

# CM MohanYadav meets ‘Mini Brazil’ footballers after German training trip



**Bhopal:** Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav met with the talented young footballers from Vicharpur village in Shahdol, famously known as ‘Mini Brazil,’ at the Mantralaya on Tuesday. The players, who recently returned from an

international training trip to Germany, were accompanied by their German coaches, Dietmar Beyersdorfer and Manuel Schaefer, and Sports Director Rakesh Gupta. The CM extended his congratulations and best wishes for their future endeavors. The trip was sanctioned after CM Yadav instructed the Sports Department to facilitate the training in Germany, a move that followed Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s praise for the Vicharpur players in his “Mann Ki Baat” address. The players shared their valuable experiences from the training held between October 4 and 12. The German coaches, who later visited the players’ families in Vicharpur, also met with other footballers at the Taty Tope Nagar Stadium in Bhopal, continuing their engagement with the state’s sporting talent.

# Neemuch artist gifts CM Yadav micro-art masterpieces



**Bhopal:** Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav was presented with two unique miniature artworks by Rahul Kumar Lohar of Kuchdod village, Neemuch, showcasing the artist’s extraordinary talent. Lohar gifted the CM a breathtaking miniature painting of the Pashupatinath Temple on a rudraksha, meticulously crafted using just a single hair of a paintbrush. When viewed under a magnifying glass, the tiny artwork reveals intricate

religious symbols. Lohar also presented a painted face mask dedicated to the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic. The mask depicts Goddess Durga mounted on a lion, destroying the coronavirus with a syringe. Durga is shown holding medical equipment and sanitizer, while the mask itself features portraits of doctors and medical workers who sacrificed their lives globally. The entire artwork was created using natural colors. Chief Minister Dr. Yadav highly praised Lohar’s skill and instructed officials to issue a commendation certificate to the young artist, wishing him a bright future. Deputy Chief Minister Jagdish Devda and other ministers were also present at the presentation.

# MP shines at IFFI Goa: A cultural friumph



**Bhopal/Goa:** Incredible Madhya Pradesh left an indelible mark at the International Film Festival of India (IFFI) 2025 in Goa, showcasing its rich cultural tapestry and creative prowess on a global stage. Led by Shri Shiv Shekhar Shukla, Additional Chief Secretary for Tourism, Culture, Home, and Managing Director of the MP Tourism Board, the state’s delegation effectively presented its unique creative potential and film-friendly environment. **Premieres and prestigious accolades:** A major highlight was the special premiere of two seminal films produced by MP Tourism: “The Sitarist” and the animated “Lokmata Ahilyabai.” Both

films captivated audiences and earned critical acclaim for beautifully capturing the essence of Madhya Pradesh. “The Sitarist,” starring the renowned sitarist Anoushka Shankar, takes viewers on a serene journey into the profound artistry of a sitar player, stunningly framed by MP’s natural beauty—its forests, lakes, and rural landscapes. The animated feature “Lokmata Ahilyabai” aims to introduce the new generation to the virtues of justice, compassion, and leadership embodied by Rajmata Ahilyabai Holkar. MP’s creative initiative received national and international recognition when IFFI honored ACS Shukla for the production of “The Sitarist.” Span Communications’ Naresh Khetrapal and “Lokmata Ahilyabai” director Dimple Dugar were also felicitated. ACS Shukla expressed pride, stating that the honor encourages the state to promote further quality cinema that sensitively portrays its cultural depth. Special screenings of films shot in MP including Vimukth, Chambal, and Pinch, were also held during the festival.

