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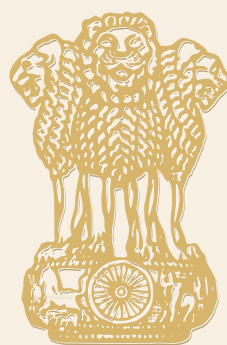


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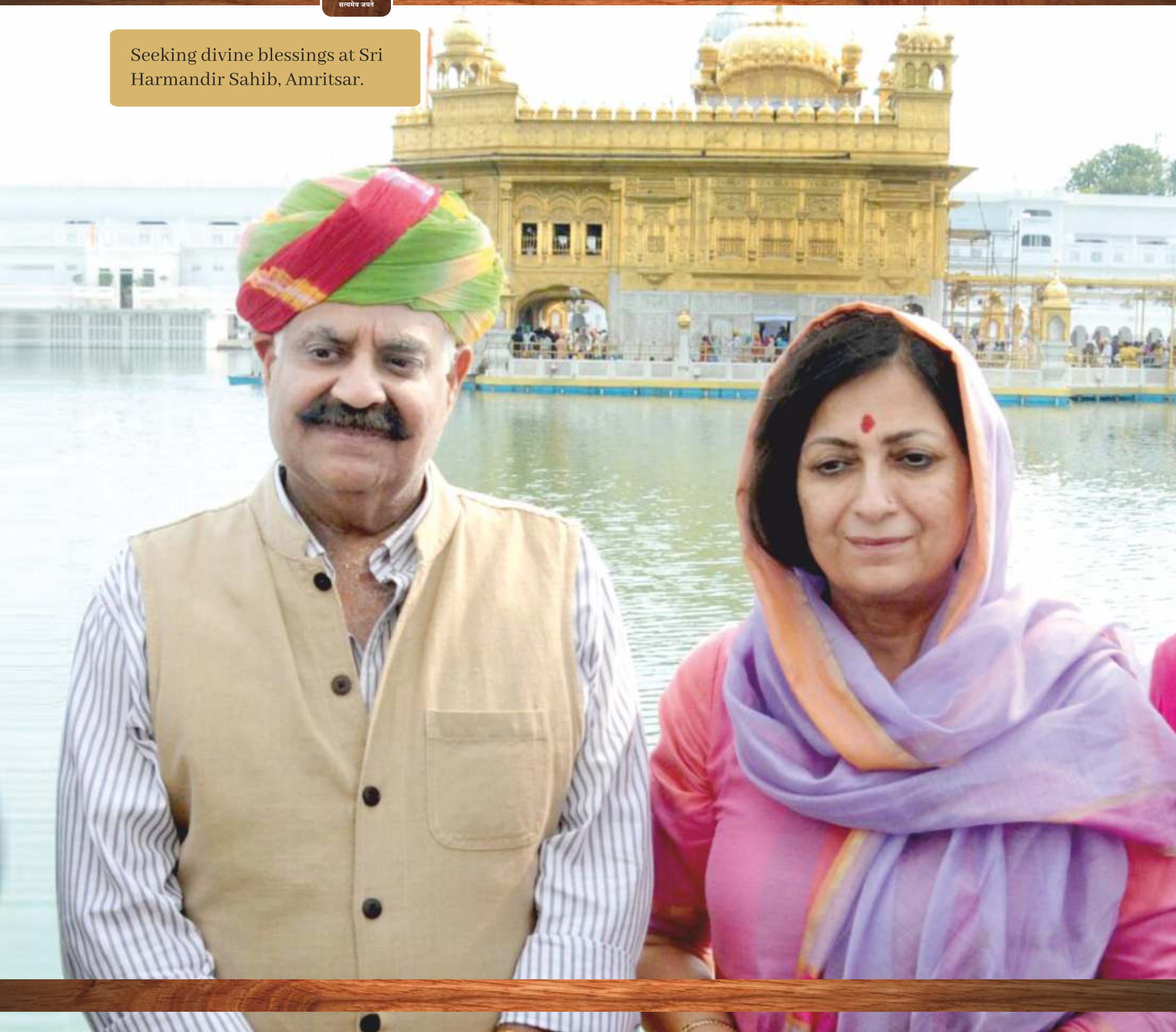
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Seeking divine blessings at Sri
Harmandir Sahib, Amritsar.





