

Minister launches “Rishta” scheme to enhance youth skills

► To provide employment-oriented training in collaboration with industry



Shujalpur: On Sunday, Higher Education, Technical Education, and AYUSH Minister Inder Singh Parmar unveiled the “Rishta” scheme, aimed at equipping youth with essential employment-oriented skills. The initiative, launched at Maa Sharda Sandipani Vidyalaya, Shajapur, is designed to prepare skilled human resources for the infrastructure development

needs of the state and country. “Rishta,” which stands for “Recruiting Industries Supporting Holistic Training with Alignment,” focuses on providing practical training for students in the Highway Construction and Infrastructure Sector. In collaboration with SGSITS, Indore, and PATH India Ltd, the scheme offers courses in Surveying and Quality

Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) for Civil Engineering students, as well as specialized training in Construction Mechanical Skills for Mechanical Engineering students. Each course lasts 225 hours over 75 days, with evening classes to accommodate more participants.

Students to be linked with industries and govt schemes

The program emphasizes technical, vocational, and entrepreneurship training, linking students with industries and government schemes. Graduates will receive certificates, internships, and over 50% placement assistance. Special attention is given to rural and underprivileged sections to ensure equal opportunities.

The “Rishta” scheme not only aims to reduce unemployment but also enhances the connection between educational institutions and industries, leading to improved placement rates and economic growth. The initiative is expected to have a positive impact on students, industries, and society as a whole. Dignitaries present at the launch included Dr. Nitesh Purohit, Director of SGSITS Indore, and Dr. Santosh Vishwakarma from IIT Indore, among others.

AIIMS Bhopal Professor shines on global stage

► Innovations in forensic medicine



Bhopal: AIIMS Bhopal is making significant strides in the field of forensic medicine, highlighted by the recent participation of Dr. Raghendra Kumar Vidua, a Professor in the Department of Forensic Medicine and Toxicology, at MELECON 2025, organized by the Medicolegal Society of Nepal.

During the conference, Dr. Vidua presented his groundbreaking research focused on innovations in forensic sample preservation. He emphasized the critical importance of these advancements in ensuring accurate analysis, minimizing biases, and maintaining the integrity of the

criminal justice system. Under his leadership, AIIMS Bhopal has developed several advanced solutions, including a tamper-proof sample dryer (which is copyrighted by the Design Office), a secure repository for samples in transit, customized forensic labels and void tapes, and a salt solution maker and dispenser for standardized evidence preservation. These innovations, supported by the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), have significantly enhanced the reliability of medico-legal evidence handling in India. In his presentation, Dr. Vidua referenced several high-profile cases in India where inadequate forensic evidence was highlighted by the courts, stressing the urgent need for advanced preservation technologies. He demonstrated how the solutions developed at AIIMS Bhopal are already contributing to the sanctity and evidentiary value of forensic samples. In recognition of his outstanding contributions to the field, Dr. Raghendra Kumar Vidua received the prestigious “Brand Ambassador Award” at MELECON 2025 for promoting best practices in medico-legal work.

Youth dies of suicide after girlfriend creates ruckus in Bhopal

► Was released from jail a day earlier after getting bail in rape case

Bhopal: In a heartbreaking incident that unfolded in Tila Jamalpur, Bhopal, a 25-year-old man named Faizan Hussain took his own life by hanging himself during the night between Saturday and Sunday. This tragic event followed a tumultuous relationship with his 22-year-old girlfriend, who had previously lodged a rape complaint against him a month earlier.

Faizan, who operated a tea and snack hotel, had recently been granted bail from the High Court after being imprisoned under the rape and POCSO Act. Just a day before his death, he was released from jail.

Reports indicate that the girl had been vocal about her desire for marriage, claiming that Faizan had harassed her since she was a minor and had promised to marry her but later reneged on that commitment.

On the night of his suicide, family members reported that the girl, accompanied by another woman, ar-

rived at Faizan's home and caused a scene, demanding marriage. Following Faizan's death, the girl returned to the house early Sunday morning, leading to further disturbances. The police intervened and detained both women, with plans to file charges against them for allegedly abetting the suicide.

Faizan's brother's claim

Faizan's brother Salman Hussain said that the girl who had filed the rape case took five lakh rupees in lieu of compromise. After this the brother got bail. After getting bail, the brother returned home on Friday night. On Saturday morning, the girl who had filed the rape case came home. She threatened the brother to marry her immediately, beat him and then left the house. After this, she came home again and created a ruckus, the brother committed suicide due to fear of going to jail.

