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CELEBRATING CENTENARY BIRTH ANNIVERSARY OF BHAIRON SINGH JI TODAY

# POLITICIAN WHO BOUND EVERYONE WITH THE BOND OF CLOSE TIES



**Kalraj Mishra**

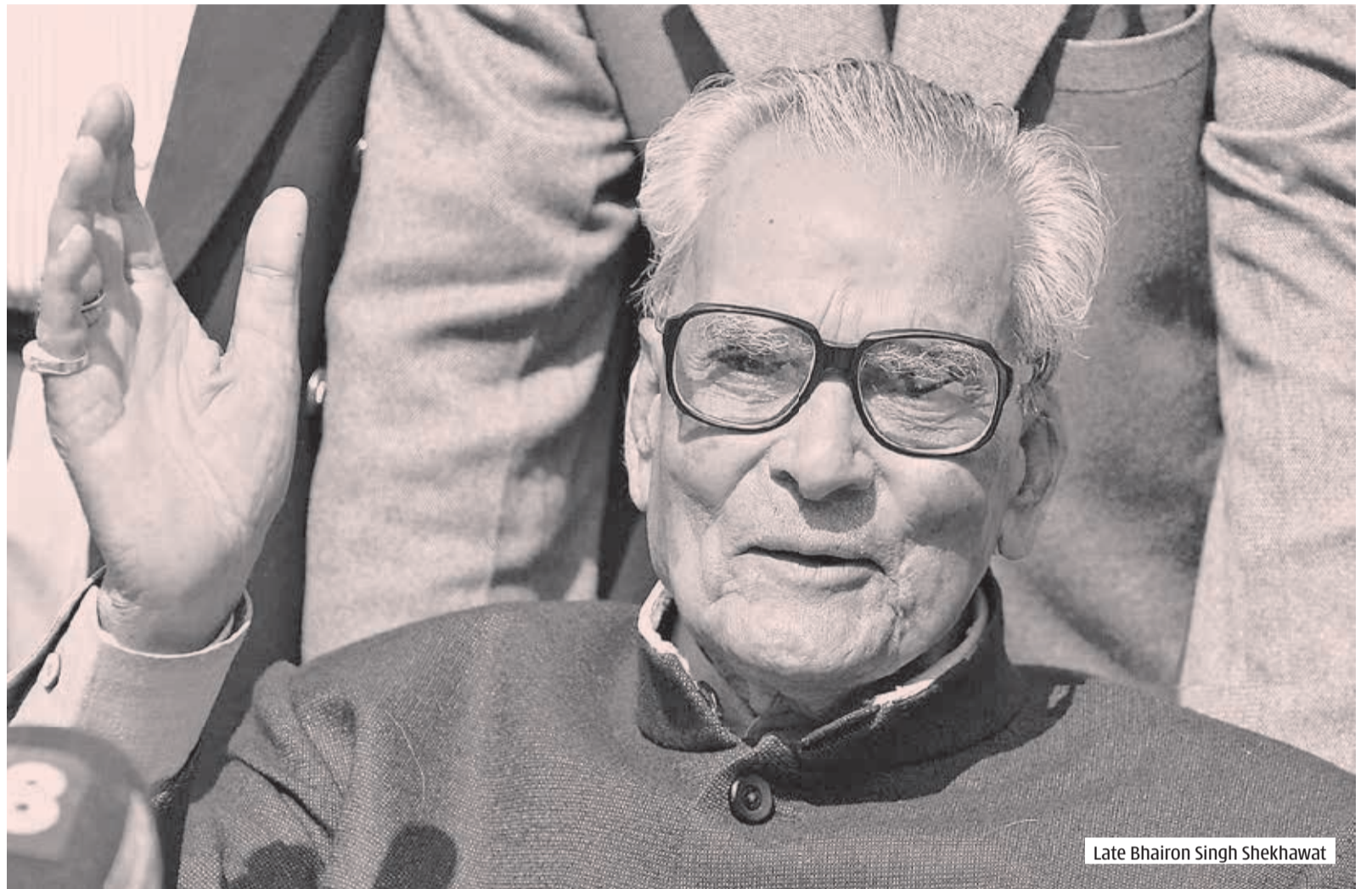
THE WRITER IS GOVERNOR OF RAJASTHAN

**T**his year marks the birth centenary of the country's former Vice President Bhairon Singh Shekhawat. Remembering him means remembering the tradition of politics in which politicians create their sublime personality by rising above party thinking. Bhairon Singh ji was like this. Despite being in politics, he always remained away from its narrow-mindedness. Bhairon Singh Shekhawat ji, a profound scholar of constitutional matters, was a rare personality associated with political correctness. I also think that he was not a person but a constitutional institution in itself.

While holding constitutional posts, he established such ideals of those institutions which no one can forget even if they want to. He was a member of Rajya Sabha. Despite adverse circumstances, he served as the Chief Minister of Rajasthan thrice and also handled the post of Leader of Opposition in the Rajasthan Assembly very well. Due to this journey of democracy, he was selected for the prestigious post of Vice President of the country in the year 2002. But what is different from all this is his personality in which prominent politicians of every party were able to tie themselves with him by the thread of affinity. I have many memories with him. He was an ideal personality who rose above political thinking and established close relations with people of every party. I believe that how to maintain the sanctity of the democratic process can be learned from them.

As the Chief Minister, the schemes he started like 'Antyodaya Yojana', 'Food in lieu of work' not only benefited the people living below the poverty line, but other states across the country also gained popularity by adopting these schemes.

The most distinctive aspect that I find about him is his 'Babosa' appearance. People fondly called him 'Babosa' and this address became associated with him because earlier people used to come to the government and during his tenure the work of taking the government to the people was done. 'Babosa' is the one who takes care of everyone. Actually he was very friendly. You yourself assess his constitutional work that he supported the abolition of Za-



Late Bhairon Singh Shekhawat



BS Shekhawat inspects guard of honour, given on his arrival in Odisha on Oct 13, 2006.



Bhairon Singh Shekhawat takes oath as the CM of Rajasthan on 22 June, 1977.

mindari though himself hailing from a Zamindari family. Despite opposition, he condemned the practice of Sati in the Roop Kanwar Sati case. To provide rights to the poor, arrangements were made to ensure government schemes reach them. I



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myself have seen Bhairon Singh Shekhawat ji very closely. He tried to appear as he was. I spoke Hindi and felt that he used to use Marwari words again and again in his Hindi also. These were his values. Many times I told him some work and then I forgot it. But it was surprising that after some time he would inform about its completion. He used to remember even the smallest things. Whenever he got any opinion even from the officials, he used to investigate it.

Many times, in big public meetings, I saw someone standing at the end and he used to call the person by name from a distance and used to go near him. These were the values. He had public concerns. Democracy is strengthened by this. You should have complete knowledge about those who have elected you and sent you to parliamentary institutions. You should have this kind of connection not only with

workers but also with the common people.

I have some knowledge of how the country's biggest scheme 'Antyodaya' came to light. Bhairon Singh ji was closely associated with the culture of the Constitution. He gave concrete shape to this plan for the upliftment of Daridranarayan. The fulfillment of all the social, economic and political justice that our Constitution talks about is included in 'Antyodaya'. Bhairon Singh ji connected Antyodaya with human compassion. In this way, he connected every common and special thing with democratic values. A supporter of sublime human values along with political wisdom, he was associated with the skill of maintaining relationships in which the distinction between one's own and another's disappears. The true tribute to him is that we imbibe the culture of harmony by following the ideal constitutional values given by him and create a world of belonging by establishing purity in politics.

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Bhairon Singh, also called 'Babosa'





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## INDIA SENDS MEDICAL, DISASTER RELIEF AID FOR PEOPLE OF PALESTINE

# FROM INDIA WITH LOVE FOR RELIEF!



India's humanitarian aid for the people of Palestine arrives in Egypt on Sunday.

Moni Sharma

New Delhi/Jerusalem

India on Sunday sent humanitarian aid to strife-torn Palestinians in Gaza Strip. Taking to X, EAM spokesperson Arindam Bagchi wrote, "An IAF C-17 flight carrying nearly 6.5 tonnes of medical aid and 32 tonnes of disaster relief material for the people of Palestine departs for El-Arish airport in Egypt." The items were later sent to Palestine via Rafah border crossing between Egypt and Gaza. Bagchi informed that humanitarian aid includes "essential life-saving medicines, surgical items, tents, sleeping bags, tarpaulins, sanitary utilities, water purification tablets, among other items". P7



Indian Ambassador to Egypt Ajit Gupte hands over aid to Egyptian Red Crescent for onward transmission to Palestine on Sunday.

**AS THE ISRAEL-HAMAS WAR ESCALATES, INDIA SENT NEARLY 6.5 TONNES OF MEDICAL AID AND 32 TONNES OF DISASTER RELIEF MATERIAL FOR THE PEOPLE OF PALESTINE**

### KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- Israeli aircraft killed Muhammad Katamash, deputy head of the Hamas terrorist
- Learn from India's freedom struggle: Saudi Prince tells Palestine President
- PM Netanyahu warned Hezbollah against opening a 2nd war front with Israel

## ISRAEL STRIKES GAZA, SYRIA AND WEST BANK



A Palestinian scribe pampers his wounded niece in Nusseirat refugee camp, in a Deir el-Balah hosp at Gaza Strip on Sunday.

Israeli warplanes struck targets across Gaza overnight and into Sunday, as well as two airports in Syria and a mosque in the occupied West Bank allegedly used by militants, as the two-week-old war with Hamas threatened to spiral into a broader conflict. Israel has traded fire with Lebanon's Hezbollah militant group on a near-daily basis since the war began, and tensions are soaring in the Israeli-occupied West Bank, where Israeli forces have battled militants in refugee camps and carried out two airstrikes in recent days.

## VICTORY LONG OVERDUE! 'VIRAT' JEET!

- Virat Kohli leads India to first win over New Zealand in 20 years
- India beat New Zealand for the fifth straight win, claim top spot

**V**irat Kohli's crafty 95 trumped Daryl Mitchell's rapid 130 as India beat NZ by 4 wickets in a top-of-the-table clash in WC on Sunday. Kohli could not complete the chase but his mature knock helped India to reach a victory target of 274 with 2 overs to spare to maintain their unbeaten run in the tournament. Rohit Sharma (46) led India's rollicking start but it was Kohli's 4th 50-plus score in 5 innings that helped to inflict on NZ their 1st defeat of the tournament. It was India's first win over New Zealand in the World Cup after 20 years.

Anurag Thakur, JP Nadda, Jay Shah, Jai Ram Thakur and others watch match between India and New Zealand at HPCA Stadium, in Dharamsala on Sunday.

Mohammed Shami also 'Man of the match', became the first Indian bowler to claim multiple 5-wicket hauls in the ODI World Cups.

### IN BRIEF

#### Remembering 'Babosa' on 100th Jayanti today

Celebrating the 100th birth anniversary of the former Vice President and former Chief Minister of Rajasthan Bhairon Singh Shekhawat 'Babosa' today.

