

BULLS EYE

Repercussions of excessive enthusiasm...

At least 11 people have died in a stampede at Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru today. The seating capacity of this stadium is 33 thousand people. But experts say that about four to five times that, i.e. up to 1.5 lakh people, had gathered in that stadium. The system that was needed to control this crowd was not there. Crowds of people were continuing to come. The police did not know how to stop all this chaotic crowd. When planning an event, the crowd was larger than expected or increased. Then it is necessary to have a system as well as the ability to deal with the sudden crisis and control it. There should be no loss of life under any circumstances. This should be the priority of authorities. But today's event was for the Bengaluru cricket team's victory in IPL yesterday. The event was organised by the government. Everyone also knew that there would be a crowd converging for this event. Now, when the all-powerful government of that state knew this, what did they do to organise the event in a full proof manner? It is their duty to issue clarifications in this concern. Stampede is a natural occurrence in such events. Everyone is in a hurry to watch the event, and the fountains of excitement flow due to such victories. At such times these incidents of loss of life occur. The administration should have taken cognisance of this too. Overall, such events are considered the pride of our state. But instead of pride, an atmosphere like hell was created here. So this is an example of how the common people are taken hostage in such conditions. Currently, we are so immersed in politics that we hear such unfortunate incidents with one ear and throw them out with another. Today's accident should be described only as an outcome of lack of planning. Nowadays, there is such a tight fight between winning or losing a match that both sides celebrate in a crazy manner. It would be surprising if this pickle of excitement had not reached there. From the elderly to the youngsters everyone turned out to be gullible. No matter how much the government tries now, those whose lives were lost will not be restored back to life. We suspect that these are all youngsters who have met with an untimely demise. How much suffering must the parents or loved ones of those who died have suffered. Also, instead of something new blossoming in the lives of our near and dear ones, such a ghastly incident has happened. If so, we do not have an answer for it. Then the question which arises is that we will have to plan such a programme accordingly. Didn't the Karnataka government have any idea about what was to unravel? Cricket matches have been taking place for the past several days. These matches are so interesting and exciting that there is no way to overcome them. The repercussions of this match are felt for several days before the last match. Then now, during the festival, that is, the place where the victory is celebrated, there will be a huge crowd, it goes without saying. Already, no state can have any grand programme without the assistance of the centre. Even as far as the central government is concerned, there is favouritism. Some states are their beloved ones and some are run by hard-core opponents. Karnataka is a province run by a hard-core opponents' state because it does not have a double-engine government. This environment has an adverse effect on the minds of the people sitting there in the centre. One issue which may arise here is that the local government alone does not have enough responsibility in this regard. Even if this is accepted once, both governments cannot just shrug their hands off and absolve themselves of the allegation of criminal neglect. This is also a true story. Not just Karnataka, the centre has turned a blind eye to people's sufferings in other states run by the opposition. Because there is a government run by opposition parties in those states. Let us pay tribute to all the dead souls who passed away! May the wounds of the injured heal as soon as possible. Let us pray sincerely in this concern!!

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Monsoon Session of Parliament from July 21 to August 12

New Delhi, June 4 (UNI) The Monsoon Session of Parliament will be held from July 21 to August 12, Union Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju said here on Wednesday. According to sources, a special discussion is likely to be held on Operation Sindoor and the 50th anniversary of the Emergency. Moreover, an impeachment motion is likely to be brought against Justice Yashwant Varma in connection with the recovery of a large amount of cash from his official residence. Sources said



that if a decision is made to bring the motion, it will be introduced in this very session. Notably, the Opposition had demanded that the government convene a special session of Parliament over Operation Sindoor. In this regard 16 parties of INDI Alliance had yesterday written to Prime Minister Narendra Modi for the same.

Munde voices concern over lacklustre functioning of sugarcane workers' welfare body

Mumbai, June 4 (UNI) Maharashtra Environment Minister Pankaja Munde on Wednesday expressed dissatisfaction with the functioning of the Loknete Gopinath Munde Sugarcane Workers Welfare Corporation, urging for improved efficiency in delivering benefits to sugarcane cutters. She made these remarks while speaking to reporters before leaving for the memorial of her late father, Gopinath Munde, in Beed district to pay tributes on his death anniversary. Ms Munde revealed that she has already discussed the matter with Chief Minister Devendra Fadnis, who has assured her that positive steps will be taken. The Corporation was established ahead of the 2019 assembly elections to provide



social security benefits, including Employees' Provident Fund (EPF), to sugarcane labourers. "I am not satisfied with the Corporation's work. I have spoken to the CM, and he has promised action. I will raise the issue with him again," she said. Highlighting her past efforts, she said added, "I fought for sugarcane workers' wages and secured a 34 percent increase, the highest so far. The Corporation was set up to provide more facilities, but it needs to function more effectively." When asked about her reflections during the 2019-2024 period when she was not an elected representative, Ms Munde said she viewed it not as a struggle but as an opportunity to work with prominent national leaders.

Nine people killed after truck falls on their car in MP's Jhabua

Jhabua 4 June: Nine people, returning home after attending a wedding, were killed after a truck laden with cement overturned on their vehicle in Madhya Pradesh's Jhabua district on the intervening night of Tuesday and Wednesday. The accident took place near an under-construction bridge in Kalyanpura near Bhavapura village. The truck driver fled from the spot after the incident. The deceased include Mukesh Khaped (40), his wife Savli (35), minor son, daughter, Madhi Bamnia (38), Vijay Bamnia (14), two other minors and Akali Parmar (35). Two others were injured in the accident, and they are undergoing treatment in a hospital. According to police, the truck-laden with cement overturned



on the Omni van near the under-construction bridge. All the people in the van were residents of Shivgarh Mahuda of Meghnagar Tehsil and

were returning to their village after attending a wedding. Police teams from Thandla and Meghnagar were at the accident site.

PM expresses grief

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday expressed his deep grief over the loss of lives due to an accident in Jhabua, Madhya Pradesh. The Prime Minister also announced an ex-gratia from PMNRF of Rs 20 lakh to the next of kin of each deceased and Rs 50,000 for those injured. The Prime Minister's Office posted on X "Deeply anguished by the loss of lives due to an accident in Jhabua, Madhya Pradesh. Condolences to those who have lost their loved ones. May the injured recover soon". An ex-gratia of Rs 2 lakh from PMNRF would be given to the next of kin of each deceased."



Leaders express grief over RCB stampede, 11 feared dead

New Delhi/Bengaluru, June 4 (UNI) PM Narendra Modi on Wednesday expressed deep sorrow over the stampede outside the M Chinnaswamy Stadium here during Royal Challengers Bengaluru's IPL victory celebrations. "The mishap in Bengaluru is absolutely heartrending. In this tragic hour, my thoughts are with all those who have lost their loved ones. I pray that those who are injured have a speedy recovery," the Prime Minister said in a post on X. The stampede occurred when thousands of fans gathered outside the stadium in the city's central business district to catch a

glimpse of their favourite players and the IPL trophy. A sudden surge in the crowd led to chaos and suffocation, resulting in multiple casualties. At least 11 people are feared dead and over 50 others injured. BCCI Secretary Devajit Saikia said, "Organisers should have planned RCB's IPL-winning celebrations better." He acknowledged the scale of the celebrations but pointed out a lack of adequate crowd control measures. "Senior Congress leader and MLC BK Hariprasad also expressed anguish over the incident. The incident in which more than 11 people, including women, died in a

stampede during the RCB cricket team's victory parade in Bengaluru is extremely shocking and regrettable. The condition of some of the injured is serious, and the government should take immediate action to provide them with appropriate treatment," he said. However, the state government is yet to confirm the number of deaths in the stampede. Karnataka Deputy CM DK Shivakumar appealed for calm and said the exact number of casualties was still being ascertained. The BJP seized on the incident to mount a scathing attack on Congress government.

SPREADING AWARENESS...



An awareness drive was conducted at Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Itwari railway station on Wednesday on World Environment Day eve. Awareness on the theme reduction of plastic pollution was disseminated by officials and employees on the occasion. Citizens and travellers in turn gave an enthusiastic response and reiterated their commitment to abide by the guidelines highlighted.

Rajnath Singh holds bilateral meeting with Australian counterpart

New Delhi, June 4 (UNI) Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Wednesday held a bilateral meeting with Australian Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Defence Richard Marles and both sides reviewed full range of the India-Australia defence partnership. Both Ministers strongly condemned the terror attack in Pahalgam and expressed deepest condolences to the families of the victims. Rajnath highlighted India's right to respond in self-defence against cross-border terrorism and described New Delhi's actions against Pakistan as measured, non-escalatory, proportionate and responsible, a Defence Ministry statement said. The two sides agreed to work together to combat terrorism in all its forms. Through a post on X after the meeting, Rajnath Singh thanked Australia for its unequivocal support to India's resolute response against the barbaric act of terror in Pahalgam.

Modi govt's 'policy to surrender' is harming national interest: Congress

New Delhi, June 4 (UNI) A day after leader of Opposition Rahul Gandhi launched a scathing 'Narendra surrender' attack on the Prime Minister, the Congress escalated its criticism, alleging that the Modi government's "policy to surrender" has hurt India's national interest. Addressing a press conference at the AICC headquarters here, Congress spokesperson Pawan Khera backed Rahul Gandhi's remarks, alleging that the BJP-led government has repeatedly surrendered India's national interest, in situations, where



it was required to show the requisite deft and 'Vishwaguru' status. "That is why it is said - Name is Narendra, work is surrender," he alleged. He claimed that when the brave Indian Army had Pakistan on its knees, "Trump called and Narendra Modi surrendered".

Census-2027 to be conducted in two phases

New Delhi, June 4 (UNI) Population Census-2027 will be conducted in two phases along with enumeration of castes and the reference date will be March one, 2027. For the Union Territory of Ladakh and the non-synchronous snow-bound areas of the UT of Jammu and Kashmir and states of Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand, the reference date will be October one, 2026. The notification for intent of conducting Population Census with the above reference dates will be published in the official gazette on June 16.

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NMC's Atal Bihari Vajpayee e-Library becoming a hub for medical and competitive exam aspirants

Nagpur 4 June: The Bharat Ratna Atal Bihari Vajpayee E-Library, operated by the Nagpur Municipal Corporation (NMC) in Lodhipura, has emerged as a crucial study hub for students preparing for various competitive exams, especially medical entrance tests such as MBBS, MD, and MS. The facility has now earned the title "Library of Doctors" due to its growing popularity among medical aspirants. Launched in May 2022, the e-library has flourished under the leadership of NMC Commissioner and Administrator Dr. Abhijit Chaudhari, Additional Commissioner Vaishnavi B., and Education Officer Sadhana Sayam. In addition to medical aspirants, the library is extensively used by students preparing for UPSC, MPSC, CA, MBA, banking exams, and CET. Over the past two years, several users of the library have successfully cleared the UPSC Civil Services Examination and other government job recruitments. The library sees strong footfall from students of Indira Gandhi Government Medical College and

Railway Hospital. Entry is granted based on students' academic background and the exams they are preparing for. Notably, successful candidates are felicitated by the library staff.

Solar Energy Upgrade

To promote sustainability and reduce electricity costs, the NMC plans to install a solar power system in the library in the near future.

Comprehensive Facilities

Draw Students

The e-library offers a range of modern facilities, including:

***A quiet, air-conditioned study hall**

***Elevator access**

*** Generator backup during power outages**

*** Fully equipped computer lab with internet**

***Free Wi-Fi**

*** Dedicated resources for differently-abled students**

***Canteen for meals**

*** Auditorium for lectures**

***Spacious parking area**



High Demand and Limited Seating

The library has a reading room that accommodates 30 students and a computer lab with 60 seats—comprising 15 general-use systems, 20 each for male and female students, and 5 for differently-abled users. Despite this setup, over 50 students remain on the waiting list each month. Students are charged a nominal fee of Rs 1,000 per month, which covers access to reading spaces, internet, books, and magazines.

RFID-Based Book Security

To enhance security and prevent book theft, the library has implemented a Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) system. This system ensures that books cannot be taken out without staff approval. Online registration helps track book circulation, informed Library In-Charge Mr. Ritesh Meshram. With its growing impact and modern amenities, the NMC's Atal Bihari Vajpayee E-Library continues to play a vital role in shaping the future of Nagpur's aspiring professionals.

Nagpur's Midland Stone Company defrauds govt of Rs 1.5 crore with forgery

Nagpur/Chandrapur 4 June: A Nagpur-based company, M/s Midland Stone Company, is facing serious allegations of fraud after it reportedly forged official documents of the Chandrapur District Mining Office to falsely claim government payments worth over Rs 1.5 crore. The firm, a supplier of minor minerals to Central Railway, allegedly created a fake letterhead, unauthorised stamp, and even forged the signature of District Mining Officer Suresh Naitam to produce a bogus 'royalty clearance' certificate. This certificate was then submitted to the Deputy Chief Engineer, Central Railway, Wardha, as part of the company's billing documents.

The fraudulent activity came to light when the Deputy Engineer's office sent the documents for verification to the Chandrapur District Mining Office. Upon reviewing them, Officer Naitam immediately flagged the letterhead, signature, stamp, and certificate as

counterfeit. Confirming the forgery, Officer Naitam has now filed a formal police complaint at Ramnagar Police Station in Chandrapur.

How the fraud was executed

According to mining department officials, contractors involved in government construction projects must obtain minor mineral permissions from the district mining office. Once the mineral ownership fee is paid and transportation is authorised, the department issues a royalty clearance certificate—a mandatory document for the contractor to receive pending dues from government agencies. However, in this case, Midland Stone Company reportedly bypassed the entire legal process, instead fabricating the clearance certificate in order to secure a payment of Rs 1.5 crore from the Railways. A senior officer from the Mining Department told the media, "The company attempted to deceive a government department using forged

documents. This isn't just a breach of trust—it's a criminal act aimed at siphoning off public money."

Investigation underway

The case has now taken a legal turn, and investigations are in full swing to determine who created the forged documents, how they were submitted, and whether any internal officials were complicit. Police sources say the incident raises concerns not only about document security in public departments but also about potential gaps in the verification process that could be exploited by unscrupulous contractors. As the inquiry progresses, the spotlight is now firmly on Midland Stone Company, whose future dealings with government agencies may now come under intense scrutiny.

