—attended



the ceremony. Representatives from the Vardhaman Sthanakvasi Jain Sangh, including Bharat Batavia, Nitin Khara, Rajendra Kamdar, and Dilip Kamdar, also offered condolences. Yasha's parents Manish and Beena Kamdar, along with her brother Kashish Kamdar, were present alongside grieving relatives. Yasha, originally from Queta Colony in Nagpur, was traveling to London with her son and mother-in-law to attend a

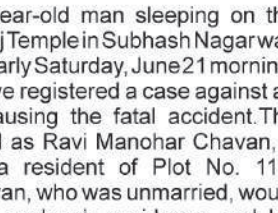
Private bus hits trolley, 7 injured

ARNI / NAGPUR POST: A Dhaneshwar private passenger bus going from Umarched to Yavatmal hit a tractor trolley in front of Kapeswar Phata on Saturday, June 21 at 10.30 am. On receiving information about the accident, citizens brought the injured to Arni Rural Hospital in an ambulance. 7 passengers in the bus were injured in this accident. 3 of them were sent to Yavatmal while the other 4 were scared due to their injuries. They were given first aid at the rural hospital and sent home.

On receiving the news, Sudesh Jadhav and Azim Pathan of Arni Police Station reached the spot. They conducted a panchnama and parked the tractor-trolley at the local Balaji Ginning. While the bus number MH 29 M 8259 coming from Umarched was going towards Yavatmal, two tractors were coming from the opposite direction in front of the Butle petrol pump near Kolvan village, 4 km from Arni. At that time, the bus tried to get out of both the tractors and hit the tractor trolley hard. There were

Traffic cops take action on 4975 riders flouting norms

Nagpur 22 June: Traffic cops took action against a total of 4975 riders under various sections of the Motor Vehicles Act and collected a total fine of Rs 4.53 lakh from the erring riders. Under the Bombay Liquor Prohibition Act, 6 suspects have been arrested in 5 cases and material worth Rs 40 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.



Haryana wrestlers win 5 gold medals, Maha & UP win 3

Nagpur 22 June: As many as 750 wrestlers from 25 states are participating in the two-day nationals from where 30 top grapplers will be selected to represent India in the Asian Wrestling Meet slated to be played at Kirgizstan from July 5 to 13. In the first final of the day Vaishnavi Torve of Pune drubbed Anshika Yadav of Delhi to open Maharashtra's gold medal account. Vaishnavi won the 46kg women's freestyle final 10-0. Later Dinesh Malpote and Harshvardhan Mali added two

more gold medals in Maharashtra's kitty. In the 48kg freestyle boy's final, Dinesh defeated Jatin Singh of Haryana while Harshvardhan outclassed Haryana's Sawan Singh. In the other weight categories, Maharashtra won two silver medals and three bronze medals in the boys section. In the girls section, Maharashtra won one silver and two bronze medals. Overall Maharashtra finished the opening day with three gold medals, three silver and five bronze medals.

Man sleeping on footpath killed in Rana Pratap Nagar hit & run case

Nagpur 22 June: A 40-year-old man sleeping on the footpath near Gajanan Maharaj Temple in Subhash Nagar was killed in a hit-and-run incident early Saturday, June 21 morning. Rana Pratap Nagar Police have registered a case against an unidentified car driver for causing the fatal accident. The deceased has been identified as Ravi Manohar Chavan, a painter by profession and a resident of Plot No. 117, Gandhinagar, Ambazari. Chavan, who was unmarried, would often stay alternately at his nephew's residence and his maternal aunt's home in Subhash Nagar. According to the police, the incident occurred around 3:30 am on June 21, when Chavan was asleep on the footpath near the Gajanan Maharaj Temple in Subhash Nagar. At that time, a speeding black car, being driven recklessly and negligently, rammed into him and fled the scene without stopping. Police rushed the seriously injured Chavan to the Government Medical College and Hospital Trauma Centre, where doctors declared him dead during treatment at around 6:00 am. Based on a complaint lodged by Rajesh Ramkumar Upadhyay (35), the deceased's nephew and a resident of Gandhinagar, Rana Pratap Nagar Police have registered a case under Sections 281 and 106(1) of the BNS, along with Sections 134, 177, and 184 of the Motor Vehicles Act against the unknown driver. Further investigation into the incident is currently underway. Police are scanning CCTV footage from the area to trace the vehicle involved.



MD powder worth Rs 11.95 lakh seized in Imamwada, 4 accused apprehended with 239.660 gram drugs

Nagpur 22 June: In a major crackdown under 'Operation Thunder', Imamwada Police on Saturday apprehended four individuals for possessing and transporting 239.660 grams of MD (mephedrone) powder worth Rs 11.95 lakh. The contraband was found concealed in a Maruti Swift car, along with mobile phones and the vehicle itself, collectively valued at Rs 18.65 lakh. Acting on reliable intelligence, a police team led by Imamwada Police set up a trap on the road between TB Ward 12 and Jattarodi Square on June 21, between 12:35 pm and 2:40 pm. The team intercepted a white Maruti Swift (MH 49BB0613) suspected to be carrying narcotics. Upon stopping the vehicle, four occupants were identified as:



* Nilsh Laxmanrao Deshmukh (34), resident of Siraspath, Tell Pura, Imamwada, * Pranay alias Sumit Gopalrao Gaydhane (31), of Siraspath, Imamwada, * Ashish Prakash Madavi (31), near NIT Garden, Siraspath, Imamwada, * Shubham alias Bhurya Rajesh Tidke (30), resident of Somwari Quarters, Tukkar Chowk, Sakardara. During the search in the presence of panch witnesses, police recovered 239.660 grams of MD powder hidden in a ziplock pouch inside the car's front drawer. The seized items include: * MD powder worth Rs 11,95,000

Anti-drug awareness rally held in Kamptee under 'Operation Thunder', Nagpur Guardian Minister & CP attend

Nagpur 22 June: As part of the ongoing anti-narcotics drive 'Operation Thunder' initiated by Nagpur City Police, a large-scale anti-drug awareness rally was organized on Saturday, July 21 in New Kamptee and Old Kamptee under Zone 5. The event witnessed the presence of Guardian Minister of Nagpur District Chandrashekar Bawankule and Commissioner of Police, Ravinder Kumar Singh who attended as chief guests. The rally saw enthusiastic participation from Zone 5 Deputy Commissioner of Police, representatives of various religious communities, social organizations, and over 800 to 1,000 citizens from Kamptee and surrounding areas. During his address, the Guardian Minister praised the Nagpur Police's proactive efforts under 'Operation Thunder'

and commended their commitment to eradicating drug abuse. He urged every resident of Kamptee to come together and actively participate in the mission against drugs. The rally aimed to deliver a strong message about drug-free living and community solidarity against narcotics, drawing widespread support from the public. Nagpur Police officials expressed gratitude for the overwhelming response and reiterated their dedication to building a drug-free society through consistent action and public involvement.



