

# Second edition of "Kuno Forest Retreat" attracts visitors

## Celebration of nature, adventure and culture in Kuno

**Sheopur:** Madhya Pradesh, which has been honored with the return of cheetahs after 70 years, is now witnessing a unique celebration of nature, adventure, and culture. The second edition of the "Kuno Forest Retreat" kicked off recently in the picturesque surroundings of Kuno National Park in Sheopur and is attracting large number of visitors who are enjoying various activities.

Minister of State for Tourism Dharmendra Lodhi stated that the Kuno Forest Retreat aims to present a unique confluence of tourism, wildlife, and culture that will be unforgettable for visitors. This event will establish Kuno, the home of cheetahs, on the global map as a leading sustainable tourism destination. Organized by the MP Tourism Board, this prestigious festi-



tival was formally inaugurated by Sitaram Adivasi, Chairman, Sa-  
hariya Vikas Agency, by lighting the lamp.

**Kuno to Become a National Destination for Eco-Tourism:** Additional Chief Secretary for Tourism and

Managing Director of the Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board, Sheo Shekhar Shukla, described the event as a celebration of the state's natural heritage, wildlife conservation, and rich cultural traditions. He said that this festival is not just

an event, but also a celebration of the globally acclaimed cheetah rehabilitation project.

Organized in collaboration with Evoke Camping, this forest retreat offers a wealth of experiences for visitors. 25 luxury all-season glamping tents have been set up amidst the natural beauty of Kuno, offering tourists a unique opportunity to experience nature in its lap. The retreat includes a jungle safari, land- and air-based adventure activities, yoga and meditation sessions, village tours, and wellness activities.

**Cultural Evening Captivates the Heart:** The cultural evening held at the inauguration mesmerized the audience. Traditional Badhai dances brought alive the birth anecdotes of Lord Rama and Krishna, while Bundelkhand's famous Naurata dance introduced the state's rich folk tradition.

During the inspection, food items such as fennel and poppy seeds were discovered stored for

## 1.3 tonnes of suspected adulterated spices seized

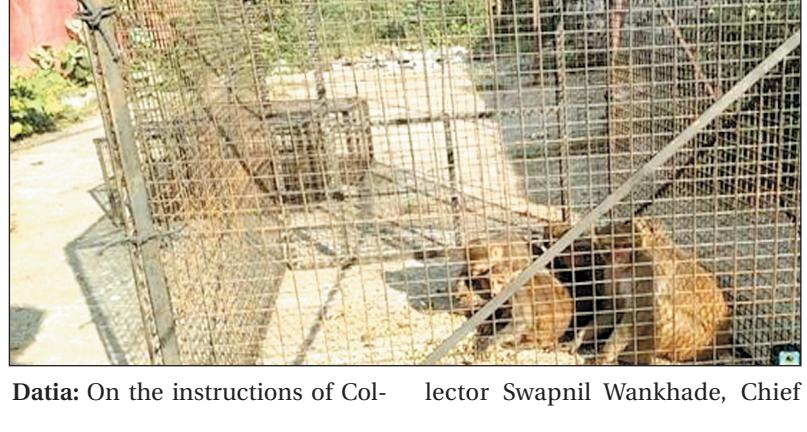


sale. Preliminary checks raised suspicion of artificial colouring in the fennel, while the poppy seeds also appeared to be of substandard quality. Samples of both products were collected for laboratory testing under the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006.

Officials seized approximately 900 kilograms of fennel and 400 kilograms of poppy seeds from the site. As the warehouse lacked the mandatory food license or registration, it was immediately sealed until further orders.

Collector Shivam Verma emphasized that ensuring pure and safe food for citizens is the administration's top priority. He added that all collected samples are being sent to the State Food Testing Laboratory, and strict legal action will follow based on the test results.

## Monkeys captured by experts, released into forest



**Datia:** On the instructions of Collector Swapnil Wankhade, Chief

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Municipal Officer Nagendra Singh Gurjar called in experts from Mathura to capture monkeys to address complaints of monkeys snatching things from people and biting them near the station, Ward No. 34, and various colonies within the municipal area.

A total of 40 monkeys were captured and safely released into the forest outside the city. This provided relief to residents near the station, Ward 34, and various colonies within the municipal area from the monkey menace.

The public praised the Collector and the district administration for their efforts to alleviate the monkey menace.

## Scrap dealer attacked with knife over rivalry

**Indore:** A scrap dealer in Tilak Nagar was attacked with a knife by more than four people. He sustained serious injuries and was admitted to a hospital for treatment. Police are searching for the accused. According to Tilak Nagar police, the injured youth's name is Gaurav, son of Satu. The incident occurred on Saturday afternoon in Sai Vihar Colony. It is alleged that some youths from Chhoti Gwalti attacked Gaurav with a knife. Gaurav managed to escape during the attack. The incident was captured on CCTV cameras installed nearby. Police arrived at the hospital late at night, but Gaurav's statement could not be taken as he was in the ICU.

**Dispute over scrap trade:** Initial investigations by police revealed that Gaurav and the accused had a long-standing dispute over scrap trade. The attack is suspected to be fueled by a rivalry. Police are searching for suspects based on CCTV footage.

## Rajgarh DLSA holds awareness bike rally to end child marriage



marriage-free. Authorities informed that cases of child marriage can be reported to the Women and Child Development Department, Child Marriage Prohibition Officer, Child Welfare Committee, Court, Child Helpline 1098, CM Helpline 181 and the One-

Stop Center, which operates round the clock. Officials also reminded that conducting or promoting child marriage is a punishable offence, attracting up to two years of rigorous imprisonment and a fine of up to one lakh rupees.

