

# Toxic Cough Syrup Deaths: Patwari Demands CBI Probe, Blasts MP Govt

Bhopal (Special Correspondent): Madhya Pradesh Congress President Jitu Patwari launched a fierce attack on the state government today, demanding a CBI and SIT investigation into the deaths of over 25 children linked to contaminated cough syrup. Patwari labeled the incidents "murder by government negligence," asserting that over 150 child deaths across the state in the last three months were due to toxic medicine, not illness.

## Minister Accused of Inaction Despite Lab Report

Patwari revealed that the Nagpur laboratory sent a report to the Health Department on September 19, confirming the deaths were caused by the tainted drug. He criticized the Health Minister

## Congress Alleges 'Murder by Negligence'



for allegedly failing to take action and continuing with celebrations even after the report. Patwari pointed out the severe delay in response, noting that the department conducted no post-mortems or review meetings after the first death

on September 3, allowing eight more children to die.

## Demands for Resignations and Criminal Probe

The Congress chief demanded the resignation of the Health Minister, the removal of the Health Department's Principal Secretary, and the filing of an FIR against the Drug Controller. Furthermore, Patwari leveled serious allegations against an individual named Sonu Rana, claiming he brokered deals between the Health Department and pharmaceutical companies, and had ties to the Central Health Minister's PA, Aditya Singh. The Congress announced it would stage protests and hunger strikes outside children's hospitals statewide to demand accountability.

## Bhopal Collector's Arms License Cancellation Halted

Shooters Get HC Relief Jabalpur: The Madhya Pradesh High Court has provided relief to competitive shooters by staying the execution of an order issued by the Bhopal Collector that had revoked their arms licenses.

Justice Vishal Mishra's single bench issued notices to the Bhopal Collector and the National Rifle Association of India (NRAI), directing them to file their responses.

Advocate Qasim Ali, representing the petitioners (Syed Ayaan and others), argued that the weapons in question are utilized exclusively for competitive shooting events. He contended that forcing the petitioners to sell their weapons would inflict irreparable damage on their careers.

In response, the Court ruled that no coercive action should be taken against the petitioners, preventing authorities from forcing them to sell or confiscate their specialized firearms.

## Controversy Erupts in Indore Corporation over Councillor's Remark

### Councillor Accused of Giving Communal Turn to 'Swadeshi' Debate

Indore: Political temperatures soared in the Indore Municipal Corporation (IMC) after Congress Councillor Rubina Iqbal Khan made a controversial statement during a discussion on promoting 'Swadeshi' (indigenous) goods three days ago. Rubina allegedly stated that Muslims "crush lentils on India's chest" while residing in the country, a remark that immediately ignited a political and social row during Thursday's council meeting. Mayor Pushyamitra Bhargav swiftly condemned the comment, calling it a deplorable attempt to inject a communal angle into a serious topic.



Congress party of trying to evade discussion on an issue involving their Councillor Anwar Qadri by staging a walkout. Rubina's remark was made while expressing support for the

Swadeshi movement, which was being discussed as part of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's initiative.

A video of the statement is now rapidly circulating on social media, provoking strong reactions from various political groups. BJP councillors have severely criticized the comment, arguing that such statements disrespect the dignity of the council and distract from important issues like national self-reliance.

## Twin Tiger Cubs rescued from Tree Hollow in Bandhavgarh Reserve



Umriya: Two young tiger cubs were successfully rescued on Saturday from the hollow of a fallen tree in the Salkhaniya area of

the Panpatha Buffer Zone, Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve. Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve Director Anupam Sahay stated

that a patrolling team first spotted one cub inside the hollow of a dried tree in compartment number 610 of the Salkhaniya beat. After a thorough investigation confirmed no adult male or female tiger was present nearby, a crucial rescue operation was initiated.

Utilizing the efforts of the patrolling team and support from camp elephants, both cubs were safely extracted from the tree hollow. They were immediately transported to Tala Bandhavgarh for a detailed veterinary health check-up. The successful rescue highlights the vigilant and timely intervention of the forest staff, securing the safety of the vulnerable young animals within the reserve.

## CM Yadav to Launch MSME Summit on October 13

Bhopal, (Administrative Correspondent): Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav will inaugurate a crucial MSME (Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises) Summit on Monday, October 13, at Hotel Taj, Bhopal. The event aims to boost entrepreneurs and startups by instantly transferring grants and aid via a single-click mechanism.