Amravati, Monday 23 June 2025

Rise in cattle theft incidents in Wani, villagers to launch agitation over police inaction



Chandur Bazar 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Incidents of large-scale cattle theft have been on the rise in Wani-Belkhedha village under the jurisdiction of Brahmanwada Thadi Police Station in Chandur Bazar taluka. However, local police have allegedly turned a blind eye to the issue, prompting widespread concern. Residents have expressed concerns that the lack of police intervention is encouraging illegal cattle trafficking in the region. Alleging negligence by the Brahmanwada Thadi police, the villagers have announced an indefinite protest in front of the Gram Panchayat office of Wani-Belkhedha from June 27. A formal representation regarding the matter has already been submitted to the District Collector of Amravati, the Superintendent of Police (Rural), Rajya Sabha MP Anil Bonde, the Chief Minister, and the local MLA. Brahmanwada Thadi Police Station is located near the Maharashtra-Madhya Pradesh border, a region known for frequent illegal cattle smuggling. Despite this, the station has reportedly failed to take adequate preventive

measures. Locals claim that even senior officials have deliberately ignored the ongoing situation, forcing the villagers to resort to protest. Interestingly, just days ahead of the protest, on June 21, the Superintendent of Police (Rural) transferred several officers, including those from Brahmanwada Thadi. This move has raised questions among villagers, who suspect the transfer of Assistant Police Inspector Ulhas Rathod might be an attempt to shield him from growing criticism.

Transfers Amidst Controversy

Assistant Police Inspector Ulhas Rathod has been transferred to Chandur Bazar, while Assistant Police Inspector Prashant Jadhav from Paratwada has been posted as the new in-charge of Brahmanwada Thadi Police Station. In another development, Police Inspector Ashok Jadhav, who was previously transferred from Chandur Bazar to Dharnidue, has failed to curb illegal activities, has now been reassigned to Chandur Bazar as Station House Officer. Locals are now questioning whether he will take stronger action against illicit operations this time.

Rs 21.97 crore in MNREGA dues pending, labourers awaiting disbursement of wages

Amravati 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): Hundreds of laborers working on various projects under MNREGA in Amravati district have not received their outstanding wages even after six months of completing their work. According to information received from the District Employment Guarantee Office, a total outstanding amount of Rs 21.97 crore is pending, which includes Rs 13.37 crore for the financial year 2024-25 and Rs 8.59 crore for the period from January 2025 to June 2025. This situation is causing severe financial distress to many laborers. A laborer in the district committed suicide



due to pending wages. After this incident, the administration had promised immediate payment, but many laborers have still not received their outstanding amounts. This situation has put MNREGA workers under significant mental and financial pressure. Currently, 6,940 works are ongoing under MNREGA, employing 41,732 laborers. This includes 218 unregis-

tered workers and 8,364 registered laborers. The District Employment Guarantee Office stated that in the financial year 2024-25, 2,53,300 workers were provided 1 crore 32 lakh 42 thousand 269 person-days of employment, while from January 2025, 1,43,633 laborers have been provided 30 lakh 85 thousand 976 person-days of employment. During the

monsoon season, MNREGA works decrease as laborers find employment in agricultural activities. However, those laborers who cannot participate in farm work are assigned to tree plantation activities. Deputy Collector Rozgar Hani Yojana Dnyaneshwar Ghyar stated, "Even during the monsoon, 10 to 14 thousand laborers find employment." The process of distributing outstanding wages to unskilled workers will begin within a few days once budgetary support is received, said Dnyaneshwar Ghyar. Deputy Collector Rozgar Hani Yojana, Amravati.

Minor girl becomes pregnant following repeated rape by juvenile

Amravati 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): A 15-year-old girl residing in the Chikhaldara police jurisdiction has become five months pregnant after allegedly being raped multiple times by a minor boy who lured her with false promises of marriage. The girl's mother tried to confront the boy, but he reportedly threatened her with retaliation. Following this, the girl lodged a complaint at Chikhaldara Police Station. A case has been registered against the juvenile, and police have initiated further investigation.

Molestation accused sentenced to 1 year jail term



Amravati 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): The District and Sessions Court No. 3, Amravati, has sentenced Ganesh Rameshwar Raut (40) of Baimarkhedha village to one year of RI and a fine of Rs 10 thousand for molesting a woman in her

own home in 2018. The court also ruled that if the fine is not paid, the accused will serve an additional one month of imprisonment for each offence. The judgment directs that the Rs 10 thousand fine be given to the victim as compensation after the appeal period. The case was prosecuted by Additional Government Advocate Adv. Kaustubh Lavate, based on an investigation by PI Dr. Avinash Palwe.

Youth carrying weapons nabbed



Amravati 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): A youth was apprehended by Crime Branch Unit-1 while roaming with weapons on Walgaon Road. The accused, identified as Mastan Syed Abuzar alias Mastan Syed Salim (19) of Habib Nagar No. 2, was caught with three weapons worth approximately Rs 2,400. The operation was carried out under the supervision of Commissioner Arvind Chawariya and ACPs Shivaji Bachate and Arun Patil, with Senior PI Gorakhnath Jadhav and team executing the arrest.

13 Couples from cafes detained for indecent act, handed over to parents

Amravati 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): The Bharosa Cell and Damini Squad jointly detained 13 young couples from popular cafes and public areas in the city after receiving complaints of indecent conduct. The action was taken under the leadership of PI Deepthi Brahmane, with guidance from Commissioner Arvind Chawariya and DCP Kalpana Baravkar. Establishments like

Burger Land, Fusion Bites Café, and the Chhatra Talao area were among the targeted locations. The couples were counselled and later handed over to their parents following due legal procedure. The police are committed to the safety of women and children. Strict action will be taken against misbehaviour in public spaces, said PI Deepthi Brahmane from Women's Help Desk.

Malkhed-Dahigaon to Dhanora road stretch in dilapidated condition

Chandur Railway 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): The major road from Malkhed-Dahigaon to Dhanora in the taluka is currently in an extremely poor condition, with its broken state severely impacting the daily lives of villagers. Deep potholes, loose stones, and a dusty environment are prevalent throughout the road, making daily travel perilous for motorists and pedestrians.

This road is extensively used by schoolchildren, farmers, senior citizens, and for ambulance services. However, given the deplorable condition of the road, it has become difficult for any medical emergency service to reach on time, significantly increasing the risk of loss of life. For many months, villagers have consistently demanded road repairs. Representatives have been submitted to local representatives, the Public Works Department, and the administration, but no con-

crete action has been taken yet. This has led to intense dissatisfaction and anger among citizens. The monsoon season is currently on the verge of starting, and in such a situation, accumulated water, slush, and invisible potholes on the road can become major causes of accidents. A few days ago, an incident occurred on this route where a motorcyclist met with an accident, and citizens have warned the administration about it. Villagers have requested the administration that even if the entire road cannot be rebuilt, immediate measures such as patching, laying gravel, and filling potholes should be undertaken to alleviate the hardships of citizens. Otherwise, some citizens have warned of intense protests.



