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Kulwant Kaur Allegedly Murdered By Husband Remembered As Hardworking And Caring Mother

Kulwant Kaur, a 46-year-old woman from New Westminster, was stabbed to death allegedly by her husband this week in what is called a "domestic dispute."

The New Westminster Police was called in 200-block of Suzuki Street, New Westminster. On arrival, police found Kulwant suffering from life-threatening injuries.

"Sadly, despite life-saving efforts by the responding officers with support from the BC Emergency Health Services (BCEHS), the victim succumbed to her injuries on scene," said Sgt. Timothy Pierotti of IHIT.

The 57-year-old suspect was taken into custody at the scene,



IHIT said. Balvir Singh, also a New Westminster resident, was charged with second-degree murder on Saturday.

"This appears to be an isolated incident between family members," said Pierotti. Pierotti

later confirmed to CTV that the couple were married. "This is, obviously, another tragic incident of domestic violence that has ended with someone's life being taken far too soon," he said.

Friends and family were shocked at the news. A fundraiser has been set up by Tegal Sangha, a friend of the victim's family.

The brief about Kulwant informed that she came to Canada in 2019 to give her son a better life and brighter future.

"On October 13th, she was taken from us in a domestic dispute. Kulwant passed away leaving behind her son."

Sangha says that Kulwant was an amazing mother and a loving daughter. "She was taken too soon at a young age of 46. She was a hardworking, kind, caring person and was looking to make a better life for her and her son."

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Canada Withdraws 41 Diplomats from India



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BC Changes Policing Act To End Policing Transition Mess In Surrey

The BC government, this week, has introduced changes in the existing Policing Act of the province to put a final verdict on policing transition in Surrey and lay a clear path for BC municipalities considering policing transition.

According to BC Public Safety Minister Mike Farnworth, "These changes address a lack of clarity in the Police Act that was exposed during the police transition in the City of Surrey." The proposed amendments, according to the minister, "contain provisions that provide clarity and finality to the



people of Surrey regarding their ongoing transition by specifying that the City of Surrey must provide policing services through a municipal police department."

The amendments also give the public safety minister the authority to cancel

the existing agreement between the Province and the City of Surrey for the RCMP's services and provide the government the ability to appoint an administrator to assume the functions of the Surrey Police Board to manage the Surrey Police Service.

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Former teacher Mukhtiar Panghali who murdered his pregnant wife, granted full parole

A former Surrey high school teacher who murdered his pregnant wife in 2006 and burned her body, has been granted full parole.

In granting Panghali full parole, the board says they believe he would not present an undue risk to society if released, and that his release would help facilitate his reintegration into society at large.

"Since your release on day parole, you have not posed any significant management concern and appear to be reintegrating appropriately," reads a decision addressed to Panghali, released on Oct. 6. "You have several positive supports and now, you have the support of the [Correctional Services of Canada] for

full parole."

Panghali strangled his pregnant wife of nine years Manjit Panghali to death on Oct. 18, 2006 after she'd returned home from a prenatal yoga class, staged the discovery of her car in Whalley, burned her body on a remote beach along DeltaPort and then delayed for as long as he could to lodge a missing persons complaint with the Surrey RCMP, according to reports.

Panghali was arrested in March 2007 in connection with the murder of his wife.

In 2011 was handed a life sentence for killing Manjit on convictions for second-degree murder and indignity to a body.

CBC reported that the board attached conditions to Panghali's parole, which

include that he report all sexual and non-sexual relationships with women to his parole officer, and not consume alcohol. In addition, he was told not to contact Manjit's biological family — including his daughter, who was four years old at the time of her mother's slaying. She is being raised by the victim's sister.

"You voiced regret for your actions, appeared future-oriented and outlined your short- and long-term goals for your future," the board wrote of Panghali's parole hearing. "Your goal is to be a good father to your daughter, regardless if she resumes contact with you or not."

However, the board wrote there were



several factors that concerned them as they made their decision — including the fact Panghali "fantasized" about killing his wife for several months, and planned the murder despite other options being available to him. Panghali pleaded not guilty but was later sentenced to life in prison with no chance of parole for 15 years. His attempt to appeal his sentence was unsuccessful and Panghali later admitted to the murder, as well as his negative feelings toward his wife.

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Mélanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Marc Miller, Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship, issued the following statement:

"Canada confirms that India formally communicated its plan to remove immunities unilaterally for all but 21 Canadian diplomats and dependents in New Delhi by October 20, 2023. This means 41 Canadian diplomats and their 42 dependents were in danger of having immunities stripped.

"Given the security implications of India's actions on these Canadian diplomats and their families, Canada has facilitated their safe departure from India.

"A unilateral revocation of diplomatic privileges and immunities is contrary to international law, including the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations. This action taken by India is completely unreasonable and escalatory. India accredited each and every one of the Canadian diplomats they are now expelling. And all of those diplomats were carrying out their duties in good faith, and to the greater benefit of both countries.

"Diplomatic immunities should be respected and cannot be unilaterally revoked by a host country. If we allow this norm to be broken, no diplomat anywhere would be safe. As such, the Government of Canada will continue to respect

diplomatic norms and not reciprocate this action.