Free eye camp held, 190 patients examined

► Jointly organized by Sewa Sadan and Bhopal Utsav Mela Samiti



Bhopal: A free eye test and cataract surgeries camp was organized today at Ganesh Mandir on Chhola Road in Bhopal. The camp was organized in joint efforts of Sewa Sadan Eye Hospital and Bhopal Utsav Mela Samiti. The camp was inaugurated by the samiti officials and Sewa Sadan team with garlanding of pictures of deities and lighting of lamps. As

many as 190 patients were examined, included 85 men and 105 women. During the examination, cataract was confirmed in 55 patients, who were brought to Sewa Sadan Eye Hospital and admitted. Free accommodation, fruits, milk, medicines and food have been arranged for all the identified patients. Their surgeries will be done by senior eye surgeons on Monday.

Free medicines were distributed to other patients and their blood pressure and diabetes were also checked. This was the eighth camp in the series of eye camps being organized in Bhopal during the monsoon season.

So far, eye check-ups of about two thousand patients have been done through these camps, out of which cataract surgeries have been done successfully on 350 patients. The next camp will be organized on Sunday, 31 August 2025 at Sant Nirankari Mandal, Jahangirabad, Bhopal. On this occasion, Sunil Jainavin, Narayan Singh Kushwah, Pt. Jagdish Bajpai, Chandrashekhar Soni, Dr. Yogendra Mukharayya, Virendra Jain of Bhopal Mela Utsav Samiti and the team of Sewa Sadan played an active role.

Girl ends life after alleged College hosts second edition of Model UN dispute with partner

Bhopal: A young woman from Shahpura village, identified as Tanya Suryavanshi, tragically committed suicide by hanging herself in her rented room on Saturday night. The 22-year-old worked at a private hospital in the Shahpura area and was reportedly in a romantic relationship with a young man, with discussions about their marriage taking place between their families.

According to Assistant Sub-Inspector (ASI) Munshiram Dhakad, Tanya was found by her landlord around 2 a.m. on Saturday-Sunday.

Upon receiving the landlord's report, police arrived at the scene and initiated an investigation, registering a case. No suicide note was discovered in her room, leaving the exact circumstances surrounding her death unclear.

Tanya's father, Laalsahab Suryavanshi, expressed his devastation, stating that the family was supportive of the relationship and had been preparing for the marriage. He said that a recent dispute between his daughter and her partner over a phone call may have contributed to her decision to end her life.



Bhopal: On August 24 Sant Hirdaram Girls College concluded the second edition of its Model United Nations (MUN) conference, celebrating a remarkable display of inspiration and collaboration. The two-day event attracted approximately 350 delegates

from esteemed schools and colleges across the state, alongside executive members from various regions who contributed valuable insights.

Participants engaged in rigorous debates on pressing global issues, including economic challenges faced by

India's middle class and women's rights, addressing topics such as gender violence and educational inequality.

The delegates demonstrated impressive diplomatic skills, drafting and analyzing policy proposals reminiscent of seasoned parliamentarians. During the closing ceremony, Principal Dr. Dalima Parwani praised the students for their confidence and commitment to global issues, emphasizing the importance of developing leadership skills.

Organizing partner Manas Dolani acknowledged the college's support as crucial to the event's success. The conference concluded with awards recognizing outstanding contributions and a joyful gathering, reinforcing the spirit of diplomacy and leadership among future changemakers.

Action against health employees for negligence

Bhopal: Chief Medical and Health Officer (CMHO), Dr. Manish Sharma, has issued notices to 18 employees for failing to properly implement Health Department schemes at the field level. Disciplinary measures, including potential suspensions and salary increment halts, are being considered due to their lack of engagement in maternal health services.

The review of health services in the Kolar and Govindpura areas revealed a concerning low number of pre-natal registrations on the Anmol portal. Dr. Sharma expressed strong dissatisfaction with the employees' performance and announced that action would be taken against the Auxiliary Nurse Midwife (ANM) in Ward 51, as well as salary increment stops for ANMs in Wards 82 and 84. Daily portal-based reviews have been mandated for better oversight.

Sambhavna celebrates Traditional Arts at Tribal Museum

Bhopal: The Madhya Pradesh Tribal Museum hosted an engaging cultural event titled “Sambhavna,” featuring vibrant performances that highlighted the region's rich artistic heritage. The event showcased the traditional Matki dance, presented by Soni Malviya and her companions from Agar-Malwa, alongside a martial arts display by Vijay Prajapati and his friend Sagar.