#### Actor Dalip Tahil gets 2 months' jail in '18 case

Mumbai court sentenced actor Dalip Tahil to 2 months jail and a fine of ₹500 in connection with a 2018 drink-drive case, ordered him to pay compensation of ₹5,000 to injured woman.

- VP Jagdeep Dhankhar will participate in the birth centenary celebs of Bhairon Singh in Jaipur today
- TMC leadership will take an appropriate decision regarding the allegations against its MP Mahua Moitra after Parl panel probe is complete

## ASHTAMI IN FULL SPLENDOUR



The Durga Bari in Bani Park, Jaipur celebrated 'Durga Ashtami' with much pomp and show. A special 'Dhunuchi Nach Aarti' was also performed. **First India senior lensman Santosh Sharma** captured the festive fervour. During this year's Durga Puja, several innovative shows - From works of art to dance drama and from community bhog to food festivals, have been organised.

## Gehlot lauds hard work of present MLAs



Naresh Sharma Jaipur

CM Ashok Gehlot held a discussion with journalists at CMR on Sunday on various topics related to upcoming Assembly elections and the political strategies. Regarding alliances, the CM disclosed that discussions were on-going with several parties. Notably, Subhash Garg expressed his interest in a ticket from the Rashtriya Lok Dal (RLD), and discussions were also underway with the BAP and the CPI.

TURN TO P8

## EAM: We had discomfort with Canada diplomats

Lot of interference: EAM on why India asked Canadian diplomats to leave

First India Bureau New Delhi

External affairs minister S Jaishankar on Sunday reiterated India's stance on the expulsion of Canadian diplomats from New Delhi, saying that there were concerns about "continuous interference" in internal affairs by their envoys. "We invoked parity because we had concerns about continuous interference in our affairs by Canadian personnel," Jaishankar said. EAM also said India is likely to resume issuance of visas to Canadians if it sees progress in the safety of Indians.

## Rathore attacks Gehlot govt for not fulfilling vows

Aishwary Pradhan Jaipur

LoP Rajendra Rathore on Sunday accused Congress government of not fulfilling promises made in its manifesto of last Assembly elections. He said over half of the promises made in the manifesto have remained incomplete. Rathore accused CM Ashok Gehlot of deceiving the people by making false promises and then failing to follow through. Citing the commitment to enact a public accountability law, he said CM had announced in 1st budget speech but failed to implement during tenure despite multiple protests and demands from social workers.

## CONGRESS RELEASES 2ND LIST FOR RAJASTHAN

# Congress plays safe again; fields 15 ministers, many MLAs in list of 43

Both the lists carry the same message - All The Way Gehlot, Gehlot & Gehlot! Independents who helped save govt also get party tickets 20 out of 28 ministers have got tickets, 8 still awaiting

Aditi Nagar, Yogesh Sharma, Naresh Sharma and Aishwary Pradhan New Delhi/Jaipur

**A** day announcing names of 33 candidates for the Assembly Elections 2023, the ruling Congress on Sunday released the second list of 43 candidates. The party played safe again and gave tickets to 35 MLAs including 15 ministers. CM's advisor and Former Chief Secretary Niranjan Arya has also got a ticket from Sojat in



PS Khachariyawas CIVIL LINES

Pali. Three more women candidates have got ticket. CM Ashok Gehlot has got tickets to half a dozen



Bulaki Das Kalla BIKANER WEST

independents. However, all the MLAs of Sachin Pilot camp also got tickets. Now only the tickets



Pramod Jain Bhaya ANTA

of Shanti Dhariwal and Mahesh Joshi are stuck. But there is hope that finally Gehlot will settle



Niranjan Arya SOJAT

this issue also. In a surprise move, tickets were given to independents who saved

the government. Omprakash Hoodla, Babul Nagar, Laxman Meena, Khushveer Jojwar, and Sanyam Lodha have secured the berth. Instead of Shafia Zubair, her husband Zubair Khan for ticket from Ramgarh. Zubair has been in Priyanka Gandhi's team. Rameshwar Dudi's wife Sushila Dudi has been made the candidate from Nokha. Among women, Shakuntala Rawat, Naseem Akhtar and Sushila Dudi have got tickets. P8

## CONG FIELDS 6 MUSLIM CANDIDATES SO FAR

Congress has fielded 6 Muslim candidates so far. Ticket was given to a Muslim in 1st list while 5 minority faces have been fielded in 2nd list. Names of Danish Abrar from Sawai Madhopur, Hakam Ali from Fatehpur, Amin Kagzi from Kishanpol, Rafeek Khan from Adarsh Nagar, Naseem Akhtar Insaf from Pushkar, Zubair Khan from Ramgarh are included. Whereas BJP has not given any ticket to any Muslim candidate so far.



# Governor flags off 'Yashaswini', CRPF women team's bike rally

The special team of CRPF is on a tour of India with an important message of 'unity and inclusivity'

Spreading the message of women empowerment through such campaigns is exemplary: Kalraj Mishra



Kalraj Mishra flagging off the Central Reserve Police Force's women bike team 'Yashaswini', from Albert Hall in Jaipur on Sunday.

Vinod Singh Chouhan  
Jaipur

Governor Kalraj Mishra flagged off the Central Reserve Police Force's women bike team 'Yashaswini' from Albert Hall on Sunday to the Statue of Unity located at Ekta Nagar in Gujarat. The team of CRPF is on a tour of India from Shillong and Srinagar on October 5 with the message of 'unity and inclusivity'.

During the function organized on the occasion, Mishra described the journey of national unity and harmony as immensely important. He said that spreading



Governor Kalraj Mishra accepting memento from Inspector General of Police, Rajasthan Region of CRPF, Vikram Sahgal.

the message of women empowerment through such campaigns is exemplary.

The Governor said

that this women's bike team will surely inspire the new generation and wished the team all the best for the journey



Women members of the force showcasing self-defence techniques and martial arts during the event on Sunday.

ahead. Inspector General of Police, Rajasthan Region of Central Reserve Police Force, Vikram Sahgal gave de-



tailed information about many such campaigns organized throughout the nation on the Amrit Mahotsav.

## 3 held in Raktadantika temple loot-murder case from Bijoliya

PTI  
Kota

Three members of a Madhya Pradesh-based criminal gang, including its chief, have been arrested for allegedly looting a temple and killing a priest in Rajasthan's Bundi district last month, police said on Sunday.

They were nabbed while they were on their way to loot another temple in Bhilwara. On the intervening night of September 18 and 19, seven people entered the Raktadantika temple in Satur village and looted gold and silver ornaments as well as the 'chatra' on the

goddess' idol. During the incident, they assaulted two priests and a villager. Priest Raju Prajapati succumbed to injuries at the Sawai Man Singh (SMS) Hospital in Jaipur, triggering protests by locals.

The kingpin of the notorious Aman Baccha gang of Madhya Pradesh -- Aman Baccha -- and two of his aides have been arrested in the case, which was registered at the Hindoli police station, police said. Based on inputs from informers, they were apprehended from Bijoliya area on Saturday while they were heading to Bhilwara to loot another a temple.

## Former Minister Bajiya injured in a road accident

First India Bureau  
Sikar

Former Medical Minister Banshidhar Bajiya's car met with an accident after colliding with a tree in an attempt to save a Nilgai. Bajiya got injured in the accident. Khandela police reached the spot after getting information. Bajiya was taken to Government Hospital Khandela. He is said to be fine. The accident happened near Bas of Kanwat Road, Piploda.



## Stolen, lost mobile phones worth ₹34 L returned to owners

First India Bureau  
Kota

Mobiles phones worth Rs 34 lakh were recovered and returned to their owners. A total of 259 stolen and lost mobile phones were recovered. Kota city police, while taking action in the cases of theft and lost mobile phones, recovered 259 mobile phones and returned them to their owners.

On Sunday, SP Sharad Chaudhary gave mobile phones to the owners at Jawahar Nagar police station. SP Sharad Chaudhary said that in the last months, mobile



Police returning stolen phones to owners, in Kota on Sunday.

phones worth about Rs 1 crore have been recovered in Kota and returned to their owners. Police teams recovered them from Kota city, Bundi, Baran, Jhalawar, Sawai Madhopur, Tonk, Sikar, Jhunjhunu and Mathura.

## Police seizes brown sugar worth ₹1 Cr in Pratapgarh, arrests 2



Sanjay Jain  
Pratapgarh

In a major action against brown sugar smugglers under the direction of SP Amit Kumar, two smugglers have been arrested with brown sugar worth Rs 1 crore from Pratapgarh area.

A total of 206 grams of brown sugar has been recovered from the. Police have seized a two-wheeler being used for smuggling. The two accused have been identified as Mahesh Pal Garadia, resident of Indore, Madhya Pradesh and Devendra Thakur, resident of Akodia Mandi and have been apprehended. Police have registered



The two accused from Madhya Pradesh, in police custody on Sunday. A vehicle was also seized from their possession.

## MINOR GIRL RAPED, THREATENED IN JPR'S BASSI

A minor girl was allegedly threatened and raped in Bassi of Jaipur district, police said. Police informed the accused, Ashok Khatik, raped the girl and fled. "An FIR has been filed by the victim's father in Bassi Police Station regarding the incident. The accused Ashok Khatik raped the victim and fled from the spot. The medical examination of the victim has been conducted and her statements under section 164 of CrPC have been recorded. Teams have been formed to nab the accused," police said.

a case under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act (NDPS) Act. Under the leadership

of Kotri police station officer Nirbhay Singh, action was taken by the FST team.

## Bodies of two brothers drowned in canal found

First India Bureau  
Kota

The bodies of cousins, Kunal and Vivek, who were swept away during the Teeya ritual in a canal near Borkheda Assi Feet Road in Kota, were found on Sunday.

As last rites of a relative, the family had gone to take bath in the canal. During this, suddenly six members of the family started drowning but only four were saved.

## A-category blockades on DGP Mishra's directives

First India Bureau  
Jaipur

On the instructions of DGP Umesh Mishra, A-category blockade is being conducted in the entire state in view of Navratri and Dussehra festivals. IGP Law and Order Gaurav Srivastava issued the orders on Sunday. The blockade was done from 5 pm to 9 pm on Sunday.

The focus of the operation is on checking suspicious persons and vehicles and arresting crimi-



nals while preventing any untoward activity.

All SHOs and COs are carrying out weapons-locked blockade. All SPs are doing monitoring and surprise checking in their area, said an official spokesperson.

## Ex-CM of Punjab Channi in Ajmer



The Former Chief Minister of Punjab, Charanjeet Singh Channi offered a chadar and prayed at the Dargah of Khwaja Hasan Moinuddin Chishti on Sunday.