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Yavatmal Police organises Yoga Camp & free health check-up on International Yoga Day



Yavatmal 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): On the occasion of International Yoga Day, the Yavatmal District Police Department organized a grand yoga camp and a free health check-up camp at the Police Parade Ground, Palsawadi, Yavatmal. The initiative aimed to promote physical and mental well-being among police personnel and their families. The yoga session was conducted with the support of Art of Living representative Yadgirwar, Sunanda Tai Gawai, and members of Patanjali Yoga Samiti, including State Executive Committee Member Sanjay Chaudh and his team. Under the guidance of professional yoga instructors, participants performed various yoga asanas, pranayama, and

meditation exercises. Speaking on the occasion, the dignitaries emphasized that "Police work is highly responsible and stressful, and in such circumstances, regular yoga practice is essential not only for physical fitness but also for maintaining mental peace." Around 850 to 900 police officers, personnel, and their family members participated in the yoga camp. The event was inaugurated by Additional Superintendent of Police Piyush Jagtap, who lit the ceremonial lamp. The collective efforts of the police administration, local yoga organizations, and the enthusiastic participation of the staff played a vital role in making the program successful. In addition to the yoga camp, a free medical

health check-up camp was also organized, with the objective of providing medical guidance and early detection of health issues among police personnel. A total of 482 participants, including officers, constables, their families, and administrative staff, took part in this initiative. The health camp included general health check-ups, dermatology consultations, blood pressure and diabetes screenings, hemoglobin testing, ECG eye check-ups, ENT examinations, and expert advice on nutrition and lifestyle. The camp was conducted by doctors and medical specialists from Acharya Vinoba Bhave Rural Hospital, Sawangi (Meghe), Wardha, and Yavatmal District Police Hospital. Additional

Superintendent of Police Piyush Jagtap expressed satisfaction over the success of the event and noted that such efforts help in fostering a positive health culture within the police force and the community at large. The entire event was held under the guidance of Superintendent of Police Kumar Chintia and saw the presence of Sub-Divisional Police Officers Rajnikant Chulumula (Darwaha Division), Dinesh Baisane (Yavatmal Division), and other branch heads. Male and female police personnel and their family members also actively participated. The event was smoothly coordinated by Police Inspector Dnyanoba Devkate from the Traffic Branch and the Police Welfare Branch, Yavatmal.

Verification of solid waste and wastewater management in 1650 villages underway

Initiative taken under Gram Swachha Sarvekshan Gramin 2025

Amravati 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): A significant verification drive is underway in Amravati district as part of the Swachh Survekshan Grameen 2025 initiative launched by the Central Government under the Swachh Bharat Mission. Under this initiative, a detailed survey will be conducted in 1650 villages focusing on the utilization of facilities created for solid waste and wastewater management, cleanliness of the surroundings, and implementation of plastic-free practices. A team from the Central Government will assess villages that facilitate utilization of these facilities through public participation and voluntary labor. As every year, each Gram Panchayat participates in this initiative. The Central Government has gathered updated information from each Gram Panchayat, and a team has arrived in the district to inspect the facilities established. For Swachh Survekshan certification, it is mandatory for all Gram Panchayats to effectively utilize their facilities. Gram Panchayats will be inspected, and the district's and state's rankings will be determined based on a thousand-point scoring system. During this inspection, the main focus will be on plastic collection and management, waste segregation, compost pit management, environmental cleanliness, and wastewater management. Each village will receive feedback and action will be taken for some marks out of 1000. In this scoring, citizen response will account for 100 marks, facility usage for 240 marks, and



inspection and observation for 540 marks. While inspecting the active participation of villagers and cleanliness measures, the Central Government team will primarily check the following aspects: there should be no wastewater or solid waste on the roads, public toilets and waste segregation centers should be in place, and there should be a plan for compost production from compost pits. If all these aspects are properly planned, it is essential for the Gram Panchayat to ensure the sustainable use of these facilities in the future. The Gram Panchayat will ensure the continued use of these facilities through self-help groups or other arrangements. At the Gram Panchayat level, a scoring will be done through household visits to assess the status of cleanliness facilities, use of toilets, handwashing habits, waste segregation, and wastewater management. Chief Executive Officer Sanjita Mahapatra has urged Gram Panchayats to continuously

monitor all these aspects. For the success of Swachh Survekshan Grameen 2025, active participation from the Sarpanch, Gram Panchayat officials, and members of the Gram Water Supply Committee is essential. These initiatives will directly and indirectly bring significant changes in the villages. "The Central Government will inspect solid waste and wastewater management facilities at the village level. Regular use of these facilities and changing the mindset towards cleanliness are crucial. Every villager should use these facilities to ensure cleanliness of their surroundings and implement plastic-free practices, said Sanjita Mahapatra, Zilla Parishad Chief Executive Officer.



Felicitation ceremony for meritorious Banjara students on July 1

Pusad 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): On the occasion of the birth anniversary of former Chief Minister Vasant Naik, a felicitation ceremony has been organized on July 1 in Pusad to honour meritorious students from the Banjara community. The event is being jointly organized by several organizations, including the All India Banjara Seva Sangh, Bharatiya Banjara Samaj Karmacha Seva Sanstha, Vasant Naik Adhikari Karmachari Sanghatana, Jagdamba Devi Sansthan, National Seva Doctors Association, Banjara Mahila Mandal, and Banjara Advocates' Association. The felicitation ceremony will take place at Jagdamba Sansthan, Green Park, Pusad, at 2:00 PM. Students from the Banjara community who secured 80% and above in the Class 10 exams and 75% and above in Class 12 exams in March 2025 will be felicitated along with their parents. Eligible students have been requested to send their mark sheets to Avinash Rathod's mobile number. Those who appeared for JEE, NEET, or CET exams should also submit their respective scorecards. All selected students are urged to attend the program along with their parents, stated the Banjara community representatives.

Woman electrocuted while filling water from water tanker

Churur 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): A tragic incident occurred on Saturday (June 21) morning in Bhandora village, Melghat, where a woman died after being electrocuted while filling water from a tanker due to water scarcity. The deceased woman has been identified as Amarkali Sanju Bhusum (age 32). Due to water scarcity in Bhandora village, a water tanker was brought by the Gram Panchayat at 10:30 AM on Saturday. An electric motor was installed in the tanker to draw water. After some time, the power supply was cut, and water stopped flowing from the tap. Amarkali Bhusum climbed onto the tanker to check the water flow. At that moment, the power supply suddenly resumed, and Amarkali suffered a severe electric shock from the live current spread in the tanker due to the motor, leaving her seriously injured. She was then taken to Churni Rural Hospital for treatment. However, doctors declared her dead. She is survived by a son and a daughter. Many villages in Melghat have been facing severe water scarcity for years. Even though the monsoon has started, many villages still require water supply through tankers. This forces citizens to live with constant fear. After this tragic incident, the village is gripped by sorrow, and anger is being expressed over the administration's negligence. "This woman became a victim of water scarcity, and the administration should immediately implement permanent solutions," demanded the villagers.

