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Nirmal Narmada Mission launched to cleanse lifeline river

Centre's full support will be sought: Vijayvargiya

Bhopal: Urban Development and Housing Minister Kailash Vijay-vargiya has affirmed the Madhya Pradesh government's unwavering commitment to preserving the sanctity of the Narmada River, call-ing it the lifeline of the state. In a high-level review meeting held at the Mantralaya on Monday, he emphasized that every possible assistance will be sought from the Central Government under the National River Conservation Plan to ensure the success of the ambitious 'Nirmal Narmada' project.

The first phase of the project is being initiated with an estimated cost of Rs 2,459 crore. Officials from the Urban Development Company participated in the meeting. The Minister directed them to carry out comprehensive field surveys before starting project implementation. He underlined the urgency of completing all sewage treatment plants (STPs) in



riverfront cities within the specified timeframe.

Vijayvargiya stressed the importance of interdepartmental coordi-nation, particularly with Rural De-

velopment, Water Resources, and Narmada Valley Development departments, to ensure effective execution. He also ordered that untreated industrial waste must not

be allowed to enter the river and called for the treatment of existing contaminated water.

Focus on areas surrounding Narmada Parikrama route

Special attention will be given to the areas surrounding the Narmada Parikrama pilgrimage route, where a survey of existing and under-construction STPs will be undertaken. The Minister also instructed that religious sites near the river be surveyed and included in the project, with provisions for STPs and potential tourism devel-opment. Urban Development Commissioner Sanket Bhondve said the plan, aligned with the 2025 vision, aims to connect maximum households to STPs in cities along the river. The river stretches 1,077 km in Madhya Pradesh, impacting 54 urban and 818 rural settlements across 27 districts.

The project also includes largescale plantation drives by urban local bodies to restore and preserve the river ecosystem.



Shukla reviews upgrades in medical colleges

Bhopal: Deputy Chief Minister Ra-jendra Shukla chaired a high-level meeting at the Secretariat to review the proposed establishment of new medical departments in various government medical colleges across MP. He directed officials to ensure timely availability of resources and expert medical staff, particularly for the pro-posed Onco Surgery Departments in identified colleges. Shukla empha-sized expediting the procedural work for establishing the Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery (CTVS) Depart-ment at Gwalior Medical College. He also stressed the need to give top pri-ority to the completion of the Pedi-

atric Medicine and Neonatology Department at Indore Medical College To address the shortage of nursing staff, the Deputy CM instructed officials to send a recruitment requisition to the Staff Selection Board by amending necessary rules, enabling direct recruitment of nurses.

He also reviewed the progress of Cath Lab installations in medical colleges and called for prioritizing this work to facilitate treatment for heart patients. Additionally, Shukla direct-ed for the timely procurement of advanced medical equipment, ensuring all necessary formalities are completed without delay.

Road repairs begin after minister's AIIMS Bhopal launches training program for emergency preparedness directive, pothole crisis in Bhopal

Bhopal: Due to continuous rain, the condition of roads in Bhopal has deteriorated severely, with potholes ranging from one to one and a half feet deep emerging across several areas. Responding to pub-lic complaints, PWD officers have initiated urgent repair works.

Following the instructions of PWD Minister Rakesh Singh, Engineer-in-Chief K.P.S. Rana and Bhopal Circle Chief Engineer Sanjay Maske inspected roads across five city divisions on Monday. The inspection revealed multiple damaged stretches, prompting immediate repair action. From Tuesday, pothole repairs began in critical areas like in front of the BJP ffice and Rani Kamlapati Railway Sta-

In front of the BJP office on Hoshangabad Road, about 10 to 15 feet of

road was severely damaged, with similar conditions at nearby turns. The potholes posed significant risks-two-wheelers were skidding and four-wheelers suffering damage. As a result, paver blocks were laid to ensure durable repairs and prevent further potholes. This repair activity also disrupted traffic flow temporarily.

Paver blocks installed in waterlogged zones

Additionally, paver blocks were installed in waterlogged zones such as Number 10 and Karond Mandi. Roads from Sindhi Colony to Bairasia Road and Jawahar Chowk to Bhadbhada will now be maintained by the Metro Corporation. Chief En-gineer Maske assured that all city road re-pairs will be completed by July 20.