FOREWORD

It is indeed a matter of great pride for me to have successfully completed my tenure as the Governor, Punjab and Administrator, UT, Chandigarh. It has been an honour to serve the people of Punjab and Chandigarh since August 2016.

Punjab is one of the most progressive and forward looking states in India. It is known the world over for the brave, hardworking and enterprising people. Patriotism, courage, generosity and dedication are the innate qualities of the Punjabis. It has traditionally been the sword arm of the country, be it in the freedom struggle and thereafter.

The Union Territory of Chandigarh, 'the City Beautiful, designed by the French Architect Le Corbusier' continues to be a global model, known for its imaginative modern architecture, urban planning and landscaping. Chandigarh is one of the few master-planned cities in the world to have succeeded in terms of combining monumental architecture, cultural growth and modernization. As the seat of the joint capital of Punjab and Haryana, it is the hub in North India for excellent education and health care. According to BBC Chandigarh is nothing short of a utopia and is the most perfect, 'remarkable ideal' city in the world'.

As the Administrator of Chandigarh, it has been my endeavor to take this leadership not only in the field of town planning and architecture but also in the aspects of development, growth and sustainability. Significant efforts have been taken to initiate a process of innovation led growth in this region through the proposed Chandigarh Innovation Circle (CIC). As a home to prestigious institutions of national importance like IISER, NABI, IMTECH, CSIO, TBRL, SCL, PGIMER, PEC, ISB, IIT Rupnagar, NIPER, etc, Chandigarh presents a great potential to be the global leader for startups and innovation led growth.

As we all know, for the past one year, the world is in the grip of COVID 19 Pandemic. Each affected country is now dealing with its efforts in declining the number of positive cases and deaths. Since the first reported Covid positive case in India till date there are major decisions taken at the level of Indian Government to combat the novel corona virus.

Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi in the early days of the Covid – 19 outbreaks had directed the country's top scientists in and outside the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) to expand testing facilities besides putting the country under complete Lockdown. The hard decision of the national lockdown slowed down the spread of the virus and gave the government time to prepare the healthcare infrastructure to trace, track, test, quarantine and treat people. Safety norms and health advisories were in place and by and large people were obeying the guidelines issued time to time. He encouraged the citizens of the country during the extremely times to keep the spirits high through the initiatives like TAALI, THAALI AUR UMEED KA DIYA. Even slogans like DO GAJJ DOORI BAHURT HAI ZAROORI motivated people to ensure physical and social distancing during the fight against the invisible enemy. Thus, a determined fight against COVID 19 ultimately became the people's movement. I am glad to share that the COVID 19 fatalities and positivity rate in Chandigarh is the lowest in past seven months. The hospital occupancy of patients is also quite low due to the decrease in the number of active cases.

We will always remember Prof. Dr. B.S. Chavan, Director/Principal, Government Medical College, Sector 32 whom we lost during covid pandemic. He was a dedicated doctor whose presence and involvement could be felt in all our Covid preventive strategies despite his illness.

I am extremely happy to be a part of the prestigious Military Literature Festival, an annual feature organized jointly by the Government of Punjab, Chandigarh Administration and the Western Command Chandimandir. With the concerted efforts of all it has become the world's largest Military Literature Festival in a Short period of four years. This time, the fourth edition, because of the pandemic, was inaugurated virtually by Hon'ble Defence Minister of India, Sh. Raj Nath Singh Ji and was widely attended all across the world.

Given the rich martial traditions of the region of Punjab, it comes as no surprise that this region is a treasure cove of military events since times immemorial, thus simmering in unlimited tales of military invasions, campaigns and battles with the natural abundance of battlefield heroics, sacrifices and events that's steered the course of not only the region, but the country as a whole.

The Third Volume of the Coffee Table Book- The Reflections – 2020 is an attempt to highlight the achievements for this period together with the accomplishments of the preceding year.

This period has been a very gratifying journey for me; enriching and rewarding. I must extend my sincere appreciation to those selfless individuals and organizations, working in various domains, for the betterment of Punjab and Chandigarh.

I call upon the people of Chandigarh and Punjab, Civil & Police officers, Ex-Servicemen, Youth, Doctors, Academicians, Intellectuals, NGOs, Voluntary Organizations and Media who have helped us to take our country to new heights with a new fervor and new energy all through the year.