Cow slaughtered, youth nabbed

Morshi 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Incidents related to cattle transportation and slaughter are continuously increasing in Morshi city, and police are making efforts to control them. In a recent development, on the evening of June 20, Morshi Police raided a house in Dargah Mohalla and uncovered a cow slaughter case. Based on confidential information, police searched the house of Niyaj Ahmed Mohammad Hanif (age 36) and seized 70 kg of cow meat pieces, 10 hides, and equipment used for slaughter, totaling Rs 29,200. This action was carried out in the presence of Livestock Development Officer Manish Pund and two witnesses. Accused Niyaj Ahmed Mohammad Hanif has been booked under Section 325 of the Indian Penal Code, Sections 5, 5/b, 5/c, 9, 9/a of the



Maharashtra Animal Protection Act, and Section 119 of the Maharashtra Police Act. The operation was conducted under the guidance of Morshi Police Station Inspector Nitin Deshmukh. PSI Amol Burkule, Hawaladar Vijay Wagatkar, Mangesh Badukale, Vilas Kohle, Woman Police Preeti Shinde, Sepoy Sachin Bhakre, Swapnil Baiskar, and Chhatrapati Karapte participated in the operation.

Ex corporator accused of forging land records to encroach on 43 lakh sq. ft govt land in Telangkhedhi

Nagpur 22 June: In a major land scam unearthed in Nagpur, former Corporator Kamlesh Dilip Chaudhari — already facing multiple FIRs for illegal encroachments at Futala Lake — has now been accused of forging a government document to grab over 43.87 lakh sq. ft of government land in Mouza Telangkhedhi. The Sadar Police have registered a case against Kamlesh Chaudhari under various sections of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (B.N.S.), based on a formal complaint lodged by City Survey Office-3, Land Records Department. The alleged fraud involves City Survey Number 65, which officially belongs to the State Government's Agriculture Department and is also recorded under the names of MAFSU, Dr. Punjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth (PDKV), and ICMR/National Institute for One Health. According to the FIR, Chaudhari submitted a fabricated Akhiv Patrika (record document) on January 21, 2025, falsely claiming that his father, Dilip Dayaram Chaudhari, was the leaseholder (pattadar) of the government-owned land. Based on this, Kamlesh had requested City Survey



Office-3 to update their online land records in his favor. Upon investigation, authorities found the document to be fake and promptly rejected the application. However, no legal action was initiated at that time. The case gained momentum after Jwala Jambhuvantrao Dhote, President of Anyay Nivaran Manch, filed a written complaint on May 29, 2025, demanding action against Kamlesh, his mother Meena, and brother Mukesh. In response, City Survey Office-3 filed a police complaint on June 17, which led to the FIR on June 20. Prominent local MLA Vikas Thakre also intervened by submitting a letter to Guardian Minister Chandrashekar Bawankule, urging him to direct officials to take strict action against the

accused. This is the fourth FIR against Kamlesh Chaudhari — three related to encroachments in the Futala Lake and its catchment area, and this latest one for forgery of official documents. In a press statement, Jwala Dhote demanded that Maharashtra Control of Organised Crime Act (MCOCA) be invoked against Kamlesh, citing the seriousness and repeated nature of his offenses. "Kamlesh has manipulated official documents and misled authorities including the Nagpur Municipal Corporation, Urban Development Department, and even various courts. He poses a threat to government systems and must be arrested immediately to prevent further misuse," Dhote stated.

Nagpur 22 June: Union road transport and highways minister, Nitin Gadkari, on Saturday pledged to dedicate his future efforts to ending farmers' suicides, and even projected India's ascent to the number one position in the global automobile sector. "I have worked for infrastructure, roads, ports, and industry, but from now on, I want to ensure that no farmer is forced to take his own life," the senior BJP leader said at a city event to mark the 11 years of the Narendra Modi-led govt at the Centre. Speaking during an interview organized by the Bharatiya Janata Party and conducted by senior journalist Uday Nirgudkar in Nagpur, the city MP laid bare his feelings for rural India. "Suicides by farmers reflect a systemic failure. My work ahead will be centred on transforming agriculture into an enterprise of dignity, self-reliance and income. Ab Tak Trailer Tha, Picture Abhi Baki hai (The work done so far is just a beginning)," he said, while also outlining reforms in irrigation, crop diversification and rural infrastructure. Gadkari highlighted efforts taken for irrigation schemes like Baliraja Jal Sanjeevani Yojana and the massive



funding for several irrigation projects in Vidarbha like Jigaon and Gosikhurd. "We are ensuring that water reaches Vidarbha and Marathwada, where thousands of farmers once relied on migration or drought-prone cropping," he said. Citing improved irrigation and water conservation measures, he claimed that previously migrating communities such as the Dhangers are now harvesting three crops a year. Switching gears to India's growing might in the auto sector, Gadkari declared, "India has overtaken Japan to become the third-largest automobile market in the world. In five years, we will overtake the United States and China. I assure you of this." He pegged the sector's current

valuation at Rs22 lakh crore, up from Rs13 lakh crore in 2014, attributing the growth to shift towards electric vehicles, ethanol, green hydrogen, and alternative fuels. "Our domestic auto sector has created 4.5 crore jobs so far. Once we reach the top spot globally, we will generate over 10 crore jobs," the Union minister claimed. On India's export strength, he noted, "Companies like Bajaj, TVS, Hero, and Honda are exporting 50% of their production." The senior minister in PM Modi's cabinet revealed that top global manufacturers now view India as a hub for clean vehicle production. "The chairman of Mercedes-Benz has informed me that all of their new electric vehicle platforms will be manufactured in India," he

said while emphasizing, "This is not just industrial growth; it's a social revolution." He also highlighted India's potential in reducing logistics costs through highway expansion and multi-modal connectivity. "We have brought logistics costs down from 16% to near 10% and will reach 9% within a year. This alone will boost our exports by 1.5%," he said. Citing ongoing trials of hydrogen trucks and bio-bitumen roads, Gadkari said India is pushing towards developing sustainable infrastructure. "India imports Rs22,000 crore worth of fuel. Our aim is to become an energy-exporting nation," he said, emphasising India's competitive edge with falling logistics costs and expanding multimodal transport hubs. On the top five sectors where the govt delivered the most, Gadkari said, "Airports have doubled, new trains like Vande Bharat are popular, expressways and tunnels have transformed connectivity, tourism has boomed, and infrastructure in education and healthcare has grown significantly. Twenty-five crore people have risen above the poverty line, and we have empowered women and

farmers through direct support schemes." As far as regional development is concerned, Gadkari said that Gadchiroli has attracted Rs7.5 lakh crore worth of investments and is poised to become Maharashtra's most advanced district within five years. For Washim, he announced a medical equipment manufacturing centre that will directly employ 3,000 local youth. Calling Maharashtra's progress under a double-engine govt "unparalleled," Gadkari concluded by reaffirming his commitment to inclusive development. "From building roads in tribal areas to empowering women and diversifying agriculture, our govt has ensured that every corner of India moves forward," he said. Reflecting on his own political journey, Gadkari said, "I have never asked for any post. The party gave me everything. My real satisfaction lies in the work done by me and my team for the country. My commitment is to the ideology and the people. I will accept whatever the party would order, as me and CM Devendra Fadnis are products of the party and lakhs of its workers who sacrificed everything for the party."

