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WILL THE UKRAINE CRISIS OFFER AN OPPORTUNITY FOR RUSSIA-INDIA-CHINA **COOPERATION?**

ADITI BHADURI

The recent visit by foreign minister of the Russian Federation, Sergei Layrov, stands out for a number of reasons. Foremost of course is Russia's ongoing "special military operation" in Ukraine. Operations have entered the second month and a wide range of harsh sanctions have been slapped by the Western world led by the USA on Russia, which will significantly cripple the Russian economy.

The second is India's tacit but stout support of Russia. India has claimed to be "neutral", abstaining from every UN vote against Russian action in Ukraine, but that is well understood to be a fig leaf with good reason. Though India has called for a return to the negotiating table by both sides and sent humanitarian aid to Ukraine, India's stand is putting it under considerable pressure from the USA and other western entities, both within and outside the Quadthe four-member Indo-Pacific bloc.

Third, it comes in the course of a spate of visits to Delhi by foreign ministers and delegations of different countries, including those of the UK, the USA, and China but it was only Lavrov who could meet Prime Minister Narendra



Modi, in which the latter promised to "contribute" in any way to end the conflict in Ukraine. In Delhi, a smiling Lavrov said: "We will be ready to supply to India any goods which it wants to buy from us. CONTD. ON PAGE 14

PREMIER FORD ANNOUNCES INVESTMENTS IN THE NEW PEEL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND EXPANDED **CANCER CARE SERVICES IN BRAMPTON**

William Osler Health System (Osler) welcomed the Premier of Ontario, Hon. Doug Ford, and other dignitaries to Peel Memorial Centre for Integrated Health and Wellness (Peel Memorial) as the Ontario Government announced a \$21 million investment that will help Osler build the future of hospital services in Brampton:

* \$18 million to continue planning for the transformation of Peel Memorial into Brampton's new hospital with a new 24/7 emergency

* \$3 million to support planning for expanded cancer care services at Brampton Civic Hospital.

Joining in the momentous occasion were Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, President of the Treasury Board and MPP Brampton South; Deputy Premier and Minister of Health, Hon. Christine Elliott; Amarjot Sandhu, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Infrastructure and MPP Brampton West; and Brampton's Deputy Mayors Pat Fortini and Martin Medeiros.

"Today's announcement means that we are one significant step closer to increased hospital and health care capacity for our community," said Geoffrey Ritchie, Chair, William Osler Health System Board of Directors.

"Building the next phase of Peel Memorial and expanding cancer care services will increase hospital capacity in Brampton, and will elevate Osler's long-standing tradition of exceptional health care.

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Y MEDIA TEAM LIVE ON LOCATION ALONG WITH GROUP EDITOR & CEO, YUDHVIR JASWAL, AT LOWE'S SPRING FEST AT BRAMPTON NORTH WAS A GRAND SUCCESS. I CONTD. ON PAGE 4

STATISTICS CANADA SAYS ECONOMY **GREW 0.2% IN JANUARY**

Real gross domestic product (GDP) grew 0.2% in January, up for the eighth month in a row. Goods-producing industries increased 0.8% in January, while the effects of the Omicron variant continued to take the wind out of the sails of services-producing industries (0.0%), with specific client-facing industries feeling direct impacts. Overall, 9 of 20 industrial sectors increased in January. I CONTD. ON PAGE 10

INDIANS TOP AS CANADA ADMITS 108,000 NEW IMMIGRANTS IN 1ST QUARTER

Canada, which plans to admit a record 432,000 new immigrants in 2022, is on target to hit this mark as the country welcomed 108,000 newcomers in the first three months of the year.

"Canada is proud to be a destination of choice for so many people around the world, and we will continue to work hard to provide the best experience possible for them," said Sean Fraser, Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship, releasing the figures for the first quarter on Thursday. Though there is no country-wise break-up of the numbers, Indians are the top immigrant group to take up residence in Canada this year. In 2021, nearly 100,000 Indians became permanent residents of Canada as the country admitted a record 405,000 new immigrants in its history.

During 2021-2022, over 210,000 permanent residents also acquired Canadian citizenship. As per figures released by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC), it also issued 450,000 study permit applications. There are over 622,000 foreign students in Canada, with Indians numbering 217,410 as of December 31, 2021.

ABOUT 6 IN 10 CANADIANS AGED 15+ REPORTED HAVING STRONG SENSE OF **MEANING AND PURPOSE: SURVEY**

About 6 in 10 Canadians aged 15 years and older reported having a strong sense of meaning and purpose, according to new data from the Canadian Social Survey (October to December 2021 wave). The COVID-19 pandemic has had significant impacts on Canadians' personal well-being. For example, mental health declined with the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic and had not vet returned to pre-pandemic levels by July 2021. Likewise, life satisfaction was sharply lower in June 2020 compared with 2018. Mental health and life satisfaction registered similar drops in the United Kingdom in the first year of the I CONTD. ON PAGE 7

PAKISTAN FACES POLITICAL ANARCHY

Pakistan is on a political precipice with President ArifAlvi dissolving the National Assembly on the advice of Prime Minister Imran Khan, A no-confidence motion (NCM) against the government was rejected by the Deputy

Speaker of the National Assembly (NA) who cited the 'conspiracy' by the US as the reason. The Supreme Court has, however, taken suo moto notice and indications are that last word may not have been said on the festering dispute between Khan and his political opponents.



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INDIA OFFERS TO HELP BRIDGE DIVIDE **BETWEEN RUSSIA & UKRAINE**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday offered to "contribute in any way" to end conflict between Ukraine and Russia after Moscow praised New Delhi

for adopting a "balanced position" on the ongoing tensions between the two neighbours. This was conveyed to the Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov when he called on PM Modi in New Delhi on Friday evening before wrapping up his India visit. So far Turkey, Israel and France have stood out for offering their good offices to defuse tensions between Moscow and Kiev. | CONTD. ON PAGE 13

Y MEDIA COVID & VACCINE REPORT

- Canada's Vaccine Advisory Body Strongly Recommends Second Booster For People Between 70- 79 Years Of Age.
- Ontario Expands Eligibility For Fourth Covid-19 Vaccine Doses To Individuals Aged 60+.
- Ontario Sees Around 40% Increase In Covid-19 Hospitalizations In One Week.
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Y MEDIA team was live on location at Lowe's spring fest in North Brampton on Saturday, April 2, where 30% off was being promoted on selected items at the store. The event was a huge success and attracted a large gathering of people. Y Media team actively engaged with the community by organizing different contests. The people participated in some of the contests to win various prizes. At the end of the day, Y Media Team gave out a mega prize of \$250 to one of the lucky winners. Congratulations to Kulwinder and Jaswinder Ghuman, who won our mega award of \$250.

In addition to this, Y Media team created hype to engage the audience in the store by giving out Lowe's \$100 gift cards every hour. Y Media congratulates our contest winners, namely Aniketh, Ami Joshi, Parwinder Singh, Raghbir Singh Gill, and Ravinder Kaur Pauuar.

Y Media covered this exclusive event LIVE on Radio Y 91.9 FM and Channel Y, wherein the participants came LIVE on air and described their experiences with the listeners and the viewers. You can watch this exclusive event coverage only on Channel Y Bell 828, Telus 2418, Rogers 857, Ignite 707 and listen on Radio Y 91.9 FM. You can also visit our website southasiandaily.com to know more information about the same. Follow us on our Twitter and Facebook pages: Y Media, to stay updated with the latest events. Read our 'Midweek' newspaper published every Tuesday to know what's happening in Canada and worldwide.

After the massive success of this event, Y Media Group is doing another Live on location. Join Y Media on Sunday, April 10, at Lowe's South Brampton (Major Intersection - Steeles and Kennedy) and get an amazing chance to win prizes!!!

MidWeek

Y MEDIA AT PAKISTAN RESOLUTION DAY EVENT ORGANIZED BY CANADA PAKISTAN FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION IN MISSISSAUGA

The Canada Pakistan Friendship Association arranged a Pakistan resolution day event on March 23, 2022 at Capitol Banquet Hall inMississauga. The event started at 7:30p.m. with Dr Bashir Khan and Aziz Chouhderyas the MCs. The event was started with a recitationfrom the holy Quran followed by Canadian and Pakistani national anthems.

Kaiser Nawaz presented a report on the Carassauga event from the CPFA. Sultan Qureshi presented a brief history of the CPFA.

The ConsulateGeneral of Pakistan, Mr. Abdul Hameed, Mayor of the City of Brampton, Patrick Brown, MP Shafqat Ali, the Associate Minister of Ontario, Mr. Kaleed Rasheed, MPP Deepak Anand, MPP SherefSabawi, MPP Nina Tangriand other Canadian dignitaries attended the event in full support and thanked CPFA Chairman Mushtaq Anjum, President Tariq Shah, and the other CPFA board of directors for organizing the event and leading the CPFA to have a positive impact on the community. The ConsulateGeneral emphasized the importance ofPakistan's resolution day for the history of Pakistan and appreciated the role of Pakistanis in Canadian society, followed by a similar message from Mayor of the City of Brampton, Patrick Brown.

CPFA Chairman, Mushtaq Anjum, thanked the guests for attending and supporting the event and organization. The event was concluded at 11:00 p.m. after guests enjoyed dinner and a live musical program of national songs and Pakistani folk songs.



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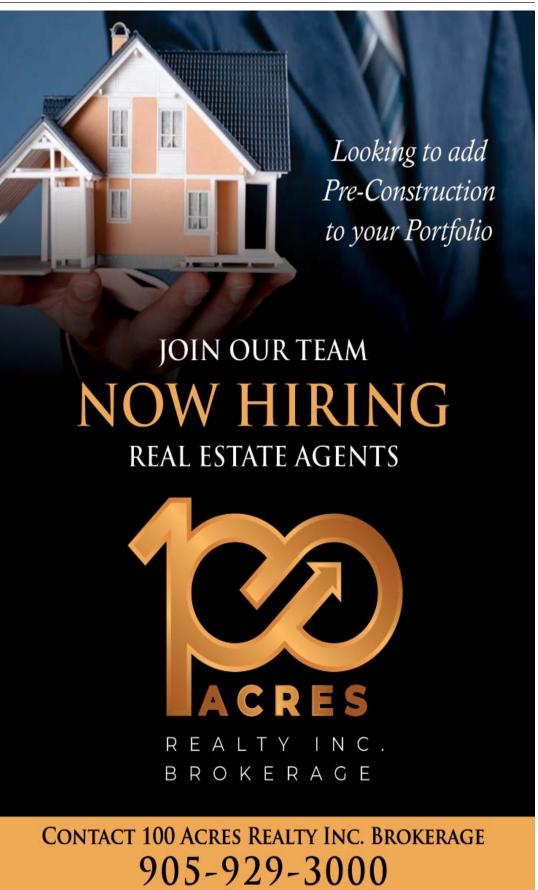
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PREMIER FORD ANNOUNCES INVESTMENTS IN THE NEW PEEL MEMORIAL **HOSPITAL AND EXPANDED CANCER CARE SERVICES IN BRAMPTON**



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This is excellent news for the community." The transformation of Peel Memorial will include the construction of a new tower for inpatient beds and the expansion of the existing Urgent Care Centre to 24/7 operations later this year, setting the stage for a second full Emergency Department in Brampton. For more information, visit www.williamoslerhs.ca/BuildOsler. A new Ontario Builds sign is being installed at Peel Memorial to mark the location of the new patient tower, as well as continued progress made in development of the new Peel Memorial Hospital.

Today's announcement is also an important step forward for cancer care and enables Osler to continue planning expansion of its cancer care program in order to meet the needs of the fast-growing community. This will bring more services, including radiation treatment that is currently not available in Brampton, closer to home for the community.

Osler is profoundly grateful to the Ontario Government, City of Brampton, Osler Foundation, donors, and the community for their continued support as it works to increase hospital and health care capacity to benefit people across the region for years to come.



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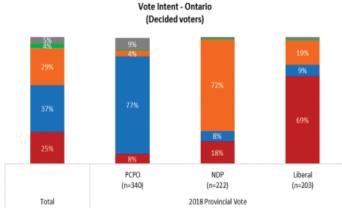


BRAMPTON'S DEPUTY MAYOR MARTIN MEDEIROS.



GEOFFREY RITCHIE, CHAIR, WILLIAM OSLER HEALTH SYSTEM BOARD OF DIRECTORS, WELCOMING NEWS OF NEW TRANSFORMATIONAL INVESTMENTS FOR WILLIAM OSLER HEALTH SYSTEM.

ONTARIO, ALBERTA GOVERNMENTS HEAVILY CRITICIZED ON **NEARLY EVERY ASPECT OF PROVINCIAL MANAGEMENT: POLL**



As if Canadians needed any more political drama in 2022, the spotlight is intensifying on the provincial scene in many regions of the country. Canada's two most populous provinces head to the polls, this year, while in the west, a beleaguered premier fights for his political survival.

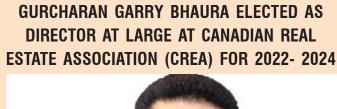
The latest data from the non-profit Angus Reid Institute finds Alberta Premier Jason Kenney in a precarious position ahead of an April 9 leadership review. His personal appeal remains among the lowest of provincial leaders at 30 per cent, with 46 per cent of his past voters saying they disapprove of his performance. Perhaps more troubling for Kenney is his government's subpar management of myriad issues according to his constituents. Indeed, a majority of Albertans say the UCP has done poorly in handling 13 different areas of importance to the province. This, including the highest level of criticism over COVID-19 handling in the country, and three-quarters (73%) critical of the government's health care management more broadly. Facing his own test in Ontario, where a provincial election is set to be held in on June 2, metrics are inching positively upward for Doug Ford and the Progressive Conservatives. Ford's approval improved greatly this quarter up 13 points - and his party (37% vote intention) now holds a relatively comfortable lead over both the Ontario NDP (29%) and Ontario Liberals (25%). Some have suggested that the Ontario Liberals and New Democrats may follow suit with their federal counterparts and co-operate if the election returns a minority PC government. With the campaign yet to officially begin, questions are now focused on the government and its record. Despite the current electoral advantage held by the PCPO, Ontario residents are much more likely to say that the government has done a poor job than a good one in its handling of health care, housing affordability, education, the economy, and other core voter issues. Overall, Ford's government fares worse than Kenney's with the lowest score - tied with Manitoba - on the Angus Reid Institute's Government Performance Index, which averages performance across all issues. In Quebec, which will not hold an election until the fall, the surging Conservative Party is likely causing both the governing Coalition Avenir Quebec and the Quebec Liberal Party moment for pause. Support for the Quebec Conservatives has doubled since January, with one-in-five Quebec residents now saying they would support the party. This includes onequarter of past CAQ voters (26%). That said, the incumbent party still holds a 14-point advantage (33% vote intention) over both the Liberals (19%) and Conservatives (19%).

JAMMU & KASHMIR IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS

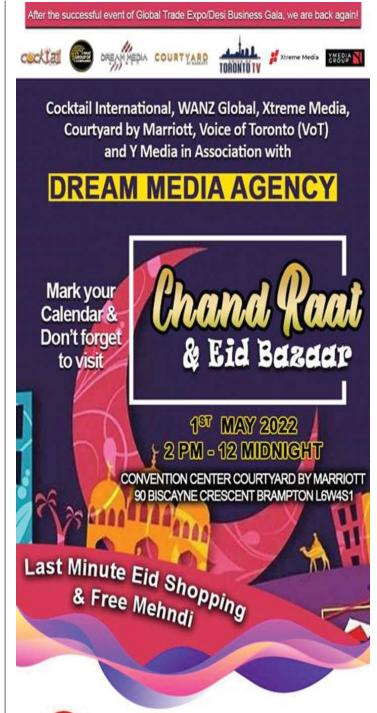


Following the political transformation of Jammu and Kashmir, which both the houses of the Indian Parliament accepted in 2019, the Indian government has made continuous efforts to kickstart the economy in the region, now categorized as two Union Territories – Jammu, and Kashmir and Ladakh. As a bilateral trade and investment promotion organization mandated to foster business ties between Canadian and Indian micro and small business owners, the Indo-Canada Chamber of Commerce (ICCC) supports efforts by the federal and provincial governments in Canada, and the union and state governments in India to forge linkages. These efforts are aimed at reviving economies that have been dormant and need an impetus to soar again. In 2021, in collaboration with the Consulate General of India in Toronto, and the Jammu and Kashmir Trade Promotion Organization (JKTPO), the ICCC took lead in promoting Kashmiri niche products in Canada by organizing two virtual buyer-seller meetings. The first buyer-seller meeting held in February 2021 had Kashmiri micro and small business owners from the handicrafts and handlooms sector connecting with potential buyers from Ontario. In the second buyer-seller meeting held in September 2021, Kashmiri micro and small business owners from the leather and agro-products connecting with Canadian buyers. Both these buyer-seller

meetings received overwhelming response both the Jammu and Kashmir and Canada. When the ICCC's India Mission 2022 was planned, Jammu was chosen as one of the cities on the itinerary because the Chamber's leadership felt it was important, in fact, imperative that Jammu was one of the cities on the mission's itinerary. While on the mission, the Chamber's leadership decided to that it was also important to visit Srinagar and the Kashmir valley only to let the world know that the entire region – Jammu, Kashmir, Ladakh – is open for business. The spectre of political and economic uncertainties that had enveloped the region for a prolonged period is rapidly becoming outdated, as both the union government in India, and the administration in the union territories work in unison and with a purpose to usher in economic stability and growth.









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CANADIAN CONSUMER EXPECTATIONS FOR INFLATION REACH RECORD HIGH LEVELS: SURVEY

The Bank of Canada has revealed the result of the first-quarter survey, target. Although workers anticipated significant price increases in the indicating that Canadian consumer expectations for one year and two years from now continued to increase and reached record high levels. According to the online survey conducted by the central bank on Monday, one-year-ahead inflation rate expectations reached 5.07 per cent and two-year-ahead inflation rate expectations 4.62 per cent, Xinhua news agency reported.

Survey respondents expressed the belief that three main issues were making inflation harder to control: supply chain issues, the persistence of the pandemic and high government spending.

Most expected supply chain issues to persist for at least one to two years. Respondents also suggested that prices would likely not decline even after supply chain issues are resolved because businesses need to restore their profit margins.

Increases in near-term inflation expectations, however, were not feeding into those for the longer term, according to the survey.

Consumers' long-term expectations remained relatively stable and below their pre-pandemic level with five-year-ahead inflation rate expectations staying at 3.23 per cent.

This suggests that inflation expectations are well anchored. Survey respondents generally felt that once the pandemic ends and supply issues fade, the Bank of Canada will be able to achieve its inflation daily update report.

near term, they believed their wages would increase only modestly. This was a source of dissatisfaction for them, the survey revealed. fully vaccinated travellers no longer need pre-arrival Covid-19 testing to enter Canada

Border measures eased in Canada on Friday as fully vaccinated travellers no longer need pre-arrival Covid-19 testing to enter the country either by land or air.

Vaccinated people could still be subject to random molecular tests when they arrive in Canada. If they are randomly selected, they are not required to isolate, unless the result comes back positive, Xinhua news agency reported, citing a previous announcement by the Health Ministry. Announcing these measures in March, Health Minister Jean-Yves Duclos said the health authorities would continue to adjust them as the epidemiological situation in Canada and abroad evolves.

Currently some places in Canada have entered a so-called sixth wave of the Covid-19 pandemic driven by the BA.2 subvariant of Omicron although it's unclear how severe it will be and whether the rest of the country will follow. The Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) warned Friday new variants will continue to appear. "We must remain vigilant and take all available measures to limit spread," the PHAC said in a

US pins hope on 2nd booster to protect certain groups from Covid-19

and those with underlying conditions or chronicle illnesses, as the average daily Covid-19 deaths dropped to 649 nationwide with a minus 41 per cent change over 14 days.

Deaths among American nursing home residents from Covid-19 appear to be at their lowest levels since the coronavirus first swept the country more than two years ago, according to the most recent data from the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Some 67 residents died during the week ending March 27. While that number could be adjusted in the coming weeks, it mirrors the lows last reached during June 2021 before facilities were hit with the Delta and Omicron variants, The New York Times cited the data.

Cases among nursing home residents rose sharply in the fall and The New York Times on Sunday. Recent studies suggest that 30 to 40 winter, with deaths reaching 1,500 in January prior to a steady decline. Experts, however, raised little reason for complacency, as this group remains highly vulnerable to the virus for their age and underlying medical conditions, Xinhua news agency reported.

Amid growing concern over a highly contagious subvariant of Omicron, with booster shots proved protective against severe illness, federal regulators already authorised second booster shots of the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna coronavirus vaccines last week.

should get the additional booster dose and when. Instead, the CDC said on Tuesday that immunocompromised and older Americans could get a second booster while stopping short of recommending they do so. CDC Director Rochelle Walensky said that those most likely to

The US is promoting a second booster vaccine to protect aged people anyone 50 years and older with underlying medical conditions who are at higher risk for severe disease from Covid-19.

> Some doctors and experts argued that "the agency's scant guidance left them responsible for complicated clinical decisions in a landscape with unclear and constantly evolving data," "leaving them unprepared and confused by the policy shift," reported The Washington Post on Saturday. However, other experts agreed with CDC's decision, saying that risk varies widely from person to person, and doctors and patients should have the opportunity to make individual choices about a fourth vaccine jab based on a slew of factors, according to the report.

> After older people and nursing home residents, perhaps no group has been harder hit by the pandemic than people with diabetes, reported per cent of all coronavirus deaths in the US have occurred among people with diabetes.

"People with diabetes are especially vulnerable to severe illness from Covid, partly because diabetes impairs the immune system but also because those with the disease often struggle with high blood pressure, obesity and other underlying medical conditions," said the report. Diabetes patients hospitalised with Covid-19 spend more time in the ICU, are more likely to be intubated and are less likely to survive, The federal government offered little detailed guidance about who according to several studies, one of which found that 20 per cent of hospitalised coronavirus patients with diabetes died within a month of admission. "Though researchers are still trying to understand the dynamics between the two diseases, most agree on one thing: uncontrolled diabetes impairs the immune system and decreases a benefit fall into two categories: those who are 65 years and older; or patient's ability to withstand a coronavirus infection," the report added.

BRAMPTON PASSES MOTION ON TRUCKERS ISSUE; TRUCKER'S CELEBRATE MOTION TO PROTECT WORKERS RIGHTS



The Ontario Dump Truck Association is pleased to see Brampton City Council pass a motion unanimously to protect our members and to create a safer and healthier working environment within the city. "Soaring fuel prices, drivers being denied breaks and washroom access, and ongoing safety concerns are the reality for our drivers", said Bob Punia, Senior Advisor of the Ontario Dump Truck Association (ODTA). "This resolution from Brampton City Council is an important step in supporting the thousands of members who are asking for fairness and respect in the workplace".

The motion requests City of Brampton staff to ensure that the ODTA's basic agreement is considered prior to allowing companies to bid on City infrastructure projects to ensure drivers are protected with labour rights and fair wages on city projects and for staff to report to council on how the ODTA basic agreement can be inserted into the City's procurement process

permanently. "I am pleased to see my colleagues on city council recognize the importance of standing up forworkers rights", said Councillor Gurpeet Dhillon who put forward the motion. "This motion is an important step in ensuring City of Brampton funded infrastructure projects are respectful to these important workers who literally build our cities."

Members of the Ontario Dump Truck Association (ODTA) have been engaging in job actions to advocate for respect for their labour rights,

fair wages and compensation, and to highlight safety issues for over two weeks.

"We are urging other municipalities to follow the leadership of Brampton City Council to protect the rights of Ontario Dump Truck Association members and ensure municipal projects respect labour rights and provide fair wages," added Punia. "These measures will bring long term stability to the industry at a time of labour shortages and high demand for construction."

CHANDIGARH BECOMING A FLASH POINT **BETWEEN CONG-AAP-BJP**

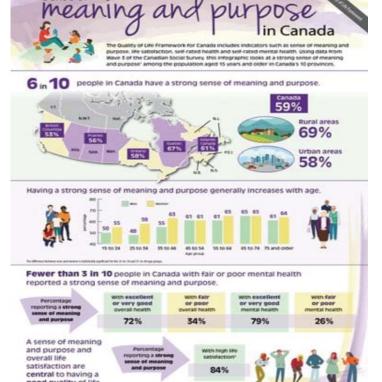


Chandigarh could be the new flash point between the BJP, Congress and Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) after AAP recently passed a resolution in the Punjab Assembly urging the Centre to "immediately transfer Chandigarh to Punjab". On Monday, Congress Rajya Sabha MP from Haryana, Depender Singh Hooda, submitted a notice in the Upper House highlighting Haryana's claim over Chandigarh. Hooda's notice under Rule 267 said, "The claim that Chandigarh was created as capital of Punjab is misleading. It's a violation of the Punjab Reorganisation Act of 1966."

Not only the Congress, but the BJP too has opposed the move by AAP. The BJP-ruled Haryana will convene a day-long special session of the Vidhan Sabha on Tuesday. A cabinet meeting was held on Sunday under the chairmanship of Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar, who has condemned AAP moving a resolution in the Assembly to transfer Chandigarh to Punjab. "Condemnable. They should not have done this. Punjab should first go to the Supreme Court for resolving the Satluj Yamuna Link (SYL) canal issue. The Hindi-speaking areas were not given to Haryana, which delayed the rest of the issues. They should first be ready to hand over the Hindi-speaking areas to Haryana," Khattar said, adding that Chandigarh is and will remain the capital of both Haryana and Punjab. Haryana, Himachal Pradesh and Chandigarh came into existence through the Puniab Reorganisation Act passed in 1966. Last Friday, the Punjab Assembly unanimously adopted the resolution moved by Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann, urging the Centre to transfer Chandigarh to Punjab.

The issue was triggered on March 27 after Union Home Minister Amit Shah announced that the Central Civil Service Rules will be implemented for all employees under the Chandigarh administration, which was opposed by different political parties in Punjab. If the Central Civil Service Rules are implemented, all employees will get the pay scale under the Central rules. As per the rules, retirement age will be enhanced from 58 to 60 years, while the maternity leave will be extended to two years from the existing one year.

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Another dimension of personal well-being, "sense of meaning and purpose," also dipped in 2020 in the United Kingdom. Having a strong, positive sense of meaning and purpose means feeling like the things done in life are worthwhile. Over 2020, the massive labour market disruptions and restrictions on social interactions may have contributed to a feeling that life's activities were not as meaningful as they had seemed to be previously. This release presents the first results on sense of meaning and purpose for Canada, measured from October to December 2021. These figures will provide an important baseline for tracking Canadians' sense of meaning and purpose in the future.

A higher share of women report a strong sense of meaning and purpose In late 2021, 59% of the population aged 15 years and older in Canada's provinces reported having a strong sense of meaning and purpose, meaning they said they felt strongly that the things they do in life are worthwhile. This share was 61% among women and 57% among men.