"Canada will continue to defend international law, which applies equally to all states. Canada will continue to engage India and remains committed to dialogue as we move forward.

"Unfortunately, this mass expulsion will impact our operations, and client service will be affected. We will now be forced to pause temporarily all in-person services at Consulates, until further notice. India's decision will impact levels of services to citizens of both countries. Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) will continue to accept and process applications from India. However, certain application requirements will need to be completed locally or on-site in a secure environment. As a result, the reduction in the size of the IRCC team will affect

service standards for residents of India.

"Five IRCC staff remain in India and will focus on work that requires an in-country presence such as urgent processing, visa printing, risk assessment and overseeing key partners, including visa application centres, panel physicians and clinics that perform immigration medical exams. The rest of the work and staff will be reassigned across our global processing network.

"India's decision will not distract from Canada's legitimate investigation into the killing of Mr. Nijjar. Canada's priorities in this matter continue to be the pursuit of the truth, the protection of Canadians, and the defence of our sovereignty."

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Former President Of Punjabi Market Association Sucha Singh Claire Honored With Arjan Singh Memorial Award

By Zile Singh

For the last five years, the owner of Punjab Bhawan and Sukhi Bath Motors, Mr Sukh Bath has been

organizing an annual conference to debate the past, present, and future of the Punjabi language. This year's conference was held on October 8-9 at Taj Convention Centre, Surrey. Well-known Punjabi writers and

General Secretary of the Indian Cultural Society, Coventry.

He got married to Harbans Kaur when he was 20. The couple has a son and two daughters. Son Manjit lives in Vancouver



intellectuals from India, US, and Canada participated.

A drama, titled "Lachhu Kabadia" was staged by Dr. Sahab Singh depicting the conditions of under-privileged sections of society.

This year the annual Arjan Singh Memorial Award was given to Mr. Sucha Singh Claire for his services as a social activist and a Punjabi language columnist. Claire needs no introduction in the Indo-Canadian Sikh and Hindu community. Born on July 8, 1937, to Piara Singh and Nasib Kaur in village Jagat Pur Jattan, Kapurthala, Punjab, Clair migrated to England in 1962. From his early age, Claire has been a man of the masses.

In England, in addition to his job as a Machinist in the General Electric Company in Coventry he served as the Director of the Indian Workers' Association and the

and daughter Sukhwant Heer in Surrey and Darshpal Sandhu in California, USA. Claire made BC his home in October 1969 when he came to Vancouver. In May 1970, he became one of the first to establish his clothing business in the Shopping Center at Main Street and 49th Avenue, Vancouver.

Later, that shopping center was Indianized as "Punjabi Market". For several years, he served as a Treasurer and President of the Punjabi Market Association. The Market became gradually one of the significant landmarks for Indians living in North America. With the efforts of the Association, the Punjabi Markwet got its signage in Punjabi Language.

He was also Director and President of the Sunset Indo-Canadian Seniors' Society, Vancouver from 2011 to 2022.

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Indo-Canadian Pioneer Harchand Singh Dhaliwal's Contributions Celebrated on his 90th Birthday



90 Years Young Dhaliwal Family Patriarch Harchand Singh



Harchand Singh Dhaliwal and his son, former MP and Federal Minister Herb Singh Dhaliwal.



Honoree Harchand Singh Dhaliwal with Shalon Morrison, left [representing the Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB) Foundation], and his Son, Hon. Herb Singh Dhaliwal, right.

Over two hundred guests, including a large number of family members, celebrated the 90th birthday of Harchand Singh Dhaliwal, last week at Quilchena Golf & Country Club in Richmond.

Mr. Dhaliwal, born in 1933 at village Dhingrian in the Nawasher District, is the first son of Dharm Singh Dhaliwal (1880-1961). Dharm Singh was one of the first immigrants to British Columbia from Punjab, in 1908. Harchand Singh landed on Canadian shores in 1954, at age 21.

Herb Dhaliwal, former M.P. and federal Cabinet Minister, paid homage to the role of his father Harchand Singh and late mother Tej Kaur in facilitating the immigration and settlement of countless migrants from India, family and friends alike, who now call Canada home.

Attendees included Harchand Singh's children – son and five daughters, 11 grand-children and nine great-grandchildren. Also present were Members of Parliament Harjit Singh Sajjan, Sukh Singh Dhaliwal, Parm Singh Bains and Wilson Miao, as well as Richmond Mayor Malcolm Brodie.

Rt. Hon. Jean Chretien, who himself turns 90 next January, sent a special video message saluting Harchand Singh while noting the important role Herb Dhaliwal played as a three-portfolio Minister in his Government (1997-2004).

In recognition and appreciation of the 115 years since the arrival of the first Punjabis to Canada, the Dhaliwal family announced a gift of \$125,000, to be divided equally among the Canadian National Institute for the Blind (a favourite charity through whose programs Harchand Singh was a beneficiary since he lost his sight at only age 40), the Richmond Hospital Foundation, the Canadian Cancer Society, the Indo-Canadian Friendship Society of B.C. and Maison Aline-Chretien, a palliative care facility in Shawinigan, Quebec. To the surprise and applause of the crowd, as a spontaneous gesture attending Dhaliwal relatives from California - the Kooner Family - revealed their intention to match with another \$125,000 donation towards those same beneficiaries.



