

NITTTR seminar highlights collaboration and innovation in aerospace industry

► HAL CEO says India can establish leadership in global defense



Bhopal: In an effort to promote indigenization in the defense production sector and strengthen collaboration between academia, local industries, and defense manufacturers, the National Institute of Technical Teachers Training and Research (NITTTR), Bhopal, organized a seminar on "Innovation in Defense Technology for a Self-Reliant India" on Monday. Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL), Nashik, CEO, Saket Chaturvedi, addressing the seminar as the chief

guest, said that India's true strength lies in the partnership between our young engineers, research institutions, and industry. If we work together to develop technology indigenously, India can establish leadership in the global defense and aviation sector in the coming years.

He said that HAL today is not only a leader in fighter aircraft development but is also focusing on completely indigenizing several critical systems. For this, the role of institutions like NITTTR is crucial.

State poised to play a strong role: Tripathi

NITTTR Director Prof. C.C. Tripathi stated that Madhya Pradesh is poised to play a strong role in indigenous technological development, and NITTTR Bhopal is emerging as a central knowledge-supporting institution. NITTTR is preparing a comprehensive report on the capabilities of institutions in Madhya Pradesh that can contribute to the development and manufacturing of products required by HAL.

R.K. Bharti, highlighting the objectives of the symposium, said that this initiative by NITTTR Bhopal is commendable and that cooperation and collaboration between HAL and private industries is essential in the aviation and aerospace sectors. In the defense sector, the supply of parts is essential to jet speeds.

P.R. Baghel delivered a lecture on "Design, Development, and Certification of Fighter Aircraft." Dr. Ajit Bhandarkar discussed "Indigenization in Defense Technology." Other guests included Ashok Patel, C.P. Sharma and Dean of NITTTR Bhopal Dr. Sanjay Agarwal, Dr. Manish Bhargava, Dr. P.K. Purohit, Prof. M.A. Rizvi, along with representatives from various industries.

Youth assaulted over 'love jihad' allegations

► Girl denies any wrong doing

Bhopal: A disturbing incident took place in Bhanpur where activists of the Maa Bhavani Hindu Organization assaulted a young man, accusing him of being involved in "love jihad." The activists allegedly intercepted the youth, identified as Shauhan Khan, and severely beat him, causing a laceration near his eye.

They also accessed his mobile phone, recorded the incident, and made the video viral on social media. The organization later accused the police and administration of inaction.

The Hindu group has submitted an application at the Chhola Mandir police station demanding strict action. However, in a significant development, the young woman allegedly linked to the case has also filed an application, clearly stating that she does not want any action taken and that no wrongdoing occurred. She described Shauhan as a former acquaintance and denied being a

victim in any sense.

According to available information, Shauhan, a resident of Eintkheedi-Ayodhya Nagar, had gone to meet the girl on Sunday night. While returning, he was surrounded by activists in Bhanpur, beaten, and questioned on camera.

The video shows them asking for his name, address, and details of his relationship with the girl. Injuries were visible on both of Shauhan's eyes.

The activists further claimed that Shauhan had been detained with them for nearly an hour and a half. They stated that they repeatedly contacted the Chhola Mandir police station during the incident, but no officers arrived at the spot.

Police officials confirmed that WhatsApp chats between Shauhan and the girl were found. They also confirmed receiving the girl's application, in which she reiterated that Shauhan had done nothing wrong and requested that no action be taken against him.