15 Acres allotted for ESI hospital in Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar

Nagpur 4 June: The Maharashtra Cabinet has approved the allocation of 15 acres of government land at Karodi in Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar for the construction of a 200-bed hospital under the Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC). The decision was taken during the Cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Devendra Fadnis on Tuesday.

Taking a proactive lead, Revenue Minister Chandrashekhar Bawankule also secured in-principle approval to provide land for nine more ESIC hospitals in key cities including Pune (Bibwewadi), Ahiyanagar, Sangli, Amravati, Ballapur (Chandrapur), Sinnar (Nashik), Baramati (Pune), Satara, and Panvel (Raigad). The upcoming ESIC hospital in Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar aims to serve the growing number of



workers in rapidly expanding industrial zones like Shendra, Bidkin, DMIC, Waluj, Chikalthana, and near the railway station. The state believes that the new hospital will meet rising healthcare demands and provide quality medical services to workers and their families, further boosting local industrial development.

Statewide impact

The approval for these 10 ESIC hospitals is set to benefit approximately 48.7 lakh worker families and nearly 2 crore beneficiaries across Maharashtra.

These hospitals will play a crucial role in strengthening the public

healthcare infrastructure for the labour sector. Minister Bawankule, who championed the initiative, stated, "The government is committed to ensuring quality healthcare services for workers. This decision will bring a positive shift in their quality of life."

Welfare-centric governance

The State Government's decision reflects its focus on welfare-driven governance, particularly prioritizing the health needs of the working class. The planned hospitals will enable workers to access immediate and effective medical care, and significantly improve public healthcare delivery in industrial regions. The move is expected to fast-track the construction and operationalisation of ESIC hospitals across the state, giving a major boost to the government's pro-labour healthcare policy.

Knya expands Maharashtra footprint with launch of first medical apparel store in Nagpur

Nagpur 4 June: Knya, India's leading medical apparel brand, has announced the opening of its newest retail store in Nagpur, its 7th store in Maharashtra and 9th nationwide. This marks a significant milestone in Knya's rapid offline expansion and sets the stage for its upcoming entry into southern India with the 10th store already in the pipeline. Located in Medical Chowk near General Medical College, the new store is one of the first dedicated retail spaces for medical professionals in Nagpur, a city fast emerging as a key healthcare and education hub in central India. Designed for the everyday needs of medical professionals, the space offers a seamless blend of utility and design. From its high-performance scrubs and lab coats to functional aprons, accessories, and the doctor-approved 6Sense Stethoscope, customers can experience the full spectrum of Knya's offerings first-hand. Abhijeet Kaji, Co-Founder, Knya shared his excitement about the launch, "We're seeing strong momentum with our offline stores, and Maharashtra has been especially promising."

Nagpur stood out as a growing city with a vibrant medical community, making it the perfect next stop. With this launch, we're not just expanding our footprint, we're getting one step closer to supporting medical professionals across every corner of the country. We're now focused on building out our next offline cluster in South India, where we see a strong alignment with our mission and a rapidly growing demand from healthcare professionals." The Nagpur launch is a key step in Knya's mission to reimagine how India's healthcare professionals shop. With plans to open one store every month across emerging cities in 2025, Knya is building a nationwide network that puts premium, people-first medical essentials within easy reach of the professionals who need them most.

Contaminated water crisis busted with robocam in Nagpur

Nagpur 4 June: Facing mounting complaints from residents of Jagdish Nagar near Dabha-1 Amrut Water Tank, Nagpur's Water Supply Department, in coordination with OCW (Orange City Water), has finally acted—though only after the situation escalated. Repeated reports of contaminated water in the area had left citizens angry and helpless. The issue was serious enough that OCW was forced to deploy a robotic camera (Robocam) to inspect the internal condition of the pipelines—a step that clearly should have come much earlier. The Robocam investigation revealed decaying, old pipelines and unauthorized connections as the root cause of the contamination. After flushing the pipelines and disconnecting illegal and outdated connections, the

PROJECT AFFECTED FARMERS VOICE CONCERN....



A mega steel project is coming up in Gadchiroli in the near future. A large area encompassing fertile agricultural land is being handed over to industrialists for the steel plant and local farmers' lands are being usurped in a way. Compensation being provided too is a pittance. In such circumstances delegations of various political parties and farmers organisations from Wadsa and Gadchiroli converged at Sub Divisional Office Wadsa and handed over a memorandum voicing concerns felt by the farmers regarding the project.

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situation improved. However, OCW didn't stop there. A proposal to replace the damaged pipelines was submitted and quickly approved by the Nagpur Municipal Corporation (NMC).

Following this, new pipelines were installed and the old ones sealed off. The result: citizens finally received clean water at

proper pressure—something that should never have required such drastic delays. This swift action came after weeks of neglect, where areas like Orange Metro City, Gurudutt Society, Ganesh Nagar, Mardvi Layout, New Shanti Nagar, and Shivhare Layout were left struggling with low-pressure and insufficient water supply. Residents had to rely on water

tankers, further resentment. In a decisive move, OCW linked these affected areas to the newer Dabha-2 Amrut Water Tank. This intervention stabilized water supply across thousands of homes. While the crisis has been resolved for now, it exposes glaring gaps in maintenance, monitoring, and the delayed responsiveness of both OCW and municipal authorities. This episode is a wake-up call—basic utilities like clean drinking water can't be taken lightly. Preventive maintenance must replace reactive firefighting. The public deserves better, and they're watching.

Man booked for cruel confinement of cattle meant for slaughter in Pachpaoli



Nagpur 4 June: In a case of animal cruelty, Pachpaoli Police arrested a 31-year-old man for illegally confining cattle intended for slaughter in inhumane conditions in Azad Nagar, Teka, during the early hours of June 4. Between 3:40 am and 6:20 am, while patrolling the area, police received reliable information about bovines being held for slaughter in a shed owned by one Imran Qureshi. Acting swiftly, the team conducted a raid and found 12 bovines, including calves and adult cattle, packed in a cramped space without food or water. The animals were allegedly confined by Mohsin Qureshi (31), resident of House No. 65, Siddharth Nagar, Nai Basti Teka, Pachpaoli, with

the intent of slaughter. Upon interrogation, the accused admitted to the crime. All 12 animals were rescued and sent to a local gaushala (cow shelter), while the materials found at the site were valued at around ₹1.81 lakh. A case has been registered under Sections 5, 5(b), 9 of the Maharashtra Animal Preservation Act, 1976 (as amended in 1995) and Section 11 of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960. The accused has been arrested, and further investigation is underway. The operation was conducted under the supervision of DCP Mehak Swami (Zone 3) and ACP Shweta Khade, with support from the Pachpaoli police team.

Parth Chanape secures admission in IIT Bombay



Wadi 4 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Parth Chetan Chanape, a resident of Gajanan Society in Dattawadi, has earned eligibility for admission to the prestigious Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bombay through his outstanding performance in the national-level JEE Advanced examination.

According to social worker Govindrao Rode and former principal Purushottam Kothe, Parth completed his 12th grade at Kendriya Vidyalaya, Ambazari, with an impressive 95% and scored 99 percentile in the JEE Main exam, qualifying him for the JEE Advanced.

The results of the JEE Advanced were recently announced at the national level, and Parth's excellent score secured him a spot at IIT Bombay. Many well-wishers including Harshal Kakde, Premnath Zhade, Santosh Narwade, Anandbabu Kadam, Kailash Manthapurwar, Naresh Charade, Kamal Kanje, Santosh Kechhe, Rupesh Zhade, Madhu Manke Patil, Vijay Mishra, Kapil Bhalmé, Akhil Pohnkar, Krantisinh, Yogesh Chanape, Kalpana Sagdev, Dr. Pallavi Rane, teacher Seema Chaudhari (Mahalle), Pravin Mahalle, and Prof. Jayashri Chanape congratulated Parth on his remarkable achievement.

As weather blows hot and cold, diarrhoea cases spike in Nagpur

Nagpur 4 June: As Nagpur grapples with erratic weather — veering between scorching heat, intermittent showers, and now muggy humidity — the city is witnessing a sharp uptick in diarrhoea cases, particularly among children. Public health officials are sounding the alarm, urging residents to be vigilant about hygiene and water safety. The Nagpur Municipal Corporation (NMC) has recorded 157 cases of diarrhoea so far this year, including nine fresh cases in the past two days alone, according to the Health Department's latest data. "This is not yet an outbreak, but it is a clear warning," said Dr. Govardhan Naokhare, Epidemic Medical Officer at NMC. "The combination of monsoon moisture, contaminated food and water, and poor hygiene is creating the perfect environment for the illness to spread — especially among vulnerable groups like children." Doctors say the rising humidity levels,

following weeks of unstable weather, are playing a role in weakening immunity and accelerating bacterial growth in water and food sources.

Diarrhoea by the numbers:

- January: 7 cases
- February: 12 cases
- March: 13 cases
- April: 74 cases
- May: 42 cases
- June (till June 2): 9 cases

The health department has ramped up its awareness campaign in slum areas and government schools, with field teams visiting door-to-door to distribute leaflets, demonstrate handwashing, and advise families on safe drinking water practices. According to Dr. Avinash Gawande, senior paediatrician and Medical Superintendent at Government Medical College and Hospital (GMCH), prevention is simple, yet the impact of diarrhoea can be fatal if ignored.

"We see many children coming in with severe



dehydration caused by diarrhoea. The first signs — vomiting, stomach cramps, loose motions — must not be taken lightly." India continues to struggle with diarrhoea as a major health challenge, especially among children under five, where it remains the second leading cause of death, after pneumonia.

Doctor's advice for prevention:

- Drink only boiled or filtered water; avoid tap or roadside water, especially while travelling
- Practice handwashing with soap before meals and after using the toilet
- Eat hot, freshly prepared food; avoid stale, uncovered, or street food
- Educate children on hygiene and keep their living spaces clean
- At the first sign of diarrhoea, start ORS (oral rehydration solution) and consult a doctor immediately

With the India Meteorological Department (IMD) predicting dry and humid weather to persist for the next 10 days, health officials warn that conditions remain ripe for a further rise in cases if precautionary steps are not followed. "We must not wait for a full-blown crisis," Dr. Naokhare added. "Simple hygiene and awareness can save lives."

Nagpur cops nab smugglers with 108 kg ganja after hot pursuit

Nagpur 4 June: In a significant breakthrough in the fight against narcotics, Kalamna police in Nagpur seized 108 kg of ganja (marijuana) following a high-speed chase that ended in the interception of a suspicious vehicle on Tuesday evening. The operation was part of the ongoing Operation Thunder, a citywide crackdown on drug trafficking. Acting on a credible tip-off about a consignment of ganja being transported from Odisha to Nagpur, police had set up strategic checkpoints across the city. When a suspected vehicle defied police orders to stop, a dramatic pursuit ensued. Officers from the Kalamna Police Unit managed to intercept the vehicle and apprehended the driver along with a Nagpur-based accomplice believed to be the receiver. Upon searching the vehicle, police discovered 108 kg of ganja packed in bundles. The value of the seized narcotics runs into several lakhs of rupees. Senior Police Inspector Pravin Kale led the operation under the supervision of Commissioner of Police Ravinder Singal and DCP Niketan Kadam. Investigators are now probing the supply chain to trace the origin, handlers, and intended destination of the consignment. Police suspect that Nagpur is being used as a crucial transit hub for transporting narcotics

from eastern states to northern India, where demand for the banned



substance is reportedly high. In a separate incident, Hudkeshwar police apprehended two alleged drug couriers on Monday evening and recovered over 2 kg of ganja, valued at Rs 40,000. Based on a tip-off, a police team intercepted a two-wheeler at Tapasya Chowk on Manewada Ring Road around 6.20 pm. The accused — Sheikh Anwar Sheikh Jafar (30), a resident of Milan Nagar, and Mohammad Imran Md Majeed (27), a native of Toli Chowki, Hyderabad — were found with 2.03 kg of ganja. Police also seized two mobile phones and the motorcycle used in the operation, bringing the total value of the haul to Rs 1 lakh. This action was led by Senior PI Dnyaneshwar Bhedodkar, under the guidance of Zonal DCP Rashmita Rao and ACP Narendra Hiware. The dual crackdown highlights the Nagpur police's intensified efforts to dismantle drug networks operating in and through the city.

Finally, hunger strike concludes; Positive discussion held

MAREGAON/NAGPUR POST: Upasarpach Sachin Pachare had started a hunger strike to death at Kosara Ghat in the Wardha river basin so that the beneficiaries should get sand from Kosara Ghat. On the second day of the hunger strike, Tehsildar Uttam Nilawad visited the hunger strike pavilion and had a positive discussion with the hunger strikers, and the hunger strike was ended after the discussion was satisfactory. There is ample sand available in the Kosara Ghat on the Wardha river, which comes under the revenue area.



This hunger strike was started to draw attention to the main demand that this ghat should be started for the beneficiaries of the houses. River sand has been made available to the beneficiaries in other places, so the agitators had made a strong demand that we should also be provided with sand from the river basin.

It was also demanded that 5 brass of sand should be given to the beneficiaries of the houses in Kosara as per the government's free sand policy. Tehsildar Uttam Nilawad listened to the side of the hunger

strikers and came to a satisfactory solution, ending the hunger strike completely. Meanwhile, team of the Health Department visited the hunger strike pavilion and inspected it.

Also, Taluka President of the All India Sarpanch Association Avinash Lambat, Secretary Suresh Lande, Sarpanch of Sarati Tulshiram Kumre, Sarpanch of Khairgaon Butti Ramchandra Jawade, Sarpanch of Bori Gadaji Pravin Nanne, and Deputy Sarpanch Prashant Bhandari have also visited.

