# Vehicles occupy road instead of Notice issued to staff using multi-level parking

To avoid parking fees, drivers creating chaos, causing major inconvenience to the public



Bhopal: City streets, particularly in commercial hubs like MP Nagar and New Market, have become a chaotic scene of illegally parked vehicles. Despite the presence of multiple multi-level parking facilities, drivers are choosing to clog public roads, leading to traffic jams, safety hazards, and a general state of disorder.

The issue is especially pronounced in MP Nagar Zone 1. A recent visit revealed the area's multi-level parking garage, which has a capacity for 800 two-wheelers and 1,800 four-wheelers, was nearly empty. Only about 150 two-



MP Nagar Zone-1

wheelers and a mere 50 to 60 four-wheelers were parked inside. Meanwhile, the roads outside were a solid wall of vehicles

Mukesh Pandey, the parking manager, expressed frustration, stating, "The parking fees are very low, specifically to encourage people to use the facility. But as evening approaches, more vehicles are parked on the streets than inside. This often leads to near-accidents as people try to navigate the narrow spaces." Ineffective enforcement fuels the problem: The

root of this widespread disregard for parking

ment. While the municipal corporation and traffic police occasionally launch short-lived campaigns to tow vehicles and issue fines, these efforts are often too infrequent to have a lasting impact. As soon as the brief operation concludes, the old habits return, and the roads are once again filled with illegally parked cars and

The consequences of this negligence are far-reaching. Two-lane roads are often reduced to a single lane as one side becomes a makeshift parking lot. This slows down traffic significantly, especially during peak hours, and leads to frustrating bottlenecks. Pedestrians are also put at risk, as the reduced space increases the likelihood of accidents.

A blame game between departments: When questioned about the issue, officials seem to be pointing fingers. Prem Shankar Shukla from the municipal corporation stated that the responsibility for vehicles parked on the street lies with the traffic police. He noted that the corporation only conducts enforcement drives in collaboration with the police. This jurisdictional confusion and lack of a unified approach may be contributing to the ineffectiveness of enforcement.

# of 2 govt hospitals, including doctors

### Found absent from duty during inspection

**Bhopal:** A concerning picture of the health system in Bhopal has emerged, revealing significant negligence among staff at two major government hospitals: Hathaikheda Civil Hospital and Govindpura Civil Dispensary. Patients are suffering the consequences of this oversight, prompting urgent action from health au-

Dr. Manish Sharma, the Chief Medical and Health Officer (CMHO), has issued notices to all 32 employees at Hathaikheda Civil Hospital, demanding a response within three days and warning of strict repercussions for negligence. He emphasized that such behavior will no longer be tolerated in hospitals. In a related incident, Dr. Sharma has also sent show cause notices to seven employees at the Govindpura Civil Dispensary. These employees were found to be consistently late, with a surprise

inspection conducted on August 1 2025, revealing that they were absent from duty until 9:20 AM.

The situation at Hathaikheda Civil Hospital is particularly alarming. During the same sur-prise inspection, 25 employees were found absent until 9:45 AM This included nine medical offi cers, ten nursing officers, three pharmacists, two lab technicians and one X-ray technician.

As a result of this serious negligence, a show cause notice has been issued to all 25 employees requiring a written explanation within three days. The notice warns that failure to provide a satisfactory response will lead to strict disciplinary action.

These developments highlight the urgent need for accountability within Bhopal's healthcare system to ensure that patient care is prior itized and that staff adhere to their responsibilities.

## Bhopal Head Constable dies Ambade sets target to expand MP's green cover after fatal hit-and-run during night patrol

Bhopal: A head constable on night patrol in the Intkhedi police station area has tragically died, more than two weeks after being struck by a speeding container truck. Govind Patel, 59, a respected member of the police force, succumbed to his injuries in a private hospital late last

The incident occurred on the night of July 16-17. Head Constable Patel was on his motorcycle, conducting his routine patrol, when a speeding container traveling from Parwaliya towards Sukhiseniya bypass collided with his bike near the Lambakheda overbridge. The force of the impact was immense, and Patel was left with critical injuries.

He was immediately rushed to a private hospital, where he fought for his life for an extended period. Despite the best efforts of medical staff, his condition worsened, and he passed away during treatment.

Intkhedi police had acted swiftly following the accident. The container driver was arrested and the vehicle was impounded shortly after the incident. While the suspect is in custody, the loss of a dedicated officer has cast a pall over the department. A full investigation into the hit-andrun is underway.

**Bhopal:** V.N. Ambade has taken charge as the new Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) for Madhya Pradesh, assuming office on 1 August.