Elderly guard dies after accident involving EOW ASI

► Family demands culpable homicide case

Bhopal: An elderly security guard, Abdul Shafiq (58), died during treatment on Sunday, weeks after he was hit by a car driven by ASI Parveen Naqvi, posted in the EOW's incoming and outgoing branch. His daughter's wedding, scheduled for the previous day, had already been postponed due to his critical condition. Shafiq, a resident of the Shahjahanabad area, worked as a guard at Regalia Heights in Koh-e-Fiza. On November 7, 2025, while returning home after night duty, his bike was struck by Parveen Naqvi's Nexus car at the Koh-e-Fiza hospital signal. She took him to Hamidia Hospital, after which the family shifted him to Chirayu Hospital in Bhainsakhedi, where he remained under treatment for nearly two weeks. The family alleges that although the ASI initially assured them of support, she

later stopped cooperating. Son-in-law Rashid said the ASI neither visited the private hospital nor responded properly to calls, instead accusing the family of misbehaving. They have lodged an FIR at Koh-e-Fiza police station, demanding a culpable homicide case now that Shafiq has died. Police have seized her car. An audio of a phone conversation between the ASI and the family has also surfaced, in which she claims the accident was not her fault. The family says they had no funds for treatment, having already spent a loan of Rs 35,000 taken for Shafiq's younger daughter's wedding. Despite efforts and further borrowing, Shafiq could not be saved. Koh-e-Fiza TI KG Shukla said a case has been registered and CCTV footage will be examined before further legal action.

Innovative farmer-friendly tool earns appreciation in Bhopal

► Low-cost, electricity-free solution designed by student-teacher duo gains wide recognition



to streamline farm work while protecting farmers' health. It performs multiple tasks simultaneously—packing, sifting, weighing, and dry-

ing—without requiring the user to bend or apply extra physical effort. Completely electricity-free and affordable, it is easy to operate by any

farmer, regardless of age, gender, or technical background.

A breakthrough: Sushil Jain

During an inspection of the equipment, Sushil Kumar Jain praised the innovation, describing it as a breakthrough that can be operated by both affected and unaffected farmers without any qualifications. He emphasized its ability to replace the labor of nearly ten people with just one operator, allowing significant savings in labor, energy, and cost. The tool was also showcased in Bhopal, where experts appreciated its simplicity, efficiency, and relevance to real-world conditions. Its recognition in the state capital highlights its potential to benefit farmers across the country.

Feast of Christ the King joyfully observed



Bhopal: The Christian community celebrated the Feast of Christ the King on Sunday with prayer, devotion, and vibrant enthusiasm in numerous churches throughout the city. Archbishop Durairaj presided over the Eucharistic celebration at Assumption Church in Arera Colony, where he joined the faithful for the feast. While offering the Mass and emphasizing

the core message of the celebration, he reminded that the feast proclaims Christ's victory over death and affirms that His love surpasses all forms of evil. This message, he said, encourages us to confront life's challenges with faith and courage.

To mark the occasion, several other churches—including St. Francis of Assisi Cathedral, Our Lady of Lourdes, Queen of the Universe, Infant Jesus, and St. Joseph—held impressive processions showcasing tableaux of Christ the King. The faithful participated with profound devotion and enthusiasm, filling the church premises with resounding chants of "Hail, Christ the King!"

Bhopal Archdiocesan PRO Father Alfred D'Souza, speaking about the significance of the feast, said, "We believe that the kingship of Jesus Christ is not rooted in worldly power, but in love, compassion, and mercy. This celebration encourages us to follow the path of mutual harmony, selfless love, and service." He further added that from next Sunday onward, Christians will enter the Advent season, which marks the preparation for Christmas.

BHEL Bhopal bids farewell to retiring officers

By BHEL Correspondent

Bhopal: A simple yet graceful ceremony was held at the Administrative Building of BHEL, Bhopal, where Pradeep Kumar Upadhyay, General Manager and Unit Head, extended a heartfelt farewell to retiring officers and staff. Those honoured included Pawan Kumar Srivastava, General Manager (Finance); Dr. Jyoti N Aind, Senior Deputy General Manager (Medical); Sanjay Kumar Upadhyay, Engineer (TXM); along with five supervisors.

Addressing the gathering, Upadhyay congratulated the retirees and encouraged them to make their "second innings" meaningful, urging them to pursue a healthy, fulfilling and joyful life ahead. He expressed gratitude for



their long and dedicated service, acknowledging their significant contributions to the organisation. T. U. Singh, General Manager (Human Resources), was also present

on the occasion and conveyed his best wishes to the retiring employees. The event concluded with warm expressions of appreciation and goodwill.