MSME Minister Chetanya Kumar Kashyap will also attend, with all districts joining the program virtually. The Chief Minister will lay the virtual foundation stones for three new industrial areas and three office buildings. Key highlights include the signing of an MoU between MSME and ONDC (Open Network for Digital Commerce) and the distribution of benefits to beneficiaries of the Mukhyamantri Udyam Kranti Yojana. New entrepreneurs will also share their success stories.

## Murder case registered against 2 constables of Bhopal Police

### DSP's Engineer Brother-in-Law Beaten to Death by Police

Bhopal: Bhopal is reeling from an incident of shocking police brutality after a 21-year-old engineer, Udit Gaiki, the brother-in-law of a Hawk Force DSP, was allegedly beaten to death by two on-duty constables.



Udit, who was in the city to collect his B.E. degree and had recently secured a job, was reportedly assaulted with sticks in the Indrapuri area by Constables Santosh Bannia and Saurabh Arya late Thursday night. Disturbingly, reports suggest the police officers stripped him before the brutal assault and then demanded Rs 10,000.

Following the tragic death, police have registered a murder case against the two sus-

pected constables. DCP Zone-2 Vivek Singh confirmed the FIR, citing CCTV footage as crucial evidence. Udit's friends have been made witnesses in the case, which has drawn widespread outrage.

With two police teams currently searching for the absconding constables, the young engineer's death has cast a grim shadow, highlighting serious concerns over police conduct in the capital. Udit's family—his father an Assistant Engineer and his mother a government teacher—are left heartbroken, having lost their son who had just returned home with a bright future ahead of him.

## Sisters to Receive Rs 1,250 Today, Not Rs 1,500, Ahead of Diwali

### Event to be held at Sheopur Mela Ground

Bhopal, (Administrative Correspondent): Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav is set to transfer the 29th installment of the Laadli Behna Yojana tomorrow, October 12, at a program in Sheopur district. While the government had announced plans to increase the monthly aid to Rs 1,500 before Diwali, the 1.541 crore being transferred to the bank accounts of approximately 1.26 crore sisters only amounts to Rs 1,250 per beneficiary.

nancial approval. Crucially, no proposal for any additional top-up amount has since been submitted, leaving the beneficiaries in doubt whether they will receive only the current amount or the promised higher sum before the festive season.

A cloud of uncertainty now hangs over the promise of the full Rs 1,500 this month. The Women and Child Development Department reportedly sent a proposal for only the Rs 1,250 installment to the Finance Department two weeks ago, which received administrative and fi-

At the Sheopur Mela Ground event, CM Yadav will also dedicate development works worth Rs 98.87 crore and lay the foundation stone for projects totaling Rs 460.40 crore. Furthermore, the Chief Minister will distribute a Rs 30.12 crore Cash Credit Limit (CCL) check to Women's Self-Help Groups under NRLM and benefit recipients of various other state schemes aimed at women's empowerment.



Betul: BJP State President and MLA Hemant Khandelwal felicitated Trisha Tawde, a brilliant student from Government Eklavya Women's ITI, at her residence in Bhadus village on Saturday. Tawde was recently honoured by Prime Minister Narendra Modi himself at the Kaushal Deekshant Samaroh in New Delhi.

## Police Officers Face FIR over Missing Rs 1.45 Crore

### Seoni 'Hawala Loot' Scandal

Seoni: A massive internal probe is underway in Seoni, where several police personnel, including suspended SDOP Pooja Pandey, face a possible FIR for allegedly misappropriating ₹1.45 crore in hawala money.



An Additional SP from Jabalpur is leading the investigation. Inspector General Pramod Verma confirmed contacting the Income Tax Department with details of the hawala money. The IG stressed that if the probe confirms any facts warranting criminal action, an FIR for "loot" will be immediately registered against the officers involved. So far, the SDOP, a Station In-charge, and ten other officers have been suspended.

The scandal centers on the seizure of ₹3 crore cash being transported from Katni to Nagpur. While police logged part of the seizure, an astonishing ₹1.45 crore was allegedly pocketed and not recorded.

## Bhilala Community Pioneers Social Change: CM Yadav

Dhar: Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav affirmed that the comprehensive welfare of the tribal community is the state government's highest priority, striving to ensure that no individual is deprived of government scheme benefits. Calling the Bhilala community courageous and culturally enriched, he praised them for initiating a social awakening. Dr. Yadav highlighted that, with the blessing of Maa Narmada, the community has resolved to eradicate social evils like addiction and the practice of Mrityubhoj (post-death feast).