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Glimpse of 1st Coffee Table Book - AN EVENTFUL YEAR 2016-2017



Inauguration of Academic Block as part of 25th Annual Day Celebrations of Government Medical College and Hospital on September 9, 2016.



Inauguration of the newly constructed building of Government Model High School, Sector 48, Sector 49, Government High School and government Middle School, Manimajra in Union Territory of Chandigarh on September 14, 2016.



Foundation stone laying ceremony of Kajauli Phase V and VI Water Lines of Kajauli Water Works on October 21, 2016.



Flagging off ceremony of 119 Motor Cycles at Punjab Raj Bhavan on November 2, 2016.



Chandigarh Transport goes hi-tech launching the e-ticketing system at Punjab Raj Bhavan on November 7, 2016.



Flagging off the Para Cycling Expedition at Attari and launching of Border Management Plan on November 24, 2016.



Organ Donation Awareness Programme on November 27, 2016.



Red Cross is SELFLESS SERVICES launching a New Scheme on December 14, 2016.



Launched Kalam Express at Punjab Raj Bhavan on July 13, 2017.



Inaugurated Anganwari Rasoi at Model Burail Jail, Chandigarh on June 6, 2017.



Launched various projects under the Smart City Mission on the Second anniversary of Smart City Project on June 25, 2017. Among the projects launched are cycle tracks at Vigyan Path, Smart City operations Centre at Punjab Engineering College, construction of Subway Connecting Sector 17 to Rose Garden, Smart Parking at Urban Park behind Neelam Cinema, Sector 17, Chandigarh. (All these projects from a part of PAN City proposal, while the projects in Sector 17 is a park of area based development – ABD).



Launching "Annapurna Akshyapatra Yojana" on January 2, 2017. The main objective of this scheme is to provide affordable, hygienic and nutritious food to the poor. Current target of distributing 1000 packets of meal every day would be increased up to 10,000 food packets every day.



Chandigarh attained 100% Aadhaar saturated on December 22, 2016 as per the estimated population figure of 2015.



Inauguration City's first Indoor Sports Complex at Government Model High School, Sector 41, Chandigarh on January 2, 2017.



Flagging off Two GST Awareness Seva Rath on June 23, 2017. Envisioned to create awareness among the trading community of Chandigarh, GST Awareness Seva Rath will also redress the queries relating to GST.



International Military Literature Festival 2017 from December 8-9, 2017.

Glimpse of 2nd Coffee Table Book - NEW HORIZONS 2018-2019



550TH Parkash Purb of Guru Nanak Dev Ji – Opening of Kartarpur Sahib Corridor on the historic day of November 9, 2019. A holy place filled with the divine aura of Guru Nanak Dev Ji



Special Assembly Session to commemorate the 550th Prakash Purb of Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji



Inauguration of Multi-storied Red Cross Sarai at PGIMER on January 30, 2018.



With the Commissioning of this scheme, city residents have started getting additional 29 MGD Water from Phase V and VI from September 28, 2019. More water for Chandigarh Residents: Inauguration of City Water Supply Scheme Phase V and VI at Kajauli Water Works, Sector 39, Chandigarh.



Inaugurated the Sports Complex at Government Model High School, Sector 34, Chandigarh on April 9, 2018.



With the underprivileged children after inaugurating Dr. B.R. Ambedkar School of Wheels at Chandigarh on 14.04.2018.



One Day Workshop on Stakeholder initiative to address Crop Residue Burning in Punjab



Presiding over the 2nd Conference of Vice Chancellors held at Hotel Mountview Chandigarh on September 16, 2019.



Inaugurated and attended the prestigious Kisan Mela at Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana and later at Pashu Palan Mela organised by Guru Angad Dev Veterinary & Animal Sciences University, Ludhiana.



Proud to be an Indian Heading towards a new clean India: Flagged off run for Swachhata hi Sewa organised by Municipal Corporation along with the Mayor, Counsellors and officers of MC Chandigarh at Sukhna Lake on September 15, 2018.



Anaemia free Chandigarh Campaign was launched : Presided over the function on the occasion of workshop on Poshan Abhiyaan, Chandigarh on September 6, 2019.



The most tragic incident ever occurred on Dusshera Day in Amritsar on October 20, 2018.



The Hon'ble President of India Sh. Ramnath Kovind along with Governor Punjab, Sh. V.P. Singh Badnore inaugurated the 13th CII Agro Tech India 2018 at Chandigarh on December 1, 2018.