Sense of meaning and purpose in the Canadian Social Survey is measured with the question "Using a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 means 'Not at all' and 10 means 'Completely', to what extent do you feel the things you do in your life are worthwhile? Responses of 8, 9 or 10 are used in this study to indicate having "a strong sense of meaning and purpose."

Higher shares of rural residents and people living in Quebec report a strong sense of meaning and purpose

Rural residents (69%) felt more strongly that the things they do in life are worthwhile compared with urban residents (58%). Quebec was home to the largest proportion of those reporting a strong sense of meaning and purpose, with about two-thirds (67%) of the Quebec population indicating, in the period from October to December 2021, feeling that the things they do in life are worthwhile. After Quebec, the highest shares of those with a strong sense of meaning and purpose were in the Atlantic region (61%), followed by Ontario (58%), the Prairies (56%) and British Columbia (53%). Results for Quebec are consistent with other personal well-being statistics which show that Quebecers reported relatively more positive mental health and life satisfaction in 2019 and 2020. Having a strong sense of meaning and purpose generally increases with age

Having a strong sense of meaning and purpose differed by age group. In particular, a larger share of older people reported a strong sense of meaning and purpose. To illustrate, in October through December 2021, nearly two-thirds (65%) of seniors aged 65 to 74 reported having a strong sense of meaning and purpose, while just over half of the population aged 15 to 24 (52%) reported the same. Further research could help to show whether other characteristics of seniors, such as whether they have grandchildren, employment, hobbies or participate regularly in activities or volunteer work, influence their sense of meaning and purpose.

INDIA CHARTING ITS OWN PATH

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The last one-month has shown the tenacity and astuteness of the Indian foreign policy, and the "correctional change" which the current polity is trying to achieve through it. Last week saw a flurry of diplomatic activities in New Delhi, with quite a large number of foreign ministers and security advisers coming over to convince the Indian leadership to change its stand on the Russia-Ukraine war and support the western coalition against Russia. The week also saw stern condemnation and accusation of the Indian stand by the US leaders and India responding in a befitting diplomatically astute manner. Before the arrival of the US Deputy NSA on Economics, Daleep Singh to India, the US Commerce Secretary Gina Raimondo urged nations to stand on the right side of history, and not fund, fuel and aid President Putin's war, on Wednesday 30 March.

On his part Singh in his meetings with Union Commerce Minister PiyushGoyal and Foreign Secretary Harsh Shringla, reportedly "cautioned India against enhancing ties with Moscow" and made it clear that India runs the risk of being caught up in a web of secondary sanctions if it tries to do business with Russia.

On Thursday 31 March, hours before Russian foreign minister Sergei Lavrov's arrival, Singh told reporters in India that the US wouldn't like to see an increase in India's imports from Russia, particularly of energy products. He reportedly also warned that there would be "consequences" for countries, including India.

The Indian government considered these remarks and public threats raised as quite undiplomatic. Syed Akbaruddin, former Indian envoy to the UN, Tweeted that "This is not the language of diplomacy... This is the language of coercion... Somebody tell this young man that punitive unilateral economic measures are a breach of customary international law..." Further, Foreign Minister S. Jaishankar pointed out at a panel discussion with the British Foreign Secretary Liz Truss, that Russian oil imports form a miniscule part of India's energy basket, while the UK increased its already substantial purchase of Russian oil and gas between February and March - well after Moscow sent its forces into Ukraine.

Lavrov's Visit

Thus in a well-crafted response the Indian government was able to show both the UK and US their place. Both these countries were more concerned about the visit of the week, i.e., of the Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov to New Delhi.

The importance that Delhi attached to this visit was evident by the fact that of all foreign dignitaries visiting India, only



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Lavrov was able to meet the Prime Minister Modi. On his part Lavrov clearly put forward his message that he actively wants to develop the Russia-India-China trilateral mechanism to stabilise international relations and ensure "equity in international affairs". He also described this relationship as our 'troika' - RIC (Russia, India, China). Lavrov arrived in India from China. The takeaway from his Chinese visit could be summed up as the one, which seeks out establishing and accelerating multipolar trends. The US' unipolar hegemony is being questioned by other nations everyday and it has opened up many new proposals to reshape the world order. The close China-Russia cooperation can be described as the basis of this new multipolar world order. China on April 1 lashed out at the US for allegedly instigating the Russia-Ukraine conflict and blamed it for the expansion of NATO, the number of NATO members increased from 16 to 30 to protect itself from the aggression of any nation, according to Chinese foreign ministry spokesperson Zhao Lijian. Zhao further said that China disapproves of solving problems through sanctions, and is even more opposed to unilateral sanctions and long-arm jurisdiction that have no basis in international law.

On its part, Indian External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar after his meeting with his Russian counterpart Sergei Lavrov in New Delhi on April 1 said that India has always been in favour of resolving disputes through diplomacy, in an obvious reference to both its border dispute with China and also in regard to the Russian-Ukraine war.

Jaishankar further stated that the contemporary global order

was built on the United Nations Charter, international law and respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity of states. On his part Lavrov appreciated India's principled stand and he even suggested India acting as a mediator between Russia and Ukraine to resolve the ongoing crisis.

India's changed stand

Conjoining the two, i.e., the references by Lavrov in China about a new multipolar world taking shape and India reiterating its stand on international comity, one can say that indeed the global map is due to be redrawn, and very soon we could be a witness to shaping-up of not a unipolar or a bipolar world, but a multipolar world. When that takes shape the manner in which global issues are resolved or heightened will change completely and dramatically. Added to this will be the lessening of the American control over global political play. Further, India's balanced and principled stand has shown the world maturity of its foreign policy, besides the role which it could play in the international diplomatic arena, all as a result of the foreign policy team led by S Jaishankar under the stewardship of PM Modi. It has also underlined the fact that India is not ready to be cowed down by the US bullying and will chart its own path, as per its policies and need of the hour. This also points to the "correctional change", which the Indian polity has been able to make in its foreign policy.

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PM Trudeau Launches Process To Select Next Justice Of The Supreme Court Of Canada; Applications Accepted Until May 13

The Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau, today launched the process to select the next justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, who will fill the vacancy created by the upcoming retirement of Justice Michael J. Moldaver. Applications from qualified candidates will be accepted until May 13, 2022. The Prime Minister also announced the Honourable H. Wade MacLauchlan, former Premier of Prince Edward Island, as Chair and member of the Independent Advisory Board for Supreme Court of Canada Judicial Appointments. This non-partisan board is responsible for identifying candidates who are jurists of the highest calibre, functionally bilingual, and representative of the diversity of our country.

After the application period closes, the Advisory Board will review applications and submit a shortlist of highly qualified candidates to the Prime Minister for consideration.

Justice Moldaver was appointed to the Supreme Court of Canada from the Ontario Court of Appeal in 2011. In recognition of the convention of regional representation, the process will be open to all qualified applicants from Ontario.

PM Trudeau said, "The Supreme Court of Canada plays a critical role in Canada's democracy. This open, transparent, and independent process we are launching today will identify esteemed Canadian legal minds to serve at the highest court of our country. I wish to take this opportunity to thank Justice Moldaver for his service over the past decade as a justice of the Supreme Court, and congratulate him on his distinguished judicial career that has spanned more than three decades. I also wish to thank the Right Honourable Kim Campbell for her service in chairing the Advisory Board over the past six years."

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Qualified candidates who wish to be considered for the upcoming va- September 1, 2022.

cancy must submit an application package no later than 23:59 Pacific Time on May 13, 2022.

Those interested in applying are encouraged to first review the statutory requirements set out in the Supreme Court Act, and the qualifications and assessment criteria that will guide the Advisory Board in evaluating a candidate's suitability.

Candidates may demonstrate they satisfy the geographical requirement by reference to their bar membership, judicial appointment, or other relationship with the province of Ontario.

The Supreme Court of Canada consists of nine judges, including a chief justice. They are all appointed by the Governor in Council, and must have been either a judge of a superior court or a member of at least 10 years' standing of the bar of a province or territory.

In 2016, the Government of Canada announced a new process for Supreme Court of Canada judicial appointments. It included the creation of an independent and non-partisan advisory board to identify qualified and suitable candidates for appointment to the Supreme Court of Canada.

The Advisory Board was previously chaired by the Right Honourable Kim Campbell, former Prime Minister of Canada, in 2016, 2017, 2019, and 2021.

The remaining members of the Advisory Board will be announced later this spring.

The Advisory Board will now include an additional member nominated by the Indigenous Bar Association to advance the Minister of Justice's mandate letter commitment to work with stakeholders to encourage more Indigenous Peoples to join the bench.

Justice Moldaver will retire from the Supreme Court of Canada effective

Osler Thanks Brampton City Council for Significant Support of Hospital Infrastructure

William Osler Health System (Osler) is deeply grateful to Brampton City Council for passing yesterday's motion in favour of increasing the City of Brampton's financial contribution to Osler redevelopment projects in Brampton – for a total of \$125M. This includes the \$62.5M commitment made by Council in late 2021.

Pending ratification next week, this unprecedented support from Brampton City Council represents another exciting milestone in the transformation of Peel Memorial Centre for Integrated Health and Wellness (Peel Memorial) and in the development of the proposed cancer care centre at Brampton Civic Hospital.

"In the months ahead, Osler looks forward to further engagement with local Council and with Brampton residents as plans for the new Peel Memorial Hospital advance," said Geoffrey Ritchie, Chair, William Osler Health System Board of Directors. "The future is bright for Osler and we are grateful to Brampton City Council, Osler Foundation, and our community for their support in transforming Peel Memorial into Brampton's new hospital. We look forward to continued work with the provincial government on plans for

the proposed cancer care centre, increased bed capacity at Osler's Brampton Civic Hospital, and continued efforts towards an eventual third hospital in Brampton." The transformation of Peel Memorial will include a new multi-storey patient tower with 250 inpatient beds and space to grow by nearly 100 more, new and enhanced outpatient services and day programs, and the expansion of the existing Urgent Care Centre to 24/7 operations later this year – setting the stage for a second full Emergency Department in Brampton. The proposed new state-of-the-art cancer care centre at Brampton Civic Hospital will address the growing need for cancer care in the community and will bring cancer care services closer to home for patients and families in Brampton and the surrounding region.

For more information on Osler's redevelopment projects, please visit our Build Osler page at www.williamoslerhs.ca.

ONTARIO TO INTRODUCE LEGISLATION TO **CUT GAS TAX BY 5.7 CENTS PER LITRE AND FUEL TAX BY 5.3 CENTS PER LITRE**



As part of its plan to keep costs down for Ontario families and businesses, the Ontario government is introducing legislation that would, if passed, cut the gas tax by 5.7 cents per litre and the fuel tax by 5.3 cents per litre for six months beginning July 1, 2022.

Vehicle owners in Ontario would see significant direct savings from this proposed gas tax cut and the recently announced elimination of licence plate renewal fees, with households benefitting from an average combined savings of about \$465 in 2022.

"Ongoing supply chain challenges and geopolitical conflicts are pushing up the cost of living from gas to groceries," said Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance. "With these added pressures, families and businesses need extra help to keep costs low. That is why our government is bringing forward legislation to provide tax relief at the pumps and put money back into people's pockets."

Effective July 1 until December 31, 2022, the gas tax rate would be cut from 14.7 cents per litre to 9 cents per litre, representing a cut of 5.7 cents per litre. The fuel tax rate, which includes diesel, would be reduced from 14.3 cents per litre to 9 cents per litre, representing a cut of 5.3 cents per litre. The Ontario government is also continuing to call on the federal government to help families and businesses in the face of rising costs by cutting the carbon tax, which increased to 11.05 cents per litre on gasoline and 13.41 cents per litre on diesel on April 1, 2022. "Ontario is getting stronger, and with this proposed legislation, our government is doing its part to support workers and families," said Minister Bethlenfalvy. "Now is the time for the federal government to join us in providing relief for hard-working Canadians by cutting the carbon tax." Ontario's plan to cut gas and fuel taxes is part of a broader package that will provide immediate cost-of-living relief, including:

Cutting costs for millions of Ontario vehicle owners by refunding licence plate sticker renewal fees paid since March 2020, and eliminating licence plate renewal fees and plate stickers on a goforward basis, saving vehicle owners \$120 a year in southern Ontario and \$60 a year in Northern Ontario for passenger and light commercial vehicles. Permanently removing tolls on Highways 412 and 418, effective April 5. Providing tax relief for workers, families and seniors through the Low-Income Workers Tax Credit, the Seniors' Home Safety Tax Credit, the Ontario Jobs Training Tax Credit and the Ontario Child Care Tax Credit, Reaching an agreement with the federal government for \$13.2 billion of funding for a Canada-wide Early Learning and Child Care System, providing Ontario families with children five years old and younger in participating licensed child care centres with up to 25 per cent in savings, to a minimum of \$12 per day, retroactive to April 1, 2022. This agreement will deliver an average of \$10-a-day child care for eligible children by September 2025.

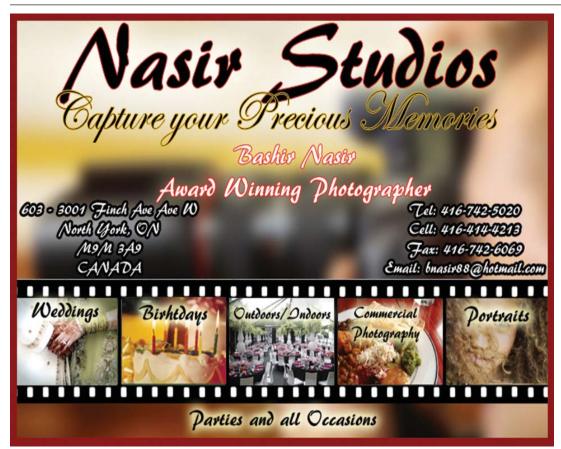
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ONTARIO PREMIER DOUG FORD VISITS LINCOLN M. ALEXANDER SCHOOL IN MISSISSAUGA

Premier Doug Ford joined Education Minister Stephen Lecce and Mississauga - Malton MPP, Deepak Anand, to meet with students, parents and school officials and view the site where construction is soon set to begin on a new sports field and track system at Lincoln M. Alexander Secondary School. The Ontario government has invested \$1,360,181 to help build the new field, which comes as part of the province's Strategic Priorities Infrastructure Fund (SPIF) - Sport and Community Renewal (SCR) sub-stream. The cost will support the supply and installation of artificial turf, gameline painting for multiple sports (soccer, football, rugby, cricket and lacrosse), perimeter fencing, lighting for day and evening games, bleachers, scoreboard, and a storage facility.



STATISTICS CANADA SAYS ECONOMY GREW 0.2% IN JANUARY

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Advance information indicates an approximate 0.8% expansion in real GDP in February. Notable increases were observed in the manufacturing sector as well as in mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction, accommodation and food services, and construction. Utilities contracted following strong activity in January, due primarily to cold temperatures. Owing to its preliminary nature, this estimate will be updated on April 30 with the release of the official GDP data for February.

Construction activity rebounds in January

The construction sector expanded 2.8% in January, up for the third time in four months, as all subsectors rose. Construction increases in January

Residential building construction grew 4.3% in January more than offsetting the previous two months of contraction. The growth in January—the largest monthly growth since March 2021—was broad-based, with home alterations and improvements along with apartment-type construction leading the way. Single family home construction was up for the second month in a row in January 2022, following seven monthly pullbacks. Non-residential building construction was up 0.5%, as all types of non-residential building construction grew, while engineering and other construction activities (+2.4%) and repair construction (+2.4%) further contributed to the growth.

CIB & BRAMPTON ACHIEVE FINANCIAL CLOSE ON INVESTMENT OF UP TO \$400M TOWARDS ZERO-EMISSION BUSES



The Canada Infrastructure Bank (CIB) has achieved a financial close on investment of up to \$400 million with the City of Brampton (City) to help finance the acquisition of up to 450 zero-emission buses (ZEBs) through 2027. The CIB's investment will contribute toward the upfront capital cost of the battery-electric buses which will help accelerate the electrification of the City's bus fleet. Consistent with the CIB's ZEB initiative, repayment of the investment is expected to be covered through the anticipated reduced operating costs over time of the ZEBs as compared to diesel buses.

ZEBs can improve the quality of life for users who will benefit from a cleaner, quieter commuting option, which also protects the environment. Transitioning to a fully electric ZEB fleet in the future builds on Brampton's commitment to reducing its carbon footprint and building a Green City.

The electrification of transit is a critical milestone in the City's journey to reduce greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs) generated in Brampton by 80 per cent by 2050. The implementation of up to 450 ZEBs is estimated to save up to 115 tonnes of carbon emissions per bus, per year, totalling approximately 53,000 tonnes annually. It is the equivalent of removing approximately 12,000 passenger vehicles (by tonnes of GHGs) from the road. To date, the CIB has committed over \$1.5 billion towards more than 5,000 ZEBs across Canada.

"I am delighted our investment to support the City of Brampton's transition to a fleet of zero-emission buses has achieved financial close. The impact of our partnership will not only help Brampton become a Green City but also provide cleaner public transportation for future generations. This is a unique opportunity to make a difference in modernizing municipal infrastructure and building healthier communities," Ehren Cory, President and CEO, of Canada Infrastructure Bank said. Kamal Khera, Minister of Seniors, Member of Parliament for Brampton West, said, "Municipalities are playing a critical role in the fight against climate change. This key investment by the Canada Infrastructure Bank will offer the residents of Brampton a clean, environmentally sustainable, and reliable transportation option while helping Canada reach its ambitious emissions reduction targets. Our federal government continues to make important investments in Brampton to improve the overall quality of life and wellbeing of the residents." "I am proud to announce that the City of Brampton and the Canada Infrastructure Bank have reached financial close on this multi-million-dollar investment towards Brampton Transit. As Brampton Transit purchases up to 450 zero-emission buses for Brampton's roads in the next five years, our partnership will lead to the next level of sustainable transit in Canada.



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CANADA'S WONDERLAND RELEASES ITS FULL EVENTS AND FESTIVAL LINEUP FOR 2022

Canada's Wonderland opens this month and today it released the full lineup of exciting events and entertainment returning for the 2022 season. The park opens to the public on April 30 and this summer it will feature seven festivals, including three new food festivals – Portugal, Ireland and The Caribbean – plus the return of long weekend fireworks. The seasons of fun continue through fall and winter with Camp Spooky. Halloween Haunt and WinterFest.

"We're really pleased to be able to provide our guests with a full season of fun once again," said Norm Pirtovshek, general manager. "With more than 200 attractions at the park, we're known for thrills, but the return of our summer events really enriches the park experience, offering something for guests of all ages through spring, summer, fall and winter."

The 2022 event lineup includes:

Fireworks (May 22, July 1, July 31, Sept. 4) – Witness a spectacular fireworks display of explosive light and colour high over the park skyline choreographed to a lively soundtrack.

Splash Works Opening (May 28) – Get back to poolside fun at the 20-acre water park, with 17 slides, cliff jumping, water playgrounds, the Lazy River and more!

Brew & BBQ (June 24-26) – The annual BBQ festival returns with footstomping live music, dozens of craft beers and ciders, plus a mouthwatering summer menu featuring ribs, and gourmet burgers and BBQ chicken.

Celebration Canada (July 1-17) — It's Canada's biggest birthday celebration! Join us for live music, and street entertainment and see the impressive skills and antics of the West Coast Lumberjacks. Then indulge in Canadian foods like beef sliders, poutine, mac'n cheese

KidZfest (July 23-Aug. 7) – This party is perfect for families and kids with special guest appearances, dance parties with the PEANUTS gang, interactive games, activities, live entertainment and more.

NEW! Taste of Portugal (Aug. 13-14) — Step into a festival celebrating the time-worn charm of Portugal, with lively street entertainment and traditional foods including succulent roast chicken and the sweet, rich and perfectly crisp Portuguese custard tarts.

traded partnership and one of the largest regional amusement-resort operators in the world. The Company owns and operates 11 amusement parks,

NEW! Taste of Ireland (Aug. 20-21) – The flavours and spirited culture of the Emerald Isle arrive at Canada's Wonderland with lively Celtic music and dancers and hearty Irish fare featuring Guinness BBQ Pork Ribs, Irish Shepard's Pie and sweet desserts like Chocolate Guinness Cake and Butterscotch Apple Cake.

NEW! Taste of the Caribbean (Aug. 27-28) – Enjoy island flavours from jerk chicken to specialty seafood, rum cake and coconut sweets,

plus fruity summer drinks while the sounds of steel drum music fill the air .

Oktoberfest (Sept. 10-11, 17-18) – For two weekends, guests will be treated to German-themed food, drink specials and traditional festival bands in the castle courtyard of Medieval Faire. Enjoy classic sausage, schnitzel, Bavarian pretzels, and a tall stein of refreshing lager.

Camp Spooky (weekends Sept. 24-Oct. 30) – This family-friendly Halloween event returns with trick-or-treating, costume parades, live shows with The PEANUTS gang, interactive games, rides and more! All events noted above are included with park admission.

Halloween Haunt returns this fall on select nights from Sept. 23 to Oct. 30 with hundreds of monsters, scare zones, mazes and terrifying live entertainment. Then the park transforms into a world of holiday magic for WinterFest, running select nights from Nov. 18 to Dec. 31. In addition to these events, Canada's Wonderland will also feature world-class live entertainment through the summer, including Tundra: A Cirque Experience, a new dive stunt show called "Fall Out", and the Victoria Falls High Divers, Woofjocks and performances with Snoopy and the PEANUTS gang.

Guests can get unlimited access to all four seasons of fun with a Gold Pass, which is on sale now for seven easy payments of \$15.71. For more information on events, hours of operation or park safety protocols, visit www.canadaswonderland.com

About Canada's Wonderland

Canada's Wonderland, located in Vaughan, Ontario (just outside Toronto), is a 300-acre theme park with more than 200 attractions including 17 roller coasters, and

is the home to Splash Works, a 20-acre water park. Canada's Wonderland is owned and operated by Cedar Fair Entertainment Company (NYSE: FUN), a publicly-traded partnership and one of the largest regional amusement-resort operators in the world. The Company owns and operates 11 amusement parks, four outdoor water parks, an indoor water park and resort accommodations totalling more than 2,300 rooms and more than 600 luxury RV sites. For more information, see

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AMAZON CANADA DONATES \$128,000 IN SUPPORT OF OSLER'S PANDEMIC RELIEF



Amazon Canada today announced a \$128,000 donation to William Osler Health System Foundation (Osler Foundation) in support of COVID-19 pandemic recovery efforts at William Osler Health System's (Osler) Brampton Civic Hospital, Etobicoke General Hospital and Peel Memorial Centre for Integrated Health and Wellness. Brampton and surrounding areas have been among the hardest hit by COVID-19, and Amazon Canada has provided ongoing support to Osler, including a \$50,000 donation to Osler Foundation's Health Care Heroes campaign in 2020. "Our communities have faced some of the most challenging times throughout the pandemic," said Dr. Frank Martino, Interim President & CEO, William Osler Health System. "Now more than ever, quality health care close to home is vital and the continued support of companies such as Amazon Canada will help ensure access to exemplary care for those who need it."

"It's always incredible when we have a local business step up to make a difference for the communities in which they operate," said Ken Mayhew, President & CEO, William Osler Health System Foundation. "Amazon Canada's generous donation will have a direct impact on our community by supporting equipment needs across Osler hospitals as we build back from the pandemic together."

Amazon Canada is committed to supporting the community's most urgent needs and makes giving a priority when it comes to supporting their customers and employees.

"It is important to us that the local organizations we support are the ones that matter the most to the people from the communities where we live and work," said Sushant Jha, Senior Operations Manager and People with Disabilities Affinity Group Lead, Amazon Canada. "The William Osler Health System Foundation does incredible work in the local community, and we're pleased that this donation will help to make an impact on the lives of our employees and community members in the Region of Peel."

Joining Amazon Canada's Sushant Jha, Sr. Operations Manager and People with Disabilities Affinity Group Lead, for the cheque presentation, were Brampton's Deputy Mayors, Councillor Pat Fortini and Councillor Martin Medeiros. "As Brampton and surrounding areas continue to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, quality healthcare will remain a top priority for our community," said Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, MPP. "It is donations like Amazon's that will not only help expedite our recovery efforts, but will also ensure we are resilient in the future."





After being paused due to COVID-19, Peel's Routine Immunization program resumed on March 7 for students in Grades 7 to 12.

Immunizations including the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV), Hepatitis B (Hep B), and Meningococcal ACYW-135 help prevent serious diseases. These immunizations are safe and effective, including for those with chronic medical conditions. Students who did not finish their vaccine series will only need to get the remaining dose or doses. A vaccine series does not need to be restarted even if the recommended time between doses has passed.

Parents and guardians can check if their child has been immunized by checking Immunize Connect Ontario (ICON) or by asking their primary care provider.

These doses are only available by appointment. Walk-ins are not accepted. Appointments can be booked by calling (905) 799-7700 or by checking peelregion.ca/immunize.

Children 12 years or older do not need to wait between receiving the COVID-19 vaccine and receiving any of these vaccines. Co-administration is safe and effective.

More information is available on our website, including a link to book an appointment at one of the

below locations:

Region of Peel main office

Region of Peel main office, 10 Peel Centre Dr., Brampton Tuesday-Saturday, 1 to 8 p.m., closed Sunday and Monday

Rockwood Mall vaccine clinic, 4141 Dixie Rd., Mississauga

Tuesday-Saturday, 1 to 8 p.m., closed Sunday and Monday Caledon East Community Complex, 6215 Old Church Road, Caledon East

Sunday to Thursday, 1 to 8 p.m., closed Friday and Saturday

To offer greater access to these immunizations, Peel Public Health is pleased to announce that school-based clinics are being piloted at select schools in Peel. Immunization at school-based clinics during instructional time will only be available to students attending these schools.



FOR MORE INFORMATION ON UPENDER AVASTHI'S GUARANTEED

PROGRAMS, CONTACT AT 647-302-8589 AND START PACKING





ONTARIO SCHOOL CRICKET ASSOCIATION (OSCA) OFFICIAL SPRING LAUNCH FOR SCHOOL CRICKET 2022-PREMIER'S CUP OF SCHOOL CRICKET

Ontario Premier, Doug Ford launched the much-anticipated Premier's Cup School Cricket 2022 this evening at the Spring Launch for School Cricket in Brampton. The evening featured remarks from the Premier and key sponsors, awards for student achievement, design and innovation in cricket as well as the unveiling of the new OSCA logo. The event was well attended and highlighted the contributions of the cricket community to sports in Toronto and the GTA.

Premier Ford, Minister Bethlenfalvy, Minister Lecce, Minister Sarkaria, Mayor Brown and local MPPs were on hand to launch the Premier's Cup School Cricket which will support the delivery of school cricket programs to school aged children. The 2022 launch of the game of cricket also included school board officials, special guests, students, and other dignitaries who joined in the unveiling of OSCA's new logo. A beautiful signature logo was revealed that represents the diversity, appeal and accessibility of the sport.