Welcome ceremony for palanquin of Rukhmini Mata held

Amravati 4 June

(NAGPUR POST/DC): The

welcome ceremony for the palanquin of Mata Rukhmini, wholeft for Pandharpur Ashadhi Ekadashi Yatra from Shrikshetra Kaundanyapur was held with great Amravati at Biyani square in Amravati. This is an unbroken tradition which has been going on continuously for 431 years. This divine ceremony was led by former MLA Adv. Yashomati Thakur. Along with this, dignitaries from various walks of life including MP Balwant Wankhade were present and declared this ceremony as a celebration of social equality. Like the palanquins of Sant Tukaram and Sant Dnyaneshwar, the palanquin of Rukhmini Mata has also found a coveted place in Shri Pandharpur. The devotees especially mentioned that this historic change is the result of the tireless efforts of former legislator Adv Yashomati Thakur and is indeed a matter of joy. As soon as the palanquin arrived at 7 pm, the devotees welcomed the deity with the sound of Tal Mrudang and hymns sung in honour of Vithoba Rakhumai. Former legislator Yashomati Thakur herself carried the palanquin on her shoulders for some distance, creating a sense of unity among the devotees. Citizens, dignitaries, officials, political leaders, devotees from all communities including



Hindus, Muslims, Buddhists, had gathered in this palanquin ceremony. Therefore, this ceremony has become a symbol of unity and harmony among all religions. A large number of dignitaries from various political parties, social organisations and administration, including MP Balwant Wankhade, Police Commissioner Arvind Chawaria, Resident District Collector Bhatkar, Deputy Commissioner Sagar Patil, former Mayor Vilas Ingole, Agricultural Produce Market Committee Chairman Harish More, PS Chairperson Kalpana Dive and others were present at this welcome ceremony. This ceremony, which conveyed the mantra of unwavering devotion, preservation of tradition and social unity, has become forever etched in the memory of many devotees.

DILAPIDATED ROADS PROVING HAZARDOUS....



The main road stretch at Andhera locality in Deulgaon Raja taluka of Buldhana district is in a dilapidated condition with potholes present every few metres. In such circumstances it has become hazardous for commuters to travel through the route. Of late several mishaps have taken place resulting in injuries among commuters. Locals have asked the concerned authorities to resolve the pressing issue and render transportation safer in the region.

One arrested with MD drug, material worth Rs 2.20 lakh seized

Amravati 4 June (NAGPUR

POST/DC): The Criminal Intelligence Unit

of the Amravati City Police Commissionerate has seized 25 grams of a banned substance called 'MD' in a major anti-drug action. One accused has been arrested in this operation and a total of Rs 2.20 lakhs worth of drugs have been seized from his possession. While the CIU team was patrolling on the orders of Police Commissioner Arvind Chawaria, a tip off was received that Umesh Mahadevrao Meshram (aged 49 years, resident of Milchal, Badnera, Amravati) was coming to Amravati from Dastumagar via Biyani square to sell MD drug in a vehicle bearing Honda Activa number MH 27 DM 3996. Based on this tip off, the police personnel laid a trap and arrested Umesh Meshram.

During the search, a whitish narcotic substance MD drug weighing 25 grams was found in a transparent plastic bag in his trouser pocket. Its estimated market value is Rs 1.25



lakh. In addition, a mobile phone worth Rs 15 thousand and an Activa two-wheeler worth Rs 80 thousand were also seized from him. This narcotic substance is banned by the government and its storage and transportation is a crime under the law. Therefore, a case has been registered against the suspect at Fraserpura Police Station under Sections 22 (B), 8 (C) and 29 of the NDPS Act. Fraserpura Police is conducting further investigation into the case.

OPENING PAGE

MGNREGA delaying wages worth Rs 13.53 crore

Labourers in Amravati district reluctant to work

Amravati 4 June:

Thousands of rural labourers in Amravati district working under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGA) are facing continued hardship as wages worth Rs 13.53 crore remain unpaid across 14 tehsils. Despite their efforts in various village-level development projects, many workers have not received timely payment, leading to growing discontent and hesitation to take on new work. Under the MGNREGA scheme, labourers are provided local employment to reduce the need for migration to urban areas. But the delay in disbursing wages has become a recurring issue, leaving many workers demoralized and unwilling to participate further.

A significant number of projects have been implemented in Chikhaldara tehsil, which alone accounts for a major share of the unpaid wages. Chikhaldara tehsil, known for conducting the highest number of MGNREGA projects in the district, has 659 lakh pending in wage payments. Thousands of labourers from this region depend on the scheme for their daily livelihood. Morshi tehsil follows with Rs 230 lakh in unpaid dues. The payment structure under the scheme is such that wages for the first 100 days are covered by the central government, while any additional days are funded by the state government. In both cases, delays have led to severe finan-



cial strain among the rural workforce.

71,000+ MGNREGA labourers working despite uncertainty of wages

As of Tuesday, a total of 71,693 labourers were actively engaged in MGNREGA work across Amravati district. The highest number-36,352 workers were reported from Chikhaldara. Other tehsils also showed significant participation: 5,893 in Morshi, 5,125 in Dharni, 4,135 in Achalpur, 3,176 in Varud, 3,054 in Chandur Bazar, and 2,635 in Dhamangaon Railway, among others. These figures reflect the massive scale of rural employment under MGNREGA, but also highlight the seriousness of the ongoing wage crisis.

Workers and local officials alike are concerned that without immediate resolution and release of pending payments, the willingness of labourers to engage in future MGNREGA activities may diminish, potentially impacting the progress of developmental works in rural areas.

Man arrested for obscene act with cow in Akola

Akola 4 June: A 50-

year-old man was arrested for allegedly performing an obscene act with a cow in the Akotphail area of Akola late Monday night. The accused has been identified as Subhash Kashiram Shrivastava, a resident of Annabhau Sathe Nagar.

He was apprehended after the incident was secretly recorded on video and widely shared across social media platforms, sparking outrage among citizens and local organisations. Members of Bajrang Dal reported the matter to the police, leading officers from Akot Fail police



station to track down and arrest the accused last night. The residents have demanded the strictest possible punishment for the accused.

Police have urged the public not to circulate sensitive content online.

Shri Parshuram Sanskar Seva Sangh feted students



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POST: Shri Parshuram

Sanskar Seva Sangh, Umarched branch organized a felicitation ceremony for meritorious students at the local Ram Mandir auditorium. Students who achieved remarkable success in the 12th and 10th exams were felicitated with bouquets, medals and certificates. Bharat Kulkarni presided over. Ambadas Sakale, Subhash Deshmukh, Vasant Pande, Ravikiran Dev, Vijay Aade, Suraj Shukla and Swapnil Magare were present as chief Guests. Meritorious students in 10th class Shrivani Mahurkar, Ved Sakale, Shaunak Sansthanik, Shaurya Deshmukh, Prem Sharma, Ved Vyavare, Samridhi Tare, Soham Agnihotri, Samarth Joshi, Chinmay Joshi, Meritorious students in 12th grade Maiveyi Sansthanik, Tanmay Chaudhary were felicitated. Guests wished the students and gave inspiring guidance

for their further education. In the presidential speech of the program, Bharat Kulkarni said that, "Students should achieve success through determination, perseverance and hard work. They should brighten the name of their village and society by getting higher education." Also, Parshuram Seva Sangh announced the next initiative and said that, "From this year, the Sangh has decided to provide financial assistance to financially weak students for their education."

The program was introduced by Vijay Kannav. Prashant Ayachit conducted the function by reciting Shero Shayari. Madhusudan Pande proposed the vote of thanks.

The program was attended by meritorious students from various schools in the city, their parents, Sangh President Santosh Dev, office bearers and Brahmo Vrinda in large numbers. The program concluded in an inspiring atmosphere.

Amravati-Mumbai flight ticket price hiked

Amravati 4 June: When

airline services were started from Amravati, it was claimed that common people would also be able to avail benefit of low cost civil aviation. But now this claim seems to be a hollow one. From June 9 onwards, the price for Amravati-Mumbai ticket shall be increased by Rs 17,850. Due to such a massive increase in the fare, an adverse situation has arisen and common passengers will not be able to travel in such circumstances perhaps. While launching the



Amravati-Mumbai flight service, MADC had announced that the ticket for Amravati-Mumbai flight service under the Regional Flight Scheme would be Rs

2,499 including all taxes. Along with this, out of the 72 seats of the ATR 72 aircraft, 36 will be charged by the government, while Alliance Air will charge 36 seats and there will be no charge for takeoff and landing on regional flights.

Till now the fare of Mumbai-Amravati flight was Rs 8 thousand to Rs 9 thousand. But now the prices

Will make effort for cemetery site: MLA Wankhede



UMARKHED / NAGPUR POST: A review meeting was

held on June 2 in the office of the sub-divisional officer to provide a place for cremation to a total of twenty-seven villages without a crematorium in the assembly constituency under the chairmanship of MLA Kisan Wankhede and in the presence of BJP Yavatmal, Pusad District Coordinator Nitin Bhutada, former MLA Vijay Khadse. On this occasion, Umarched Sub-divisional Officer Sakharam Mule, Tehsildar Rajesh Suradka, Assistant block Development Officer Punjab Rammale, Am Chavan, Mahagaon block Development Officer Dnyaneshwar Takaras, Deputy Tehsildar Rathod and Deputy Superintendent of Land Records of both talukas were present. On this occasion, a review was conducted by the Talathi, Gram Sevaks and Sarpanch of the village where there is no crematorium. If there is E class, H class land there, a proposal should be submitted to acquire that land and we will get it approved by the District Collector. On this occasion, MLA Kisan Wankhede assured the present village officers and Sarpanch that they would get it approved by the District Collector. On the other hand, where there is no government land of any class, if there is land of some local citizens adjacent to the village, then the Gram Sevaks should have a positive discussion with them regarding donating it for a crematorium. District Coordinator Nitin Bhutada instructed the present Gram Sevaks, Talathi and Sarpanch to give it as a donation. MLA Wankhede also informed the present that in the villages where there is no cremation shed, a cremation shed will be approved in the upcoming District Planning Committee. On this occasion, Talathi, Gram Sevaks and Sarpanchs of villages like Chalgani, kopra bu, Chikhli van, Krishnapur, kupti, mankeshwar, masrul, nageshwar, soit, takli, rembhurdara, tiwadi, Hivardari, Dahivadi, (Khu.), Beldari, Naik Nagar, Tarodi, Nagavadi, Bodhara, Tulshi, Negar, Hivalni, Chinchadi, Nandavhan, Chilli, Sevanagar were mainly present.

Two murders shock Yavatmal: Revenge killing, domestic abuse

Yavatmal 4 June: In a shocking act of revenge, a 25-year-old man recently released on bail in a murder case was killed in an armed attack on Tuesday evening in the Chandni Chowk area of Yavatmal. The killing, carried out by four assailants, appears to be a targeted retaliation for a previous murder that took place about a year ago. The deceased has been identified as Manish Sagar Shendre, a resident of Ramai Park No. 2, Yavatmal. Manish had been out on bail for only 15 days after being arrested in connection with the shoot-ing death of a youth at Kalamb Chowk last year.

Police had warned him not to stay in the city, but he continued to move around in Yavatmal. On Tuesday, Manish had gone to collect his two-wheeler from Munna Garage. The accused, who had been keeping a watch on his movements, were waiting nearby. As soon as he arrived, they attacked him with weapons. One of the attackers then struck him again in the neck to ensure he was dead. The assailants then fled the scene. The two-wheeler they used has been recovered. Police have launched a search for the four accused involved in the killing.



Victims (L) Manish Shendre and (R) Babybai Daluram Rathod

In another murder case, a 59-year-old man allegedly killed his wife with a sword in a fit of rage over suspicions about her character in Yavali village in Yavatmal district. The incident occurred in the early hours of Tuesday, at around 4:30 am. The couple's son, who tried to save his mother, sustained injuries while resisting his father and later filed a police complaint. The deceased has been identified as Babybai Daluram Rathod (56), while the accused is Daluram Gulab Rathod (59). According to police, an argument broke out between the couple during which Daluram attacked Babybai with a sword kept at home. Further probe in the case is on.

Rs 8.62 Lakh stolen from home in Chandur Bazar

Chandur Bazar 4 June:

Thieves broke into the locked home of 43-year-old Mohammed Sadiq in Dharmalpur and stole valuables worth Rs 8.62 lakh between May 29 and June 2. Sadiq had traveled to Karanja Lad with his family for a wedding when thieves forced the lock and took cash of 4.20 lakh, along with a gold necklace, earrings, and anklets kept in a steel



box in his bedroom. A case against unknown suspects has been registered.

Farmer dies by suicide amid mounting debt & crop failures

Yavatmal 4 June: One farmer from Yavatmal district died by suicide on Tuesday, reportedly driven to the extreme step by overwhelming debt and repeated crop failures. In Jhapanwadi village in Yavatmal district, 76-year-old Uttam Dattarao Pakine ended his life by hanging at his residence around 10 am.

He owned a three-acre farm and had been battling continuous agricultural losses.

A loan of approximately 1 lakh from the Central Cooperative Bank weighed



heavily on him, and his family said that the stress of unmanageable debt ultimately led to his suicide. Pakine is survived by his wife, son, daughter, and grandchildren.

Water levels in 7 of 9 Risod dams rise due to rains

Washim 4 June:

Unseasonal pre-monsoon showers in April and May have replenished water storage in seven out of nine small water projects in Risod tehsil, providing relief to farmers despite early crop losses. According to the Water Resources Department, Wakad Project recorded the highest fill at 28.24 percent, followed by Morghavan (22.63%), Borkhedi (13.98%), Railtalwadi (13.19%), Palaskhed (10.80%), Netansa (9.96%), and Kuksa (8.09%). However, Varud Barrage, situated on the Painganga river, and Koyali project remain completely dry at 0 percent capacity. While standing summer crops suffered significant damage from erratic rains, the increased reservoir levels have enabled early Kharif sowing, particularly turmeric, as informed by farmers who have registered mixed reactions.

Cop dies of heart attack

Amravati 4 June:

Police Sub Inspector Rajendra Dahake (57) of the Gadge nagar unit here, died suddenly of a heart attack on Monday afternoon. Dahake, who was on leave to attend a relative's wedding, experienced severe chest pain in Kathora village and collapsed on the spot.