# Congress criticises new labour codes

**By Special Correspondent**  
**Bhopal:** Madhya Pradesh Congress media in-charge Dr Mukesh Nayak on Tuesday strongly condemned the new labour codes enforced by the Central Government from 22 November 2025, calling them a “grave assault on workers’ hard-earned rights”. Addressing a press briefing at the Pradesh Congress Committee headquarters, Dr Nayak said the four new codescreated by subsuming 29 existing labour laws had been imposed under the guise of “ease of doing business”, but in reality pushed workers into a new era of insecurity, instability and exploitation. He said the codes violated the core constitutional values of equality, justice and dignity, and reiterated that the Congress Party remained firmly committed to safeguarding the interests of the working class. The party, he added, demanded their immediate withdrawal. Senior Congress leaders including MPCC general secretary Anuma Acharya, spokesperson Bhupendra Gupta, Ravi Saxena and Vikram Choudhary were present. Following the President’s assent, the Industrial Relations Code 2020, the Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code 2020, and the Social Security Code 2020 have now become law. The Wage Code 2019 had already been enacted earlier. Dr Nayak said the Ministry of Labour had announced implementation of all four codes from April 2021, under which 29 Cen-



tral labour laws would automatically cease to exist. He alleged that the codes severely weakened workers’ rights. Citing an example, he noted that Section 13 of the Wage Code empowered the government to fix working hours even after minimum wages were determined meaning the “normal working day” could legally be extended to 10 or 12 hours. Although the Occupational Safety Code limits the workday to eight hours, the provision for overtime remained vague and left entirely to the discretion of the government, giving employers unchecked freedom to extend working hours. He reminded that the eight-hour

workday was rooted in the historic May Day movement and that Dr B.R. Ambedkar had ensured its implementation in India. The labour codes, he argued, rolled back gains achieved over generations, making it necessary to revisit history to resist “the anti-worker onslaught of corporate forces and the government”. Dr Nayak further criticised provisions that curtailed the powers of labour inspectors, replacing inspections with a “facilitator” model and legitimising self-certification by employers. He warned that the new adjudication system, which diluted independent labour courts and concentrated authority in administrative tribunals, opened the door to executive interference in justice. He highlighted concerns regarding the exclusion of supervisors earning above Rs 18,000 a month from the definition of ‘worker’, the legitimisation of fixed-term employment, the restrictions on trade unions, stringent limitations on strikes, changes in the definition of factories and dilution of safety standards. These changes, he said, amounted to “hire and fire at will”, undermining job security for millions. Concluding, Dr Nayak said, “The new labour codes are a direct attack on workers and violate the basic spirit of the Constitution. The Congress Party stands firmly with the working class and demands that these codes be withdrawn immediately.”

# Grand flag hoisting at Hanumangarhi

**Bhopal:** In celebration of the grand flag hoisting ceremony at the Ram Temple in Ayodhya, a magnificent event was organized at Hanumangarhi Temple, Nanak Tekri, under the banner of Guru Nanak Mandal. The ceremony featured worship, chanting, and the hoisting of a sacred flag atop the temple in the presence of saints and members of the Sanatan community. Saints Mahant Anilananda, Mahant Somnath, Vijay Bajpai, and organization president Kukkera Kukkera participated in the rituals. Calling the flag hoisting a golden chapter in Indian culture, Kukkera also lit fireworks and distributed sweets among devotees. Meanwhile, the birthday of Bhopal MP Alok Sharma was observed as Seva Diwas. As part of the service



activities, he distributed tricycles and wheelchairs to five differently-abled individuals and handed out 151 blankets to senior citizens. Those present extended heartfelt wishes for his long life and continued service. Prominent attendees included Mahesh

Makwana, Bhagwan Das Dhalia, Saroj Aseri, Raja Sharma, Sunil Sarathe, Narendra Thakur, Mukesh Solanki, Deepchand Tiwari, Sandeep Kalyane, Ajay Prajapati, Kailash Hirve, Govardhan Ahirwar, Rajkumari Dagor, and many other dignitaries and devotees.