Weed craft turning from ecological hazard to source of livelihood for women

Nagpur 22 June: What was once an eyesore choking Ambazari Lake is now fuelling a quiet revolution in women's empowerment. In a novel initiative by the Nagpur Municipal Corporation (NMC), the production of eco-friendly handicraft items from water hyacinth — an invasive aquatic weed — has already begun, turning an environmental menace into an economic opportunity for local women. Launched under the Social Welfare Department's skill development programme, the initiative has enabled 100 women from economically weaker sections to receive training in crafting items such as handbags, yoga mats, hats, tea coasters, fruit baskets, and water bottle holders using dried water hyacinth. The first 45-day training batch, which commenced on May 2 at the Punapur Skill Development Centre, has recently concluded. Additional municipal commissioner Vaishnavi B told reporters, "This initiative launched by NMC is not just a response to an environmental problem, but a significant step towards women's empowerment. By



reusing water hyacinth, we've created meaningful employment while addressing an ecological challenge." Through this initiative, over 200 types of eco-friendly products are being created by the women, most of whom are working in self-help groups. NMC has provided all necessary equipment — including loom and roller machines — to facilitate the production process," dy MC Ranjana Lade said. The project is being implemented through Ajay Bahuuddeshiya Sanstha, which is guiding the women and helping convert the aquatic plant into usable craft material. The idea was spearheaded by Municipal

Commissioner Abhijeet Chaudhari, who took inspiration from the Chandrapur based NGO. "This weed used to be a nuisance for the city. Now, it's become a source of dignity and income," said one of the women trainees, who now plans to launch a joint enterprise with her batchmates. Despite repeated removal efforts by the solid waste management department and even expert consultations from NEERI, Ambazari Lake remained blanketed in hyacinth. Rather than treating it as a never-ending nuisance, the civic body chose to convert the weed into a livelihood source. According to Lade,

this is a textbook example of how coordinated planning can enable simultaneous environmental, economic, and social development. "Demand for these products is rising across India, and women are now gaining steady income. With similar innovative efforts, NMC will continue contributing to the holistic growth of the city," she said. As part of the broader support framework, the NMC is also helping women artisans secure vital documents such as Udyam registrations, artist cards (Ministry of Textiles), and master cards. Financial linkages are being established through government schemes including the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission, PMEGP, and the Mudra Yojana. Vaishnavi B added, "We are working to connect these artisans with local markets and to integrate them into self-help groups to ensure sustained income generation. This project goes far beyond skill-building — it's a model of resilience and entrepreneurship." Beyond the socio-economic angle, the project also highlights the often-overlooked

potential of water hyacinth. "This aquatic weed absorbs vast amounts of solar energy and stores it as biomass, functioning much like a natural solar panel," said a senior NMC official. "It purifies water by absorbing pollutants, and its fibres can be used not just for crafts, but also in organic compost, methane gas production, animal fodder, medicinal applications, cardboard, and even furniture." In fact, the Laxmi Nagar zone initiated the physical removal of water hyacinth from Ambazari Lake on March 18, 2025, engaging 10 women from self-help groups. Since then, data shows that as of May 23, 2025, the initiative has processed 650 kg of dried hyacinth and 38 kg of fresh material. Currently, 50 women are undergoing training on loom machines while another 50 are being trained on roller machines at the Punapur-Pardi Skill Development Centre. This initiative marks a rare example of how civic innovation can tackle ecological concerns while empowering women. In Nagpur, a weed long seen as a symbol of municipal failure is now blossoming into a tool of transformation.

Nagpur 22 June: The much-anticipated Integrated Traffic Management System (ITMS) in Nagpur has failed to deliver the expected results. Although the Nagpur Municipal Corporation (NMC) initially announced the pilot's launch by June 15, it has now pushed the date further to June 25, following repeated glitches in system performance during test runs. As part of the pilot, the civic body installed new traffic signals and high-resolution cameras at 10 major junctions across the city to test the core features of the Rs 197-crore state-funded ITMS project. These junctions were equipped with modern signal systems, surveillance units, and electronic infrastructure meant to streamline traffic flow, monitor violations, and reduce congestion. "However, the early outcomes have been far from encouraging. The signals and surveillance network are not functioning reliably. After the hardware was installed, communication and coordination issues between the signals, control room, and



field devices prevented the system from operating seamlessly," confirmed a senior NMC official privy to the development. NMC has formally communicated its dissatisfaction to the contractor responsible for the implementation. The city traffic police too have flagged multiple concerns, ranging from erratic signal synchronization to system lags in transmitting real-time data to the control room. The ITMS, once fully operational, is expected to offer multiple benefits — including adaptive traffic signalling, violation detection, real-time CCTV surveillance, and integration with the city police and NMC control rooms. The system's biggest promises lie in its ability to automatically detect violations such as red-light jumping, helmetless

riding, and speeding, while also helping to manage peak-hour congestion. Despite these ambitious goals, the on-ground situation tells a different story. The pilot project, which should have been a showcase for smart traffic management, has instead become a point of concern for authorities already battling public criticism over rising violations and worsening traffic conditions. According to sources, the electric department has also raised concerns over technical integration and electricity supply stability, which are affecting signal performance. Meanwhile, messages and displays on the new signal poles have attracted public curiosity, but the system itself remains non-functional.

Jitesh Sharma, Karun Nair to part ways with Vidarbha

Nagpur 22 June: Vidarbha stumper Jitesh Sharma and professional Karun Nair have decided to part ways with Vidarbha, local media reported. After playing a key role in RCB's IPL triumph a month back, Jitesh Sharma is set to leave Vidarbha. Reports said that the big-hitting wicket-keeper-batter, who justified his Rs 11 crore price tag with a string of stellar shows, will play for Baroda in the next domestic season. According to reports, Vidarbha Cricket Association (VCA) on Friday received a request for a No Objection Certificate (NOC) from Jitesh. A player has to obtain a NOC from his home association for shifting base to a new team. BCA officials confirmed that Jitesh will be joining their team in the next season. On Karun Nair, VCA said, "his contract was for one year and it is up to him whether he wishes to renew or not." Jitesh and Karun Nair have not made any official announcements yet. Jitesh was one of the star performers for RCB who won the Indian Premier League title for the first time in 18 years. He delivered some match-winning knocks, including in the summit clash. According to reports, Jitesh will play in both red ball and white ball formats for the Baroda team. Similarly, professional Nair, who was an important cog in Vidarbha's third Ranji title, has also decided to return to his home side, Karnataka. Nair is, at present, touring with the Indian team for the five-Test Anderson-Tendulkar Trophy in England. The news of Jitesh moving away from Vidarbha was doing rounds for quite some time. It was after the Ranji Trophy season, of which Jitesh was not part, that Jitesh started thinking of moving to greener pastures. Ranji champions Vidarbha had finished runners-up in Vijay Hazare Trophy and had reached the quarter-final in SMAT in the 2024-25 season. Jitesh had led Vidarbha in the SMAT and played under Nair in the Vijay Hazare Trophy. Nair was the mainstay of Vidarbha's last Ranji success scoring 863 runs and had hammered 799 runs in Vijay Hazare Trophy. According to reports, Nair is now planning to return to Karnataka for personal and family reasons. Last season, pacer Rajneesh Gurbani, spinner Aditya Sarvate and batter Mohit Kale have parted ways with Vidarbha moving to Maharashtra, Kerala and Pondicherry teams, respectively. If Jitesh leaves Vidarbha, it will be a blow to Vidarbha Pro T20 League franchise Neco Master Blasters. He led the team to its maiden title a few days ago.