He was transported to the District Government Hospital, where doctors pronounced him dead. Upon receiving the report, Deputy Commissioner of Police Sagar Patil and a police team arrived at the hospital.

BUSINESS

Aviva India Announces Strong FY25 Financial Results, Focused on Sustainable Growth

Mumbai 4 June: Aviva India announced its financial results for FY25, showcasing steady progress and a sharp focus on sustainable growth. The year wasn't about chasing scale - it was about building depth. Every decision was rooted in purpose, every outcome aligned to long-term value. Building on the foundation laid in FY24, Aviva strengthened its fundamentals through smarter products, sharper execution, and a deeper emotional connect with customers across India.

While the Gross Written Premium held steady at Rs 1307 crore, Aviva shifted gears from a distribution-led model to a more product-driven and customer-centric approach, anchored in persistency, prevention-led growth, and operational efficiency. This transformation is reflected in improved claim settlement experiences, a reduction in complaints per 10,000 policies, and the growing impact of health and wellness initiatives. Aviva India has achieved one of the best turnaround time with 100% claims settled within 30 days. We are among the best in industry with 99.25% amount of claims paid. The company recorded a drop in complaints per 10,000 policies, from 20 in FY24 to 16 in FY25, showing its progress in service delivery and claims experience.

Aviva is redefining life insurance by integrating wellness into its offerings. With a focus on physical fitness, mental well-being, proactive health checks, nutrition, and financial security, Aviva promotes holistic living. Its Preventive Wellness Package, offered with the Signature 3D Term Plan - Platinum, includes wellness kits featuring a smartwatch, smart scale, BP monitor, AI-driven nutrition consults, and genetic testing, empowering customers to take charge of their health.

The Assets Under Management (AUM) moved upwards to Rs 14,735 crores, registering a 6% growth and signaling continued investor trust and consistent fund performance. But what stood out wasn't just growth, it was the sustainability of it.

Chalu Apna Desi Chinese Begins Major Hiring Drive to Support National and Global Expansion

New Delhi , June 4: Chalu Apna Desi Chinese, the beloved Indo-Chinese restaurant chain known for its unique fusion of Indian spices with traditional Chinese flavors continues to spice up everyone's taste buds across India, has been rapidly growing and has announced an ambitious hiring plan to support its aggressive expansion drive. With a current headcount of 500+, the brand aims to onboard 650 new team members between February 2024 and March 2026.

Chalu Apna Desi Chinese is focused on hiring efforts in areas: hospitality and customer service, operations and outlet management, and marketing and sales. With more than 200 outlets already operation in India and a recent foray into Canada, Chalu Apna Desi Chinese plans to open 100 new outlets by FY 2025-26, including 25 in Canada and several in Punjab and North India. The aggressive expansion plan is matched with an equally aggressive demand for energetic professionals in hospitality, operations, and customer experience roles.

Founder of Chalu Apna Desi Chinese, Vibhanshu Mishra said, "Opening new outlets is the simple part for us. What truly matters is creating teams that get our culture, honor our kitchen, and infuse every plate with real warmth and flavours of Indo-Chinese cuisine. Our aim is just not to recruit individuals, we're investing in personalities who can perform under stress, remain curious, and pay attention to the little things that make a great dining experience. If their efforts and hard work that's what brings guests back, regardless of where we open in the world."

HDFC Bank Parivartan Launches Awareness Campaign Against Plastic Ahead Of World Environment Day

Mumbai 4 June: Ahead of World Environment Day on June 5, HDFC Bank further strengthened its commitment to environmental responsibility with the launch of an awareness campaign to be mindful about the use of plastic. As part of the initiative, the Bank is conducting awareness drives for customers, employees and the general public. The campaign, which will be run under Parivartan, the CSR programme of HDFC Bank, will encourage customers across select Bank branches to deposit their plastic waste at the branch for recycling and to use alternatives to plastic for their basic needs. Further, the Bank will be organising awareness sessions, collection drives and clean-up drives led by employees, encouraging collective action to reduce the use of plastic. The Bank has also launched a dedicated webpage to raise awareness on the negative impacts of plastic pollution on the environment, and to enable citizens to take an online pledge to reduce the use of plastic in their daily lives through simple, but effective practices. Alongside the awareness drive, the Bank is also advancing its community-led waste management programmes across India. Through Parivartan interventions, the Bank aims to implement solid waste management systems in over 1,000 villages and establish material recovery facilities in 15 urban local bodies by the year 2025. In various regions across India, the Bank has implemented waste segregation, recycling, and reducing landfill dependency, in a holistic approach. These efforts align with national missions like Swachh Bharat Abhiyan and the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and span across Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Assam, Rajasthan, and Chhattisgarh, engaging residents through educational initiatives, art installations, and behaviour change campaigns. Mr. Kaizad Bharucha, Deputy Managing Director, HDFC Bank, said, "At HDFC Bank, we believe that meaningful change is co-created with communities. Our Parivartan initiatives, including the plastic awareness campaign, are designed to support local ownership and create enduring impact through the involvement of local citizens. By working together to address plastic pollution, we are playing a small part in protecting the environment and strengthening the social and economic fabric of the communities we serve." A key project in Kangra, Himachal Pradesh, saw the launch of a 26-foot mural made from upcycled plastic bottle caps, in partnership with Waste Warriors. In Bir and Dharamshala, HDFC Bank is implementing a 'Behaviour Change Campaign' in 10 panchayats, diverting over 200 metric tonnes of dry waste from landfills in FY 2024-25. In Visakhapatnam, the Bank collaborated with Gram Panchayats to train SHGs and sanitation workers, turning waste into economic opportunities. Similar initiatives in Chhattisgarh, Assam, and Kerala have processed thousands of tonnes of dry waste, integrated informal waste workers, and enhanced local livelihoods.

EDITORIAL

World Environment Day



causes. History World Environment Day was established in 1972 by the United Nations at the Stockholm Conference on the Human Environment (5-16 June 1972), that had resulted from discussions on the integration of human interactions and the environment. One year later, in 1973, the first WED was held with the theme "Only one earth".

Annual themes and major initiatives and accomplishments 2020

The theme for 2020 was "Time for Nature", and was hosted in Colombia in partnership with Germany. Colombia is one of the largest megadiverse countries in the world and holds close to 10% of the planet's biodiversity.

Since it is part of the Amazon rainforest, Colombia ranks first in bird and orchid species diversity and second in plants, butterflies, freshwater fish, and amphibians.

2021 The theme for 2021 was "Ecosystem Restoration", and was hosted by Pakistan. On this occasion UN Decade of Ecosystem Restoration was also launched.

2022 The theme for 2022 was "Only One Earth" and the event was hosted by Sweden.

2023 The theme for 2023 was "Solution to plastic pollution" and the event was hosted by Ivory Coast.

It is a reminder that people's actions on plastic pollution matters.

The steps governments and businesses are taking to tackle plastic pollution are the consequence of this action. It is time to accelerate this action and transition to a circular economy.

ENTERTAINMENT

Our onscreen connection proves that great chemistry has no age boundaries:

Actress reacts to the near 20-year age-gap with Shabir Ahluwalia in Sony SAB's 'Ufff Yeh Love Hai Mushkil



Mumbai 4 June: At the heart of Sony SAB's Ufff... Yeh Love Hai Mushkil is a fresh story that puts the spotlight on an unexpected pairing, Ashi Singh as Kairi Sharma and Shabir Ahluwalia as Yug Sinha. The duo share a nearly 20-year age gap but rather than hiding or glossing over this difference, the show, set to premiere on 9th June, 8 PM, boldly embraces it, making it a central element of the narrative, paving the way for a story that feels real, layered, and refreshingly different. What makes this casting choice so powerful is how naturally their chemistry unfolds. Their characters, Yug and Kairi, aren't written to fit a conventional mold and their relationship is filled with contradictions, complexities, and vulnerability.

That's exactly what will make viewers connect deeply with them. Off-screen, it's their mutual respect and comfort that translates into the believable, effortless bond that will be seen on screen. Despite the generational gap, Ashi and Shabir are perfectly in sync, proving

that genuine connection has nothing to do with age, and everything to do with honesty in performance. Ashi Singh playing the role of Kairi Sharma said, "Shabir and my onscreen connection proves that great chemistry has no age boundaries. I've grown up watching him on television; he's someone I've admired not just for his body of work, but for the way he brings depth and dignity to every character. To now share screen space with him, and to be cast opposite him as the lead, feels surreal. It's not something I ever imagined would happen so early in my career. He's incredibly warm and grounded, which makes working with him so comfortable and inspiring. There's so much to learn just by observing him on set - from his timing, his presence, his ease in front of the camera."

For any young actor entering the world of television, getting this kind of experience is a huge blessing. Tune in to watch Ufff... Yeh Love Hai Mushkil premiering on 9th June, Monday to Saturday at 8 PM on Sony SAB.

ISRO aiming for a rich harvest in space

GROUP Captain Shubhanshu Shukla is poised to become the second Indian astronaut to travel to space, four decades after Rakesh Sharma's spaceflight onboard Russia's Soyuz spacecraft in 1984. The historic Axiom Space Mission-4 (AX-4) is set to be launched from NASA's Kennedy Space Centre on June 10 atop SpaceX's Falcon 9 rocket. Shukla is scheduled to conduct food and nutrition-related experiments under a collaboration between the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) and India's Department of Biotechnology, with support from NASA. It will be a watershed moment for ISRO's space biology and space agriculture experimentation. Shukla will also take part in five joint studies planned by NASA for its human research programme.



when plants grow on a slope, their roots do not just go straight down; they curve slightly. He thought gravity and surface contact caused this bending, which is called 'root skewing'. For over a century, scientists agreed, until an experiment on the ISS in 2010 changed everything.

In space, where gravity's pull is almost absent, roots still grew in that curved pattern. This means gravity is not the only force guiding plant growth. So, what is?

Life on Earth evolves under gravity's constant pull. Roots grow downward to find water and nutrients, while shoots reached upward for sunlight. But in space, without gravity, plants behave differently.

Scientists have discovered that plants adapt to microgravity by changing their gene expressions. For example, roots in space start behaving like leaves, activating light-sensing genes that generally have no function underground. Meanwhile, leaves produce more insect-defence chemicals despite no bugs in space. These changes suggest that space-grown plants might develop unique traits, some of which could make them harder or more nutritious.

Two exciting Indian experiments, part of the AX-4 mission, are helping unlock these mysteries. The first, 'Sprouting Salad Seeds in Space', is led by the University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad, and IIT-Dharwad. This study compares methi and green gram sprouts grown in space with those grown on Earth, checking if space sprouts are safe to eat and free from toxins or harmful microbes.

The second experiment, 'Impact of Microgravity on Food Crop Seeds', is a collaboration between the Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology and Kerala Agricultural University. Seeds of six crops will be exposed to space conditions and brought back to Earth. Researchers will then track their growth over several generations to see if space-induced changes result in variations in yield or resilience.

When studying plants on Earth, we only see "what is" rather than "what could be" in their physiology. We uncover fundamental biological truths by comparing growth in microgravity (aboard spacecraft) with ground controls in normal gravity. These space experiments with plants, cells and microorganisms reveal hidden aspects of growth and development that gravity usually masks. Such research provides unprecedented insights into the deeper workings of plant biology that Earth-based studies alone cannot achieve.

Understanding how plants grow in space is crucial for future colonies on the Moon or Mars. If we can farm efficiently beyond Earth, astronauts will not need constant resupply missions; they will grow their own food.

Just as the Indus Valley farmers revolutionised agriculture millennia ago, today's scientists are paving the way for the next great farming revolution — one that could sustain humanity among the stars. The story of agriculture is still being written, and the next chapter may unfold not just on Earth but across the cosmos.

Ab hoga asli entertainment!

Mumbai 4 June: Get ready for a laughter riot and emotional rollercoaster as &TVs Happu Ki Ultan Paltan and Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai bring fresh twists to your TV screens! From Happu's Bollywood dreams spiralling into chaos to Tiwari and Angoori's hilarious dance-only ritual, the upcoming episodes promise a perfect blend of drama, comedy, and confusion that will keep you hooked.

Happu Ki Ultan Paltan
In an unexpected twist, Happu Singh (Yogesh Tripathi) stumbles upon a photo of a film actor hidden in Rajesh's (Geetanjali Mishra) cupboard. Curious and slightly hurt, he questions her about it. Rajesh casually confesses that the actor is her favourite, which leaves Happu feeling ignored and insecure. He expresses a desire to be alone, but to his dismay, even his family seems indifferent to his emotions. Seeking solace, Happu opens up to the Commissioner (Kishore Bhanushali), who instead gets furious and threatens suspension. Ashaken Happu quickly apologizes, and peace is restored. Meanwhile, at school, a function is being planned. Master Ji (Vijay Kumar Singh) tasks the children with choosing a chief guest. When they suggest Happu, Master Ji firmly declines another blow to Happu's bruised ego. Just then, fate takes a dramatic turn. A filmmaker approaches Happu with an offer to act in a movie, promising stardom and a glamorous life. Dazzled by dreams of fame, Happu begins to behave like a celebrity, even distancing himself from his family. When the filmmaker urges him to quit his police job, Happu agrees and offers Manohar (Nitin Jadhav) a choice to either become the new inspector or be his manager. Manohar, excited, opts to be his manager. Soon, the filmmaker and his heroine start rehearsals at Happu's home, leaving Rajesh uncomfortable. Matters escalate when the heroine invites Happu to her hotel room for dinner. Sensing something amiss, Rajesh and her mother Awdhesh (Urmila Sharma) secretly follow them and are shocked to witness the heroine getting too close to Happu. Hurt and angry, Rajesh walks away. As Happu prepares to resign, the Commissioner firmly denies his request. Meanwhile, the children reveal to their teacher that their father is set to become a film hero, leaving Master Ji stunned. But things take a darker turn when the filmmaker demands that Happu hide the fact that he has a family. Caught in the illusion of fame, Happu lies in an interview, claiming he is single, leaving his family devastated.