### Tribal Welfare is State's Top Priority



ing the ceremonial lamp, Dr. Yadav noted that the convention hosted various social awareness initiatives, including a matrimonial introduction

session for young men and women, employment registration, health check-up camps, de-addiction awareness, and career guidance sessions. Dur-

ing the visit, he also inaugurated the newly constructed building of the Pithampur (Bagdooon) Police Station. Remembering Tribal Heroes and Contributions: Dr. Yadav credited Prime Minister Narendra Modi with enhancing the community's pride by including a dynamic Bhilala woman leader in the Union Cabinet. He detailed state government efforts, such as renaming Alirajpur to Alirajpur and establishing a university in the name of Krantisurya Tanya Mama (a renowned tribal freedom fighter). He further acknowledged the Bhilala community's invaluable contributions to the freedom struggle and national defence. The Chief Minister was joined by Union Minister of State for Women and Child Development Savitri Thakur and other dignitaries.

## Death Sentence for Murderer in Khandwa

### Court Punishes Man for 'Witchcraft' Killing

Khandwa: A court in Khandwa has sentenced an accused murderer to death by hanging for a brutal killing fueled by accusations of black magic. The court of Second Additional Sessions Judge Anil Choudhary found the accused, Champalal alias Nandu (23), guilty and convicted him under Section 103(1) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita.



fronted him. Shouting "You practice witchcraft," Champalal attacked Ramnath with an axe, causing him to collapse.

The horrifying incident occurred on the night of December 12, 2024, in Chanera village. The victim's wife, Shantidevi Bilotiya, reported that her husband, Ramnath, had stepped out when their neighbor, Champalal, con-

argued by Assistant District Prosecution Officer Vinod Kumar Patel.

Despite Shantidevi's screams, Champalal returned with the axe, yelling that Ramnath practiced "Jadoo-Tona," and violently decapitated him. The accused then stood over the body, threatening anyone who approached. Sub-Inspector Ram Prakash Yadav of Bargaon Police Post arrived quickly and disarmed the killer using a planned tactic, securing his arrest. The case was argued by Assistant District Prosecution Officer Vinod Kumar Patel.

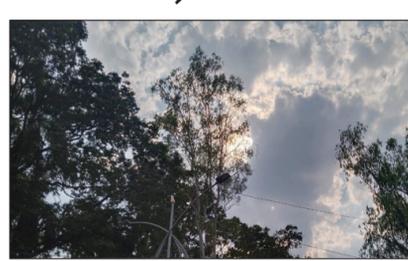
## Minor Rape Victim Gets Court Nod for Abortion in Barwani

Barwani: A Special Court in Barwani district has granted permission for a medical termination of pregnancy to an 11-year-old rape survivor. The court's decision was based on a medical report confirming the child is 19 weeks pregnant. Special Judge (POCSO Act) Rekha R. Chandravanshi accepted the application filed by the victim's mother and directed the Chief Medical and Health Officer (CMHO), Barwani, to complete the abortion proceedings within three days and submit a report to the court.

Dushyant Singh Rawat, stated that the court has ordered the formation of a medical team, along with necessary tests like sonography and blood work, under Section 3 of the Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act, 1971. Crucially, the court also mandated that the foetus be preserved for DNA testing following the procedure. The incident came to light after the minor complained of abdominal pain, leading to Ultrasonography that revealed the pregnancy. Police have since arrested the accused, a 22-year-old man, in connection with the rape.

## Farewell Monsoon, Hello Winter

Bhopal: Madhya Pradesh is witnessing the gradual retreat of the monsoon season, with a notable shift in weather patterns. Since the beginning of October, a distinct difference between daytime and nighttime temperatures has been observed, bringing a light chill to many parts of the state during the evenings. However, isolated rainfall persists in select regions.



dore, Gwalior, Jabalpur, Ujjain, and dozens of other districts.

### Rain Forecast for Several Districts

The Meteorological Department forecasts that several eastern districts, including Singrauli, Sidhi, Anuppur, Shahdol, Mandla, and Balaghat, may experience light rain accompanied by thunder and lightning today. Addition-

ally, scattered showers are possible across a large swathe of the state, covering Bhopal, In-

### Temperature Drops Signal End of Rains

The transition is confirmed by local temperature changes. Over the last 24 hours, districts under the Jabalpur division recorded a temperature drop of up to 2.2°C. Meanwhile, conditions remain favorable for the complete withdrawal of the Southwest Monsoon. The withdrawal line is currently passing through Akola and Jabalpur, with systems expected to retreat completely from the remaining parts of MP, Maharashtra, and neighboring states over the next two to three days.