

## BULLS EYE

Next plate shall be that of gold

There is a country called India in the world. The importance of that country is that its economy is the fourth largest in the world. In this same India, there is a highly developed nation, that is, a state, called Maharashtra. It is said that this Maharashtra state was once very rich. Now, for the last few years, the house of this rich Maharashtra has started to crumble. Thirty years ago, this state had to take a loan of forty thousand crore rupees. Before that, this state had no debt. Now, this loan has reached nine lakh crore rupees. Its income is decreasing day by day. However, this state is not at all ready to reduce its splendor. Estimates committees are appointed to monitor and control the expenditure of the states in India and reduce that expenditure. Similarly, an estimates committee was appointed to reduce the expenditure of this Maharashtra state. Their job is to estimate the expenditure of the state and try to reduce that expenditure. The members of this committee and their central guests are about 250 to 350 people. This committee should continue. Therefore, there are almost as many officers and employees for the service of the committee. All the expenses of this estimate committee are met from the state government treasury. In this state, which is in debt and is struggling for funds for many schemes, the last such estimate committee visited Mumbai. Now, to reduce the expenses, the expenses should be increased. This must be the understanding of this committee or committee. How and where the expenses can be increased, start with yourself and then how to reduce them. To think deeply about this, it is necessary to fill the belly of this committee with music. In fact, it comes in waves. Now let's look at the expenses incurred for this. The cost of the silver plate on which the members of this committee were served food was only 550. The price of each plate that was to be served on this plate was 4500. That is, the cost of a plate for one person (taking the cost of the silver plate) was five thousand and fifty rupees. As usual, there will be GST expenses on it. It is different, so let's leave it aside for the time being. Now we do not have the intelligence and ability to calculate the math of five thousand fifty times six hundred. How will we reduce the expenses after such a rich meal? After discussing this, most of the time in Maharashtra, a Shiv Bhojan thali costs ten to twelve rupees. Increasing the price of that thali by three to four rupees will be a considerable benefit. That is, the government subsidy given for each thali. It will save crores of rupees. This is perhaps the estimate of this committee. Now what is in the five thousand fifty rupee thali. The information about it is that it contained puranpoli. That puranpoli is available at the stall of a family friend in Mumbai for just twenty or 25 rupees. The estimate committee had a layer of pickled ghee on the hot puranpoli that had increased. This is not our pickled thap. Along with that, dahi vade, different types of kheer dishes, rice preparations, pulao and different recipes of biryani were present in abundance. It included different types of Basmati, Vada Kolam to Delhi Rice, two-four types of vegetarian, very good paneer and cheese-filled vegetables, just like Varmal. Along with that, a special vegetarian vegetable called Shahi Navratna Korma was also included. Although fishing is currently closed for the fish lovers in the Andaz Samiti. However, there was a special plan of fried surmai and paplette in frozen fish, a different rava fry and tawa fry. As for chicken mutton, there were also different dishes fried in gravy, especially Malvani gravy, Konkani gravy, boneless and special butter. After eating such a large royal saranjam and due to which the stomach was bloated, special ice cream of different Badshahi Faloodas and different flavored kulfis were also available for them. The monthly expenditure of an average middle-class family of four to five members in our state is generally five to five and a half thousand rupees. How much is that exactly? We recommend that this survey or estimate should be done by the estimation committees. Any working person generally eats 250 to 300 grams of food per meal in a month, or 400 grams of food per meal. That is, how much was spent per gram on each person. This committee should also calculate this. Common people like us were not invited to this meal at all. That is why we are organizing this Shabd Bhojan specially. What is special is that this committee had specially invited some very high class representatives, not only in Maharashtra, but also in Mumbai, which are published in two or three languages, i.e. some special journalists. Therefore, I am reminded of Govindrao Talwalkar, the former editor of Maharashtra Times, who gave a name to such a feast for public representatives. A few years ago, he had fed one lakh people at the wedding of former MLA Shankarrao Mohite Patil's son and bore the expenses. The cost of feeding those one lakh people was more than the cost of feeding those 250 to 500 people. It is not us but many people who say so. That was a meal to remember, today is a meal to remember. Many people who enjoyed the all-round planning and food were involved in it. It is better not to talk about the expenses of the VIPs and their officials staying at the Taj Mahal Hotel and the Trident Hotel. May all these food lovers, who have all kinds of benevolence as an estimate committee, get food on a golden platter next time. Our best wishes from now on!

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## India sends its first astronaut into space in 41 years

### What a ride, says Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla as India returns to human spaceflight

**Cape Canaveral 25 June:** Jubilant Indians have been celebrating the successful launch of the Axiom-4 (Ax-4) mission which has taken off with a multi-country crew, including an Indian astronaut. Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla, who's piloting the mission, has become only the second Indian to travel to space. In just over 26 hours - when the spacecraft docks at the International Space Station (ISS) - Group Captain Shukla will become the first ever Indian to visit Nasa's orbiting laboratory. His trip comes 41 years after cosmonaut Rakesh Sharma became the first Indian to fly to space aboard a Russian Soyuz in 1984. Led by former Nasa astronaut Peggy



Whitson - a space veteran who has been commander of ISS twice, has spent more than 675 days in space and done 10 space walks - Ax-4 lifted off from Nasa's Kennedy Space Center in Florida at 02:31 EDT, (06:31 GMT; 12:01 India time) on Wednesday. The trip to ISS aboard Ax-4 - a commercial flight operated by Houston-based private company Axiom Space - is a collaboration between Nasa, India's space agency Isro, European Space Agency (Esa) and SpaceX. Its four-member team also includes Slawosz

Uznanski-Wisniewski from Poland and Tibor Kapu from Hungary. They will also be taking their countries back to space after more than four decades. The astronauts spent weeks in quarantine before Wednesday's launch. The flight has generated huge interest in India with Isro saying the experience Group Captain Shukla will gain during his trip to the ISS will help its efforts immensely. The 39-year-old was among four Indian air force officers shortlisted last year to travel on the country's first-ever human space flight, scheduled for 2027. India has also announced ambitious plans to set up a space station by 2035 and send an astronaut to the Moon by 2040.

## PM Modi welcomes successful launch of Axiom-4 space mission

Prime Minister Narendra Modi today welcomed the successful launch of the Axiom-4 Space Mission carrying astronauts from India, Hungary, Poland and the US and said Indian astronaut Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla carries with him wishes, hopes and aspirations of 1.4 billion Indians. The Prime Minister said Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla is on the way to becoming the first Indian to go to International Space Station. "We welcome the successful launch of the Space Mission carrying astronauts from India, Hungary, Poland and the



US. The Indian Astronaut, Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla is on the way to becoming the first Indian to go to International Space Station. He carries with him the wishes, hopes and aspirations of 1.4 billion Indians," the Prime Minister tweeted.

## Congress demands CM's resignation for 'manipulating' voter list

**Mumbai 25 June (UNI):** Sapkal said the voter list in the Chief Minister's constituency saw an 8% rise within just five months, with certain booths witnessing a 20-50% surge. Booth Level Officers have reported that unknown individuals cast votes, yet the Election Commission has remained silent, he claimed, calling it "a case of vote rigging". He said this is the reason his party has demanded the immediate release of a machine-readable digital voter list and the CCTV footage. "The key question remains: how did the BJP alliance, which faced a



humiliating defeat in the Lok Sabha elections, secure a massive win in the Assembly polls just five months later? During this period, the BJP, with the help of the Election

Commission, manipulated the voter rolls and increased the vote count. There was an 8% discrepancy between the votes recorded after 5 PM and the final figures announced the next day. The Election Commission has not provided a satisfactory explanation for this anomaly to date. Instead, it introduced rules limiting access to information and even decided to delete all CCTV footage after 45 days. This, too, is part of the cover up the vote-rigging," Sapkal added.

## Muslim leaders decry 'forced' loudspeaker removal as Ajit Pawar convenes crisis talks

**Mumbai, June 25 (UNI)** Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar intervened today in Mumbai's escalating mosque loudspeaker controversy, convening emergency talks with Muslim community leaders and top police officials amid allegations of religious targeting. The high-stakes meeting at Sahyadri Guest House brought together State DGP Rashmi Shukla, Mumbai Police Commissioner Deven Bharti, and prominent Muslim figures, including legislators Nawab Malik, Zeeshan Siddique, Abu Azmi, Waris Pathan, Sana Malik, Jallal Uddin, and Siddharth Kamble. Community representatives accused police of unlawfully dismantling mosque loudspeakers under political pressure. "Someone, some Somaiya, has created pressure in Mumbai. Because of one person, Muslims are being

harassed," asserted Samajwadi Party state chief Abu Azmi, referring to former BJP MP Kirit Somaiya's alleged campaign in areas like Govandi. AIMIM's Waris Pathan added: "Police are forcibly removing systems without due process, creating unnecessary tension." Muslim organisations highlighted prior compliance with Bombay High Court noise regulations (45-56 decibels), noting there was no judicial mandate for blanket removals. "Action should follow proven violations through proper notices - not abrupt dismantling," the delegation emphasised, having previously submitted grievances to Ajit Pawar. The Deputy CM reportedly assured attendees of impartiality, pledging formal investigations into specific complaints while balancing communal harmony concerns.

## Maharashtra sees slight petrol-diesel price relief

**Mumbai, June 25 (UNI)** Maharashtra recorded a marginal decline in fuel prices today, offering modest relief to consumers amid persistent inflation concerns. The 6 AM revision showed petrol continuing above 104 per litre across most districts, while diesel remained over 90 statewide, with international crude trends and local levies maintaining pressure on household budgets. Mumbai maintained its position as the lowest-cost metro, with petrol at 103.50 and diesel at 90.03 per litre. Significant variations persist across regions: Ahmednagar (104.30 petrol, 90.83 diesel), Aurangabad (104.73 petrol, 91.24 diesel), and Beed report the highest at 105.50 for petrol alongside 92.03 for diesel. Multiple districts, including Hingoli, Parbhani, and Yavatmal, matched Beed's peak petrol rate. The slight downward adjustment reflects recent global oil market movements, though Value-Added Tax (VAT), transportation costs, and state-specific taxes continue to influence regional disparities. Daily price revisions by oil marketing companies ensure alignment with international benchmarks.

## Cabinet passes resolution on Emergency

**New Delhi, June 25 (UNI)** The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi today passed a resolution to commemorate and honour those who sacrificed valiantly resisted the Emergency and its attempt at subversion of the spirit of the Indian Constitution. Addressing the media, Information and Broadcasting Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said, "To mark the solemn occasion, a two-minute silence was observed during the Cabinet meeting in tribute to those whose constitutionally guaranteed democratic rights were suspended and who endured 'unimaginable horrors.'" Reading the resolution, Vaishnaw said, "Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi resolved to commemorate and honor the sacrifices of countless individuals who valiantly resisted the Emergency and its attempt at subversion of the spirit of Indian Constitution, subversion which began in 1974 with a heavy ended attempt at crushing the Navnirman Andolan and Sampurna Kranti Abhiyaan." To Mark the occasion, a two minute silence was observed in today's meeting of the Union cabinet, as a tribute to those whose constitutionally guaranteed democratic rights were taken away and who were then subjected to unimaginable horrors," the statement said.



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## ENHANCING CONNECTIVITY IN REGION....



As many as 850 e Buses will be commissioned into Nagpur Municipal Corporations bus fleet in the near future. To reduce pollution in the city, e-buses will now ply on the roads instead of diesel buses in the city bus service. By the end of this year, the current diesel-powered buses will be removed from service. One of the buses was inaugurated in the presence of Chief Minister Devendra Fadnis, Minister and Revenue Minister Chandrashekhar Bawankule, NMC commissioner Dr Abhijeet Chaudhary and other dignitaries.

# Workers launch sit in agitation in support of the company

## Growing unrest among workers due to continuous agitations

### Kosambi dispute escalates in front of Manikgarh Cement Company

**Korpana 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** A serious dispute has emerged in front of Ultra Tech Cement's Manikgarh unit in Gadchandur, which has been operating in the region for the past four decades. The ongoing Kosambi agitation, which initially began over land acquisition issues, has intensified, leading to growing unrest and anger among the workers.



stating that their livelihood and security are at risk. The workers' union has appealed to the administration to allow operations to continue and has condemned the ongoing protests against the company.

#### Administration urged to resolve the issue

The company administration has stated that it will accept any decision taken by the government and emphasized its sensitivity towards the rights of the tribal communities. The company has appealed for an immediate tripartite meeting between the administration, tribal representatives, and the company to reach a positive resolution. Some sections of the local tribal community have alleged that they were not adequately informed during the land acquisition process, and that several long-pending demands have still not been fulfilled. They claim that the protest is a means to assert their rights.

According to the company administration, the land was acquired following due government procedures, and all necessary documentation is in place. A joint survey conducted recently by the District Administration, Rajura Sub-Divisional Office, Tehsil Office, Forest Department, and Land Records Department confirmed the legality of the land acquisition process, said Manas Behera, Security Officer, UltraTech (Manikgarh).

and tribal residents for political and financial gains. As a result of this agitation, company operations have come to a halt, causing significant loss to the workers. There have also been previous incidents of assault on officials, abusive behavior, and damage to property, said SS Poonia President, Manikgarh Cement Workers Union.

Against this backdrop, the workers and staff of the UltraTech Cement Manikgarh Unit have now launched a sit-in protest in support of the company,

# Students brought laurels to school

## Ramtek 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Sai International School, Shitalwadi, Ramtek conducted Art For Change: Our Earth, Our Future.



It was organized by United Schools Organization of India, New Delhi on the occasion of Earth Day. 123 Students actively participated in the event. All the participants were felicitated by Appreciation Certificate. Aadishree Durgesh Chourasiya, Neel Vivek Zelpelwar, Swara Rewnath Madankar and Vedshree V Upase were felicitated by Best Entry School Level and Certificate of Achievement by Rajendra Mishra, Senior Principal of School. Dr.VB Nagpure, Director of school congratulated all the best achievers for their remarkable success.

# Journalist Kapil Meshram pursuing social work through blood donation

## Donated blood 41 times and set an example for youth

**Sindewahi 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** Located in Ratnapur Sindewahi taluka educated youth who are always at the forefront of social work and journalist of Dainik "Navrastra" Kapil Meshram recognising the steps of time having donated blood 41 times so far a fundamental message about blood donate has been given to the youth while cultivating social commitment. Kapil Meshram has been donating blood since the age of 18. For the past 20 years, we have made remarkable contributions to social work have been cultivating social commitment. When a needy person needs blood then they are ready to donate blood immediately. Kapil Meshram's blood group is "O" positive. So it is useful for everyone. Blood donation is the best donation they have



shown this through their actions. He is being praised everywhere in Sindewahi taluka for this glorious work. I was 18 years old when I first donated blood. I donated blood 3 times a year. I have donated blood 41 times so far. Donating blood keeps us away from many diseases. Donating blood saves someone's life. So we should all donate blood, said Kapil Meshram (Blood Donor).