Soon after, the children invite Happu to be the chief guest at their school event. To their shock, he refuses. The situation spirals further when Happu and Manohar are caught drinking fake liquor at the police station, leading to their immediate suspension by the Commissioner. Feeling cornered and abandoned, Happu rushes back to the filmmaker only to be hit with the harsh truth: there is no film. It was all a sham. Now, with his job, pride, and family all slipping away, can Happu salvage what he has lost?

Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai
In the latest turn of events in Modern Colony, Angoori Bhabhi (Shubhangi Atre) buys a stunning and expensive saree. But her excitement turns to dismay when it gets torn while dancing at home. Meanwhile, in Anita Bhabhi (Vidisha Srivastava) room, part of the bed breaks, but Vibhuti (Aasif Sheikh) swiftly repairs it. Anita is impressed by his unexpected handyman



skills. Outside, Teeka (Vaibhav Mathur) and Tillu (Salim Zaidi) have launched a spice stall. While passing by, Anita overhears Tiwari (Rohitashv Gour) saying he is looking for a carpenter. Anita immediately recommends Vibhuti, and Tiwari agrees. Vibhuti arrives at the Tiwari household along with David Chacha (Anup Upadhyay) and impressively fixes all the broken furniture. But when it's time for payment, Tiwari backtracks and gives him less than promised. An annoyed Vibhuti returns home and narrates the entire saga to Anita with his usual flair and vows never to work for Tiwari again. Anita backs him up. Later that night, Tiwari dreams of his late grandfather, who insists he must repair the old family cupboard. Feeling guilty, and at Angoori's gentle request, Tiwari speaks to Anita and agrees to hire Vibhuti again with a slight bump in pay.

Meanwhile, Ammaji (Soma Rathod) gives Angoori and Tiwari a totka (ritual) to help them conceive a child. But with a catch that they must not talk to anyone while performing it. They can only communicate through dance! From that moment on, Tiwari and Angoori begin "speaking" only through choreographed moves, leaving everyone, including Vibhuti and Chacha, utterly baffled. Back at the spice stall, chaos unfolds when a playful moment turns wild as spices start flying! Amid the mayhem, someone accidentally throws a handful of turmeric straight at Anita. She ends up soaked in yellow, furious and confused. Later, when Tiwari attempts to explain himself to Anita, he sticks to his "dance-only" communication, further confusing and irritating her. Vibhuti, ever the mischief-maker, stokes Anita's anger even more. The next morning, Tiwari tries again during their regular jog, still dancing, still not making sense. Just then, Ammaji calls Anita and finally reveals the truth behind the couple's strange behaviour. Relieved and amused, Anita begins to understand the situation. But the madness isn't over yet! As Tiwari arrives to escort Anita back home, chaos strikes again. A disgruntled Saxena (Saanand Verma), seeking revenge for not receiving any red chilli from the spice stall, unleashes a powerful gust of wind. It blows a cloud of chilli powder straight into Anita's eyes, leaving her screaming in pain.

Watch Happu Ki Ultan Paltan at 10:00 Pm and Bhabiji Ghar Par Hai at 10:30 PM only on &TV!

Internet sensation Khan Sir's reception photos go viral; wife makes 1st public appearance in Patna



Patna 4 June: Internet sensation 'Khan Sir' hosted his wedding reception party at a luxury hotel in Patna on Monday, drawing attention not only for the star-studded guest list but also for marking the first public appearance of his wife, AS Khan. Photos and videos from the event are now viral across social media platforms, with fans and followers eager to get a glimpse

of the newlyweds.

Meet the bride
AS Khan is reportedly a government officer from Siwan, Bihar. She has completed her schooling from ICSE board.

For the wedding festivities, the newlywed bride grabbed attention in a red lehenga with a face-covering veil. However, Khan Sir has not yet shared any information about his wife or her

picture on social media.

Khan Sir's wedding
Khan Sir, whose classes on YouTube are raved about, had tied the knot earlier in May in a private ceremony. The educator later revealed the personal milestone during a live class, and attributed the intimate nature of the event to the geopolitical tensions between India and Pakistan at the time.

NECO Master Blaster gears up for the maiden season of Vidarbha Pro T20 League starting June 5

Nagpur 4 June: NECO Group proudly announces its participation in the Vidarbha Pro T20 League, launching its official men's and women's cricket teams under the banner NECO Master Blaster.

The inaugural season of the league is set to kick off on June 5, 2025, promising thrilling cricket action and regional pride.

About NECO Group
NECO Group is one of India's largest industrial conglomerates, with a strong presence in steel, foundries, and engineering solutions. Founded on principles of innovation and excellence, NECO has consistently contributed to national growth through infrastructure, industry, and now sports. With this foray into cricket, NECO continues



its commitment to empowering talent and community engagement.

About the Vidarbha Pro T20 League

The Vidarbha Pro T20 League is a landmark sporting event, especially for the central region of India. Backed by prominent media houses and streaming giants, this league aims to nurture local talent,

showcase world-class cricket, and foster a new generation of sports enthusiasts in Vidarbha. This is the maiden edition, and fans can expect high-voltage action and regional representation like never before.

NECO Master Blaster Men's & Women's Teams Announced
NECO Master Blaster

has announced both its men's and women's cricket teams, marking a historic step in promoting equal sporting opportunity.

Men's Team
Captain: Jitesh Sharma
Vice-Captain: R Sanjay
Total Matches: 5
Women's Team
Captain: Bharti Fulmali
Vice-Captain: Riddhi Naik

Total Matches: 3
Where to Watch
Cricket lovers can catch all the live streaming action of NECO Master Blaster games on:
Jio Cinema Waves FanCode
Additionally, matches will also be televised on DD Sports, bringing the league to millions of viewers across India.

NMC felicitates 40 retired workers

Nagpur 4 June: The Nagpur Municipal Corporation (NMC) felicitated 40 retired sanitation workers for their dedicated service to maintaining the city's health and cleanliness. Deputy Commissioner Rajesh Bhagat presided over the function held at NMC head Office in Civil Lines.

Chief Sanitation Officer Dr Gajendra Mahalle, Public Relations Officer Manish Soni, Superintendent of the Sanitation Department Suresh Shivankar, and other officials were also present. On the occasion, Bhagat applauded the retired sanitation workers for their tireless efforts in keeping the city clean. He further emphasized the importance of sanitation work in maintaining the city's health. Expressing his views, Dr



Gajendra Mahalle praised the sanitation workers, stating that their work has created a new identity for the city. He thanked them for their dedicated service and wished them well for their future endeavors.

Each of the retired

sanitation workers was presented with a tulsi sapling, shawl, shirwal, and a certificate of appreciation. The programme was conducted by Arun Turkel, and the vote of thanks was proposed by Lokesh Basanvar.

M/S Sterling Wilson receives LoA for electrification contract of Nagpur Metro Phase II

Nagpur 4 June: M/S Sterling Wilson Pvt Ltd has received a Letter of Acceptance (LoA) from Maha-Metro for the electrification contract of Nagpur Metro Phase 2.

Bidding Process

In 2024, Maha-Metro invited bids for this contract with a 1260-day deadline. Technical bids were opened on 9 August 2024, revealing that 6 firms have submitted bids for the contract. The technical evaluation of the submitted bids took place on 30 September 2024. On 1 October 2024, financial bids were opened, and the financial evaluation took place on 29 May 2025. 5 firms out of 6 got rejected during the financial evaluation. After the financial evaluation, M/S Sterling Wilson Pvt Ltd was declared the lowest bidder for the contract.

Recently, M/S Sterling Wilson Pvt Ltd received the LoA for the contract.

Firms Bid Value
M/S Sterling Wilson Pvt Ltd: Rs 389.9 Cr
BNC Power Projects Limited: Rs 388.9 Cr



Ircon International Limited: Rs 508 Cr
KEC International Limited: Rs 397.8 Cr
Larsen and Toubro Limited: Rs 308 Cr
Siemens Ltd: Rs 413.5 Cr
Contract Details
M/S Sterling Wilson Bid Value: Rs 389.9 Cr
Contract Duration: 1260 Days
Scope of Work: Design, Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of Receiving Cum Auxiliary Main Cum Traction Sub Stations Including EHV Connection From Grid Substation, 33 kV Cable Network, ASS & SCADA System For Nagpur Metro Rail Phase-2 Project.

Mentioned in PM Modi's 'Mann ki Baat', remote Gadchiroli village is keeping netizens inspired

Gadchiroli 4 June: In a Naxalite-affected village in Maharashtra's Gadchiroli district, a passenger bus rolled for the first time since Independence. This historic initiative was mentioned by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in the 'Mann Ki Baat' episode aired on May 25. Another village from the same district is the talk of the town ever since, at least among netizens.

What PM Modi said about Gadchiroli in Mann Ki Baat

"Friends, travelling by bus is such a common thing. But I want to tell you about a village where a bus reached for the first time. The people there had been waiting for this day for years. And when the bus arrived in the village for the first time, people welcomed it by playing drums. People were extremely happy to see the bus," said PM Modi while addressing the people in his monthly address to the nation under the 'Mann Ki Baat' radio programme. "There was a paved road in the village; people needed it, but a bus had never been able to run here before. Why? Because this village was affected by Maoist violence. This place is in the Gadchiroli district of Maharashtra, and the name of this village is Katejhari. This change in Katejhari



is being felt in the entire surrounding area. Now, the situation here is rapidly becoming normal. Due to the collective fight against Maoism, basic facilities have started reaching even such areas. The villagers say that with the arrival of the bus, their lives will become much easier," PM Modi added.

Better access to healthcare, education and other economic opportunities

With the historic moment for Katejhari, the infrastructure will start improving in the village, and this will also provide better access to economic opportunities, healthcare, education, and overall development in the area. Characterised by its dense forests, rugged terrain, and tribal culture, Gadchiroli

stands some 920 kilometres from Mumbai. Its nearest big city, Nagpur, stands about 180 kilometres away.

To Arjun Ranga, CEO of N Ranga Rao & Sons and Cycle Pure Agarbatti, the arrival of a regular bus service is more than an infrastructural milestone. "Gadchiroli is no ordinary place," wrote Ranga in a blog post on professional networking portal LinkedIn. His Cycle Pure Agarbatti is associated with the district since 2014, when it began a partnership with the Gadchiroli Agarbatti Project (GAP), a livelihood initiative supported by the Maharashtra government. This partnership has enabled hundreds of rural women to earn a living, even during the depths of the pandemic. "It has grown into

a self-sustaining ecosystem that engages over 1,200 women today, and has touched the lives of nearly 1,00,000 tribal women across agarbatti production, cotton wick making and bamboo processing for Cycle Pure Agarbatti," wrote Ranga. Cycle has procured over 5,500 tonnes of raw incense sticks and 8,00,000 dozen cotton wicks, supporting tribal communities in processing non-timber forest produce. This initiative has matured into a strong rural network producing world-class prayer products that are used in over 75 countries. According to Ranga, the women of Gadchiroli are "learning and leading". From understanding quality control and managing stock to repairing machines and handling accounts, they have taken ownership of their growth, wrote Ranga, adding that the average household income in the region has increased more than three times.

Production during COVID-19

Even during the peak of the COVID-19 crisis, when most of the world was locked down, the women of Gadchiroli showed up and produced 150 tonnes of incense in just 60 days and earned Rs 30 lakh in wages.

ENVIRONMENT FRIENDLY INITIATIVE.....



An exhibition of eco-friendly bamboo products and sanitary pad vending machines was organised on behalf of SECR as part of Environment Fortnight 2025 observances. The exhibition evoked enthusiastic response.

Demand for investigation into Rs 9 crore DA scam put forth

Vidarbha Madhyamik Shikshak Sangh delegation submits memorandum to DCP

Wadi 4 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): The Vidarbha Madhyamik Shikshak Sangh (Nagpur City Unit) has alleged a massive scam involving Rs 9 crore in pending Dearness Allowance (DA) arrears for teachers and non-teaching staff of private aided primary schools in Nagpur district. The union has demanded a thorough investigation into the matter and criminal action against those responsible. A delegation led by city secretary Avinash Bade, along with president Vitthal Junghare, vice president Arun Karale, treasurer Gangadhar Parate, and organizer Vaman Somkuwar, submitted a memorandum to Deputy Commissioner of Police (Zone 2) Rajesh Madane. The union has accused Nilesh Waghmare, Salary Disbursement Officer (Primary) of the Zilla Parishad, of distributing approximately Rs 9 crore in DA arrears during the financial year 2022-23 without the required administrative approval. It is alleged that the payments were made directly through



the "Arrears Tab" of the Shalath system without seeking permissions from the Deputy Director of Education, Nagpur or the Directorate of Education, Pune. This action is being labeled as a gross violation of protocol and a

misuse of government funds. According to the memorandum, DA arrears were distributed to 125 employees. Among them, one employee received a staggering Rs 9,24,319 while another received Rs

18,80,754. Furthermore, over 100 employees reportedly received arrears ranging from Rs 2 lakh to Rs 10 lakh, raising serious questions about the legitimacy of the disbursements. The memorandum also claims that the Education Commissioner in Pune had ordered an inquiry into the issue, which was conducted by then Joint Director (Finance and Planning) Shriram Panzshade. However, the investigation remains incomplete, and the union alleges that there was a deliberate attempt to suppress the financial irregularities.

The union has demanded a detailed investigation and the filing of criminal charges against both Nilesh Waghmare and Shriram Panzshade. Copies of the memorandum have been sent to the Chief Minister, Education Minister, Minister of State for Education, MLC (Teachers' Constituency) Sudhakar Adbale, and the Principal Secretary of the School Education and Sports Department.

Soil Testing Laboratory established on an experimental basis



Mul 4 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): A Soil Testing Laboratory has been established at the Agricultural College, Mul by the Associate Dean of the College, Dr. Vishnukant Tekale on 28 May 2025. However, the Agricultural College has appealed to the farmers to take advantage of it. Speaking on the occasion of the inauguration of the laboratory, Dr. Vishnukant Tekale said that since the farmers of this area have access to soil testing facilities, they will be able to check the amount of nutrients in the soil, make balanced use of chemical fertilizers, maintain the health and fertility of the soil and the balanced use of fertilizers will definitely help in increasing the production of farmers and curbing the additional costs incurred. He appealed to the students not to limit themselves to education alone but to

take the initiative to directly help the farmers as their duty. For this initiative, the facility is available here to test the soil's moisture, electrical conductivity, organic carbon, nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, sulfur and micronutrients using modern machinery.

