

# Tree plantation drive sparks political tussle in Indore

► Minister Kailash Vijayvargiya alleges lack of support

**Indore:** A major environmental campaign in Indore, the plantation of 5.1 million saplings has taken a political turn. During a recent public event, State Minister Kailash Vijayvargiya publicly criticized the Forest Department, alleging that it was not cooperating with the large-scale tree plantation efforts across the city. His comments, made on stage in the presence of the Chief Minister, stirred immediate controversy.

**Forest department issues clarification:** In response to the minister's remarks, the Indore Forest Department issued a press release defending its role. The department stated that it is actively participating in plantation activities and is providing saplings to the public — though these are available for a fee. The statement aimed to clarify its position but instead intensified the debate.

**Congress enters the fray with a symbolic gesture:** Sensing an opportunity,



the Congress party stepped into the issue. Vivek Khandelwal, Acting President of the Congress Seva Dal, announced that Congress workers would visit the BJP office to donate saplings, symbolically filling the gap

the Forest Department is being accused of leaving.

Khandelwal remarked, "The Forest Department has already stated that saplings can be bought. Despite this, a senior BJP minister complains.

So, we will provide the saplings ourselves to support their campaign." BJP hits back, calls it a misunderstanding: The BJP responded strongly to Congress's involvement. Rajendra Rathore, MIC member and in charge of horticulture at the Indore Municipal Corporation, countered the Congress's claims, stating that the issue raised by Vijayvargiya wasn't about sapling availability — but about the quality and type of saplings provided by the Forest Department.

He added, "Congress clearly doesn't understand the issue. The Municipal Corporation already has a large supply of plants ready for the campaign."

**Environment meets politics in Indore:** What began as a campaign to make Indore greener has now turned into a political battleground. With both Congress and BJP now engaged, the plantation drive has become a symbol of the broader tussle between governance, bureaucracy, and party rivalry — with the city's greenery caught in the middle.

## 1 dead as swollen stream sweeps away tractor with 11 aboard



**Sheopur:** A harrowing incident unfolded in Sheopur, where a group of 11 individuals faced a terrifying ordeal as their tractor was swept away by a fiercely overflowing stream. The tragic accident claimed the life of Samandev Jatav, who was crushed by the tractor. The incident occurred in the Seshaipura police station area. A tractor, ferrying passengers to Morvan village, attempted to cross a submerged causeway inundated by heavy rains. However, the driver lost control

amidst the strong current, leading to the tractor and its attached cultivator being engulfed by the surging water. While approximately three people sustained injuries, others miraculously clung to nearby trees to save themselves from the raging torrent. Villagers quickly sprang into action, extending ropes from the trees to rescue those stranded. The injured have been admitted to Karahal Hospital. Authorities have launched an investigation into the incident.

## Bhind Collector accused of slapping student

► Police complaint filed



**Bhind:** A serious allegation has emerged against Bhind District Collector Sanjeev Srivastava, accused of slapping a student. The student, Rohit Rathore, has filed a police complaint

demanding action. The incident gained traction after a video circulated widely on social media. Mehgaon Police Station In-charge Mahesh Sharma confirmed receiving the complaint late last night and has sought guidance from senior officials. The alleged incident dates back to April 1, during a graduate examination inspection at Pandit Deendayal Dangroliya College in Ladampura, Mehgaon police station area. Video footage reportedly shows Collector Srivastava summoning student Rohit Rathore to the college office and slapping him after the student allegedly didn't receive his exam paper. Rohit claims he failed that particular exam. With the video now viral, he says public sympathy and support emboldened him to pursue action against the Collector.

## Controversy over Madhais Mosque escalates in Jabalpur

► Protests over alleged illegal construction



**Jabalpur:** Tensions have flared in Jabalpur's Ranjhi area over the Madhais Mosque, with Hindu organizations accusing it of being illegally built on temple land. Groups including the Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP) and Bajrang Dal allege that the mosque encroaches on property belonging to the Bal Gayatri Temple.



**Collector targeted, mock funeral held:** Furious over the district administration's clean chit to the mosque committee, protesters held a demonstration near the site and symbolically staged a mock funeral procession of Collector Deepak Saxena. The protest turned tense, prompting police to deploy water cannons to

control the crowd. **Shutdown announced for July 16:** Hindu groups are now demanding the removal of the Collector, accusing him of biased action. They have declared a citywide bandh (shutdown) on July 16 as part of their continued agitation.

**Dispute over land ownership:** Hindu leaders claim the Waqf Board was allotted only 1,000 sq ft, while the mosque has allegedly been built on over 3,000 sq ft, including survey number 169, claimed to be temple land. They also allege the presence of an unauthorized madrasa on-site.

**Mosque committee defends legality:** The mosque committee asserts the land was legally purchased in 1973 and later declared Waqf property, with the mosque completed in 1985. They claim the temple trust lacks supporting documents.

**Administration promises fair probe:** The district administration cited discrepancies in land records as the cause of confusion. Officials confirmed that the matter is already under review in the Collector's court and assured a fair and thorough investigation.

## Woman dies in hospital, three who brought her flee after giving fake address



**Gwalior:** A sensational and mysterious case has emerged from Gwalior district, where a 30-year-old woman named Soni was admitted to the district hospital by three unidentified individuals who provided a

fake address of Chetakpuri. Tragically, the woman died during treatment, and the three individuals who brought her fled the scene immediately after. When the Murar police began investigating the matter, they discovered that the address provided during admission was false. Suspicion deepened, prompting the police to launch a search operation based on CCTV footage captured at the hospital. In the CCTV video, one of the men is seen carrying the unconscious woman in his arms and taking her into the hospital. The footage is now central to the investigation. The woman's body has been sent for post-mortem to determine the cause of death. Meanwhile, police are working to establish whether the woman was already unwell or if she was a victim of foul play. The trio who gave false information and then absconded are currently under suspicion, and efforts are ongoing to trace them.