Elderly woman falls into open pit at Jai Bhim Square, rescued

Nagpur 22 June: An elderly woman narrowly escaped a fatal accident after falling into a deep pit filled with sewage water at Jai Bhim Square in Hiwrinagar in Nagpur on Friday afternoon. The pit, dug months ago as part of the Nagpur Metro rail project for laying underground cables, had been left uncovered, posing a serious hazard to commuters and pedestrians. According to eyewitnesses, local residents quickly rushed to the woman's aid and pulled her out of the filthy water, saving her life. The incident has triggered public outrage in the area, with angry citizens lashing out at both the Metro administration and the Nagpur Municipal Corporation for their continued apathy. Locals blamed the accident on poor planning, lack of warning signs, and open drains left unattended for months. "There is constant traffic congestion here, and with no boards or barricades to alert people, this was bound to happen," said a witness present at the scene. This is not the first such incident. A few months ago, a young woman tragically lost her life after falling into a similar pit in the same locality. Despite that fatality, no meaningful action was taken by the authorities to secure the area or complete the pending work. Local activist Yogesh Joshi, expressing fury over the incident, said, "Had this accident involved a wealthy person or a politician's family member, the administration would have acted swiftly. But the life of a common citizen means nothing to them." He further warned that if the pending bridge and cable-laying work is not completed immediately and the road not made safe, residents will have no choice but to take to the streets in protest. Residents are now demanding that the Metro and municipal authorities take full responsibility for their negligence and take immediate corrective measures to prevent more such accidents. The incident has once again raised serious questions about public safety standards and the lack of coordination in ongoing infrastructure projects in Nagpur.



Nashik's Kalidas, Monica shine in LIC WZ Athletics meet



Nagpur 22 June: Kalidas Hirawe and Monica Athare-Jadhav of Nashik, Aniruddha Gujar of Satara and Pushpa Zade of Nagpur showcased great strength and athleticism in the LIC 57th Western Zonal Athletics Meet and 39th Western Zonal Volleyball Selection Trials 2025-2026 which concluded on Friday at the Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University Sports Complex and Jai Volleyball Academy, Nagpur respectively. Hirawe bagged the top spot in the 10,000-metre run, 5000m run and 1500m run, respectively. Gujar followed Hirawe to bag top spots in three events, 100 metres run, shot put and discus throw. Monica came first in 800 and 1500 metres

runs while Pushpa of Nagpur showed calibre to win gold in discus and hammer throw events. The prizes were distributed by Pravin Niranjana, Senior Divisional Manager, Nagpur Division. Volleyball selection trials also concluded at Jai Volleyball Academy. Dr Sharad Suryawanshi was the chief referee for the athletic meet and Dr Ashok Kapta was the chief referee for the volleyball trials. Also present on the dais were, Ajay Shukla, Marketing Manager, Nagpur, Ajit Warudkar Manager (P&IR), Pandurang Jadhav, Sports Promotion Board Member, Mumbai, Rajesh Gaikwad, Sports Promotion Board Member, Mumbai, and Abhay Pandey, Organising Secretary.

Sluggish response: HSRP deadline pushed yet again to August 15

Nagpur 22 June: In what has become a recurring saga of missed deadlines and mounting apathy, the Maharashtra Transport Department has once again extended the deadline for installing HSRP on older vehicles. The latest cutoff — now pushed to August 15, 2025 — marks yet another reprieve for lakhs of vehicle owners who remain non-compliant with the mandatory safety measure. Despite being mandated under the Central Motor Vehicle Rules for all vehicles registered before April 1, 2019, the response on the ground has been sluggish — particularly in Nagpur. Transport Commissioner Vivek Bhimanwar, in a fresh circular, acknowledged the lack of progress and called for stricter enforcement coupled with intensified awareness efforts. According to official data, out of 16.71 lakh eligible vehicles across Nagpur division, only a small chunk has had the tamper-proof, traceable number plates installed. In the jurisdiction of the Nagpur City RTO alone — responsible for 12.59 lakh vehicles — a mere 55,076 vehicles have completed the HSRP installation. While over 1.13

lakh orders have been placed, the gap between intention and action is glaring. The story repeats at the Nagpur (East) Deputy RTO, where 4.11 lakh vehicles fall under the HSRP rule. Here, only 48,136 vehicles have been fitted with the plates out of 1.09 lakh orders. Similarly, in Nagpur Rural, although 5.62 lakh vehicles are eligible, just over 82,000 vehicles have been fitted despite 1.47 lakh orders. Officials are tightening the leash. From August 16, enforcement squads will begin penalizing vehicles found without HSRP and no valid appointment. The only saving grace? Vehicle owners who book their installation slot before August 15 will be spared fines. Bhimanwar has instructed RTOs across the state to amplify awareness drives and work closely with automobile dealers and transport unions — including those representing autos, buses, taxis, and freight carriers — to accelerate compliance. Authorities now warn that this may be the last extension. If compliance remains poor, the transport department may resort to hefty penalties, roadside checks, and even seizure of non-compliant vehicles.

Hazardous crack develops on road near Hiwri bridge, urgent repairs demanded

Mahagaon 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): A significant crack has developed on the roadside adjacent to the river bridge near Hiwri on the Kali (Dau) to Pusad Road, following recent unseasonal rains and strong winds. The damaged portion has raised serious safety concerns among local residents. According to Sandhya Ranveer, Taluka President of the Nationalist Congress Party (S.P.), a memorandum has been submitted to the Assistant Engineer of the Public Works Department (PWD) in Mahagaon and to the State PWD Minister, demanding immediate repair of the road. The erosion of the road near the bridge due to heavy water flow has created a deep pit.



Given the high traffic volume on this route—particularly two-wheelers, three-wheelers, and four-wheelers—the risk of accidents has increased significantly. The cracked

section is not easily visible until vehicles are dangerously close, especially for unfamiliar drivers, making it a serious hazard. Residents have urged the PWD to take prompt action

and restore the road to prevent any mishap. The memorandum submitted by Sandhya Ranveer highlights the urgency of the issue and the growing public sentiment for swift resolution.

Motorcycle thief arrested in Morshi, vehicle recovered

Morshi 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Police in Morshi successfully recovered a Honda Activa stolen on June 18 from outside ICICI Bank and arrested the accused. The recovered vehicle is valued at Rs 70,000. Further investigation is underway.