The 2nd Military Literary Festival at Lake club Chandigarh on December 7, 2018.



Women Empowerment: Hon'ble Governor presided over the Self Defence Programme SWAYAM organised by Women and Child Support Unit of Chandigarh Police on November 16, 2018. The Chandigarh Police Force is imparting training to over 15,000 girls/women for self defence in a year, making them strong & confident.



On April 24, 2018, Nagar Van, behind Sukhna Lake, established by the Department of Forests and Wildlife, Chandigarh was inaugurated under the Nagar Van Udyan Yojana sponsored by the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change.



Inaugurated the New Admin Block of the IMTECH at CSIR - Institute of Microbial Technology, Chandigarh on October 25, 2018.



Flagged off Swastha Bharat Yatra from Sukhna Lake Chandigarh on December 27, 2018, along with the officers of Chandigarh Administration to sensitize people about eating safe food and be healthy Hats off to the enthusiastic people of Chandigarh in carrying forward the Swastha Bharat Campaign in both letter and spirit.



BIGGEST FIGHT EVER AGAINST DRUGS: The much needed crusade against Drugs, Biggest fight ever against to make India a drug free nation was launched at the campus of Chandigarh University, by Art of Living's where more than 25,000 students took pledge in the presence of the spiritual guru Sri Sri Ravi Shankar Ji, founder of Art of Living.



Launched the first of its kind globally Dejavu Multi Device Health App-frontier in Healthcare Technology for Chandigarh at Punjab Raj Bhavan on February 18, 2019.



Formally inaugurated the 4965 dwelling units for the EWS at Maloya on March 3, 2019.



Sports Complex inaugurated on March 4, 2019.



Workshop on : Innovation led Growth Prospects for Chandigarh Region on 08.03.2018 at ISB Mohali.



Hon'ble Vice President of India Sh. Venkaiah Naidu along with Hon'ble Governor, Shri V.P. Singh Badnore at the release of Commemorative Stamp and Coin to mark the 100 years of Jallianwala Bagh Massacre at Amritsar on April 13, 2019.



Had a fruitful meeting on July 4, 2019, with the representatives of IT companies, discussed the viabilities of developing and up gradation of IT infrastructure in City Beautiful, Chandigarh.



Pride of Chandigarh, Sukhna Lake declared as Wetland under Wetland Conservation and Management Rule 2017 during a meeting of UT Chandigarh Wetland Authority on July 23, 2019 at Punjab Raj Bhavan.



Launched the Prime Minister's initiative Fit India Movement for Chandigarh on the National Sports Day on August 29, 2019. I appeal to the people especially the youth to join the campaign wholeheartedly and make our nation fit, healthy, strong and vibrant.



Interstate coordination & other issues of mutual concern were discussed. September 20, 2019 Chandigarh and also launched ERRS – 112 Helpline on the occasion.



National Conference on Prevention of Rabies & Stray Dog Management at Hotel Mountview, Chandigarh on September 28, 2020.



Remembered Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel on his 144th Birth Anniversary on October 30, 2019 and joined the RUN FOR UNITY at Sukhna Lake along with the officers of Chandigarh Administration, students and city residents.

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DEVOTION & COMMITMENT**

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With the Hon'ble President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind at New Delhi



With the Hon'ble Vice President of India, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu at New Delhi



With the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi at New Delhi



With the Hon'ble Home Minister of India, Shri Amit Shah in Chandigarh



Presided over the New India Education Summit NIES2019 amidst India's Eminent School Educators gathered In Chandigarh to Discuss 'Education Goals 2030' on November 13,2019.



I strongly believe that New India Education Summit will prove to be a great platform to interact with the forerunners of India's education evolution. NIES-2019 will be a great venue to attend talks by leading experts in the education sphere, to discover the latest educational practices, to explore new educational concepts and network with industry experts. I hope that the top minds in the industry will work towards strengthening the framework and building the infrastructure for the future of our nation's education.

I am happy to share the Chandigarh Education Department has always been in the forefront in bringing in positive changes that have created an impact on students and teachers.

Recently, the UT administration has shared guidelines for “no bag day, integrated classrooms, reading literacy and visits under the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) preparedness with the principals and heads of all government, government- aided and private schools of the UT.