## Ayushman Bharat Scheme saves 15-year-old's life after critical heart surgery

**Khandwa:** Ramzan Khan, a resident of Block Office Square, Khalwa, was deeply worried about his 15-year-old son Zeeshan, who had been suffering from persistent illness. Unlike other children, Zeeshan couldn't participate in sports or physical activities as he would quickly become tired and breathless. Concerned, the family consulted Dr. Shailendra Rathore, who, after initial examination, advised them to seek specialized cardiac care in Indore. The family took Zeeshan to Medanta Hospital in Indore, where doctors diagnosed him with swelling in the heart veins, reduced blood flow, and a valve disorder—conditions requiring expensive surgery. As a bus agent, Ramzan could not afford the high cost of the operation. However, he already possessed an Ayushman Card, which proved to be a lifesaving blessing.

## Minor severely burnt by live wire amid waterlogging

**Indore:** A tragic accident occurred on Sunday in Banka Pan-chayat under the Chandannagar police station area of Indore following heavy rains and severe waterlogging. A minor suffered critical burn injuries after coming into contact with a live electric wire that had snapped and fallen onto the road.

CCTV footage of the incident has surfaced, showing the minor attempting to remove the wire. Moments later, he is seen getting electrocuted and writhing in pain on the flooded street. Locals rushed him to a nearby hospital, where he is currently undergoing treat-

ment. His condition remains critical. In the aftermath of the incident, angry residents accused the Municipal Corporation and the Electricity Department of gross negligence. They claimed that despite the danger posed by the exposed wire after the rains, no timely action was taken to remove it, leading to the accident. The Chandannagar police have launched an investigation. Meanwhile, the public has demanded strict action against those responsible, questioning the accountability and preparedness of civic and power authorities during monsoon emergencies.

## Tragic accident claims father and Son

**Omkareshwar, Khandwa:** A devastating road accident unfolded on Monday on the Narmada Bridge in Barwah, Khandwa district, Madhya Pradesh. A speeding, uncontrolled tractor-trolley collided with a motorcycle, claiming the lives of a father and his young son. In a shocking turn, the tractor also careened off the bridge after impact. The motorcycle was carrying 35-year-old Mohan, his 8-year-old son Anay, his 30-year-old wife Jyoti Bai, and their 12-year-old daughter Sivanya. Both Mohan and Anay tragically died at the scene, while Jyoti Bai and Sivanya sustained minor injuries and are currently receiving treatment at Barwah Civil Hospital. According to Police Station In-charge Balram Singh Rathore, the family was traveling from Barwah to their village, Morghadi, when the tractor, heading from Sanawad to Barwah, struck their bike on the Narmada Bridge. The impact

► Tractor plunges from bridge in Khandwa



SDOP Rawat, accompanied by Tehsildar Shivram Kanase, visited the hospital to assess the situation. Police have launched an investigation into the horrific accident.

caused the tractor to lose control and plummet from the bridge. The tractor driver was also injured in the incident and is undergoing treatment. SDOP Archana Rawat confirmed that police promptly arrived at the scene after being notified of the accident. The bodies of the deceased were sent for post-mortem examination to Barwah Civil Hospital.

## Priests launch protest against auction of monastery lands



**Gwalior:** A large group of saints and priests from the Gwalior-Chambal division of Madhya Pradesh have launched a protest outside the Gwalior Collectorate, opposing the administration's decision to auction agricultural lands belonging to monastery temples. The demonstration

is being led symbolically by a statue of Lord Laddu Gopal, placed at the protest site.

Hundreds of religious figures have gathered, expressing strong resentment over the government's move. They allege that despite their years of service in managing and cultivating thousands of acres of temple land, the administration is now planning to auction these lands, which they term as a grave injustice.

**Encroachment on monastery properties:**

The protesting priests also accused the local administration of turning a blind eye to illegal encroachments by land mafias on monastery properties. They claim that no steps are being taken to free the encroached lands, further fueling their anger. The auction notice was reportedly issued under the Devasthan Temple Management Committee Rules, 2019. Protesters have warned that if the auction is not withdrawn, the agitation will expand beyond Gwalior-Chambal and spread across the entire state of Madhya Pradesh.

## Local Champion Kalyani Vishwakarma strikes gold in Srilanka

**Sausar:** Kalyani Vishwakarma, a shining talent from our town, has brought immense pride to her family and community by winning a gold medal at the recent South Asian Karate Championship in Colombo, Sri Lanka. Representing India with exceptional skill, Kalyani's victory is a testament to her dedication and hard work.

This remarkable achievement now propels her to an even bigger stage: the upcoming Asian Karate Championship in China, where she will once again proudly represent her nation. Kalyani's journey began right here in Sausar, where she honed her initial skills at the Sanjay Martial Art School



joyous celebration, with residents and local leaders warmly welcoming their golden girl. Kalyani is already setting her sights on her next goal: securing another gold medal in China. Her inspiring success fills our entire community with immense pride and high hopes for her continued triumphs.

under the expert guidance of instructor Sanjay Bhujade. For six years, she has relentlessly pursued her passion, leading to her selection at the prestigious Tatya Tope Martial Art Academy in Bhopal two years ago. It was from this academy that she earned her spot on the Indian team for the South Asian Championship. Upon her return, Sausar erupted in

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