In addition, the Ontario top five Peel winners were awarded and congratulated. The winners were as follows (in alphabetical order): Aiden Austria – St. Brother Andre Catholic High School, Markham.

Alicia Vaccarella - St. Theresa of Lisieux Catholic High School, Richmond Hill Carrie Ji - St Robert Catholic High School, Thornhill

Jenna Wang – The Woodlands Secondary School, Mississauga Ryden Peiris - Claireville Public School, Brampton

"We are delighted to partner with the Canadian Tire Corporation and CIMA to energize and empower young people through the sport of cricket which used to be the national sport of Canada many years





ago" said Ken Jeffers, President of OSCA. "We are thankful for the support we received from our educational sector partners that helped make school physical activities more inclusive so they can positively impact the lives of young people." "CIMA Canada is proud to see the results of the tireless volunteer efforts, leadership and vision of our members to support young people of Ontario" said Keren Stephen, FCMA, CGMA, Chair of CIMA Canada. "CIMA Canada extends its best wishes, continued co-operation and support as OSCA takes on the next phase of growth of this wonderful program."

"Canadian Tire Corporation is proud to support the Ontario Schools Cricket Association (OSCA) in their efforts to give kids all over Ontario access to the wonderful sport of cricket," said Kim Saunders, Vice President, ESG Strategy & Community Impact at Canadian Tire. "We are thrilled with the success of the programs built over the past year that have helped kids get active and have fun."

It was a proud moment for all as the Peel winners were recognized for their participation in the OSCA logo design contest and their excellence in the field of cricket.

Despite the limitations of Covid on schools and sports, OSCA has been actively providing cricket programs during the past year to children and youth as well as capacity building initiatives in schools through the generous support from OSCA's founding partner Canadian Tire Corporation and the Federal Government's Healthy Communities Initiative. These students were able to engage with their peers to develop skills that will stay with them for a lifetime.

Consulate General of India, Toronto resumes Open House sessions

The Consulate shall be resuming Open House sessions from 30th March, 2022. They will be held every Wednesday between 3.00 PM and 4.30 PM. Applicants should register at https://forms.gle/ eGkYHWz7msKZagsz8 to meet Consulate officials regarding queries related to OCI, Visa, Passport, Police Clearance Certificate and Attestation. Registration will be on first come first serve basis per session. Confirmation of participation will be sent on applicant's registered e-mail ID. Registered individuals are requested to carry a printout of the confirmation email to enter the building premises. Please note: The Open House is only meant to resolve long pending issues; and is not meant to provide regular consular service on the spot.



Campaign to bring awareness to energy scams in Ontario

The Ontario Ministry of Energy and the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) are working together on a campaign to raise awareness of scams. We are aware that operators in Ontario are using aggressive tactics and targeting vulnerable populations, often to push

them into signing contracts.

Our awareness campaign slogan is "don't be afraid to say no." To support your organization if would be interested in running a story to raise awareness of scams, we have provided a series of facts and talking points for your use.

- The OEB has identified there has been a 25 per cent increase in the number of Ontarians becoming victims of energy scams in recent months
- · Frauds are being presented through phone calls, texts, emails, social media ads, and home visits.
- · Some involve messages from companies who claim to be affiliated with, or endorsed by, the OEB.
- · Some companies falsely include the OEB's name and logo in their messaging.

Others claim to offer rebates or to help consumers apply for financial assistance under energy bill payment assistance programs like the Ontario Electricity Support Program (OESP) or the Lowincome Energy Assistance Program (LEAP).

· Don't be afraid to say no. Energy utilities, the Ontario Energy Board and the government do not phone, email, or text to promote energy-saving programs or to offer an in-home inspection.



- · We encourage people to talk with friends or family members who might be more vulnerable to scammers.
- For any concerns, you can contact the Ontario Energy Board at 1-877-632-2727 (toll-free within Ontario).
 - · Visit oeb.ca/scams to learn more.

PAMA'S ART GALLERY AND COURTHOUSE **REOPEN TO THE PUBLIC ON APRIL 7**



On Thursday April 7, the Peel Art Gallery, Museum and Archives (PAMA) reopens its Art Gallery and Courthouse to the public for in-person visits and tours. PAMA has been closed since 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. PAMA's reopening hours are:

Thursdays, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Saturdays, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sundays, 1 - 5 p.m.

General admission to PAMA is free to the public for a limited time. Donations are appreciated. Information on how to donate is available on our website. PAMA's Museum and Archives remain closed until the fall for construction. Learn more about what is open and what is not on the PAMA campus. Exciting in-person family fun activities

Sculpt a Team Mascot

Sunday, April 10, 1 – 4:30 p.m.

Discover images of past hockey teams and mascots from the PAMA Archives and design and sculpt your own team mascot.

Spring Sun Catchers

Open Easter Monday, April 18, 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Celebrate Earth Week and create a Spring suncatcher!

Printmaking Hockey Card

Saturday, April 23, 1 – 4:30 p.m.

Make a hockey card using simple printmaking techniques.

Programs are subject to change due to COVID-19 community guidelines. Recommended for children ages 6 - 12 and guardians must accompany children.

Visit us to see these exhibitions in person: Power Play: Hockey in Contemporary Art

Guest curated by Jaclyn Meloche

April 7– June 5

Explore 45 works of art in diverse media by 13 Canadian artists and a selection of archival objects from the Hockey Hall of Fame. This exhibition questions the relationship between hockey and the Canadian identity by making the invisible bodies in the sport visible.

See the work of Katherine Takpannie: One displayed on PAMA's outdoors banners until April 30.

April 14 and onwards, learn the story of Raven and Sedna as portrayed in the sculpture Transformation by indigenous artist Abraham Angvik Ruben.

Courthouse and Art Gallery tours are available upon request at the Art Gallery front desk.

Not ready to return to PAMA in person yet?

Visit PAMA's YouTube channel to enjoy PAMA's newest Meditation Moment. This guided meditation session is a celebration of Slow Art Day on April 2as well as Archives Awareness Week (the first week of April) and Spring! This Meditation Momentwill showcase a beautiful water colour landscape of Belfountain from 1931.

Create the April Family Fun Activity from the comfort of your own home! Download the step-by-step instructions April 1 - 30.

PARTNERS COMMUNITY HEALTH AND TRILLIUM **HEALTH PARTNERS ACQUIRE CAMILLA CARE** COMMUNITY FROM SIENNA SENIOR LIVING

Partners Community Health and Trillium Health Partners acquired Camilla Care Community long-term care home in Mississauga from Sienna Senior

This transaction is a three-way agreement between Sienna Senior Living (Sienna), Partners Community Health (PCH) and Trillium Health Partners (THP). The agreement includes the sale of Camilla in its entirety, including the property and the 236 long-term care (LTC) bed licenses. Pursuant to this agreement, PCH acquired the bed licenses and operations of the LTC home and THP acquired the building and land where Camilla is currently situated.

"Today, Partners Community Health is honoured to officially assume ownership and operation of Camilla Care Community long-term care home. We are grateful to the residents, families, caregivers, and the hard-working staff and physicians who have welcomed us into their home," says Tess Romain, President of Partners Community Health. "We look forward to continued collaboration with the people of Camilla, our partners and the surrounding community as we ensure high-quality. compassionate, and inclusive care for residents and families."

PCH is committed to continued dialogue with Camilla staff, residents, and families during this transition period, and as they plan together for an exciting future, in which PCH will be operating a new long-term care home at 2180 Speakman Drive in Mississauga. This long-term care home is currently being constructed by THP and will include 632 new beds.

CONSULATE GENERAL OF INDIA, TORONTO **WILL BE ORGANIZING CONSULAR CAMP IN BRAMPTON ON SATURDAY, 23 APRIL**

Consulate General of India, Toronto will be organizing Consular Camp in Brampton on Saturday, 23 April, 2022 to address and resolve various queries related to Consular matters viz, Passport, Visa, OCI, PCC, Surrender Certificate, Attestation, Life Certificate,

etc. as per details given below:

Venue for Consular Camp: Terry Miller Recreation Centre, 1295 Williams Pkwy, Brampton, ON L6S 3J8

Date and Time: Saturday, 23 April, 2022 10.00 AM - 01.30 PM

The Consular Camp is meant to resolve any long-pending issues and is repeat NOT meant to provide the consular service on the spot. However, the applications for SURRENDER CERTIFICATE, ATTESTATION and LIFE CERTIFICATE services if found complete in all respects will be accepted. Fee for Surrender Certificate will be payable by Debit Card/Demand Draft in favour of "BLS International Services Canada". Fee for Attestation services will be payable only through Demand Draft in favour of "Consulate General of India, Toronto". For attestation

service applicant must attach a self-addressed prepaid envelope for return of serviced documents. Applicants are therefore requested to go through the following links to understand the documentary requirements and applicable fee:

Link 1: https://www.cgitoronto.gov.in/

Link 2: https://www.blsindia-canada.com/toronto-jurisdiction/index.php Applications will be accepted only if all documents and forms are

Applicants are required to submit original and photocopy of all the documents and the

forms as prescribed in the above links. Soft copy of any document will not be accepted.

The Covid-19 guidelines must be strictly adhered to at the camp.



Punjab to establish full-fledged Anti-Gangster Task Force

In a bid to wipe out gangster's network operating across the state so as to create a sense of security amongst the residents, Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann on Tuesday directed Punjab DGP V.K. Bhawra to establish a full-fledged Anti-Gangster Task Force (AGTF), headed by an ADGP-rank officer. Chairing a high-level meeting, Mann emphasised the need of eradication of organised crime, adding ensuring law and order is the foremost priority in order to restore people's confidence in the police machinery.

He assured of all requisite manpower, latest equipment and information technology, besides adequate funds to the police force to break this unholy nexus which has already spread its wings in drug trade and 'kabaddi' world. Pointing out further, the Chief Minister said the AGTF would have integrated collection of intelligence, manning and execution of operations, registrations of FIRs, investigation and prosecution on the lines of similar such specialised units in the country. Directing the Commissioners of Police and SSPs to make coordinated efforts against organised crimes, Mann said new police stations with state-wide jurisdiction over organised crime would be soon

public about the terror unleashed by the gangsters. Mann categorically said he has already instructed the Jail Department to keep strict vigil over the activities of gangsters lodged in various jails and that no laxity would be tolerated in this regard. Sharing his personal experience to bring down the crime rate drastically in Sangrur district, Mann said as a Member of Parliament, he took an initiative to install wi-fi CCTV cameras connected with the local police stations in the major towns of the district from his MPLAD Fund.

"High-resolution cameras were installed under this project at a nominal cost which enabled round-the-clock surveillance and instilled a feeling of security amongst the general public", said Mann.

Expressing deep concern over several precious lives lost due to fatal road accidents every day, Mann said over 5,500 lives are snuffed out due to these accidents, besides nearly 1.5 lakh people sustain injuries on this count.

He asked the DGP to come out with a comprehensive proposal to make a separate wing of highway patrolling police dedicated to effectively control the traffic snarls, besides ensuring timely medical aid notified with a sole motive to allay the fear from the minds of the to the accident victims so as save the human lives.

INDIA OFFERS TO HELP BRIDGE DIVIDE BETWEEN RUSSIA & UKRAINE

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"Foreign Minister Lavrov briefed the Prime Minister on the situation in Ukraine, including the ongoing peace negotiations. Prime Minister reiterated his call for an early cessation of violence, and conveyed India's readiness to contribute in any way to the peace efforts," the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) said in a statement after the Modi-Lavrov meeting.

The top Russian diplomat had earlier in the day, while appreciating India's non-unilateral view on the Ukraine conflict, remarked that India's foreign policy is characterised by independence and a focus on legitimate national interests - the same political basis which exists in Russia and makes the two nations good friends and partners.

Praising the "balanced position" adopted by India, Lavrov said that New Delhi "commands respect" as it is not subject to influence as a result of "blackmail and diktat" methods.

Lavrov on his part appeared to endorse PM Modi's open-ended offer of India's diplomatic intervention to ease the crisis between Russia and Ukraine

"The West ignored its obligations and created a direct military and ideological threat from Russia, indulging neo-Nazi tendencies and practices on the territory of Ukraine. If India, with its position of justice and rational approaches to solving international problems, can support such processes, I think that no one will be against it," Lavroy said after a meeting with his Indian counterpart, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar at the Hyderabad House.

As has been extensively reported by IndiaNarrative.com over the past few months, Russia today once again highlighted the importance of increasing cooperation with its partners New Delhi and Beijing through the RIC (Russia-India-China) format in the region.

Lavrov had arrived in New Delhi on Thursday evening after holding extensive discussions with Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi, who had visited the Indian capital last week, on the sidelines of a conference of Foreign Ministers of Afghanistan's Neighbouring Countries beginning in China's Tunxi.

While the Russian and Chinese foreign ministries had remained mum on their foreign ministers discussing India in Tunxi, IndiaNarrative.com had reported that the duo had held discussions on the RIC format - a development which was confirmed by Lavrov today.

"In China, my colleague, Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi, and I discussed the further activities of the RIC association. Today, S Jaishankar and I discussed how to develop and use this troika more actively in the interests of stabilizing international relations and ensuring equality in international affairs. This is

especially true given that now all three countries - Russia, India and China are members of the UN Security Council. So we have a lot of plans," said Lavrov with EAM Jaishankar by his side.

The Russian Foreign Minister said that the troika has reflected common approaches to a number of international problems which forms the basis to take the format forward.

During the meeting, Jaishankar had also underlined that as a developing economy, global volatility in different domains is of particular concern to India and it is important for both countries that their economic, technological and people to people contacts remain stable and predictable.

Lavrov insisted that no outside pressure will affect the long-standing partnership between the two countries and it is ready to supply any goods required by New Delhi in spite of the "artificial obstacles created by the West's illegal unilateral sanctions" recently.

"With regard to the use of rubles and rupees in commercial financial transactions, I would like to recall that many years ago we began to move away from the use of Dollars and Euros in our relations with India, China and many other countries, to make more use of the national currency. Under the current circumstances, this trend will naturally increase," he said.

Lavrov's remarks appeared to reject the "riot order" read out by Daleep Singh, Washington's Deputy National Security Adviser for International Economics during his New Delhi visit earlier this week. Singh urged New Delhi not to boost Russian energy imports, and to avoid any moves that might "undermine" the US dollar, Russia Today reported.

"What we would not like to see is a rapid acceleration of India's imports from Russia as it relates to energy or any other exports that are currently being prohibited by the US."

He added that the United States is "very keen for all countries, especially our allies and partners, not to create mechanisms that prop up the ruble and that attempt to undermine the dollar-based financial system."

While condemning Russia's "needless war" on Ukraine, Singh said his visit to India was "in a spirit of friendship to explain the mechanisms of our sanctions". But he nevertheless warned that there would be "consequences [for] countries that actively attempt to circumvent or backfill" those penalties. Besides Ukraine, the Russian Foreign Minister also updated PM Modi and EAM Jaishankar on the progress of decisions taken during the India-Russia bilateral Summit held in December 2021 and also conveyed his assessment of the recent conference on Afghanistan in China.

BUOYED BY PUNJAB WIN. ARVIND KEJRIWAL URGES HIMACHAL VOTERS TO BRING 'KRANTI'

Aam Aadmi Party national convenor Arvind Kejriwal on Wednesday held a roadshow in Himachal Pradesh's Mandi where he called for 'Kranti' citing Punjab's recent victory as an example. Newly-inducted Punjab CM Bhagwant Mann accompanied him during the roadshow. Praising Mann's leadership, Kejriwal claimed that corruption ended in Punjab in just 20 days, ever since Mann held CM post.

"We're common people, we don't know how to do politics. Instead, we know how to work for people, build schools & end corruption. We've ended corruption in just 20 days in Punjab since Bhagwant Mann became the CM. Now 'Kranti' should happen in Himachal Pradesh too." Kejriwal said. With AAP wanting to come to power in the third state, Kejriwal claimed that corruption needed to be eradicated from Himachal Pradesh, "just like AAP did in Delhi and Punjab." Mandi is the home constituency of incumbent Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur. Elections in Himachal are due later this



year along with Gujarat. At the same time, AAP has also announced to contest the Simla Municipal Corporation elections. This is the first time AAP has entered the hilly state where it has been a two-party contest (BJP and Congress) for a long time.

INDIA'S FIRST CASE OF NEW COVID VARIANT 'OMICRON XE' DETECTED IN MUMBAI

Mumbai has detected the first case of more transmissible new Covid variant Omicron XE. The virus was confirmed after results of 11th test under the Covid virus genetic formula determination - 228 or 99.13% (230 samples) patients detected with Omicron.

One patient has been found affected by 'XE' variant and another is affected by the 'Kapa' variant of Covid-19, Greater Mumbai Municipal Corporation said. A case of the Kappa variant was also detected, the official said, adding the results came in genome sequencing of 376 samples, the 11th batch of testing in genome sequencing lab.

Of the 230 samples from Mumbai, 228 samples are of Omicron variant, while one was found to be Kappa variant and another XE variant. The condition of the patients infected with the new strains of the virus was not serious, the official said.

The official said the XE mutant appears to be 10 per cent more transmissible than the BA.2 sub-variant of Omicron. So far, BA.2 was

deemed to be the most contagious of all the COVID-19 variants.

The XE variant is a mutation of the BA.1 and BA.2 Omicron strains, referred to as a "recombinant". As per the initial studies, the XE variant has a growth rate of 9.8 percent over that of BA.2, also known as the stealth variant because of its ability to evade detection. The World Health Organization has said the latest mutant may be more transmissible than the previous ones.

BJP'S 42ND FOUNDING DAY: TOP QUOTES



FROM PM MODI'S ADDRESS

Addressing party workers on the BJP's 42nd foundation day, Prime Minister Narendra Modi highlighted how the party has been working towards strengthening 'Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat' (One India, Great India) over the last eight years.

While the BJP is dedicated to 'Raksha bhakti' (patriotism), its rival parties were driven by 'parivar bhakti' (nepotism), the prime minister added. In a barely-veiled dig at the Opposition, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said that family-led parties have never allowed the youth of the country to progress. "They have always been betrayed," PM Modi said. "And today we should be proud that today BJP is the only party which is alerting the country of this problem." On dynastic politics: "Two kinds of politics are going on now - one of love for family, other of love for nation. There are some political parties in different states that work only for interests of their respective families. They might be in different states but they're linked through dynasty." "This has harmed the country a lot in past decades. These parties didn't let the youth of the country go ahead and always betrayed them. Today, we should be proud that BJP is the only party that is making the country aware of this challenge, warning the country about it," PM Modi added. On vote bank politics: "Some parties did only vote bank politics for decades. Making promises to only a few, keeping most of the people longing for things, bias and corruption were side effects of vote bank politics. BJP not only challenged this but also succeeded in making people understand its harm." PM Modi on India's role in world order: "Today, India stands firm before the world with its interests without fear or pressure. When the entire world is divided into two rival factions, India is being viewed as a nation that can firmly speak about humanity."

OVER 1.33 LAKH INDIANS WENT ABROAD THIS YEAR FOR HIGHER STUDIES: GOVT

A total of 1,33,135 Indian students went abroad for higher studies this year, as on March 20, the Parliament was informed on Thursday.

As per information received from Bureau of Immigration (Bol), the number of Indian students, who departed India for higher education in the current year, is 1,33,135 so far while there were 4,44,553 students in 2021 and 2,59,655 in 2020, Minister of State for External Affairs V. Muraleedharan told Rajya Sabha in a written reply.

He also said that according to information received from the Bol, the top preferred countries for education in 2021 were the US, Canada, and the UK. He also said that granting visas is the sovereign right of a country and various countries have been granting visas to Indian students for studying in universities of their countries. However, if there is temporary restriction or delay in the grant of visa then the Ministry and the respective Indian Mission take it up proactively with the country concerned.

Responding to a query from CPI-M member K. Soma Prasad, Muraleedharan said that the Student Module of the MADAD portal, launched on July 15, 2016 enables Indian students studying abroad or aspiring to study abroad to register voluntarily and provide information on their course, institutions, contact details, emergency contact etc. His Ministry, through its missions/posts abroad have been regularly interacting with Indian students studying abroad to register their details on the student module and also encouraging Indian student organisations and Indian community associations for the same including through social media platforms.

In response to another question, Minister of State for External Affairs Meenakshi Lekhi informed the House that overall, 22,500 nationals have returned to India since February 2022 after the Russia-Ukraine war broke out in February.

"Around 40-50 Indian nationals are still in Ukraine, of which only a few are willing to return to India and their return is being facilitated by the Embassy." She also informed that during the global Covid-19 pandemic, the government had launched the Vande Bharat Mission to repatriate Indian nationals and to facilitate the travel of passengers between India and other parts of the world.

"Around 2.97 crore passengers (in-bound and out-bound) have been facilitated in the flights operated under the Vande Bharat Mission and Air Bubble Arrangements till date," Lekhi said

Under Operation Devi Shakti, a total of 669 people were evacuated from Afghanistan. This included 448 Indian nationals, 206 Afghans (including Hindu and Sikh community members) and 15 people of other nationalities (Nepal, Lebanon and Uganda) in seven flights (six flights operated between August 16 to 25, 2021 and the last flight on December 10, 2021). All Indian nationals who had sought repatriation to India were evacuated, she added in her reply.

REVIVAL OF CONGRESS IS ESSENTIAL FOR DEMOCRACY: SONIA

Congress interim President Sonia Gandhi while addressing the parliamentary party on Tuesday said that the revival of the party is essential for democracy and the results of elections were "shocking" and "painful". In her address she said, "Our dedication and determination, our spirit of resilience is under severe test. Unity at all levels of our vast organisation is of paramount importance and speaking for myself, I am determined to do whatever is needed to ensure it. Our revival is not just a matter of importance to us alone...it is, in fact, essential for our democracy itself and indeed for our society as well. "I am very well aware how disappointed you are at the recent election results. They have been both shocking and painful. The Congress working committee (CWC) has met once to review our performance. I have met with other colleagues too. I have received many suggestions on how to strengthen our organisation. Many are pertinent and I am working on them." She said that it was important to put forth a roadmap and for that a 'Shivir (meeting)' should be held. "That is where the views of a larger number of colleagues and party representatives will be heard. They will contribute to put forward a clear roadmap on the urgent steps to be taken by our party on how best to meet the challenges we are confronted with," she said.

She also said the road ahead was more challenging than ever before. The Congress lost polls in all the five states which went for polls in February-March and could not get good numbers while the BJP repeated its winning performance in four states itself.



AUSTRALIA POST ISSUES STAMPS TO MARK QUEEN ELIZABETH II'S 70TH YEAR ON THRONE

Australia Post on Monday released two postage stamps to mark the platinum jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II, as the nation commemorates her 70th year as Head of the Commonwealth.

The two stamps depict portraits of Queen Elizabeth II from 1952, the year she rose to the throne, and 2019, highlighting her longevity as Head of the Commonwealth, which includes countries such as Australia, Canada, and New Zealand, reports Xinhua news agency.

Australia Post Group Philatelic Manager Michael Zsolt said the latest additions form part of the service's tradition of honoring Queen Elizabeth II. Queen Elizabeth II is the most featured person on Australian

stamps, and the Australia Post was the first postal authority in the Commonwealth to produce a stamp for her birthday each year, Zsolt said. The Australia Post had previously released stamps to celebrate the golden and diamond jubilees of Queen Elizabeth II, marking 50 and 60 years of her service.

While Queen Elizabeth II has very little involvement in the governance of Australia, she still plays a prominent cultural role.

Her image is also displayed on Australian coins and the A\$5 banknote. The postage stamps and associated collectables are expected to go on sale from Tuesday.

PAKISTAN FACES POLITICAL ANARCHY

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Pakistani legal experts have, among many reasons, stated that a Prime Minister cannot seek the House's dissolution when his/her parlliamentary majority support has been questioned.

The apex court had earlier rejected a petition seeking rejection of the NCM citing the 'conspiracy' charge. It had also returned the presidential reference that required it to rule on the right of an elected lawmaker to vote against his/ her party in the house.

Khan stayed defiant, even self-righteous, and repeated his charge during an address to the nation after the NA proceedings.

The critics, however, say that Khan and his supporters in and outside the government have violated several established democratic and constitutional norms to obviate a certain defeat in the NA on Sunday.

A day before the crucial voting on the NCM, a call asking supporters to come out on the streets and lav a siege on the seat of power in Islamabad came from Khan himself. His party workers did so in many cities across the country. Khan hoped to sabotage the Opposition's move that had been scheduled after many delays and diversionary tactics by the government side. The situation could lead to violence and bloodshed since the opposition too, especially the Islamist activists of Maulana Fazlur Rahman, the opposition alliance convener, are also converging on the venue. However, thousands of soldiers and policemen sanitized the venue of the National Assembly.

Alarming media reports had said the dissident lawmakers could be attacked and even abducted as they proceeded to the Assembly to prevent them from voting. To prevent this, security forces, including 111 Brigade of the Army that guards Islamabad, took control.

To survive in office by any means, Khan has been defying his mentors, the top military brass that engineered the 2018 elections and put him in power at the head of an uneasy coalition. The military had made him the proxy in its effort to keep out established political parties, but Khan failed to deliver. The army had 'signalled' the rebellion, analysts say, and wanted to see him out to save its own face. On the eve of the vote that he was most likely to lose, but did not materialise, Khan dragged in the army chief, Gen. Qamar JavedBajwa and

Gen. Nadeem Anjum, chief of the powerful ISI, who maintain a hands-offpolitics stance. He went public on 'options' the two, that he called the "Establishment", had suggested when they called at his residence at his request, and indicated that he was defying them.

Khan's worst defiance, however, has been continued name-calling of the US, alleging that the latter has hatched a 'conspiracy' to oust him. Khan had on March 28 flaunted a cable from the Embassy in Washington, purportedly based on Pakistan ambassador's talks with Donald Lu, US State Department's Chinese-American official. The US, Khan says, wants him out because of his 'independent' foreign policy, including his refusal to allow the Americans military facilities to operate in Afghanistan last year and by visiting Moscow when Russia launched military action in Ukraine.

Experts, domestic and foreign, have, however, rejected the 'conspiracy' theory as a red herring. He has, however, Khan persisted even after Gen. Bajwa, trying damage control, called the Russian action "an invasion" and said that Pakistan was against "camp politics", meaning the tussle between the US/ European Union and the Russia/China combine, being played in Ukraine. The army is incensed with Khan for trying to divide the top brass. He dangled

the carrot of a second extension to Bajwa who retires in November. As Bajwa would have then put in nine years in top office, a group of generals, both serving and retired, is active against Bajwa.

Indications are that with Khan, having bypassed the NCM, continuing in

office, the situation is fraught with prospects of violence and lawlessness. He could spite his political opponents and defy the military, prompting a possible direct action. Either way, the military and now, the Supreme Court and other state institutions, have a tough task of governing a nation in political turmoil, economic distress and at cross with all its neighbours.



WILL THE UKRAINE CRISIS OFFER AN OPPORTUNITY FOR RUSSIA-INDIA-CHINA COOPERATION?