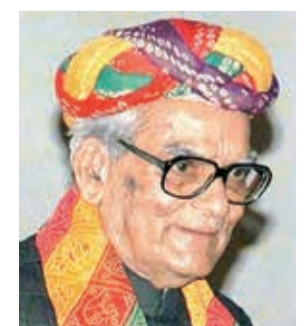
ANAND SHARMA

## Vice President Dhankhar to attend 'Babosa's birth centenary event in Jaipur

First India Bureau  
Jaipur

Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar will visit Jaipur today and participate in the birth centenary celebrations of former Vice President Bhairon Singh Shekhawat. He will also pay floral tributes at the 'Shri Bhairon Singh Shekhawat Memorial'. A book 'Mati Ke Lal Babosa Bhairon Singh Shekhawat' will be released today at 11 am in the Chamber of Commerce on the birth centenary of Late Bhairon Singh Shekhawat.

Rajya Sabha MP Ghanshyam Tiwari will



'Babosa' Bhairon Singh Shekhawat.

FILE release the book. The chief guest will be Raivasa Peethadhishwar Raghavacharya Maharaj. Others present will be Ramcharan Bohra, KL Jain, book writer and senior journalist Jitendra Singh Shekhawat.

## Man, woman found hanging from tree in JDH

First India Bureau  
Jodhpur

The bodies of a 48-year-old woman and her 50-year-old relative were found hanging from a tree in Sai village of Shergarh police station area of Jodhpur rural. Shergarh police said that prima facie the case appears to be a suicide.

Shergarh police station officer Shivraj Singh said that information was received about suicide of a man and a woman in Sai village on Sunday. The dead bodies have been sent to the mortuary for postmortem. The deceased were identified as Sheru Khan and Raisa.

## RAJ TOURISM AT ITS BEST

# In Rajasthan, now all seasons are 'tourist-season'

Nirmal Tiwari  
Jaipur

The new tourism season has officially started from October 1 and the target this time is for arrival of 40 lakh tourists every month during winters. There will be abundance of tourists till March next year. Advance bookings of hotels near major tourist destinations have started.

Jaipur, Jaisalmer, Jodhpur, Ranthambore, Mount Abu, Udaipur are the most preferred cities.



With the rush, tariff has also increased in hotels and resorts. Special packages are being offered on Dussehra, Diwali, Christmas and New Year. Travel industry ex-

pects business worth Rs 10,000 crore in 6 months of winter. Bookings by foreign tourists also increased by 200 percent. Meanwhile, wildlife tourism has been grow-

ing steadily in the state thanks the efforts of the government and Tourism Department and will remain at peak for the next three days. Ranthambore, Sariska, Ramgarh Vishdhari, Jhalana, Amargarh, Kumbhalgarh, Tal Chhappar, Jawai are completely packed due to Durga Ashtami and Dussehra holidays.

The Hotel industry has regained its glory due to increasing wildlife tourism in state. Advance bookings for Diwali holidays are on at most places from now.

## TOURIST RUSH ON SUNDAY AND ASHTAMI

The coincidence of Sunday and Durga Ashtami holiday led to flood of tourists in Jaipur and other tourist places of the state. A different view was seen on Sunday on the hills of Nahargarh, Kukas and Dhand. Nahargarh, Jaigarh, Amber, Biological Park, Jantar Mantar, Hawa Mahal, Jal Mahal, Kanota Dam, Bhuteshwar, Jhalana Reserve, Kanak Valley witnessed an influx of tourists. The number of tourists in Jaipur was expected to be over 40k on Sunday.





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QUOTE-UNQUOTE



“We are not contesting with face of Rahul, Priyanka or Kharge ji, we are contesting with face of Cong. They are contesting with face of PM Modi. Cong does not have this fear, the BJP has fear of face.”  
Mahesh Joshi, Rajasthan Minister



“Media centre has also been inaugurated. Now the inauguration of the media centre will happen on district level. People of Rajasthan have made up their mind to bring BJP in State.”  
CP Joshi, State BJP President



“Crime has reached its peak during Cong rule. Here, CM Gehlot himself remained surrounded by fear of losing his chair, the result of which was that the state could not even get a Home Minister.”  
Sudhanshu Trivedi, BJP National spokesperson



“We have struggled in both govts and only after doing a comparative study, support will be given to the political party, who will work in the interest of the unemployed youth. Dialogue are going on.”  
Upen Yadav, Convenor, Raj Unemployed Union



WHO WILL BE BJP STALWART IN FRONT OF PILOT, TALKS GOING ON AMONG POLITICOS

Jaipur: There is a big discussion in political circles as to who will be the BJP stalwart in front of Sachin Pilot. Currently political discussions regarding two faces are going on. Most discussed names are of MP Sukhbir Jaunapuria and Ajit Mehta. Apart from being a staunch Hindu leader, Jaunapuria is considered a grass root Gurjar leader. In such a situation, if BJP plays stake on him then there will be an interesting contest between 2 giants. However, discussions regarding Ajit Mehta's name are also going on in politics as it is a bit difficult for 2 Gurjars to get tickets in same district. Vijay Bainsla has got ticket from Deoli-Uniara seat of district. Beyond all this, BJP may also take some shocking decision.

WHO WILL CONG FIELD AGAINST RATHORE FROM TARANAGAR?

Churu: There are discussions in the political circles as to who will be candidate in front of Rajendra Rathore who has been fielded by BJP from Taranagar. The Cong has still not announced the candidate from here. Now everyone has the same question as to who who will be the Cong candidate against him? However, till now Cong has dominated the Taranagar seat and the present MLA is also from Congress.

TICKET POLITICS IN BJP FOR HADOTI REGION RISING

Kota: The simple formula of BJP's ticket politics has applied in Hadoti. A group directly participated in the ticket distribution of Jhalawar-Baran. Whereas in Kota-Bundi, the other opposing camp is running for selection. At present candidates have been declared for 5 seats of Baran-Jhalawar and 3 for Kota-Bundi. Now question is whether both the camps will not interfere in each other's LS constituencies.

BJP MIGHT FIELD MAHARANI OR MAHARAJ KUMAR IN KOTA FOR LADPURA SEAT

Kota: Former Maharani or Maharaj Kumar? This seems to be question for BJP's politics in Kota. Ladpura MLA Kalpana Devi supporters hope for repeat of ticket. But this time there are also discussions about her husband, Iyjaraj Singh contesting. In a dramatic development in 2018, Cong MP Iyjaraj Singh had joined BJP. Then things had gone sour when Cong did not field a candidate from Ladpura. **Bhanwar S Charan**

MAHESH SHARMA RESIGNS FROM CONG AS ARCHANA SHARMA GETS TICKET

Jaipur: There has been an uproar inside BJP & Cong over ticket distribution. Oppn for Cong candidate Archana Sharma from Malviya Nagar has intensified. Vipra Welfare Board Chairman Mahesh Sharma has resigned. He has sent his resignation to CM Gehlot. He did not give any reason but it is being said that he is angry.

Rajsamand office vandalised Voices of dissent erupts in BJP after release of the second list

## DISSENT BREWS IN BJP ACROSS RAJ

Aishwary Pradhan  
Rajsamand/Chittorgarh/  
Udaipur/Jaipur/Alwar

Dissidence grew among the BJP leaders who were denied party tickets to contest assembly elections after the second list released on Saturday, prompting their supporters to hold protests at several places including Rajsamand, Chittorgarh, Udaipur and Jaipur.

Situation escalated to vandalism in Rajsamand as the BJP office was targeted by protesters who vented their anger by pelting stones.

Similar scenes unfolded in Chittorgarh, where stones were thrown at the residence of State President CP Joshi after sitting MLA Chandrabhan Akya was denied ticket. However, Akya denied his hand in the incident.

In Rajsamand, the unrest primarily revolved against the party's decision to give ticket to MLA Deepthi Maheshwari.

Lahoty's supporters protest outside BJP HQ; Shrawan Barala rebels in Chomu



Supporters of Ashok Lahoty protesting against giving Sanganeer ticket of BJP to Bhajnalal Sharma at the party headquarter in Jaipur on Sunday.

Stones pelted at CP Joshi's residence in Chittor; Akya denies claims, holds rally

Four party workers suspended over vandalising the BJP office in Rajsamand



In Chittorgarh, supporters of Chandrabhan Singh Akya gathered for a huge protest and raised slogans against CP Joshi on Sunday.



BJP office in Rajsamand after being vandalised on Sunday.



CCTV grab where a person is seen pelting stone at house of CP Joshi in Chittorgarh on Saturday night.

Further discord unfolded in Alwar city also as Sanjay Sharma's ticket allocation led to protests on Sunday, particularly among the Vaishya community, who demanded more representation in the district.

BJP candidate in Bundi, Ashok Dogra, resulted in effigies being burned and protest. In Udaipur, Deputy Mayor Paras Singhvi, a contender for the ticket, also protested for not giving him the ticket from Udaipur city.

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AKYA ACCUSES CP JOSHI OF CUTTING HIS TICKET

Chittorgarh: Protesters in Chittorgarh burnt the effigy of CP Joshi and criticized the party's decision to not give ticket to Chittorgarh MLA Chandrabhan Singh Akya. The protesters alleged that the party had wronged Akya by replacing him with Narpal Singh Rajvi. Akya accused Joshi of behind conspiracy of cutting his ticket, saying that it was done deliberately to take revenge.

BJP LEADERS INAUGURATE MEDIA CENTRE IN JAIPUR

## CP Joshi lashes out at Priyanka Gandhi

Aishwary Pradhan  
Jaipur

BJP on Sunday inaugurated a state-of-the-art media center to facilitate communication and interaction with media personnel. State President CP Joshi cut ribbon to officially open BJP Media Center, marking a significant step in party's preparations for the elections.

State in-charge and MP Arun Singh, Leader of Opposition in the Assembly Rajendra Rathore, BJP's National Media Coordinator Anil Baluni, and National Spokespersons Sudhanshu Trivedi and Shahzad Poonawala, along with Media Department Coordinator Pramod Vashishtha were present on the occasion. State president CP Joshi on this occasion expressed confidence in the BJP's electoral prospects and emphasized that the departure of the Cong govt from the state is now inevitable. He also lashed out at Cong leader Priyanka Gandhi for her remarks for the PM alleging that she disrespected PM Narendra Modi.



CP Joshi, Rajendra Rathore, Arun Singh, Sudhanshu Trivedi, Anil Baluni and others during the inauguration of BJP Media Centre at Civil Lines in Jaipur on Sunday.

MP DIYA INAUGURATES POLL OFFICE IN VDN

At the inauguration ceremony of the main office of BJP, Vidyadhar Nagar Assembly, Diya Kumari said that each voter of Vidyadhar Nagar will give a befitting reply to this ineffective Cong Govt. At the very outset, Diya Kumari paid tribute to the late Bhairon Singh Shekhawat and her father, late Sawai Bhawani Singh on his birth anniversary.



Diya Kumari, Ramcharan Bohra and Balmukund Acharya in VDN Jaipur on Sunday.

## Celebrations among Cong leaders after getting ticket



Supporters of MLA Rafeek Khan congratulating him for getting a ticket again from Adarsh Nagar constituency on Sunday.



After getting ticket from Civil Lines again, PS Khachariyawas visited 'Dev's temple' on Sunday and tweeted 'Jai Bhawani'.