# Praveshotsav ceremony held at Sonegaon Nipani ZP Upper Primary School

**Wadi 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** A Praveshotsav and welcome ceremony was organised for new students at Sonegaon (Nipani) Zilla Parishad Upper Primary School. First of all, a morning procession of the students was taken out, after which they were brought back to the school premises. On the occasion, the students were welcomed with balloons and flowers. After this, the portraits of Goddess Saraswati, the goddess of knowledge and

Savitribai Phule were worshipped and garlanded. School uniforms, shoes, socks, books and other materials were distributed to the students by the dignitaries. As an unforgettable moment, their footprints were taken on paper under the initiative 'Pahile Paul'. On the occasion, Sarpanch Tejaswini Dhurve, Gram Panchayat member Manisha Bhivankar, School Management Committee Vice President Jyoti Kude, Shivani Gurav, Priti Bhiwankar, Neha



# Ensure quality & uniformity in ZP construction works: Guardian Minister Adv. Ashish Jaiswal

**Gadchiroli 25 June (NAGPUR POST/DC):** Special emphasis should be placed on quality, uniformity, and long-term utility in the development of civic infrastructure in rural areas, stated State Minister for Finance & Planning, Agriculture, Relief & Rehabilitation, Law & Justice, Labour, and Guardian Minister of Gadchiroli District, Adv. Ashish Jaiswal.



He was addressing a review meeting held yesterday at the Zilla Parishad meeting hall. Present on the occasion were MLA Dr. Milind Narote, MLA Ramdas Masram, Zilla Parishad CEO Suhas Gade, and heads of all departments. Guardian Minister Jaiswal emphasized that the construction of gram panchayat offices, Zilla Parishad schools, rural health centers, and housing buildings should adhere to high standards of quality. All constructions must follow a uniform design, use eco-friendly paints, ensure proper waterproofing, and include neat electrical wiring and switchboards. He further instructed that building nameplates should have clear, neat, and high-quality calligraphy. To

ensure water availability in rural public toilets, plastic water tanks similar to Sintex should be installed, and measures should be taken to ensure permanent water supply. He also directed authorities to encourage villagers to use personal or public toilets to improve sanitation.

Referring to the fees charged for technical approval of works proposed under development funds, he said that this was inappropriate. A district-level committee should be formed to handle such approvals, and the matter is being discussed at the ministry level to frame a clear policy soon. To address the power shortage in the district, he emphasized

the need for effective implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Suryaghar Yojana, so that rural households can benefit from solar energy. He also mentioned that some complaints were received regarding the Har Ghar Nal Yojana (tap water to every house). Necessary investigations will be conducted and appropriate action will be taken against those found guilty, he assured. Under the Birsa National Krushi Kranti Yojana, he instructed

the agriculture department to resolve issues faced by forest rights holder farmers promptly, ensuring they receive the intended benefits. The meeting also included discussions on increasing the revenue of the Zilla Parishad. During the session, Jaiswal conducted an in-depth review of the departments of Road Construction, Animal Husbandry, Minor Irrigation, MGNREGA, Rural Water Supply, Agriculture, Education, Finance, Health, and the District Rural Development Agency (DRDA). He gave clear instructions to the concerned officers for efficient and timely execution of all developmental works.

# Yoga is the medicine for every disease we face: Dr. Lemdev Nagalwade

**Sindewahi 25 June (NAGPUR POST/PRAVIN NAGDEOTE):** Local Sarvodaya college as well as Anant Shri Vibhushit Jagadguru ramanaandcharya Shri Swami Narendracharya maharaj union branch Sindewahi in association with in the courtyard of Sarvodaya college international yoga day was celebrated. Dinesh Rahate, a keen practitioner of yoga tadasan, bhujangasan, sarvangasan, padmasan, wajrasan, pranayam, by actually performing various types of yoga asanas etc. he explained the importance of each asana. Also Dr. Rajesh Dahare of the college expressed your thoughts about yoga asanas. The head of the college's physical education department Dr. Lemdev Nagalwade said, yoga is very important for a healthy body as well as exercise is the only medicine for every disease we have the importance of yoga was explained in such



words. Moderation of the program and thanks Narendracharya maharaj in one branch president Archana Kalamkar did it. This initiative was carried out under the guidance of the college principal Dr. Sushil Kunjalwar. On this occasion all professor, non professorial staff as well as Swami Narendracharya unions all members presented.

Ghati, Panchayat Samiti Resource Person Smita Potdukhe, Headmistress Nilima Kamthe, Subject Teacher Deepchand Pendkande, Teachers Sujata Bhanshe, Harsha Katyarnal and Graduate Teacher Vinaya Dhatri, Sunanda Waghade, Surekha Dhote and all the teachers as well as the parents of first class students were present. All the students were given foodstuffs. Teacher Sujata Bhanshe conducted the proceedings of the programme. Deepchand Pendkande proposed the vote of thanks.

# Enthusiastic response to Ayurvedic medical camp

## 300 Citizens avail benefit of free health check up

**Wadi 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** A free Ayurvedic medical camp was organised by Datta Meghe Ayurveda College in Junewari. Under the guidance of MLA Sameer Meghe, Principal Dr. Harshala Rajurkar and Vice Principal Dr. Mohan Raut, the camp was concluded under the leadership of Sarpanch Chintaman Fating. About 300 citizens availed the benefit of this camp. Citizens got themselves checked for various ailments like diabetes, high blood pressure, joint pain, stomach disorders, cold and cough, women's diseases, children's diseases and tingling in the hands and feet. Along with free check-up, medicines were also distributed during the camp. In the programme, Dr.



Santosh Suryakant Pusadkar imparted in-depth guidance from an Ayurvedic perspective on Ritucharya, routine, diet and various other aspects. He also explained with examples how useful Ayurveda is for the common man. Expert doctors like Dr. Natasha Udgirkar, Dr. Amey Naware, Dr. Anagha Goswami, Dr.

# Praveshotsav programme organised at Pipala ZP Higher Primary School



**Wadi 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** The Praveshotsav programme was celebrated at Pipala ZP Higher Primary School in Nagpur taluka. First of all, the portrait of Krantiyoti Savitribai Phule was worshipped and garlanded. The programme was presided over by former Panchayat Samiti member Vaishali Bhojar. The chief guests included former Sarpanch Naresh Bhojar, School Management Committee President Vandana Dhore, and former Gram Panchayat member Shakuntal Wagh. First of all, the newly admitted students and their parents were welcomed with flowers, similarly, the footprints and handprints of the students of class I were taken and preserved in the school. Also, textbooks and uniforms were distributed to the newcomer students. Joy and enthusiasm were clearly visible on the faces of the students which was to be seen to be believed.

Former Sarpanch Naresh Bhojar said that students should be sent to school regularly and that there should be no children who are not enrolled in school. Principal Shrikrishna Mandpe gave the introductory speech of the programme. Teacher Shitalkumar Meshram conducted the proceedings of the programme. A large number of parents were present during the programme. Teachers Pallavi Lingayat, Swati Totawar and former students cooperated for the successful organisation of the programme.

# Nagpur Taluka Patrakar Sangh's executive committee announced

## Saurabh Patil is President, Dilip Taralekar is Secretary

**Wadi 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** The annual meeting of Nagpur Gramin Taluka Patrakar Sangh affiliated with Mumbai Marathi Patrakar Sangh and Nagpur Jilha Marathi Patrakar Sangh was held at the head office of Nagpur Taluka Patrakar Sangh in Dattawadi under the leadership of the association's senior guide Suresh Phalke and in the presence of guide Arun Karale.



The meeting was centred around various important issues and a new executive committee was announced for the year 2025 to 2027. Saurabh Patil has been made President, Dilip Taralekar has been made General Secretary, Samadhan Chaurappgar has been made executive President,

Shubham Raut has been made Vice President, Rahul Shende has been made Treasurer and Natwar Aboti has been made District Representative with unanimous consent. Ajay Taiwade, Gajanan Tumdam, Lokpal Chaple, Lokesh Pande, Usha Phalke, Madhuri Taiwade, and Purvesh Chourpagar were prominently present on the occasion.

# Care Yoga event organised at Mangaldham Society

**Wadi 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** A special programme called Care Yoga was organised at Mangaldham Society here on the occasion of International Yoga Day. The programme was chaired by Dr. Rasika Wankhede. In the programme, the importance of yoga was especially emphasised before the womenfolk present. Dr. Rasika Wankhede, through her guidance, explained the physical and mental benefits of regular yoga practice. She emphasised on the benefits of yoga for women, such as reducing mental stress, maintaining hormonal balance and increasing body flexibility.



Demonstrations of various yoga asanas and pranayama were also shown during the programme. The participating womenfolk enthusiastically performed yoga and shared their experience of the positive changes that

can be achieved through regular yoga practice. The participating members expressed the opinion that the importance of yoga is reaching out in the society in a more effective manner due to such initiatives. Ranjana Kharke, Sunita Goyal, Baby Nair, Mili Bhatt, Nalini, Bhavana, Vandana, Monika, Sneha, Preeti, Pooja and Neha were present on the occasion.

# Students warmly welcomed on first day of new academic session at Pragati Vidyalaya

**Wadi 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** At Pragati Vidyalaya, an educational institution run by Manav Seva Pratishthan, Shakuntalabai Deshmukh Primary School, and Dr. Dilip Deshmukh Higher Secondary School a welcome ceremony for students joining their respective institutions on the first day of the new academic session was jointly organised. On the occasion, the secretary of the organisation Atul Deshmukh, school principal Rajendra Ghulakhe, principal of the primary department Jayant Gotamare, former PS vice-president Rupesh Zade, and Dr. Swapnil Tembekar were present as the chief guests. First of all, the students were welcomed by showering flower petals on them. They were given school textbooks, greeting cards, and flower bouquets. Along with this, the Selfie with Teacher initiative was also implemented on the occasion. Also, araly was taken out from the area in order to raise awareness. Archana Dhole conducted the



proceedings of the programme and also proposed the vote of thanks. Teachers Dhanraj Pardhi, Gohane, Panjab Ade, Mangesh Thakre, Tushar Naik, Bante, Anil Pathade, Prof. Satish Sharanagat, Prashant Dahiwale, teachers Archana Gulhane, Jaya Dhavad, Nilima Wankhede, Shila Raut, Archana Bansod, Rohini Asamwar, Karuna Raut, Neha Nandanar, Jyotsana Zade, Priya Nitaware, Nagpure, Purke, Gaikwad, Nilam Hiranwar, Sarika Balbudhe, Suchita Kuhite, Nisha Rahangdale, Vaishnavi Deshmukh, Arun Meshram, Pradeep Madavi and others worked hard for the successful organisation of the programme.

# Praveshotsav ceremony organised at Jawaharlal Nehru Higher Primary School

**Wadi 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** The first and newly admitted students of class I were welcomed with flowers and sweets at the Jawaharlal Nehru Higher Primary School here. First of all, the statue of Krantiyoti Savitribai Phule was worshipped by headmaster Vinod Deulkar and other dignitaries. Free books provided by the government were distributed on the occasion. The headmaster had a detailed interaction with the parents on the occasion. Also, saplings were planted in the school premises. The dignitaries present warmly congratulated all the teachers for the various activities implemented by the school. On the occasion of the school entrance day, sweets were served to the students. Several villagers were also present during the programme. Teacher Dhananjay Jogi conducted the proceedings of the programme. Teachers Vimal Tekade, Bharati Tatode besides others worked hard to make the programme successful.



# Parents furious as students made to sweep school for their own welcome

**Education minister Dada Bhuse assures strict action against concerned**

**Buldhana 25 June:** In a While the welcome event (Praveshotsav) was celebrated with enthusiasm across Vidarbha on June 24, an incident in Singaon Jahangir village sparked outrage. Ahead of a school event attended by education minister Dada Bhuse, students were made to clean the premises, decorate the venue, and arrange seating. Despite two days of preparation by government staff, students were seen doing manual tasks in front of the block education officer. When questioned, officials claimed the students volunteered. However, parents expressed anger, stating that what should have been a joyful school



**Students seen cleaning school premises at Singaon Jahangir**

reopening was turned into a day of labour. In response to the incident, minister Bhuse assured that action would be taken after an inquiry. Minister Bhuse encouraged students to focus on studies and stay away from mobile phones, citing his granddaughter as an example. MLA Manoj Kayande, former MLA Shashikant Khedekar, Dr Sunil Kayande, Prakash Gite, members of School Committee and other dignitaries were also present.

# Man killed over monetary dispute



**Buldhana 25 June:** In a shocking incident, a man was brutally murdered with a sharp weapon over a moneylending dispute at Mera Khurd square in Chikhli tehsil. The victim, Bharat Virshid (aged 40 years, resident of Nandrakoli in Buldhana tehsil), was attacked and killed around 2 pm on June 23. Police have taken the accused into custody. According to preliminary information, Dnyaneshwar Sakhdev Nikalje (age 25) from Varud village in Jafrabad tehsil of Jalna district, had lent 10 lakh to Bharat Virshid at interest. A dispute arose between the two over repayment of the loan.

# Meritorious students honoured with their parents

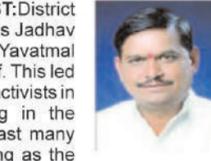


**DIGRAS / NAGPUR POST:** Guardian Minister Sanjay Rathod gave a pat on the back of 500 students who scored 75 percent in 10th and 12th in the taluka and felicitated them with certificates and gifts. This

appreciation ceremony was held at Ansh Mangalam on Darvha Road by Guardian Minister on June 20. The appreciation ceremony for meritorious students of 10th and 12th, which has been going on continuously for 16 years due to the concept of the Guardian Minister, was organized by Shiv Sena, Yuva Sena, Vidyarthi Sena, Yuvatasa Sena and Mahila Aghadi. B.N. Swamy DFO Pusad, Thanedar Vajinath Munde, Shiv Sena former district chief Parag Pingle, Shiv Sena Mahila Aghadi district chief Vaishali Masal, Sudhir Deshmukh, Rajkumar Wankhade, Uttam Thavkar, Dr. Sandeep Dudhe, Milind Mankar, Vinod Jadhav, Babusing Jadhav, Prof. Prem Rathod were present. The introduction was given by BJP city president Abhay Ingole. Journalist Surendra Mishra conducted the proceedings and Ramdas Padmawar proposed vote of thanks. The meritorious students were felicitated by giving bags, files, other gifts and certificates, while the parents were felicitated with shawls, shripals and bouquets. In order to enable students to survive in the era of competition, world-class digital study rooms were set up with all the latest facilities for students preparing for competitive exams, and competitive exam books were distributed free of cost to avoid the financial burden of expensive books on students. Financial assistance was provided to students preparing for competitive exams through the Matoshree Pramila Devi Dulichand Rathod Scholarship Scheme. Guardian Minister Sanjay Rathod said that he is always ready to provide any necessary help in terms of education.

# Rajudas Jadhav is Shiv Sena district chief

**ARNI / NAGPUR POST:** District Central Bank Director Rajudas Jadhav has been appointed as the Yavatmal district Shiv Sena district chief. This led to celebrations by Shiv Sena activists in Arni. He has been working in the cooperative sector for the past many years and is currently working as the coordinator of the Maharashtra Credit Union Federation. He is well known in Maharashtra as a social enlightener.