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Seattle City Councilor Kshama Sawant to deliver Prof. Chinmoy Banerjee Lecture on Anti-Racism in October

By Harinder Mahil

The Institute for the Humanities at Simon Fraser University has announced that Kshama Sawant, the well-known Seattle City Councilor, will deliver the second annual Prof. Chin Banerjee Lecture in Anti-Racism later this month. The title of her lecture will be "Anti-Racism, the Labour Movement, and the Role of Elected Officials."

The lecture, scheduled for October 30 at 6 PM at the downtown campus of SFU (515 West Hastings Street), Vancouver, will be co-sponsored by the Vancouver & District Labour Council, Dr. Hari Sharma Foundation, South Asian Network for Secularism and Democracy (SANSAD), and the West Coast Coalition Against Racism (WCCAR).

Prof. Chinmoy Banerjee taught 18-century and Restoration English literature, literary criticism, and post-colonial studies

at Simon Fraser University for 35 years. An accomplished teacher, celebrated by students and colleagues, he was also an active human rights and anti-racism activist in the Vancouver community for 45 years. This annual lecture was started by the University's Institute for the Humanities to commemorate the life, work, and political activism of Professor Banerjee, who passed away on July 29, 2020.

The inaugural lecture was delivered in 2022 by Robyn Maynard, author of *Policing Black Lives: State violence in Canada from slavery to the Present*.

Kshama Sawant is the first elected socialist in Seattle in nearly a century. She was first elected to the Seattle City Council in 2013, running openly as a member of Socialist Alternative, long before Bernie Sanders and AOC were household names. She is currently the longest-serving sitting Seattle Council member.

It was her efforts that resulted in Seattle City passing a law in February 2023 to

amend anti-discrimination protections in employment, public places, housing, and contracting to include caste as a protected class. Seattle is the first city in the United States to ban caste discrimination.

An outspoken socialist who has taken no corporate campaign money, Sawant has won four elections defeating Seattle's elite, corporate landlords, and some of the most powerful corporations in the world like Amazon, who have spent millions of dollars to try and unseat her. Winning these elections also meant overcoming the opposition of the city's Democratic Party, who have attempted to defeat Sawant by running both big-business-backed and self-described "progressive" candidates against her. Socialist Alternative and Sawant have consistently clarified that despite their differences, both Democrats and Republicans serve the wealthy, and that working people need a new party of their own.

Sawant has used her elected office to help lead movements that have won historic working-class victories. Alongside rank-and-file union members and other workers, they made Seattle the first major city to gain the \$15/hour minimum wage in 2014 and won the Amazon Tax in 2020 on big business to fund affordable housing and Green New Deal programs.

Sawant has unwaveringly used her office to fight alongside rank-and-file union members and workers fighting for a union. Alongside Starbucks workers, Kshama fought to win a unanimous City Council resolution in 2022 in support of the Starbucks union drive.

Her office has a long track record of building united working-class struggle against



Councilor Kshama Sawant

discrimination and oppression: replacing Seattle's Columbus Day with Indigenous People's Day; making Seattle the first-ever jurisdiction outside South Asia with a ban on caste discrimination; making Seattle and abortion sanctuary and fully funding abortion needs for anyone in the city, in the wake of the U.S. Supreme Court's repeal of *Roe v. Wade*; banning police use of chokeholds, chemical weapons, and other so-called "crowd control" devices, a victory won in the midst of the 2020 Black Lives Matter movement.

Every single one of the victories has been won by Sawant's office by mobilizing rank-and-file union members and progressive labor unions, non-unionized workers, renters, and community members.

More information about the anti-racism lecture can be obtained at the following link: <https://events.sfu.ca/event/37232-second-annual-drchinmoy-banerjee-lecture-in>

Harinder Mahil is a human rights activist and is secretary of the Dr. Hari Sharma Foundation.

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"During the next nine nights and 10 days, Hindu communities will gather to honour and give thanks to the deity Durga, the feminine energy and her nine forms, in a celebration of women's empowerment. On the 10th day, the festival of Vijayadashami, or Dussehra, symbolizes the victory of good over evil and marks the beginning of preparations for Diwali.

"Families and friends will gather to pray, fast and enjoy traditional dances and meals.

"Navratri is a reminder to us all that the diversity of our province is one of our strengths. On behalf of our government, I want to acknowledge the many contribu-



half of our government, I want to acknowledge the many contribu-



tions of the Hindu community to our province and send best wishes to everyone celebrating. "Shubh Navratri and happy Dussehra!"

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The City's Surrey Anti-Gang Family Empowerment (SAFE) Program has received a Union of BC Municipalities' (UBCM) 2023 Excellence in Service Delivery award.