ILLEGAL CASH & OTHER ITEMS SEIZED

## ₹1.45 cr 'hawala' money seized across State

First India Bureau

Dausa/Bundi/Sawai Madhopur/  
Barmer/Bhilwara/Alwar/Bharatpur/Jaisalmer/Kotputli/Dudu

With assembly elections around and strict vigil by the police, cash and goods worth around Rs 1.45 crores have been seized from different places in the state during checking. In Dausa, cash worth Rs 20 lakh was seized from a car. Sadar police station took action when a car was going from Delhi to Jaipur. In Bundi's Nainvan, copper



Police officials with seized ₹20 lakh cash in Dausa on Sunday.

worth Rs 9 lakhs along with cash worth Rs 11 lakh 50,000 was seized from a car on Highway.

In Sawaimadhopur, Baunli police station seized Rs 2 lakh 83 thousand. 1 lakh 33 thousand rupees was found with the

driver, who is a resident of Tonk. An amount of Rs 1 lakh 50,000 was found with the other driver.

In Dhorimanna of Barmer district, the FST team recovered cash worth Rs 1 lakh from a pickup vehicle near Bor Charnan toll

plaza. Its driver, Indal Khan, has been arrested. The FST team seized cash worth Rs 1.99 lakh from a car coming from Bhilwara.

In Mandhan, police recovered cash worth Rs 50.56 lakh during blockade at Kathuwat toll on NH-11. Cash was being taken to Haryana. In Jaisalmer, police recovered cash worth Rs 1.81 lakh during a blockade. In Bharatpur, Sewar police recovered cash worth Rs 5 lakh 50 thousand. Police recovered cash worth Rs 1.36 lakh during a blockade in Dudu also.

POLICE SEIZE RECORD ₹100 CR CASH, OTHER ITEMS SINCE MCC

In a resolute effort to prevent the misuse of money power in elections, the Rajasthan Police has set a record by seizing illegal liquor, drugs, cash, and precious metals worth Rs 113 crore within the first 13 days of the Model Code of Conduct. "This surpasses the figures from the last assembly elections when seizures amounted to Rs 65 crore over 60 days," said Vikas Kumar, IG and in charge of the Expenditure Monitoring Cell.

## Delegation of Cong submits memo against BJP for violation of MCC

First India Bureau  
Jaipur

A delegation of Congress party gave a representation to chief electoral officer against BJP's proposed 'Viksit Bharat Sankalp' yatra by the central government to highlight its achievements while calling the yatra a violation of the (MCC).

"The BJP govt at the Center has proposed a Yatra to celebrate the achievements of the Central Govt. The move to organize yatra and publicize govt accomplishments, engaging govt of-



PS Khachariyawas, Lokesh Sharma, Swarnim Chaturvedi, Archana Sharma, Lalit Toonwal with CEO Praveen Gupta on Sunday.

icers as in charge of rath and giving them responsibility for yatra is in violation of MCC," they said. PCC general secy and spokesperson Swarnim Chaturvedi said that the decision to conduct the Bharat Sankalp Yatra and entrust govt officials with its responsibility is a clear

breach of MCC. The Cong delegation led by minister PS Khachariyawas, submitted a mem seeking directions to the Central Govt to postpone the Yatra till the completion of the Assembly elections. The delegation included Archana Sharma, Lalit Toonwal, S Senthil and others.



# Battle of Ballot

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**Chhattisgarh polls** Congress has declared candidates for 83 out of the total 90 seats

## BJP COMPLAINS AGAINST CONGRESS CANDIDATES OVER CRIME RECORDS

PTI Raipur

The opposition BJP in Chhattisgarh has filed a complaint with the CEO in Raipur seeking action against 83 Congress candidates, claiming they have not furnished their criminal record details to the Election Commission within 48 hours of their selection. A Congress spokesperson said they have not given tickets to people with "criminal tendencies" and that they will fulfil the criteria laid down by the Election Commission.



Women at the 'Parivartan Sankalp Mahasabha' addressed by Union Home Minister Amit Shah (Unseen), in Kondagao.

The Congress has so far declared candidates for 83 out of the total 90 seats in the state which will go to polls in two phases on November 7 and 17.

In the complaint submitted to the CEO on Saturday, the BJP has cited the Supreme Court's order, according to which

political parties must submit to the Election Commission the criminal antecedents of candidates within 48 hours of their selection, BJP's state legal cell convener Jaiprakash Chandravanshi in a statement.

The Congress neither

submitted the criminal records of its 83 candidates to the EC nor published it on the party's website, social media or in two newspapers, including a national and a local, which amounts to violation of the apex court's order, he claimed.

The list of Cong candidates who have not declared their criminal records has been enclosed with the complaint seeking appropriate action against them for alleged contempt of the SC's orders, Chandravanshi added.

### BJP HAS BEEN LEVELLING FALSE ALLEGATIONS: THAKUR

When contacted, state Congress spokesperson Dhananjay Singh Thakur said their party has not given tickets to people with "criminal tendencies", and alleged that it is the BJP's character to protect criminals and field them in elections. The BJP has been levelling false allegations against Congress candidates who have a "clean image", he said. "We will fulfil the criteria laid down by the EC," the Congress leader said. Voting in 20 assembly constituencies out of the total 90 will be held in the first phase on Nov 7 for which filing of nominations ended on Friday. Candidates from the Congress, BJP and other parties have filed their nominations for the first phase and it is mandatory for the nominees to disclose their criminal antecedents, if any, in the nomination papers.

**Telangana Assembly Elections**

## 3 LS MPs in BJP's list of 52 candidates for Telangana polls



D Raghunandan Rao Rajender Eatala Bandi Sanjay Kumar Dharampuri Arvind

Agencies Hyderabad

The BJP on Sunday released the first list of 52 candidates for the upcoming Telangana Assembly elections.

T Raja Singh, whose suspension over his offensive remarks against Prophet Mohammed was revoked earlier today, has been fielded to contest from the Goshmahal constituency. Sanjay Kumar Bandi will enter the fray from the Karimnagar constituency. Rajender Eatala will enter the fray from two constituencies, including Huzurabad and Gajwel. Eatala, a former

### CONGRESS' SIX GUARANTEES FOR TELANGANA AIM AT SOCIAL JUSTICE: MALLIKARJUN

New Delhi: Alleging that the rule of the BJP at the centre and that of Bharat Rashtra Samithi in Telangana created economic inequalities, Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge said that his party's six guarantees for Telangana are aimed at social justice and economic empowerment. "The corrupt misuse of BRS & BJP has created economic inequalities, and our guarantees bridge that widening gap," Mallikarjun Kharge posted on X. "We believe in providing a safety net to the vulnerable and the deprived. Our dream of 'Bangaru Telangana' shall only succeed if we take everyone together," he added.

member of the Telangana Rashtra Samithi (now Bharat Rashtra Samithi), would lock horns with his former party supremo and Telangana Chief Minister KCR in Gajwel.

Three candidates included in the BJP list are sitting MPs, including the party's former Telangana President Sanjay Kumar Bandi, Babu Rao Soyam and Arvind Dharmapuri.

## BJP's OBC allies seek proverbial pound of flesh



Om Prakash Rajbhar Anupriya Pate Sanjay Nishad

Agencies Lucknow

With the Lok Sabha elections round the corner and the BJP focusing on OBC votes to return to power, NDA allies in Uttar Pradesh are preparing to seek their proverbial pound of flesh. The Apna Dal is a Kurmi centric party, the Nishad party has a strong base among the Nishad caste groups and the SBSP banks on the Rajbhar community.

The Apna Dal in 2019 had won both the LS seats that it contested -- Mirzapur and Robertsganj. Union Minister Anupriya Patel won from Mirzapur while Pakodi Lal Kol won from Robertsganj.

### YADAV'S 'PDA' TWEET SIGNALS TWIST IN RIFT WITH INDIA ALLY CONG

Samajwadi Party's (SP) tie with their INDIA bloc ally Congress took yet another twist on Sunday as SP president Akhilesh Yadav reverted to using the 'PDA' term after days of taking jibes at the grand old party. Yadav shared a photo on X (formerly Twitter) of an SP worker whose back is painted in the party's trademark red and green colour and carries a message in Hindi. "Mission 2024. May Netaji (late Mulayam Singh Yadav) remain immortal. 'PDA' will ensure Akhilesh Yadav wins the election this time. Akhilesh Yadav will ensure the poor get justice," the message on the back of the SP worker read.

## Situation under control: Tomar after workers protest poll tickets

ANI Gwalior

Union Minister Narendra Singh Tomar said on Sunday that there are some differences among the BJP workers over ticket distribution, but everything is under the party's control. The angry protest by BJP workers started after the party on Saturday released its fifth list of 92 candidates for Madhya Pradesh assembly polls.

Narendra Singh Tomar told ANI, "The list of all BJP candidates except two seats has been released. All are good candidates."



BJP workers protested against ticket distribution in Madhya Pradesh.

### CONG HOPES MUSLIM VOTES IN 22 SEGMENTS MAY TILT SCALES IN EVENT OF TIGHT CONTEST

Bhopal: In the binary politics of Madhya Pradesh dominated by the BJP and Congress, the 'Muslim vote factor' may be insignificant unlike Uttar Pradesh and Bihar, but the minority vote may prove crucial in at least 22 seats in the event of a neck-and-neck contest in the next month's assembly polls.

### REBEL LEADERS SET TO UPSET VOTE CALCULATIONS

Rebel leaders are set to disrupt the poll arithmetics of both, the BJP and the Congress, in the upcoming MP Assembly elections. In many assembly constituencies, these rebels have the strength to overturn the results, and this poses a big challenge for both political parties.

### FACING SITTING CONG MLA, VIJAYVARGIYA PROJECTS HIMSELF AS NEXT CHIEF MINISTER

Bhopal: Even as the BJP's central leadership has refrained from declaring its chief ministerial face for the forthcoming Madhya Pradesh Assembly elections, its National General Secretary Kailash Vijayvargiya has already started projecting himself for the post during campaigning. During public meetings Vijayvargiya, who has been fielded from Indore-1, can often be heard saying, "I am not contesting elections just to become an MLA. The party will give me some bigger responsibility."



MLA. The party will give me some bigger responsibility."

## Nomination papers of 173 candidates found valid

PTI Aizawl

Nomination papers of 173 candidates out of 174 filed for the November 7 Mizoram Assembly elections were found valid during scrutiny, officials said on Sunday.

The nomination paper of opposition party Zoram People's Movement (ZPM) nominee Dr Lorraine Lalpeklian Chinzah who seeks to contest from the Lawngtlai East constituency is being re-scrutinised because of some discrepancies, they said. Altogether 174 candidates filed nominations for 40 assembly constituencies and the documents were scrutinised on Saturday.



## Putting an end to controversy Priyanga dropped from Puducherry Cabinet



Nedungadu MLA Chandira Priyanga

ANI Puducherry

The Central government has approved the recommendation of Puducherry Chief Minister N Rangasamy to remove Nedungadu MLA Chandira Priyanga from the Council of Ministers headed by him.