This has been done to promote joyful and experiential learning among students. All the efforts to promote holistic development of students were rewarded when Chandigarh topped the Union Territories in the School Education Quality Index released by NITI Aayog recently.

Teacher training is of utmost importance, especially in this day and age where change is the only constant. But, do we want to put our teachers through numerous training sessions or have them



Presided over the State Level Painting Competition on Energy Conservation 2019, organised by BBMB on Bal Divas on November 14, 2019.



Surprised to see the winners for their exceptionally good and thoughtful presentation.





Taking Salute at the 53rd Raising Day of Chandigarh Police at Parade Ground Chandigarh on November 14, 2019



“It is a matter of great pride for us that in September this year the ERSS project was inaugurated in Chandigarh by the Union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah. This project is one of the key projects of MHA under Nirbhaya Fund. This project has been designed to play a pivotal role in mitigation/preventing escalation of

crime, especially against women and children. Under this project, all emergency services such as police, ambulance and fire fighters will be available at single Emergency number 112, which will greatly facilitate the citizens to get all emergency services.

With a view to channelize power and mind of youth towards nation building activities and to provide them with a chance to earn their livelihood Chandigarh Police successfully trained around 800 youth under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana. Now, Chandigarh is declared as a SMART city and very soon the work will began at large scale, it is expected that Chandigarh Police will also rise to the occasion and enhanced to the skills at its personnel and the level of equipment being used to keep pace with concept of policing in SMART City.”



The name of Chandigarh Police is counted among the best known police force in the country. We all know that there are many challenges in front of the police today and the Chandigarh Police has to control the law and order, traffic and crime in the city as well as it has to deal with large number of agitators coming from two states, Haryana and Punjab. The Chandigarh Police face every challenge with great deal of efforts and endurance.



Released 'PHOENIX' -
Striving for Excellence,
conceptualised by
Sh. B.L. Sharma, Education
Secretary UT and his team
of officers, to promote and
strengthen the foundation
of School Education
System in Chandigarh on
November 26, 2019.

Punjab Raj Bhavan celebrated Constitution Day 2019 and had a wonderful interactive session & Fundamental Duties in the presence of retired and serving Judges, Legal Luminaries, Army Generals, Intellectuals, Professors, Scholars & Students at Chandigarh on November 26, 2019.



Chaired by
Sh. V.P. SINGH BADN
Hon'ble Governor of Punjab
Administrator U.T, Chandigarh





Welcomed H.E. Mr. Andre Aranha Correa do Lago, Ambassador of Federative Republic of Brazil to India at Punjab Raj Bhawan, Chandigarh. Discussed various issues of mutual interest during the meeting on November 27, 2019



POSHAN ON WHEELS

Chandigarh Administration's unique initiative; Flagged off Mobile Anganwadi Vans carrying nutritious food for the infants, expectant and lactating mothers especially at the construction sites on November 28, 2019.



Interacted with the matured and experienced state services officers promoted to IAS during the valedictory session of Induction Training Programme organised by the MGSIPA, along with Director General K.B.S. Sidhu and Secretary cum Director MGSIPA, Jaspreet Talwar on November 28, 2019.





Attended the 136th Annual Prize Distribution function of the prestigious Mayo College Ajmer along with the President HH Maharao Brijraj Singh of Kota and all the dignitaries on December 02, 2019.





Attended the annual day celebrations of Emerald Heights International School, Indore and inaugurated the International level banked track (skating) on December 12, 2019

The most important aspect for a child is that the child should be given full freedom to pursue his or her creative instincts. If we analyze the life story of great men and women, we would see that they got freedom in their early formative years. Einstein was erratic as child, Thomas Alva Edison was mischievous, Marconi was naughty, Mark Twain seemed spoilt and Winston Churchill was average as a student. However, all of them went on to become great in

their respective field. The list is long and it also includes our Father of the Nation, Mahatma Gandhi who, as we all know, was an average student, yet he could unite and ignite the minds of millions and freed India from colonial bondage. The point which I want to make is that your study is important, in fact very important, but pursuing your creative instinct is more important.



Undoubtedly we are paying adequate attention to the academics but sports still remains

underrated in most parts of our country but it should be an essential part of educational curriculum because a healthy body leads to a healthy mind. Sports inculcate attributes like discipline, rigor, team work and patience and these qualities are important for the fast paced world today. You all are extremely lucky to have such world class facilities right here on your campus and you must all make the most of it.



