

A Mountain of Devotion: Gwalior Hosts Record-Breaking Govardhan Puja

108 Tons of Cow Dung Form 21-Ft Mountain with 8-Ft Lord Krishna Idol

Gwalior: The Adarsh Gaushala in Lal Tipara, home to approximately 10,000 cattle, became the center of an unparalleled celebration as it hosted the city's largest-ever Govardhan Puja. The event was marked by the construction of a massive 21-foot-high Govardhan Mountain meticulously sculpted from 108 tons of cow dung. Crowning this impressive structure was an 8-foot-tall idol of Lord Krishna, adding spectacular grandeur to the ceremony.



Uttar Pradesh, witnessed the sacred event. The ceremony featured

elaborate rituals, including a 56-Bhog offering presented to Lord Govardhan and a separate 56-Bhog arranged specifically for the revered cows. Attendees described the atmosphere as one of "celestial bliss" and deep devotion.

Assembly Speaker Narendra Singh Tomar, who attended the grand puja alongside Collector Ruchika Chauhan, praised the initiative. He noted that such magnificent events inspire the community towards cow conservation and welfare, reinforcing the state's commitment to Gau Samvardhan. Gaushala Manager, Sant Rishabhdev, highlighted that the scale of the celebration underscored the immense respect for the cow and Lord Krishna in the region.

Devotees celebrate Gai Gohari festival with unwavering belief and gratitude

Faith beneath the hooves

Dhar: The centuries-old Gai Gohari festival was celebrated with deep devotion and enthusiasm on Wednesday in the villages of Dasai and Talwara, located in the Sardarpur development block of Dhar district. This rare and deeply symbolic ritual involves devotees lying face down under cows as an act of faith and gratitude after their wishes are fulfilled. The festival began at 5 a.m. and continued until noon, with over 20 devotees fulfilling vows as dozens of decorated cows walked gently over them — remarkably, without causing a single injury. The ceremony, believed to bring divine blessings and fulfillment of desires, was initiated by Omkar Bhuria, the community's Patel, who carried a torch through the village,

inviting all households to participate. At around 10 a.m., the cows were assembled and worshipped with oil and vermilion. The cows were then driven across the devotees lying prostrate on the ground, while volunteers guided the animals to maintain order and ensure safety.

People from Raghuvanshi, Patidar and tribal communities took part with great fervor, accompanied by fireworks and festive cheer that rivaled even Diwali celebrations. For many, the ritual is deeply personal — Vannathari Rameshwar performed it in gratitude for his son's recovery from illness, while Rahul, a young villager, fulfilled his vow after his marriage wish came true. The Gai Gohari festival stands as a testament to enduring faith, communal unity, and the spiritual bond between humans and the sacred cow.

Woman jumps into river after quarrel with doctor husband over mangalsutra

Barwani: A shocking incident has occurred in Chhoti Kasrawad village, near the district headquarters, where a 40-year-old woman died of suicide by jumping from a bridge over the Narmada River. The incident occurred on Wednesday morning. The deceased was posted as a Chief Health Officer (CHO) in Borali village.



where doctors declared her dead. Angoorbala was posted as a Chief Health Officer (CHO) in Borali village, Rajpur.

Her husband, Dr. Krishna Lonkhede, is a pediatrician in Indore. The couple had come to Kalyanpura village to celebrate Diwali.

Husband Dr. Krishna Lonkhede said that around 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, there was a dispute at home regarding her mangalsutra. She was upset that he hadn't brought it. He explained to her that he would bring it later, but she angrily left the house on her scooter.

The husband said that he was afraid her anger might lead to serious action, so he immediately called Dial 100 and informed the police and even followed her in his car. However, he was unable to save her. The woman has two children, a boy and a girl.

Inter-State Land Scam Gang Busted by Dewas Police

Nab Five 1000 km away, Recover Rs 29.50 lakhs, 2 Luxury cars



Dewas: In a major breakthrough, the Dewas Industrial Area Police have cracked down on an inter-state syndicate responsible for a multi-crore land fraud. Traveling over 1000 km, the police successfully apprehended five key members of the gang from Roorkee, Uttarakhand, recovering Rs 29.50 lakh in cash and two luxury cars.

JustDial Used to Lure Victims: The sophisticated gang specifically targeted property brokers across Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, UP, Rajasthan, and Chhattisgarh using the JustDial platform. Posing as landowners, they offered prime land at dramatically low prices. They would utilize fake documents and forged IDs to collect substantial "token amounts" or advance payments for agreements before disappearing.