"The President, on the advice of the Chief Minister of Puducherry, is pleased to remove Chandira Priyanga, Minister for Transport, from the Council of Ministers, with immediate effect," said a notification is-

**The Speaker said that he will inquire into the issues raised by Priyanga in her resignation letter if she gives a complaint as an MLA**

sued on Saturday by Joint Secretary to the Government of India Prashant Lokhande.

Priyanga released copies of her resignation letter to the media on October 10. She alleged in her resignation letter that she faced caste and gender discrimination.

## NCBC TO HEAR DEMANDS

## To include castes in OBC list

PTI New Delhi

The National Commission for Backward Classes will be holding a hearing on the proposal of the West Bengal government to include 87 castes in the OBC list.

In a notice to the West Bengal government, the NCBC said the hearing would be held on Nov 3.

The NCBC has also sought information from the state government un-



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der various heads.

Among the information sought are caste-wise details of the candidates se-

lected in the 87 OBC castes, caste-wise details of Class III, Class IV and Safai Karmacharis, de-

tails of scholarships disbursed to the students belonging to the 87 OBC castes in the educational institutions run under the state during the last three years and the current year and the caste-wise details of the beneficiaries thereof. The NCBC said it had recommended that the reservation of OBCs in the state should be increased from 17% to 22 per cent, but till date no positive action has been taken on the recommendation of the commission.

## IS Reddy Nallu likely to be sworn in as Tripura Gov

PTI Agartala

Indra Sena Reddy Nallu is likely to be sworn in as the new governor of Tripura on October 26, an official said on Sunday. Nallu, a senior BJP leader, was named the new governor of Tripura on October 18. "He will arrive in Tripura on October 25. He will be sworn in on the following day," the official said.



## JP Nadda slams Mallikarjun for opposing Centre's saturation drive

Agencies New Delhi

Hitting out at the Congress party after Mallikarjun Kharge wrote a letter to PM Modi opposing the deployment of senior bureaucrats to showcase the achievements and schemes of government, BJP national president JP Nadda on Sunday said that it may be an "alien concept" to the grand old party, but public service delivery is the duty of a govt. This came after Kharge took



BJP chief JP Nadda

strong exception to a government order, dated October 18, which stated that senior officers of ranks as high as Joint Secretary, Director, and Deputy Secretary are to

be deployed to all 765 districts of India.

The BJP chief said, "It maybe an alien concept to the Cong Party, but public service delivery is the duty of a Government."



# AVENGEERS

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**INDIA EMERGED VICTORIOUS IN THE WC MATCH AGAINST NEW ZEALAND**

## INDIA JUMPS TO TOP AFTER WIN

ANI

Dharamshala (HP)

A five-wicket haul by Mohammed Shami and another masterclass by chase master Virat Kohli guided India to a four-wicket win over New Zealand in their ICC Cricket World Cup match at Dharamshala on Sunday.

With this win, India has its fifth successive win and is at the top of the table with 10 points. NZ is at number two now with four wins and a loss, totalling to eight points.

In the chase of 274 runs, India was off to a flying start as skipper Rohit Sharma and Shubman Gill were dealing in fours and sixes. The horrors of a terrible top-order start in the 2019 World Cup semifinals

**TODAY'S MATCH**



● TIME: 2:00 PM  
● MATCH NO: 22  
● LIVE ON: STAR SPORTS AND DISNEY+ HOTSTAR  
● VENUE: M. A. CHIDAMBARAM STADIUM, CHENNAI



India's Virat Kohli and Ravindra Jadeja run between the wickets during the ICC Men's World Cup ODI cricket match between India and New Zealand, at HPCA Stadium, Dharamshala on Sunday.



Mohammed Shami became the second-highest wicket-taker for India in the ICC Cricket WC. He finished with figures worth 5/54 from 10 overs.

were being washed away with every shot they played.

India reached the 50-run mark in 7.4 overs, with the help of a crisp boundary by Gill on a delivery by Matt Henry.

The 71-run opening stand came to an end as Lockie Ferguson castled Rohit for 46 in 40 balls, with four boundaries and four sixes. India was 71/1 in 11.1 overs.

Gill was the next one to be dismissed by Ferguson as he was caught by Daryl Mitchell for 26 off 31 balls, with five fours. India was 76/2 in 13.2 overs.



**MATCH NO. 21**

## US 'concerned about potential escalation'

Agencies

Washington

The US has said that it is concerned over the escalating attacks on the Americans across the Middle East in wake of ongoing war between Hamas and Israel, media reports said.

"We're concerned about potential escalation. In fact, what we're seeing is the prospect of a significant escalation of attacks on our troops and our people throughout the region," US Defense Secretary L. Lloyd Austin said.

He said that because of that, we're going to do what's necessary to make sure that US troops are in the right position, they're protected and that we have the ability to respond.

Austin's comments come as Iranian proxies attack U.S military bases in Iraq and Syria, the Navy recently intercepted missiles fired from Yemen.



A second humanitarian convoy crosses from Egypt into the Gaza Strip as Israel continues its non-stop bombardment on Sunday.



Palestinians look for survivors after the Israeli bombardment of the Gaza Strip in Deir Al-Balah, on Sunday.

## Iran sentences 2 journalists for collaborating with the US

Agencies

Washington

A court in Iran sentenced two female journalists to up to seven years in prison for "collaborating" with the United States government among other charges, local reports said. Both have been imprisoned for over a year following their coverage of the death of Mahsa Amini while in police custody in Sept. 2022.

The two journalists, Niloufar Hamed, who broke the news of Amini's death for wearing her headscarf too loosely, and Elaheh Mohammadi, who wrote about her funeral, were sentenced to seven and six years in jail respectively.



## 6 dead in Russian rocket strike in Ukraine

Agencies

Kharkiv

A missile strike on a mail depot in the eastern Ukrainian city of Kharkiv killed six people, Ukrainian officials said Sunday.

A further 16 people were injured in the blast late Saturday, which is believed to have been



caused by a Russian S-300 rocket, Kharkiv governor Oleh Syni-

hubov said on social media. All of the victims were employees of pri-

vate Ukrainian postal and courier service Nova Poshta.

The company said that the air raid siren had sounded just moments before the attack, leaving those inside the depot with no time to reach shelter. It announced that Sunday would be a day of mourning for the firm.

## Biden picks Indian-origin ex-State Dept official as envoy to Indonesia

Agencies

Washington

Indian-origin ex-State Department official Kamala Shirin Lakhdir has been picked by President Joe Biden to serve as US Ambassador to Indonesia.

A career Foreign Service Officer, Lakhdir has served in the Department of State for almost 30 years, most recently as an executive secretary. Before serving as the US Ambassador to Ma-



laysia, she served as the Executive Assistant to the Under Secretary for Political Affairs, and from 2009 through 2011, she served as US Consul General in Northern Ireland.

## Salman Rushdie receives German Peace Prize

Agencies

Washington

British-Indian writer Salman Rushdie was on Sunday presented with the Peace Prize of the German Book Trade in Frankfurt's historic St Paul's Church.

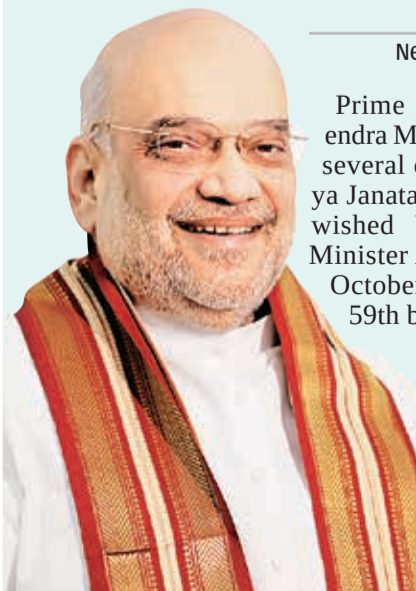
The German Peace Prize comes with a €25,000 (\$27,300) payment and is one of the most prestigious awards in Germany. It was first awarded in 1950.

# Birthday greetings to 'outstanding administrator'!

Union Home Minister Amit Shah celebrated his 59th birthday on Sunday

ANI

New Delhi



Prime Minister Narendra Modi along with several other Bharatiya Janata Party leaders wished Union Home Minister Amit Shah on October 22 on his 59th birthday.

PM Modi in a post on X extended his greetings to the Union Minister took to X and praised Shah

**X** Birthday wishes to @AmitShah Ji. He is passionate about India's progress and ensuring a better quality of life for the poor. He has made a mark as an outstanding administrator, .... May he be blessed with a long life and wonderful health.

Narendra Modi @narendramodi

### BIRTHDAY TWEETS

**X** Your exceptional dedication to the nation, hard work and organizational skills are an inspiration to all of us BJP workers.

Jagat Prakash Nadda @JPNadda

**X** He is passionate about India's progress and ensuring a better quality of life for the poor.

Rajnath Singh @rajnathsingh

**X** Hearty birthday greetings to the Union Home and Cooperation Minister Amit Shah, who is an ideal example of discipline, hard work and organizational skills, a popular public leader, .... I pray to Lord Shri Ram for your good health and long life.

Yogi Adityanath @myogiadityanath

### AMIT SHAH TO ADDRESS NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON COOPERATIVE EXPORTS TOMORROW

Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation Amit Shah will address the 'National Symposium on Cooperative Exports' organised by the National Cooperative for Exports Limited (NCEL) on Monday in New Delhi. Amit Shah will also launch the logo, website and brochure of NCEL and distribute the membership certificates to NCEL members, a Ministry of Cooperation statement said on Sunday. As per the statement, a wide range of issues including channelising cooperatives for linkages to export markets, potential of Indian agri exports and opportunities for cooperatives among others will be discussed in the symposium. A large number of cooperative members and stakeholders will also join through online mode.

for his role as an administrator, for his contributions to enhancing India's security apparatus, developing cooperative sector and strengthening

BJP party. Amit Shah was born in 1964 in Mumbai and from his early days was involved with the Rashtriya Swayamsevak

Sangh (RSS). He served as the state Home Minister in the BJP government in Gujarat when PM Narendra Modi served as the CM of the

state at that time. In a post on X, External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar said, "Your loyalty and dedication to the service of the public

are inspirations for the progress of the nation." Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath expressed his wishes for Amit Shah on X.

He praised Shah for his organisational skills, hard work, discipline, perseverance and his work to strengthen the security system of India.



# FIRST INDIA 2ND FRONT

## THOUGHT OF THE DAY

Greetings on the auspicious occasion of Ram Navami! May we all walk the path of righteousness and be blessed with prosperity and success.

Dr Jagdeesh Chandra, CMD & Editor-in-Chief



# CONG'S 2ND LIST ON THE LINES OF THE FIRST, AWAY FROM CONTROVERSIES!

With the release of the second list of 43 Congress candidates, the picture of contest between Congress and BJP on 25 seats has become clear. There will be a contest between Minister Dr BD Kalla and BJP's Jethanand Vyas on Bikaner West seat. Minister Sukhram Vishnoi will contest against MP Devji Patel on Sanchole seat. Earlier on Saturday, after the first list of Congress, the contest between the candidates of Congress and BJP on 18 seats was decided

Manoj Mathur  
Jaipur

Congress released two lists in two days for Rajasthan Assembly elections. In the second list released on Sunday, 43 candidates were declared whereas in the first list, there were 33 names. Of course, there is a difference of ten more candidates names but the party's line did not change even an inch.