At present, this laboratory is available for students in this college on experimental principles. If farmers bring their soil samples to the laboratory, they will get a detailed report through the soil health card, through which they will be able to manage the fertilizer properly.

The Hon. Associate Dean gave the credit for the establishment of the laboratory to the soil scientists of the college, Dr. Akshay Ingole and Mr. Nagesh Navghare, and this experimental laboratory will be a boon to the students and farmers.

Seminar on transformation of govt ITIs to be held today

Nagpur 4 June: A seminar and discussion on the government's public-private partnership policy for transformation of government industrial training institutions across the state has been organised from 12 pm to 1 pm at Chitnavis Center (Tamarind Hall), Civil Lines today. Maharashtra cabinet minister for Skill development, employment, entrepreneurship and innovation Minister Mangal Prabhat Lodha. The objective of this policy has been set to make skill education in the state more effective, modern and compatible with the current needs of the industry (Industry 4.0).

In this seminar, issues such as filling the skilled manpower shortage gap through the public-private partnership policy, strengthening the industry, and creating future human resources will be discussed.

KM Motghare, Joint Director-in-charge of the Institute of Vocational Education and Training, has appealed to industry associations and entrepreneurs, as well as NGOs, associated with the industry sector, to attend this seminar in large numbers.

NCP delegation apprises authorities of civic issues

Gondia 4 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): Under the guidance of Nationalist Congress Party MP Pratul Patel and former legislator Rajendra Jain and under the leadership of city president Nanuji Mudaliar, a delegation of party leaders apprised Municipal Council Chief Officer about various civic problems of the city through a memorandum. The main problem was that the arrangement of sprinklers for prevention of mosquito bite induced epidemics in the city should be made through the health department of the Municipal Council. In this concern, discussions were held with the Municipal Council Chief Officer and the health department staff. Taking cognisance of this issue, the Municipal Council Health

Department immediately started the use of sprinklers in the entire city.

Nationalist Congress Party office bearers and activists expressed their gratitude to the Municipal Council Chief Officer for his follow-up on the issue. The delegation included Nanu Mudaliar, Nishikant Bansod, Khalid Pathan, Rajesh Dave, Vinayak Sharma, Rajesh Verma, Raj Shukla, Sachin Awasthi,



Prashant Sonpure, Aman Ghodichor, Amit Awasthi, Sandesh Choure, Pramod Uke, Rakesh Verma, Tushar Uke, Bhushan Patil, Prakash Vaidya, Rupesh Nashine, Pasha Sheikh, Anil Meshram and other office bearers and activists.

Stern action will be taken if discrepancies arise during agricultural inputs' linking: Yerekar

Amravati 4 June: Instructions have been given at the state level to ensure that farmers are not exploited during linking in the upcoming Kharif season. Therefore, District Collector Ashish Yerekar has directed that the Agriculture Department should take strict action if there are discrepancies arising during linking in agricultural inputs at the level of local vendors. A review meet of the Agriculture Department was convened at the District Collectorate on Wednesday.

District Superintendent Agriculture Officer Rahul Satpute, ATMA's Project Director Archana Nista, District Deputy Registrar Shankar Kumbhar and others were present on the occasion. District Collector Yerekar said, care should be taken so as to ensure that there is no shortage of seeds in the beginning of the Kharif season. Since farmers insist on a specific variety of seeds, there is a possibility that a shortage of these seeds might arise. Therefore, efforts should be made at the company level to ensure availability of seeds. Soybean and cotton crops will be cultivated in the district on a large scale. Farmers should be informed about sowing varieties that are alternative to cotton crops. The



germination capacity of the seeds available in the market should be checked before being put up for sale. Care should be taken to ensure that bogus and banned seeds are not sold under any circumstances. Along with this, efforts should be made regarding the availability of fertilisers in the coming days. Gopinath Munde Sanugraha Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sanman Yojana, PMFBY, emergency assistance scheme are being implemented to help farmers. In order to avail benefits of all these facilities, it is now necessary for farmers to get a registration number under Agristack scheme. The registration process should be accelerated by conducting camps at the village level. The difficulties faced in this process will be identified and measures will be taken to address them. Attention should be paid to registration in the first phase. Special facilities are being provided to farmers through ATMA,

Smart and Krishi Sanjeevani projects. Farmers should also be informed about this development. Credit provision to farmers is also an important factor. Although 78 percent of the loan amount has been disbursed, the number of participating farmers is indeed small, so loans should be disbursed to small farmers too. Farmers must repay the loan amount due on their part before March 31. Apart from this, since they are not getting loans, action should be taken to provide them with new loans by paying off the loans from the farmers. CIBIL score should not be checked while distributing loans, strict action should be taken if a complaint is received in this concern. Along with this, the agriculture department appealed to contribute to good governance, women empowerment and water conservation initiatives on the occasion of the tercentenary observance of Ahilyadevi Holkar's birth anniversary.

INHERITING LEGACY OF FRIENDSHIP.....



Former minister Yashomati Thakur's son Yashvardhan and the legislator Sulabha Sanjay Khodke's son Yash have both inherited a robust political legacy from their parents. But it seems it is not just the case of a political legacy being inherited, but a legacy of friendship inherited too. The camaraderie between Sulabha Khodke and Yashomati Thakur is well known. Their sons too were seen carrying forward this legacy during the palanquin procession of Devi Rukmini recently. (Photo by Manish Jagtap).

Shriram Farm Solutions launches new Specialty Plant Nutrition and Crop Protection products

Yavatmal 4 June: Shriram Farm Solutions, a division of the DCM Shriram Ltd., launched its new age Specialty Plant Nutrition products & shared the farmer success with Shriram Crop Protection & Seed Products launched in recent past. In step with the pressing needs of Indian farmers for sustainable agriculture, the company introduced two advanced liquid fertilizers - 'SHRIRAM PICASOL' and 'SHRIRAM MAGNICA'. Both products are India's first to feature Bioactive Titanium, developed through a patented technology. Titanium enhances plant resilience to environmental stress, enabling more efficient nutrient use and better returns for farmers. 'SHRIRAM PICASOL' focuses on intensifying fruit colour and boosting uniformity, while 'SHRIRAM MAGNICA' addresses fruit deformities and extends shelf life - two critical issues for export and premium markets. For crucial crops of the region, Grape and Pomegranate, the company launched in-house researched and developed a fertigation solutions for premium & export quality



grapes and pomegranates 'SHRIRAM DRIPIT GRAPES' 'SHRIRAM DRIPIT POME' which have created a wave of excitement among the community. The company received an overwhelmingly positive response from thousands of growers and channel partners following the launch of its innovative insecticides like Shriram Trexter last year. Channel partners were particularly enthusiastic about the testimonials showcasing the pre-commercialization trials of Shriram Saisho, a patented insecticide developed in Japan.

In a move to further strengthen its weed management and insecticide portfolio, the company announced the launch of Shriram Acriter, a selective herbicide designed to control

problematic weeds in maize and sugarcane. The company also launched a high performing hybrid varieties Shriram 9701 Corn and Shriram 7211-II BT Cotton seed which were highly appreciated by the dealers. These new product introductions mark a strategic step towards empowering Indian farmers to grow more, both - sustainably and profitably.

Mr. Sanjay Chhabra, Executive Director & Business Head, states, "As SHRIRAM Farm Solutions continues to push the boundaries of agricultural innovation, these new-age product align with the company's commitment to empowering growers with science-backed solutions that address their evolving needs and drive sustainable agricultural practices".

Punyashlok Ahilyadevi Holkar's birth anniversary celebrated

Anjangaon Surji 4 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): On the occasion of the tricentennial birth anniversary of Punyashlok Rajmata Ahilyadevi Holkar, a grand and inspiring programme was organised with enthusiasm by Punyashlok Ahilyadevi Holkar Trishatabdi Janmotsav Samiti at Anjangaon Surji recently. The programme was presided over by Shriram Kawane, while Ramesh Pandey, Nandu Rekhathe, Vilas Bache were present as the chief guests & dignitaries. The programme began with the worshipping and garlanding of the portrait of Lokmata Ahilyabai Holkar. On the occasion, the main speaker Mangala Nage revealed the extraordinary work of Ahilyadevi as far as reforms, socio-religious, educational and scientific sectors were concerned. She highlighted various aspects such as her contribution in opposing dowry and the practice of Sati, the initiatives taken by her for the sake of women's education, and her patronage of farmers and industries. In the programme, Ahilya Aghadate mesmerised



everyone and presented touching thoughts by dressing up as Ahilya Devi. Ravi Kawane also narrated various events based on the life of Ahilyabai Holkar. Kale conducted the proceedings of the programme. Suresh Akarte gave the introductory speech. Praful Katre proposed the vote of thanks. Nandlal Sabe, Prashant Ankarte, Pravin Kale, Vilas Bache, Pradeep Borse, Sachin Gurav, Swapnil Ghurde, Ravindra Bache, Patond, Yogesh Aghadate and others worked hard for ensuring the successful organisation of the programme. Through this programme, the contributions of Ahilya Devi Holkar were reminisced and the attendees, from school students to senior citizens, pledged to imbibe her virtues.

Bajrang Dal National Coordinator Neeraj Daneria pays obeisance at Gurukunj Ashram

Mozari 4 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Bajrang Dal National Coordinator Neeraj Daneria paid a goodwill visit to Shri Kshetra Gurukunj Ashram (Mozhari), the workplace of Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj during his Vidarbha tour. On the occasion, he took darshan of the Mahasamadhi of the Rashtrasant and got acquainted with various places of significance in the ashram premises. Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj's contribution in the establishment of the Vishwa Hindu Parishad was indeed very invaluable. While praising his ideology, Neeraj Daneria discussed the work and contribution of Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj in detail. He also mentioned that the ideology of Rashtrasant



Tukadoji Maharaj is still inspiring for the Hindu community brethren and we are working to convey those thoughts to the present generation. On the occasion, Dr. Rajaram Bothe, Bajrang Dal's regional coordinator Naveen Jain, Sidhu Solanki, Vishwa Hindu Parishad District Minister Rupesh Raut, as well as Sharad Kandalkar, Vijay Purne, Ajay Umap, Sudhir Hole and other dignitaries were prominently present.

MSEDCL's painting competition evokes enthusiastic response

Amravati 4 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): A painting competition based on the theme of electrical safety organised by MSEDCL's Chandur Bazar subdivision has evoked enthusiastic response from children. As many as 48 students participated in this competition and created drawings highlighting the significance of electrical safety. On the occasion of MSEDCL's 20th anniversary, an electrical safety week has been organised, and painting, street plays and public awareness campaigns are being implemented in various subdivisions of the district. The main objective of this initiative is to disseminate awareness about electrical safety at all levels, from young children to electricity consumers. In Daryapur subdivision, under the guidance of Executive Engineer Pradeep Andhare,



the employees of MSEDCL presented street plays on the topics of 'Pushpa', 'Cooler shock' and 'Electricity theft' and highlighted the consequences of electrical accidents and the problems arising among kin of victims to the public. On the occasion, electricity consumers were appealed to take proper precautions by saying that 'electrical safety is everyone's responsibility'. Electrical safety awareness drive was implemented in remote areas too. In the remote



Bijudhawadi villages of the taluka, villagers were acquainted about various aspects of electrical safety in the Gram Panchayat premises. The MSEDCL team appealed that 'every citizen should cooperate to make the village accident-free'. In other subdivisions too, awareness was disseminated on a massive scale. In Morshi division under the initiative of Executive Engineer Vijay Kumar Kasat, an awareness drive was implemented by

reaching out to consumers at Shendurjana Ghat, Jarud, Haturna and Gadegaon and information on precautionary measures was disseminated. In Amravati city division, public awareness campaigns were implemented in MIDC and sub-divisions 1 and 2 under the guidance of Rajesh Ghatole. In Amravati rural division, various programmes were organized under the leadership of Praful Lande and awareness was disseminated among the citizens of rural areas.

Contractual sanitation workers suspend work

Employees on verge of starvation due to unpaid salaries

Anger against Municipal Council authorities, contractors comes to the fore

Anjangaon Surji 4 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Contractual sanitation workers in Anjangaon Surji town have started a strike from June 1, 2025, as they have not received their arrears of salaries for the last two months or so. It has become difficult to live without salaries, and the workers are on the verge of starvation. Due to this, there is massive discontent among the sanitation workers. In a press conference organised by the president of Kamgar Sanghatana, Sachin Gawande, it was clearly stated that work will not resume until the arrears of all the workers are paid. Due to non-payment of salaries for the months of April and May, the financial condition of the workers has deteriorated.

It has become impossible to make their ends meet, pay school expenses of their kids and afford medical requirements. The contractor concerned has refused to pay the workers, citing the fact that the bill has not been received from the Municipal Council. However, the workers are suffering immensely due to this dilly dalling approach and blame game being played between the municipal council authorities and the contractors. The sanitation workers have now endured enough and now a tough stance will be taken, Gawande said. Many sanitation workers including Shrinath Rekhathe, Sandeep Bhonde, Abhijit Bhawe, Sundaril Tambe, Pankaj Dhule, Shrikant Nathe, Harichandra Wankhade, Bitu



Matelkar, Govinda Tipre, Nita Mongre were present at the press conference. Also, as per the warning given by the workers, if a decision is not arrived at, at the earliest, a case will be registered against the municipal council authorities and the concerned contractor. A demand that the concerned contractor be blacklisted was also put forth

on the occasion. The workers have also demanded the implementation of other facilities along with disbursement of salary arrears. These include timely receipt of monthly salary, provident fund, salary hike, access to medical scheme, weekly leave, providing safety equipment, conducting health check-up once in two months.