BHEL bags 2nd prize for official language excellence



By BHEL Correspondent

Bhopal: The BHEL Bhopal unit has been honoured with the "Second Prize" for outstanding implementation of the Official Language

during 2024-25 in the Large Unit Category of Regions "Ka" and "Kha". The award was presented by K. Sadashiv Murthy, Chairman and Managing Director, BHEL, at the

Management Committee meeting held at the Corporate Office in New Delhi. Pradeep Kumar Upadhyay, General Manager and Unit Head of BHEL Bhopal, received the award on behalf of the unit.

At a simple ceremony organised at BHEL Bhopal, Upadhyay handed over the award to Thakur Umanath Singh, General Manager (HR); Poonam Sahu, Manager (HR-Rajbhasha/CISF Coordination); and the dedicated Rajbhasha team. The recognition highlights the unit's continued commitment to promoting and strengthening the use of the Official Language across its operations.

Miscreant torches two cars in Bairagarh Kala

Bhopal: The morale of

two parked cars and fled, taking advantage of the darkness.

Local residents immediately informed the police after the Baleno car parked outside Sunil Vishwakarma's house caught fire.

Khajuri police arrived at the scene, extinguished the fire, inspected the scene, and took possession of the CCTV footage.

The police are investigating to identify and arrest the suspect. The increasing number of such incidents is raising concerns about local safety.

Srishti Nijaashray marks new era of community service

► Jain community's ashram city to focus on worship, service, and welfare



Bhopal: Srishti Mangalam Nijaashray was inaugurated under the spiritual guidance of Srishti Bhushan Mataji Satsang and Om Shri Mataji Satsang. Speaking on the occasion, Srishti Bhushan Mataji said that the Srishti

Mangalam Seva Samiti will ensure proper arrangements for worship, food, and medical facilities for all visitors. Mahasabha President Sanjay Jain Mungawali informed that the 41-room accommodation facility and the administrative office at Srishti Mangalam Nijaashray have now been fully operationalized. Members of the Jain community, along with devotees from outside Bhopal, participated in the ceremony.

The first Jain ashram being developed in Bhopal is expected to set new benchmarks in the field of service. The area, inhabited by tribal communities, is likely to benefit significantly as the ashram promotes service activities and enhances pilgrimage prospects. Hundreds of people, including President of the Bhopal District, Pramod Rajput, Pramod Himanshu Narendra Ji, Vandana Pankaj Supari, Suresh Chand Ji, Aditya Maniya, Mukesh Jain, Dabbu Narendra Vardhman, Satish Sheetal Padma, Sarvagya Shailendra Maya, and others, attended the program.

Satendra Singh speaks about his recent success in National Championship



Bhopal: Padma Shri awardee and international para-swimmer Satendra Singh Lohiya has once again brought laurels to Madhya Pradesh with his impressive performance at the recent 25th National Paralympic Swimming Championship 2025-26 held in Hyderabad. It was at-

tended by about 1,000 athletes and officials from across the country. Satendra Singh Lohiya displayed his indomitable courage, technique, and determination to win the bronze medal in the 50-meter backstroke competition. He credited his success to his mentor, Dr. B.K. Dabas, who provided him with constant guidance and inspiration. Satendra specifically mentioned the invaluable contribution of Vinod Agarwal Sir of the Indore Balaji Foundation to his success. He provided support, inspiration, and encouragement throughout. He said, "An important source of my success is the constant support and blessings of the respected Vinod Agarwal Sir." Satendra is originally from Gwalior and currently resides in Indore. Suyash Jadhav of Maharashtra finished first in this event, while Abhijeet of West Bengal finished second. Padma Shri Satendra Singh Lohiya has previously achieved historic successes in several international events—including the English Channel, North Channel, Catalina Channel, and numerous other open water swimming relays. He is considered one of the best para-swimmers not only in MP but across the country and is a source of inspiration for millions of youth.