### Analysis

In both the lists, all the sitting MLAs except Shafia Zubair have been given tickets. In place of Shafia, her husband Zubair Khan was given ticket. Overall, the party has not taken the risk of cutting the ticket of any MLA. This disseminates the clear message that the party does not want to give rise to any kind of controversy and dissatisfaction in the initial lists.

The thing to be noted in the second list is that Congress has given tickets to all the independent MLAs who saved the Ge-

hlot government. By stamping these tickets, the High Command gave the message that the party will move forward on the lines of CM Ashok Gehlot in Rajasthan. If the tickets of Gehlot's close ministers Shanti Dhariwal and Dr Mahesh Joshi have not been finalized yet, then the ticket of Ved Prakash Solanki, the most vocal MLA of Pilot camp, is also stuck.

Postponing all controversies, for now, the Congress Party has declared only those 76 candidates on whom there were no controversies.

Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot was successful in getting ticket to his favorite bureaucrat Niranjan Arya in this list. Gehlot also kept his promise by getting a ticket for Sushila Dudi, the wife of Rameshwar Dudi who has been ailing. Apart from these, till now, the Grand-Old-Party is largely running on the same old lines with old faces.

**BIKANER WEST**

BD Kalla VS Jethanand Vyas

**NOKHA**

Sushila Dudi VS Bihari Lal Vishnoi

**JHUNJHUNU**

Brijendra Ola VS Bablu Chaudhary

**NAWALGARH**

Rajkumar VS Vikram Jakhhal

**FATEHPUR**

Hakam Ali VS Shrvan Chaudhary

**NEEMKATHANA**

Suresh Modi VS Prem Singh Bajaur

**KOTPUTLI**

Rajendra Singh Yadav VS Hansraj Patel Gurjar

**DUDU**

Babulal Nagar VS Premchand Bairwa

**BASSI**

Laxman Meena VS Chandramohan Meena

**BANSUR**

Shakuntala Rawat VS Devisingh Shekhawat

**DEEG-KUMHER**

Vishvendra Singh VS Dr Shailesh Singh

**WEIR**

Bhajan Lal Jatav VS Bahadur Singh Koli

**KHANDAR**

Ashok Bairwa VS Jitendra Gotwal

**PUSHKAR**

Naseem Akhtar VS Suresh Rawat

**KEKRI**

Raghu Sharma VS Shatrughan Gautam

**NAWAN**

Mahendra Choudhary VS Vijay Choudhary

**SOJAT**

Niranjan Arya VS Shobha Chauhan

**SANCHOLE**

Sukhram Vishnoi VS Devji Patel

**SALUMBAR**

Raghuveer S Meena VS Amritlal Meena

**GHATOL**

Nanaram Ninama VS Manshankar Ninama

**NIMBAHERA**

Udailal Anjana VS Shrichand Kriplani

**MANDAL**

Ramlal Jat VS Udailal Bhadana

**SIROHI**

Sanyam Lodha VS Otaram Devasi

**KHAIRWARA**

Dayaram Parmar VS Nanalal Ahari

**LALSOT**

Parsadi Lal Meena VS Ram Bilas Meena

### MOHAN PRAKASH IS CHIEF COORDINATION PANEL

Jaipur: Congress leader Mohan Prakash has been appointed the chairman of the Rajasthan Coordination Committee for the ensuing Assembly elections in the State. AICC President Mallikarjun Kharge gave nod to formation of the Committee. Neeraj Dangi and Laxman Singh Rawat have been made coordinators while Ramsingh Kaswan made co-coordinator of the Committee. KC Venugopal released the order in this regard.

### 20 OUT OF 28 CONG MINS GET TICKETS, WHILE 8 STILL AWAIT THEIR TURN

Jaipur: 20 out of 28 ministers have got tickets so far while 8 ministers are still waiting for their turn. No decision has been taken yet on ministers Shanti Dhariwal, Dr Mahesh Joshi, Lalchand Kataria, Zahida Khan, Shale Mohammad, and Hemaram Choudhary. Ramesh Meena and Subhash Garg will also have to wait. Lalchand Kataria and Hemaram Choudhary have expressed their desire not to contest elections. Meanwhile, there is huge opposition going on against minister Zahida Khan in Bharatpur. Shale Mohammad wants a joint decision on Pokaran and Jaisalmer. Dr Subhash Garg's name will come after the announcement of alliance with the RLD.

### CONGRESS' 2nd LIST

MINISTERS	
1. CIVIL LINES	Pratap Singh Khachariyawas
2. BIKANER WEST	BD Kalla
3. DEEG-KUMHER	Vishvendra Singh
4. JHUNJHUNU	Brijendra Ola
5. ANTA	Pramod Jain Bhaya
6. LALSOT	Parsadi Lal Meena
7. MANDAL	Ramlal Jat
8. BANSUR	Shakuntala Rawat
9. NIMBAHERA	Udailal Anjana
10. KHAJUWALA	Govind Ram Meghwal
11. KOTPUTLI	Rajendra Yadav
12. WEIR	Bhajanlal Jatav
13. DAUSA	Murari Lal Meena
14. BANSWARA	Arjun Singh Barnaniya
15. SANCHOLE	Sukhram Vishnoi

### OTHER CONGRESS LEADERS

16. NAWALGARH	Rajkumar Sharma
17. FATEHPUR	Hakam Ali
18. DUDU	Babulal Nagar
19. KISHANPOL	Amin Kagzi
20. ADARSH NAGAR	Rafeek Khan
21. MAHWA	Omprakash Hudla
22. KHANDAR	Ashok Bairwa
23. PUSHKAR	Naseem Akhtar Insaaf
24. KEKRI	Raghu Sharma
25. NAWAN	Mahendra Choudhary
26. MARWAR-JUNCTION	Khushveer Singh
27. BARMER	Mevaram Jain
28. SIROHI	Sanyam Lodha
29. KHAIRWARA	Dr Dayaram Parmar
30. MAVLI	Pushkar Lal Dangi
31. SALUMBER	Raghuveer Meena
32. GHATOL	Nanail Ninama
33. SADULSHAHR	Jagdish Chander Jangid
34. SOJAT	Niranjan Arya
35. KARANPUR	Gurmeet Singh Kunnar
36. SURATGARH	Dungarram Gaidar
37. HANUMANGARH	Vinod Chaudhary
38. NOKHA	Sushila Dudi
39. SARDARSHAHR	Anil Sharma
40. NEEMKATHANA	Suresh Modi
41. BASSI	Laxman Meena
42. RAMGARH	Zubair Khan
43. RAJAKHERA	Rohit Bohra

### CM's FAVOURITE ARYA GETS TICKET FROM SOJAT

Former Chief Secretary Niranjan Arya, who was made the candidate from Sojat, is considered to be the most favourite bureaucrat of CM Ashok Gehlot. Gehlot had made him the Chief Secretary, surpassing the seniority of 10 IAS officers. Even after retirement, he was appointed Advisor to the Chief Minister. Arya was also appointed as the State Chief Commissioner of Bharat Scouts and Guides of Rajasthan State in the year 2021. In the 2013 elections, Congress had given a ticket to Niranjan Arya's wife Dr Sangeeta Arya from Sojat seat. Although she lost the election, Sangeeta Arya is currently a member of Rajasthan Public Service Commission.

Even after retirement, he was appointed Advisor to the CM. Arya was also appointed as the State Chief Commissioner of Bharat Scouts and Guides of Rajasthan State in the year 2021

## CM's OSD Lokesh meets Pilot, discusses Assembly elections

The meeting at Pilot's Civil Lines residence lasted for nearly half an hour

Yogesh Sharma  
Jaipur

At the head of the Rajasthan Assembly polls, Lokesh Sharma, the OSD to CM Ashok Gehlot, met former Dy CM Sachin Pilot on Sunday in Jaipur. After the meeting, Sharma said that Pilot is a senior leader of the party and "discussions on Assembly elections were held in the meeting." Sachin Pilot is a senior leader. The party has made me the Co-Chairman of the Central War Room, hence I have come here to seek guidance and suggestions from him. His suggestions would help us improve so that we can fight polls with full strength and preparation. Sharma



Sachin Pilot



Lokesh Sharma

### PILOT TALKS TO BOOTH WORKERS IN CHAKSU

Chaksu: Congress leader and former deputy CM Sachin Pilot engaged in one-on-one conversations with booth workers and public representatives from Tonk. The interaction took place at Jagannath University, with a considerable turnout of workers from the Tonk district. Chaksu MLA Vedprakash Solanki was also present during this exchange. The event offered an opportunity for the workers and public representatives to communicate directly with Sachin Pilot. This personal engagement fosters a more direct and grassroots connection, allowing for the sharing of concerns, ideas, and the exchange of information.

was recently appointed Co-chairman of the Raj PCC's central war room for polls to the 200-member assembly. "Every active worker of the Congress Party wants to contest the elections. The Congress is going to (fight) the election with unity and it will win the polls," said Sharma.

### FROM PI...

#### Gehlot lauds...

CM Gehlot also mentioned that some information in the media about the Congress Election Committee meeting in Delhi was inaccurate, dispelling any misconceptions.

Gehlot also emphasized that he does not focus on his political opponents, be it Vasundhara Raje or Gajendra Singh.

Speaking about his earlier remarks concerning Raje, Gehlot clarified that he did not want her supporters to face any consequences because of him. He pointed out that this has now become evident in the BJP's candidate list, as the names of Vasundhara Raje's supporters have made an appearance.

## CM to embark on 2-day visit to Jodhpur today to attend events



CM Ashok Gehlot performs 'Yaghya' on the occasion of Durga Ashtami at the Rajrajeshwari temple located at the CMR on Sunday. Sunita Gehlot, Vaibhav Gehlot, Himanshi and Kashwini Gehlot and the officials of the CMO & others were present. (R) CM Ashok Gehlot offers prayers at the temple.

Rajeev Gaur  
Jodhpur

CM Ashok Gehlot on his two-day visit to Jodhpur from today, will meet the locals besides attending various local events. From 10 am to 1:30 pm, he will meet the general public. Later, from 1:30 pm to 4 pm, another slot has been reserved for further interactions. He will again meet the local people from 4 pm to 6 pm.

On Tuesday, CM will participate in a felicitation ceremony for students of Mali Seva San-



Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot with a group of journalists, who call upon him at the CMR on Sunday. Discussions were held on various contemporary issues ahead of upcoming Assembly polls.

sthan. Additionally, he will attend Dussehra festival on October 24 at 5:30 pm. This programme also includes political interactions. He will meet the workers in view of assembly polls and will participate in workers' meetings in different constituencies. Apart from taking feedback from senior Congress leaders, he will also hand over important responsibilities to them.