Shiv Sena (UBT) activists felicitate CP



Amravati 4 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): Newly appointed Amravati Police Commissioner Arvind Chawariya was felicitated by office bearers and activists of Shiv Sena (Uddhav Balasaheb Thackeray) faction with a shawl and a bouquet. Under the leadership of Shiv Sena District Chief Parag Gudadhe, party office bearers paid a goodwill visit to the Police Commissionerate. During this meeting, best wishes were extended as far as ensuring a

robust law and order situation in Amravati city is concerned. Some important issues of the city were discussed on the occasion. The delegation put forth its expectations regarding the security of the citizens and assured that the party activists would cooperate with the police department whenever any assistance is required. Shiv Sena District Chief Parag Gudadhe, District Deputy Chief Rajesh Band, Assembly Convenor Dr. Narendra Nirmal, Taluka Chief

Nitin Hatwar, as well as Kapil Deshmukh, Ramdas Bailmare, Sanjay Shete, Panjabrao Taiwade, Vijay Benodkar, Sachin Kale, Vinod Mandalkar, Sachin Thakre, Sanjay Gondane, Aditya Thakre, Atul Sawarkar, Jayant Ingole, Vinod Sharma, Jayant Thule, Pratik Sontakke, Ramhari Olivkar, Pradeep Edatkar, Akshay Parve, Subhash Chaudhary, Ramesh Dhamankar, Ramesh Kadu, Dr. Giri, Ranjit Dive and numerous Shiv Sainiks were present.

Shambhu Shourya Mardani Akhada's self defence camp concludes



Amravati 4 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): The concluding ceremony of self defence camp organised by Shambhu Shourya Mardani Akhada from May 15 to 31 was held with great enthusiasm at

the grounds of AMC number 16 School in Ambika Nagar recently. More than 80 students presented demonstrations of weapons such as sword, dandpatta, dand yuddha, lathi, karate,

axe and spear earning the admiration and applause of the audience. Parag Chhangani provided in-depth guidance on the art of war during the demonstration.

'Control of high blood pressure extremely essential'

Amravati 4 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): World Hypertension Day was celebrated recently on May 17. Various activities are being implemented as part of month-long observance of the occasion till June 16. On the occasion of World Hypertension Day, an appeal has been issued to 'measure blood pressure accurately, control it and live a long and healthy life'. If not treated on time, serious problems like heart disease, stroke and kidney failure can occur. More than 1.28 billion adults worldwide have high blood pressure, which has become a major health hazard globally. Especially in India, every third person suffers from this serious ailment and almost half of them are not even aware of it. Excess salt, fried foods, sugar, lack of physical activity, smoking, alcohol and genetic history are the major risk factors leading to high blood pressure. Often, there are no symptoms, making it difficult to identify this disease. Prevention and management require a healthy diet, limited addictions, regular exercise, yoga, meditation, and regular blood pressure assessment. It is also important to take medicines as per doctor's advice. Under the National Health Mission, high blood pressure screening and treatment are provided free of cost in every government hospital. The District Surgeon has appealed to everyone above the age of 30 to get their blood pressure and other vital parameters checked regularly.

Truck rams into height barrier on Shaheed Gowari Flyover day after petrol tanker crash

Traffic chaos ensues again in second capital

Nagpur 4 June: In yet another blow to traffic management on Shaheed Gowari Flyover, a truck got stuck into a newly installed height barrier near Rahate Colony Square on Wednesday, June 4 — just a day after a petrol-filled tanker had collided with a similar structure on the opposite side of the flyover. The latest incident occurred around 1:30 pm when a truck (MH27X2714), travelling from Zero Mile towards Wardha Road, struck the 3-metre-high height restriction barrier. The barrier that caused the obstruction had been installed just a day earlier, during the early hours of Tuesday, June 3. The incident closely follows a similar crash involving a Reliance Petroleum tanker (MH31 FC 4161), carrying 23,000 litres of petrol, which collided with the height barrier while travelling from Khapti to RBI Square on Tuesday afternoon. That



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barrier too had been freshly installed around 2 am on the same day. Although no injuries were reported in either case, repeated collisions with these newly installed structures have raised serious safety concerns. Authorities are now reviewing the design, visibility, and placement of the barriers, as well as evaluating driver awareness on the route to prevent further incidents.

TV technician arrested for molesting minor girl in Kamptee



Nagpur 4 June: A TV repairman was arrested by Old Kamptee Police for allegedly molesting an 11-year-old girl while he was called to repair a television set at her residence. The incident has raised serious concerns about the safety of children in their own homes. The accused, identified as Tanveer Ali Shabbir Hussain (37), a resident of Haidari Chowk, Hussainabad, Kamptee, was summoned by the complainant—a 36-year-old woman from the Old Kamptee area—after her television stopped working. After inspecting the set, the

accused wrote down a list of parts and sent the woman to a nearby store. Taking advantage of her absence, Tanveer allegedly committed obscene acts in front of the woman's 11-year-old daughter, causing distress and violating her modesty. The girl narrated the incident to her mother upon her return. Based on the complaint, police registered an offence under Sections 74 and 75 of the Juvenile Justice Act and Sections 8 and 12 of the POCSO Act. The accused was immediately apprehended. Further investigations are on.

Neglected Sadar railway over bridge poses serious risk

Nagpur 4 June: While new flyovers continue to be built across the city, existing structures appear to be slipping through the cracks—quite literally. The Railway Overbridge (RoB) in Sadar, which connects Mangalwari Complex to Kadbi Square, is in a severely dilapidated condition, raising serious safety concerns among daily commuters. Large potholes and exposed iron reinforcements on the bridge pose a significant threat, with locals fearing a fatal accident could occur if urgent repairs are not undertaken.



The stretch, frequently used by residents and office-goers, has long been riddled with ditches and uneven surfaces, which have only worsened over time. Frustrated by official inaction, members of the Youth Congress have stepped in. Activist Nishad Indurkar marked one of the most dangerous potholes by drawing a circle around it in protest and demanded that authorities address the hazard immediately. Echoing the sentiment, Danish Ali, another Youth Congress member, warned that the protests will intensify if prompt repair work is not carried out. "The safety of citizens cannot be compromised. We will not stay silent if this negligence continues," he stated. Local commuters continue to urge the civic authorities to prioritize maintenance of old infrastructure alongside the development of new projects, stressing that public safety must come first.

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Hudkeshwar Police nab duo with 2.3 kg cannabis



Nagpur 4 June: In a targeted anti-narcotics operation, Hudkeshwar Police apprehended two men with 2.3 kg of ganja worth approximately Rs 40,000 near Tapasya square, Manewada Ring Road, on Monday, June 2, between 6:20 PM and 7:40 PM. Acting on a tip-off, police intercepted a Splendor motorcycle (MH-31 BD-5853) and questioned the two suspects. They identified themselves as Sheikh Anwar Sheikh Jafar (30), a resident of Milan Nagar, Bahadura Phata, Nagpur, and Mohammad Imran Mohammad Majid (27), from Mehdiapatnam, Toli Chowki, Golconda, Hyderabad. Upon frisking, the police discovered ganja in a plastic pouch, along with two mobile phones and the motorcycle, totaling seized property worth Rs 1 lakh. The accused confessed to possessing the contraband for illegal sale to earn profit. A case has been registered under Sections 8(c), 20(b), and 29 of the NDPS Act at Hudkeshwar Police Station. The investigation is ongoing under the guidance of DCP Rashmita Rao and ACP Narendra Hivare, led by PI Dnyaneshwar Bhedodkar and his team.

UDD approves Mouza Lendra land for charitable hospital development in Ramdasapeth

Nagpur 4 June: After remaining tied up in legal disputes for years, the Mouza Lendra land opposite Alankar Talkies is finally moving toward a positive change. Spanning 62,888 square feet and reserved for public use, the plot will soon house a charitable hospital. This development comes after the Urban Development Department (UDD) gave its approval to the Nagpur Improvement Trust's (NIT) long-pending proposal, bringing an end to years of uncertainty and setting the stage for a community-focused project. According to a media report, this valuable land was leased to Nagpur Nagarik Sahakari Rugnalaya (NNSR) in the late 1970s and originally hosted a functioning hospital. However, complications arose when the trust outsourced hospital units to a private group, sparking a legal battle. In 2010, Dr. Balchandra Subhedar filed a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) at the Nagpur bench of the Bombay High Court, challenging the

outsourcing and accusing the trust of breaching public trust. The court ruled against NNSR, declaring the outsourcing deal invalid. The Arneja Institute of Cardiology's subsequent Special Leave Petition was dismissed by the Supreme Court, effectively ending the legal dispute. Finally, in January 2020, the Nagpur Improvement Trust (NIT) terminated NNSR's lease and ordered the demolition of the hospital's now-dilapidated building. Since then, the plot has remained unused due to ongoing court proceedings and delays in planning. The recent clearance from the Urban Development Department (UDD) on



This reduction acknowledges the plot's status as a Public Utility (PU) space and supports the charitable purpose of the proposed hospital. The new hospital will not operate as a purely commercial venture. The land is strictly reserved for public welfare, and the chosen agency must be a registered charitable trust functioning under charity regulations. The hospital's primary focus will be to serve the poor and local community while ensuring

financial sustainability. To manage this redevelopment, a nine-member committee has been established, including medical experts, engineers, and officials from the Urban Development Department. Their responsibilities involve assessing the land, preparing project documentation, and selecting the appropriate trust. The committee is expected to complete the process within three months.

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May 29 marks a significant turning point. Additionally, the government has approved a 25% concession on the land premium, lowering the cost to Rs10.63 crore—well below the standard ready reckoner rate.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Special 'Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Circuit Train' to depart from Mumbai on June 9

Travellers can visit forts and temples highlighting Maharashtra's glorious Maratha legacy

Nagpur 4 June: In a unique opportunity to experience the valorous legacy of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, a special tourist train—"Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Circuit Train"—will depart from Mumbai on June 9 as part of the Bharat Gaurav Yatra, a collaborative initiative by the Ministry of Railways and the Government of Maharashtra. This special five-day tour aims to offer travelers an immersive journey through forts, temples, and key historical sites tied to Shivaji Maharaj's life and Maratha history. The meticulously curated route includes stops at Raigad, Pune, Shivneri, Bhimashankar Jyotirlinga, Pratapgad, Kolhapur, Panhala, and returns to Mumbai.



Tour Itinerary Highlights:
June 9:

■ **Departure at 6:30 AM** from Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus (CSMT) in Mumbai. Passengers may also board at Dadar and Thane.
■ **10:30 AM:** Breakfast at Mangaon Railway Station, followed by a bus journey to Raigad Fort with lunch and sightseeing.

Evening return to Mangaon and train journey towards Pune with dinner en route.
Arrival in Pune at 10 PM, followed by hotel accommodation.
June 10:
■ Morning visit to Lal Mahal and Kasba Ganpati

To house & care! NMC approves Rs 6.89 crore for modern stray dog shelter in Wathoda

Nagpur 4 June: In a major initiative to manage and care for stray dogs in the city, the Nagpur Municipal Corporation (NMC) has approved a budget of Rs 6.89 crore for the development of a modern dog shelter centre in the Wathoda area. The proposed facility will be spread across 3 acres and will have the capacity to accommodate around 200 stray dogs. The project aims to enhance the city's existing infrastructure for animal welfare, particularly addressing the limitations of the current dog shelter in Wathoda. Acting on the directives of NMC Commissioner and Administrator Dr. Abhijit Chaudhari, the civic body is set to upgrade and expand the shelter with modern amenities. The upcoming shelter will include separate enclosures for adult dogs and



puppies, isolation sheds, a sanitation system, a modern veterinary hospital, play zones, a kitchen, storage areas, and all essential facilities for the wellbeing of animals. The architectural design of the project has been prepared by Shripad Dube, while project management consultants Axino Capital Services and Shripad Dube

Architects have been appointed for its execution. According to NMC officials, this initiative marks a significant step towards improving the living conditions of stray animals and enhancing the city's animal welfare infrastructure. The project has received technical approval from the municipal corporation and is expected to begin shortly.

Zip line, bicycle ropeway, bungee & many more activities in store for city adventure lovers

Nagpur 4 June: In a major boost to recreational infrastructure and youth development, the Nagpur Municipal Corporation (NMC) has approved the construction of a state-of-the-art Adventure Park at Lata Mangeshkar Garden in Surya Nagar. The project has received administrative sanction with a proposed budget of Rs 8.79 crore. The initiative aims to provide students and young residents of Nagpur with a safe and structured environment to experience adventure sports and build a spirit of courage and fitness. The project is set to enhance the city's smart infrastructure while adding a unique recreational space to its urban landscape. The site, previously housing the old auditorium stadium, has been cleared, freeing up approximately two acres for development. Municipal Commissioner and Administrator Dr. Abhijit Chaudhari has directed the establishment of 15 different adventure activities within the park. Consultations have already been held with agencies that specialize in setting up such parks.

Project Details and Budget Allocation:
The overall project cost has been estimated at Rs 8.79, 16,694. Out of this:
■ Rs 4.58 crore is allocated for civil infrastructure, green landscaping, wiring, fencing, new pathways, ticket counters, smart toilets, and other essential works.
■ Rs 4.20 crore is earmarked for the

installation of adventure sports equipment.
■ The plan also includes aesthetic landscaping with lawns and ornamental plants to enhance the garden's beauty.
Adventure Activities Planned:
The following 15 adventure games and setups are proposed as part of the park:
■ Zip Line (Single Rope One Way)
■ Adventure Play Station
■ Low Rope Course
■ Climbing Wall with Equipment
■ Rappelling Wall with Equipment
■ Bicycle Ropeway (Sky Cycle Double)
■ Sky Roller Double with Equipment
■ Bungee Ejection with Equipment
■ Suspension Bridge, Two Canopy Walks & One Burma Bridge
■ Trampoline Park & Soft Play Area
■ Closed Shed with Shutter for Trampoline Park & Soft Play Area
■ Big Swing
■ Net Climbing
■ Rope Climbing
■ Slippery Wall

Execution Timeline
The project will be undertaken through a formal tendering process. Work is expected to begin soon under the supervision of NMC officials. Officials emphasized that the Adventure Park will not only beautify the city but also promote health, fitness, and a spirit of adventure among Nagpur's youth.