With a large population of active, wraparound services for our young people," said Mayor Brenda Locke. "The SAFE Program does that by helping children and youth build positive life skills and strong connections with family, school and commu-

it is an honour to see this first-of-its-kind program recognized by UBCM," said Councillor Rob Stutt, Surrey Council liaison to the SAFE Program. "This award underscores the importance of the SAFE Program and how



During Monday night's Council Meeting, Surrey City Council recognized the Surrey Anti-Gang Family Empowerment Program partners and announced the Union of BC Municipalities' 2023 Excellence in Service Delivery award the program has received.

children and youth living in Surrey, SAFE involves 10 partner agencies delivering 11 individual programs that work to disrupt negative pathways to gang violence. According to the City, "Since inception in 2019, SAFE has supported over 4,500 Surrey children, youth and parents with tailored support including meeting gender specific and culturally sensitive needs."

"With Surrey having the largest youth population of all municipalities in British Columbia, it is critical that we provide innovative, pro-

nity. I am glad this essential program has been recognized by my fellow members of the UBCM and I applaud the great work that is being done by the SAFE team." The five-year \$7.5 million SAFE Program is funded by Public Safety Canada and led by the City of Surrey. SAFE services include youth outreach and mentorship, caregiver education and family support, clinical counselling, and opportunities for youth enterprising and peer leadership. "Surrey is a leader in gang prevention programs, and

it is helping keep youth on positive trajectories. I thank the SAFE team at the City and our community partners for their tireless dedication. Together, you continue to innovatively move the needle forward in gang prevention programming for our youth." The Community Excellence Awards recognize and celebrate UBCM member First Nations, regional districts and municipalities that have implemented projects or programs that go above and beyond in meeting the purposes of local government in BC.

Surrey Council Moves To Streamline Development Applications

Surrey City Council passed a motion in Regular Council Meeting that seeks to reduce red tape and streamline development applications. The motion will also have provisions for Surrey to better align with new Provincial housing regulations. "Expediting development of new homes of all types is critical given the housing crisis we are experiencing," said Mayor Brenda Locke. "This motion by Councillor Kooner shows that City Council is

continually looking for immediate and concrete solutions that will help build more homes in Surrey. When passed, this motion will streamline the development application process not for residential projects, but for commercial and industrial buildings 6 storeys or less, as well." "To address the current housing crisis, this notice of motion aims to reduce red tape for developers by working to speed up approval timelines where cost savings can be passed to the end

user and increase economic activity in the City of Surrey," said Councillor Pardeep Kooner. "Additionally, by aligning with new Provincial guidelines on housing, we are streamlining processes and increasing efficiencies within the city and development community." Council has asked staff to have recommended changes to bylaws, policies and procedures before the end of December 2023.

New Bus Rapid Transit On King George From Whalley To South Surrey A Step In The Right Direction

On October 16, Surrey Mayor and Council endorsed the operation of a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system, in a new separated lane, along King George Boulevard from City Centre to South Surrey. The direction to city staff was to work with TransLink to advance its design. "This is a significant step towards connecting Surrey together and addressing workforce transportation issues,"

said Anita Huberman, President & CEO, Surrey Mayor and Council endorsed the operation of a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system, in a new separated lane, along King George Boulevard from City Centre to South Surrey. The direction to city staff was to work with TransLink to advance its design. "This is a significant step towards connecting Surrey together and addressing workforce transportation issues,"

currently at 120% capacity, and with population growth, that number will only increase." The proposed alignment would see the BRT run from Surrey City Centre to Newton Exchange, Colebrook Overpass, Serpentine River Bridge, Highway Overpass and South Surrey Park & Ride to Semiahmoo Town Centre. "Transportation infrastructure is economic infrastructure."



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BC Changes Policing Act To End Policing Transition Mess In Surrey

"People deserve to know who is protecting their homes, families and businesses when there is a change in policing in their community," said Farnworth. "These amendments mean that the confusion caused by the City of Surrey won't be repeated elsewhere in B.C. When passed, these amendments will ensure policing transitions proceed in a way that provides certainty for people and maintains public safety." The proposed changes to the Police Act also clarify the process any municipality must follow when they wish to change their Police of Jurisdiction, actioning the government's commitment to remove uncertainty, enhance public confidence and keep people safe throughout British Columbia. Farnworth said that while municipalities are responsible for providing local policing and law enforcement, the minister of public safety and solicitor general is responsible for ensuring that police services are in place in a community and that police operations are not impacted by one municipality changing their police of jurisdiction. These amendments, according to the province will create a smoother process for all ongoing and future transitions by ensuring that once a transition plan is approved by the minister, the municipality has a legal obligation to complete the transition. The amendment also clarifies the authority of the director of police services to oversee and give binding direction to parties to ensure that a minister-approved police change is implemented.



It will require that municipalities, police agencies and other entities must provide any information to the minister to assess a transition plan. The proposed amendment will allow the minister to determine a path forward for a municipality that has just become responsible for providing policing services, in exceptional circumstances, such as when a municipality is unable to produce a transition plan that meets approval by the minister and when a municipality fails to implement a minister-approved transition plan. These amendments are separate from the work underway to implement the recommendations made by the Special Committee on Reforming the Police Act. Phase 1 of police reform amendments are expected to be introduced in spring 2024. BC Premier David Eby backing the legislation later said that whether or not Surrey is moving forward to a

municipal force "is no longer up for discussion, they are moving forward to a municipal force in Surrey." Surrey Mayor Brenda Locke however is still not conceding defeat. She held a press conference after Minister Farnworth's announcement. "We are still in the process of reviewing it and we will continue to do that," Locke said. A week before the new legislation, Surrey's mayor had filed a petition with the Supreme Court to halt the policing transition for a judicial review of the minister's order of July in which he has asked the city to proceed with Surrey Policing transition. According to experts, with new amendments that support policing transition, it will be hard to challenge it in court.