Paid homage to the martyrs and brave personnel of Indian Armed Forces on traditional Flag pinning ceremony by the officers of Defence Services Welfare departments of Government of Punjab and Chandigarh Administration held at Punjab Raj Bhawan on December 7, 2019





Delighted to be a part of the Annual Function of the Mayor World School Jalandhar. Kudos to the students, teachers and management for a thought provoking show 'Buddha In You' directed by Gaggun Bedi on December 8, 2019

Young students are the future of our country. The foundation of every state is the education of its youth. A nation cannot progress unless its students are progressive and enlightened. Gautam Buddha taught us kindness, generosity wisdom and compassion. In the words of Gautam Buddha:

"All that we are is the result of what we have thought. The mind is everything. What we think we become."

We must realize the potential and power of our mind. Human mind is very strong and here positive as well as negative thoughts are generated. It is very important to regulate and discipline our mind. We become what we harbour and nurture.

Shakespeare puts in his own way "the fault, dear Brutus, is not in our stars but in ourselves that we are underlings"

It is very important that you imbibe the positive attitude. The right attitude is essential for building on what you are

naturally endowed with as well as what you have gained through education. I have seen so many times that it is only attitude that separates excellence from mediocrity.

The young minds must be acquainted with the steadfastness, chivalry and patriotism of great luminaries of India like Maharana Pratap, Maharaja Ranjit Singh, Chhatrapati Shivaji, Smt. Sarojini Naidu and Ms. Kalpana Chawla. Lives of these great personalities will remind them that they can also make their character sublime.





What an amazing and invigorating experience flying a 30 minute sortie on SUKHOI-30 MKI piloted by Gp Capt NK Vatsya, Commanding Officer 220 Squadron. SUKHOI-30 MKI is a twinjet Multirole Jet fighter developed by Russia and upgraded by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited for Indian Air Force at the Air Force Station Halwara on December 11, 2019.





3rd Military Literature Festival-2019



Inaugurated the 3rd Edition of International Military Literature Festival 2019 at Sukhna Lake Chandigarh on December 13, 2019. The prestigious annual event was splendidly organised under the astute leadership of the CM Punjab Capt. Amarinder Singh and Gen. T.S. Shergil in association with Chandigarh Administration.



Chaired the Panel Discussion on 'Who Was the Victor of the Battle of Haldighati?' during Military Literature Festival.



Punjab is the land of the Sapta Sindhavah or the Hapta Hendu of the Avesta, watered by the rivers Vitasta, Ashikni, Parushni, Vipasha and Shutudri all tributaries of the Sindhu or Indus. In ancient times along the banks of the river Parushni or Ravi, there lived the clan of the Bharatas who have given the name Bharat to our nation and one can say that, Punjab is Bharat and Bharat is Punjab; for no other

region has passed through the fiery crucible of invasions and upheavals emerging stronger to become the defender of India as much as Punjab. People of this land rose out of their misfortunes and created the bread basket of India and also became its sword arm.

Therefore, it is appropriate that a Military Literature Festival was founded in Punjab in the city of Chandigarh. During this festival, discussions and displays cover a wide canvas of activities connected with the profession of arms ranging from painting,

campaigns, strategic affairs, internal security, the military industrial base and poetry- the longest poem in the world on warfare, the Mahabharata, is about battles fought on this land and the eternal message of the Bhagvad Gita.

The Military Literature Festival is an excellent way of informing citizens and the youth of India about the country's Armed Forces, their discipline, culture, their sacrifices and unique unity in diversity for the good of the nation.



A dynamic centre for persons with disabilities, Chandigarh Spinal Rehab, Sector 28, is bringing hope, dignity and purpose to the lives of those facing challenges. The foundation was laid with a vision to create a centre of excellence and empowerment for persons with acute disability such as spinal cord injury, traumatic brain injury. With a team of skilled and dedicated rehabilitation professionals, high standards of medical

proficiency is maintained with evidence-based practices which helps transform physical and mental abilities. Rehabilitation outcomes are enhanced by introducing active community interaction, a range of wheelchair sports such as basketball, cricket, boccia etc; adventure activities like scuba diving, para motoring; vocational rehabilitation, Yoga and swimming sessions and travelling.



Handed over a grant of Rs 21 lakh to Mrs. Nicky P. Kaur, Founder & CEO of Chandigarh Spinal Rehab in the presence of HH Maharaja Gaj Singh Ji of Jodhpur, for the development of infrastructure and equipment on December 15, 2019.