High-Profile Fraud in Dewas: The investigation began after Dewas-based broker Tejkar an Parmar filed a complaint. He was contacted by a person named Shubham Tiwari through JustDial and was lured to Uttarakhnad with the promise of cheap agricultural land in Roorkee. There, gang members, including Sheikh Mehdi Hasan and Rao Abdul, showed him a plot and extorted Rs 46.45 lakh for the deal. The accused then went incommunicado, later attempting to defraud Mr. Parmar's nephew with the same land, confirming the group's deceitful pattern.

15-Day Operation Leads to Arrests: Taking the matter seriously, SP Puneet Gehlod formed a special team. Following 15 days of intensive technical and field surveillance, the police raided a hotel in Roorkee and arrested Sheikh Mehdi Hasan, Rao Abdul, Shubham Chaudhary, Akram, and Anupam. Police confirmed that the gang had cheated dozens of victims across multiple states. A hunt is currently underway for the alleged mastermind, Iqbal Khan, and his remaining associates.

Cyber Fraudsters Extort Rs 50 Lakh from Software Engineer

Threatened him Deleting Instagram Account



Jabalpur: A software engineer was allegedly blackmailed out of a staggering Rs 50 lakh by cyber fraudsters who threatened to permanently delete his highly popular Instagram account.

The victim, 28-year-old Azeem Ahmed, filed a complaint with the Cyber Cell, stating that his Instagram account boasts a massive following of 57 million, which he uses primarily for paid brand promotions. The fraudsters reportedly leveraged the threat of shutting down this crucial professional asset to extort the huge sum. The Cyber Cell in-charge confirmed that an investigation is underway. They are currently liaising with Instagram to understand the mechanics of the security breach and how the threat was executed. Further action will be taken once the full extent of the fraud is determined.

Couple found hanging from same noose

Husband felt neglected after wife's selection in MBBS

Barwani: In a heartbreaking incident, an MBBS student and her husband tragically took their own lives by hanging from the same noose in Sindhwa, Barwani. The couple, identified as 25-year-old Pratap Barde and 23-year-old Rinki, had been married for four years.

A suicide note discovered on Pratap revealed that he had been experiencing significant mental distress due to changes in Rinki's behavior and tensions with her mother, which had strained their relationship.

According to B.S. Bisen, the in-charge of Sindhwa City Police Station, the couple was residing in a rented room opposite the Sindhwa Rural Police Station.

Concerned for their well-being after Pratap's phone had been switched off since the previous evening, the building owner contacted the police. Upon forcing entry into their room, cops found both people hanging.

Pratap was a delivery and also worked as a watchman

Pratap was not only a delivery boy but also worked as a watchman in the same building, all while pursuing his B.Ed. degree. Rinki had recently been selected to study MBBS at Government Medical College in Rewa. The suicide note indicated that Pratap felt neglected and inferior after Rinki's selection, leading to a dispute that likely culminated in their tragic decision to end their lives.

Following the incident, Pratap's family accused Rinki's family of murder, resulting in a confrontation. Sub-Divisional Magistrate Ajay Waghmare, accompanied by police, arrived at the scene to mediate, while Dr. Rajesh Nargave clarified to both families that it was a suicide case, ultimately leading to their agreement for a post-mortem.

Youth drowns while taking bath at Narmada River Ghat

Narsinghpur: A tragic accident unfolded at the Barman Ghat of the Narmada River in Narsinghpur district, where a 24-year-old youth drowned while bathing with five friends who had traveled from Sagar district. The victim, identified as Aditya Sen, was a resident of Deori in Sagar. The incident took place yesterday afternoon, prompting immediate action from local police and the State Disaster Emergency Response Force (SDRF). Upon receiving reports of the drowning, rescue teams swiftly arrived at the scene to search for Aditya. The SDRF, along with local divers, has been conducting search operations for the second consecutive day. However, the strong currents of the river have posed significant challenges to the rescue efforts. Family members and local residents have gathered at the site, anxiously awaiting updates on the search. Sub-Inspector Vijay Kumar Dhurve reported that the accident occurred around 2 PM when the group of six young men entered the water to bathe. Tragically, Aditya was suddenly swept away by the current. The rescue teams have been working diligently, and efforts resumed this morning to locate him.

Monkey escapes with gold earring, police complaint filed

Satna: Residents of Priyadarshini Colony in Satna district are terrified by the terror of a langur. Over the past two days, this langur has injured more than ten people. The distressed residents have now filed a complaint with the police and sought help.

According to police sources, a woman from a Yadav family living in the Utaili area was working in the courtyard when the langur suddenly appeared and attacked her. It snatched the gold earring from her ear and fled.