# TI Sapre's line-attachment order revoked within 24 hours

► Administrative U-turn likely after opposition by Hindu outfits

**Bhopal:** In a surprising development, Superintendent of Police (SP) Ramsharan Prajapati on Monday afternoon issued an order placing TI Ashish Sapre, station in-charge of Bhopal’s rural area, on the line. The order directed him to report to the station immediately. However, within just 24 hours, the decision was reversed, and the earlier directive withdrawn. **Action purely administrative: SP** According to police sources, the initial action was taken following allegations that TI Sapre had threatened to shift the local cattle fair and misbehaved with traders. After receiving information about the order, Sapre visited the SP’s office on Monday

evening to present his explanation. Despite his clarification, the SP initially remained firm on the decision. But later that night, a second order was unexpectedly issued from the SP’s office, revoking the line-attachment directive. TI Sapre will continue in his position. SP Prajapati termed the move “purely administrative” and officially confirmed the revocation on Tuesday. Meanwhile, according to police sources, after the order to place the TI on the line was released, several Hindu organizations began protest. They warned of intensifying protests if the order was not withdrawn. As pressure mounted, the process of withdrawing the order began late at night.

# Missing minor rescued under “Muskan Campaign”

**MP Nagar police trace girl missing since May 2023**  
**Bhopal:**The MP Nagar Police Station has achieved a significant success under the special “Muskan Campaign,” tracing and safely recovering a minor girl who had been missing since May 2023. Nine-month search concludes successfully: The case originated on May 22, 2023, when the 15-year-old girl, a resident of Shivaji Nagar, MP Nagar, went missing from her home. Her mother initially believed the girl had gone to a friend’s house but reported the matter when she did not return. A case was registered under Section 363 (Kidnapping) of the Indian Penal Code against an unknown person. Special campaign yields results: Following specialized instructions from Police Headquarters for the recovery of missing children, a dedicated team was formed under the guidance of DCP Zone-2 and ACP Manish Bhardwaj.

# Rail traffic disrupted by Jhansi yard work

**Bhopal:** Due to crucial track renewal work at Virangana Lakshmbai Jhansi Station, several trains passing through the Bhopal Division will be cancelled, diverted, or delayed between November 25, 2025, and January 8, 2026. **Key cancellations** 12 trains, including weekly services like Bengaluru City-Lalkuan (05073/05074) and Hubballi-Yognagari Rishikesh (07363/07364), have been fully cancelled. **Route diversions** A total of 25 trains, including the Haridwar-LTT (12172) and Hazrat Nizamuddin-Nanded (12754), will run on altered routes, primarily diverting via Mathura-Bayana-Sogaria-Ruthiyai-Bina or Gwalior-Guna-Bina. **Delays expected** Trains like Bandra T-VGLB Jhansi (22196) will be regulated (delayed) by up to 90 minutes on the North Central Railway section. Passengers should check NTES or Rail Madad (139) before travel.

# New twists emerge in Viceroy Colony assault case

► Conflicting claims deepen mystery in Shahpura attack

**Bhopal:** New revelations continue to surface in the November 20 incident at Viceroy Colony under Shahpura police station. The accused had reportedly come to assault Shekhar Srivastava, son of Karera’s District Panchayat CEO Sanjeet Srivastava, but Shekhar was not at home. Instead, three men arrived on a scooter and attacked people outside with sticks and rods. CCTV footage of the assault has now emerged. Shekhar’s mother filed an FIR identifying all the youths creating chaos in the colony as attackers. However, one of the names in the FIR, Arjun Chaturvedi, presented evidence showing his car was parked outside Narmada Hospital during the incident, as

confirmed by CCTV. **Conflicting statements and escalating tensions:** Arjun’s family claims he was earlier beaten by Shekhar and his friends in Arera Hills, leaving him with a fractured arm. His friends later went to speak with Shekhar but were allegedly attacked instead, as seen in video footage seized by police. Meanwhile, Shekhar’s mother, Vishakha Srivastava, alleged that 15–20 boys came looking for her son at night, threatening to kill him. Police have also identified Suyash Sharma, son of Beawar SDO, among the attackers. Seven accused, including sons of lawyers and businessmen, remain absconding.