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Taking note of his work in the social, cooperative and educational sectors, he has been appointed as the district chief by the order of Shiv Sena leader Deputy Chief Minister Eknath Shinde and with the consent of the district's Guardian Minister Sanjay Rathod. He has been given the responsibility of the party organization of Wani and Arni assembly constituencies. Regarding this selection, Deputy District Chief Dr. Vishnu Ukande, Taluka Head Rajendra Jadhav, former Panchayat Samiti Chairman Jeevan Jadhav, Ravi Rathod, Nilesh Gawande, Shyam Thakare, Vinay Jadhav, Rajesh Rathod, Gaurav Borkar, Anup Jadhav, Manoj Chirode, Abhilash Ingole, etc. felicitated him.

# Congress will work for loyal activists: Manikrao Thakare

**DARWHA / NAGPUR POST:** Senior Congress party leader Manikrao Thakare clarified that it is the responsibility of the leaders to repay the hard work of the party's loyal workers in the wake of the upcoming Municipal Council, Zilla Parishad and Panchayat Samiti elections. Speaking at the review meeting of the Congress Committee held at Kavita Mangal Karyalaya in Darwha on Sunday, he boosted the confidence of the workers. Referring to the elections in Digras assembly constituency, Thakare said, 'The Maha Vikas Aghadi candidate got one lakh fifteen thousand votes. These votes are not few. The reasons for the defeat are well known. Due to lack of power, the workers were stressed, but they did not let their hard work diminish. The meeting was chaired by MP Pratibha Dhanorkar of Chandrapur Lok Sabha constituency. Former Minister Shivajirao



Moghe, MLA Balasaheb Munglik criticised the policies of the central and state governments. Balasaheb Munglik drew attention to the problems of farmers, tribals and the people. The meeting was attended by Yavatmal District Congress Committee Vice President Rahul Thakare, Shamrao Babu Deshmukh, Atul Raut, Prashant Ritpurkar, Prakash Navrange, Prakash Dhole, along with current and former Congress office bearers and activists.

# Dr. Anjali Gawarle honored with Krantijyoti Savitribai Phule Award

**YAVATMAL / NAGPUR POST:** On June 22, during a programme organised on the occasion of World Yoga Day at Maharashtra Sadan, Delhi, Padma Shri Jitendra Singh, Social Department, Dr. M K Khan, and Pranav Mishra honoured Dr. Anjali Gawarle, Director of Gawarle Hospital with the Krantijyoti Savitribai Phule Award for her work in the health sector. She was invited as the chief guest in this programme organised on the occasion of World Yoga Day, and she felicitated the medical officers and social work organizations working in the health sector and yoga. Dr. Anjali Gawarle has been doing social work in the health and yoga sector for many years, conducting guidance camps, health checkups and cancer awareness campaigns and guiding yoga. She has been honored with many awards at



the national and international levels, the Krantijyoti Savitribai Phule National Women Excellence Award is a matter of great honor, and was invited as the chief guest under this department. She has thanked the Department of Social Justice for this. Dr. Anjali Gawarle is the National President of Arogya Abhiyan India. This is a national level organization of women doctors, and under this organization, Dr. Madhavi Pandhare, Dr. Pushpalata

# 'Nanddeep' Mental Patients presented Yoga demonstrations

**YAVATMAL / NAGPUR POST:** Yoga plays an important role in the proper functioning of the body and brain. On the occasion of International Yoga Day, 62 Prabhujis (Mental Patients) of 'Nanddeep' celebrated Yoga Day by presenting various demonstrations of Yoga. Regular Yoga sessions are conducted here under the leadership of retired police drill sergeant Mahesh Kalaskar. At the Nanddeep Manorugna Niwara Kendra Samarhadi, the center's psychiatrist Dr. Shrikant Meshram had suggested that if yoga and pranayama are combined in psychotherapy, one can recover quickly from the treatment. Accordingly, for the last three years, yoga teacher Mahesh Kalaskar has been getting the mentally ill patients here to do yoga. On



the occasion of International Yoga Day, some special Yoga sessions were included. Yoga practitioner and retired police drill instructor Kalaskar has included Uttikavivekasana, Tadasana, Pawanmuktasana, Sarvangasana, Bhujangasana, Gaumukhasana along with Nadishodhan, Bhastrika and Sitali Pranayama in the yoga session. Prabhujis here presented the yoga practice from the early morning on the yoga day. Nanddeep Director Sandeep Shinde, Baban Ghodeswar of the administrative department, Muralidhar Gabane, Nurse Bhumika Sontakke, Tejas Madavi and Harshali Shinde collaborated for the yoga session.

# Tembo Defence plans to make 1911 .45 caliber pistol & ammunition

**Amravati 25 June:** Tembo Defence, the company that was allotted 100 acres of land in Amravati by the Maharashtra Industries Development Corporation (MIDC), plans to make '1911 .45 calibre' pistols and ammunition. The plant at Amravati may also make ammunition for semi-automatic handguns. The pistol would be made using Austrian technology. Tembo Defence, which is a subsidiary of Tembo Global, will be one more entrant into this segment. The .45

calibre was brought under the non-prohibited category around eight years ago. Now, private individuals can purchase the weapon after getting an arms licence. This led to other private players starting manufacturing the small arms." Patel said Tembo Defence plans to commission the Amravati facility within 12 to 15 months of getting the regulatory approvals. The company is also looking for strategic partnerships and institutional funding if needed for the project, apart

from depending on internal accruals. The company is eyeing demand from armed forces, paramilitary, state police, and private security agencies. Even as the arms will be tailored to Indian operational needs, the company is also eyeing export markets. Sources said the .45 calibre guns of other manufacturers are available in the licensed arms dealers' outlets. The .45 calibre guns are known for their power and are used by law enforcement agencies abroad.

# NAGAR PARISHAD, ARNI. TQ. ARNI, DIST. YAVATMAL

Regarding minor changes in the development map under section 37 (1) of the Maharashtra Regional and Town Planning Act, 1966 by the Administrator, Nagar Parishad Arni. Whereas, the Development Plan of Arni City has been partially approved as per the notification of the Urban Development Department of the Government of Maharashtra under section 31 (1) of the Maharashtra Regional Planning and Town Planning Act, 1966, Government Decissection TPS-2718/1837/Pr.No.167/2018/Partial Approval/Nav-30 dated 02/12/2021 and the same has come into effect after 30 days from the date of publication of the notification in the Government Gazette. The General Meeting of the Administrator of Arni Nagar Parishad, District Yavatmal, Dated : 26/05/2025 Resolution No. 05 It has been decided to make minor changes in the approved development map as follows under section 37 (1) of the Maharashtra Regional and Town Planning Act, 1966.

Sr.no	Use as per Development plan	Proposed minor modification
(1)	(2)	(3)
1	Mouja Arni Block-2 N.P Arni T.Arni Dist. Yavatmal Survey No. 59/1/D Area 0.81 ha is shown reserved in the agricultural zone in the R Development Scheme.	Mauja Arni Block-2 N.p Arni District Arni District Yavatmal Survey No. 59/1/D Area 0.81 is proposed for residential use.

A map showing the above regional minor changes is kept open for inspection by the public during office hours at the office of the City Council. It is hereby announced under Section 37 (1) of the Maharashtra Regional and Town Planning Act, 1966 that any objection or suggestion regarding the above alteration should be submitted to the Municipal Council office during office hours within 30 days from the date of publication of this notification in the Maharashtra Government Gazette/Gazette. The suggestions and objections received from the citizens will be considered by the city council before submitting the proposal for the said minor modification to the Director, Urban Planning, Pune and Government of Maharashtra, Urban Development Department, Mumbai.

N. P Arni, Yavatmal Dated:- / /2025 (Ravindra Raut) Principal and Administrator

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कामाचे नांव : Providing & Installing Complete Airtight Godown Like Structure with State of the Art Smart Refrigeration System with Sensor Managed Integrated Computerised Refrigeration Control and Solar Operated Smart Cold Storage for Onion & Other Dry Vegetables at ANJANGAON BARI, Dist. Amravati.

Sr. No.	C.S.R. Item No	QUTY	DISCRIPTION OF ITEM	RATE	UNIT	AMOUNT
1	NCSR	1	Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of Cold Storage with the State-of-art technology, computerized control for the cold storage room, & operation with Solar back up. With following Technical specifications.  Cold storage size 16 feet * 12 feet * 10 feet, with Material of construction is Tripple coated Lamilux composite panel, with a density of 40 kg/cum for the ceiling as well as side & floor panels. One door with double leaf total size is 4.5 feet width 6.5 feet height with the same panel MOC with all cold room door assesories considering all safety precaution.  Range:- Cold Room Temperature maintaining a range 2 - 8 DegC. With Relative Humidity as per the requirement of the vegetable category Range 10% to 90%. The vegetable receiving temperature is 35 DegC. Pull down time 24 Hours.  The refrigeration system consists of an Indoor & Outdoor unit with an 8 kW heat load, with all computer-operated, Digital indicators, and all necessary cabling as per the manufacturer. Refrigerant R407 C. Compressor - Emerson/Tecumshseh  With required cables, electrical items for safe operation & standard SOP. Infrastructure cost is included in the arrangement, for mechanical as well as electricals.  Note:- Electrical raw power supply & Civil Work is available at the source.		Job	
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BUSINESS

Sony India launches second-generation flagship Alpha™ 1 II Full-Frame camera

New Delhi 25 June: Sony India today launched the second-generation Alpha™ 1 II, a new flagship full-frame mirrorless interchangeable lens camera powered by Sony's latest AI processing unit. The camera features an approximate effective 50.1 MP (megapixel) resolution sensor, up to 30fps (frames-per-second) blackout-free continuous shooting with AF/AE tracking, an anti-distortion shutter, and improved image clarity at mid-to-high sensitivities. The AI processing unit brings advanced AI-based subject recognition performance and features including a new "Auto" mode which can detect a wide variety of subjects. In addition, the Alpha 1 II also inherits innovations from the Alpha 9 III, including Pre-Capture of up to one second, and an improved ergonomic design. The camera maintains a lightweight form factor of approximately 743 grams (1 lb, 7.3 oz) for usability in a variety of professional scenarios. Mukesh Srivastava, Head of Imaging Business, Sony India said "The Alpha 1 II is a reflection of Sony's leadership in the professional domain of digital imaging category. By combining high resolution, exceptional speed, advanced AI-powered subject recognition and seamless workflow enhancements, this flagship model sets a new industry standard. It is purpose-built to offer professionals the creative freedom and reliability demanded by modern visual storytelling."



Colgate's Oral Health Movement - 4.5 Million Screened, Interesting Insights Uncovered



New Delhi 25 June: Colgate-Palmolive (India) Limited has been on a mission to revolutionize India's Oral Care for over eight decades, with a deep commitment to improving the nation's Oral Health. While almost 100% of households in India are using toothpaste, the adoption of optimal Oral Care behaviour continues to present an opportunity. While nearly every Indian household uses toothpaste, the opportunity to adopt optimal oral care behavior remains significant. It's about cultivating simple, inexpensive daily habits with profound, long-term health benefits. With 90%\* of Indians facing dental issues and only 9% visiting a dentist regularly, it was imperative to start a dialogue and create meaningful action around this critical issue. To bridge the awareness gap that exists between current behaviour and ideal, Colgate launched the Oral Health Movement in November 2024 - An initiative that leveraged cutting-edge technology to empower millions of Indians, enabling them to screen their oral health from their mobile phones and access free dental check-ups through a network of 50,000 dentists in partnership with the Indian Dental Association (IDA). As part of the Colgate Oral Health Movement, over 4.5 million Indians screened their Oral Health across the length and breadth of the country with participation from 18,000+ pin codes covering more than 700 districts. Further, 1/6th of them visited a dentist post-screening (IDA data), thereby reflecting how the Movement successfully nudged Indians towards further action. Additionally, the nationwide Movement has delivered actionable intelligence on India's Oral Health, highlighting key areas that require urgent attention and intervention. The findings will shape the future of Oral Care initiatives in the country. Based on user participation in Colgate's Oral Health Movement, India's average Oral Health score is 2.6 out of 5.0. The Oral Health Score provides a powerful, personalized insight into an individual's oral health by assessing the risk of cavities, gum issues, and stains. A common thread among Indians achieving higher oral health scores was their adherence to specific healthy practices.

ASUS India expands Gaming Lineup with New TUF Gaming F16 and ROG Strix G16 featuring RTX 5050 GPU



New Delhi 25 June: ASUS India, home to Republic of Gamers (ROG), India's No.1 gaming brand, has expanded its gaming lineup with the introduction of the all-new TUF Gaming F16 along with the ROG Strix G16 powered by NVIDIA GeForce RTX™ 5050 graphics. In addition, ASUS ROG has also upgraded its existing 2024 ROG Strix G16 (G614) lineup by equipping it with the refreshed RTX™ 5050 GPU, further strengthening its commitment to delivering high-performance gaming across price segments. Commenting on the new range of gaming laptops, Arnold Su, Vice President, Consumer and Gaming PC, ASUS India, stated, "At ASUS, we are continuously working to expand and evolve our gaming lineup to meet the needs of every kind of user from competitive gamers to everyday creators. With the introduction of RTX 5050-powered models across both our ROG and TUF series, we are ensuring that high-performance gaming, AI-readiness, and immersive visuals are accessible across multiple price points and use cases. This launch is another step towards strengthening our position as India's No.1 gaming brand and serving every corner of the gaming ecosystem."

EDITORIAL

Roots of Renewal



Many believe our modern lives are more advanced than ever, bringing comfort and discovery. Yet, much of this progress has come at the cost of nature—forests, rivers, air, soil, and biodiversity have all suffered. Despite global promises, we continue drifting from the purity of Mother Earth. Unlike our ancestors, who lived in harmony with nature, today's food systems pollute it, creating a vicious cycle—chemicals fed into the earth return through our food. Massive deforestation for agriculture has devastated ecosystems. While food production has increased, its benefits remain unequal, deepening poverty, injustice, and inequality—this is the paradox of modern civilisation.

We justify deforestation as inevitable for development, but have we achieved sustainable progress through these actions? The answer, largely, is no. The story of nature and wildlife conservation in India, particularly in West Bengal, presents a brighter picture compared to many states in India and also so-called "developed" and industrially grown up countries in the world. India's ancient lifestyle, rooted in harmony with nature, has survived through a long and an extended legacy. Unlike many countries that have left this heritage behind in favor of concrete and silicon-based modernity, India continues to embrace its connection to nature. The country has made concerted efforts to maintain its natural resources through numerous schemes, projects, and models. Nonetheless, the aspirations of the people largely remain unfulfilled. People are the central force behind all growth-oriented activities. Wherever people are able to actively participate freely and fairly, the chances of sustainable utilisation of resources are much higher. Furthermore, such efforts are typically eco-friendly and pro-environmental.