Local residents say the langur is entering homes in the morning and evening and attacking people. Children and the elderly, in particular, are avoiding venturing outside due to fear.

A joint team of police and the forest department has begun efforts to capture the langur in the area. The forest department has appealed to the public to remain vigilant and avoid provoking the langur.

Fertilizer Fury: Farmers Block Khandwa Road Over DAP Shortage

Protest Erupts After Tokens Issued but Fertilizer Denied



Khandwa: Farmers in Khandwa staged a furious protest and blocked the busy Indore Road after being denied DAP (Di-ammonium Phosphate) fertilizer, despite holding valid tokens. The agitation erupted at the Khandwa Marketing Center as the crucial Rabi season planting deadline looms.

Promise Broken, Patience Snaps

Farmers, many of whom had queued since the previous night and had been waiting for four days to receive their allocation, were enraged when the counter opened at 11 a.m. only to be told that DAP stock was unavailable. "We received tokens for today, but when we reached the counter, they refused the fertilizer," one farmer stated. The sudden announcement led to an immediate protest, halting traffic on the major highway.

Officials Intervene, Rake Expected

Upon receiving the news, a contingent of senior officials, including the Additional Collector, SDM, and police, rushed to the scene. After officials assured the farmers of prompt action, the blockade was lifted. The Agriculture Officer confirmed that adequate fertilizer is available in the district, with a DAP rake expected to arrive tomorrow (Thursday). He appealed to farmers to also consider alternative fertilizers to manage the immediate demand surge.

Wife of Retired DSP Found Deceased in Shivpuri

Suspended from Ceiling Fan in Shivpuri Home



Shivpuri: Tragedy struck the family of a retired police official after the wife of former Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) B.P.

Mudgal was found deceased, suspended from the ceiling fan in a room at their residence in Deenadayal Puram Colony.

Sushma Mudgal, 58, was discovered by family members who immediately rushed her to a private hospital before transporting her to the Shivpuri Medical College. Doctors there, however, pronounced her dead.

Police were informed and arrived at the scene. While the exact cause of death remains unclear, family members informed authorities that Ms. Mudgal had been unwell recently. The police have taken over the investigation to ascertain the precise circumstances leading to her death.

Road Accident Victim Police Constable Anuj Singh Accorded Martyr Status



road accident while on duty on February 28, 2025, has been formally accorded the status of a martyr.

Constable (No. 81) Anuj Singh, son of late Khemchand Singh, was posted at Barondha Police Station in Satna district at the time of the fatal accident. He was previously laid to rest with full state honours and a Guard of Honour.

The official declaration was made today on Martyr's Day at the PHQ Police Parade Ground in Bhopal by Director General of Police (DGP) and Chief Minister Mohan Yadav.

By entering his name into the annals of martyrdom, a humble tribute was paid to the valiant soul, forever recognizing his supreme sacrifice while serving the state.

Post-Diwali rains dampen farmers' joy in Betul

Betul: The festive cheer following Diwali quickly turned to distress for farmers in Madhya Pradesh's Betul district, as unexpected rains on Tuesday afternoon damaged freshly harvested crops. The weather changed suddenly after Govardhan Puja, bringing heavy showers to several areas and soaking both harvested and stored produce. Crops such as soybean, paddy, maize, green gram, black gram, and barabati suffered the most, with fields submerged and harvested grain left damp and vulnerable to rotting or sprouting. Even grain stored in barns could not be saved from the downpour. Many farmers reported that they had been preparing to transport their produce to the markets when the rain struck, undoing weeks of effort. Those yet to harvest found their fields waterlogged, further compounding losses. The Meteorological Department has forecast light rain for the next two days, heightening farmers' anxiety.

Indore Mandates PUC Centers at All Petrol Pumps by Nov 1

Combating Air Pollution

Indore: In a critical move to enhance urban air quality, the Indore administration has made it mandatory for all petrol pumps to establish Pollution Under Control (PUC) certification centers. With 72 of the city's 104 pumps already compliant, the remaining 32 stations have been issued a strict deadline of November 1 to open their centers or face punitive action.

Driven by a commitment to public health and cleaner air, District Collector Shivam Verma's directive tasks the Food Department with rigorous enforcement. Food Officer M.L. Maru confirmed that comprehensive inspections will commence post-November 1 to ensure centers are not



merely token gestures but are fully operational, including the mandatory deployment of a dedicated staff member. This regulation underscores the city's dual focus on maintaining its

reputation for cleanliness while actively fighting vehicular pollution, ensuring a healthier environment for all residents. Failure to comply will invite swift penalties.