Soldier booked for raping woman

Amravati 22 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): An army jawan, Nilesh Ashokrao Wankhade (34), has been booked for allegedly raping a woman under the pretext of inspecting a rental flat. The incident occurred on January 22, and the accused

later threatened the victim and her family with dire consequences. Despite returning to duty, Wankhade allegedly continued harassing the victim through calls and threats. Police have registered a case and begun investigations.

Meritorious students felicitated on behalf of Maratha Seva Sangh Mahagaon

Mahagaon 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): To mark the occasion of Shivrajyabhishek Day, Maratha Seva Sangh Mahagaon organized a felicitation ceremony on June 22, 2025, at Matoshree Vidyalaya to honour meritorious students from the 2023-25 academic session who excelled in the SSC (Class 10) and HSC (Class 12) board examinations. Presided over by Mrs. Sunandatai Diliprao Koparkar, Chairperson of Mahagaon Nagar Panchayat, the event was guided by Shivshri Suresh Kadam, District President of Maratha Seva Sangh, Yavatmal. Key guests included former Vice Chairperson of Mahagaon Nagar Panchayat Suresh Patil Narwade, Shiv Sena Taluka Head Rajubhau Rathod, Shiv Sena District Vice President and Nagar Panchayat Chairperson Pramod alias Shakhha Bharwade, Rastriya Kisan Morcha Taluka President



Pramod Jadhav, Municipal Councillor Narayan Shirpide, and Sanjay Koparkar, Taluka President of Marathi Patrakar Sangh. The event commenced with the worship of Rajmata Jijau and social reformer Savitribai Phule, followed by a traditional 'Jijau Vandana.' The dignitaries were welcomed with bouquets and copies of the book Sant Vichar. Students who secured first, second, and third ranks at the taluka level in both SSC and HSC exams were felicitated with a Shivdharma calendar, a copy of Jijau Charitra, a certificate of appreciation, and a bouquet. Similarly, top-ranking students from each school in the taluka were also honoured with the same

items. District President Suresh Kadam provided motivational guidance to the students. The event was compered by Dr. Sandeep Shinde and the vote of thanks was delivered by Amol Jagtap. Efforts by Udaybhai Narwade (Taluka President), Nankaj Deshmukh (Taluka Secretary), Dr. Sandeep Shinde (District Secretary), Amol Jagtap (District Committee Member), and volunteers including Satish Thakre, Vitthal Waghmare, Swapnil Narwade, Kishore Solanke, Chaturved Adkine, Suraj Dhongde, Ashish Gawade (Taluka President of Sambhaji Brigade), and teachers Vijay Kadam and Ravi Bhangre contributed to the program's success.

Drainage construction on Pusad-Gunj-Mahagaon SH 51 ordered on priority

Pusad 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Taking serious note of repeated complaints from local farmers, Sub-Divisional Officer (SDO) Ashish Bijwal has directed the Public Works Department (PWD) to immediately complete the drainage construction work on both sides of State Highway No. 51, running from Pusad to Gunj-Mahagaon. This decision comes in response to severe waterlogging and damage to farmlands along this route during every monsoon.

The directive was issued through an official letter addressed to Mahesh Mathurkar, Executive Engineer of the PWD, following complaints submitted by farmers from the Pusad Sub-Division 2 area. The letter notes that the farmlands owned by these cultivators lie adjacent to the road stretching from Pusad to Pachlingeshwar, and that heavy rainwater from various connected roads—including Pusad-Moha and Pusad-Mahagaon—accumulates in this region, causing substantial crop damage. To address this issue, farmers had earlier appealed for proper drainage channels from the Mahur Phata area (Sudhakarrao Naik Square) up to the eastern drainage point near Anandi Hotel. Acting on this request, the PWD has already completed the construction of drains along both sides of the road from Mahur Phata to Anandi Hotel. However, the work remains incomplete beyond this point. The drainage channel near the bend that connects the Pachlingeshwar

temple road and the road leading into Old Pusad city has not been opened, causing water to divert directly into the adjoining farmlands instead of draining through the eastern side canal near Anandi Hotel. This has resulted in repeated damage to crops and farmlands in the area. A letter dated December 1, 2023 (Ref. No. 1587) from the Sub-Divisional Land Records Department confirms that there is no existing drainage system along this section of the road, further highlighting the urgency of completing the pending work. In addition, the SDO's letter recommends including the Moha-Pachlingeshwar road under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) for ease of project implementation. This road, marked as a 15-meter-wide Development Plan (DP) road under Pusad city planning, is expected to reduce traffic congestion and accidents at Sudhakarrao Naik Square (Mahur Phata) by diverting heavy vehicles approaching from Yavatmal and Mahur-Mahagaon roads. Completion of this road will also improve access to the upcoming rural railway station, making it more convenient for nearby villages. The SDO has requested the Executive Engineer of the PWD, Pusad Subdivision, to submit a compliance report after completing the remaining drainage work and diverting water appropriately into the existing eastern drainage system near Anandi Hotel.

International Yoga Day celebrated at Gurukul School

Pandharkawada 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Yoga and Pranayama are effective means of leading a healthy and peaceful life, stated Yoga instructor Sanjay Channawar. International Yoga Day was appropriately celebrated. Every year, June 21 is celebrated as International Yoga Day. Taking this into consideration, an International Yoga Day event was organised at Gurukul English Medium School. On the occasion, Yoga instructor Sanjay Channawar, Kunchamwar Sir, Sable Sir, school director Madan Jiddewar, Principal Swapnil Kulkarni, Vice Principal Amit Kale were present on the dias. On the occasion, the instructors demonstrated how to perform Yoga and Pranayama before the students and also highlighted the importance of each Yogasana. On the



occasion, Yoga instructor Sanjay Channawar, while imparting training to the students in Yoga and pranayama, asserted that Yoga and pranayama are the way of leading a healthy life. Speaking as the presiding dignitary of the programme, Madan Jiddewar explained the importance of yoga and

pranayama to the students and also appealed to the students to take care of their physical fitness and perform yoga and pranayama daily. The programme's proceedings were coordinated by Shivani Dorshetwar. Sadaf madam proposed the vote of thanks. Sports teacher Nazia Mirza,

Archana Toranpawar well as all the teachers and non-teaching staff worked hard for the successful organisation of the programme. The dignitaries appreciated the discipline of the school students & staff. They hoped that the institution would continue to implement such initiatives in future as well.

Modern Drysan toilet inaugurated

PANDHARKAWADA / NAGPUR POST: Inauguration Ceremony of State-of-the-Art Toilet Held at Shri Gadge Maharaj Ashram School, Umari On June 20, 2025, at Shri Gadge Maharaj Ashram School, Umari (Road), Taluka Kelapur, a state-of-the-art toilet facility was inaugurated. This was made possible through the special cooperation of the school's alumnus, Dattatraya Sidam, (Ret. ACP) and based on an innovative concept by Prof. Munshi from IIT Bombay.