## Tarangotsav-2025 held at Vidyasagar School



**Indore:** Tarangotsav-2025 was held at the Vidyasagar School, Indore, for invited guests, parents, and students.

The guest of the program, Satyanarayan Patel, Secretary-AICC & Incharge UP, former MLA, was welcomed by the Principal, Bhavana Pujari, and the Head Boy and Head Girl.

On this grand occasion the school launched a symbolic mini rocket as a tribute to 50th Year of first Indian Satellite "Aaryabhata". This, fun fiesta was the perfect blend of "Tarangotsav" and "Yugantar". The great learning of ancient ages and how they are used in modern times, is beautifully manifested. In this fiesta organized on a large scale, various entertaining games & other activities were organized for all age groups to test the intelligence, logical, physical and mental level. On the

other hand, for the visitors interested in poetry, songs/singing and dances, a fully equipped open air stage was provided in which children and the elderly participated enthusiastically and enjoyed

themselves. For those interested in art, materials for Rangoli and painting were also provided in which many enthusiasts participated and displayed their artistic skills.

**Gokul village:** In Gokul village, detailed tableaux of Krishna Janmotsav, based on the theme Rangotsav, Makhan Chori, Kaliya Nag Mardan, the Leela of Govardhan Parvat and "Raas Leela" with the Gopis were shown.

Internationally renowned Scary Street, Disney World, Barbie Doll, Butterfly Light Dance Show, Troupe of Tribes captivated the audience especially the children. The various games and presentations by Hindi, English, Mathematics, Science, Social Science, Computer, AI, Commerce, Humanities Branch, Arts Faculty enthralled the parents and guests.

Parents competed to win "Stars" as winning the most stars offered attractive prizes.

At the end of the program, all attendees also enjoyed delicious dishes. It was indeed a memorable event for one and all.

## Agniveer recruitment rally from Nov 23

**Indore:** The Army Recruitment Office, Mhow, will conduct the Agniveer Recruitment Rally 2025-26 from November 23 to December 5 at the Sports Complex of Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyalaya (DAVV), Indore. Eligible candidates from the Indore and Ujjain divisions who have qualified the Agniveer Online General Examination can participate in the rally.

The recruitment drive will cover 15 districts across both divisions, including Indore, Dhar, Jhabua, Alirajpur, Khandwa, Khargone, Barwani, Burhanpur, Ujjain, Dewas, Mandsaur, Neemuch, Ratlam, Agar Malwa, and Shajapur.

Admit cards have been issued to selected candidates via their

registered email IDs and are also available on the official Indian Army website. On the day of the rally, candidates must carry their admit card, all original documents, and a recent color photograph.

The Recruitment Office, Mhow, emphasized that the entire selection process is fully transparent and strictly merit-based. Candidates are advised to beware of middlemen, as no external influence is involved in the recruitment process. Aspirants are requested to carefully follow the instructions mentioned in their admit cards. For any queries, candidates may contact the Army Recruitment Office, Mhow, at the helpline number 7648815570.

## 67 fall ill after wedding feast in Agar Malwa village

**Agar Malwa:** Sixty-seven people fell ill after consuming food at a wedding feast in Dharka village, Nalkheda tehsil of Agar Malwa district, on Saturday night. Soon after the meal, several villagers began suffering from vomiting, diarrhoea, and severe stomach pain. As the number of complaints rose, the health department was immediately alerted.

A rapid response team from Civil Hospital, Nalkheda, reached the village and began treatment without delay. Health workers provided first aid to 47 people on-site, administering necessary medicines and oral rehydration solutions. Around 20 patients, whose conditions required closer monitoring, were taken to Civil Hospital, Nalkheda, by ambulance. Doctors have confirmed that all admitted patients are stable and out of danger.

## Climbing and abseiling training workshop held in Raghadevi and Chhimpur

### Focus on employment along with exploring new locations for adventure activities

**Chhindwara:** Ascendum Ventures successfully organized a three-day special climbing and abseiling (a recreational activity that involves descending down using a rope in controlled conditions from a mountain, cliff or a man-made structure) training workshop in Raghadevi and Chhimpur. The workshop aimed to develop new adventure spots in the district and empower local people towards employment through skill development. This training workshop was conducted in collaboration with the District Administration, District Archaeology, Tourism and Culture Council, and Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board. Under the guidance of Collector Harendra Narayan and District Panchayat CEO Agraim Kumar, several tourism development activities are being conducted, and this training was part of this initiative. A total of five participants par-



ticipated in this training, including three youth from the tribal community of Chhimpur and two from Chhindwara. The training focused on safety systems, equipment use, basic climbing tech-

niques, abseiling procedures, and standard procedures followed in adventure activities. The training team included Jayendra Khobragade from Nagpur and Amrit Appadan from Bengaluru, who have many years of experience in mountaineering and rock climbing.

Ascendum Ventures, in collaboration with the Chhindwara District Administration, is committed to exploring and developing new climbing areas in the district, as well as providing employment and livelihood opportunities to local youth. The organization aims to encourage tribal and rural communities to participate in safe, responsible, and sustainable adventure tourism. In addition to these performances, the festival will also showcase local handicrafts and tribal art, which will deeply connect tourists with the state's culture.