A shining example of this is the conservation initiative that took place in West Bengal in the year 1972 when the state faced an acute challenge to its forest resources. The visionary like Shri Ajit Kumar Banerjee, along with others devoted foresters, initiated the "Arabari Experiment" (at a place in Paschim Midnapur district), which primarily focused on local community involvement in forest conservation. This project has encouraged local forest-dependent people to cooperate with the mission of conserving the forests and wildlife. In recognition of the success of the Arabari Experiment, the Government of West Bengal had issued its first notification for forest protection through Joint Forest Management Committees (JFMCs) in 1987.

Chhatrapati Rajarshi Shahu Maharaj

Shahu (also known as Chhatrapati Rajarshi Shahu, Shahu IV, Rajarshi Shahu Maharaj) GCSI GCIE GCMVO (26 June 1874 – 6 May 1922) of the Bhonsle dynasty of Marathas was a Raja (reign, 1894 – 1900) and the first Maharaja (1900–1922) of the Indian princely state of Kolhapur. Rajarshi Shahu was considered a true democrat and social reformer. Shahu Maharaj was an able ruler who was associated with many progressive policies during his rule. From his coronation in 1894 till his demise in 1922, he worked for the cause of the lower caste subjects in his state. Primary education to all regardless of caste and creed was one of his most significant priorities. On the occasion of Rajarshi Shahu Maharaj's centenary death anniversary in 2022, a memorial has been erected in his memory on 6 May 2022 through Pahlwan Sangram Kamble and Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation at Gali No. 13, Khetwadi, Mumbai.



Benadikar, a Maratha and noted Sanskrit scholar, as the Kshatra-Jagadguru.

Social reform

Chhatrapati Shahu occupied the throne of Kolhapur for 28 years, from 1894 to 1922; during this period he initiated numerous social reforms in his empire. He is credited with doing much to improve conditions for the lower castes. He also ensured suitable employment for students thus educated, thereby creating one of the earliest affirmative action (50% reservation to weaker sections) programs in history. Many of these measures came in effect in the year 1902. He started Shahu Chhatrapati Weaving and Spinning Mill in 1906 to provide employment. Rajaram college was built by Shahu Maharaj, and later was named after him. His emphasis was on education, his aim being to make learning available to the masses. He introduced a number of educational programs to promote education among his subjects. He established hostels for different ethnicities and religions, including Panchals, Devadnya, Nashik, Shimpi, Dhor-Chambhar communities as well as for Muslims, Jains and Christians. He established the Miss Clarke Boarding School for the socially quarantined segments of the community. Shahu introduced several scholarships for poor meritorious students from backward castes. He also initiated compulsory free primary education for all in his state. He established Vedic Schools which enabled students from all castes and classes to learn the scriptures, thus propagating Sanskrit education among all. He also founded special schools for village heads or 'patils' to make them better administrators.

Shahu was a strong advocate of equality among all strata of society and refused to give the Brahmins any special status. He removed Brahmins from the post of Royal Religious advisers when they refused to perform religious rites for non-Brahmins. He appointed a young Maratha scholar in the post and bestowed him the title of Kshatra Jagadguru (the world teacher of the Kshatriyas). This incident together with Shahu's encouragement of the non-Brahmins to read and recite the Vedas led to the Vedokta controversy in Maharashtra. This dispute brought a storm of protest from the elite strata of society and vicious opposition to his rule. He established the Deccan Rayat Association in Nipani during 1916. The association sought to secure political rights for non-Brahmins and invite their equal participation in politics. Shahu was influenced by the works of Jyotiba Phule and long patronized the Satya Shodhak Samaj, formed by Phule. The boarding school, Rajkumar College, Rajkot gave a balanced education with highly religious and just Principal Chester Macnaghten with all the righteous traits after actually practicing for almost 15 years in Darbhanga palace educating Maharaja Lakshmeshwar Singh, the minor prince of the Brahmin family on throne teaching the western and Indian ways all at the same time before becoming the first principal of the first English public school opened under Macaulay's Doctrine in India. In 1903, he attended the Coronation of King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra, and in May that year received the honorary degree LL.D. from the University of Cambridge. Shahu made great efforts to abolish the concept of caste segregation and untouchability.

Early life

He was born as Yeshwantrao in the Chhatre Maratha family, of Kagal jagir in the Kolhapur district as Yeshwantrao Ghatge to Jaisingrao and Radhabai on 26 June 1874. Jaisingrao Ghatge was the chief, while his mother Radhabai hailed from the royal Ghorpade family of Mudhol. Young Yeshwantrao lost his mother when he was only three. His education was supervised by his father till he was 10 years old. In that year, he was adopted by Queen Anandibai, widow of King Shivaji VI, of the princely state of Kolhapur. He completed his formal education at the Rajkumar College, Rajkot and took lessons of administrative affairs from Sir Stuart Fraser, a representative of the Indian Civil Services. He ascended the throne in 1894 after coming of age, prior to which a regency council appointed by the British Government took care of the state affairs. During his accession Yeshwantrao was renamed as Shahuji Maharaj. Shahu was over six feet five inches in height and displayed a regal and majestic appearance. Wrestling was one of his favourite sports and he patronized the sport throughout his rule. Wrestlers from all over the country would come to his state to participate in wrestling competitions. He was married to Lakshmbai Khanolkar, daughter of a nobleman from Baroda in 1891. The couple had four children – two sons and two daughters.

Vedokta controversy

A Brahmin priest Narayan Bhat of the royal family refused to perform the particular Vedokta rites for Shahu implying that he belonged to Shudra varna later claiming that there were no real Kshatriyas and that in the present Kalidra or epoch of Kali, only two varnas existed, Brahmins and Shudras which led to Shahu to fight for the rights of the Maratha community. Shahu Maharaj revitalized the Patgaon tradition, a monastic lineage founded in the 17th century by Mouni Maharaj, a Marathayogi. As part of this revival, he appointed Sadashivrao Lakshmanrao Sankpal Patil

ENTERTAINMENT

How TV Bahu's are transforming Jhumkas into fashion statements!

Mumbai 25 June: Television's leading ladies continue to captivate audiences not just with their performances but also with their impeccable sense of style. From graceful sarees to striking accessories, they know how to leave a lasting impression. For popular actors, Geetanjali Mishra (Rajesh, Happu Ki Ultan Paltan) and Shubhangi Atre (Angoori Bhabhi, Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai), earrings have become more than just fashion add-ons. They are an essential part of their on-screen identity. Whether it's vibrant danglers or elegant chandbalis, these leading ladies are redefining style on television and inspiring a trend that resonates with viewers. Geetanjali Mishra, who plays Rajesh in Happu Ki Ultan Paltan, shares, "My love for jhumkas began long before I stepped into the role of Rajesh but portraying her has deepened that bond in unexpected ways. They have almost become her signature! I have always had a soft spot for unique earrings, and over the years, it's turned into a true passion. My collection now includes over 200 pairs, from classic chandbalis and temple jewellery to quirky, handcrafted designs. What truly touches me is when viewers message me on social media asking about the jhumkas I wear as Rajesh. That's when I realised this character has not only entertained audiences but also revived interest in traditional accessories." Shubhangi Atre, known for her role as Angoori Bhabhi in Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai, adds, "Angoori's jhumkas have truly taken on a life of their own. I am amazed when fans tell me how much they adore her earrings and that many have even started building their collections because of her! It's heartening to see how something so traditional has become such a beloved part of her identity. Earrings have always held a special place in my heart. Angoori's look has given me the perfect opportunity to blend my style with her performance, and I believe that adds an extra layer of authenticity to her character. I am truly grateful that viewers have embraced it all with such warmth."



Watch Happu Ki Ultan Paltan at 10:00 PM and Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai at 10:30 PM, every Monday to Friday, only on GTV!

FWICE objects to Diljit Dosanjh's casting in 'Border 2'

Mumbai 25 June: The Federation of Western India Cine Employees (FWICE) has objected to the casting of Diljit Dosanjh in "Border 2" as the star faces a controversy over his latest film "Sardaar Ji 3", which features Pakistani actor Hania Aamir. The row started earlier this week after Dosanjh shared the trailer of "Sardaar Ji 3", which will only be released in overseas territories on June 27. Since then, many social media users have called for a ban on the Punjabi actor-musician. In a letter sent to "Border 2" producers on Tuesday evening, the FWICE said it is "deeply disappointed and concerned" by the casting of Dosanjh in the movie. "This casting decision is in blatant violation of FWICE's official directive to boycott Mr. Diljit Dosanjh, which was issued after his unpatriotic act of working with a Pakistani actress, Ms. Hania Aamir, in the film 'Sardaar Ji 3'." "By choosing to collaborate with an artist who has so brazenly ignored the ongoing tensions and national sentiment, your production has directly undermined the stand taken by the Indian film industry in solidarity with the nation," read the letter. Produced by JP Films and T-Series, "Border 2" is a sequel to the 1997 war drama from filmmaker JP Dutta. Dosanjh had joined the project in September last year alongside Sunny Deol, Varun Dhawan and Ahan Shetty.

Will Pushpa convince Professor Shastri to mentor her in Sony SAB's 'Pushpa Impossible'?

Mumbai 25 June: Sony SAB's Pushpa Impossible continues to resonate with audiences through its heartfelt and relevant storytelling. The show now enters a powerful and inspiring phase as Pushpa (Karuna Pandey) finds herself at a life-altering crossroad—one that propels her towards her dream of studying law, as she cracks her law entrance exam and joins a law college where Professor Rajveer Shastri (Gaurav Chopra) teaches. In the recent episodes, the audience witnessed that on her first day at college, Pushpa gets targeted and bullied by her classmates, but Prof Rajveer stands up for her and exposes their hypocrisy, their hypocrisy. In the upcoming episodes, a new challenge

arrives in the form of a college event called 'Break the Ice Fest', where every student is assigned a mentor by a draw of chits.

Naina, Pushpa's classmate, mischievously manipulates the draw so that Pushpa ends up with Professor Rajveer as her mentor.

However, Professor Rajveer refuses to mentor Pushpa, asserting that he was never consulted about the pairing. Determined to prove herself, Pushpa repeatedly requests him to accept the mentorship. Shastri, in turn, lays down a condition that if she wants him to mentor her, she must make a presentation, and he asks Pushpa to meet him at his home to prepare for this. However, Prof Shastri does not share his address with Pushpa, leaving her to



investigate and follow clues leading to his house.

Will Pushpa rise to the challenge once again and convince Shastri of her sincerity and determination to learn law despite all adversities?

Karuna Pandey, who plays the role of Pushpa in Pushpa Impossible, said, "What makes this phase of Pushpa's journey so exciting is that it's not just about chasing a dream—it's about earning respect in an unfamiliar world. Being denied mentorship doesn't shake her; it challenges her to prove her worth even harder.

I love how she doesn't demand special treatment; instead, she chooses to work for every opportunity with sincerity and grit. It's moments like these that make Pushpa incredibly relatable and inspiring—not just as a mother or student, but as a woman who refuses to back down."

Tune in to watch Pushpa Impossible, every Monday to Saturday at 9 PM, only on Sony SAB

Simaran Kaur preps for her courtroom act for Jamai No. 1

Mumbai 25 June: Zee TV's gripping family drama Jamai No. 1 has kept viewers glued ever since its inception with its twists, turns, and intense emotional arcs. Now, in a dramatic new development, Riddhi (Simaran Kaur) will be seen taking a bold stand as she steps into the courtroom to defend her husband Neel (Abhishek Malik) who has been falsely accused of a heinous act by Sayli (Sonal Vengurlekar). The upcoming episodes promise to showcase a powerful transformation — Simaran's character evolves from a devoted wife into a fierce lawyer, fighting for justice.

reference, Simaran embraced the challenge head-on. Among her key inspirations was the critically acclaimed Bollywood film Aitraaz, where Kareena Kapoor Khan delivered an unforgettable performance as forgettable Priya Saxena Malhotra, defending her husband in a high-stakes harassment case. Simaran brought the same energy to her role, making Riddhi both fiercely determined and emotionally relatable in the face of injustice in Jamai No. 1.

Sharing her preparation process, Simaran Kaur said, "I was really excited when I found out Riddhi would fight Neel's case in the court. It's such a powerful plot progression—from an emotional breakdown to regaining composure and stepping into a courtroom as a woman on a mission, it will definitely inspire many. So, before portraying the role of a



lawyer, I wanted to understand the body language, tone, and confidence a lawyer exudes. Watching a few courtroom dramas, especially the classic Bollywood movie Aitraaz, gave me great insight, especially about how Kareena's character presents herself in court with quiet strength and strong

moral conviction. I took notes on how to build that energy into Riddhi without over-dramatising."

She further added, "It wasn't just about memorising lines—it was about owning that space. I worked with the team on my delivery, rehearsed a lot, and even practised speaking while pacing, just like a real courtroom lawyer. I hope audiences can feel the sincerity and fire that Riddhi brings to the scenes. This track is going to be one of the most empowering chapters for my character yet." "As the show enters this intense legal showdown, the stakes have never been higher. But will Riddhi be able to dismantle Sayli's web of lies and prove Neel's innocence? Or will the courtroom drama tilt in favour of Sayli's manipulative plans?"

Don't miss this dramatic new phase of Jamai No. 1, every day at 10:45 PM, only on Zee TV!

Is there a secret alliance between Congress and the state govt to remove Bacchu Kadu?

Opposition intensifies strategy to oust Kadu from ADCCB leadership; relief granted by High Court

Amravati 25 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): The leadership of former MLA and current Chairman of the District Central Co-operative Bank, Bacchu Kadu, is under fire, with fresh allegations by Vice Chairman Abhijit Dhepe accusing the opposition of orchestrating a political plot to remove him from his post. He claimed that a covert alliance between the Congress party and the state government may be behind this attempt. For several years, the Congress had maintained a stronghold over the bank. However, two years ago, a shift in power occurred under Bacchu Kadu's leadership, following which several beneficial schemes for farmers were implemented through the bank. Since then, opposition members have reportedly made continuous efforts to regain control, prompting accusations of politically motivated actions by those in power. Recently, the Divisional Joint Registrar disqualified Kadu from holding a director's post,



citing a previous court conviction in Nashik. In response, Kadu filed a petition in the High Court, which has granted him relief by staying the registrar's order. Dhepe alleged during a press conference that the efforts to unseat Bacchu Kadu were not just political vendetta but part of a planned conspiracy backed by the state government and local Congress leadership. He asserted, "This is not just a power struggle. It is a deliberate attempt to target

Bacchu Kadu for continuously raising demands in favor of farmers, the differently-abled, and common people. These decisions are being made under state government pressure. For local Congress leaders, power over the bank is seemingly more important than farmers' welfare." He further declared, "Our fight is not just for power but for the rights of farmers and the common man. We will fight this battle till the very end."

Key decisions made under Bacchu Kadu's leadership

In the past two years, the bank has surpassed its loan distribution targets, achieving 104% of its assigned goal. In 2023, Rs 589 crore was distributed; in 2024, this rose to Rs 647 crore, and Rs 611 crore has already been disbursed this year. The target for loan distribution by September 2025 is Rs 750 crore.

