

CM Mohan Yadav's son to marry in historic mass wedding today

- A fusion of tradition and simplicity
- Grand simplicity: CM's family hosts collective nuptials

Ujjain: Ujjain, the city of Mahakal, is gearing up for an extraordinary event today as Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav's youngest son, Dr. Abhimanyu Yadav, marries Dr. Ishita Yadav from Khargone in a grand collective wedding ceremony. This choice, bypassing an exclusive, lavish affair, is being hailed as a unique example of simplicity and social responsibility. The ceremony will see Abhimanyu and Ishita take their vows alongside 21 other couples in the same mandap at the Sanwarakhedi venue, with all arrangements made free of charge by the CM's family.

Bullock cart entrance and family festivities

The wedding celebrations began with traditional flair. Abhimanyu and his bride-to-be, Dr. Ishita, made a charming, rustic entrance to their engagement ceremony on a bullock cart, delighting onlookers with their commitment to tradition. The family spirit soared on Saturday night at the Sangeet ceremony held at Hotel Atharva, where CM Dr. Mohan Yadav himself participated. The evening was marked by family members dancing to traditional tunes, prioritizing warm, familial joy over ostentatious display.



VIP convergence jams Ujjain hotels

The event has turned Ujjain into a high-security zone, with guests expected to include the Governor of Madhya Pradesh, Chief Ministers from over 11 states, Union Ministers, and the entire MP state cabinet. Due to the high-profile attendance, all major hotels in the city are fully booked, requiring special traffic management and enhanced security. Despite his personal engagement, the CM has maintained his official duties, managing state affairs through video conferences and meetings from Ujjain.

A model of social harmony

The marriage further deepens the bond between the two families, as CM Yadav's daughter is already married into Dr. Ishita's family. The decision to hold the wedding in a mass ceremony, with no unnecessary extravagance or display, is being showcased as an exemplary instance of blending tradition, culture, and community participation. The event is expected to be a benchmark for an ideal wedding focused on customs and social equality.

'When there is oppression, there will be Jihad': Maulana Madani

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He added that the freedom given to 'Ghar Wapsi' programs while targeting other groups shows a clear double standard. Madani concluded with a defiant message: "Jab jab zulm hoga, tab tab Jihad hoga" (When there is oppression, there will be Jihad).

Sambit Patra calls Madani statement "provocative, divisive, and nation-splitting"

BJP spokesperson Sambit Patra sharply criticized Maulana Madani's recent statement, labelling it "provocative, divisive, and nation-splitting." Patra accused Madani of politically misusing the term 'Jihad' to disrupt the country's atmosphere, stressing that the history of terror attacks committed in its name cannot be ignored.

Patra called Madani's comments on the Supreme Court "extremely unfortunate," suggesting they attempt to weaken constitutional institutions. He

formally demanded that the Supreme Court take suo motu cognizance of the statement and take appropriate action.

Minister Sarang slams Madani's remarks

Madhya Pradesh Minister Vishwas Sarang strongly condemned Maulana Madani's recent statements, calling them "divisive" and promoting "anti-national thinking." Sarang asserted that respecting India's Constitution, flag, and national symbols is the duty of every citizen.

He termed the comments against the Supreme Court and constitutional bodies as highly deplorable. Sarang lashed out at the mindset of those who "eat Hindustan's salt but sing someone else's tune," stating such an attitude will no longer be tolerated.

He affirmed the government's zero-tolerance policy against remarks challenging national unity and constitutional decorum.

Shivakumar reaffirms total unity with Siddaramaiah

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"As the ruling party, we are prepared to answer them and the entire state. We are fully capable of running the Assembly and the government," he said.

He expressed concern over the Centre's lack of support to Karnataka on sugarcane pricing, irrigation projects, and other pending commitments. He said the Chief Minister had already submitted representations to the Prime Minister and called on Karnataka's MPs to act collectively in the interest of the state. Some union Ministers, he noted, had shown readiness to join a state delegation.

Karnataka CM Siddaramaiah poised for historic full term: Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah is on track to become the state's first CM in 40 years, and only the second after Devaraj Urs, to complete a full five-year term by April. This milestone fuels speculation about a potential deal with Deputy CM D.K. Shivakumar. Internal sources suggest the two leaders had agreed to split the CM term following their election victory. If Siddaramaiah steps down in April, allowing Shivakumar to take charge, it could resolve the lingering dispute, which was calmed by the Congress high command.