The Matki dance, a cherished tradition of the Malwa region, is typically performed by women during various celebrations. Dancers, adorned in traditional Malvi attire with veils, move gracefully to the rhythmic beats of the dhol or dholak, also known as Matki. The performance begins with a solo dancer, referred to as Jhela,

► Matki dance, martial arts presented



who initiates the song, encouraging the surrounding women to join in harmony. The dance emphasizes intricate hand and foot

movements, with the dhol serving as the focal point of the performance. In some areas, this dance is also referred to as Aada-Khada or

Rajwadi dance. Following the dance, Vijay Prajapati and Sagar captivated the audience with a demonstration of martial arts rooted in Bundelkhand's Akhara tradition. This ancient art form, which teaches the skills of weaponry and defense, symbolizes bravery and is rarely performed outside of significant occasions, such as Navratri. The martial arts display featured traditional weapons like swords and shields, accompanied by the energetic beats of the dhol.

“Sambhavna” is set to be a weekly event every Sunday at 2 PM, offering the public an opportunity to explore and appreciate the diverse art forms representative of Madhya Pradesh's five local regions and seven major tribes, as well as other states across India.

6 lakh farmers join organic farming portal in MP

Bhopal: Farmer Welfare and Agriculture Development Minister Shri Edal Singh Kanshana announced that the Government of India's organic farming portal has successfully connected six lakh farmers, aimed at providing a market for their organic products.

The ECOVA organization has facilitated training and product certification for approximately 300,000 farmers over the past 21 years.

Minister Kanshana addressed farmers from Madhya Pradesh and Karnataka during a program at Sayaji Hotel in Bhopal. He highlighted that this initia-

tive falls under the Traditional Agriculture Development Scheme, which promotes natural and organic farming nationwide.

Currently, around 2.5 million farmers benefit from this scheme across 1.5 million hectares. In Madhya Pradesh alone, about 7.5 lakh farmers are engaged in organic farming under Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav's leadership.

Kanshana emphasized the importance of direct communication between farmers and sellers, benefiting farmers across the country and encouraging the adoption of organic practices for better market access and fair pricing.

Eco-Friendly Ganesh Idol making workshop engages citizens



Bhopal: The Green Ganesh campaign, organized by EPCO under the Environment Department, is hosting a four-day eco-friendly Ganesh idol making workshop from August 22 to 25, running daily from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Participants have shown great enthusiasm, with ap-

proximately 200 attendees joining today, bringing the total to around 750 since the workshop began.

Free clay and natural colors are provided, allowing citizens to create their own idols under the guidance of experienced sculptors.

BSSS hosts Archbishop Eugene Interschool Chat Show 2025

► A platform for young minds to debate and showcase rhetorical skills

Bhopal: The Bhopal School of Social Sciences recently hosted the dynamic Archbishop Eugene Interschool Chat Show 2025, uniting 14 esteemed schools from the city for a lively exchange of ideas. The event commenced with an inspiring lighting of the lamp and a captivating performance titled “Art of Rhetorics” by Ms. Keren, which set an electrifying tone for the gathering.

Following a soulful rendition of the college anthem, Dr. Fr. John PJ, Principal of the college, welcomed the Chief Guest, Retd Brigadier Sanjoy Ghosh, along with Senior Retd English teacher Maninder Kalra from St. Joseph's Convent Sr. Sec School, and other esteemed academicians who accompanied the competing teams. Dr. Fr. John's



address was filled with reverence and celebration for all participants.

Chat Show featured four engaging rounds: The Chat Show featured

four engaging rounds designed to challenge the wit, clarity, and conviction of the teams. The first round, “Opening Shots – State Your Position,” asked participants

to address the thought-provoking question, “Are we Losing Ourselves to Technology?”

The subsequent rounds included “Tug of Thoughts,” “Rapid Rebuttal,” and “The Judge's Round,” each showcasing articulate arguments and sharp rebuttals.

The event concluded with Brigadier Sanjoy Ghosh encouraging the young participants to empower themselves for a brighter future. The eagerly anticipated Prize Distribution Ceremony recognized outstanding talent, with awards presented in various categories. Notably, Apurva Pathak from Carmel Convent Ratanpur was named Best Speaker, while the top trophy went to Carmel Convent Ratanpur, affirming their excellence in rhetoric and debate.