In an exclusive conversation with Central Correspondent Correspondent, Ambade outlined his vision and long-term goals for forest and wildlife conservation in the state. He observed that the current green belt of Madhya Pradesh is around 21 to 23 per cent. "It is my ambition to see this figure cross 30 per cent within the next decade,

Drawing attention to old satellite images, Ambade expressed concern over the steady decline in forest cover caused by development pressures and environmental challenges. "The space for



wildlife has reduced drastically. Expanding forest reserves through extensive tree plantation is vital. This not only ensures habitat for wildlife but also helps reduce the

greenhouse effect," he remarked. Recalling his four-year deputation in Maharashtra, he highlighted that his efforts there had con-

cover from 7 per cent to more than 20 per cent in a few years. "That experience will prove valuable in addressing the challenges of Mad-

hya Pradesh," he added.
Emphasising the state's geographical importance, lying almost at the heart of the country. Ambade noted that state highways were once lined with trees. "Unfortunately, many of these have been removed due to road-widening works. It is crucial to launch largescale plantation drives along high-ways to restore the green cover," he stressed.

Ambade's agenda reflects a balanced approach to development and ecology. His vision aims not only to safeguard Madhya Pradesh's rich biodiversity but also to set a national example in sustainable green growth.

#### Special Train Service announced for Raksha Bandhan rush

Bhopal: To accommodate the surge in passenger traffic for the upcoming Raksha Bandhan festival, West Central Railway has announced a special weekly express train service between Rani Kamalapati and Rewa. The special train numbered 01661/01662, will run for a single trip. Senior Divisional Commercia Manager Saurabh Kataria confirmed that the train will depart from Rani Kamalap ati on Friday, August 8, 2025, at 7:35 PM arriving in Rewa the following morning a 6:20 AM. The return journey from Rewa will begin on Saturday, August 9, 2025, at 7:35 AM, reaching Rani Kamalapati at 7:20 PM the same day. The train will have stops at Vidisha, Bina, Sagar, Damoh Katni Murwara, Maihar, and Satna. With a composition of 18 coaches, including AC-3 Tier, AC-3 Economy, Sleeper, and General Class, the special service aims to provide a comfortable travel option for passengers during the festive season.

### Mystery shrouds toddler's disappearance from Bhopal

of a three-year-old girl who vanished from the Gandhi Nagar area of Bhopal has taken a puzzling turn after she was found safe, but 57 kilometers away, in the town of Kurawar in the Rajgarh district. The discovery, made just 24 hours after she went missing, has left police baffled as they try to piece together how

a child could travel such a distance alone. Ragini disappeared around 3 p.m. home, located behind the Gandhi Nagar High School. Her family immediately reported her missing, prompting the



operation. Police Station incĥarge Brijendra Marskole confirmed that Ragini has been safely recovered, but the circumstances of her journey remain unclear. "The child is still too young to provide a clear account of what happened," Marskole stated "We are trying to stated. "We are trying to

determine if she was taken by bus, autorickshaw, or any other vehicle, and by The case is further complicated by Ragini's family situation—her mother is deceased, and her father is unwell, leaving her in the care of her uncle.

# Pankaj Tyagi takes charge as new DRM of Bhopal Division

**Bhopal:** Pankaj Tyagi has officially taken over as the new Divisional Railway Manager (DRM) of the Bhopal Division, West Central Railway. He assumed the role on Monday, succeeding the outgoing DRM, Devashish Tripathi.

A distinguished officer from the 1997 batch of the Indian Railway Service of Engineers (IRSE), Tyagi brings a wealth of experience to his new position. Prior to this appointment, he served as the Executive Director (Land & Amenity) at the Railway Board in New Delhi.

Tyagi began his career with Indian Railways as an Assistant Engineer in the Mughalsarai Division of Eastern Railway. Throughout his career, he has held numerdemonstrating strong leadership and expertise. His previous positions include Chief Project Manager in Meerut for NCRTC,



Railway Board, and Senior Divisional Engi neer (Coordination) in Firozpur. Pankaj Tyagi holds a degree in Civil Engi

neering and has a rich background in technical training both in India and abroad. He has undertaken management training in Singapore and Malaysia and received specialized training in tunnel construction in Norway and the United Kingdom.

His notable accomplishments include: Simplifying land policies for Indian

Railways and publishing the related master circular.

Leading the alignment, planning, and implementation of India's first Regional Rapid Transit System (RRTS) project

 Establishing the Railway Safety Fund as a Director at the Railway Board to address pending track renewal work.

# Giant 'babies' urge passersby to grow up and go dairy-free

### PETA India World Breastfeeding Week campaign



Photo by Ashraf Ali.