Several new farmer-friendly and subsidy-supported schemes have been introduced, including:

- \* National Livestock Mission (NLM) Loan Scheme
\* Solar Energy Loan Scheme
\* Education Loans
\* Godown Loan Scheme
\* Net Shed Development Scheme

These initiatives highlight the administration's focus on farmer welfare and financial inclusion under Kadu's leadership.

'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' initiative at Pusad Municipal School



Pusad 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): In a heartfelt tribute to motherhood and the environment, Pusad's Municipal Hindi and Marathi School No. 1 launched the initiative 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' (A Tree in Mother's Name) under the Eco Club campaign as per the Maharashtra Government's directive.

The program marked the beginning of the new academic year with a tree plantation drive. Organized under the guidance of teachers Sunil Jadhav and Kashinath Dakhore, the event was held in the presence of School Committee Chairman Mohsin Khan, committee members, parents, and students. As part of the initiative, Hindi School Headmaster Sunil Jadhav planted a 15-foot-tall coconut tree in memory of his mother, Shantabai Tukaram Jadhav. Similarly, Marathi School Headmaster Kashinath Dakhore planted a tree in memory of his mother, Shashikalabai Devidas Dakhore.

Following the plantation activity, students were distributed textbooks, uniforms, shoes, and socks by the dignitaries. The program was anchored by K.D. Dakhore.

International Yoga Day celebrated



YAVATMAL / NAGPUR POST: Realizing the slogan 'One Earth One Health', World Yoga Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm at Ubuntu English School on Saturday, June 21, 2025.

On this occasion, under the guidance of the school's yoga teacher Padmini Mudhane, everyone was informed about yoga and subtle exercises, standing asanas, sitting asanas, stomach asanas, back

asanas and pranayama etc. were performed by everyone.

On this occasion, the President of the organization Pandurangji Khandve, Director Himmat Khandar Principal Shubhangi Borkhade, Parag Pande were mainly present. Students, teachers and non-teaching staff enthusiastically took yoga lessons in the beautiful surroundings of the school and everyone resolved to do yoga regularly.

Cricket camp at Ubuntu English School

YAVATMAL / NAGPUR POST: The concluding ceremony of the ongoing cricket camp at Ubuntu English School was recently held. In this camp, Parag Pande gave cricket lessons to the children. The emphasis in this camp was on the nutrition and physical development of the children. On this occasion, the Principal of Abasaheb Parvekar College Uday Navlekar was present as the chief guest. President of the institution Pandurangji Khandve, well-known youth education expert and executive director of the school Anup Yadav, BCCI Level One Coach and Yavatmal District Coordinator of VCA Balu Navghare, and the school principal Shubhangi Borkhade were present. During the summer vacation, students participate in various summer camps. Therefore, Ubuntu School organised a free cricket camp



in the school premises. This gave the children special information and guidance about cricket. At the closing ceremony, Principal Uday Navlekar gave detailed guidance to the children about how important any sport is for our health. Speaking further, he said that

due to this initiative of Ubuntu School, the students will get proper information about health and sports, and he congratulated the school. The programme was conducted by Padghan Sir and the vote of thanks was given by Parag Pande Sir. After this, a cricket match was organised for the

students participating in the camp in the school playground. On this occasion, the players were honored with special prizes. The enthusiasm of the students was overflowing at this time. The teachers and non-teaching staff worked hard for this programme.

Farmers will now have to pay for crop insurance! Crop insurance at one rupee scheme discontinued

Mul 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): The Maharashtra government has changed the "One Rupee Crop Insurance" scheme started in 2023 and now farmers will have to pay for crop insurance. According to the Maharashtra government's circular dated June 24, farmers will now have to pay an insurance amount of Rs 1220 per hectare. "Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana" (PMFBY) was launched to ensure that farmers get compensation for damage to their crops due to natural disasters, unseasonal rains, hailstorms, floods, droughts, pests and diseases and to prevent financial loss. In the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana, the total amount is given to the crop insurance company as

insurance premium, including the farmer's share, the state government's share and the central government's share. Under this scheme, farmers were compensated on the basis of local natural disasters, adverse conditions during the season, post-harvest losses and crop harvesting experiments. In the year 2023, the Maharashtra government took insurance by keeping the beneficiary share of the farmers at "just one rupee". The government was paying the farmer's share insurance amount to the insurance company from its own treasury. However, from the Kharif season 2025-26, and Rabi season 2025-26, the Maharashtra government's agriculture department has



issued a circular on June 24 to stop the insurance of one rupee and farmers will have to pay the insurance amount. This crop insurance is optional and even the borrower farmers will have to write whether they want the insurance or not. There is an Indian Agricultural Insurance Company (IAIC) for

Chandrapur district and the insurance application will have to be filled online. The insurance amount varies according to the district in the state and paddy farmers in Chandrapur district will have to pay an insurance amount of Rs 488 per acre, i.e. Rs 1220 per hectare, to take crop insurance.

Vidarbha Madhyamik Shikshak Sangh's dharna agitation tomorrow

Wadi 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): The bogus teacher recruitment case in the state should be investigated by an SIT and the vacant posts of officials in the education department in Vidarbha should be filled immediately through promotion. A one-day dharna agitation will be held in front of the Nagpur office of Deputy Director of Education on behalf of Vidarbha Madhyamik Shikshak Sangh from 4 pm to 5 pm on Friday (June 27) under the guidance of legislator Sudhakar Adbale. A bogus teacher recruitment scam is raging in the education department in the

state, including Nagpur division. A thorough investigation into this matter is absolutely necessary.

Therefore, a SIT should be appointed at the state level in order to investigate the bogus teacher recruitment scam in Nagpur division. The teacher recruitment drives that took place on the initiative of the education department when the teacher recruitment process was suspended elsewhere in the state should be proved and immediate action should be taken against the deprivits. Also, the important posts of Deputy Director of Education

(Nagpur & Amravati), Education Officer (Primary & Secondary), Pay Team Superintendent (Primary & Secondary), Accounts Officer, Group Education Officer in Vidarbha are vacant in large numbers. Hence all the above vacant posts should be filled up immediately through promotion or transfer. A protest demonstration will be held to highlight this main demand.

The office bearers of Vidarbha Madhyamik Shikshak Sangh, Nagpur, District (Rural) and city have appealed to everyone to attend the protest demonstration.

Land acquisition cases in Warora taluka should be resolved immediately

National Backward Classes Commission Chairman Hansraj Ahir issues directive

Nagpur/Chandrapur 25 June: The issue of land acquisition of farmers in four villages in Warora taluka of Chandrapur district should be resolved immediately and the concerned farmers should file objections before the arbitration tribunal within eight days and the railway administration should ensure that there is no damage to agriculture against the backdrop of monsoon season's onset, National Backward Classes Commission Chairman Hansraj Ahir instructed. On Tuesday (June 24), a meeting was held at the Divisional Commissionerate, Nagpur, under the leadership of Ahir regarding land acquisition for the construction of railway sidings and loading system tracks at Majri Area Amalgamated Ekona 1 & 2 in Warora taluka of Chandrapur



National Backward Classes Commission Chairman Hansraj Ahir, Divisional Commissioner Vijayalakshmi Bidari and District Collector Vinay Gowda GC during the meeting

district. Divisional Commissioner Vijayalakshmi Bidari, Chandrapur District Collector Vinay Gowda GC, Additional Commissioner of the Divisional Commissionerate Pradeep Kulkarni, Additional District Collector of Chandrapur Nitin Vyavahare and local farmers were present on the

occasion. 27.24065 Hectares of land of farmers from Dahegaon, Naigaon, Charurkhati and Nimsada were acquired for the construction of railway sidings and loading system tracks in Majri Area Amalgamated Ekona 1 and 2. However, there is a complaint coming to the fore that the farmers have not received

proper compensation in the aftermath of the land acquisition process. Ahir understood the views of the government and the farmers regarding this matter and got acquainted with the necessary information at this time. Ahir instructed that the arbitration tribunal appointed by the government in this case should give a verdict after considering the details adequately, and that the farmers should submit objections and records to the relevant authorities. He also directed that the construction of the railway siding and loading system track, which is underway after land acquisition in this area, should be carried out after taking into account factors such as the current agricultural sowing season and ensuring that no problems are created for the farmers.

Saplings planted at Hudkeshwar (Khurd) ZP School & Anganwadi



Wadi 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Stationery material, books, tablets and food were distributed to the students of Hudkeshwar (Khurd), Kimapur, Dhanna ZP School and Anganwadi in Nagpur taluka on the initiative of Sarpanch Meena Kamalakar Shende. In each school and Anganwadi, under the guidance of Anganwadi volunteers and helpers,

Shevga saplings were planted in the names of the children's mothers as per 'Ek Ped Maa ke Naam' initiative. This programme was an act of environmental conservation as well as an act of honouring one's mother. The programme was attended by Sarpanch Mina Kamalakar Shende, Deputy Sarpanch Shubham Hatwar, GP members Mangala Bhagat,

Archana Burbure, Sharda Kaste, Kunal Kanphade, Gram Panchayat office bearer Chandrakant Sonewane, former Sarpanch Kamalakar Shende, Gram Panchayat employees, teachers, Anganwadi workers and volunteers, as well as several parents. This activity added to the joy of the students and spread positive energy in the village.

CCTV cameras installed on tower wagons to enhance OHE safety and monitoring

Nagpur 25 June: In a significant step towards enhancing safety and operational efficiency, Nagpur Division of Central Railway has equipped all 12 of its 8-wheeler Tower Wagons with state-of-the-art CCTV camera systems. This initiative aims to provide continuous visual monitoring during Overhead Equipment (OHE) maintenance and repair activities. Tower wagons are critical assets used for inspection, maintenance, and emergency repair of the electrified railway network. With the integration of CCTV cameras, real-time visuals of ongoing work and trackside conditions can now be monitored, ensuring better coordination, safety compliance, and swift identification of defects.

Head Ticket Examiner sets new benchmark in ticket checking revenue for Nagpur Division

Nagpur 25 June: In a remarkable demonstration of commitment and alertness, Shri Alok Kumar Jha, Head Ticket Examiner (HD TE), Nagpur, achieved the highest single-day revenue through ticket checking, recovering a total amount of Rs 1,72,320/- from 220 irregular passengers. Shri Jha was on squad duty today aboard Train No. 03251 (Danapur - SMVT Special) between Itarsi and Nagpur. During the course of duty, he took strict and effective action against passengers found traveling without tickets and those



occupying reserved sleeper class coaches with general class tickets. His diligent efforts ensured strict adherence to railway rules, promoted the rightful ticketing behavior, and

contributed significantly to passenger revenue. This achievement highlights the critical role of ticket checking staff in curbing ticketless travel and upholding the integrity of the railway system. Nagpur Division of Central Railway appreciates and commends Shri Alok Kumar Jha for his exceptional performance, dedication, and vigilance. His achievement sets a benchmark for fellow staff and reinforces the importance of proactive field duties in strengthening Indian Railways' operations.

MNS against compulsory imposition of Hindi in school curriculum

Ramtek 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): As per the directive of Maharashtra Navnirman Sena President Raj Thackeray, a memorandum demanding that Hindi should not be made compulsory in Zilla Parishad, Municipal Council and private schools was given to the Tehsildar of Ramtek and the Chief Officer of Ramtek Municipal Council. A memorandum was also given after meeting and interacting with the principals of all schools in the city. As per the National Education Policy, the government is trying to impose the three-language formula in primary schools



and ensure compulsory imposition of Hindi in it. Earlier, only two languages were compulsory in school education curriculum, Marathi and English, but the

government is trying to impose a third language, Hindi. A memorandum was submitted in this concern. District President Shekhar Dunde alleged that the

government is ignoring the native language Marathi in its efforts to propagate Hindi. During the discussion, he also warned of a massive agitation in Nagpur district if the Maharashtra government does not reverse this decision. MNS Nagpur District President Shekhar Dunde, Ramtek Taluka President Manohar Bhagat, Ramtek city President Sagar Chandekar, Ramtek City Vice President Upesh Gadhare, Ramtek City Organiser Bhojraj Dudhbarve, Akash Borikar, Rajat Sarpathe as well as all MNS office bearers and activists were present on the occasion.

'Jyotiba of Vidarbha' – remembering revolutionary social reformer Sant Ganapati Maharaj

Amravati 25 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): Known as the 'Jyotiba of Vidarbha', Sant Ganapati Maharaj, also referred to as Hari Maharaj, was a pioneering revolutionary and social reformer from the Warkari sect who took a bold step in advancing its traditions. Nearly a hundred years ago, he fearlessly challenged the caste system and gave the powerful message of an "A-Jaat" (casteless) society. Hailing from Mangrul Dasgiri village in Dhamangaon Railway taluka of Amravati district, Sant Ganapati Maharaj initiated a social revolution by being the first to perform an inter-caste marriage himself, later solemnising several such unions among his followers. His efforts gave birth to the "A-Jaat Panth," a sect that continues to reject caste divisions to this day. To commemorate his revolutionary movement, the second edition of a book



introducing his legacy and reformist ideology was re-published on the occasion of his 81st death anniversary. The release was held on Tuesday, June 24, 2025, during the 'Ek Diwas Tari Waari Anubhavavi' event, which is part of the Sant Tukaram Maharaj Palkhi procession. The book launch took place at Bhandgaon, a village

situated on the Wari route after Yeotmal. Prominent figures present at the publication ceremony included Maharashtra Pradesh Congress Committee President Shri Harshvardhan Sapkal, former ANIS President and Wari organiser Shri Avinash Patil, H.B.P. Shamsundar Maharaj Sonnar, Shri Ghogare Guruji, Subodh

Dada from Adyal Tekdi Chandrapur, Vishal Vimal, A-Jaat Panth representative Prof. Surendra Manik, Mukund Kale from "Aamhi Bharatiya" cultural movement, Vijay Davre, Maya Wakode, Prof. Usha Patudekar, Prabhat Tai Jaurkar, along with other progressive thinkers and dignitaries associated with social movements.