Police brutality at Collectorate stirs outrage

● Complainants 'Abducted' mid-protest

● Singrauli Police accused of 'Kidnapping' families seeking justice



Ministerial Link Suspected in Road Dispute Crackdown

The incident, captured on video and now viral, has raised serious questions about police conduct. The complainants from Kasar village were reportedly protesting a road dispute involving the local Sarpanch. Sources suggest that a complaint filed by one resident, Santram Sahu, went unheard. When Sahu allegedly contacted high-ranking officials and a State Minister to complain, resulting in

on December 25th, coinciding with the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee. The conference will bring together agricultural experts and farmers practicing natural farming to accelerate regional development.

During his inspection, Shukla urged officials to ensure the timely completion of the dining hall and secure uninterrupted electricity supply. He emphasized boosting natural and organic farming, improving cattle breeds, and empowering women through self-help groups to establish the sanctuary as an "ideal Goshala."

Congress appoints district organisation general secretaries



By Special Correspondent
Bhopal: Madhya Pradesh Congress in-charge Harish Choudhary has approved the proposal submitted by State Congress President Jitu Patwari for the appoint-

ment of District Organisation General Secretaries in several districts.

The party stated that these appointments mark an important step towards strengthening and energising the organisation at the district level. The Madhya Pradesh Congress Committee is continuously working to reinforce the organisational structure from the booth level up to the state level, aiming to activate cadre networks and consolidate the party's grassroots presence.

According to the party, the newly assigned responsibilities will expedite organisational work and help build a stronger, more cohesive, and more effective political framework in the coming days.

The following individuals have been appointed as District Organisation General Secretaries (Office In-charge) for their respective districts:

Pushpraj Singh (Umaria), Ritesh Gupta (Jabalpur), Radheshyam Somtiya (Rajgarh), Paritosh Singh (Dhar), Ajay Rathore (Ujjain Rural), Rajendra Vyayas (Indore City), Sanjay Bakliwal (Indore Rural), Daulat Patel.

Congress demands extension of Assembly session

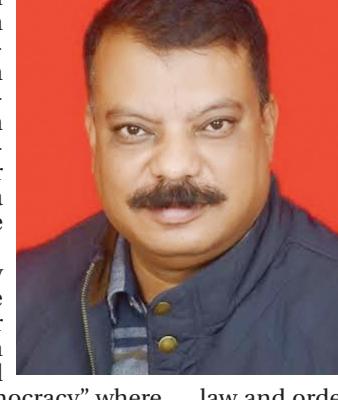
Bhopal: The winter session of the Madhya Pradesh Assembly, scheduled from 1 to 5 December, is set to convene with only four sittings. The Assembly Secretariat issued its notification on Wednesday, outlining the brief schedule. In response, Leader of Opposition Uman Singh has written to Governor Mangubhai Patel, Chief Minister Mohan Yadav and Speaker Narendra Singh Tomar, urging them to extend the duration of the session.

Singh argued that with merely four sittings, legislators will not have adequate time to raise questions or hold the government accountable on pressing public issues. He emphasised that the Assembly is the "temple of democracy" where the voice of the people must resonate, not be cur-

tailed. The BJP, however, criticised the Congress, remarking that the demand for an extension comes only after the session notification has been issued.

According to the Secretariat, although the session spans five days, actual working days will be limited to three. The first day traditionally adjourns after obituary references, and 3 December will be a holiday due to the anniversary of the Bhopal Gas Tragedy.

Meanwhile, the Congress Legislative Party has convened a crucial meeting on 30 November at 7:30 pm at Lake View Ashok. The meeting aims to finalise the Opposition's strategy, with plans to corner the government on issues including law and order, rising crime, the Land Pooling Act and other key policy concerns.



MP set to present lean supplementary budget in Winter Session

Fiscal discipline shrinks budget size to under Rs 5,000 crore

By Kanhaiya Lodhi

Bhopal: The Madhya Pradesh Finance Department has finalized preparations for the Second Supplementary Budget for the 2025-26 fiscal year, which is slated to be tabled during the upcoming Winter Session of the Assembly on December 2. In a marked shift toward fiscal prudence, the budget's size is expected to remain small, likely under Rs 5,000 crore.