# City First

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Maha Navami as the name suggests is the ninth day of the Navratri festival, which is celebrated in India. It is one of the most important days of the festival, as it marks the end of the nine-day fast and the victory of the goddess Durga over the demon Mahishasura. The goddess is worshipped in many different forms on Maha Navami, including Siddhidatri, the giver of all siddhis (powers). Maha Navami is also a day to celebrate the feminine divine. The goddess Durga is a symbol of strength, power, and courage. She is also a symbol of compassion and love.



## जय माँ

Ayudha Puja is a prominent tradition where not only the Goddess but also tools, machinery, musical instruments, books, equipment, and even automobiles are worshipped. This ritual is crucial before embarking on new ventures on Vijaya Dashami. Ayudha Puja being held in a traditional manner in the Mysore Palace, with titular head of the erstwhile Mysore Royal Family Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar performing puja to various weapons, including the Pattada Katti and other equipment in the year 2022.



Navami hom ritual is also conducted on this day, considered equivalent to performing pujas for all nine days of Navratri. On Maha Navami, the ninth day of Navaratri, a special Chandika homa was performed by Brahmacharinis, women monastics of the Ashram. Amma has long championed the rights of women to perform Vedic rituals, with women performing homas in Amma's ashram for decades now. Amma says, "When we put in effort to remove outdated social and religious concepts that suppress women, we will often find support. To those who questioned us, I explained that we are worshipping a God who is beyond all differences, who does not differentiate between male and female. In the end, the majority of people supported us."



# सत्यानंद स्वरूपिणी

Maha Navmi, the ninth day of the Navratri is a day of glory and holds spiritual significance as the culmination of Goddess Durga's nine-day battle against the demon Mahishasur. It symbolises the victory of good over evil. It is also a symbol for the battle raging within each of us and our prayers to our beloved Mother to grant us the courage to choose the right and the good always over the wrong and the evil.

Maha Navmi, is celebrated in various ways across India with the central thought of devotion and belief, we bring you some glimpses.  
City First wishes you a blessed Maha Navmi!



Suvasini Puja is observed in Southern India, where Maa Durga is also worshipped as a consort of supreme God. For Vaishnavas she is Vishnupatni and for Shaivas she is Parvathi. So during Navaratri Suvasini puja acquires greater importance. In this married women are worshipped as representation of Mahalaxmi, Mahakali and Mahasaraswati.

Kanya Puja is performed, worshipping nine young virgin girls as manifestations of Goddess Durga. They are honoured with ceremonial foot-washing, applying kumkum and sandalwood paste, offering new clothes, and conducting rituals with mantras and incense. Special meals and gifts are given to these girls as tokens of love and respect.



Andhra Pradesh celebrates the Batthukamma festival on Navami, where women arrange flowers in a distinctive seven-layered, conical shape and offer them to Goddess Gauri, highlighting the beauty and glory of womanhood.







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# SAFETY TIPS for FESTIVE SEASON

As festivities knock on our door, many choose to celebrate with a flair of green celebration. However, there are an equal amount of people or more who like to celebrate with bursting crackers and lighting electrical crackers. Whatever you might choose, City First brings you some precautions that will keep you safe and will also make your festive celebrations more vibrant!

**W**ith the onset of winter, festivities are one thing that gets everyone excited especially when it's about virtuous festivals like Dusshera and Diwali. Filled with lights, rituals and vibrancy, these two festivals are full of energy and bring people together. An exciting time for children, a moment of get-togethers for adults and the immense joy of celebration with your favourite people around, these festivities bring so much fun, but it takes little negligence to turn these into dangers. Though many opt for safe celebrations, here are a few tips that will make your celebrations beam with safeness and happiness.



## BETTER SAFE...THAN SORRY!



### CHOOSE THE RIGHT ATTIRE

While we understand the importance of keeping your fashion game strong, what you need to learn is to choose just the right fabric for the festival. So this festive season use our two cents and choose cotton fabric clothes over other fabrics and wear fitted clothes instead of loose-fitting!

### GO GREEN!

Green Crackers are said to be less dangerous than usual. Green crackers have barium and strontium as components, resulting in fewer polluting particles. Measures like these that a clean and green Diwali is celebrated in the future while resulting in pollution reduction.

### BURST WITH CARE

It is not easy to celebrate Dusshera or Diwali without crackers, but instead, you can always choose to read the instructions and opt for green crackers which are a lot healthier. Along with that, you might want to choose an open area for bursting crackers as confined spaces can cause a fire and harm human life.

### GUIDE OUR YOUNG MINDS

When we are busy talking about the consequences, we often forget to teach how we can avoid stumbling on those consequences. Before letting your children and teens go out in the open, impart some knowledge and the consequences they might have to face if they are not careful enough. This can make a lot of difference, trust us.

### REINVENT CELEBRATIONS

Instead of exposing kids to the violence of crackers and fire, give them a chance to embrace the tradition and the history of the festival. Develop an environment where they feel happy to spend some quality time with you and their extended family. Engage them as you decorate the house and ask them to accompany you while you make sweets for everyone. These little things will change the way kids perceive festivals and will give a new theme to the tradition.

### BE PREPARED

Dussehra and Diwali are times when the fire is all around you from lighting cute, handpainted diyas to burning a ravaan and during this time you need to make sure that fire extinguishers are nearby to avoid any kind of mishap. In times of emergency, a bucket of sand or water might also be useful so keep these things handy to be prepared for the worst.

### ACT RESPONSIBLY

Your job doesn't end when you burn crackers, rather it starts from there. After you are done bursting crackers, the immediate second step is to cool them down, immerse used firecrackers in a bucket of water or place them in a stack of sand. After which you can wrap them in newspaper and dispose of them in bins.

### BE MINDFUL OF HOME DECOR

Covering every corner of your house with scented candles and vibrant diya might create a beautiful landscape, but it can be costly if safeguards are not taken. Avoid keeping any combustible items or drapes near them. Use clay diyas to decrease pollution and avoid using cheap plastic diyas or candle holders.

### SAFEGUARDING YOUR FURRY BEINGS

Usually neglected in the festive season are the cute fur babies we have around us. Dogs might be there to protect us, but during festivals like Dusshera and Diwali, it is our chance to give them back. Animals are sensitive to loud sounds or noises so make sure they are well-protected and away from fire and firecrackers. Make sure this festive season you spend some time with your fur buddies and treat them with some festive treats.

### DON'T MISS OUT ON YOUR HEALTH

The festive season comes with a chance to get you high on sweets but that isn't a reason to put your health on line. Indians are naturally predisposed to diabetes and should be a bit careful about what they are putting in their body. As you take care of the environment, kids and fur animals, don't miss out on your health at all.

Bookmark these as the festive season is here and all we want is for you to be safe!





# TEMPLES

## Revering Lord Ram

**W**hile India swarms with diverse cultures, traditions and heritage, this is also one of the things that makes India stand out. With every turn we take in India, we are introduced to different deities and diverse rituals, all of which make India a country everyone around the world appreciates and looks up to. One deity who is believed to be the seventh incarnation of Lord Vishnu is Lord



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Ram. The hero of the Hindu epic, Ramayana, Ram is worshipped in different parts of the

country along with his wife Sita, his brother Lakshmana and his ardent devotee Hanuman. The epitome of goodness, Lord Ram, resides in every heart and every corner of the divine land as he defeated Raavan, an extremely intelligent demon, and saved everyone from his evilness. To show appreciation and love for Lord Ram, there are several temples dotted across the country so let City First introduce you to some heavenly Ram temples.

### RAMASWAMY TEMPLE, TAMIL NADU



Think about a temple that has magnificent carvings for all the famous incidents that took place during the time of the epic Ramayana. Usually known as the Ayodhya of southern India, it is the only temple where you can see idols of Ram, Sita and Lakshman along with Bharat and Shatrughan. Visitors from all across come.



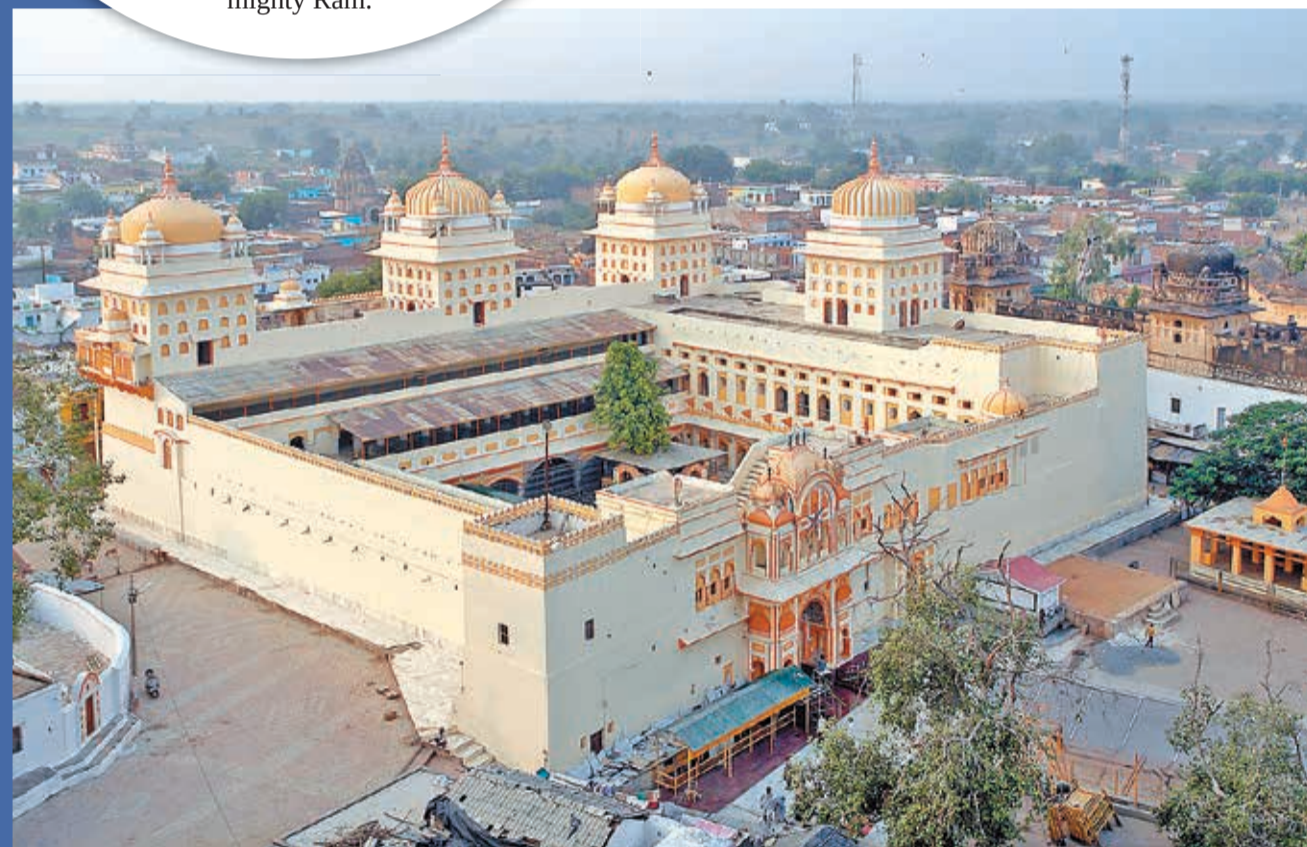
### SHRI RAM TIRTH TEMPLE, AMRITSAR

A lot of significant incidents made Shri Ram Tirth Temple one of the most sacred and holy Ram temples in India. When Sita was abandoned after she came from Lanka, she got shelter in the ashram of sage Valmiki which is where the temple is located. Shri Ram Tirth Temple is the place where she gave birth to the twins, Luv and Kush. This is also the place where the entire epic of Ramayana was composed by Valmiki. All these incidents made this a temple where people from across the globe come and pay tributes to the mighty Ram.