Enthusiastic welcome to students on commencement of new academic session

Roses, new uniforms, and the sweet delight of Puran Poli mesmerise students

Dhamangaon Railway 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): The new academic year commenced on a joyful note across Zilla Parishad schools in Dhamangaon Taluka, with the school enrollment drive being celebrated with great enthusiasm on Monday (June 23). On the very first day, students were seen excitedly heading towards their schools — donning fresh uniforms, carrying new school bags, wearing socks and shoes, and holding roses in their hands. Adding to the festive spirit, students at the Zilla Parishad School in Shahapur were served delicious puran poli as part of their mid-day meal. All schools across the taluka marked the occasion with a range of creative activities. Colourful rangolis adorned school entrances, classrooms were decorated

with flowers, and under the "Pahile Paool" (First Step) initiative, the footprints of first-grade newcomers were taken and gifted to their parents as a cherished memento. The celebrations were graced by Tahsildar Abhay Ghorpade, along with several administrative officers and public representatives who visited the schools. Among them were Group Development Officer Yogesh Wankhade, Group Education Officer Sapna Bhogavkar, Block Coordinator Dhiraj Jawalkar, Extension Officer Sachin Misal, Nilesh Wagh, Shubham Khandezod, Dilip Jolhe, Deepak Nawate, Engineer Pravin Akhare, Abhijit Kalle, B.M. Sardar, Cluster Head Sunil Bhavakar, and many others. Students were warmly welcomed with rose flowers, and the ceremonial welcome deeply moved both students and

parents, whose joy and satisfaction were clearly reflected on their faces. 'Life is shaped through schooling' "Whatever life skills I acquired to succeed came from a government school. The future of society lies in the hands of teachers, and it is their responsibility to build a generation of capable and strong citizens," said Group Development Officer Yogesh Wankhade during the occasion. "The first day of school is a foundation for lifelong

learning. Such positive beginnings leave a lasting impact on young minds," added Tahsildar Abhay Ghorpade, appreciating the initiative.



Good Samaritan returns lost mobile phone to owner

Mahagaon 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): A notable act of honesty and humanity came to light in Mahagaon when a lost expensive mobile phone was returned to its rightful owner. On the night of Tuesday, May 24, around 8:30 PM, Uday Narwade—respected businessman, former Deputy Municipal Chairman, and Taluka President of the Maratha Seva Sangh, as well as the owner of Uday Provision—returned home from his grocery store. When he went to charge his phone, he realized it was missing. The phone, a valuable Vivo 40 Pro model, contained crucial contacts and access to apps like PhonePe, leading to considerable worry. Narwade immediately contacted Mahagaon Police Station and informed Police Inspector Dhanraj Nile about the loss of his mobile phone. Meanwhile, Rajesh



Marotrao Adkine Patil, proprietor of Sairam Saree Centre, found the phone on the road in front of his shop during a post-dinner walk with his wife. The following morning, he contacted the Mahagaon Police Station and informed them about the found device. After verifying the ownership of the phone, PI Dhanraj Nile invited Uday Narwade to the station and returned the mobile to him through the honest citizen Rajesh Adkine. This timely return of the lost phone helped Narwade avoid major inconvenience and stress. The gesture by Rajesh Patil Adkine reflects a strong sense of humanity and integrity, setting an inspiring example for society.

Husband booked under POCSO for rape on his underage bride in Amravati

Amravati 25 June: Police have registered a case under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act against a 21-year-old man after his 17-year-old Nepali wife gave birth at Amravati District Women's Hospital in Maharashtra on June 17, officials confirmed on Tuesday. The case emerged when medical staff alerted authorities upon confirming the mother's minor status. According to Rajapeth Police Station officials, the couple married in Nepal on December 14, 2023, through traditional ceremonies attended by the girl's parents. At the time of marriage, the bride was 15 years old while her husband was 19. They subsequently relocated to Amravati, residing in a rented accommodation within Rajapeth police jurisdiction for the past three years. The husband, who operates a Chinese food stall in the city,

acknowledged the pregnancy which began in September 2024. Hospital authorities initiated mandatory legal reporting upon verifying the minor's birth date as August 12, 2008. In her formal statement, the teenager confirmed the age discrepancy at the time of marriage. "The marriage occurred when the survivor was below India's legal age of consent, making intimate relations statutory rape under POCSO regardless of marital status," a police officer explained. Investigations continue as the infant remains hospitalised while the minor mother receives medical and legal support. Authorities confirmed that the husband will face charges under Section 4 of the POCSO Act, which carries a minimum 20-year sentence for penetrative sexual assault against minors.

Freedom from family control: Observer Farooqui's indirect jab at Naik family during NCP (Sharad Pawar faction) review meet

Pusad 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): In a politically charged statement, Nationalist Congress Party (Sharad Pawar faction) Vice President and Yatvatmal District Observer Afzal Farooqui claimed that the NCP in Pusad has finally been "freed from the clutches of a single family," without directly naming former minister Manohar Naik or current state minister Indranil Naik. This indirect attack indicates that the upcoming local body elections in Pusad are expected to witness significant political drama. Farooqui was addressing a pre-election review meeting of the party held at a local hotel. The meeting was chaired by District President Varshatai Nikam, who emphasized the importance of time management due to upcoming agricultural activities, festivals, and the urgency of local body polls. She appealed to party workers to establish branches in every village and to win over Dalit, Muslim, and tribal voters by promoting inclusiveness. She also highlighted the need



to gain power in the Zilla Parishad to address pressing issues such as water supply in the Malpathar region of the taluka. City President Dr. Akil Memon criticized the current leadership, stating that water scarcity was never an issue during the tenure of former Chief Ministers Vasant Rao Naik and Sudhakar Rao Naik, but the present leadership has failed to ensure basic necessities. In his opening remarks, State General

Secretary Sharad Maind pointed out the public's growing resentment toward the ruling leaders due to lack of development in the Pusad constituency. He added that the party must be prepared to contest the upcoming local elections independently under the guidance of party supreme Sharad Pawar. Among those present were District Central Co-operative Bank Director Anukul Chavan, District

Women's Front President Prof. Nalini Thakre (Chaudhari), Sunita Bhojwar, District Vice President Sahebrao Thenge, District General Secretary Nana Jalgaonkar, Deepak Jadhav, Anil Thakur, City Working President Adv. Bharat Jadhav, Taluka President Nana Bele, Satish Jadhav, Jay Dalvi, Parmeshwar Jaipwal, Swapnil Jaiswal, Deepak Taywade and other office-bearers.

Farmers Reap Grand Success with an innovative nutrition solution Shriram DripIT Vegetable: Celebrated at Mega Farmer Meeting!

Akola 25 June: Shriram Farm Solutions (SFS) organized a highly successful Mega Farmer Meeting on June 18, 2025, at Morshi in Amravati District, Maharashtra. The event witnessed an overwhelming participation of 300 progressive farmers and six esteemed dealers from Maharashtra and neighboring Madhya Pradesh. The focus of the meeting was on Shriram DripIT Vegetable, an innovative product tailored to enhance the cultivation of high-value crops, particularly chili and tomato, the focus crop for this event. During the event, many farmers shared compelling success stories. One of them, Ankush Taiwade, a progressive grower of multiple crops from



Morshi, Amravati, shared how Shriram DripIT Vegetable, used in drip-irrigated chili fields, led to a 20-25% increase in yield. The precise nutrient delivery under drip lines ensured the chilli were healthier, shinier and of length 9-10cm, an ideal length which gave him earn a premium market rate. Another farmer, Devendra Tipre, witnessed earlier and healthier fruiting of chili, which allowed more picking and

higher yield boosting profitability. He also emphasized the uniformity in plant size, improved chili color, texture, and shelf life. He noted that "every plant responded identically," which enhanced the market-grade quality. Bhushan Deshmukh, owner of a popular nursery Bhoomiputra Hitech Nursery, has been a strong advocate of Shriram DripIT Vegetable and has shared experience of his connected farmers from MP,

Chhattisgarh and Maharashtra getting miraculous results. The event also featured the launch of a Farmer Booking Scheme, which garnered an enthusiastic reaction. Many farmers lined up to register on-site, eager to secure their supply of Shriram DripIT Vegetable. This initiative reflects SFS's commitment to empowering farmers through innovative agri-solutions and hands-on support.

Rashtriya Shriram Sena delegation submits memorandum to authorities demanding action against illegal activities

Amravati 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): The Rashtriya Shriram Sena has submitted a formal memorandum to the District Collector and the Commissioner of Police, Amravati, seeking urgent action against a range of illegal activities reportedly taking place across the city and district. In the memorandum, the organization highlighted the growing menace of unauthorized online lotteries, including platforms such as Bhavra and Chakri, which they claim are deceiving the public and causing substantial financial losses to both citizens and the government. The Sena has demanded immediate enforcement measures to shut down these operations. The letter also raised serious concerns about illegal prostitution allegedly being conducted under the guise of spa and wellness centers. The organization urged authorities to carry out inspections and initiate strict action against those found violating the law. Furthermore, the Sena



appealed for a ban on the illegal slaughter and transportation of cows and bulls, calling for stringent enforcement to protect these animals, which hold religious and cultural significance. Addressing the growing threat of drug abuse, the organization requested the formation of a special anti-narcotics task force to combat the rising availability of MD drugs and marijuana in the district. Another major issue raised was the regulation of street vendors, including scrap dealers, vegetable sellers, and other hawkers. The Sena recommended issuing official identity cards to all such vendors to help prevent the misuse of

street vending as a cover for illicit activities. Lastly, the memorandum expressed concern over increasing juvenile involvement in criminal activities, including thefts and assaults. It proposed the establishment of a monitoring committee dedicated to overseeing minors involved in or at risk of engaging in crime. The letter was submitted by Pooja Joshi, City President of Rashtriya Shriram Sena, along with other district-level leaders and activists. The organization has urged the administration to take swift and decisive action on all points raised in the interest of public safety and law and order.

Over 1.14 lakh eye surgeries carried out in 3 years under Maha govt schemes

Washim 25 June: A total of 1,14,514 eye surgeries have been conducted in Maharashtra over the last three years under the Inte-grated Mahatma Jyotirao Phule Jan Arogya Yojana and Ayushman Bharat-Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana. The state government has reimbursed 103.67 crore to the hospitals carrying out these procedures. The Integrated Mahatma Jyotirao Phule Jan Arogya Yojana and the Ayushman Bharat scheme are being im-plemented in



an expanded format across Maharashtra since July 1, 2024. These schemes provide free treatment and surgeries worth up to 5 lakh for 1,356 selected diseases at registered hospitals. Post-treatment, the

government reimburses the ex-penses directly to the healthcare institutions. Eye-related ailments have seen a rise in recent years, and eligible cases are covered under the Jan Arogya Yojana guidelines. In the year 2022-23, 35,314 eye surgeries were performed with an expenditure of Rs 38.48 crore. The fol-lowing year, 2023-24, saw the highest number of surgeries at 45,882, with expenses amounting to 38.74 crore. In 2024-25, 33,318 surgeries were conducted, and 26.45 crore was spent by the government.

Immediate financial aid demanded for farmers affected by excess rainfall Rashtriya Kisan Morcha warns of staging agitation

Mahagaon 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Farmers in Mahagaon Taluka, who suffered heavy losses due to excessive rainfall during the last Kharif season (2025-26), are still awaiting compensation. Despite government announcements and spot assessments (panchnamas) conducted a year ago, many farmers, particularly in the Gunj Circle, have yet to receive any financial assistance. In response, Rashtriya Kisan Morcha has issued a stern warning that if relief is not granted immediately, they will mobilize affected farmers and launch an agitation. With over 70% of the current season's sowing completed, erratic monsoons have worsened farmers' plight. Many now face the threat of double sowing, which has placed additional financial stress on already struggling cultivators. Recent natural calamities have only added to their woes—notably, a cyclonic storm on June 11 destroyed large banana plantations in the region. Among the severely affected was Pandurang Sudhakar Vilayate, a marginal farmer from Savna, whose entire banana

orchard was flattened, leading to losses worth lakhs. Recognizing the severity of the crisis, Pramod Jadhav, Taluka President of Rashtriya Kisan Morcha, submitted a memorandum to the District Collector via the Mahagaon Tehsildar on June 23. The representation was signed by several farmers including Amrutrao Deshmukh (Amboda), a progressive farmer and pioneer of the "Amrut Pattern," along with Samadhan Bobde, Vinod Bansode, Devidas Kadam Patil, Govindrao Shinde (Veni) and many others. "Despite a full year passing since the excessive rainfall during last year's Kharif season, farmers have yet to receive any compensation for their losses. This year, too, a devastating cyclone on June 11 has severely damaged banana crops in Mahagaon Taluka. If immediate financial relief is not



provided, we will launch a large-scale farmers' agitation in the coming days." — Pramod Jadhav, President, Rashtriya Kisan Morcha, Mahagaon Taluka.

## Bombay High Court grants bail to accused in Nagpur riots case



**Nagpur 25 June:** In a significant development, the Nagpur Bench of Bombay High Court, on Wednesday granted bail to several accused individuals linked to the Nagpur riots case. The decision came after extensive hearings on multiple bail applications filed before the Court. The accused were represented by a legal team comprising Adv. Asif Qureshi, Adv. Shirang Bhandarkar, Adv. Rafique Akbani, Adv. Adil Mohammad, Adv. Naveed Opai, and Adv. Adil Sheikh. The team made detailed legal submissions and placed relevant facts and precedents on record, which were duly

appreciated by the Hon'ble Court. The Court's order to release the accused on bail has been viewed as a reaffirmation of the principle that every individual is presumed innocent until proven guilty. Legal experts consider the ruling a vital step toward upholding the integrity of the judicial process and ensuring fair treatment under the law. The riots case, which has drawn significant public and legal attention, continues to be under investigation. The bail order is expected to impact the proceedings moving forward, as the accused will now be able to assist in their defense from outside custody.

## Tree falls inside Nagpur police line quarters, two children injured



**Nagpur 25 June:** A tree collapsed on Quarter No. 94 in the Nagpur Police Line premises on Tuesday, June 24, afternoon, injuring two young children who were playing nearby. The incident has raised serious questions about the lack of emergency response within the secured area. According to sources, the tree fell suddenly during the day, and the two injured children were immediately rushed for treatment. Fortunately, their injuries were not life-threatening, but the fallen tree remained on the spot throughout the day without being removed. Concerned residents of the Police Line reported the matter to senior officials, including the HQ in-charge, but no prompt action was taken, despite repeated complaints. The residents expressed disappointment over the indifference shown by the administration, especially considering that the area houses families of police personnel. Locals are now demanding that the Nagpur Police Headquarters take swift action to remove hazardous trees and ensure better maintenance of the premises to prevent such incidents in the future.

## Nagpur police destroy Rs 1.32 crore worth of narcotics ahead of International Anti-Drugs Day



**Nagpur 25 June:** As part of the ongoing "Operation Thunder - Let's Unite for a Drug-Free Society" campaign led by Commissioner of Police Ravinder Kumar Singal, Nagpur City Police destroyed narcotics seized in 54 criminal cases under various police station jurisdictions here, on Tuesday, June 24. This action is part of the Anti-Narcotics Awareness Week being observed from June 20 to June 26, ahead of International Anti-Drugs Day on June 26. The drug disposal drive took place on June 24 at Maharashtra Enviro Ltd., an MPCB-authorized facility located in MIDC Butibori. The destroyed contraband included Mephedrone (MD), Ganja, Charas, and Doda powder, collectively weighing 714.230 kg and valued at approximately Rs 1.32 crore. The disposal was conducted in accordance with Narcotics Disposal Committee norms and MPCB guidelines. To educate the public on the dangers of narcotics, students and youth from schools and colleges were

invited to witness the disposal process. Police officials demonstrated the impact of drug abuse on human life and emphasized the importance of a drug-free society. The event was conducted in the presence of: Vasant Pardeshi, Additional Commissioner of Police (Crime), Nagpur City Rahul Mankanikar, Deputy Commissioner of Police (Detection) Ashwini Patil, Deputy Commissioner of Police (Headquarters) Mahadev Bharasakde, Deputy Superintendent, State Crime Investigation Department, Nagpur Prashant Maske, Manager, Maharashtra Enviro Ltd. Inspector Patil, Pollution Control Board PI Gajanan Gulhane, Head of Anti-Narcotics Unit, Crime Branch, Nagpur Along with his team from the Anti-Narcotics Cell. The initiative reflects Nagpur Police's strong commitment to combating drug abuse through enforcement, awareness, and community involvement.