The reduced size is a direct result of strict warnings issued by the Finance Department which demanded that all departments justify their funding needs with clear evidence of utility and prior expenditure status. This strict vetting ensured that only requests for highly essential works were included, reversing the trend of large supplementary allocations. The Cabinet will approve the final draft on December 2 before it is presented to the House, with discussions scheduled for December 4.

Focus on energy, infrastructure,

and social welfare: The proposed supplementary budget prioritizes key infrastructure and social sectors. The Energy Department is expected to receive the largest share, approximately Rs 1,200 crore.

Major allocations are also planned for construction and development over Rs 1,000 crore combined for the Narmada Valley and Water Resources Departments, and more than Rs 700 crore for the Public Works Department. The Women and Child Development Department is also set to receive a significant boost of around Rs 800 crore. This move towards a leaner budget follows the first supplementary budget of the current fiscal year, which was restricted to a mere Rs 2,356.79 crore. The state government attributes this tighter control to the new Zero-Based Budgeting process, aimed at ensuring that allocated funds are precisely directed toward achieving intended outcomes.

Digital leap: Betul and Neemuch achieve 100% voter list revision

Bhopal: The intensive drive to refine Madhya Pradesh's voter lists has achieved a significant milestone, with Betul and Neemuch joining Ashoknagar in completing 100% of the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) work. This includes the full digitisation of enumeration data in all three districts, setting a rapid pace for the state. Joint Chief Electoral Officer Ram Pratap Singh Jadon confirmed the achievement during a virtual review meeting with Deputy District Election Officers across the state. Jadon noted that a total of 44 districts have now completed over 90% of the revision work.

To ensure accuracy, the officer urged citizens requiring corrections due to change of residence or details to contact their Booth Level Officer (BLO) and submit Form 8. New voters are encouraged to fill out Form 6.

While praising the progress, Jadon directed officials in major metropolitan areas like Gwalior, Indore, and Bhopal to accelerate their efforts to ensure the entire state meets the cent-percent target within the stipulated timeframe. He also instructed swift processing of claims and compassionate appointments for the families of BLOs who passed away during the exercise.

Captain's Knock: Soumya Tiwari leads MP to 6-wicket victory over Delhi

Chandigarh/Bhopal: Madhya Pradesh secured their second win in the BCCI T20 Women's U-23 Cricket Tournament, defeating Delhi by six wickets in a thrilling encounter at Sector-16 Cricket Stadium on Saturday.

Delhi, opting to bat first after winning the toss, struggled initially but were anchored by a resilient half-century from Shweta Sehrawat (53). Her knock guided Delhi to a respectable total of 111 for 5 in their 20 overs. Vaishnavi (2 wickets) led the charge for the Madhya Pradesh bowlers.

MP's chase got off to a shaky start, losing Ayushi (1), Ananya (1), and Suhani Sharma (7) early. However, Captain Soumya Tiwari stepped up with a crucial, responsible innings. Falling just short of a fifty, Soumya scored a commanding 49 runs off 53 balls, including



three fours and two sixes, stabilizing the innings. She found excellent support from Anushka Sharma (41 runs). Even after Soumya's dismissal, the pair's efforts ensured MP comfortably reached the target of 112 in 19 overs, securing a dominant 6-wicket victory.

Patwari and Secretary suspended in Bhind Negligence costs jobs

Bhind: The Sub-Divisional Magistrate (SDM) of Lahan, Vijay Singh Yadav, conducted a surprise inspection of six villages in the Daboh, Alampur, and Aswar areas today to review the intensive voter list revision campaign, resulting in the immediate suspension of two officials for negligence.

During his visit to Khuja village, SDM Yadav found Gram Secretary Varsha Savita absent without prior notification. Following complaints from villagers about her consistently poor work ethic, the SDM informed the Lahan District Panayat CEO, who issued an immediate suspension order against the secretary.

The disciplinary action continued in Jalalpur, where Patwari Umashankar Narwaria was also found absent without leave. Citing repeated complaints of the Patwari neglecting his duties, SDM Yadav immediately removed him from the Jalalpur circle and attached him to the Tehsil office. Subhan Khan has been appointed as the new Patwari.

The SDM further addressed villagers' complaints regarding encroachment on cremation grounds, directing the Janpad CEO, police, and Village Sarpanch to clear the land within seven days. The strict action underscores the administration's commitment to accountability.