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We are ready to discuss

Russia and India have very good relations", in reference to oil purchases that India has been making from Russia at discounted rates following Western sanctions. Further, in spite of growing US and European Union pressure on India, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman announced that India would continue to purchase oil from Russia.

While this time around, and predictably, Lavrov who was all praise for India's correct and independent stand on Ukraine, did not fly to Islamabad from Delhi, he did come here after visiting China for a regional ministerial on Afghanistan, and a week after Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi visited Delhi. This raises many questions. Are these initial initiatives for the RIC? Will the Russia-India-China trilateral cooperation take off? Russia, whose once Prime Minister Evgeny Primakov, had first mooted the idea, would certainly want to.

In China, both sides noted the "counterproductive nature of the illegal unilateral sanctions" imposed on Russia by the US and its NATO allies. Since 2014, after Crimea's accession to Russia, Western sanctions have pushed Russia closer to China, especially with the "energy lifeline" though China has not acknowledged the accession. The current sanctions, far greater in range and scope, are further pushing Russia closer to not only China, but also India, which has resolutely withstood Western pressure.

Russia has, at least, since 2014 been interested in a breakthrough on the border impasse between India and China. Russian President Vladimir Putin's strategy of "Greater Eurasian Partnership" hinges on relations with India and China. And this requires friendly relations between both neighbours. Despite Russia's Eurocentrism, its destiny has always been tied to Asia. In recent confrontations between India and China, from Doklam to the Galwan Valley clashes, Russia has played behind the scenes to de-escalate tensions between the two Himalayan neighbours. However, during Wang Yi's recent visit to Delhi earlier this week, he was firmly told that China's annexation of Indian territory on eastern Ladakh could not be decoupled from other forms of engagement between the two countries. National Security Advisor Ajit Doval conveyed that the restoration of status quo ante along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) was a precondition for the normalisation of bilateral relations.

While China has been playing it safe so far, it is also closely following the outcome of the wide-ranging economic sanctions on Russia, with repercussions reverberating far and wide across global markets-recovering now after being ravaged by the Coronavirus. It is hosting this year's Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa (BRICS) summit, when member states South Africa and Brazil have also refused to be in the strident anti-Russian camp of NATO. Attention will be focussed on whether Modi attends the summit.

Strangely, the current tragic Ukraine crisis offers an opportunity for China, with Russian facilitation, to achieve a breakthrough in relations with India. India's condition is minimalistic-restore the status quo ante along the LAC. China will have much to benefit by normalising relations with India. It is also a prerequisite for both RIC and Putin's Greater European Partnership (GEP). Can Russia facilitate it?

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GERMAN CONSUMER SENTIMENT AT HISTORIC LOW DUE TO RUSSIA-UKRAINE **CONFLICT: SURVEY**

Consumer sentiment in Germany "deteriorated massively" in April due to the Russia-Ukraine conflict, according to the Consumer Barometer published by the German Retail Federation (HDE).

The index tracks German consumers' propensity to buy and to save, their financial situation as well as other factors relevant to consumption. It has declined for five months in a row to its current alltime low, according to the monthly HDE survey of 1,600 German consumers. Like the Covid-19 pandemic two years ago, the Russia-Ukraine conflict has worsened German consumers' economic expectations, Xinhua news agency reported. According to the HDE, the "looming deterioration in the overall economic situation" also had a negative impact on consumers' income expectations. The probable consumption and savings behaviour has been strongly influenced by the rising inflation figures, the HDE said. While energy prices in particular have risen sharply in recent weeks, German consumers are expecting further price increases in the coming months. Germany's inflation rate climbed to a 40-year high of 7.3 per cent in March, according to preliminary figures released by the Federal Statistical Office (Destatis). Prices for goods rose by 12.3 per cent year-onyear, while energy prices even increased by 39.5 per cent.

US SOUGHT TO PUNISH DISOBEDIENT IMRAN KHAN: RUSSIA

Russia has lambasted "another attempt of shameless interference" by the US in the internal affairs of Pakistan, adding that it sought to punish a "disobedient" Imran Khan, a media report said.

Spokesperson of the Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Maria Zakharova said Russia had noted that Pakistani President ArifAlvi dissolved the National Assembly on Sunday on Khan's advice as well as the events preceding it, reports Dawn news.

"Immediately after the announcement of the working visit of Imran Khan to Moscow on February 23-24 this year, the Americans and their Western associates began to exert rude pressure on the prime minister, demanding an ultimatum to cancel the trip," she said.

"When he nevertheless came to us, (presumable US official Donald Lu) called the Pakistani ambassador in Washington and demanded that the visit be immediately interrupted, which was also rejected," she stated. "According to the Pakistani media, on March 7 this year, in a conversation with Pakistani Ambassador Asad Majid, a highranking American official sharply condemned the balanced reaction of the Pakistani leadership to the events in Ukraine and made it clear that partnerships with the US are possible only if Imran Khan is removed from power," Zakharova said.

The Russian official said that further development of the situation left no doubt that the US "decided to punish the 'disobedient' Imran Khan", noting how lawmakers from within the PTI switched sides to the opposition while the no-confidence vote was submitted to Parliament, Dawn reported. "This is another attempt of shameless US interference in the internal affairs of an independent state for its own selfish purposes. The above facts eloquently testify to this," Zakharova said. "The (Pakistan) Prime Minister himself has repeatedly stated that the conspiracy against him was inspired and financed from abroad. We hope that Pakistani voters will be informed about these circumstances when they come to the elections, which should be held within 90 days after the dissolution of the National Assembly," she said.

The statement comes after kHAN named US Assistant Secretary of State for Central and South Asia Donald Lu as the official who made "threatening remarks" about his regime in a letter, which the premier had brandished during a rally in Islamabad last month.

Last month, the National Security Committee, which includes all services chiefs, had decided to issue a "strong demarche" over the letter, terming it "blatant interference in the internal affairs of Pakistan". Khan has alleged that the no-confidence motion against him is part of the "foreign conspiracy" to oust him from power.

HALF OF CANADIAN FIRMS AFFECTED BY **CONFLICT IN UKRAINE: SURVEY**

Roughly half of Canadian firms expected to be affected by the conflict in Ukraine, results from a special business survey in March have showed. In the interviews conducted on Monday by the Bank of Canada's regional offices with the senior management of more than 100 firms selected to reflect the composition of the gross domestic product of Canada's business sector, 77 out of 152 firms anticipated that they would be affected by the conflict, Xinhua news agency reported. The most common expected impact is upward cost pressure, tied mainly to increased prices for energy and other commodities as well as further supply chain disruptions, the central bank said.

Among the firms expecting the conflict to increase their input costs due to supply chain disruptions, many depend on goods coming from Europe or Asia. They anticipated rising transportation costs and longer delivery times, beyond those related to the Covid-19 pandemic, the survey revealed. Other businesses expected delays and reduced availability of commodities. Many firms planned to pass conflict-related cost increases on to their customers, according to the survey results.

PUNJAB CM SEEKS DIRECT FLIGHTS **BETWEEN LONDON, CHANDIGARH**

Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann on Tuesday asked British Deputy High Commissioner Caroline Rowett to take up the start of direct flights to and fro between London and Chandigarh with the British High Commissioner on priority.

Rowett, who paid a courtesy call at the Chief Minister at his official residence here, said she would certainly take up this matter to facilitate the Punjabi diaspora settled in Britain, besides people residing in neighbouring states to enable them to have a seamless journey to Punjab. She also congratulated Mann for securing a massive mandate for the formation of the state government under his stewardship.

Emphasising the need of immediate direct air link between Chandigarh and London, Mann apprised Rowett that the Chandigarh International Airport caters to the growing demand of the people of neighbouring states of Haryana, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, and Chandigarh. Apprising the Chief Minister about the latest technologies to combat the menace of straw burning and bio-waste management, Rowett evinced keen interest for technology transfer in these fields as the UK has the time-tested and the most advanced expertise to effectively handle them.

She also apprised Mann that the UK has certain advanced postgraduate courses which could be run in collaboration with some local universities and prestigious institutions of higher education to enable the state youth to be gainfully employed across the globe.



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GRAMMY AWARDS 2022: SEE THE LIST OF WINNERS





GRAMMY AWARDS 2022: HOSTED BY TREVOR NOAH, THE 633RD ANNUAL GRAMMYS WITNESSED A NUMBER OF PERFORMANCES FROM ARTISTS LIKE JUSTIN BIEBER, LADY GAGA, BILLIE EILISH AND THE KOREAN BOY BAND BTS. HOWEVER, THE EXCITEMENT AROSE EVERY NOW AND THEN WHEN THE WINNERS OF THIS YEAR WERE ANNOUNCED. JUST IN CASE, YOU MISSED OUT ON THE WINNERS' LIST, HAVE A LOOK AT THIS ONE, CURATED JUST FOR YOU! THE 64TH ANNUAL GRAMMY AWARDS KICKED OFF ON SUNDAY NIGHT AT THE MGM GRAND GARDEN ARENA IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA. FOLLOWING AN EXPLOSIVELY CONTROVERSIAL OSCAR CEREMONY, THE EXCITEMENT FOR THE MUSICAL GALA ROSE EVEN MORE. WELL, THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME THAT THE CEREMONY TOOK PLACE IN THE SIN CITY AFTER BEING POSTPONED FROM LOS ANGELES ON JANUARY 31ST. AFTER TWO YEARS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, THE SHINE ON THE RED CARPET DURING THE GRAMMYS SHOWED ONCE AGAIN AS THE CELEBRITIES WALKED IN THEIR BOLDLY LAVISH LOOKS.

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'IT'S HEARTBREAKING TO SEE WHAT MY COUNTRYMEN ARE GOING THROUGH...'



FERNANDEZ, WHO HAILS FROM SRI LANKA, TOOK VICKY KAUSHAL SHARED NEW SCENIC TO INSTAGRAM AND PENNED A NOTE PRAYING FOR PEACE IN HER HOME COUNTRY.

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AUSTRALIA BOSS ENGLAND FOR SEVENTH TITLE



ICC WOMEN'S WORLD CUP: AUSTRALIA WON A RECORD-EXTENDING SEVENTH WOMEN'S WORLD CUP TITLE ON SUNDAY AFTER DEFEATING ENGLAND IN THE FINAL.

FINALLY: ALIA BHATT AND RANBIR KAPOOR TO GET MARRIED AT ANCESTRAL RK HOUSE IN APRIL



Finally, the big day is coming! The most anticipated marriage of Bollywood love buds — Ranbir Kapoor and Alia Bhatt is going to take place in April this year. As per the report of Bollywood news and gossip website Pinkvilla, the couple is braced to witness their nuptial celebration in a low key affair in Mumbai itself. Unlike the high profile destination weddings of Bollywood, the duo will get hitched atKapoor's ancestral home, which is the RK house. The venue is said to be decided by Ranbir itself as he was very close to his grandmother Krishna Raj Kapoor and his parents too got married at RK home. Pinkvilla further revealed that the event will not be a very big affair and a list of 450 guests will be handed over to Shaadi Squad wedding planners. Well, there is no official confirmation from either side yet but fans of both the actors are eagerly waiting for the big day. Meanwhile, in a recent interview, Ranbir Kapoor also responded to a question about his wedding date and revealed that it will happen soon.

SHILPA SHETTY, BADSHAH SLAMMED FOR THEIR 'MISBEHAVIOUR' WITH HARNAAZ SANDHU ON INDIA'S GOT TALENT







The welcome that Miss Universe 2021 Harnaaz Kaur Sandhu recently got as a guest on India's Got Talent 9 sets from the judges did not go down well with the netizens. As Harnaaz Kaur approached the judges, they all congratulated her for winning the prestigious title. However, netizens were angry at the way Shilpa Shetty and Badshah interacted with her. A video shows Harnaaz walking up to the judges panel. Shilpa Shetty, Badshah and Kirron Kher were seated there. They all congratulated her for winning the title, but netizens did not like the way Shilpa, Badshah reactions were for her. Recently, Harnaaz walked the ramp in FDCI x Lakme Fashion Week where she looked stunning in a red halter gown, however, a photo of her went viral.

INDIAN-AMERICAN SINGER FALGUNI **SHAH WINS GRAMMY**



LOS ANGELES: New York-based Indian singer Falguni Shah, known by her stage name Falu, won a Grammy Award for 'A Colorful World' in the best children's album category. The Mumbai-born singer-songwriter took to Instagram to thank the Recording Academy, which conducts the Grammys, for the win. "I have no words to describe today's magic. What an honor to perform for the opening number of the GRAMMY Premier Ceremony, and then take home a statue on behalf of all the incredible people who worked on A Colorful World. "We are humbled and thank the Recording Academy for this tremendous recognition. THANK YOU! (sic)" Shah wrote alongside her pictures from the event, which was held on Sunday night in Las Vegas. The singer, known for her "modern inventive style with a formidable Indian classically-shaped vocal talent", was previously nominated for a Grammy in the same category for her 2018 album "Falu's Bazaar". Shah, who is in her early 40s, has trained in Hindustani Classical music in the Jaipur musical tradition and in the Benares style of thumrie under Kaumudi Munshi and semi classical music from Uday Mazumdar. According to her official website, she later continued studying under the late sarangi/vocal master Ustad Sultan Khan, and later with the legendary Kishori Amonkar (Jaipur style).





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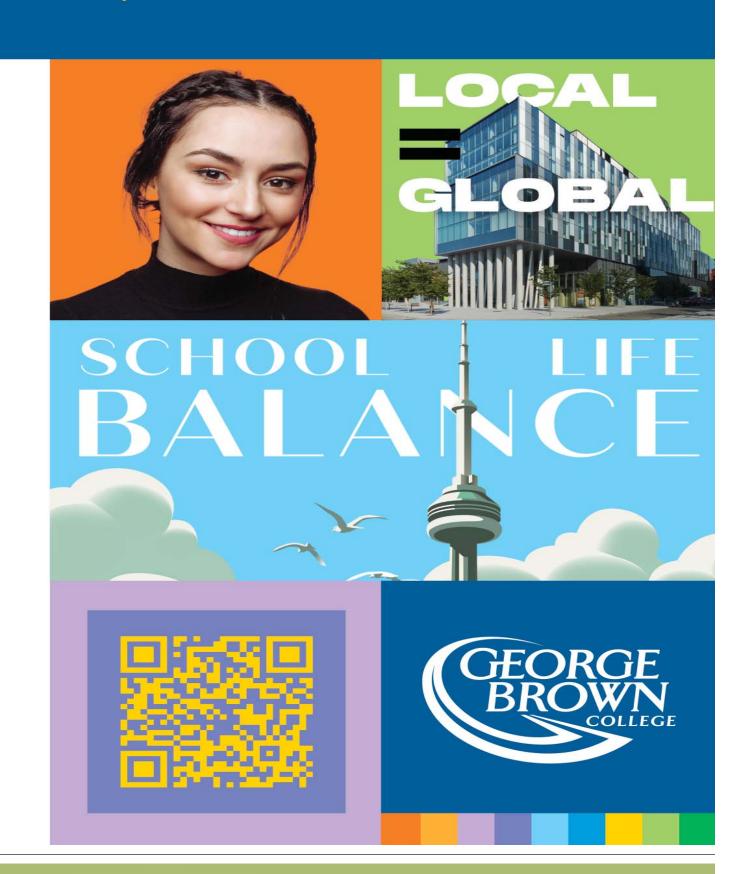
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Grammy Awards 2022: See the list of winners

RECORD OF THE YEAR

WINNER: "Leave the Door Open" — Silk Sonic

ALBUM OF THE YEAR

WINNER: We Are — Jon Batiste

SONG OF THE YEAR

WINNER: "Leave the Door Open" — Brandon Anderson, Christopher Brody

Brown, Dernst Emile II & Bruno Mars, songwriters (Silk Sonic)

BEST NEW ARTIST

WINNER: Olivia Rodrigo **BEST POP SOLO PERFORMANCE**

WINNER: "Drivers License" — Olivia Rodrigo

BEST POP DUO/GROUP PERFORMANCE

WINNER: "Kiss Me More" — Doja Cat featuring SZA

BEST TRADITIONAL POP VOCAL ALBUM WINNER: Love for Sale — Tony Bennett & Lady Gaga

BEST POP VOCAL ALBUM

WINNER: Sour — Olivia Rodrigo

BEST DANCE/ELECTRONIC RECORDING

WINNER: "Alive" — Rüfüs Du Sol

BEST DANCE/ELECTRONIC MUSIC ALBUM

WINNER: Subconsciously — Black Coffee **BEST CONTEMPORARY INSTRUMENTAL ALBUM**

WINNER: Tree Falls — Taylor Eigst

BEST ROCK PERFORMANCE WINNER: "Making a Fire" — Foo Fighters

BEST METAL PERFORMANCE

WINNER: "The Alien" — Dream Theater

BEST ROCK SONG

WINNER: "Waiting on a War" — Dave Grohl, Taylor Hawkins, Rami Jaffee,

Nate Mendel, Chris Shiflett & Pat Smear, songwriters (Foo Fighters)

BEST ROCK ALBUM

WINNER: Medicine at Midnight — Foo Fighters

BEST ALTERNATIVE MUSIC ALBUM

WINNER: Daddy's Home — St. Vincent

BEST R&B PERFORMANCE (TIE)

WINNER: "Leave the Door Open" — Silk Sonic WINNER: "Pick Up Your Feelings" — Jazmine Sullivan

BEST TRADITIONAL R&B PERFORMANCE

WINNER: "Fight for You" — H.E.R.

BEST R&B SONG

WINNER: "Leave the Door Open" — Silk Sonic

BEST PROGRESSIVE R&B ALBUM

WINNER: Table for Two — Lucky Daye

BEST R&B ALBUM

WINNER: Heaux Tales — Jazmine Sullivan

BEST RAP PERFORMANCE

WINNER: "Family Ties" — Baby Keem featuring Kendrick Lamar

BEST MELODIC RAP PERFORMANCE WINNER: "Hurricane" — Kanye West featuring the Weeknd & Lil Baby

BEST RAP SONG

WINNER: "Jail" — Dwayne Abernathy Jr., Shawn Carter, Raul Cubina, Michael Dean, Charles M. Njapa, Sean Solymar, Kanye West & Mark Williams,

songwriters (Kanye West featuring Jay-Z) BEST RAP ALBUM

WINNER: Call Me If You Get Lost — Tyler, The Creator

BEST COUNTRY SOLO PERFORMANCE

WINNER: "You Should Probably Leave" — Chris Stapleton

BEST COUNTRY DUO/GROUP PERFORMANCE

WINNER: "Younger Me" — Brothers Osborne **BEST COUNTRY SONG**

WINNER: "Cold" — Dave Cobb, J.T. Cure, Derek Mixon & Chris Stapleton, songwriters (Chris Stapleton)Chris Stapleton

BEST COUNTRY ALBUM

WINNER: Starting Over — Chris Stapleton

BEST NEW AGE ALBUM

WINNER: Divine Tides — Stewart Copeland & Ricky Kej WINNER: "Humpty Dumpty (Set 2)" — Chick Corea, soloist

BEST JAZZ VOCAL ALBUM

WINNER: Songwrights Apothecary Lab — Esperanza Spalding

BEST JAZZ INSTRUMENTAL ALBUM

WINNER: Skyline — Ron Carter, Jack DeJohnette & Gonzalo Rubalcaba

BEST LARGE JAZZ ENSEMBLE ALBUM

WINNER: For Jimmy, Wes and Oliver — Christian McBride Big Band **BEST LATIN JAZZ ALBUM**

WINNER: Mirror Mirror — Eliane Elias with Chick Corea and Chucho Valdés

BEST GOSPEL PERFORMANCE/SONG

WINNER: "Never Lost" — CeCe Winans

BEST CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN MUSIC PERFORMANCE/SONG

WINNER: "Believe for It" — CeCe Winans; Dwan Hill, Kyle Lee, CeCe Winans & Mitch Wong, songwriters

BEST GOSPEL ALBUM

BEST CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN MUSIC ALBUM WINNER: Old Church Basement — Elevation Worship & Maverick City Music

WINNER: Believe for It — CeCe Winans **BEST ROOTS GOSPEL ALBUM**

WINNER: My Savior — Carrie Underwood

BEST LATIN POP ALBUM

BEST MÚSICA URBANA ALBUM WINNER: El Último Tour Del Mundo — Bad Bunny

BEST LATIN ROCK OR ALTERNATIVE ALBUM

WINNER: Origen — Juanes

WINNER: Mendó — Alex Cuba

BEST REGIONAL MEXICAN MUSIC ALBUM (INCLUDING TEJANO)

WINNER: A Mis 80's — Vicente Fernández

BEST TROPICAL LATIN ALBUM

WINNER: Salswing! — Rubén Blades y Roberto Delgado & Orquesta

BEST AMERICAN ROOTS PERFORMANCE

WINNER: "Cry" — Jon Batiste

BEST AMERICAN ROOTS SONG

WINNER: "Cry" — Jon Batiste & Steve McEwan, songwriters (Jon Batiste) **BEST AMERICANA ALBUM**

WINNER: Native Sons — Los Lobos **BEST BLUEGRASS ALBUM**

WINNER: My Bluegrass Heart — Béla Fleck **BEST TRADITIONAL BLUES ALBUM** WINNER: I Be Trying — Cedric Burnside

BEST CONTEMPORARY BLUES ALBUM WINNER: 662 — Christone "Kingfish" Ingram

BEST FOLK ALBUM

WINNER: They're Calling Me Home — Rhiannon Giddens with Francesco

Turrisi

BEST REGIONAL ROOTS MUSIC ALBUM WINNER: Kau Ka Pe'a — Kalani Pe'a

BEST REGGAE ALBUM

WINNER: Beauty in the Silence — Soja

BEST GLOBAL MUSIC PERFORMANCE WINNER: "Mohabbat" — Arooj Aftab

BEST GLOBAL MUSIC ALBUM

WINNER: Mother Nature — Angelique Kidjo **BEST CHILDREN'S MUSIC ALBUM**

WINNER: A Colorful World - Falu

BEST SPOKEN WORD ALBUM (INCLUDES POETRY, AUDIO BOOKS &

STORYTELLING)

WINNER: Carry On: Reflections for a New Generation From John Lewis —

Don Cheadle

BEST COMEDY ALBUM

WINNER: Sincerely Louis CK — Louis C.K. **BEST MUSICAL THEATER ALBUM**

WINNER: The Unofficial Bridgerton Musical — Emily Bear, producer; Abigail

Barlow & Emily Bear, composers/lyricists (Barlow & Bear)

BEST COMPILATION SOUNDTRACK FOR VISUAL MEDIA

WINNER: The United States vs. Billie Holiday — Andra Day; Salaam Remi,

compilation producer; Lynn Fainchtein, music supervisor BEST SCORE SOUNDTRACK FOR VISUAL MEDIA

WINNER: The Queen's Gambit — Carlos Rafael Rivera, composer WINNER: Soul — Jon Batiste, Trent Reznor & Atticus Ross, composers BEST SONG WRITTEN FOR VISUAL MEDIA

WINNER: "All Eyes On Me" (from Inside) — Bo Burnham, songwriter (Bo Burnham)

BEST INSTRUMENTAL COMPOSITION

WINNER: "Eberhard" — Lyle Mays, composer (Lyle Mays) BEST ARRANGEMENT, INSTRUMENTAL OR A CAPPELLA

WINNER: "Meta Knight's Revenge" (from Kirby Superstar) — Charlie Rosen & Jake Silverman, arrangers (the 8-Bit Big Band featuring Button Masher) BEST ARRANGEMENT, INSTRUMENTS AND VOCALS

"The Bottom Line" — Ólafur Arnalds, arranger (Ólafur Arnalds & Josin) WINNER: "To the Edge of Longing" (edit version) — Vince Mendoza, arranger (Vince Mendoza, Czech National Symphony Orchestra & Julia Bullock)

BEST ORCHESTRAL PERFORMANCE WINNER: "Price: Symphonies Nos. 1 & 3" — Yannick Nézet-Séguin, conduc-

tor (Philadelphia Orchestra) **BEST CHORAL PERFORMANCE**

WINNER: "Mahler: Symphony No. 8, 'Symphony of a Thousand" — Gustavo Dudamel, conductor; Grant Gershon, Robert Istad, Fernando Malvar-Ruiz & Luke McEndarfer, chorus masters (Leah Crocetto, Mihoko Fujimura, Ryan McKinny, Erin Morley, Tamara Mumford, Simon O'Neill, Morris Robinson & Tamara Wilson; Los Angeles Philharmonic; Los Angeles Children's Chorus,

BEST OPERA RECORDING WINNER: "Glass: Akhnaten" — The Metropolitan Opera Orchestra; The Met-

Los Angeles Master Chorale, National Children's Chorus & Pacific Chorale)

ropolitan Opera Chorus BEST CHAMBER MUSIC/SMALL ENSEMBLE PERFORMANCE

WINNER: "Beethoven: Cello Sonatas - Hope Amid Tears" — Yo-Yo Ma & Emanuel Ax **BEST CLASSICAL INSTRUMENTAL SOLO**

WINNER: "Alone Together" — Jennifer Koh BEST CLASSICAL SOLO VOCAL ALBUM

WINNER: Mythologies — Sangeeta Kaur & Hila Plitmann; Danaë Xanthe Vlasse, pianist (Virginie D'Avezac De Castera, Lili Haydn, Wouter Kellerman, Nadeem Majdalany, Eru Matsumoto & Emilio D. Miler)

BEST MUSIC VIDEO WINNER: "Freedom" — Jon Batiste **BEST MUSIC FILM**

WINNER: Summer of Soul — Various Artists

ANKITA LOKHANDE SAYS SHE'S PREGNANT IN LOCK UPP EPISODE, LEAVES KANGANA RANAUT SHOCKED: 'APRIL 1 NAHI HAI AAJ'



Ankita Lokhande appeared as a special guest on Kangana Ranaut-hosted Lock Upp and left her Manikarnika co-star shocked. We know that Ankita and Kangana are good friends in real life and also shared some warm camaraderie on the reality show. But more than anything, an announcement by Ankita left everyone shocked. Ankita appeared on Lock Upp to promote her show Pavitra Rishta, which is returning with its second season on AltBalaji. The actor also presented a gift hamper to contestants Munawar Faruqui and Anjali Arora, calling their relationship, a 'pavitra rishta'. Kangana Ranaut then reminded her that every guest needs to unravel a secret about themselves on the show. While Ankita first insisted that she has no secrets, but on Kangana's insistence, she said, "Okay so even Vicky doesn't know this. Congratulate me guys, I am pregnant." Kangana was left with her jaw hanging and other contestants were also shocked. Ankita then quipped, "April fool banaya." At this Kangana replied, "First April bhi nahi hai aaj."

VICKY KAUSHAL SHARES BREATHTAKING PHOTOS FROM HOLIDAY WITH KATRINA KAIF



Actors Vicky Kaushal and Katrina Kaif, who are on a romantic getaway, have been sharing glimpses of scenic locations. After Katrina shared selfies of the two of them, Vicky posted another series of stunning photos and gorgeous views.