Inaugurated the 4th Mega Health Check Up Camp, organised by the Joshi Foundation at Chandigarh, along with Maharaja Gaj Singh Ji of Jodhpur and renowned Yoga Therapist H.R. Nagendra on December 15, 2019.





Inaugurated the Centre of Excellence in Manufacturing, supported by Siemens at the prestigious Punjab Engineering College Chandigarh on December 17, 2019





Decades old suffering of the residents of 38 West Chandigarh/Dadumajra came to an end with the inauguration of Mining of Legacy Waste at Dumping Ground on December 20, 2019 giving huge relief to the residents.



In bio mining legacy site around 500000 MT (5 Lakh M.T.) of waste will be processed in total and daily 1680 MT of waste will be treated per day. The project will be completed in a period of 540 days i.e. up to 13.04.2021. Total cost of this project is 28.80 Cr and SMS limited from Nagpur is going to execute this project. The segregation of waste at source is being extended to the entire city to make the city a bin free city for which the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh is going to purchase about 300 vehicles in additions to 99 already purchased and deployed in 13 villages recently transferred to Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh and various markets of the city.



On January 1, 2020, visited Night Shelters set up by Chandigarh Administration in different sectors for the homeless and extended New Year greetings and also distributed blankets to the needy.





Met Prem Bhandari,
Chairman Jaipur Foot
USA & Dr. Rekha
Bhandari at Punjab Raj
Bhawan Chandigarh on
January 2, 2020.
Welcomed their decision
of holding a massive Health Camp under
aegis of Jaipur Foot at Golden Temple to
distribute artificial limbs, hearing aids to
Divyangs free of cost.



Inaugurated the newly constructed Pedestrian underpass connecting
Rose Garden Sector 16 to Sector 17 Plaza on January 8, 2020, along with
Member Parliament Smt. Kirron Kher and Adviser Sh. Manoj Parida. The
place is artistically created giving altogether a new concept.





Addressed
the Special
Vidhan Sabha
Session on
January 16,
2020
especially
convened to
ratify 126th
Constitutional
Amendment
to extend
reservation
for SC/ST



Honoured to welcome
Mrs. & Mr. Hector
Cureva Jarome,
Ambassador of Ecuador
to India at Punjab Raj
Bhawan, Chandigarh on
January 18, 2020.

Kudos! To the determination and active involvement of the School Children of Chandigarh in carrying forward the massive awareness campaign launched by Hon'ble

PM Sh. Narendra Modi to make India Plastic Free Nation. Inaugurated a programme Climategiri at Sector 17 Plaza, Chandigarh on January 20, 2020.





Had a productive 2nd meeting of the Apex Committee of Tricity with the Chandigarh Administration, governments of Haryana & Punjab for better coordination and cooperation on issues of common interests such as Women Safety, Law and Order and better Transport facilities on January 22, 2020.



Honoured to welcome Hon'ble Speaker Lok Sabha Sh. Om Birla and Hon'ble CM Haryana Sh. Manohar Lal Khattar at Punjab Raj Bhawan on January 22, 2020.