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Kulwant Kaur Allegedly Murdered By...

"We are all devastated by Kulwant's loss and the family is unable to cover the cost of a funeral service. We want to give Kulwant the memorial she deserves, to honor her memory and say our last goodbyes," the GoFundMe page mentions. According to the Sangha the money will be given to Kulwant's family which consists of her parents who will be arriving from India and her nephew who just arrived to Canada a week ago. Any remaining funds after the expense of the funeral will be given to her family to help support her son. Anyone willing can donate at <https://www.gofundme.com/f/xzmg7-kulwant-kaur> IHIT is asking anyone with information regarding the homicide to contact the IHIT Information Line at 1-877-551-IHIT (4448) or by email at ihitinfo@rcmp-grc.gc.ca.

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BC Introduces Legislation To Rein In Short-Term Rentals

Turning short-term rentals into homes for people is at the core of newly introduced legislation to regulate the rapidly expanding short-term rental market.

“Anyone who’s looking for an affordable place to live knows how hard it is, and short-term rentals are making it even more challenging,” said Premier David Eby. “The number of short-term rentals in B.C. has ballooned in recent years, removing thousands of long-term homes from the market. That’s why we’re taking strong action to rein in profit-driven mini-hotel operators, create new enforcement tools and return homes to the people who need them.”

The legislation focuses on three key areas: increasing fines and strengthening tools for local governments; returning more short-term rentals to long-term homes; and establishing provincial rules and enforcement.

Short-term rental listings on online platforms (which may include, for example, Airbnb, VRBO, Expedia, FlipKey) have expanded rapidly over recent years. Data



shows that it continues to surge since the COVID-19 pandemic. B.C.’s short-term rental market is now at an all-time high, diverting thousands of long-term rental homes onto the short-term market. Cur-

rently, there are approximately 28,000 daily active short-term rental listings in B.C., an increase of 20% from a year ago. Data indicates that more than 16,000 entire homes are being listed as short-term

rentals for the majority of a calendar year. “The short-term rental market is creating serious challenges in B.C. and around the world,” said Ravi Kahlon, Minister of Housing. “Operators with multiple listings are taking homes off the long-term market to make big profits while people pay the price – it can’t go on like this. The legislation is comprehensive and designed to target areas with high housing needs. It’s strong action and a thoughtful approach to tackle the growing short-term rental challenge and deliver more homes for people.” The short-term rental market in B.C. is dominated by a small segment of profit-driven operators. Research from McGill University shows the top 10% of hosts earn nearly half of all revenue. Nearly half of all operators have multiple listings. Approximately 30 municipalities, including Vancouver, Victoria and Kelowna, have introduced short-term rental bylaws and licence fees to regulate the short-term rental market. The proposed legislation builds on those bylaws and equips municipalities with more enforcement tools.

Changes to how short-term rentals operate will come into effect through a phased-in approach.

Updating how short-term rentals are operated and enforced will contribute to thousands of homes being returned to the market over the next few years, while giving smaller communities and communities that are heavily reliant on short-term-rental-related tourism some flexibility. These areas will be able to choose to opt into the principal residence requirements depending on housing pressures in their communities.

Communities on First Nations reserve land will be exempt from the legislation. Modern Treaty Nations will also be exempt from the legislation but will be able to opt into the legislation, if desired.

This proposed legislation will not apply to hotels and motels. Regulations are also being drafted to exempt additional types of properties, for example, timeshares and fishing lodges, which are not intended to be covered under the scope of the legislation.



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Canada will continue to support civilians of Gaza facing urgent humanitarian needs

The Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau, issued the following statement on the humanitarian situation in the Gaza Strip: "Canada is deeply concerned by the dire humanitarian situation in the Gaza Strip. We are working closely with allies and partners in the region to do everything we can to support affected Canadian citizens, including assistance departing from Gaza, the West Bank, and Israel as quickly and safely as possible.

"The rapid and unimpeded access of relief via a humanitarian corridor is essential to address the urgent needs of civilians in Gaza. International law, including humanitarian and human rights law, must be respected and civilians, journalists, humanitarian workers, and medical personnel must be protected. The loss of civilian life is deeply disturbing, and our heartfelt condolences are with all those whose families and communities have been affected. Canadians and people around the world must be steadfast in our support for the protection of civilians, both Israeli and Palestinian.

"Canada will continue to support civilians of Gaza facing urgent humanitarian needs. Our initial commitment of \$10 million in humanitarian assistance to trusted partners will provide food, water, emergency medical assistance, and protection services to those affected by the crisis in Gaza, the West Bank, and Israel, none of which will go to Hamas. We will continue to coordinate closely with our international partners, including through the current visit to the region by the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mélanie Joly.