Temple, followed by lunch and a tour of Shivrushti. **Overnight stay in Pune.**

June 11:
■ **Departure to Shivneri Fort,** the birthplace of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, followed by a visit to the Bhimashankar Jyotirlinga Temple. Meals and overnight halt in Pune.
June 12:
■ **7 AM:** Train departs Pune for Satara. Breakfast served on board.
■ From Satara, tourists will visit Pratapgad Fort, have lunch, and return by evening.
■ Late night train journey to Kolhapur after dinner.

June 13:
■ Early morning arrival in Kolhapur. After breakfast, visit the revered Mahalakshmi Temple followed by lunch.
■ Proceed to Panhala Fort

for sightseeing.
■ Return to Kolhapur railway station for overnight train journey back to Mumbai with dinner provided.

June 14:
■ Arrival at Mumbai CSMT at 6 AM, concluding the heritage tour.

Fare and Booking Details:
Three types of travel classes are available for the tour, with all-inclusive pricing:
■ Economy Sleeper Coach – Rs 13,155
■ AC 3-Tier Coach – Rs 19,840
■ AC 2-Tier Coach – Rs 27,365
Each fare includes transportation, accommodation, meals, and entry to heritage sites. Interested travelers can book their journey by contacting Gaurav Jha, the official tour coordinator, at 8287931600.

Chinese stall owner dies while cutting tree branches to clear shop view in Mankapur



Nagpur 4 June: A 28-year-old man tragically lost his life after being electrocuted while cutting branches from a peepal tree near a high-tension power line in the Sadigabad Colony of Mankapur. The deceased, Ajay Ram Thakre, was a resident of Ganganagar slum and operated a Chinese food stall in the area. On the morning of May 31, at around 9:45 am, he climbed the tree adjacent to his stall to trim

branches. During the process, he came into contact with a high-tension electric wire and was knocked unconscious due to the electric shock. Thakre was rushed to the Trauma Centre at Government Medical Hospital. Despite receiving treatment for two days, he succumbed to his injuries on the night of June 2. Mankapur Police have registered a case of accidental death based on the medical officer's report.

Rs 10.37 lakh credit card fraud case registered in Shantinagar



Nagpur 4 June: Shantinagar Police have booked a 29-year-old man for defrauding another of Rs 10.37 lakh through a credit card scam. The complainant, Sachin Ramesh Giri (32), from Kavarapeth, alleged that the accused, Vishal Lakharam Khamecha of Khamla, gained his trust by claiming he could purchase electronics using credit cards at discounted rates and resell them for profit. Initially, the accused delivered on his promise, gaining Giri's confidence. Later, he used Giri and his relatives' credit cards to buy electronics worth Rs 10.37 lakh but neither paid the bills nor returned the goods, causing financial loss between October 2023 and May 2024. Based on the investigation, police have registered a case under Sections 420 and 408 of IPC at Shantinagar Police Station. Further inquiry is ongoing.

Rs 47 lakh worth jewellery and cash stolen from Ganeshpeth house in Nagpur



Nagpur 4 June: An unidentified thief stole valuable worth Rs 47.1 lakh from a residence in Bajeria area under Ganeshpeth Police Station between May 23 and June 1. The complaint was lodged by Sunny Satishkumar Gupta (39), who resides at Plot No. 4/A, Shri Laxmi Nivas, Marwadi Chawl. His mother had secured various gold, diamond, and platinum ornaments along

with Rs 1 lakh cash in a bedroom locker, collectively worth Rs 47.10 lakh. On June 1 around 5 PM, they discovered the valuables were missing. Based on Gupta's complaint, Ganeshpeth police have registered a case under Section 305 of the BNS against an unknown accused. The investigation is underway to trace the suspect and recover the stolen items.

Clean drains before onset of monsoon

Guardian Minister Dr. Pankaj Bhojar directs civic authorities

Wardha 4 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): With the early arrival of the monsoon and forecasts of more rainfall this year, Guardian Minister Dr. Pankaj Bhojar has directed all Municipal Councils and Nagar Panchayats in the district to complete pre-monsoon drain cleaning work by June 9. A detailed report on the progress must be submitted by June 10, as per his instructions to the Joint Commissioner of Municipal Administration. Complaints of waterlogging and mosquito breeding due to clogged



drains have already been received during unseasonal rains in May. Dr. Bhojar emphasized that delays in drain cleaning could lead to

serious public health issues. Areas like Wardha, Hinganghat, Arvi, Pulgaon, Deoli, Sindhi Railway, Seloo, Karanja, Ashti, and Samudrapur have been identified as prone to drain water overflow, and special attention should be given in these regions. The minister also expressed concern over uncollected garbage heaps in urban areas, which are causing foul smells and increasing health risks during rains. He has instructed that regular garbage collection be ensured immediately to prevent further problems.

Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Heritage Tour aspirants appealed to register

Nagpur 4 June: Jyeshtha Nagarik Kaksh is appealing to citizens and children who want to avail benefit of Bharat Gaurav Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Heritage Tour to register their names at the district collectorate immediately.

One can get more information from

Jyeshtha Nagarik Kaksh, Nagpur Municipal Corporation as well as Jayashri Gadkar Madam, Nagpur Municipal Corporation, Civil Lines, Nagpur, said Suresh Rewatkar, Coordinator and Secretary of Jyeshtha Nagarik Kaksh, Senior Citizens' Council of Nagpur District.

Branch of Grahak Panchayat Maharashtra established in Sindewahi

Prashant Gedam elected President



Sindewahi 4 June: A branch of Grahak Panchayat Maharashtra has been established in Sindewahi. In this concern, a meeting was organised at the PWD rest

house in Sindewahi on June 1, 2025 under the leadership of Parashuram Tundulwar. In this meeting, Prashant Deokumar Gedam, Vice President Shrikant Keshav

Hedau, Organiser Aman Aftab Qureshi, Co-Organiser Tejendra Ramdas Nagdeote, Secretary Akrosh Waman Khobragade, Joint Secretary Amol Sevadas

Ninave, Treasurer Sharad Vasant Naitam, and Pratik Ramesh Naitamkar, Pravin Nagdeote were elected as members of Grahak Panchayat Maharashtra Taluka Sindewahi, which works as a consumer assistance centre. The meeting began with offering of a floral wreath to the portrait of the founder of Grahak Panchayat Maharashtra, Late Bindu Madhav Joshi and Swami Vivekananda. District Organiser Devidas Nandanwar, District Vice President Arun Jagdale, District Advisor Sunil Pachkhede and Chandrapur

Taluka Vice President Dilip Gaddamwar were among the dignitaries prominently present in the meeting.

Newly elected President Prashant Gedam gave the introductory speech of the programme. Akrosh Khobragade conducted the proceedings of the programme.

Amol Ninave proposed the vote of thanks. On the occasion, the newly elected Sindewahi office bearers of Grahak Panchayat Maharashtra were congratulated and the dignitaries extended best wishes to them for their future endeavours.

15 Day personality development camp concludes at St. Thomas English School

Learning from personal experiences is the key to personality growth, says Jaya Satish Ambhore

Borgaon (Meghe) 4 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): St. Thomas English School recently concluded its 15-day personality development camp, aimed at fostering holistic growth in students. Inaugurating and Speaking at the closing ceremony, Jaya Satish Ambhore, President of Nirmik Gramin and Bahudhesiya Sanstha, emphasized the importance of learning from personal experiences for true personality development.



The program was presided over by Public Works Department's Executive Engineer Satish Ambhore, and senior journalist Ravindra Chandekar, National Vice President of All India Shastri Samajik Manch Imran Rahi, President of Prahar Samaj Jagruti Sanstha Captain Mohan Gujkar, school's Principal Preeti Satyam, Director Vijay Satyam, Lions Club's former President Prashant Pandey, Camp Coordinator Sandeep Joshi, Vedant Satyam were mainly present on the stage. "Extracurricular knowledge,

every child possesses hidden talents, which can be identified and nurtured through such camps. The programme was introduced by Principal Preeti Vijay Satyam, conducted by Shradha Sant and Ruchi Tiwari and the vote of thanks was given by Vedant Satyam. Several acts presented by participants won the hearts of the audience. Varsha Deshpande, Conductor Bhalm, Neelam Rangari, Rizwana Sheikh, Sheetal Sharma, Shabna Sheikh, Indrapal Joge, worked tirelessly to make the program successful.

along with formal education, plays a vital role in shaping a child's personality," said Senior journalist Ravindra Chandekar emphasizing the importance of organizing training sessions, workshops, and camps to nurture this aspect. Mohan Gujkar highlighted that education and extracurricular knowledge are the two fundamental pillars of human development. Satish Ambhore added that a true balance between education and culture can only be achieved through a foundation of moral values. Imran Rahi remarked that

Woman commits suicide after dowry harassment by in-laws

Nagpur 4 June: A heart-wrenching incident has come to light from the Butibori area of Nagpur district, where a newlywed woman allegedly ended her life due to continuous mental and physical harassment by her in-laws. The deceased, Mayuri Thakre Dahule (26), died by suicide by hanging herself at her residence on May 30. She married Abhishek Dahule on April 25, 2025, just 35 days before she committed suicide. Mayuri had been married to Abhishek Dahule, a resident of the Butibori police station jurisdiction in Nagpur. Initially, everything seemed fine, but within a few days, the true colors of her in-laws reportedly surfaced. Her mother-in-law Kusum Dahule, father-in-law Deepak Dahule, and brother-in-law Aditya Dahule, allegedly began pressuring her for money. Preliminary investigations reveal that her husband, Abhishek Dahule, supported this harassment. Mayuri reportedly endured severe emotional and physical torment, which caused her immense stress.

TAKING STOCK OF PROGRESS...



Gadchiroli District Collector Avishyant Panda recently gave instructions to complete the work of the District Sports Complex in a quality and timely manner. He took stock of the work of the District Sports Complex and also inspected the ongoing process of implementation of state of the art sporting facilities. CEO Suhas Gade, Assistant District Collector Ranjit Yadav, District Sports Officer Bhaskar Ghatale and PWD officials were present on the occasion.

Demand to include post-2019 ration card holders in Ayushman Bharat Scheme put forth

Wardha 4 June (NAGPUR POST/DC): Kisan Adhikar Abhiyan, Wardha-an organization working for the rights of farmers, laborers, women, and workers, submitted a memorandum to the District Collector and demanded to include those families who are holding ration cards issued after 2019 under the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY).



Office bearers and activists of Kisan Adhikar Abhiyan with the copies of Memorandum

Currently, the scheme provides benefits only those identified in the 2011 Socio-Economic Caste Census (SECC). Thousands of poor and deserving families who have obtained ration cards after 2019 do not get benefits. As a result, many of these families are deprived of free treatment for serious

illnesses and face significant financial hardship. "The district administration should take immediate action and send a proposal to the state and central governments to address this gap," the memorandum stated. Avinash Kakde, Chief Coordinator, Sudam Pawar, Gopal Dushanbe, Praful

Kukke, Vitthal Zade and several activists of Kisan Adhikar Abhiyan were prominently present on this occasion. Copies of the memorandum were also forwarded to Guardian Minister Pankaj Bhojar, Member of Parliament Amar Kale, District Health Officer, and District Supply Officer.

Encroachment dispute in Surabardi assumes alarming proportions

HC order halts demolition of 3 houses, victims produce stay order just in the nick of time

Wadi 4 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): A tense atmosphere prevailed throughout the day in the old settlement of Surabardi in Nagpur taluka on Wednesday, June 4, due to the demolition of encroachments looming large. Nagpur Rural Tehsildar Balasaheb Tele had reached the spot with police personnel to demolish three houses as per the High Court directive. However, the action was stopped just in the nick of time as the victims obtained a stay order from the court. According to the information received, Nitin Shendre, a farmer in Surabardi, had filed a petition in the court against illegal construction and encroachment in the area.

Accordingly, the process of demolishing three houses and part of a temple in the village was initiated. It has been reported that the families who own these houses have been living there since 1984. A total of 24 joint families live in the houses of Dayaram Nathuji Botre, Nilkanth Makore (currently Bhagwan Balkrishna Raut lives there) and Kisan Ganpat Raut. Dayaram Botre got a house under the Indira Gandhi Awas Yojana way back in 1987-88, while the other families got houses under the Gharikul Yojana in 2010-11. The victims say that houses were first built at the place where encroachment is being declared by showing high tension lines and farm

approach routes, and the lines were laid thereafter. They also claimed that they have the house rent receipt and other necessary documents. According to information received from the Tehsildar's office, the victims were given a notice to vacate the house by June 3 as per the directive of the High Court. On Wednesday, the administrative officials reached the settlement with police personnel, which in turn angered the locals. There was also a heated verbal clash between the Tehsildar and the citizens at the site of the incident. Finally, at around 4pm, the victims' kin brought a stay order from the Nagpur High Court halting demolition till June 6, due to which the



administrative officials had to suspend the action immediately.

The victims and their kin are demanding that if the administration has to remove the encroachment, then they should first be given an

alternative permanent place of residence. First they gave them a house, now they have come to demolish it, this is simply injustice, one of the victims told mediapersons. Now what stance will be taken in this matter will depend on

the upcoming directive of the court and the policy of the administration in this concern. Currently, however, an atmosphere of conflict has arisen between the administration and Surabardi locals.

Sand distributed to Gharikul scheme beneficiaries

Kuhi 4 June (NAGPUR POST/TC): Gharikul scheme has been initiated to provide accommodation to the needy by the government,



but since the sand ghat is closed, the question arose as to how to build houses as far as the gharikul scheme beneficiaries are concerned. Therefore, the government decided to provide sand from the ghat which has not been auctioned and which does not pose a threat to the environment to the gharikul beneficiaries. As per the order of Kuhi Tehsildar,

beneficiaries were sent to go to the houses of the gharikul beneficiaries and bring sand at zero royalty. On the occasion, circle officer Ghanshyam Gakhare, Village Revenue Officer Narendrakumar Vitthal Harne, Village Revenue Officer, Pranay Arekar, GP member Pradeep Shende and others were prominently present.