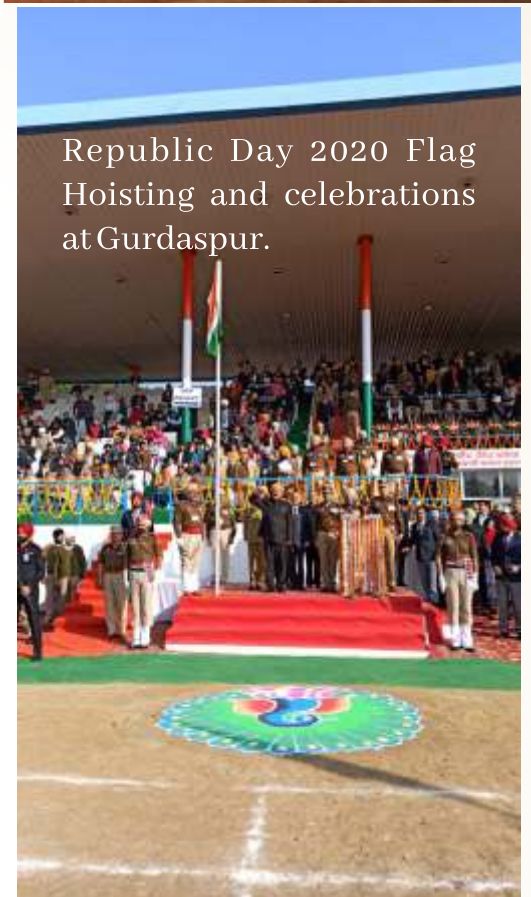


Addressed the elite gathering at CII Start-up Conclave on January 23, 2020. India is a land of unlimited possibilities, let all work together to realise the vision of Hon'ble Prime Minister Sh. Narendra Modi making India a \$5 trillion economy by 2024-25.





Taking the Guard of Honour on reaching BSF Hqrs Gurdaspur on the eve of the state level Republic Day.



Republic Day 2020 Flag Hoisting and celebrations at Gurdaspur.



Honoured to have Hon'ble Governor, Haryana, Shri Satyadev Narayan Arya and other dignitaries from all spheres of life for 'At Home' function on January 26 held at Punjab Raj Bhavan.





Had an interactive session at Punjab Raj Bhawan with the Civil Servants from Bangladesh who were there for a Mid Career Training Programme in Field Administration at Mahatma Gandhi State Institute of Public Administration Punjab MGSIPA on January 27, 2020





Another proud moment for Chandigarh: Felicitated the winners of Khelo India Games 2020 organised by Khelo India, Ministry of Sports and Youth Affairs at Guwahati, in which Chandigarh bagged 1st place amongst UTs and 16th position in all the States on January 29, 2020.



Inaugurated the Kashmiri Food Festival at Chandigarh Press Club organised jointly with the Kashmiri Sahayak Sabha Chandigarh and Chandigarh Press Club also interacted with the media on issues relating to Chandigarh on February 2, 2020.





On February 4, 2020 visited the serene surroundings of Talwara and Pong Dam and was received by the Deputy Commissioner Hoshiarpur and Forest officials of Himachal Pradesh also paid respects at the Martyrs Memorial.





Visited Indira Holiday Home along with the Adviser and other senior officers of Chandigarh Administration. Later chaired a meeting of the Executive Committee of Indira Holiday Home at Punjab Raj Bhawan on February 5, 2020.





Met the NSS Volunteers along with officers /officials of Regional Directorate of NSS at Punjab Raj Bhawan who participated in Republic Day Parade 2020 at Rajpath, New Delhi on February 6, 2020.



On February 9, 2020 joined the celebrations on the auspicious occasion of the Jayanti of Sri Guru Ravidas Ji at Gurudwara Sri Guru Ravidas Ji at Chandigarh. His teachings of equality and brotherhood have always been a source of inspiration for all of us.





On February 12, 2020, opened an unique RUPANTARANKENDRA at Burail Model Jail, Chandigarh set up in collaboration with Panjab University Chandigarh which will transform the inmates as good human beings through counselling, treatment, de-addiction programmes and also rehabilitate them to lead a life of dignity thereafter.





Attended the Birthday Celebration of Gurudev Rajarshi Muni Ji Life Mission Jakhan Ashram, Limbdi Gujrat on February 12, 2020 along with Mandhattasinhji Jadeja, the 17th king of the over 400-year-old erstwhile princely state of Rajkot in Gujarat.



Chaired the Annual General Meeting and the Managing Body of the Punjab Chapter of the Indian Red Cross at MAGSIPA, Chandigarh. Honoured the DCs and others officials/NGOs for the good work done towards Red Cross on March 3, 2020.





Unveiled 'THE JAPJI OF GURU NANAK', extensively researched work authored by Dr. Rupinder S. Brar, an alumnus of Punjab Public School, Nabha on March 4, 2020



Also launched an Android based ONA APP connecting the Old Nabhaites all over the world through this App, at Punjab Raj Bhawan Chandigarh.

Presided over the 46th Annual Convocation of Guru Nanak Dev University Amritsar on March 5, 2020. Renowned doctor, Dr. Naresh Trehan and Film personality Pankaj Kapoor were conferred with 'Honoris Causa' degrees. Degrees and Medals were also awarded to the meritorious students.





Visit to Aurvedic Dhanvantry College & Hospital, Sector 46 Chandigarh; Inaugurated Panch Karma Center and also Flagged off the newly added Ambulance on March 7, 2020.