"Terrorism is always indefensible, and nothing can justify Hamas' acts of terror and the killing, maiming, and abduction of

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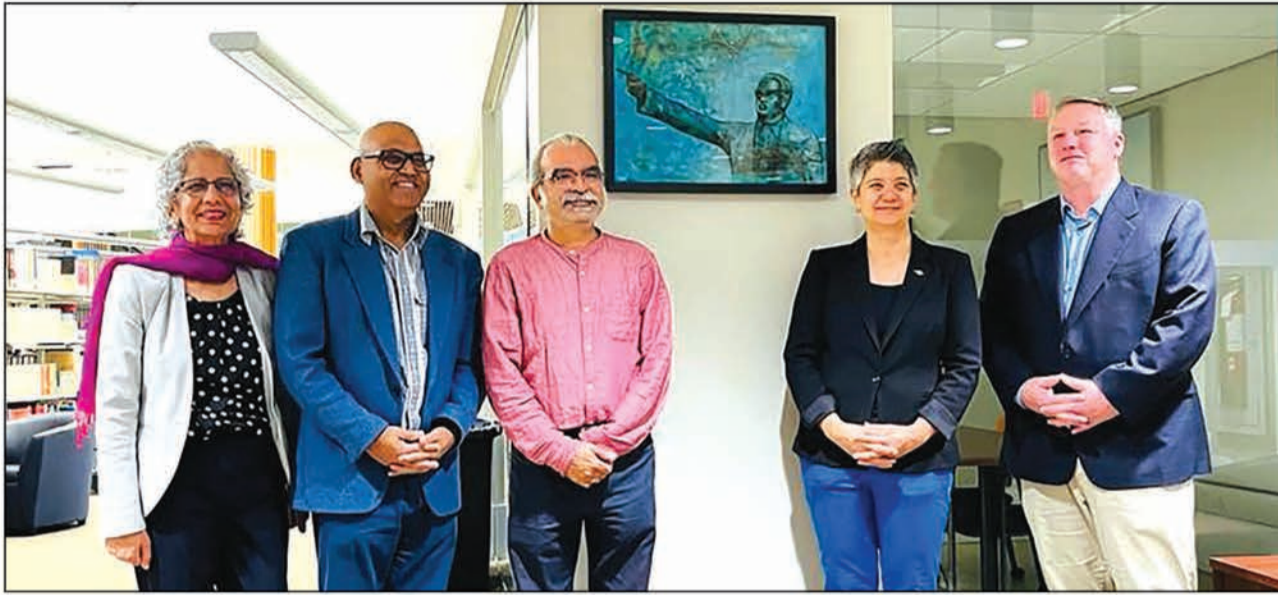


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Former President Of Punjabi Market...

On account of his health, he voluntarily quit the post of the President. He, however, could not be spared by the Seniors' Society. He is still performing his duties as one of its directors. With his determination to serve a wider section of society, he was selected to be one of the Directors of the Canadian Cancer Society, B.C and Yukon, and also Holi Family Hospital, Vancouver during 1990-95.

He was chosen as the Treasurer of the Central Association of Punjabi Writers, Surrey. He served there from 1991-2015. In addition, he is a respected columnist for the Punjabi Weekly "The Indo-Canadian Times." He has also authored five books in Punjabi language.

"The Trailblazers" one of these five, sketches short biographies of twenty-six Indo-Canadians who have made a mark in their respective fields such as business, politics, journalism, mass communication, trade and industry, farming, civil and community services and sports.

Asa Johal, the Lumber King of BC; Herb Dhaliwal and Ujjal Dosanjh – former Federal Ministers;

Wally Uppal; Moe Sihota and Surinderpal Rathor – Attorney General, first Asian origin provincial Minister and first City Councillor respectively; Tara Singh Hayer, Indo-Canadian Times; Ms. Sushma Datt, Radio and TV; Arjan Bhullar, Commonwealth Gold Medalist Wrestler; Amrik Virk, Inspector RCMP and Charanpal Gill, community service were some of the people featured in the book.

So far, the following Organizations/Associations have recognized/awarded Mr. Claire for his distinguished social services: The Punjabi Market Association, Vancouver, Shiromani Sikh Services Society of Canada, the Indo-Canadian Times Weekly, Central Association of Punjabi Writers of North America, Canadian Cancer Society, BC, Sunset Indo-Canadian Seniors' Society, Vancouver, University of British Columbia, Goel Family Charitable Foundation, Vancouver, and Janta Sewak Society, Vancouver.

As a prominent member of the Indo-Canadian community, Claire was also recognized by the B.C. Cultural Diversity Association recently.

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New Jersey Sikh Mayor Ravi Bhalla Opens Up About Receiving Threat Letters

The Indian-origin Sikh mayor of Hoboken city in the US state of New Jersey has opened up about being the target of a series of letters that threatened to kill him and his family. The letters, which he received last year, first called on Hoboken Mayor Ravi Bhalla, who is a practising Sikh, to resign, but then began threatening his and his family's life, targeting him for his Sikh faith, CBS News reported. Bhalla, however, told CBS News in an interview that he and his family were standing strong and that hate was not welcome in his city. Bhalla, who was first elected for the post of Hoboken mayor in 2017, said: "I'm very proud to lead this city as an American of



Sikh background." He won again in 2021 after running unopposed. For a man who always wears his turban with pride, Bhalla said he had been the target of threatening messages. "Our family began receiving a

series of letters in the mail," he said. The first, more than a year ago, asked him to resign, and then a second letter threatened his life. "The third threat, the most jolting, came soon thereafter and

said, "This is your last warning. If you don't resign immediately, we will kill you, we'll kill your wife, we'll kill your children," he recounted. One letter read: "It's time to kill you." "There was a lot of angst, anger, a lot of hate, combined with actual threats upon my life and the life of my children and my wife," Bhalla said. It was enough for law enforcement agencies to provide the mayor with 24-hour security, including for his two children at school. "My biggest concern was for my kids. I signed up to be mayor, but my kids didn't sign up to this type of behaviour," Bhalla said. Bhalla is well aware of the backlash Sikh-Americans endured after 9/11.