Vicky captioned the photo post, "No filter." Fans flooded the photos with hearts and comments, and Priyanka Chopra 'liked' the photo. Others tried asking for his location.

In his previous post, Vicky had shared a photo of himself shirtless and written, "No wifi still finding better connection." Vicky also shared a gorgeous picture with Kat, where both of them are seen posing for a selfie from a private yacht.

Vicky and Katrina kept fans guessing about the status of their relationship for several months last year. In December, the two tied the knot in a grand yet intimate ceremony at Six Senses Fort Barwara in Rajasthan. Since then, they've been sharing glimpses of their blissful married life together. On the work front, Vicky Kaushal has director Laxman Utekar's yet-to-betitled film with Sara Ali Khan, Hurdang and Meghna Gulzar's Sam Bahadur in his kitty. Katrina Kaif has Tiger 3 with Salman Khan, Phone Booth with Siddhant Chaturvedi and Merry Christmas with Vijay Sethupathi, among others. She will also play one of the lead roles in

Farhan Akhtar's next alongside Alia Bhatt and Priyanka Chopra. AROOJ AFTAB BECOMES FIRST



Brooklyn-based Pakistani vocalist Arooj Aftab, who became

the first Pakistani woman to bag the coveted Grammy Award in the Best Global Performance category for her song 'Mohabbat', has faced quite a few challenges to achieve the feat. "Arooj was born to Pakistani parents in Saudi Arabia. She spent her teenage years in Lahore. Her parents often held musical evenings at their home in Lahore, but Aftab was not allowed to take music lessons, which they believed would impact her studies. "The 37-year old is a self-taught musician as she learnt the basics of music by listening to artistes such as Pandit Hariprasad Chaurasia, Ustad Zakir Hussain, and the American jazz diva Billie Holiday, among others. In addition, she took an online music course. "However, finding her calling, she soon relocated to Boston's prestigious Berklee School of Music to study musical production and engineering. Aftab has worked on scoring for films and editing them including filmmaker Cary Mcclelland's 'Without Shepherds', which tells the story of six people in Pakistan in the wake of Benazir Bhutto's assassination. "She also composed the score for 'Bittu' by director Karishma Dev Dube, which was shortlisted for the Best Live Action Short Film at the 93rd Academy Awards. In addition, she has also worked with MTV and Vice supervising their music and video departments. "Interestingly, Arooj's award winning song is a 'neo Sufi' version of a ghazal by Punjabbased poet Hafeez Hoshiyarpuri. 'Mohabbat karne wale kam na honge, teri mehfil mein lekin hum na honge', has been sung earlier by luminaries such as Mehdi Hassan, Farida Khanum, Ghulam Ali, and Indian legend Jagjit Singh.



TORONTO INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES **OFFICIAL SCREENING VENUES FOR ITS 47TH EDITION**

Visa Screening Room at the Princess of Wales Theatre, Scotiabank Theatre Toronto and, for the first time ever, the Royal Alexandra Theatre.

2022 TIFF Tribute Awards to take place September 11 at the historic Fairmont Royal York

The Toronto International Film Festival® (TIFF) marks its 47th edition by welcoming audiences, press, and industry members back to the vibrant city of Toronto. Hosting a fully in-person Festival, TIFF 2022's official screening venues across the city will include TIFF Bell Lightbox, Roy Thomson Hall, the Visa Screening Room at the Princess of Wales Theatre, Scotiabank Theatre Toronto, and the Royal Alexandra Theatre. Recognized as the world's largest public film festival, TIFF kicks off September 8, 2022 for 11 days of international and Canadian cinema, press and industry screenings, special events, and red carpets featuring some of the biggest names in film. The TIFF Tribute Awards gala fundraiser will take place on Sunday, September 11 at Fairmont Royal York. TIFF's Industry Conference, offering diverse and innovative perspectives on the art and business of film, will take place in person September 9-13 at the Glenn Gould Studio, with business activity taking place at our Industry Centre located at the Hyatt Regency Toronto on King Street.

Joining the list of screening venues in 2022 is the iconic Royal Alexandra Theatre, located in the heart of TIFF's festival footprint. Built in 1907 in the beaux-arts style with a capacity of over 1,000 seats, the Royal Alexandra is a national historic landmark in Toronto and has hosted many events, performances, musicals, and plays on its world-recognized stage. Most notably, the Royal Alexandra was home to countless Broadway theatre hits, and its stage has been graced by some of the most talented 20th-century film artists, including Mary Pickford, the Marx Brothers, Olivia de Havilland, Ingrid Bergman, Fanny Brice, Fred Astaire, Mae West, Orson Welles, and John Barrymore, along with many other influential performers. In anticipation of TIFF 2022, take a virtual tour of the Royal Alexandra Theatre. "The city of Toronto is buzzing with excitement, as celebrations that make this city so unique return in full force," said Cameron Bailey, TIFF CEO. "Restrictions have lifted, borders have opened up, and travelling back to Toronto has become much easier. As TIFF celebrates the full cinema experience, we are proud and overjoyed to be welcoming our audiences back. Film lovers can enjoy screenings of the

TIFF welcomes audiences back to TIFF Bell Lightbox, Roy Thomson Hall, the most exciting new cinema from around the world in the heart of the city, including the newly announced Royal Alexandra Theatre, feel the hustle and bustle of Festival Street, and catch a glimpse of their favourite stars — but most of all they can immerse themselves back into that moviegoing experience Toronto audiences love." This year also marks the return of the beloved Festival Street, where part of King Street — from Peter Street to University Avenue — will be celebrating all things film. The free family-friendly street festival will feature live performances. partner activations, and outdoor screenings September 8–11, 2022. Continuing the celebrations at the historic Fairmont Royal York hotel, the fourth annual TIFF Tribute Awards returns to an in-person gala event on Sunday, September 11, 2022. Through the years, Fairmont Royal York has played host to royal guests, heads of state, and prolific performers, including Ella Fitzgerald, Eartha Kitt, Tony Bennett, and Tina Turner, among other legendary names. It has served as the backdrop to movies such as Edoardo Ponti's Between Strangers, Ron Howard's Cinderella Man, Atom Egoyan's Chloe, Allen Coulter's Hollywoodland, and Tom McCarthy's Spotlight. A landmark in Toronto's cinematic history, Fairmont Royal York once again hosts the TIFF Tribute Awards, which honour the film industry's outstanding contributors and their achievements, recognizing leading industry members, acting talent, directorial expertise, emerging talent, and a below-the-line artist. The 2022 TIFF Tribute Awards gala fundraiser will support TIFF's Every Story fund to promote diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging in film, and TIFF's core mission to transform the way people see the world through film. Learn more about the TIFF Tribute Awards gala and how to support TIFF year-round at tiff.net/tribute. "The TIFF Tribute Awards celebrate some of the industry's finest, and we are ecstatic to be returning to an in-person gala," said Bailey. "We know that the Tribute Awards serve as a kick-off to the fall awards season, with some past recipients having gone on to win awards on the international stage such as Jessica Chastain, Denis Villeneuve, Chloé Zhao, Mati Diop, Taika Waititi, and Sir Anthony Hopkins, to name a few. Fairmont Royal York holds such historical relevance to film and to Toronto, with many movies being filmed there and notable musicians, comedians, and actors performing in their celebrated spaces. As host to many renowned quests, it's only fitting that the TIFF Tribute Awards continue to be held in such a meaningful venue."

JAVED AKHTAR PENS HEARTFELT NOTE ON SHARMAJI NAMKEEN: 'MY FRIEND CHINTU, YOU HAVE HIT THE LAST BALL OUT OF THE STADIUM'

Lyricist-screenwriter Javed Akhtar on Monday took to Twitter to pen a heartwarming note for the team of Sharmaii Namkeen. While lauding the writer and director, Akhtar also thanked Paresh Rawal for his "unusual and great contribution". As for Rishi Kapoor, the writer said that it was ultimately his show, and he has "hit the ball out of the stadium". "Watched Sharma ji Namkeen . So well written and directed . Thank you Paresh Rawal saheb for your most unusual and great contribution . Now my friend Chintu , ultimately it is your show . You have hit the last ball out of the stadium . Tell me ,why we all won't miss you for ever," he wrote on Twitter.

Sharmaji Namkeen is the story of a recently retired man, who moonlights as a cook in a kitty group. While he finds joy and respect among the women in the group, his new job becomes an embarrassment to his family. With Rishi Kapoor passing away midway through the shoot, Paresh Rawal stepped in to complete the film. It's one of the rare Bollywood films where the same character has been played by two actors. The film premiered on March 31 on Amazon Prime Video to a positive response. In her review, The Indian Express critic Shubhra Gupta wrote, "When he left us in an untimely fashion, he was doing all kinds of roles, from kohl-eyed baddies to cantankerous grand-



pas. This one, his last, has a message tucked in its telling: embrace change, go out of your comfort zone, where unexpected pleasures may await." Another part of the review read, "The film's editor must have had quite a task, splicing scenes with the two actors, making them flow. Paresh Rawal's Sharmaji, togged out in Kapoor's trademark checked sweater and muffler, is efficient. But Rishi Kapoor is truly namkeen, showing us how it is done, light on his feet, light in his eyes, a will to live. Jeena isi ka naam hai."

ABHISHEK BACHCHAN REVEALS BEST ADVICE WIFE AISHWARYA RAI GAVE HIM: 'CHECK YOUR ZIPPER'

Abhishek Bachchan and Aishwarya Rai Bachchan remain one of Bollywood's most-loved couples. Apart from always giving made for each other vibes, they have also regularly given couple goals to us for one and a half decade.

Judging by their social media posts, they keep doing cute stuff for each other that strengthens their relationship. Abhishek has said many times in the past that Aishwarya is not just his wife, but also a friend who helps him in his work.

In a recent interview with Film Companion based around his upcoming film, Tushar Jalota-directorial Dasvi, he said she gave him the best practical advice. He revealed that Aishwarya once told him,

"Check your zip and your teeth." He said it is a "brilliant" advice.

As an answer to another question asking whether Abhishek is the kind of dad who helps his and Aishwarya's daughter Aaradhya Bachchan with her homework. "No," he admitted. "I tried once or twice but that's completely Aishwarya. She is an unbelievable mother for her dedication to Aaradhya. I don't get to say that enough, but due to her dedication to our daughter, I get to go out and do what I do." Earlier, Abhishek had told ANI that Aish helped him deal with negative comments. He said, "My wife once told me that 'you get 10,000 positive comments but you get affected by one negative comment. You should concentrate on positivity and experience the beauty of the positive world.' So I always try to look at things with positivity."

Aishwarya and Abhishek tied the knot in a private ceremony at the Bachchan family's Juhu home in 2007. They welcomed Aaradhya in

2011. Abhishek's co-star in Dasvi, Nimrat Kaur, was also present in the video interview.

Abhishek was last seen in Bob Biswas. Apart from Dasvi, which releases on April 7, he will soon be back with the third season of Prime Video series Breathe too. Aishwarya, on the other hand, is awaiting the release of Mani Ratnam's much-anticipated Mani Ratnam's fantasy epic historical film Ponniyin Selvan: I.

SHRIYA PILGAONKAR AND VARUN MITRA TO STAR IN AMAZON PRIME VIDEO'S **GUILTY MINDS, SEE FIRST POSTER**



Amazon Prime Video announced a new series titled Guilty Minds on Monday. The legal drama stars Shriya Pilgaonkar, Varun Mitra, Namrata Sheth, Sugandha Garg, Kulbhushan Kharbanda, Satish Kaushik, Benjamin Gilani, Virendra Sharma, Diksha Juneja, Pranay Pachauri, Deepak Kalra and Chitrangada Satrupa. According to the makers, the ten-episode series follows the journey of two young and ambitious lawyers. While one is the epitome of virtue, the other is associated with a leading law firm, dealing with all shades of grey.

The makers shared the first poster of the show and wrote, "You won't be able to turn a blind eye to this one ?? Hearings begin soon. #GuiltyMindsOnPrime." The web show is created and directed by Shefali Bhsuhan. It is produced by Karan Grover, Antara Banerjee and Naved Faroogui. Guilty Minds will start streaming from April 22 on Amazon Prime Video.

BAAHUBALI 3 IN WORKS? PRODUCER PRASAD DEVINENI RESPONDS: 'AT SOME POINT WE MIGHT MAKE IT IF...'



Fans of the epic Baahubali movies, we have some good news for you. After the mega success of the first two period dramas, RRR director SS Rajamouli has apparently said that there is some scope to explore a third film too in the beloved franchise. To elaborate exactly what he meant during a media interaction, Baahubali producer Prasad Devineni said that the feature might eventually begin production sometime in the future, but no specifics have emerged regarding the project yet.

"What he (SS Rajamouli) was saying is that there is scope in the Baahubali world to tell another story. The world is there, and the characters are larger than life. But we are not looking to start immediately, because he has got a couple of commitments. After that we will think about it. Definitely at some point we might make it, if everything falls into place. But there is no effort being put in right now," the producer told Pinkvilla.

Meanwhile, SS Raiamouli's father and screenwriter KV Vijayendra Prasad said that the team is right now focusing on the Mahesh Babu film, and have not really thought much about the third part of Baahubali series.

RAM CHARAN GIFTS GOLD COINS WORTH RS 18 LAKH TO RRR TECHNICIANS TO CELEBRATE FILM'S SUCCESS. FANS SAY 'HEART OF GOLD'





It looks like Telugu star Ram Charan believes in celebrating the success of his films with the crew members too. And with his recent release RRR doing wonders at the box office, it turned out to be a sweet gesture when he chose to do the same with the technicians of the SS Rajamouli directorial.

Humbly acknowledging the efforts of the people who worked behind the camera, Ram Charan gifted gold coins to nearly 35 unit members of RRR. He expressed gratitude towards them by first inviting them over for a meal at his residence in Hyderabad, and then presenting them with sweets and a gold coin each weighing 11.6 grams (worth about Rs 55,000-60,000). The technicians included various heads of filmmaking departments like direction and camera. They also included production managers, still photographers, accountants and others. Owing to the glowing success of the film, Ram Charan arrived barefoot at Mumbai airport on Sunday as part of observing the 41-day long Ayyappa Deeksha. He was also mobbed by fans outside the Gaiety theatre when he made a surprise appearance at a screening of RRR.

RRR, which opened to astounding reception across the country on March 25, managed to cross Rs 500 crore worldwide within its first three days of release. Co-starring Jr NTR, it has been breaking records ever since.

While Ram Charan played the character of Rama Raju, a revolutionary in the garb of a British police officer, Jr NTR portrayed Bheem, a tribal leader out to rescue a girl from his village who's been taken by the British.

RRR, which stands for 'Rise Roar Revolt' is running in its second week and inching towards crossing Rs 1000 crore worldwide. RRR also stars Ray Stevenson, Alison Doody, and Olivia Morris, and has Ajay Devgn and Alia Bhatt in extended cameos.







CATCH ABHISHEK BACCHAN'S DASVI AND ALSO SEASON 3 OF POPULAR SERIES GULLAK AND ABHAY ON OTT

April 7: Dasvi on Netflix

Directed by Tushar Jalota, the film stars Abhishek Bachchan, Yami Gautam and Nimrat Kaur among others. The story revolves around an uneducated and rustic politician, Ganga Ram Chaudhary (Abhishek Bachchan), who is arrested for a teacher recruitment scam. During his time in prison, he aims to clear his Class 10 exams.

April 4: Final Moments on hayu

Final Moments captures the emotional truth of victims of crime, leading up to their death. Each episode tracks a new investigation and features real footage, pictures and social media posts that shed light on the life of the victim and the crime.

April 7: Gullak Season 3 on SonyLIV

The show brings to light the everyday experiences of a small town, middle-class Indian family, documented beautifully through interesting anecdotes. The show also stars Jameel Khan.

April 8: All The Old Knives on Amazon Prime Video

Directed by Janus Metz, the film stars Chris Pine, Thandiwe Newton, Laurence Fishburne, and Jonathan Pryce. When the CIA discovers some leaked information that cost more than 100 people their lives, Henry Pelham is assigned to root out the mole.

April 8: Abhav Season 3 on ZEE5

Kunal Kemmu will return as the investigating officer, Abhay Pratap Singh, who has the mind of a criminal and can go to any extent to solve a case. In this new season, Abhay faces a dark force capable of exploiting anyone in the name of a The Mishra family is back to embark upon new chapters in their lives. twisted belief. It also stars Asha Negi, Nidhi Singh and Rituraj Singh.

ANANYA PANDAY-ISHAAN KHATTER BREAK UP RUMOUR: A COMPLETE TIMELINE OF THE 'KHAALI PEELI' COUPLE



Panday and Ishaan Khatter have reportedly broken up after three years of dating each other. From what we know, the couple parted ways mutually and on a positive note and will continue to remain friends going further. Not just that, they might collaborate on a project, a rarity when it comes to ex-partners. However, there has been no confirmation from either about their alleged break-up.

Here, we look at a timeline of their relationship for three years. Although the couple has been extremely private about their romance, rarely talking about each other or their affair in public, we trace back their association on Khaali Peeli movie sets in late 2019 to their recent spotting together at Dharma productions' CEO Apoorva Mehta's 50th birthday bash.

The first film- Khaali Peeli

Ananya and Ishaan fell for each other during the shoot of their movie Khaali Peeli. They began filming for it in late 2019 till the first COVID-19 lockdown in March 2020. In an interview with Bollywood Hungama, Ishaan revealed that Ananya helped him detach from the aspects of

relaxed. Here, Ishaan also revealed two photographs that he had stuck to his bedroom wall. One picture was from the time he shot for director Majid Majidi's Beyond the Clouds and another was Ananya's. This seemingly confirmed that they were with each other.

During a live interaction with her fans on Instagram, Ananya also spoke about Ishaan for the first time. She said, "We are similar people and bond over a lot of common things. Our film is very special to both of us." Ananya added that Ishaan is chilled out and very talented. On social media posts, they continued to draw the attention of the netizens with their flirty comments.

Ananya-Ishaan step out together

While 2020 was the beginning of their romance, they stepped out in public later that year for the first time together as they jetted off to the Maldives for New Year's vacation. Ishaan and Ananya's unseen moments from the island nation went viral on the internet as they declared their relationship status without saying the words.

'HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO BOL ... 'KAJOL SHARES HILARIOUS POST FOR HUSBAND AJAY DEVGN ON HIS SPECIAL DAY

Giving major wife goals, Bollywood actress Kajol shared a witty and hilarious post to wish her superstar husband Ajay Devgn a happy birthday. Taking to her Instagram handle, Kajol shared a beyond-adorable post, filled with just the right amount of humour. Along with a captivating picture featuring herself posing with Ajay, Kajol wrote, "Me:- Gudi Padwa neet bol gadhwa! Ajay:-Happy Birthday to bol de. @ajaydevgn #happynavratri #gudipadwa #happybirthday."

Apart from Kajol, many other actors including Abhishek Bachchan and Akshay Kumar wished Ajay, who turned 53 on the occasion of Gudi Padwa. Dropping a throwback picture with Ajay Devgn, Abhishek wrote, "Happy birthday AJ. A photo from the shoot of Major Saab. My first job as a production boy in 1997. I knew nothing about a film set and you taught me so much and prepared me to deal with it all (at times, you still do). You decided to take a 21yr old under your wing and guide him. I will never forget your generosity, guidance and love.... Never. Happy birthday my brother. May you continue to rise and shine, always. @ajaydevgn."

Coming back Kajol and Ajay, the much-in-love couple tied the knot in 1999 and are parents to Nysa and Yug. The couple has co-starred in films like 'Ishq', 'Pyaar To Hona Hi Tha', 'Dil Kya Kare', 'Raju Chacha', 'U Me Aur Hum' and 'Tanhaji: The Unsung Warrior'.

On the professional front, Ajay Devgn was last seen in RRR. Now, he has begun filming of Drishyam 2. The sequel of the Mohanlal-starrer will be shot extensively in Goa in the coming time. It brings back Tabu and Shriya Saran with Ajay. Next, he will be seen in Runway 34, which will release on April 29. Besides Ajay, the film stars Amitabh Bachchan and Rakul Preet Singh. Inspired by true incidents, "Runway 34" revolves around Captain Vikrant Khanna played by Ajay Devgn, a flying prodigy, whose flight takes a mysterious course after take-off from an international destination. Meanwhile, Kajol will feature in Revathy's 'Salaam Venky.'



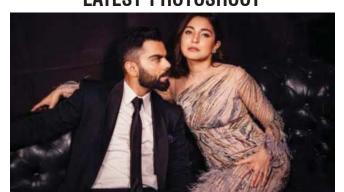
HRITHIK ROSHAN CHANNELS HIS 'INNER VEDHA' AS HE FLAUNTS LONG BEARD, FANS CALL HIM 'HOTTEST'



Bollywood actor Hrithik Roshan, who has been working on his upcoming film 'Vikram Vedha', on Saturday, shared pictures in which he flaunted his look as Vedha. The 'Bang Bang' actor took to his Instagram handle and dropped a series of images sporting a bearded look with his hair tied back in a pony. Adding to his rugged look, Hrithik could be seen posing in a black t-shirt paired with black cargo jeans and sunglasses. In the post's caption, he wrote, "Channeling the inner Vedha,"

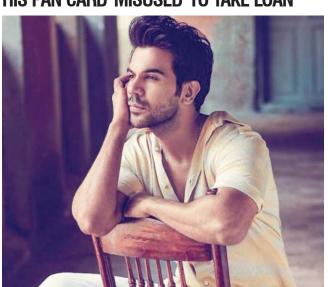
The upcoming project is the Hindi remake of the Tamil film 'Vikram Vedha' and in the pictures that Hrithik shared, he looked similar to Vijay Sethupathi's character from the original movie. Bollywood celebs including Neil Nitin Mukesh, Dino Morea and Farah Khan, among others lauded Hrithik for his stunning looks. Several fans of the actor also shared their appreciation in the post's comment section. One of them wrote, "Hottest," Another said "Sweet look sir." While another one shared, "I am in love with Vedha's style." The Hindi remake of 'Vikram Vedha', which also stars Saif Ali Khan in the lead, is being directed by the makers of the original film, Pushkar-Gayathri. The original 'Vikram Vedha', also starred R Madhavan along with Sethupathi. The action-thriller had released in 2017 and performed well at the box office. It featured Madhavan as a police inspector named Vikram while Vijay played Vedha, a gangster and a drug smuggler. The upcoming remake will mark filmmaker duo Pushkar and Gayathri's Hindi debut in both direction and writing. It is presented by Gulshan Kumar, T-Series Films and Reliance Entertainment in association with Friday Filmworks and YNOT Studios Production.

TOO HOT! VIRAT KOHLI CAN'T KEEP HIS EYES OFF ANUSHKA SHARMA IN LATEST PHOTOSHOOT



power couple, Anushka Sharma and Virat Kohli cannot seem to take their eyes off each other in their new glamorous photoshoot. On Saturday (April 2), the actress treated her fans to stunning photos of the duo, where Anushka looked elegant in a sparkly nude-shade fitted gown with gold and silver embellishment and Virat looked dapper in a classic tuxedo with a tie. "We clean up well," Anushka captioned the post. In no time, Virat dropped an adorable comment, saying "Uffff too hot @anushkasharma," followed by love-struck, lit, and red heart emojis. Zoya Akhtar and Kiara Advani left an array of red heart emojis in the comment section. Lovingly called 'Virushka' by their fans, the two tied the knot in 2017 and welcomed their first child, daughter Vamika, in 2021. Recently, Virat Kohli shared a cute picture with his wifey Anushka. Flashing their million-dollar smiles, the couple shared no-filter selfie from their daughter Vamika's play area. In the selfie, Anushka Sharma looked beautiful in a white and orange coloured top, while Virat Kohli donned a brown coloured t-shirt. Posting the selfie, Virat simply captioned it with a red heart emoji. Soon, Anushka Sharma chimed in the comment section and wrote, "Happy to make my fans happy. Anything for my fans."

RAJKUMMAR RAO CALLS OUT FRAUD AFTER HIS PAN CARD 'MISUSED' TO TAKE LOAN



Actor Rajkummar Rao on Saturday said he has been a victim of a fraud where his PAN card was misused to take a loan on his name. The 37-year-old actor claimed because of this fraud, his credit score was affected and asked the officials at Credit Information Bureau (India) Limited (CIBIL) to look into the matter. "#FraudAlert My pan card has been misused and a small loan of Rs.2500 has been taken on my name. Due to which my cibil score has been affected. @CIBIL_Official please rectify the same and do take precautionary steps against this," Rao tweeted. The official Twitter account of CIBIL is yet to reply to the actor. On the work front, Rao will be seen in films like "Hit", "Monica, O My Darling" and "Bheed", all expected to release this year. He was last seen in the recent release Badhaai Do' co-starring Bhumi Pednekar.



ALTHOUGH SHOWCASING SLICK ACTION, THE PREMISE OF JOHN-ABRAHAM-STARRER ATTACK SEEMS MORE **EXCITING ON PAPER THAN ITS EXECUTION**

"Lagta hai aap Hollywood filmein bahut dekhte hain..." Can we say the same about the makers? Well, yes and no. For Attack, on the lines of RoboCop, Universal Soldier and a few other films that have dealt with robotic science may seem inspired. But as it turns out, it is as Indianised as it can be. And we say that both by way of a compliment and censure. The film opens to some superlative action as Army officer Arjun Shergill (John Abraham) and his team conduct a covert operation to extract a terror mastermind on foreign soil. Mission successful, soon we are on the romantic highway. Post a song and some lovey-dovey moments (Jacqueline Fernandez as Ayesha provides the romantic interest), the narrative moves towards its core subject- artificial intelligence.

Now certainly this is a novel concept, at least as far as Indian films go. But the treatment seems more exciting on paper than its execution. Arjun turns into a super/cyber soldier, thanks to an experiment conducted by Dr Sabah Qureshi (Rakul Preet Singh). With a computer chip inside his body, presto, now he has access to a personal assistant, a la Siri and Alexa we are told. Only this particular assistant not only makes light-hearted small talk, but also makes him privy to every bit of information under the sun. In a flash, surface the blueprints of Parliament, which by the way is under attack. From who else but terrorists from the neighbouring country, one of whom, Hamid Gul, Ariun had left unscathed in the opening operation. He is the new mastermind. But despite packing in more than one terror attack, the film does not mouth unwanted platitudes. Nor does it indulge in overt patriotism of the jingoism variant. Where it goes overboard is in the action department. Any wonder, despite a novel base the film ends up as yet another actioner where you guessed it-John is one-man-Army who flexes his muscles more than his intelligence— ahem artificial intelligence! Action, however, is slick and John makes second outing, which the title (Attack Part One) promises.



mincemeat of his enemies. Rajit Kapur seems to have become a pro at playing a politician. As the new incumbent to the position of prime minister, since the real one has been taken hostage, he is on point. Even in a brief part he allows us a peep into the political class, which is ready to tweet credit where none is due. Prakash Raj, as security advisor V K Subramaniam, appears resolute as the part demands. Rakul Preet Singh, the brain behind the Al programme, impresses. Elham Ehsas' Hamid Gul gets his diction and menace right.