The toilet model, named KAMALAMMA MAYASANDRA (DrySan Toilet), was installed as a donation from IIT Bombay. The key features of this toilet are: Prevention of water wastage, Saving of approximately 7 to 8 liters of water, Minimal water usage, Cleanliness, Space-efficient design, Easy to use. Dattatraya Sidam (Ret. ACP) provided detailed information about the model and its benefits. On this occasion, several dignitaries were present, including Sachin Dada Ghongate, Secretary of Shri Gadge Maharaj Mission, Mumbai, and Director of the Umari Branch, Principal Umesh Dalvi, Primary



Headmaster Ramesh Atram, Chopde, More, Salunkhe, Uchade, School staff members Santosh Kharale, Parskar, Anil Salam, Bharmrao Parache, Construction contractor Rathod, Sheshrao Metange and others were present. This unique patented dry sanitation -

DrySan technology based flush water free and zero discharge toilet is designed and developed by Prof. Munshi of IIT Mumbai. He has been working for the past many decades developing real Atma-nirbhar products like solar lights, sanitation systems for rural application.

Anand Vaidya re-elected BJP Taluka President

Pandharkawada 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): The dispute over the post of BJP Kelapur Taluka President, which had been going on in Pandharkawada for the past several days, has finally been resolved. After the Pandharkawada Agriculture Produce Market Committee election results, a new executive committee of Kelapur Taluka Bharatiya Janata Party has been appointed.

A new executive committee has been appointed to develop the Bharatiya Janata Party locally and strengthen & expand the party organisation. Anand Vaidya has been re-elected as Taluka President by the district President as per the directive of the state president. Anand Vaidya has been elected for the third consecutive time as he has worked hard to increase party's clout in the region and done justice to the post on earlier occasions as well.

International Yoga Day celebrated with enthusiasm at Savitribai Phule English Medium School and Bachpan School

Pusad 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Savitribai Phule English Medium School and Bachpan Play School in Pusad celebrated International Yoga Day with great enthusiasm. During the event, students showcased excellent yoga demonstrations, drawing appreciation from all present. The chief guests on

the occasion, Advocate Chhaya Deshmukh, Sheela Muneshwar, and Principal A. M. Jadhav, guided the students with their valuable insights. The event was graced by Headmistress Manisha Jangid and Coordinator Dinesh Shingwar. Yoga instructors Chhaya Deshmukh and Sheela Muneshwar live

demonstrations, capturing the attention of the students and highlighting the importance of yoga in today's lifestyle. Headmistress Manisha Jangid emphasized the significance of Yoga Day and conveyed the message "Do Yoga, Stay Healthy." The program was efficiently conducted by Krishna Wakde.



Public Health Awareness drive held under 'Dhartiabba Janjati Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan'

Mahagaon 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Under the guidance of District Collector Hon. Vikas Meena, a health awareness campaign is being conducted across tribal-majority villages in Mahagaon taluka from June 19 to June 30, 2025, as part of the Dhartiabba Janjati Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan. The initiative aims to spread awareness of government health schemes and ensure delivery of healthcare services to tribal communities. Dr. Nimish Dhuldhule, Taluka Health Officer, is personally supervising the campaign with support from community health officers, male and female health workers, and ASHA volunteers. The campaign provides consultation, screening, and



treatment while also spreading awareness about diseases such as cancer, sickle cell anemia, tuberculosis, leprosy, and waterborne and communicable illnesses. The importance of vaccinations is also being emphasized, particularly during the ongoing second phase of the diarrhoea control fortnight (June 16 to July 31), targeting children aged 0-5 years. Officials from the

Taluka Health Office, including Extension Officer (Health) Harish Rathod, Health Inspector Gopal Thakre, and Taluka Cluster Organizer Vasant Jadhav, are coordinating the implementation of the campaign. The presence of a regular Taluka Health Officer has ensured smooth functioning of four primary health centres and 24 sub-centres across the taluka.

International Yoga Day celebrated at NDRF Academy

Nagpur 22 June: On the occasion of International Yoga Day (21st June 2025), a Yoga Camp was organized at both the Civil Lines Campus and Suradevi Campus of the NDRF Academy.

Nagpur, under the guidance and direction of Dr. Hariom Gandhi, Deputy Inspector General, Director NDRF Academy, NDRF Academy has invited the representatives from the Art of Living Centre Nagpur and conducted the yoga program involving the various Asanas, Surya Namaskar and Pranayam. The event witnessed the gracious presence and active participation of Shri Masood Mohammad, Commandant, and Shri Bhagwat Singh Rajput, Commandant, NDRF Academy. A large number of participants from NDRF, SDRF, Civil Defence organizations, as well as family members of NDRF personnel, enthusiastically took part in the Yoga sessions. The camp aimed to promote the physical and mental well-being of the personnel and their families and reinforce the significance of yoga in daily life. The event was conducted in a spirit of harmony, discipline, and dedication, reflecting the core values of the Academy and the essence of Yoga as a way of life.

Illegal cow slaughter racket busted in Akot Police seize 5.5 quintals of beef worth Rs 1.10 lakh, trio nabbed

Akot 22 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): In a major crackdown under the 'Operation Prahar' campaign aimed at eliminating illegal activities, Akot City Police successfully seized 5.5 quintals of beef valued at Rs 1,10,000, along with other equipment used in cattle slaughter, and arrested three accused individuals from Qureshipura area. As per instructions from Superintendent of Police Akola, Archit Chandak, and under the supervision of Police Inspector Amol Malwe, a special raid was conducted today by a team led by Sub-Inspectors Vaibhav Tayade and Avinash Mohite of the Local Crime Branch (DB Squad). The team carried out surveillance at Qureshipura where suspicious activities were observed at the residence of Junaid Ahmed Zahoor Ahmed. Upon entering the premises in the presence of witnesses, police found evidence of cow slaughter and meat processing. The team discovered freshly cut beef pieces, slaughter tools, and other related items. The accused have been identified as: 1. Abdul Naim Abdul Rahim (43), resident of

Kasabpura, Akot 2. Junaid Ahmed Zahoor Ahmed (35), resident of Shoukat Ali Chowk, Akot 3. Sheikh Aslam Sheikh Mehboob (29), resident of Thakur Malla, Shoukat Ali Chowk, Akot The seized items include: Approximately 550 kg of beef worth Rs 1,10,000 One iron knife valued at Rs 100 Two wooden-handled axes worth Rs 400 One wooden log (nil value) The total seizure amounts to Rs 1,10,500. A case has been registered against the accused under The Maharashtra Animal Preservation Act, 1976 (Amended), Sections 5, 5A, and 9A. The accused have been taken into custody for further investigation. This successful operation was carried out under the guidance of Additional SP Abhay Dongre and Sub-Divisional Police Officer of Akot Anmol Mittal.

The executing team included DB Squad members: PSI Vaibhav Tayade, PSI Avinash Mohite. Police Constables: Ganesh Solanke, Bajrang Ingle, Narendra Jadhav, Gajanan Rathod, Vipul Solanke, Ashwin Chouhan, Nitesh Solanke, Shivshankar Gawande, lady Police Constables: Apeksha Kharode and Padmini Yernale The Akot Police have reaffirmed their commitment to act firmly against illegal slaughter and ensure strict enforcement of law and order in the region.