Bhopal: Under the guidance of Prof. (Dr.) Ajai Singh, Executive Director of AIIMS Bhopal, a six-day training program titled "Ca-pacity Building of Hospital Ad-ministrative Officers for Health Emergencies" began at the institute. The initiative is jointly organized by the Departments of Community and Family Medicine (CFM) and Hospital Administration. Its primary goal is to strengthen hospital readiness during public health emergen-

cies. The Head of the CFM De-partment stressed the vital role of such training in building a resilient healthcare system. The Nodal Officer for Disaster Man-



agement at AIIMS Bhopal provided an overview of the training's background, structure, and objectives. Speaking as Chief Guest, Dr. Singh emphasized that health

emergencies test the entire hospital system — not just the clinical side. He underlined the importance of interdepartmental coordination, hands-on prac-tice, and regular mock drills stating that "the real test of training lies in field implementation.

The Associate Dean (Academics) shared practical insights, referencing the Odisha train tragedy to highlight the impor-tance of swift decision-making and inter agency coordination and inter-agency coordination in crisis situations.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks by the Head of the Department of Hospital Administration, marking the be-

Online registration open

courses will be open from July 15

to 18. Document verification will

take place between July 15 and 19

and the merit list will be released

on July 21. Seat allotment will be

done on July 23, followed by phys-

ical verification and document

Online registration for these

Rogi Kalyan Samiti formed at Govindpura civil Hospital

Bhopal: A General Assembly meeting was held to establish and operationalize the Rogi Kalyan Samiti at the Civil Hospital in Govindpura, Hataikheda area. The meeting was chaired by Minister of State (Inde-pendent Charge) for Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare, Mrs. Krishna Gaur, who is also the local MLA. Approval was granted to constitute the Rogi Kalyan Samiti, initiate its registration, and open a dedicated bank account. Mrs. Gaur emphasized the need to transform the hospital into a model facility by expanding services and infrastructure. She directed that furniture be



Additional CLC phase from July 16 to 31 For UG and NCTE course admissions in colleges

Bhopal: The Higher Education Department has announced an additional College Level Counseling (CLC) phase for undergraduate admissions for the academic session 2025–26. This phase will run from July 16 to 31 and will apply to government, grant-in-aid, and private non-government colleges across the state.

During this period, college-wise vacant seats will be updated daily on the official admission portal starting from July 16. Students can directly visit the respective colleges for admission to these vacant seats. Registrations and option selection will be open daily until 3 PM, while applica-tions received by 4 PM will be verified. A merit list will be issued by 5 PM the same day.

Students are required to de-posit the admission fee within 24 hours of the merit list's release. Failure to do so will cancel their admission, and they will need to reapply.

This special CLC phase will conclude strictly on July 31. In addition, the department

deadline is July 26.

years).

submission from July 23 to 25. The final admission fee payment

The department has clearly stated that only those candidates who pay the admission fee within the stipulated time will be considered eligible for final admission.

arranged through CSR funds and that a biomedical waste room be constructed from the Samiti's fund. She proposed involving medical students for internships to enhance service capacity and provide practical exposure.

The Samiti approved OPD regis-tration fees at ?10 and IPD at ?30. Instructions were also given to send

proposals for building government staff quarters and to set up nursing stations, store rooms in all wards, central stores, internet services, and patient food arrangements.

has also issued a revised admission schedule for NCTE courses including B.Ed., M.Ed., B.P.Ed., M.P.Ed., Integrated B.Ed.-M.Ed., B.L.Ed., and part-time B.Ed. (3

GPF annual statement 2024–25 now available online

Bhopal: The Office of the Accountant General (Accounts and Entitlements)-II, Madhya Pradesh, Gwalior has made the annual accounting statement for the year 2024-25 of the General Provident Fund (GPF) accounts available online. Government officers and employees of the state can now access and download their GPF statements by visiting the official website www.agmp.nic.in. To log in, subscribers need to enter their series, account number, and password. This move aims to enhance transparency and save time for GPF account holders.

Online grievance redressal also available: In case of any discrepancies or errors in the GPF statement, subscribers can lodge complaints through the online grievance re-dressal system.