## New fire station inaugurated in North Nagpur

**Nagpur 25 June:** In a major boost to fire safety infrastructure in North Nagpur, the newly constructed, fully-equipped Pachpaoli Fire Station was officially inaugurated and opened for public service. The facility was launched by Maharashtra's Deputy Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis and State Revenue Minister and Guardian Minister of Nagpur District, Chandrashekhar Bawankule. As Nagpur continues to grow rapidly—both in population and infrastructure—so does the risk of fire-related emergencies. With an increase in high-rise buildings, shopping malls, industries, educational institutions, and slum settlements, strengthening the fire and emergency response system has become a top priority. A master plan to establish 22 fire stations across Nagpur has already been laid out by the Nagpur Municipal Corporation (NMC). The newly launched Pachpaoli Fire Station is part of this plan and is outfitted with state-of-the-art facilities. It is expected to enhance emergency response capabilities in key residential and commercial areas including Buddhanagar, Barsenanagar, Lashkaribagh, Vaishlanagar, Balabhaupeeth, Nawa Nakasha, Thakkargam, Kanji House, Yadavnagar, Tekka Naka, Timki, Mehdi Bagh Colony, Kidwai Ground, Naik Talav (Bangaladesh), Kadbi Chowk, Mekosabagh, Mominpura, and Dhoabinagar. The earlier Pachpaoli fire station building had become structurally unsafe in 2011 and was temporarily shifted to Sugatnagar. Since then, fire services in North Nagpur were being operated from the Sugatnagar base. However, the city's continuous expansion prompted the need for a dedicated station in the region. The foundation for the new centre and residential quarters was laid on August 5, 2023, and the project was completed within a year and a half. Constructed using NMC funds, the fire station includes a G+5 structure with two wings, each equipped with 2BHK quarters—2 flats for officers and 33 flats for other staff, totalling 35 residential units. It features underground parking, and three water tanks, each with a 25,000-litre capacity. The building spans 3078.09 sq.m of built-up area on a 1708.94 sq.m plot and stands 19.7 metres high. The infrastructure includes a control room, offices for fire officers, separate facilities for male and female personnel, a storage room, and modern elevators in both wings. According to Station Officer Sunil Dokre, the station can accommodate two fire tenders and two mini water tenders simultaneously. Upon inauguration, personnel have already reported for duty, and the fire station is fully operational and ready to serve the citizens of North Nagpur. Under the leadership of Chief Fire Officer Tushar Barahate, and the guidance of Municipal Commissioner Dr. Abhijit Chaudhari, Additional Commissioner Vasumana Pant, and Additional Commissioner Vaishnavi B., the Pachpaoli Fire Station has been transformed into a crucial pillar of the city's emergency infrastructure.

## Duo declared as wilful defaulters in Rs 100 crore loan case

**Nagpur 25 June:** In a major development, the Ranchi branch of Bank of India has officially declared Abhishek Jaiswal and Manoj Kumar Jaiswal, both former Directors of Nagpur-based Abhijeet Infrastructure Limited, as wilful defaulters in connection with a massive loan default of over Rs 100 crore. The bank published a public notice carrying photographs and details of

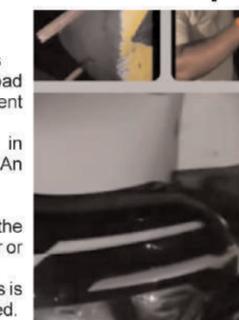
both individuals on Tuesday, June 25, after completing the formal process of declaring them wilful defaulters as per the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) Master Circular guidelines. According to the notice, Abhijeet Infrastructure Limited had availed a term loan of Rs 100 crore from the Clubside Branch (formerly Ranchi Mid Corporate Branch) of Bank of India on June 22,

2010. However, the company defaulted on repayment obligations and committed acts classified as wilful default under RBI norms. Following due process, the bank officially declared the two former Directors as wilful defaulters on March 10, 2025, and subsequently shared their details with all major Credit Information Companies in line with regulatory requirements.

## Concrete block turns Kalmeshwar-Katol road into death trap

**Nagpur 25 June:** In a shocking case of negligence, a contractor has turned the Kalmeshwar-Katol Road into a virtual death trap by carelessly placing a concrete block right in the middle of the road. The poorly lit stretch, already known for its darkness, has now become extremely dangerous for motorists due to this reckless act. The consequences of this carelessness were evident on the night of June 24, when a car collided with the concrete block and was badly damaged. The front portion of the car was completely crushed due to the impact, highlighting the life-threatening risk

posed by the block. Disturbed by the incident, motorists have come forward to expose the contractor's negligence. A video recorded by the affected vehicle owners shows the concrete block placed right in the middle of the poorly illuminated road, making it nearly invisible to approaching vehicles, especially at night. Locals and commuters have demanded strict action against the contractor, holding him responsible for risking lives through such negligence. They have also urged the concerned authorities to immediately remove the concrete block and ensure proper safety measures on the road to prevent such incidents in the future. An official response from the contractor or the authorities is still awaited.



## CP Club hosts successful inter club swimming tournament 2025 with 85 participants



**Nagpur 25 June:** The CP Club Inter-Club Swimming Tournament 2025 was successfully held on Sunday, June 22 at the club's swimming pool. The high-spirited event saw participation from 85 swimmers across ten categories, representing leading city clubs — Gondwana Club, Ladies Club, VCRC Jamtha, and Maharajbagh Club — along with the host, C P Club. Organized under the leadership of Hon. Secretary Mr. Rahul Soni and Sub-secretary (Swimming) Mr. Amit Porwal, the tournament was a well-coordinated affair that aimed to encourage maximum participation across age groups. Ten individual and relay events were conducted for men, women, boys, and girls, making it a vibrant celebration of sporting spirit. Coaches Prem and Jayant oversaw the technical committee, ensuring the events were conducted smoothly. Timekeeping, announcements, and overall coordination were handled efficiently by volunteers, ensuring that the competition ran as per schedule. The prize distribution ceremony was graced by Mr. Girish Dewani, Mr. Rahul Soni, Mr. Brijesh Khermka, and Mr. Amit Porwal. Medals were awarded to winners in each category, and all participants received certificates for their enthusiastic involvement. Results — Freestyle Winners:

- Below 17 Years:
  - Boys: Yuvan Porwal
  - Girls: Shrishti Singh
- Below 25 Years:
  - Boys: Dhruv Agarwal
  - Girls: Shaurya
- Warambhe
  - Below 35 Years:
    - Boys: Dr. Rohan
- Master
  - Girls: Anagha Bhawe
- Below 45 Years:
  - Boys: Dr. Tejas
- Sadavarte
  - Girls: Priyam Daga
- Above 45 Years:
  - Men: Amit Porwal
  - Women: Jesal
- Thaker
  - Above 60 Years:
    - Men: Mukesh
- Agarwal
  - Women: Neelam
- Tikkha
  - Results — Breaststroke Winners:
    - Below 9 Years:
      - Boys: Ayaan Purnanik
      - Girls: Anvita Agarwal
    - Below 11 Years:
      - Boys: Aryan Doshi
      - Girls: Kuhu
- Singrakhia
  - Below 14 Years:
    - Boys: Ojas Saoji
    - Girls: Saisha
- Warambhe
  - Below 17 Years:
    - Boys: Anuj Didholkar
  - Below 25 Years:
    - Boys: Aditya
- Umalkar
  - Girls: Shaurya
- Warambhe
  - Below 35 Years:
    - Boys: Dr. Rohan
- Master
  - Girls: Anagha Bhawe
- Below 45 Years:
  - Boys: Hardik
- Khakkhar
  - Girls: Priyam Daga
- Above 45 Years:
  - Men: Amit Saoji
  - Women: Anurupa
- Roy
  - Above 60 Years:
    - Men: Gagan Sial
    - Women: Renuka
- Khedkar

## Aapli Bus workers thank MLA Pravin Datke for resolving long-pending HRA issue

**Nagpur 25 June:** The employees of Aapli Bus service in Nagpur have expressed heartfelt gratitude towards MLA Pravin Datke for his persistent efforts in resolving their long-pending House Rent Allowance (HRA) issue, which had been pending since 2017. The workers' union, affiliated with the Bharatiya Mazdoor Sangh, had been raising the issue of HRA non-payment for bus conductors for several years. A formal letter regarding this concern was submitted to MLA Pravin



Datke, who has been a constant supporter and guide for the Aapli Bus contract workers, just as he had successfully resolved their salary hike issue in 2010 after a prolonged 14-year struggle. Acting promptly on

the union's request, MLA Datke issued a letter to the Municipal Commissioner on May 12, 2025, demanding immediate action on the HRA issue. He also held multiple meetings with the Commissioner, persistently pursuing the matter to ensure justice for the employees. Owing to his sustained efforts, the Commissioner forwarded the matter for legal opinion to Mumbai, which proved successful. Finally, on June 23, 2025, the Nagpur Municipal Corporation

(NMC) issued an official letter to Chalo Mobility, directing the company to provide HRA to all conductors working under the Aapli Bus service. Following this development, the Aapli Bus Contract Workers' Union extended special thanks to MLA Pravin Datke for standing firmly by the employees and ensuring their rightful benefits were secured. The union's President Nagesh Sahare, General Secretary Kamlesh Wankhede, Vice Presidents

Sumit Chimte, Ajay Ingole, Sandesh Dongre, Joint Secretaries Pravin Katole, Pravin Naravane, Someshwar Gugal, Treasurer Nilesh Pawnikar, Co-Treasurers Narendra Nimbalkar, Vicky Chaudhary, along with members Akash Milvi, Vishal Raut, Pravin Raut, Jyoti Chandankhede, Chetna Naktode, Girdhar Wankhede, and others have conveyed their gratitude towards Datke for his unwavering support to the workforce.

## Phone and cash stolen from Press Club

**President Pradeep Maitra's mobile among items taken**



**Nagpur 25 June:** In a theft reported from the Patrakar Club in Civil Lines, an unknown miscreant stole Rs 54,000 in cash and a mobile phone belonging to Club President Pradeep Maitra. The incident occurred in the early hours of Monday and came to light later that morning. According to police sources, the thief gained entry into the premises around 3:22 am by jumping over the boundary wall near the Bal Bharti entrance. Once inside, he broke into the office and stole cash from a

cupboard along with the president's high-end mobile phone, estimated to be worth Rs 1 lakh. The incident was discovered when the club staff arrived for work on Monday morning. Club Manager Rajesh Sakharkar promptly lodged a complaint at the Sitabuldi Police Station. A case of burglary has been registered. Police are examining CCTV footage from surrounding areas and suspect the theft was well-planned. An investigation is currently underway to identify and apprehend the accused.

## Rs 9 lakh worth jewellery stolen from WCL GM's house



**Nagpur 25 June:** Thieves broke into the house of a General Manager of WCL and decamped with diamond jewellery worth nearly Rs 9 lakh. The incident took place in Sandesh City, Jamtha, under Hingna Police Station. According to police, Trinad Kotmaraju Sarikonda (28), is the General Manager at WCL. He had gone to Hyderabad with his family on

Friday. Taking advantage of the empty house, the thieves broke the iron grille and window fence to get inside. Once inside, they broke the lock of a cupboard and stole diamond jewellery worth Rs 8.92 lakh from the locker. The theft was discovered on Sunday morning when the family returned home. This is the second such incident in the area in the past few days. Two days earlier, another resident, Sunil Omprakash Dwivedi (41), was robbed of Rs 5 lakh. The Hingna Police have registered a case and started an investigation. They are also checking CCTV footage and questioning locals to trace the accused. Police suspect a gang may be targeting the area and are working to increase security and patrols in the locality.

## Lata Mangeshkar Garden in East Nagpur turns into a major attraction for visitors

**Nagpur 25 June:** The Lata Mangeshkar Garden, located in Suryanagar, Pardi, under East Nagpur, has emerged as a popular attraction for city residents. With its recent beautification carried out by the administration, the garden is drawing large crowds every day. A host of new and attractive features have been added to enhance the garden's appeal, turning it into a family-friendly recreational space. **Key Highlights of the Garden:**

- **Toy Train:** A special toy train has been introduced for children, adding excitement and entertainment for young visitors.
- **Eye-catching giant structure:** A large, visually appealing structure has been installed, serving as a major photo spot and attraction for visitors.
- **Musical Instrument:** Beautifully designed musical instrument has been placed inside the garden, enhancing the overall ambiance and providing interactive fun for children and music enthusiasts.
- **Well-developed greenery:** The garden boasts well-maintained lawns, flowering plants, and shaded seating areas, offering a pleasant and relaxing environment for families.

## Traffic cops take action on 5185 riders flouting norms

**Nagpur 25 June:** Traffic cops took action against a total of 5185 riders under various sections of the Motor Vehicles Act and collected a total fine of Rs 4.27 lakh from the erring riders. Under the Bombay Liquor Prohibition Act, 4 suspects have been arrested in 4 cases and material worth Rs 93 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.

## CM's Certificate of Appreciation distributed on the occasion of 50 years of Emergency

**YAVATMAL / NAGPUR POST:** On the occasion of the completion of 50 years of the Emergency in the country, the certificate of appreciation received by the Chief Minister was distributed by Additional District Collector Anil Khandagale to the citizens who participated in the Emergency movement. The Additional District Collector also inaugurated the picture exhibition based on the events of the Emergency. The Additional District Collector along with the Resident Deputy District Collector in-charge Jaiyam Deshpande, District Information Officer Mangesh Warkad, President of the Pensioners' Democracy Defenders Association Laxmanlal Khatri, Tehsildar Smt. More, Deputy Tehsildar Vakila Maske, Vandana Wasnik and many other participants in the movement were present at the distribution of certificate of appreciation and inauguration of the exhibition organized at the Collector's Office. On behalf of the District Information Office and the District Administration, a photo exhibition was organized in the premises of the District

Collector's Office in honor of the protesters who participated in the Emergency movement and were imprisoned. Emergency was declared in India on 25 June 1975. Today marks the 50th anniversary of the Emergency. On this occasion, a photo exhibition was organized in honor of the people who were imprisoned during the Emergency in every district of the state and certificates of appreciation were distributed to them by the Chief Minister. Pensions are given to 71 people who participated in the movement in the district. Out of which, certificates of appreciation were distributed to 34 people present at the program today. On this occasion, Additional District



Collector Anil Khandagale and Laxmanlal Khatri expressed their thoughts. Mr. Khatri expressed his memories of the Emergency. During the Emergency declared on 25 June 1975, some people participated directly and some through their writings. Many people from the district participated in this. Pensions are given to 71 people out of them. Pension is being provided as an honorarium fund on behalf of the state government since 2018. The programme was conducted by Bharti Zade.