# Woman disrupts public hearing, claims to be an MLA

► Uproar at Bhopal Collectorate

**Bhopal:** A public hearing held at the Bhopal Collectorate on Tuesday was disrupted for over half an hour when a woman caused a scene inside the meeting hall. Despite repeated attempts by female police officers and guards to calm her down, she refused to cooperate and even introduced herself as an MLA, leading to widespread confusion. **Officials attempt to restore order:** The hearing, which took place from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and was attended by more than 100 people, was thrown off track when Shobhana Singh, who had come with her complaint, began

shouting after officials informed her that her issue fell under police jurisdiction. District Panchayat CEO Ela Tiwari and ADM Ankur Meshram tried to pacify her, but she remained adamant. Shobhana, a resident of Minal Residency, had also attended a hearing three months earlier with similar complaints. She alleged that on December 9, 2022, a man named Mansharam threatened her to vacate her house and continues to harass her, despite her having a valid 11-month rental contract. She claims to be living in fear with her 11-year-old daughter.

# Jain Mahila Parishad organizes blood donation camp

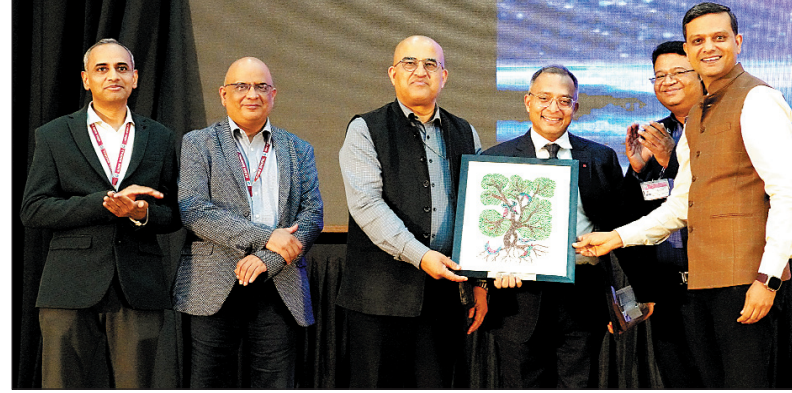


**Bhopal:** The All India Digambar Jain Mahila Parishad, Padmavati Division – Mata Trishala Branch, Lalghati, organized a blood donation camp on Tuesday. Parishad members, led by President Shruti

Jain, Secretary Mili Jain, and Treasurer Shaili, participated enthusiastically along with sisters Richa, Namrata, Harshu, Sonal, Preeti, Nikita, Swati, Monica, Rashmi, and Sarita.

A total of 30 units of blood were donated by women, men, and youth, with families and children also joining the noble cause. All donors were honored with certificates. The Parishad ensured arrangements for tea, coffee, biscuits, juice, ORS, and snacks before and after donation. Chairperson Sarita Bhabhi encouraged everyone to donate blood, eyes, and bodies, describing blood donation as “worship of life.” The event concluded with heartfelt thanks to the Blood Bank Team of Gandhi Medical College and Hamidia Hospital, including Dr. Richa Jain, Dr. Mansi, Dr. Hariram, Dr. Lavanshi, Dr. Hina Sheikh, Dr. Megha Tomar, Dr. Shweta Verma, and their staff.

# Power of One Thought: Motivational session held at AIIMS



**Bhopal:** A motivational and enriching session on “The Power of One Thought” was held at AIIMS Bhopal, featuring renowned cardiologist and TEDx speaker

Prof. (Dr.) Mohit Dayal Gupta from GB Pant Hospital and Maulana Azad Medical College, New Delhi. Addressing students, faculty, and staff, Dr. Gupta explained how a

single positive and powerful thought can transform one’s life and lead it toward a better path. In a clear and scientific manner, he highlighted how thoughts influence mental peace, behavior, decision-making, and daily challenges. Mastering one’s thoughts, he emphasized, enables individuals to deal more effectively with stress, professional responsibilities, and personal situations. The presence of senior officials—Prof. (Dr.) Madhabananda Kar (Executive Director), Prof. (Dr.) Rajnish Joshi (Dean Academics), Prof. (Dr.) Rehan Ul Haq (Dean Research), and Sandesh Kumar Jain (Deputy Director Administration)—added dignity to the program.