Bhopal: "One who thinks big has no enmity or opposition," said Muni Shri Praman Sagar Maharaj while ad-dressing a gathering at Vidya Praman Gurukulam, Avadhpuri. Using vivid metaphors, he emphasized the corrosive impact of negative emotions—especially jealousy—on hu-man life and relationships. Muni Shri compared jealousy

to a worm that eats away at the roots of a tree. Just as such a tree can never stay green, a life infected with negativity cannot flourish. He said jealousy is a fire that burns with-

He elaborated on four aspects of jealousy: its goal, cause, result, and remedy. "The first step is self-reflection," he said. "Ask yourself: Is jealousy within me?" He pointed out that while we often believe others are jealous of us, we fail to recognize it in ourselves.

A sign of jealousy, he said, is being unable to accept someone else's success or praise. Instead of drawing inspiration from others' progress, people often question their competence or accuse them of favoritism—clear symptoms of jealousy.

Muni Shri stressed that instead of blaming others or circumstances, one should strive to enhance personal capa-bilities. He warned that jealousy not only disrupts inner peace but also destroys mutual trust and harmony. He also spoke against egoism, intolerance, and a negative mindset that searches for faults even in good. Concluding his address, he recalled his Gurudev's words: "The one who thinks big, holds no enmity or rivalry in his heart.'

Jealousy destroys roots of a meaningful life Hanuman Chalisa and Gita verses enrich school morning prayers

Bhopal: Sanskar Vidyalaya has initiated a spiritual tradition by reciting the Hanuman Chalisa every Tuesday and verses from the Bhagavad Gita daily during morning prayers. Continuing this practice, on 15 July 2025, the morning prayer saw active participation from the school's management and staff.

Present on the occasion were Secretary Basant Chelani, Treasurer Chander Nagdev, Insurance Officer Dilip Purswani, Mukesh Aswani, and Ashok Himthani, who joined the children in chanting the Hanuman Chalisa.

JITO launches 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' campaign

Welcoming everyone with chants of Jai Shri Ram, Chelani emphasized the spiritual goal of the initiative — helping stu dents memorize and internal ize the teachings of the Gita.

Dilip Purswani, expressing his joy, praised the school for nurturing not only academic excellence but also strong cultural values.

He congratulated the students for receiving such a holistic education. The school's Principal R.K. Mishra The Mridula Gautam, Coordinator Seema Sharma, teachers, and students were also present, making the event deeply meaningful and inspiring.

RNTU students explore space science at Science Center



Bhopal: The Science Communication Center of Rabindranath Tagore University (RNTU) organized an educational tour to the Regional Science Center, Bhopal, to foster scientific curiosity among students. As part of the visit, an engaging interactive session titled "Sawal Aapke - Jawab Hamare" was conducted.

The session focused on the IS-RO-NASA joint mission to the In-

ternational Space Station (ISS), where students learned about the growing collaboration between India and the US in space explo-ration. A highlight of the discussion was the recent visit of Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla to the ISS, with students enthusiastically asking questions about his return journey and the challenges faced during the mission. The event witnessed active participation from students across various faculties, along with Dr. Preeti Singh, Coordinator of the Science Communication Center, and several faculty members. The session was coordinated by Saket Gaurav, Project Coordinator at the Regional Science Center, with support from Swapnil Singh, Education Officer.

To boost green cover in MP and Chhattisgarh



Bhopal: The international organization Jain International Trade Organization (JITO), which works actively in the fields of education, healthcare, business, and environmental protection, has launched a new initiative to promote greenery and environmental awareness. Under its ongoing environ-

mental campaign, JITO has started the "Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam" drive, which began with plantation activities at var ious public places and temples.

The campaign aims to cover around 576 zones across Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. Speaking on the occasion, Bhopal Chapter Pres-

ident Dr. Prashant Jain emphasized that climate and greenery are the lifelines of humanity. He said it is everyone's primary duty to protect nature and contribute to environmental conservation. JITO will continue this plantation initiative with dedication, and medicinal plants will also be distributed at public places, added Secretary CA Vaibhav Chaudhary.

The event witnessed the presence of several dignitaries including Bhopal Municipal Corporation Chairman Kishan Suryavanshi, JITO Apex Chairman Prithviraj Kothari, President Vijay Bhandarí, Vice President Kamlesh So jatiya, and other prominent members like Lalit Dangi, Ĥitendra Mehta, Dilip Jain, Sheetal Duggad, Prashant Jain Sage, Vaibhav Jain, Pratibha Tongya Pooja Jain, Prakhar Chaudhary, and Ayush Modi. The details were shared by spokesperson Anshul Jain.