As for the film, with a run time of two hours, crisply edited by Aarif Sheikh, Attack is not an assault on senses, but works more in the action department. Coming from a young director, Lakshya Raj Anand we expected a more intelligent fare, more attuned to the world of Al. But a start has been made and directors as well as writers do decode some bits of this hi-tech domain. Perhaps, we can expect better in the

Mrunal Thakur depends on her cat & family to maintain sanity

Mrunal Thakur who recently appeared in the short film Jahaan and is now gearing up for the feature Jersey opposite Shahid Kapoor, says despite all the fame, success and multiple professional commitments, her only way to maintain her sanity is living with her parents and pet cat. Starting her career with the television show Mujhse Kuchh Kehti...Yeh Khamoshiyaan, the actress gained her visibility with films, including Love Sonia, Super 30, Ghost Stories, Toofan and Dhamaka. While the short film Jahaan talks about belonging, asked about her sense of belonging as an artist, Mrunal opens up.

Mrunal said, "As artists, we are living with different characters because we are acting them on-screen. The process is quite overwhelming because we are getting into the skin of the character. Then a day comes when the filming gets over and we leave the character. At times that hurts too, emotionally, because sometimes a character impacts the actor." She continued, "It might just sound insane...the only way to maintain sanity for me is to go back to my home, cutting off from that world. Now that I am doing good work, more than often I am asked why do I still live with my parents. It is only my parents, sibling and my pet cat that gives me a true sense of belonging."



'RRR' STARRING RAM CHARAN, JR NTR CONTINUES ITS MAGIC WHILE 'ATTACK' STRUGGLES BIG TIME

SS Rajamouli's directorial RRR has been winning hearts ever since its release on March 25. From its extravagant appeal to a powerful star cast including Jr NTR, Ram Charan, Alia Bhatt and Ajay Devgn, the film continues the winning streak at the box office on its second Saturday. While the latest Friday release 'Attack' starring John Abraham, Rakul Preet Singh in the lead is still facing challenges at the box office. Both the films belong to the action genre which might be the reason why John's film has been struggling hard to get close to even 10 crore mark. Meanwhile, RRR has already been declared a superhit as within two days it crossed Rs 500 crore at the worldwide box office and is inching toward the 200 crore club in the Hindi belts.



A report in Box Office India talking about the collections of RRR said, "RRR (Hindi) continues to storm the box office as it collected around 17 crore nett on its second Saturday to take its total around 162 crore nett. The jump was around 30% on the second Saturday which is very good for a film which is doing huge numbers in mass pockets."

On Sunday trade analyst, Taran Adarsh shared the collections on Twitter as he wrote, "#RRR RULES, ROCKS and ROARS... Day 9 trending is EXCEPTIONAL... Will cross ? 175 cr today [second] Sun... Will hit DOUBLE CENTURY [? 200 cr] on weekdays... [Week 2] Fri 13.50 cr, Sat 18 cr. Total: ? 164.09 cr. #India biz. SMASH HIT." The magnum opus also became India's biggest-ever opener with Rs 223 crore worldwide, after overtaking 'Baahubali 2', which had made Rs 217 crore worldwide on its opening day. Set in pre-independence India, 'RRR' is a fictional take on the younger days of celebrated freedom fighters, Komaram Bheem and Alluri Seetharama Raju, portrayed by Jr. NTR and Ram Charan. The movie also features Samuthirakani, Olivia Morris, Alison Doody, and Ray Stevenson. While for Attack, the Box Office India report claimed, "Attack had business in the same range as day one with 3-3.25 crore nett coming and will have a two day total of 6.25 crore nett apprx. The numbers are low across the board as both metros and mass circuits do dull business." Directed by Lakshya Raj Anand, Attack also stars Jacqueline Fernandez, Prakash Raj, Ratna Pathak Shah in pivotal roles. Dr

Jayantilal Gada (Pen Studios), John Abraham (JA Entertainment), and Ajay Kapoor Productions are presenting the action-packed movie.

GRAMMYS 2022

JAZMINE SULLIVAN WINS BEST R&B ALBUM, BEST R&B PERFORMANCE



LOS ANGELES, (IANS) Jazmine Sullivan took home two golden gramophones at the 2022 Grammys. She won the Best R&B Album for the 14-track album, 'Heaux Tales' and Best R&B Performance for 'Pick Up Your Feelings'. 'Heaux Tales' won over releases from Leon Bridges, H.E.R., Jon Batiste and Snoh Aalegra. 'Pick Up Your Feelings' tied with Silk Sonic's 'Leave the Door Open' in the Best R&B Performance category, bringing the first ever Grammy Award to Sullivan. Three of Sullivan's 15 career Grammy nominations are for 'Heaux Tales'.

Jazmine said in her acceptance speech: "I don't know what I heard. I almost didn't believe it but I'm so grateful to be up here." She also made a comment on H.E.R. in jest saying, "Shout-out to H.E.R. for wearing these glasses in the dark, girl. I fell like 15 times tonight." She further told the crowd that she wrote Heaux Tales to deal with her own shame and unforgiveness around some of the sins that she committed in her 20s. She continued: "But, what it ended up being was a safe space for Black women to tell their stories, for us to learn from each other, laugh with each other and not be exploited at the same time. And that's what I'm most grateful for. "

OLIVIA RODRIGO WALKS AWAY WITH BEST POP VOCAL ALBUM HONOUR



LOS ANGELES, (IANS) Singer-actress Olivia Rodrigo bagged the Best Pop Vocal Album honour at the recently concluded 64th annual Grammy Awards for her hit debut 'Sour'.

The album competed against Justin Bieber's 'Justice', Doja Cat's 'Planet Her', Billie Eilish's 'Happier Than Ever', and Ariana Grande' 'Positions'. Earlier, Rodrigo also won the Grammy for Best New Artist. Rodrigo said in her acceptance speech, "When I was nine years old, I told my mom I was going to be an Olympic gymnast even though I could barely do a cartwheel and she thought I was joking." "So the next week when I told her I was going to win a Grammy, she was very supportive, even though I thought it was just a little kid pipe dream. I want to thank my mom for being supportive of all of my dreams, no matter how crazy," she further said in her speech.

COUNTRY SINGER CHRIS STAPLETON PICKS UP THREE HONOURS



LOS ANGELES, (IANS) American musician Chris Stapleton, who is known to play across genres of Outlaw Country, Bluegrass, Rock and Roll and Blues, bagged the honour for Best Country Album at the 2022 Grammy Awards. His LP 'Starting Over' clinched the honour over titles by 'The Ballad of Dood & Juanita' by Sturgill Simpson, 'Remember Her Name' by Mickey Guyton, 'Skeletons' by Brothers Osborne, and 'The Marfa Tapes' by Miranda Lambert, Jon Randall and Jack Ingram. In addition to winning Best Country Album, Stapleton also took home the Grammys for Best Country Solo Performance for 'You Should Probably Leave' and Best Country Song for 'Cold', the former honour being special as he won it for a record third time.



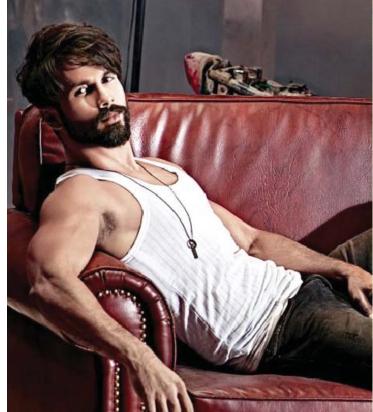
MALAIKA ARORA GETS STITCHES BUT RECOVERING AFTER ACCIDENT NEAR PANVEL

tained a minor injury near one of her eyes after a road accident near Panvel on the Mumbai-Pune Expressway on Saturday evening. Malaika was returning home from a fashion event, about which she had even posted updates on her Instagram account, when her driver the impact of the accident. The local police have registered an FIR lost balance and her Range Rover bumped into three cars on the and are investigating the matter.

MUMBAI, (IANS) Actress and reality show judge Malaika Arora sus- expressway. She was rushed to Navi Mumbai's Apollo Hospital, where she was said to be recovering well, although shaken by the incident, and was likely to be discharged on Sunday.

Apparently, she was resting her head on a cushion, which softened

Shahid Kapoor's angst to prove himself on cricket ground is palpable





Upping the ante on the excitement surrounding Jersey, the makers of cricketer struggling to make ends meet and wants to fulfill his child's Shahid Kapoor starrer unveiled yet another trailer of the film today. Slated to hit the theatres on 14th April, Jersey is Shahid's return to 70MM after the runaway hit Kabir Singh. Putting on display a montage of the most heart-warming moments from the film, the trailer presents Shahid at his versatile best. A determined cricketer, a doting father, a loving husband and an underdog steadfast in his path to rise up again - the trailer brings alive many shades of his character at display. The trailer also features Mrunal Thakur as Vidya and Pankaj Kapur as Arjun's coach. Sharing a post about the Jersey trailer, Shahid wrote, "Experience his many emotions! Meet Arjun on the 14th!" According to the official synopsis of the film, Jersey is about an ex-

wish of getting a Jersey but in the process comes face to face with his heroic past and is forced to decide if he will rise to the occasion and become a symbol of hope or continue to live a life as a loser? A heartwarming story starring Shahid Kapoor, Mrunal Thakur and Pankaj Kapoor that will make you embrace your dreams, hopes and family!

Produced by Allu Entertainment and Brat Films, Jersey is directed by National Award winning filmmaker Gowtam Tinnanuri, who won the award for the original Telugu version of the film. Presented by Allu Arvind, producers Aman Gill, Dil Raju and S Naga Vamsi have joined hands to bring the Hindi adaptation of the criticallyacclaimed Telugu film to life. With foot-tapping numbers by Sachet-Parampara, Jersey has the country humming its tunes already!

SANJAY DUTT REVEALS KGF CHAPTER 2 TEAM WANTED TO MAKE SCENES EASIER GIVEN HIS HEALTH AFTER CANCER

After battling cancer at the age of 62, Sanjay Dutt is back in action as the strong and tough villain Adheera in 'K.G.F: Chapter 2'. And Sanju does not lag behind in proving himself as an actor par excellence. To match up with his role, he used to wear armour that weighed 25 kilos and shoot every day. After facing so many challenges in life, what inspires him to keep going without any fears and apprehensions?

He replies firmly: "It's my fighting spirit and blessing of Lord Shiva that keeps me going. Of course my wife is like a pillar and she always supports and motivates me to fight all

Sanjay Dutt is among those Bollywood actors who never felt hesitant to play strong negative characters on-screen and in fact love to project themselves in a diversified way. With 'K.G.F: Chapter 2' he is making his debut in Kannada cinema. Sanju wanted to give his best and he did everything to perform well.

He adds: "The role was challenging by itself, actually a very challenging role to play. But Prashanth Neel, the director and producers and everybody made me so comfortable. Yes, it was difficult to play because of my health problems. I think all the prayers and love from the fans always helps

me in giving my best." "In fact", he continues, "they wanted to make the scenes easy for me keeping my health condition in mind but I

said 'No' and I want to say this to all cancer patients. Face and fight the battle of cancer." He says his character in 'K.G.F: Chapter 2' reminds him of his movies such as 'Khalnayak'.

"I love my character Adheera," he says, adding: "It's a very interesting character, a very unpredictable man who wants to take his kingdom back. And I really enjoyed doing the fight sequences with Yash."

Sanjay recalls working on the set with Yash and the way he was treated by the entire cast. "Working with Yash was such a wonderful experience. There was so much respect given to me by these people. It was a beautiful atmosphere. I mean, whosoever was on the set it seems as if 'K.G.F.' is their film only. There was great team work. Actually, I have seen this kind of atmosphere and while we used to work on the sets of 'Saajan', 'Naam' or 'Vaastav: The Reality', a similar kind of team work and dedication used to be there. And I believe it should always continue," he shares.

On how Bollywood actors like himself being part of the south movies and how it is making an impact, he says: "Well it is wrong to classify this movie as a Kannada or south movie. It's not even a pan-India film but a 'Hindustani' film and Prashanth as a director has done a tremendous job. From my look everything was discussed with him and we used to call him 'captain of the ship'. He knows exactly what he wants from each one of us and we performed the way he wanted us to."

Sanjay adds that while doing such challenging and distinct roles, his father, late actor and politician Sunil Dutt, always inspires him. "He inspires me more than being an actor. He was one of the most amazing human beings who helped a lot of people. And as an actor he taught 'you have to be diversified and versatile'. That is why I did comedy, romance, action and it appealed to everyone also." Does he want to try his luck in politics and he says: "No and never. I am enjoying what I am doing right now."

He also felt happy to work with Raveena Tandon after so long. Raveena is playing the role of a politician, Ramika Sen in it. But at the same place Sanjay felt unfortunate as he had not shared screen space with her in the film. "Unfortunately, I and Raveena have not done scenes together in this movie."

GRAMMYS 2022

LADY GAGA GIVES GLAMOROUS JAZZ PERFORMANCE AFTER TONY BENNETT INTRODUCTION





LOS ANGELES, (IANS) Singer Lady Gaga took the stage at the 64th annual Grammy Awards, performing 'Love for Sale' and 'Do I Love You' from her album "Love for Sale", which she recorded with Ion-time friend and duet partner Tony Bennett. Bennett on Sunday night offered a videotaped introduction for his duet partner, offering a simple and sincere" "Hi everyone, please welcome Lady Gaga!" Gaga then brought the house down with a high-energy rendition of 'Love for Sale', with a big band arrangement of the Cole Porter standard, reports 'Variety'.

Gaga, glam in a mint strapless gown adorned with a large bow, then slowed things to belt out a jazzy piano-filled rendition of 'Do I Love You'. The video screen in the background showed footage of Gaga and Bennett in the studio recording the record. The performance was an excellent showcase of Gagaa¿s vocal range and ability to belt out the classics as well as her more pop-based fare. Variety broke the news on Friday that Bennett would not be joining Gaga for her Grammys performance.

In a statement, Bennett's son Danny said: "Although the producers had invited both Tony and Gaga to perform in Sundaya¿s Grammys broadcast, it is unfortunate that due to his continuing struggle with Alzheimer's, he was not able to accept. It was decided that it would be fitting for Lady Gaga to perform on her own to represent for both of them.

BILLIE EILISH TAKES OVER THE STAGE WITH 'Happier than ever' performance



LOS ANGELES, (IANS) Singer Billie Eilish, who has been nominated for seven awards at the Grammys, performed the title track from her 'Happier Than Ever' album.

Starting out in an upside down house, Eilish and her brother Finneas then made their way to the roof to rock out in the rain, with Eilish sporting a Foo Fighters drummer Taylor Hawkins shirt. The Foo Fighters drummer died on March 25 at the age of 50, reports Variety. Eilish's Grammy performance stood in contrast to her more understated performance of 'No Time to Die' a week earlier at the Oscars, where she and Finneas picked up the best original song Academy Award after performing. Eilish and Finneas are, of course, the only artists to have had featured musical performances on both the Oscars and Grammys this year, a rare back-to-back coup.

Finneas came into the Grammys with five nominations of his own this year, including Producer of The Year (non-classical). The song 'Happier Than Ever' was nominated for Record of The Year, Song of The Year, Pop Solo Performance and Music Video.

'FOO FIGHTERS' CLINCH ALL AWARDS IN ROCK CATEGORIES



LOS ANGELES, (IANS) 'Foo Fighters' swept the rock categories at the 64th Annual Grammy Awards taking home all three awards it was nominated for.

Their win came just over a week after the death of the band's long-time drummer Taylor Hawkins. They won Best Rock Performance for 'Making A Fire', Best Rock Song for 'Waiting On A War' and Best Rock Album for 'Medicine At Midnight'.

The band won the Best Rock Album award over 'Power Up' by AC/DC, 'Capitol Cuts' (Live From Studio A) by Black Pumas, Chris Cornell's 'No One Sings Like You Anymore Vol. 1' and McCartney's 'McCartney III'.

In the Best Rock Performance category, it beat 'Shot In The Dark' by AC/DC, 'Nothing Compares 2 U' by Chris Cornell, and 'OHMS' by Deftones. And for Best Rock Song, Foo Fighters won over Paul McCartney's 'Find My Way', 'The Bandit' by Kings Of Leon, Mammoth WVH's 'Distance' and Weezer's 'All My Favorite Songs'. 'Foo Fighters' also recently released their first film 'Studio 666', a comedy featuring guest appearances by the most famous musicians in the world.



EVEN WE'D MISTAKE SONAM KAPOOR IN A MAGICAL WHITE SAREE TO BE A PAINTING

SONAM KAPOOR'S STYLE IS TOTALLY ON POINT WITH HER ETHNIC LOOKS TOO WITH HER BABY BUMP ON DISPLAY

Sonam Kapoor is a diva in the true sense and unfailingly gets the internet talking with her fashion sensibilities. From the time she announced her pregnancy, we have been itching to see what the fashion favourite had in store for her public appearances here on. And we didn't have to wait for long. Sonam proved to us that she is the most stylish mommy-to-be in B-town in a predictably stellar outfit by Abu Jani-Sandeep Khosla. For Abu Jani's birthday, the actress draped a gorgeous wraparound white statement saree. She teamed it with a matching bandeau-style strapless blouse. Sonam's pre-pleated saree had embellishments at the borders and a thigh-high slit in the front. For accessories, Sonam wore a gold neckpiece, earrings, bracelets, and rings. She adorned herself with kohl-rimmed eyes, winged eyeliner, contoured cheeks, and a glossy shade on her lips. Sonam kept her middle-parted hair open. Sonam Kapoor is a pro at adding contemporary twists to her ethnic collection. A few months ago, the actress wore a modern day lehenga in a dusty pink shade by Eman Alajlan. Her monochrome look consisted of a lehenga (skirt), a blouse that resembled a bralette and a matching jacket thrown over it. Perfect makeup, accessorised and a sleek hairdo gave the final touches. Sonam Kapoor manages to look dreamy in every ethnic wear she decides on to flaunt. Take a look at this one. On Diwali, she dazzled in another magnificent Abu Jani-Sandeep Khosla off-white chikankari Anarkali. We couldn't take our eyes off her as she struck a pose in this beautiful ethnic wonder. Sonam added dangler earrings and secured her hair in a middleparted bun. Sonam Kapoor's ethnic looks can make us stop and stare at her



in absolute admiration. For her sister Rhea Kapoor's wedding, she aced another mesmerising pastel-toned Anarkali suit with a closed rounded neckline and full sleeves. Heavy jewellery, including a traditional maang tika, accompanied her look. Sonam Kapoor looks like an epitome of beauty and grace in ethnic wear. She, once, opted for a red saree with a modern spin. The actress added a stylish matching cape on her shoulders to amp up her overall look. Sonam rounded off the look with kohl-rimmed eyes and nude lips, and had pulled her hair back. With her eye for fashion and ability to put a personal spin on everything she dons, Sonam Kapoor will continue stealing our hearts and breaking the internet.

WILL SMITH RESIGNS FROM ACADEMY MEMBERSHIP AFTER SLAPPING CHRIS **ROCK AT OSCARS 2022**



American actor Will Smith on Friday (local time) announced that he has resigned from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, days after he slapped comedian Chris Rock onstage at the Oscars. "I have directly responded to the Academy's disciplinary hearing notice, and I will fully accept any and all consequences for my conduct. My actions at the 94th Academy Awards presentation were shocking, painful, and inexcusable," Smith's publicist told ANI.

The list of those I have hurt is long and includes Chris, his family, many of my dear friends and loved ones, all those in attendance, and global audiences at home, he said. Smith, in a statement, said he was "heartbroken" over the incident and "betrayed the trust of the Academy."

"I betrayed the trust of the Academy. I deprived other nominees and winners of their opportunity to celebrate and be celebrated for their extraordinary work," Smith stated.

IIFA AWARDS 2022 NOMINATIONS LIST: SHERSHAAH LEADS WITH 12 TITLES; 83 AND LUDO FOLLOW



International Indian Film Academy (IIFA) Awards announced its 12 Popular Category nominations on Friday (April 1). After a wait of two years, the 22nd edition will take place in Yas Island, Abu Dhabi on May 20th and 21st, 2022. While Siddharth Malhotra and Kiara Advani starrer Shershaah led the nominations with a place in all 12 categories. Ranveer Singh's 83 and Abhishek Bachchan's multi-starrer Ludo followed with 9 and 6 nominations respectively.



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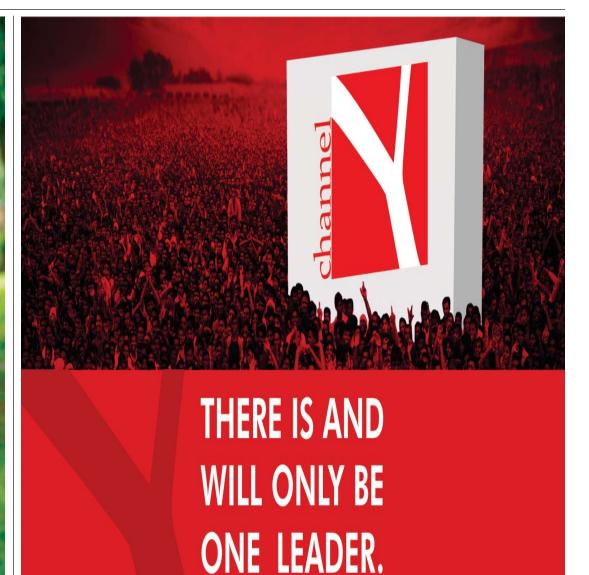
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IPL 2022: BANGALORE WIN BATTLE ROYAL

Dinesh Karthik closed out successive tight chases for Royal Challengers Bangalore, with an unbeaten 44 off 22 bringing up a four-wicket win after Jos Buttler had fought through on a slow, seaming pitch to take Rajasthan Royals to 169.

RCB exploit sticky pitch

After 16 overs, RR had managed 107 for 3. A fresh Wankhede pitch expected to be hard and plentiful for batsmen had turned out to be slow and tacky. The ball had stuck into the surface when pounded in on the 'hard' pulled-back lengths. There had been swing and seam for a considerable period with the new ball.

Like Umesh Yadav at the same ground earlier, but on a different track, English left-armer David Willey exploited the conditions well. He kept the left-handers - Yashasvi Jaiswal and Devdutt Padikkal guessing with movement both ways outside off, and hardly gave anything driveable. He set Jaiswal up superbly, bending some away before getting one to come back in and zip through the gate. Willey bowled four overs on the trot for 1 for 29.

Immediately after a powerplay that brought only 35, RCB put down Jos Buttler twice and Padikkal once in the space of nine deliveries. It made little difference to the tempo of the innings. Bats continued to be swished without timing. Even when the ball was pitched up, Harshal Patel provided absolutely no pace to work with. And Wanindu Hasaranga needed four balls to dismiss Sanju Samson for the fourth time in five T20 innings at a cumulative cost of eight runs, as the ball never seemed to arrive off the pitch.

Buttler breaks free finally

Heading into the last two overs, Buttler was on 43 off 40. As he'd say later during the innings break, "It was frustrating, but sometimes you have to suck it up and keep going." It was high time to go now, and Buttler did, sending the next four legal deliveries he

faced over the boundary. In an indication that conditions were changing, the odd high full toss had started to appear. But Buttler had finally seen enough to send even the banged-in ones into the

At the other end, Shimron Hetmyer had been going so hard after the ball he had ended up five pitches away on the farthest track on the square after muscling Hasaranga over extra cover. He joined in the late party too as Mohammed Siraj and Akash Deep conceded a combined 42 in overs 19 and 20. Buttler took 27 off his last seven balls. During his century against Mumbai Indians three days ago, he'd scraped five off his last ten.

DK shifts momentum

RCB had lost their way after a powerplay of 48 for 0, courtesy the introduction of Yuzvendra Chahal. With the fielders starting to wipe the ball now, Chahal delivered a spell of 3-0-11-2. He looped it into Faf du Plessis, getting him to hit to long-on instead of straighter, and ripped it in through Willey's gate.

When R Ashwin came on for his last over, RCB needed 82 in seven with half the side gone; Dinesh Karthik had just come in. Two straight sixes and a couple of swept and reverse-swept fours followed from Karthik, as 21 came off the over. Samson brought back Chahal for the 17th, but by then, Karthik and Shahbaz Ahmed had taken the seamers for runs too and could afford to play the leg-

The RR pacers didn't help their captain by not bowling to the field at times. When they did, Karthik still took a toll, sweeping them for twos and fours and keeping the square fielders busy.

Brief scores: RR 169/3 in 20 overs (Buttler 70 not out, Hetmyer 42 not out; Patel 1/18) lost to RCB 173/6 in 19.1 overs (Karthik 44 not out, Ahmed 45; Chahal 2/15) by 4 wickets

BIG BOOST FOR DELHI CAPITALS AS DAVID WARNER LANDS IN MUMBAI, ENTERS THREE DAY QUARANTINE

Australian opener David Warner has joined his team Delhi Capitals for the ongoing IPL 2022 season here, the franchise confirmed on Sunday. Warner, who has arrived late for this IPL season due to Australia's series in Pakistan, will finish his 3-day quarantine, before joining his team-mates and support staff.

"Delhi Capitals' batter David Warner arrived at the team hotel in Mumbai on Saturday. Warner is currently undergoing a mandatory 3-day quarantine before stepping out of his room," the Delhi-based franchise said in a statement.

It will be a homecoming for Warner, who commenced his IPL journey at the Delhi franchise in 2009. After 13 years, with a bag full of experience, loads of runs under his belt and having won the IPL title with Sunrisers Hyderabad, the batter returns to represent the team in 2022.

The Australian, who is the fifth-highest run-getter in the history of the IPL with 5286 runs to his name, is one of the most destructive



from the word go for DC. After beginning their campaign with a victory over Mumbai Indians, the Rishabh Pant-led Delhi Capitals were beaten by 14 runs by Gujarat Titans in their 2nd IPL 2022 game on Saturday in Pune. They will take on the Lucknow Super Giants at openers across formats and he will be keen to make a mark right the DY Patil Sports Academy, Mumbai in their next match on April 7.

UNDER PRESSURE AFTER THREE LOSSES. JADEJA LUCKY TO HAVE DHONI BY HIS SIDE



Ravindra Jadeja is feeling the heat at the start of his captaincy stint at CSK but he is glad to have the cool head of M S Dhoni to rely upon in high pressure situations, even allowing him to field outside the circle. The defending champions have lost all three of their matches this season. Less than a week before the IPL opener on March 26, Dhoni had handed over the captaincy to Jadeja.

However, it appears Dhoni continues to be part of on-field decisionmaking from behind the stumps, allowing Jadeja, who is one of the best fielders in the world, to stand in the deep.