"As a Sikh-American, I'm a proud American and I want people to be treated equally," Bhalla said in response to a question on his experience as a Sikh politician 22 years after the attack that shook the entire country. "There still is a strain of extremism in America, and it's just unfortunate to see that small strain is somewhere in Hoboken, as well. And I think that's what needs to be called out and that's what people need to know about so that we can eventually put an end to it through education and through love," he said.

Sikh Teen in US Punched for Wearing Turban

In a racially motivated attack, a man punched a 19-year-old Sikh teen multiple times and attempted to remove his turban on board a Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) bus in New York City. Police said both men were riding on a shuttle bus on Sunday morning near 118th Street and Liberty Avenue in Richmond Hill when the suspect approached the victim, ABC7 news channel reported. "We don't wear that in this country," the suspect told the victim pointing at his turban, following which he punched the young Sikh several times and tried to remove it. He then got off the bus and remains at large, the New York City Police Department (NYPD) said, urging the public to help in nabbing the suspect. Releasing a picture, the NYPD described the suspect as "a male, 25-35 years of age, dark complexion, slim build, approximately 5'9 tall, with brown eyes and black hair". The victim, who suffered a minor cut and pain, refused medical attention at the scene, police said. Slamming the incident, the US-based Sikh Coalition said on X that it is "deeply disturbed by an apparent hate-motivated attack on a Sikh teen". "We are in contact with the survivor and working with him to provide support as needed; he has requested anonymity for the time being. Our current understanding is that (the) NYPD is, appropriately, investigating this incident as a hate crime," the Coalition said. "Right now, the victim is very traumatised," community activist Japneet Singh told ABC7. "The family is very scared for him." Japneet said the victim was injured badly and won't be able to work for the next few days.

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CREA Lowers Resale Housing Market Forecast on 'Higher for Longer' Rates

OTTAWA, ON: The Canadian Real Estate Association (CREA) has updated its forecast for home sales activity and average home prices via Multiple Listing Service (MLS) Systems of Canadian real estate boards and associations for 2023 and 2024. The national sales-to-new listings ratio has fallen from near 70% to 50% in the span of just five months, while the rally in prices has slowed markedly, or in the

case of Ontario, reversed. As a result of these weaker sales and pricing trends since the summer, combined with softer market conditions going forward and "higher for longer" interest rates, the forecast for sales and average prices over the balance of 2023 and into 2024 has been lowered. Some 449,614 residential properties are forecast to trade hands via Canadian MLS Systems in 2023, a 9.8% decline

| CREA Residential Market Forecast | | | | | |
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| Sales activity forecast | 2023 | 2022 Annual percentage change | 2023 | 2022 Annual percentage change | 2024 |
| Canada | 449,614 | -9.8% | 493,014 | -9.9% | 450,257 |
| British Columbia | 90,500 | -10.0% | 100,000 | -10.0% | 90,500 |
| Alberta | 84,000 | -1.0% | 85,000 | -0.8% | 85,000 |
| Saskatchewan | 15,000 | -11.7% | 16,800 | -11.9% | 15,000 |
| Manitoba | 15,725 | -20.1% | 19,675 | -19.5% | 15,725 |
| Ontario | 181,878 | -10.2% | 203,701 | -11.8% | 179,100 |
| Quebec | 87,000 | -20.4% | 109,000 | -19.3% | 84,000 |
| New Brunswick | 10,000 | -20.5% | 12,500 | -19.4% | 10,000 |
| Nova Scotia | 12,000 | -21.7% | 15,270 | -20.8% | 12,000 |
| Prince Edward Island | 5,000 | -19.2% | 6,100 | -17.9% | 5,000 |
| Newfoundland | 6,825 | -7.2% | 7,300 | -6.5% | 6,825 |

| Average price forecast | | | | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------|-------|-------------------------------|
| 2023 | 2022 Annual percentage change | 2023 | 2022 Annual percentage change | 2024 | 2022 Annual percentage change |
| Canada | 525,574 | -3.4% | 545,000 | -3.3% | 530,150 |
| British Columbia | 600,000 | -7.5% | 645,000 | -7.0% | 600,000 |
| Alberta | 487,443 | 0.3% | 491,100 | 0.8% | 472,754 |
| Saskatchewan | 204,272 | 0.8% | 209,000 | -1.4% | 200,100 |
| Manitoba | 200,373 | 7.9% | 200,373 | -2.0% | 200,200 |
| Ontario | 303,007 | -6.8% | 323,000 | -6.2% | 315,000 |
| Quebec | 184,573 | -10.3% | 204,000 | -9.4% | 180,777 |
| New Brunswick | 200,756 | 17.6% | 200,000 | 1.3% | 200,400 |
| Nova Scotia | 111,700 | 14.0% | 110,000 | 1.7% | 127,000 |
| Prince Edward Island | 100,000 | 15.0% | 100,000 | 0.0% | 100,000 |
| Newfoundland | 200,000 | 0.7% | 200,000 | 1.2% | 200,000 |