**Bhopal:**In a unique and attention-grabbing protest for World Breastfeeding Week, two activists dressed

in 2.5-meter-tall inflatable infant costumes took to the streets of Bhopal. The PETA India and Animals

With Humanity supporters held signs declaring, "Milk Is for Babies! Dump Dairy," as they handed out free packets of plant-based mylk to passersby. The campaign aimed to remind the public that all mammal mothers, including cows and humans, produce milk exclusively for their offspring, and that humans have no biological need for it after infancy. The activists highlighted the cruel reality of the dairy industry, where calves are torn away from their mothers so that their milk can be commer-

PETA India's message was a powerful one: the strong bond between a mother and her baby is universal, and by consuming dairy, people are complicit in a cycle of cruelty. They explained that in the dairy sector, cows are forcibly impregnated, and their calves are taken away shortly after birth. Male calves are often abandoned or sold for slaughter, while females face the same fate as their mothers. enduring a life of repeated pregnancies and milk production until their bodies give out. The campaign urged people to switch to the many delicious and compassionate vegan alternatives available.

# Muni Shri discusses importance of Bhavanayog in life

**Bhopal:** In today's fast-paced world, many individuals find themselves overwhelmed by unnecessary stress and anxiety, grappling with a multitude of thoughts and options daily. The abundance of information available through social media platforms like Facebook, Instagram, and various apps can create a disconnect between individuals and their inner selves,

leading to increased stress levels. These insights were shared by Muni Shri Praman Sagar Maharaj during the ongoing discourse series on "Science of Bhavanayog" at Vidya Praman Gurukulam. He noted that many people today feel lost at a crossroads, unsure of their direction or decision-making capabilities. In response to this dilemma, Muni Shri emphasized

that "Bhavanayog" is a transformative practice that fosters spiritual advance ment. He explained that Bhavanayog not only promotes physical and mental well-being but also refines con-

sciousness and enhances spirituality. Spokesperson Avinash Jain from Vidyavani reported that on Monday Muni Shri Praman Sagar Mahara observed a day of silence while Mun Shri Sandhan Sagar Maharaj engaged in 18 hours of continuous penance through Pratimayoga. Muni Shri has previously undertaken Pratimayoga for extended periods of 24, 36, 48, and even 72 hours during past Chaturmas. Notably, he has abstained from salt and sugar for 22 years and has not consumed green fruits and vegetables for the past six years.

## Food dept takes action against non-compliant petrol pumps

**Bhopal:** The order prohibiting the sale of petrol without a helmet in Bhopal came into effect on August 1. However, many petrol pumps continue to fill vehicles without ensuring that customers are wearing helmets. To address this issue, the Food Department has begun check-ing the recordings from CCTV cameras installed at these

Kaushalendra Vikram Singh issued the order on July 30, which reached petrol pump operators on July 31, leading to its implementation the following day. Initially, there was a strict adherence to the rule, with petrol not being dispensed without helmets at most stations due to fears of fines or potential closures. However, compliance began to wane as early as the second day of enforcement.

### Enforcement of helmet rule



Dept reviewing video footage, FIR against 3: Food Controller Chandrabhan Singh Bhadauria confirmed that the department is reviewing video footage from the pumps and will take strict

action based on the findings. As of now, an FIR has been lodged against three petrol stations for violating the helmet rule.

On August 2, the Food Department team inspected

three petrol pumps in the Berasia area. At Shridev Kripa Fuels Pump in Bhojpura, petrol was found to be dispensed without helmets, and the pump was noted for failing to update its stock register and lacking an explosive license.

Similar violations were observed at Rajdhani Fuels Kisan Seva Kendrá Pipaliya and BR Petrol Pump in Berasia, where 677 liters of petrol and 9,902 liters of diesel were found in excess stock. The total value of the seized fuel amounted to

Moreover, the tanks at the pumps did not conform to the sanctioned map of the No Objection Certificate (NOC). Due to these irregularities, cases have been registered against the proorietor, Kajmal Kushwaha, for violating the Essential Commodities Act and the Collector's order.

### Rail passengers urged to register mobile numbers for better travel alerts

**Bhopal:** Indian Railways is encouraging passengers to provide their mobile numbers when booking tickets to receive timely and essential travel information. This initiative aims to improve communication and provide a more seamless travel experi-

ence, according to Senior Divisional Commercial Manager Saurabh Kataria. "Providing a mobile number is a small step in this digital age, but it offers significant benefits," Kataria said. "It establishes a direct channel between the railway and the passenger, which is crucial, especially in emergencies.'

By registering their mobile number, passengers can receive SMS alerts on a range of important updates, including PNR status, coach position, train delays, and refund alerts. It also allows them to access convenient digital services, such as online cancellation of counter tickets and the ability to change their boarding station

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