PUNJAB'S SUKHJEET SINGH MAKING MOST OF SECOND CHANCE



CHANDIGARH: Sukhjeet Singh could not have hoped for a better start to his India career. The striker from Punjab made a dream debut with a goal against Spain in the FIH Pro League in February. But Sukhjeet was not going to get carried away by the early success, knowing from experience the uncertainty of the life in sports. Sukhjeet first got selected for the national camp in 2018. However, a serious back injury not only saw him lose his place in the core group, but also put his career in jeopardy. "It was a very bad phase of my life.

RAHUL DRAVID WILL DO REMARKABLE JOB AS INDIA COACH, SAYS BCCI PRESIDENT GANGULY

KOLKATA: BCCI president Sourav Ganguly believes his former teammate Rahul Dravid has all the attributes for becoming successful in his current role as the coach of the Indian cricket team. Ganguly feels Dravid's "intense, meticulous and professional" attitude is just the ingredients a coach needs to be successful in the high-pressure India job. "He (Dravid) is as intense, as meticulous and as professional as he was during his playing days," the former India captain said on the sidelines of a promotional event here on Saturday. "The only difference is that now he does not have to bat at No. 3 for India which I feel was harder since he had to face the best bowlers of the world which he also did exceptionally well for a long period of time," he added. "As a coach also he (Dravid) will do a remarkable job as he honest and he has the talent.

AUSTRALIA BOSS ENGLAND FOR SEVENTH TITLE



CHRISTCHURCH: Australia bossed their way to a record-extending seventh Women's World Cup title with a crushing 71-run win over traditional rivals England, stamping their dominance in the tournament after a breathtaking hundred from Alyssa Healy. Playing the innings of her life, Healy put the England attack to the sword with a sensational 170 off 138 balls that powered Australia to a massive 356/5.

Defending champions England needed something more than special to pull off the record chase but kept losing wickets throughout the innings, which ended at 285 in 43.4 overs. Natalie Sciver, who scored an unbeaten 148 off 121 balls for her second successive hundred against Australia in the competition, eventually ran out of partners. Australian pacer Megan Schutt (2/42) bowled a brilliant new-ball spell, removing last match's centurion Danielle Wyatt (4) and Tammy Beaumont (27) with her lethal in-swingers before leg-spinner Alana King (3/64) turned the ball on a batting beauty to end with three crucial wickets, including that of England skipper Heather Knight (26).





IPL 2022: MAXWELL WILL BE AVAILABLE AGAINST MI ON APRIL 9, SAYS RCB HEAD COACH HESSON

MUMBAI: Royals Challengers Bangalore can avail the services of star Australian all-rounder Glenn Maxwell in its upcoming IPL match against Mumbai Indians on April 9, said the team's head coach Mike Hesson. Despite joining the camp after completing his mandatory quarantine period, Maxwell will not be available for RCB's game against Rajasthan Royals on Tuesday due to a clause laid down by Cricket Australia for its contracted players.

Even though he was not part of the Australia squad that will complete its tour of Pakistan on Tuesday with the lone T20 match in Lahore, this season, recording one win and a loss.

Maxwell has to wait until April 6 to make his first appearance for RCB in ongoing edition of the lucrative T20 league. "It's pretty clear from Cricket Australia's point of view that no contracted players are available before the 6th of April. So, regardless of when they arrive here. they can't play before the 6th of April," Hesson said in a video shared on RCB's official twitter page. "We have been well aware of that as every other side. We have planned for that. Maxi (Maxwell) will be with us and available from the 9th." RCB has so far played two games

Hazlewood unlikely to be available for RCB before April 12 game

Australian pacer Josh Hazlewood hasn't yet joined the Royal Challengers Bangalore team bubble for IPL-15 and is unlikely to be available for at least another week.

Hazlewood, who was a part of the Australian squad during the Pakistan series, will be joining the franchise in next couple of days and will undergo a mandatory three-day quarantine before being available for selection.

"Hazlewood would be joining the team in next couple of days. Unlike others, he didn't directly link up with his franchise post Pakistan series. He has taken a short break due to personal reasons," an IPL source told PTI.

The Australian players are supposed to be available after April 6 and had Hazlewood completed his quarantine by now, he could have played the game against Mumbai Indians on April 9.

However, since he would take another few days to arrive, the likely match for which he could be available post completion of quarantine is the one against Chennai Super Kings on April 12.



Avesh stars as Lucknow Super Giants beat SRH by 12 runs



20 lakh to get Avesh Khan's services in IPL-15. The move was worth it as his excellent bowling acted as the catalyst for his team's 12-run win over Sunrisers Hyderabad on Monday.

Heading into the lucrative T20 league as the most expensive uncapped wicket to revive the innings. Indian player, Avesh picked up four big wickets for only 24 runs and bowled a brilliant 18th over to turn the match decisively in LSG's favour. Asked to bat first, skipper KL Rahul and Deepak Hooda struck useful half-centuries to lift Lucknow Super Giants to 169 for seven after a disastrous start.

Chasing 170, Kane Williamson's (16) innovation brought him two fours and a six but he paid the price for going overboard, his ramp shot off Avesh finding a sliding Andrew Tye at short fine leg in the fourth over with SRH score reading 25 for one.

Avesh brought about Abhishek Sharma's downfall with a change in pace as the batter failed to read it while trying to loft him.

As Sharma made his way back to the dugout, last-game's half centurion Aiden Markram walked out to join Rahul Tripathi in the middle, and the two began rebuilding the SRH innings.

Placed at 51 for two at the end of the seventh over, Tripathi used Tye's pace to hit the Australian bowler for three fours and then, using his wrists, smashed Krunal

Pandya (2/27) for a six over fine leg. A quite 10th over was, however, followed by the dismissal of Markram, the bowler being Krunal. Going strong at 44 off 30 balls, Tripathi tried to slog sweep Krunal and hit straight to deep mid-wicket, where Ravi Bishnoi was stationed.

Krunal over long-on for six and then carted Jason Holder (3/34) for 15 runs to bring the equation down to 50 form the last 30 balls.

Nicholas Pooran smashed

Andrew Tve kept it fairly tight in the 17th over, giving not more than eight runs, before Pooran hoicked Avesh Khan over deep square leg

Lucknow Super Giants paid 25 times more than his base price of Rs for a maximum. However, Avesh had the last laugh as Pooran mistimed his knee-high full toss. Earlier, after his team lost three wickets for just 27 runs in the powerplay, Rahul (68 off 50 balls) found an able ally in Hooda (51 off 33 balls) and added 87 runs for the fourth

> Rahul hit six fours and a six, while Hooda found the fence three times and also cleared it thrice. Coming back from a long break after playing their opener last Tuesday, SRH made a dream start and left the Super Giants in all sorts of trouble early on.

> Making a strong comeback after the pounding in his team's heavy defeat against Rajasthan Royals, Washington Sundar (2/28) was handed the new ball and he delivered in his very first over, and SRH's second, dismissing the dangerous Quinton de Kock with his off-break bowling on a grassy pitch that prompted Kane Williamson to put two slips when Bhuvneshwar Kumar started the proceedings.

> Backed to bowl in the powerplay despite going for plenty in the previous game, Washington got de Kock (1) to chip one to Williamson at cover. Few moments later, Washington had Evin Lewis (1) trapped in front of the wicket after the swashbuckling West Indian batter failed to execute his slog sweep. It was another huge wicket for SRH given Lewis' blazing, matchwinning knock against Chennai Super Kings last Thursday.

> Manish Pandey struck Romario Shepherd for a four and a six but then, going for one too many, ended up lobbing a catch to mid-on in the same over to leave LSG in a spot of bother.

> Spurred by the early success, Williamson effected bowling changes frequently but he may have delayed by at least an over in introducing the attacking T Natarajan while opting for Abdul Samad's innocuous, part-time seam up stuff at the DY Patil Stadium.

> The pacy Umran Malik consistently hit 145 kmps but also leaked plenty of runs, allowing KL Rahul and Deepak Hooda to settle down and revive LSG's innings.

POINTS TABLE					
TEAMS	М	w	L	NR	PTS
RAJASTHAN	2	2	0	2.100	4
KOLKATA	3	2	1	0.843	4
GUJARAT	2	2	0	0.495	4
PUNJAB	3	2	1	0.238	4
LUCKNOW	3	2		0.193	4
DELHI	2	1	1	0.065	2
BANGALORE	2	1	1	-0.048	2
MUMBAI	2	0	2	-1.029	0
CHENNAI	3	0	3	-1.251	0
HYDERABAD	2	0	2	-1.825	0

ORANGE CAP



ISHAN KISHAN

TOTAL RUNS 135 STRIKE RATE 148.35 **MATCHES PLAYED**

PURPLE CAP



UMESH YADAV

TOTAL WICKETS 8 **AVERAGE** 7.38 MATCHES PLAYED 3

LIAM LIVINGSTONE'S ALL-ROUND SHOW HELPS PUNJAB KINGS BEAT **CHENNAI SUPER KINGS BY 54 RUNS**

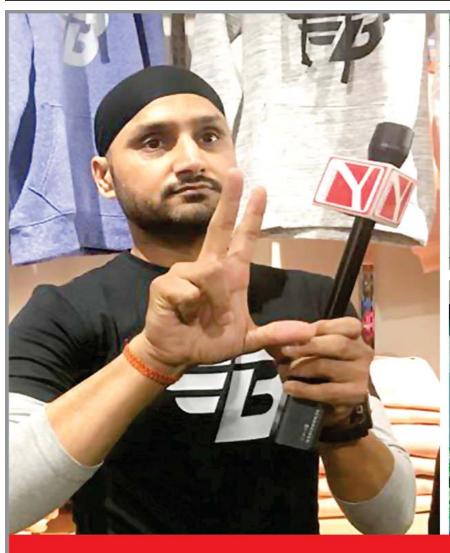
Liam Livingstone was the star of the night for Punjab Kings as he picked up two crucial wickets and scored a fifty to help his side beat Chennai Super Kings by runs in the 11th match of the IPL 2022 at Brabourne Stadium, Mumbai on Sunday, Livingstone took the wickets of Shivam Dube and Dwayne Bravo in his three overs spell and scored 60 runs in just 32 balls with the help of five fours and five sixes. CSK never got going in a 181 run chase as Vaibhav Arora picked two crucial wickets of Robin Uthappa and Moeen Ali while Kagiso Rabad removed last season's orange cap holder Ruturaj Gaikwad cheaply. Arshdeep Singh clean-bowled CSK skipper Ravindra Jadeja for a duck. With four wickets down in the powerplay Chennai needed a partnership but Odean Smith dismissed Ambati Rayudu in the 8th over to shift the momentum entirely towards Punjab. Shivam Dube was the only CSK batter, who could trouble the PBKS bowlers. The Southpaw scored 57 runs in 36 balls with the help of six boundaries and three sixes. He stitched a crucial partnership with MS Dhoni for the 6th wicket but Liam Livingstone removed him in the 15th over. Liam then took another wicket in the over as he sent back Bravo for a duck Wickets kept tumbling at one end as Dhoni was stranded on the other side.

PUJARA TO MISS SUSSEX'S FIRST **GAME DUE TO VISA ISSUES**

LONDON: Out-of-favour India Test batter Cheteshwar Pujara's debut for Sussex has been delayed until next week due to visa issues and he will miss the side's first County Championship match of the season starting on Thursday.

Pujara, who was dropped from India's recent Test series against Sri Lanka, was due to play Sussex's first six County Championship matches of the season before returning later in the season for the Royal London Cup and some additional four-day games. The club said in a statement that it has been in regular contact with Pujara and was working tirelessly to enable him to be available for the first game of the season against Nottinghamshire. "Securing overseas players has been tremendously difficult in the current climate. We renegotiated the initial Pujara contract so he could return for more County Championship and Royal London Cup matches, and this subsequently changed the visa requirements," Sussex Performance Director, Keith Greenfield said in a statement. "On top of this, the Ukraine crisis has meant that the Home Office redirected their resources to help with the displacement of Ukrainian citizens. "We were expecting Pujara to be with us last weekend but can now confirm he will be here at the back end of this week." Sussex expects Pujara, who also has been demoted in BCCI's central contract list, to be available for their second game

against Derbyshire next week.









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Community Update

William Osler Health System Spring 2022

Message from Osler's Interim President & CEO



Over the past two years, William Osler Health System's (Osler) dedicated staff, physicians, volunteers, and you, our community, have come together in incredible ways to ensure patients continue to have access to safe, compassionate care. You have truly helped us be Osler Strong.

As we move forward in the face of change, Osler remains deeply committed to the future - one that's rooted in our Vision to provide patient-inspired health care without boundaries. This includes recovering from the pandemic and resuming the non-urgent surgeries and procedures that many of you have been patiently waiting for. We know that our recovery will take time, but we are here when you need us.

Looking ahead, Osler continues to work with government partners to advance plans for the new Peel Memorial Hospital and the proposed Cancer Care Centre in Brampton. This month, we re-opened the Urgent Care Centre at Peel Memorial and are moving forward with our plans to expand it to 24/7 operations.

We couldn't do what we do without the dedication of our Osler Foundation and without you, our community. Our commitment has been and always will be, to ensure you have access to exemplary care, when you need it.

Dr. Frank Martino

Osler's next Telephone Town Hall is coming soon! Check our website and social channels for updates.

Planning on visiting a patient at Osler?

Osler is committed to doing everything possible to protect all those who enter our sites against COVID-19. Vaccination, masking and following all safety protocols continue to be our best defense, and continue to be mandatory for all Osler Visitors and Essential Care Partners. 12 years old or older.

Visit www.williamoslerhs.ca for more information on Osler's Visitor and Essential Care Partner Policy.

Urgent Care Centre Now Open

The Urgent Care Centre (UCC) at Peel Memorial has re-opened with hours of operation from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. seven days a week. The UCC at Peel Memorial is resourced with emergency-trained staff and physicians ready to provide care to patients in need of immediate but non-life threatening care, and enables ready access to diagnostic services.

Building Brampton's Second Hospital

Peel Memorial Centre for Integrated Health and Wellness (Peel Memorial) will transform into Brampton's second hospital. Read more at www.williamoslerhs.ca/buildosler.

Boost in Health Services Meeting the Needs of the Community for Brampton Room to Grow: Robust Local Health Care: A multi-storey tower, with Increased inpatient bed capacity at Brampton Civic 250 inpatient beds and space for more in future Hospital Specialized Care: Coming in 2022: For those who need greater 24/7 Urgent Care Centre supports before they can at Peel Memorial safely return home **New Emergency** Inpatient and Department: **Outpatient Care:**

Surgery, outpatient clinics, diagnostic imaging, and more

Making a difference in our community

We are proud to share that three members of Osler's team have been awarded the Intrepid Leader Award by the Brampton Board of Trade. The award is presented to individuals who have been recognized by their colleagues and the Brampton Board of Trade as bold, brave and courageous leaders in their field.

Osler congratulates Dr. Lillia Fung, Andreea Popescu and Dr. Jobin Varughese and thanks them for the incredible work they do for the hospital and the community. For more details about each winner, visit www.williamloslerhs.ca.



Brampton will have a second

Emergency Department

at Peel Memorial

Dr. Lillia Fung Obstetrical Anesthesia Site Lead, Brampton Civic Hospital



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- Cough, nasal congestion, cold symptoms

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Patients will need to have a valid Ontario health card and must be three months old and older.

Book an appointment or learn more: www.williamoslerhs.ca/virtual-urgent-care



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MISS UNIVERSE HARNAZ SANDHU CLAPS BACK AT BODY-SHAMERS





HARNAAZ KAUR SANDHU. WHO WAS JUST CROWNED MISS UNIVERSE 2021, WALKED THE RUNWAY FOR DESIGNERS SHIVAN&NARRESH AT THE RECENTLY HELD FDCI X LAKME FASHION WEEK IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL. HARNAZ LOOKED STUNNING IN A RED HALTER GOWN, BUT A PHOTO FROM THE OCCASION WENT VIRAL FOR ALL THE WRONG REASONS. SOCIAL MEDIA USERS BODY SHAMED THE MISS UNIVERSE CALLING HER 'PLUS SIZE' AND TROLLED HER FOR GAINING WEIGHT AND CURVES. NOT TO BE DETERRED BY THE CRITICISM, HARNAAZ TOOK HER CRITICS HEAD ON, STATING SHE HAS BEEN BULLIED FOR BEING TOO SKINNY AND NOW TOO FAT. SHE ALSO ASSERTED SHE IS COMFORTABLE IN HER SKIN AND LOVES HERSELF. SANDHU HAS REVEALED THAT HER WEIGHT FLUCTUATION IS DUE TO CELIAC DISEASE WHICH IS A REACTION TO A GLUTEN PROTEIN PRESENT IN WHEAT, BARLEY, AND RYE WHICH CAUSES AN IMMUNOLOGICAL REACTION LEADING TO WEIGHT GAIN.

AVERAGE GTA HOME PRICE HOVERS AT \$1.3 MILLION, 11,000 SALES REPORTED IN MARCH 2022



There were almost 11,000 Greater Toronto Area (GTA) home sales reported in March 2022, capping off the third-best March and second-best first quarter on record. Tight market conditions continued to support a double-digit annual pace of price growth, with an average selling price of \$1.3 million. The average selling price dipped slightly month-over-month, bucking the regular seasonal trend. "Now is the time for governments to govern and focus on measures that are proven to increase housing supply. The GTA population will experience rapid growth in the coming years as our region's economic strength and diversity continues to attract people from around the world. In order to sustain this growth, we need adequate housing supply and choice. This needs to be the focus of policymakers rather than short-term and ineffective measures to artificially suppress demand. Evidence-based decision-making should inform government policies, and we encourage representatives at all levels of government to think big and act decisively to improve needed housing supply in a significant way," said TRREB President Kevin Crigger.

Highlights are as follows:

- GTA REALTORS® reported 10,955 sales through TRREB's MLS® System in March 2022, representing a 30 per cent decline compared to the record result of 15,628 in March 2021. While sales were down year-over-year for all major market segments, condominium apartment transactions dipped by a much lesser annual rate.
- New listings were also down on a year-over-year basis, but by a much lesser annual rate than sales. This suggests that while market conditions remained very tight, home buyers did not experience the same level of competition from other buyers compared to a year earlier.
- The MLS® Home Price Index Composite benchmark was up by 34.8 per cent year-over-year in March 2022. This annual rate of increase was down slightly from February. The average selling price was up by 18.5 per cent year-over-year. The annual growth rates for the MLS HPI® and average selling price differed, in part, because the mix of homes sold in March 2022 shifted in favour of condominium apartments which generally sell for a lower average price compared to other home types.

"Competition between home buyers in the GTA remains very strong in most neighbourhoods and market segments. However, we did experience more balance in the first quarter of 2022 compared to last year.

INDIA'S ROBUST PLANS ON ELECTRIC VEHICLES TO ENSURE CLEANER ENVIRONMENT



India is the fifth largest car market in the world and has the potential to become one of the top three in the near future with about 40 crore customers in need of mobility solutions by the year 2030. ""Keeping in mind the goals set under the Paris agreement, the increasing number of automobile customers shall not imply an increase in the consumption of conventional fuels. The Indian government is religiously pushing the introduction of Electric Vehicles (EV) and this would not only reduce India's oil import bills in the longer term but also ensure a cleaner environment. India's initiative would also encourage many developing economies to adopt a similar strategy. "Lately, there is a growing consensus among automotive professionals and the public alike that the future of vehicles is electric and India's recent deal with Australia to source critical minerals will help its endeavour to produce electric vehicles.""India is among a handful of countries that support the global EV30@30campaign, which aims for at least 30 per cent new vehicle sales to be electric by 2030. "India's advocacy of five elements for climate change -- "Panchamrit" -- at the COP26 in Glasgow is a commitment to the same.

STUDY REVEALS COVID'S LINGERING **IMPACTS ON BRAIN**



NEW YORK: Covid-19 patients commonly report having headaches, confusion and other neurological symptoms but doctors do not fully understand how the disease targets the brain during infection. And now, researchers have found severe brain inflammation and injury consistent with reduced blood flow or oxygen to the brain, including neuron damage and death. The findings, published in the journal Nature Communications, is said to be the first comprehensive assessment of neuropathology associated with SARS-CoV-2 infection in a nonhuman primate model. The study also found small bleeds in the brain. Surprisingly, these findings were present in subjects that did not experience severe respiratory disease from the virus. "Because the subjects didn't experience significant respiratory symptoms, no one expected them to have the severity of disease that we found in the brain," said lead investigator Tracy Fischer from Tulane University in the US.











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5 reasons to choose Seychelles for the summer

Summer is synonymous with beach fun, and Seychelles is every reincarnated Eden, which is home to over fifty endemic plants and beach lover's dream vacation destination. Summer activities for visitors include lounging on pristine beaches, participating in outdoor adventures such as hikes and treks, island excursions, and sailing. Travellers who would rather avoid the sun than bask in it can indulge in world-class wellness at spas and luxurious hotels that provide relaxation with a breathtaking view.

PURE SHORES

The beaches of Seychelles draw visitors from all over the world. Whether seeking lively or secluded beaches, long never-ending stretches of sand or tiny half-moon patches fringed by trademark boulders, visitors are sure to find their signature style of beach.

Did you know that the typical summer vacation months in India, April and May, coincide with one of the best times to visit Seychelles? Travelers can expect especially calm waters at this point.

ISLAND HOPPING

Seychelles is a 115-island archipelago. Even on a long vacation, you will struggle to cover all of them. Excursions by boat can introduce you to the refreshingly unique landscape that can be found on various islands. Seychelles has something for everyone, whether you want to wander through bustling markets, take enviable photos around colonial-style mansions, or explore coastal mangrove forests and unspoiled nature reserves. Nature lovers will thrive in this

trees, including the rare coco de mer palm.

People all over the world have rediscovered their love of the great outdoors in the last two years, and there is no better place to get your fix. Take a leisurely stroll along a nature trail or put yourself to the test by ascending a steep mountain path. Indulge in bird-watching or simply enjoy the sensation of life slowing down as you take a deep breath in nature's lap.

WEATHER WINDOW

Some visitors enjoy the overall summer vibe, the vibrant colours that everything takes on in the brilliant sunlight, and, of course, the fact that children are off from school, but would rather enjoy a pristine beach from the comfort of a restaurant, spa, yacht, or hotel room with a view. Spend the day relaxing in your luxurious hotel room, which offers 360-degree views of azure waters and powder-white beaches lined with palm trees. Step outside to savour sumptuous Creole cuisine. On a sheltered boat ride, you can get a dose of both vitamin sea and adrenaline. Relax in a relaxing spa session and let your stress melt away. Whatever you do, ocean views are almost always present.

The last two years have made everyone more conscious of their personal space than ever before. Seychelles is an exclusive holiday destination with a very small population, allowing visitors to enjoy just the right level of seclusion and ease.

FUN FILLED WEEKEND AT HOME



It's important to plan your family time consciously, as it's easy to get caught up in a busy schedule. Once that's done, you may want to turn your open house into housework or just a relaxing invitation. Avoid temptation and instead, look for a fun way to spend this time as a family. Instead of sitting at home and getting bored on weekends watching TV all day, here are some fun ideas for a fun-filled family weekend at home.

Solve a Puzzle

Completing a puzzle becomes a manageable task when everyone works together. Choose one that depicts a meaningful scene or location, as this will bring a lot of stories with the completion of the puzzle, and you will be able to laugh your heart out.

Go Camping Inside

Do you long for the great outdoors? Even if the campgrounds are closed, you can create a makeshift experience in your living room! Set up blanket forts or tents, tell stories around a "fire" made of candles or a lantern, and eat foods such as hot dogs, sandwiches, or a tandoor.

Plan a Treasure Hunt

A scavenger hunt is irresistible to children! Parents can plant small dime-store jewels and treasures in the garden, and then draw a map with directions for their children. You can even hide the map somewhere in the house and let the kids find it, which will make the hunting game a little more exciting.

Cooking Classes

Tie-Dye creativity

For cold or rainy days, don't forget about indoor family activities. Baking or cooking together is one option. Because they can squish the dough with their fingers, kids especially enjoy making cupcakes, cookies, and pizza. When the baking is finished, take a seat and enjoy a bite with a refreshing drink.

Brush up on the fundamentals of tie-dyeing and introduce it to your children as a fun family activity. They'll have a great time sewing new shirts, socks, blankets, and pillowcases!

Plan a Picnic

If your family misses picnics in the park, you can replicate this summertime activity in your own backyard! Begin by making a traditional picnic lunch, such as sandwiches, fruit, and potato chips. Load everything into a basket and transport it to your picnic location, which could be a blanket on the lawn or a patio table. Your family will benefit from fresh air and vitamin D!

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5 HABITS PEOPLE WITH GREAT SKIN HAVE

Some people appear to have naturally beautiful, glowing skin. While genetics can play a part in how your skin looks and feels, it's more often your daily habits that have an impact. NehaaJuneja, Founder of SkinWorks shares five simple habits many people with great skin follows.

. CLEANSING BEFORE BED: The "canvas" for the nighttime products is prepared by properly cleansing the face before bed. Dirt and debris should be removed. This is a no-brainer, but it's still crucial. Dead skin cells, oil, bacteria, sweat, and other debris accumulate on the skin's surface throughout the day. Particulate pollution, microscopic soot that settles on the skin during the day and can be harmful, is also present in the air.

Use a double cleansing method to get rid of stubborn, poreclogging, acne-causing impurities that can linger on your skin even after you've washed it. Your nightly wash is a great chance to pamper your skin. Of course, we've all dozed off in bed without taking off our makeup at some point. Who hasn't, but it's best for your skin if you don't make it a habit. Get out of bed to wash your face-your skin will thank you.

. FOLLOW A BALANCED DIET! HEALTHY GUT, HEALTHY SKIN: The state of your skin reflects the state of your body. Vitamin C-rich fruits and vegetables should be included in your diet. Vitamin C is high in antioxidants, which help to protect the skin from a variety of negative effects. It also speeds up the healing process and improves the texture of the skin. Diet and exercise have an

impact on your body's health.

. FACIAL MASSAGE: A face massage has a lot more benefits than you might think. It not only relieves stress, but also reduces the appearance of wrinkles and fine lines, increases blood circulation, tightens skin, and gives your face a natural glow. You don't need to spend an obnoxious amount on facials. A five minute everyday massage help get rid of the lymphatic drainage which throws the toxins out of our system. Gets the blood circulation going leaving a nice glow.

. SPF is Non-negotiable: Excessive sun exposure has a negative impact on your skin. Too much sun causes spots and discolouration, as well as contributes to the formation of fine lines and wrinkles, in addition to increasing your risk of skin cancer. Look for a broad-spectrum sunscreen with at least an SPF of 15 and broad-spectrum protection. This means it shields you from UVA and UVB rays.

. DRINK MORE WATER: There's a difference between dehydrated and dry skin. Even people with oily skin can have dehydrated skin. Drinking enough water is the simplest way to keep your skin healthy and hydrated, as our bodies are made up of 70 percent water. Drinking enough water flushes toxins from our bodies, preventing pimples and acne, and improving the elasticity of our skin. It's no surprise that water is known as the "elixir of life." Use products according to your skin type, and try and limit your caffeine and alcohol intake which further dehydrate your skin leaving it to look dull.