### SITA RAMACHANDRASWAMY TEMPLE, TELANGANA



Located in Telangana, Sita Ramachandraswamy Temple is a Hindu temple of Lord Ram where a grand celebration takes place on Ram Navami. One of the most famous Ram Mandir in India, this temple and its location have a significant history as it stands where Ram crossed River Godavari to bring back Sita from Lanka. The idol installed inside the temple shows Lord Ram carrying Dhanu and Ban in his hand while Goddess Sita stands next to him with a lotus in her hand.



### RAM RAJA TEMPLE, MADHYA PRADESH

Located on the bank of river Betwa, Ram Raja Temple doesn't look like a normal temple but rather a palace that is because it used to be the abode of Queen Ganeshkuwari, and was formerly known as the Rani Mahal. It is the only temple where Lord Ram is worshipped not as a deity but as a king. The temple hosts the annual Ram Vivah Festival in the month of Kartik where thousands of devotees from all over the country come to celebrate and pay a visit to their beloved Ram.

The word 'Ram' has a significant meaning as it is composed of two beej aksharas i.e., the Agni Beej (Ra) and the Amrit Beej (Ma).

### KALARAM MANDIR, NASHIK

Located in the Panchavati area of Nashik, the temple is called Kalaram, which literally translates to Black Ram, because of the 2 feet high black statue of Lord Ram placed here. It is believed that when Lord Ram was sent to exile for fourteen years, after the tenth year, he, along with Sita and Lakshman, came to live beside River Godavari in Panchavati. This temple was constructed by Sardar Rangaroo Odhekar who dreamt that a black statue of Ram was in the River Godavari which he took out from the river the next day and installed in the Mandir, hence naming the temple as Kalaram Mandir.





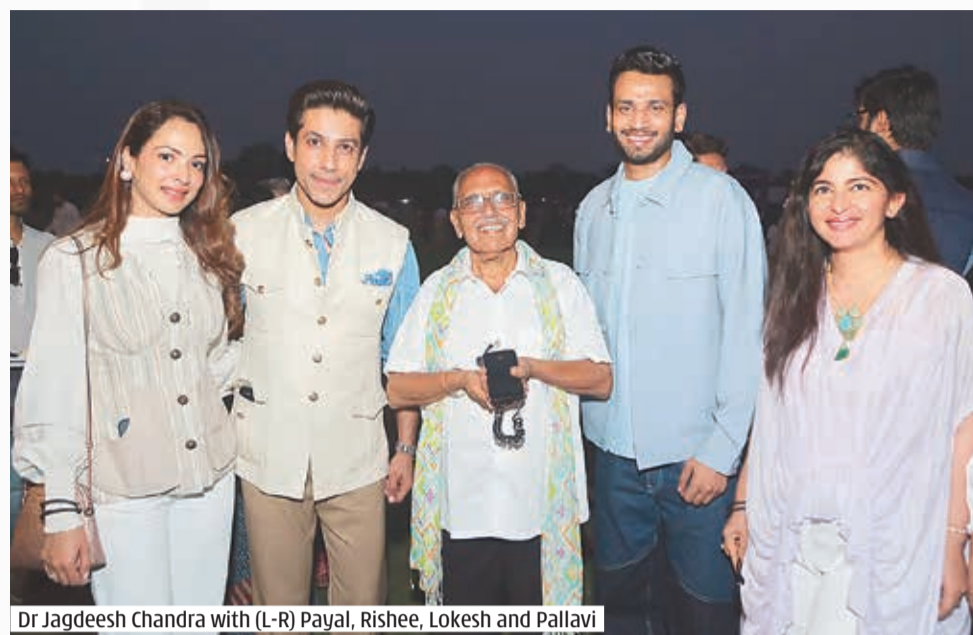
# Nail-Biting Polo Showdown



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Dr Jagdeesh Chandra with (L-R) Tripti, Shailendra and Vivek



Dr Jagdeesh Chandra with (L-R) Payal, Rishie, Lokesh and Pallavi

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**T**he magnificent Rajasthan Polo Ground played host to the grand finale of the highly anticipated Leela Sawai Man Singh Polo Cup on Sunday, where an electrifying match unfolded. The fierce competition was waged between two stalwart teams: The Leela Polo Team and The Achievers, leaving polo enthusiasts on the edge of their seats. In a thrilling contest, The Achievers clinched victory, emerging as the triumphant team with a final score of 7-5. Both teams exhibited incredible sportsmanship and prowess throughout the match. Abhimanyu Pathak and Daniel Otamendi, representing The Achievers, showcased their exceptional skill by each con-



Anuraag Bhatnagar, Manushi Chhillar, Ankur Gupta, Narendra Singh and Digvijay Singh with the winning team



A still from the tournament



Manushi Chhillar

tributing 3 goals to their team's victory, while Hurr Ali added 1 more goal. The Leela Polo Team, displaying equal mettle, saw HH Sawai Padmanabh Singh and Angad Kalan scoring 2 goals each, with Kuldeep Singh Rathore chipping in 1 more. Dr Jagdeesh Chandra, who graced the occasion as the Chief Guest, commended the spirit of sportsmanship and the

display of extraordinary talent on the polo field. The event also saw the presence of esteemed Chief Guests who added grandeur to the occasion. These dignitaries included Anuraag Bhatnagar, CEO of The Leela Palace Hotels & Resorts; Manushi Chhillar, Icon of India by The Leela and Former Miss World 2017; and Ankur Gupta, Managing Partner, Head of Asia

Pacific and Middle East, Real Estate, Brookfield Asset Management. Their presence underscored the prestige and significance of the Leela Sawai Man Singh Polo Cup. The grand finale was graced by the presence of many notable personalities and polo aficionados from Jaipur, who added to the grandeur of the event, making it a memorable day for the sport and its enthusiasts.

## LEGACY OF EXCELLENCE



Diya Kumari and Gauravi Kumari with the 'Sawai Award' winners at the City Palace

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**I**n honour of the Birth Anniversary of Brigadier Sawai Bhawani Singh MVC of the erstwhile royal family of Jaipur, the distinguished 'Sawai Jaipur Awards 2023' were presented at a prestigious annual awards ceremony held at the Pritam Chowk within the regal precincts of the City Palace on Sunday. The event began with a solemn garlanding of the photograph of Govind Dev Ji, followed by the traditional lighting of the lamp by Diya Kumari and Gauravi Kumari. The late Maharaja's photograph was also respectfully adorned in a touching homage.



Kavita Chauhan receives the award on behalf of Dr Jagdeesh Chandra. Also seen is Diya Kumari



Diya Kumari and Gauravi seek blessings

Members of the Royal Family, deeply entrenched in tradition, paid their respects to the 'Dharamgurus' through offerings and received their blessings. The 'Sawai Jaipur Awards

2023' were bestowed upon distinguished individuals, consisting of a cash prize of Rs 31,000, a shawl, 'Ganga Jali,' a citation, and a 'Shrifal.' The Maharaja Sawai Ish-

wari Singh Award for Excellence in the field of Journalism was conferred upon Dr Jagdeesh Chandra. Representing Dr Chandra, Kavita Chauhan, a member of

the First India family, received the prestigious award. Divyakriti Singh (Young Achiever Award in Sports), Sanjay Garg (Business Industry), Meenakshi Kumari (Exceptional service rendered to the Royal family) among many others were also felicitated on the occasion. The recognition symbolizes his exceptional contributions in the realm of journalism and his singular commitment to upholding the highest standards in the field.

### Happy Birthday



Jaipur Police Commissioner Biju George Joseph, known for his unwavering dedication to maintaining law and order, marked a significant milestone as he celebrated his birthday on Sunday. The occasion was graced with an outpouring of warm wishes and heartfelt greetings from friends, family, and esteemed colleagues, making it a day to remember.

### NAVRATRI SPECIAL!



The people of Pinkcity enjoyed the enchantment of Navratri at Vrinda's Cultural Night! The event was a mesmerizing journey, showcasing the rich traditions and the vibrant culture that accompanies this auspicious festival. Their performance consisted of an invocation piece in Kathak presented to 'Devi Ma - Jay Jai Jag Jannani Devi' set to Ektaal and was followed by a light dance presenting the beautiful soulful singing of Bengal. The youngest performer was a 5 yr old and the oldest was a 55 yr old student. Nikunj, Prachi, Preeti, Minakshi, Shreyasi, Swara, Anya, Sidhima, Dharama, Amaira and Kushashree performed with Dr Seema Goel.

### Happy Birthday



The Birthday of IAS Ankit Kumar Singh and IAS Naresh Pal Gangwar was on Saturday, October 21. We wish them all the best!



The literary organisation 'Shabd Samay' held a momentous book launch at Hotel Shakun on Saturday, presenting writer Pratibha Jain's latest work on spirituality and psychology, titled 'Tum Khush Raho.' During the launch, Pratibha Jain shared that this book is a guide to transforming one's perspective from the burdens of life to a meaningful existence. The distinguished guest of honour, Dr Shiv Gautam, a renowned psychologist, expressed his admiration for the book, noting that each page within its covers is akin to a precious pearl, while the entire book forms a spiritual rosary that readers can contemplate and recite. With the overarching goal of simplifying the human journey, 'Tum Khush Raho' is poised to be a guiding light for readers.

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Arch College of Design and Business in Jaipur celebrated its annual Garba Night with great enthusiasm. The event was organized by the college's Student Council, led by Divyansh Laxkar, Riya Bindal, Harsh Arora, Khushi Garg, and Srishti Nayak. Students of the college came together to dance to the beats of Garba, Dandiya, and Bhangra, showcasing their skills in various dance forms. Notably, the program was graced by faculty members, guests, staff, and the college's Director and Founder, Archana Surana.



Artists highlighted the importance of inner peace and positive thinking on themes such as 'The Power of Choice,' 'Lotus Sutra,' 'Dawn,' and 'The Power of Mindfulness' through their artworks on canvas. The occasion was the inauguration of the two-day art exhibition 'Resilience - The Core of Strength Within You' organized by artist Varsha Taneja. The renowned miniature artist Padma Shri Shakir Ali and social worker Sudhir Mathur were special guests at the inauguration, held at Jawahar Kala Kendra's Surekha Gallery on Saturday. Following exhibitions in Delhi, Chandigarh, and Mumbai, Varsha displayed 60 artworks in her first solo exhibition in Jaipur.

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