## Families of RSS activists who were imprisoned during emergency felicitated

**NER / NAGPUR POST:** After the government declared June 25 as 'Democratic Murder Day', as per the appeal to felicitate those who were imprisoned during the Emergency and their families, the Bharatiya Janata Party workers of Ner taluka went to the house of Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh volunteers. They felicitated Late Jagannathji Dhotkar's wife Kamal Jagannath Dhotkar and son Sunil Dhotkar. Also the activists felicitated Late Sureshji Chiljawa's son Sushant Chiljawa and Prashant Chiljawa. The then Prime Minister of India, Indira Gandhi, had declared Emergency in the country on June 25, 1975, violating the verdict given by the Allahabad High Court regarding election to the Lok Sabha, in order to save her power and the post of



Prime Minister. To protest against her anti-democratic act, leaders of the Bharatiya Jana Sangh, Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh, Samajwadi Party, media directors and many other social and political party leaders and thousands of activists were imprisoned and tortured. She implemented a dictatorial regime in the country for 21 months in the name of Emergency. In protest against his dictatorial regime, the people defeated Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and her Congress party in the Lok Sabha elections held in 1977. To highlight this incident, BJP's Taluka President Nilesh Rathod, City President Ashish Khode, Punjab Shirbhat, Rajendra Deulkar, Ajab Chincholkar, Uday Kantode, Anil Rathod, Rajesh Gugliya, Chandu Kurjekar, Dinesh Davda, Dinesh Pangarkar, Satish Ambalkar, Bandu Shirrao, Tevichand Rathod, Shendge were present at the felicitation of the families who were imprisoned under the MISA Act.

## NIMA's 'Sur-Sangam' Sangeet Rajani

**YAVATMAL / NAGPUR POST:** On the evening of June 22, the Sur-Sangam programme was held at the Hotel Box Office on behalf of the National Integrated Medical Association Wadgaon and Women's Forum NIMA Wadgaon. The sponsor of the program was Keshav Healthcare Group. A general meeting of the organization was also held on this occasion. On this occasion, the sponsor of the programme, Keshav Healthcare Group Director Rahul Thakare and Co-Director Sachin Lakhekar, were welcomed with a bouquet. NIMA President Dr. Rajsingh Khaware, Women's Branch President Dr. Pragya Ghormode, Treasurer Dr. Pradeep Giri, Rahul Thakare

and Sachin Lakhekar were present. On this occasion, Dr. Anil Ghode, Dr. Bhaskar Galat, Dr. Ravindra Durge, Dr. Ashok Bobde presented original suggestions about the future work of the organization. Secretary Dr. Anil Joshi conducted the proceedings and Dr. Pradeep Giri expressed vote of thanks. After this, a karaoke-based film song program was presented by the doctors and other colleagues. In this, a melodious rendition of many film songs was presented to the audience. Many of these



songs won the hearts of the audience. The special guests of the programme were Principal of DMM Ayurveda Mahavidyalaya Dr. Rajiv Mundane, Nandu Mahajan, Swarmit Parivar, Kamlesh Mundekar. Raju Langote handled the sound system. Dr. Rajsingh Khaware proposed the vote of thanks.

## Inauguration ceremony of New Urdu Primary School building held

**Ghatanji 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** The grand inauguration ceremony of the new building of the Municipal Urdu Primary School in Ghatanji was recently held with great enthusiasm. This event marked the end of a long-awaited demand, bringing joy and satisfaction to the local community as students now have access to a modern, well-equipped educational facility. The program was presided over by MLA Raju Bhau Todsam, with senior leader Annasaheb Parwekar as the chief guest. Notably, the new building was constructed in just two and a half months, earning widespread appreciation for

Municipal Chief Officer Raju Ghodke. Prominent attendees included Tehsildar Vijay Salve, Sachin Parwekar, Nitin Kothari, Gajanan Benjkiwar, Ram Khandare, Mahesh Pawar, Paresh Kariya, Gajanan Dhawale, Dahake Sir, Hafeez Sheikh, and Shaurbh Sir, among others. A large number of students, parents, prominent citizens, and members of the Muslim community also took part in the event. This school, established several years ago, finally received its own dedicated infrastructure. Members of the Muslim community expressed heartfelt gratitude, highlighting the significant contribution of Annasaheb

Parwekar in making this project a reality. The event also included the felicitation of differently-abled individuals and employees recognized for their exemplary service. Various classrooms were formally inaugurated with ribbon-cutting ceremonies. Dignitaries assured further enhancement of facilities for the school. The introductory speech was delivered by Chief Officer Raju Ghodke, and the program was hosted by Rupesh Kawalkar. The active participation of the education department, municipal staff, social workers, and the Muslim community made the event both successful and memorable.

## Ghatanji mourns the sudden demise of photographer Amol Varanje

**Ghatanji 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** In a tragic incident, a well-known photographer from Shivaji Chowk, Ghatanji, passed away on Tuesday, June 24, 2025, around 4:30 PM, following a brief illness. He was 36 years old. Varanje served as an advisor to the Ghatanji Photographers Association and was widely known for his affable nature and professional excellence. He had earned a strong reputation in the Ghatanji region as a skilled and dedicated photographer. His humble and friendly personality won him many friends and admirers across the area. His sudden demise has cast a pall of sorrow over the community. He is survived by his wife, sister and brother-in-law, and a 10-year-old son. The entire community mourns his untimely loss and remembers him with deep respect and affection.

## Cable theft gang busted in Amravati District LCB sleuths nab 12 suspects

**Amravati 25 June (NAGPUR POST/DC):** A gang involved in the theft of electric cables and wires from fields and infrastructure projects in the Amravati district has been successfully apprehended by the Local Crime Branch (LCB) of Amravati Rural Police. A total of 12 accused, including scrap dealers who purchased the stolen materials, have been arrested in connection with multiple theft cases. The case was initiated following a complaint lodged at Daryapur Police Station on May 1, 2025, by Nitin Sudhakar Thor (37), an employee of Polycab India and resident of Mill Colony, Paratwada. He reported that Kondra Infra Tel company had assigned work to his firm for installing 31.5 km of 55 mm aluminum wire along the road from Gayawadi to Mahuli Dhande. Upon inspection on May 28,

2025, it was discovered that aluminum wires covering 12.5 km from Gayawadi to Prithviraj Nagar, worth Rs 5,26,802, had been stolen by unknown persons. A case (FIR No. 209/2025) was registered under IPC sections 136 and 139. In a separate incident reported at Khallar Police Station on April 28, 2025, Subhash Devidasrao Solanke (52), a farmer from Ghada, stated that 50 feet of cable connected to his borewell in Badura village had been stolen. Additionally, 1,310 feet of cable was stolen from borewells belonging to 14 nearby farmers. Accordingly, a case (FIR No. 89/2025) was registered under section 303(2) of the BNS. Considering the seriousness of these cases, Superintendent of Police Vishal Anand (Amravati Rural) directed the Local Crime Branch to take

immediate action. While investigating, a team led by PSI Nitin Ingole received reliable intelligence from informants that the thefts were carried out by a gang from Daryapur, led by Dinesh Chavan and Golu alias Sagar Gulhane, along with accomplices. Acting on this tip-off, a trap was laid and the accused Dinesh Chavan and Golu Gulhane were taken into custody. Upon intensive interrogation, they confessed to committing the thefts with the help of their gang. In total, 10 accused involved in the thefts and 2 scrap dealers who purchased the stolen goods were arrested. The police recovered the following items from the accused: \* One motorcycle worth approximately Rs 50 thousand \* 6 Mobile phones

valued at Rs 42 thousand \* About 5 kg of copper wire worth Rs 5 thousand \* Total seizure: Approx. Rs 97 thousand This operation has led to the detection of seven theft cases, including: \* Four from Khallar Police Station jurisdiction \* One each from Daryapur, Kholapur, and Kuha police station limits Three accused including Dinesh Chavan and two scrap dealers were handed over to Daryapur Police Station for further proceedings. Golu Chavan and five other accused were transferred to Khallar Police Station for legal action. The successful operation was carried out under the guidance of SP Vishal Anand and Additional SP Panikaj Kumawat, led by PI Kiran Wankhade of LCB Amravati Rural. Key members of the investigation team included PSI Nitin Ingole, Taslim Shaikh, Mulchand Bhamburkar, Head Constables Sunil Mahatme, Syed Azmat, Sudhir Bawane, Nilesh Dangore, Chetan Dubey, Amol Deshmukh, Mangesh Lakde, Sachin Mhasange, Dinesh Kanojia, and police vehicle driver Prajwal Raut, along with cyber cell constables Sagar Dhapad, Shiya Shirasath, Ritesh Goswami, and Vikas Anjekar.

## Several activists in Tirora taluka join NCP

**Tirora 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** Recently at Rashtrawadi Bhavan, Railtoli Office, many activists from Tirora taluka joined the NCP in the presence of former legislator Rajendra Jain, believing in the development centric leadership of MP Praful Patel. Among the newly inducted activists and office bearers those who joined the party, Ankit Gokhale, deputy Sarpanch Lakhegaon, Omkar Patle and Mohan Khobragade from Lakhegaon, Balu Raut, Sunil Takhatkar, Ganesh Harkande Lakhegaon, Parash Bawanthade Sukadi were included. Former Rajendra Jain welcomed the newly



induced activists and office bearers and welcomed them by making them wear the party's dupatta. He warmly welcomed the activists who joined the party and expressed optimism that they

would strive to strengthen the party. A large number of activists leaders and office bearers including former legislator Rajendra Jain, Jagdish Bawanthade, Ravi Patle, Munna Binzade, Harshvardhan Meshram, Akhlesh Seth, Nitin Tembhare, Sunil Patle, Shailesh Wasnik, Sonu Bhojar and others were present on the occasion.

## Backing Sananda with full might to ensure NCP emerges victorious in local body polls: Dy CM Ajit Pawar

**Khamgaon 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** Keeping in mind the upcoming local body polls, state Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar assured that he is backing Sananda with all his might in order to ensure that the flag of the Nationalist Congress Party is hoisted in the local body elections by strengthening the Nationalist Congress Party and he hoped that the party would be strengthened in Khamgaon legislative assembly constituency. On Tuesday (June 24) former legislator Rana Dilipkumar Sananda met Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar at Devagiri Bungalow and presented several memoranda to Ajit Pawar regarding complete loan waiver for farmers and provision of funds for proposed development works under various headings in Khamgaon legislative assembly constituency. Responding positively to Sananda's statement, Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar gave a concrete assurance to Sananda that these demands would be fulfilled. At this time, Relief and Rehabilitation Minister and Guardian Minister of Buldhana District Makarand Patil, Minority Department and Sports and Youth Welfare Minister Dattatreya Bhanne were prominently present. On the occasion, former legislator Rana Dilipkumar Sananda discussed various issues with Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar. Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar immediately instructed the ministers and officers of the concerned departments to take action regarding the issues mentioned in the memorandum and gave positive comments on it. He directed that these works should be carried out

immediately. He also assured that he would support Sananda in the upcoming local body elections with full force and provide the necessary funds as per the decision of the Mahayuti top brass. From the perspective of the upcoming local body elections, Agriculture Minister Manikrao Kokate, Cooperation Minister Babasaheb Patil, Guardian Minister of Buldhana District Makarand Patil and Minority Department and Sports and Youth Welfare Minister Dattatreya Bhanne went to Khamgaon legislative assembly constituency and attended the programme organised by Sananda. Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar also instructed the concerned ministers to increase the NCP's party base and solve the problems of farmers and unemployed youth. It is noteworthy that even though a meeting of the NCP ministers and legislators was organised at Devagiri Bungalow on Tuesday, Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar first gave Sananda a request for a meeting and gave a positive response to all the questions mentioned in the memorandum. Former legislator Rana Dilipkumar Sananda thanked Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar and the ministers present from the bottom of his heart, as he felt that he was a man of his word.

## SBI organises blood donation camp

**NER / NAGPUR POST:** In the backdrop of the upcoming July 1st Bank Day, a massive blood donation camp was organised at the State Bank of India, Ner Parasopant Branch, maintaining social commitment. Many dignitaries were present in this activity held in the bank premises. On the occasion of the inauguration of the event, Manoj Kale and Anil Rathod, who have donated blood the most times from the taluka, were specially felicitated. On this occasion, Branch Manager Dhanraj Deshmukh, Head of Human Resources Department Kunal Deep, Branch Officers Ritesh Maske, Komal Khobragade, Nidhi Dhawale,

Ashwini Hatbhar, Abhilash Kale, Priyanka Ashtikar, Santosh Jadhav, Gajanan Dahelkar, Vishal Shalke were present. Customer Service Center Representative Mahesh Raut, Vaibhav Bhende, as well as the branch's distinguished customers Nilesh Rathod, were present. Blood donors participated enthusiastically in this initiative. This proactive role taken by SBI, keeping in



mind its social responsibility, was definitely inspiring. The Ner branch, which has always gone beyond banking and worked towards social service, is being appreciated everywhere.

## BJP Salekasa activists reminisce Dr. Shamaprasadji Mukherjee's contributions

**Salekasa 25 June (NAGPUR POST/TC):** Recently BJP Salekasa organised a programme on the occasion of the death anniversary of Jana Sangh founder and ardent patriot Late Shyamaprasad Mukherjee under the guidance of JD Jagnik (District Vice President BJP Gondia District/ District Coordinator Sankalp Se Siddhi Tak) and under the leadership of BJP circle President Deoram Chute. On the occasion, a complete and detailed account of Dr. Shamaprasad Mukherjee's life and his work in Jan Sangh and BJP was given by the dignitaries and everyone said that his noble and brave deeds would be a source of inspiration for everyone. Former taluka president Kapur Chandra Agrawal, Gunwant Bisen, Khemraj (Bababhau) Lilahare, Archana Madavi (PS member), Kalyani Katre (Ex-ZP member), Umedalal Jaitwar, Pralhad



Gaddai (Ex-Vice President Nagar Panchayat), Madhu Agrawal (Women's wing President), Premkali Nagpure, Rajesh Katre (OBC cell President), General Secretary Ramdas Hattimare, Manoj Bopche Kewalchand Dasaria, Mahesh Khokhale, Hemant Sharma, Kavita Yetre, Ratanlal Tembhare, Sweta Agrawal, Gita Gondane, Nitin Shivankar, Sukhram Astkar, Chandul Panche, Pratik Lilhare, Prabhudayal Wadgave, Yadorao Mankar, Bharatlal Bhurkute, Posandas Nimawar, Parthusingh Bais, and other activists were prominently present on the occasion. Garlands were offered to the portrait of Dr. Shyamaprasad Mukherjee and worshipping rituals were performed on the occasion.