WHEN CHILDREN AND PETS BOND...



Love requires no words, and neither does love care about the shape and size. The adage perfectly sums up the bond between a human and an animal. Pets perfectly encapsulate the notion of unconditional love since the relationship with them is filled with endless hours of cuddling and joy. They give us affection, teach us responsibility, and are the best stress relievers. Nothing could ever match their pure sensation of sincerity. As a parent, who only wishes for the best for their child, what could be better than getting them a furry friend to help them grow and learn valuable life lessons? Here's a look at some ways in which pets can enrich your child's early years:

Pets help in developing emotions and qualities in kids

Animals rely on others for their needs, and caring for them is an excellent method for kids to learn nurturing and caregiving skills. When children see a dog running to the door when it wants to go outdoors, it makes them wonder about their needs, and how they can help. And, when a child is able to fulfil their pet's needs, they feel accomplished, and it also teaches them to care for someone other than themselves. Apart from that, pets also help the child learn basic emotions such as kindness, love, sympathy, responsibility, and respect.

The kids learn key lessons from life

Owning a pet is an excellent method to teach your child about responsibility and empathy. If you have a pet, it allows you to teach your children about the impact their actions have on the pet. For example, if the child is acting hyper around the pet, the dog may get uncomfortable. So, a child's interaction with a pet will help them understand that their actions have consequences, which can hurt someone.

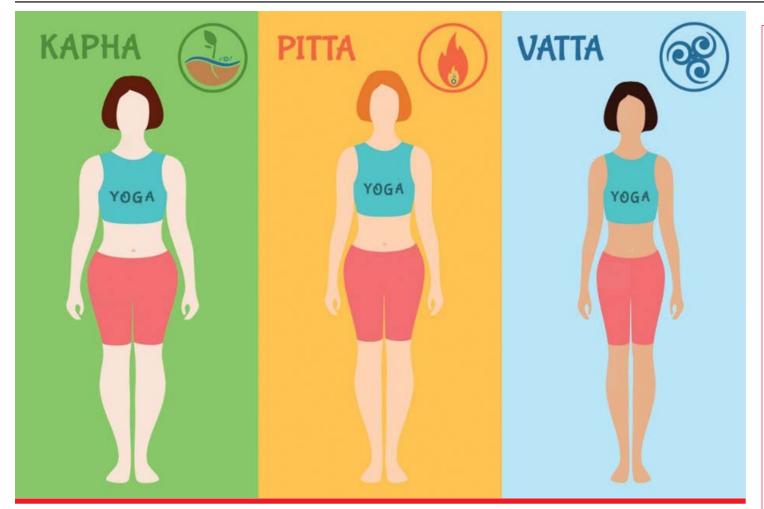
Interaction with pets improves the physical and emotional well-being of the kids

The COVID-induced isolation and prolonged break from physical school is affecting a kid's physical and mental well-being. As a result, pets can make excellent companions for kids. Simply snuggling on the couch with their beloved puppy or kitten or an animal of their choice can improve a child's mood and reduce stress as feel-good endorphins are released while playing with animals. Moreover, children understand that animals provide unconditional affection, and they can be themselves with the pets. This sense of protection and security is essential for both their physical and emotional well-being.









HOW TO BALANCE YOUR 'DOSHAS' DURING SUMMER?

'Doshas' are biological energies found in our bodies and minds made foods that are spicy, hot, sour, or salty should be avoided. During the up of five major elements (Panchabhutas), which are linked to our five senses and subtle actions. Doshas govern our physical, physiological, mental, and emotional processes and define our optimal

Each of the 'doshas' - VATA, PITTA, and KAPHA - has a specific function in our body and is supposed to be present at an optimum level to determine perfect health, and any imbalance in these 'doshas' can harm our health.

Below is how 'doshas' are formed from the five great elements -

- EARTH, FIRE, WATER, AIR & ETHER. . AIR and ETHER together form VATA
- . FIRE and WATER forms PITTA
- . WATER and EARTH make KAPHA

These three 'doshas' can be found in varying proportions in everyone, and their proportions can change depending on the climate and food habits.

Changes in 'Doshas' during summer

Because of the scorching heat outside, our bodies feel hotter internally as well. The fire and air elements are slightly on the higher side, which increases both Pitta and Vata 'doshas'. During this time, our digestive fire and vitality are also at their lowest. Because summer is the season of Pita aggravation, one should consume more pita-calming foods during this time. Foods that are cooling, liquid in consistency, sweet in taste, moist and oily are recommended to calm Pita. Avoiding can both increase and decrease inflammation in the body is salt.

summer season, milk, ghee, naturally sweet foods, coconut water, jeera water rice preparation, and so on are recommended to balance the 'doshas'.

Excess Pita 'dosha' is managed during the summer by foods with three prominent tastes in our food that are sweet, bitter, and astringent in nature. Milk, root vegetables, most grains, fresh yoghurt, and other naturally sweet foods are excellent pita pacifiers. Aside from these bitter foods, other pita-friendly foods include kale, dandelion, dark chocolate, and spices such as cumin, neem leaves, turmeric, and others.

The bitter taste is also very refreshing to the body. Bitter foods also benefit the blood, satisfy thirst, balance the appetite, support digestion, and absorb moisture and excess pitta. Beans, fruits, vegetables, apples, berries, broccoli, and other cruciferous vegetables, in addition to these, help to reduce summer stress.

While we should focus on some of the foods listed above, we should also try to limit certain foods that can aggravate the summer's predominantly high 'dosha'. These foods are either overly pungent, sour, or salty. Foods like chillies, onions, and spicy spices should be avoided or limited. Fermented foods, grapes, pineapple, and foods that cause a burning sensation in the stomach should be avoided in our daily diet. Salad dressings containing lime, on the other hand, can be used in place of traditional salad dressings. Another element that

KIDS BACK TO SCHOOL? REBUILD THEIR IMMUNITY

The pandemic kept most kids restricted to virtual classrooms for close to two years. Lack of physical activity, increased screen time and unhealthy dietary habits have had an immense impact on the physical, mental and social development of children. Additionally, kids are prone to 'immunity debt' as a result of not being exposed to the outside world, which causes a slower and inadequate development of the body's defence system, eventually leading to negative consequences when one returns to normal life.

With restrictions now easing up and schools reopening, students are all set to flock back, meet their friends and indulge in much needed physical playtime as well as social interaction. While parents are relieved to see their kids slowly resume normal life, there is understandably an element of anxiousness. The biggest question in their minds is on how strong their child's immunity is at present since kids in school are bound to be surrounded by their friends and teachers -- and germs.

Here comes the importance of nutrition in building the immune system in addition to aiding proper growth and overall development of a child. The lack of a sufficient, varied, and nutritious diet can affect the cognitive development of a child, interfere with learning, and weaken their immune system.

There are several key nutrients that play a part in regulating, building, and strengthening the body's immune system and promoting healthy growth in kids. These nutrients are found in foods like lean protein, fruits, vegetables, dairy, legumes, nuts, and grains. Parents should consider adding it in daily breakfast or lunch

Vitamin C: An essential vitamin that is produced in the body, it is abundantly found in many food groups. Fruits like oranges & lemons are a great source of vitamin C; so are vegetables like broccoli, cauliflower, and peppers

Vitamin E: A key antioxidant that helps keep the nervous system healthy and it is an important nutrient that supports cell development.

Moderately required in children, Vitamin E can be found in vegetable oils, nuts, seeds, leafy & green vegetables Selenium: An important mineral that is essential for the healthy functioning of the body and ensuring healthy cells. It is a great antioxidant

and is usually found in abundance in vegetables. Foods like beans, mushrooms, and sunflower seeds are great sources of this mineral. It is also found in poultry and certain seafood

Arginine: This is an important amino acid that plays a key role in growth by promoting the multiplication of cells in the growth plate of the bones to help them grow faster when there is a delay in growth. Sources of Arginine are dairy products, non-veg foods, nuts etc. Vitamin K2: An important micronutrient that helps to transport calcium in the bones and ultimately helps build stronger bones. It is found in fermented foods, dairy, eggs, and meat

Zinc: An important nutrient for growth and the immune system, it can be found in lean meat, poultry, seafood, milk, whole grain products, beans, seeds, and nuts

Iron: A mineral that our bodies need for many functions as it helps muscles store and use oxygen. It is found in dark green leafy vegetables, such as spinach, legumes, pumpkin seeds, eggs, meat

lodine: lodine is a mineral the body needs to make thyroid hormones which control the body's metabolism and many other important functions. It is found in seafood and iodized salts.



PIN YOUR FAVOURITE SUMMER STYLE



It's time to break out the bright colours, bold patterns and strappy sandals. While we all love trends, no wardrobe is complete without the essentials. They're the items that you turn to in order to create almost every outfit.

Keeping up with the season, Cloth Haus introduces the new summer collection that rests on digital printing, pleating, burnouts, printing on non-conventional fabrics, woven jacquards, embossing and styling. Don't forget to pin your favourite styles from the collection.

Multicoloured Tailored Jacket: A multicoloured printed tailored jacket with a lapel collar, two pockets, a button closure, long sleeves, a straight hemline, and a polyester lining.

Green & Pink Printed Shrug: Regular green and pink printed open front shrug with three-quarter sleeves and a high-low hem. Blue and White Floral Print Cape: Long sleeves and a straight hem in a blue and white printed kimono with intricate motifs in patterns of flowers and leaves.

White Kimono Shrug: White self-designed open front regular shrug with three-quarter sleeves and a high-low hem.

Floral Print Cape: Floral Cocoon Cape can be worn with a dress or two pieces to create a casual or party look.

TIPS TO KEEP YOUR EYES SAFE AT WORK

Because of the Covid pandemic and lockdown, most of us are working from home, and our time spent on digital screens has increased. You spend almost the entire day staring at your laptop or computer screen. The situation is similar for adults and children who are not working but are watching TV or using social media. Because of the increase in digital screen time, your eyes are under more strain than usual. There are some things you should do to keep your two most valuable assets (your eyes) safe and secure.

Keep laptop/computer at proper distance

Many people use their digital devices by holding them up to their eyes. Such people are frequently at a higher risk of developing eye problems, especially when combined with long hours at the workplace. It is always best to keep your laptop at arm's length. That is, the screen should be at an appropriate distance from your eyes. Your screen should be at least an arm's length (25 inches) away and slightly lower than eye level. This reduces the strain on the eyes and reduces the intensity of the light.

Adjust your screen position and brightness

The placement of your screen is more important than you realise. In fact, it has a significant impact on how your eyes feel after a long day at work. Adjust the screen position and brightness so that you can work on your system without straining or focusing too hard. If your eyes are too weak, however, you should see a doctor.

Try to work in natural light

Always try to work in natural light rather than using LED or tube lights. When sunlight enters your room through doors and windows, it relaxes your eyes. It also aids you in remaining active throughout the day.

Take regular breaks

One of the most important things to remember when working from home is to take regular breaks. This is one effective piece of advice that many people disregard because they are constantly focused on their work. However, it is recommended that you take your gaze away from the screen for at least 5 minutes every hour. It also improves your concentration and productivity. This is an all-around win-win situation! So remember to take breaks.

Practice Eye Exercises

Take some time every 24 hours to do some regular eye exercises. Your eyes, like any other muscle, require regular exercise to stay strong and healthy. The 20-20-20 rule is one such simple exercise that you can do while working from home. After every 20 minutes, look away from your screen for 20 seconds and focus on any object 20 feet away.

Don't forget to blink

In general, you blink every four seconds, but some studies show that this decreases by more than half when working with digital screens. Make an effort to blink as frequently as possible to keep your eyes moisturised and prevent them from becoming dry and irritated.

Use bigger fonts

The size of the fonts on your laptop or computer can often influence how our eyes feel. The smaller the font, the more strain on the eyes. This is due to the fact that smaller fonts require more focus while reading, causing your eyes to strain. So, while reading long documents, adjust the screen font as much as possible.

Ensure proper lighting

Glare is a major cause of eye strain. Glare on a digital screen is caused by harsh overhead lighting or light from windows, which are usually directly behind or in front of you. Position your computer/laptop screen to avoid glare and, if necessary, use drapes or blinds on windows.

RAJASTHAN ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA (RANA), CANADA CELEBRATES GANGAUR FESTIVAL AT RASHI & NAVAL BAJAJ'S PLACE IN BRAMPTON





On Sunday, April 3, 2022, Rajasthan Association of North America, Canada popularly known as RANA Canada celebrated the Gangaur Festival at Rashi and Naval Baiai's residence in Brampton. This year the Gangaur Puja was dedicated to the "Breast Cancer Awareness" education in memory of their two beloved friends, who lost their lives at a very young age to Cancer. On this occasion, funds were raised for Breast Cancer Research, whereby the entire collection will be donated to UHN and William Osler Foundation through Amity Foundation - A charitable Organization. During the event also the guests were continuous reminded By Mrs. Bajaj to donate for this noble. Mrs. Apoorva Srivastava, Consulate General of India, Toronto was the chief guest, Hon. Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria: President of Treasure Board, Ontario and Mr. Ron Chatha: Chair, Peel Police Board also graced the occasion. More than 250 people attended this event. All the ladies were dressed up in Indian attires such as lehenga-cholis or sarees and men were dressed in kurta pajamas or Rajasthani outfits.

Gangaur festival is one of the most significant festivals of people of Rajasthan and is observed on the third day of the Hindu calendar's Chaitra month. The term "Gangaur" consists of two words: Gan and Gauri. Gan refers to Lord Shiv ji, and Gauri refers to Goddess Parvati ji. This festival is celebrated by married women with great zeal and devotion by praying to Goddess Parvati ji to bless them and their family, and to keep the marital harmony. In addition, unmarried girls partake in hopes of being blessed with a good husband. The festival commences on the first day of Chaitra, the day following Holi and continues for 16 days. For a newly wedded girl, it is binding to observe

the full course of 18 days of the festival that succeeds her marriage. Even unmarried girls fast for the full period of the 18 days and eat only one meal a day. Festivity consummates on 3rd day of Shukla Paksha of Chaitra Month. Fairs (Gangaur Melas) are held throughout the 18-day period. Numerous folklores are associated with Gangaur which makes this festival deeply ingrained into the hearts of Rajasthan, and parts of Madhya Pradesh, Haryana, West Bengal & Gujarat.

Rashi and Naval Bajaj had opened their house for people not only from Rajasthan, but also from other Indian states as well. The ambiance was enchanting with colourful Indian clothes and traditional Rajasthani decorations using items such as handmade puppets, decorative umbrellas, floral festoon borders or Bandanwaar, and many other artifacts. All the required pooja items were provided to all the women and girls by the Bajaj family.

First, RANA Canada's president, Mr. Kris Surana introduced the guest of honour, Mrs. Apoorva Srivastava. Ms. Srivastava was very happy to be a part of the celebration and said that she was very pleased to see how Indians are trying to preserve their heritage and culture away from India. She congratulated RANA Canada and the Bajaj family to organize such a big event. Despite her busy schedule Ms. Srivastava participated in the pooja alongside Rashi Bajaj.

Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria addressing the celebration congratulated RANA CANADA for the work they do. Also appreciated Rashi Bajaj and her Family for continuous work they do in the society and especially dedicating this celebration to Breast Cancer Awareness and raising funds for Cancer Research for UHN and William Osler Foundation.

Then Mrs. Bajaj gave a brief regarding Gangaur festival, and also mentioned about the role overall Indo-Canadian diaspora has been playing in keeping the cultural values from our origin mother land and working hard to build strong foundation in our Karma Bhoomi Canada. We all are blessed that we live in most beautiful county in World and blessed to celebrate different festivities throughout the year from around the globe as Canada is a country with full of diversities. Rashi thanked entire RANA Board Members Sandeep Jain, Savita Rathore, Mamta Shah, Nilu Daga, Kishan Paswan, Sudip Bhura, Ruchi Khandelwal, Auyshi Purohit, Rashmi Varsini, Ridhi Agrawal, Soumya Purohit for their continued hard work and commitment to make RANA events successful.

She then introduced a few members of the Cancer Warriors Canada Foundation, who are cancer survivors themselves, and invited them to share a few words about their organization and their journey. Ms. Sita, Ms. Anu, and Ms. Jash talked about their journey and battle with cancer. Also, Rashi Bajaj urged everyone to donate generously for the noble cause of Research for Breast Cancer, all the funds collected will be 100% donated to UHN and William Osler Foundation. After an emotional yet informative session on breast cancer, the Gangaur pooja began followed by mouthwatering, homemade Rajasthani food including very popular Dal-Bati-Choorma and Gatte ki subzi and dessert items like Paan ki kulfi and Moong-dal Halwa.

Overall, it was a well-organized event, and all the attendees were very pleased to attend such a big event even since the COVID restrictions were lifted. The pleasant weather was like a cherry on top that made the celebration more enjoyable and pleasurable!















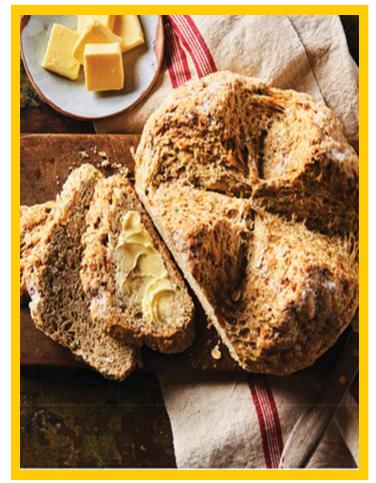
SPRING INTO FLAVOURFUL LOCAL RECIPES

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Enjoy a slice or two of Savoury Soda Bread any time of the day. Serve alongside your favourite soup or stew. And, if you are looking for a new recipe to add to your St. Patrick's Day celebrations, this would be a great recipe choice.

Sheet Pan Lamb Meatloaves with Roasted Vegetables is a delicious and hearty one-pan weeknight dinner. The small meatloaves are baked with the root vegetables and ready to enjoy in less than 90 minutes.

SAVOURY SODA BREAD



Enjoy this classic Irish soda bread with some savoury additions onion, Cheddar cheese and parsley. Serve with your favourite soup or

Preparation Time: 15 minutes Cooking Time: 3 minutes Baking Time: 50 minutes

Makes 1 loaf (16 slices)

1/4 cup (50 mL)

2 tsp (10 mL) vegetable oil Ontario Onion, finely chopped 2 cups (500 mL) whole wheat flour

1-1/2 cups (375 mL) all-purpose flour 1/2 cup (125 mL) large flake oats 2 tsp (10 mL) salt

1 tsp (5 mL)

each baking powder and baking soda 1/4 cup (50 mL) cold butter 1-1/2 cups (375 mL) shredded Ontario Old Cheddar Cheese

1-1/2 cups (375 mL) Ontario Buttermilk Ontario Egg

In small nonstick skillet, heat oil over medium heat. Add onion; cook until softened about 3 minutes, stirring often. Remove onions to small bowl; set aside.

finely chopped fresh Ontario Parsley

In large bowl, combine whole wheat flour, all-purpose flour, oats, salt, baking powder and baking soda. Cut in butter with pastry blender or 2 knives until crumbly. Stir in onion, cheese and parsley until combined In medium bowl, whisk together buttermilk and egg; add to flour mixture. With spatula stir until dough forms a ball. Knead dough on lightly floured surface for 1 to 3 minutes or until it just comes together. Shape into an 8-inch (23 cm) round loaf.

Place on parchment lined baking sheet. Cut "X" in top of dough, half the depth of the loaf and to within 1-inch (2.5 cm) of the edge. Dust top of loaf with flour.

Bake in 350°F (180°C) oven for 50 minutes or until the bottom of loaf sounds hollow when tapped. Cool on wire rack.

Nutritional Information: 1 Serving (1 Slice):

PROTEIN: 8 grams FAT: 8 grams CARBOHYDRATE: 24 grams CALORIES: 199 FIBRE: 3 grams SODIUM: 420 mg

Baked Curry Ground Beef is a spiced ground meat mixture baked with an egg-based topping. Our version is similar to Bobotie which is considered to be a national dish in South Africa. This versatile dish can be made with Ontario beef, lamb or a combination of both. Serve with basmati rice and chutney.

Enjoy these crisp, sweet and yummy Apple Taquitos with Maple Sauce for dessert. They are simple to prepare and your children will love to help make them. They have all the makings of apple pie with a drizzle of Ontario maple syrup sauce.

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SHEET PAN LAMB MEATLOAVES WITH ROASTED VEGETABLES



For a delicious one-pan weeknight dinner, bake small meatloaves alongside hearty root vegetables.

20 minutes Preparation Time: Cooking Time: 6 minutes Roasting Time: 50 minutes

Serves 4

Ontario Carrots, peeled and cut into chunks (about 3 cups/750 mL)

2

large Ontario Potatoes, peeled and cut into chunks (about 2 cups/500 mL)

Ontario Sweet Potato, cut into chunks (about 2 cups/500 mL) 5 tsp (25 mL) vegetable oil

3 tbsp (45 mL) chopped fresh Ontario Mint 2 tbsp (25 mL) chopped fresh Ontario Rosemary 1 tsp (10 mL)

1 tsp (5 mL) pepper Ontario Onion, chopped

Ontario Egg 2/3 cup (150 mL) panko bread crumbs 1/4 cup (50 mL) chopped fresh Ontario Parsley lean Ontario Ground Lamb 500 g

In large bowl, toss carrots, potatoes and sweet potato with 1 tbsp (15 mL) of the oil, 1 tbsp (15 mL) of the mint, 1 tbsp

(15 mL) of the rosemary, 1/2 tsp (2 mL) of the salt and 1/2 tsp (2 mL) of the pepper. Place vegetables on large parchment-lined rimmed baking sheet. Roast in 400°F (200°C) oven for 20 minutes.

Meanwhile, in small nonstick skillet, heat remaining oil over medium heat. Add onion; cook until softened, about 5 minutes, stirring often. Add remaining mint, rosemary, salt and pepper; cook for 1 minute. Remove from heat, transfer to large bowl. Add egg, bread crumbs, parsley and lamb; lightly mix together. With wet hands, divide into 4 portions; shape into loaves.

Remove pan from oven; stir vegetables and place meatloaves on the pan. Roast 30 minutes or until meat thermometer inserted in centre of meatloaves reads 160°F (71°C) and vegetables are tender. Sprinkle with pepper.

Tip: If you like, use lean Ontario Ground Beef and instead of mint and rosemary use 3 tbsp (45 mL) chopped fresh Ontario Thyme Leaves and 2 tbsp (25 mL) chopped fresh Ontario Oregano Leaves.

Nutritional Information:

Freshly ground pepper

1 Serving PROTEIN: 27 grams FAT: 35 grams CARBOHYDRATE: 55 grams CALORIES: 640 FIBRE: 6 grams SODIUM: 910 mg

BAKED CURRY GROUND BEEF



Enjoy this spiced ground meat mixture baked with an egg-based topping. Our version is similar to Bobotie which is considered to be a national dish in South Africa. This versatile dish can be made with Ontario beef, lamb or a combination of both. Serve with basmati rice and chutney.

Preparation Time: 20 minutes Cooking Time: about 15 minutes Roasting Time: 50 minutes Serves 6

slices white or whole wheat bread 2 cups (500 mL) 2% Ontario Milk

2 tsp (10 mL) vegetable oil Ontario Onion, chopped 750 g lean Ontario Ground Beef, Lamb or combination of both (375 g each)

1 tbsp (15 mL) curry powder

1 tsp (5 mL) each garlic powder and turmeric

1 tsp (5 mL) 1/2 tsp (2 mL) pepper 1/4 cup (50 mL) apricot jam 1 tbsp (15 mL) Worcestershire sauce Ontario Eggs bay leaves

Place bread in shallow pan. Pour 1/2 cup (125 mL) of the milk over bread; let

In large non -stick skillet, heat oil over medium heat. Add onion; cook until softened, about 5 minutes, stirring often. Add beef; cook over medium-high heat, stirring, until browned, about 10 minutes. Stir in curry powder, garlic powder, turmeric, salt and pepper. Stir in soaked bread, jam and Worcestershire sauce until combined. Transfer to 8 cup (2 L) casserole dish; cover with foil. Bake in 350°F (180°C) oven for 30 minutes.

Meanwhile, in small bowl, beat eggs and remaining milk together. Remove casserole from oven. Remove foil; pour egg mixture evenly over the meat mixture. Place bay leaves on top. Bake for 15 to 20 minutes or until topping is golden brown. Let stand 10 minutes before serving. Remove bay leaves. **Nutritional Information:**

1 Serving PROTEIN: 32 grams FAT: 15 grams CARBOHYDRATE: 19 grams CALORIES: 332 0.5 grams FIBRE: 610 mg

APPLE TAQUITOS WITH MAPLE SAUCE



Crisp, sweet and delicious dessert taquitos are simple to make. These taquitos have all the makings of apple pie with a drizzle of maple syrup sauce.

Preparation Time: 20 minutes Cooking Time: about 15 minutes Baking Time: 15 minutes

Serves 6

3 cups (750 mL) peeled, diced Ontario Apples, such as Gala

or Cortland (about 4) 2 tbsp (25 mL)

granulated sugar 1 tbsp (15 mL) fresh lemon juice 1 tsp (5 mL) ground cinnamon 3/4 cup (175 mL) cold water 2 tsp (10 mL) cornstarch

Maple Sauce: 1 cup (250 mL) Ontario Maple Syrup 1/2 cup (125 mL) 35% Ontario Whipping Cream

1/4 cup (50 mL) butter

small (7-inch/18 cm) flour or whole wheat

tortillas Ground cinnamon

In medium saucepan, combine apples, sugar, lemon juice, cinnamon and 1/2 cup (125 mL) of the water. Bring to boil; reduce heat to medium-low and cook for 6 to 8 minutes, stirring occasionally, until apples are tender. In small bowl, stir cornstarch with 1/4 cup (50 mL) of the water until smooth. Stir into saucepan; bring to boil, reduce heat and simmer until thickened, stirring constantly. Set aside.

Maple Sauce: In small saucepan, combine maple syrup, cream and 2 tbsp (25 mL) of the butter; bring to boil over high heat. Reduce heat to medium-low, continue boiling, stirring occasionally for 5 to 7 minutes or until slightly thickened and coats a spoon. Set aside. Melt remaining 2 tbsp (25 mL) of butter. To assemble taquitos, drizzle 1 tbsp (15 mL) of the maple sauce, down center of a tortilla. Spoon 3 tbsp (45 mL) of the apple filling over sauce. Roll tortilla tightly; place seam side down on parchment- lined baking sheet. Brush with butter; sprinkle with cinnamon. Repeat with remaining tortillas.

Bake in 375°F (190°C) oven for 15 minutes until golden brown and filling is bubbling at the ends. Serve with remaining maple sauce. **Nutritional Information:**

1 Serving

PROTEIN: 3 grams 17 grams CARBOHYDRATE: 66 grams



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