from 2022. Unlike the previous downgrade in July, which was broad-based, the October downward revision to sales was predominantly due to fewer expected sales in Ontario and British Columbia. These more than offset an upward revision to the forecast for activity in Alberta. The national average home price is forecast to decline by 3.3% on an annual basis

to \$680,686 in 2023. This is down from CREA's previous forecast, owing primarily to the compositional impact of lower sales in Ontario and British Columbia, by far Canada's two most expensive provinces for real estate. Provinces forecast to see small average price gains this year include Alberta, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland and Labrador.

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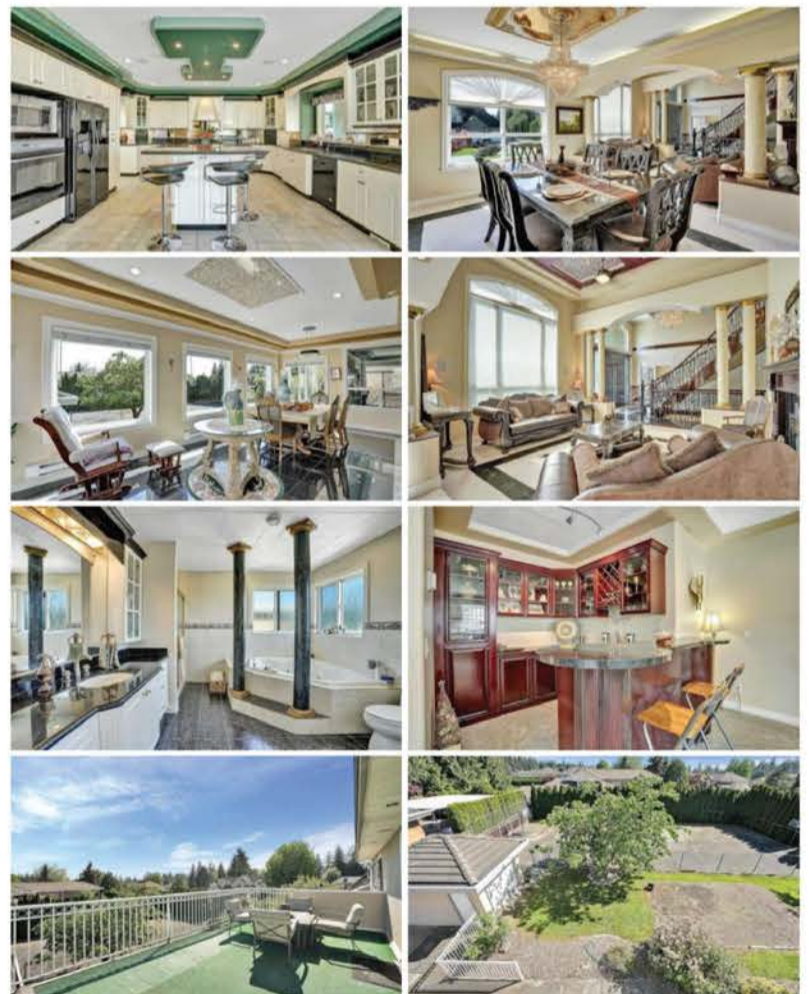
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Surrey Libraries Announces Winners of 2023 Youth Writing Contest

Surrey Libraries announced the winners of the 2023 Surrey Libraries Youth Writing Contest, an annual writing competition for youth aged 12-18.

"This year's entries were remarkable in both quantity and quality," said Michael Hunc, Public Services Librarian and contest coordinator. "It's truly inspiring to witness the level of talent, passion, and courage demonstrated by young writers and artists from Surrey."

Students from Bayridge Elementary, as well as Earl Marriott, Ecole Salish, Fleetwood Park, Fraser Heights, Johnston Heights, Lord Tweedsmuir, North Surrey, Panorama Ridge, Queen Elizabeth, SAIL, Semiahmoo and Sullivan Heights secondary schools were among the winners, formally announced at an awards gala on Oct. 11.

Lord Tweedsmuir's Rishabh Gandhi placed first in the Junior Short Story category with Henry Wheeler while Semiahmoo's Sharon Young topped the Senior Short Story category with Mother Tongue. "The amazing response, support and recognition that I got for my entry really amazed me," said Rishabh Gandhi, winner of first place in Junior Short Story. "It motivated me to continue expressing myself through my writing."

Earl Marriott's Lucy Prior took the top spot in Junior Poetry with To Conquer the Darkness and received an honourable mention in the Junior Short Story category with To Be Heard.

North Surrey Secondary's Carolyn Hu, who was last year's winner of the Senior Poetry category, defended her title with a new poem titled Carnage.

The contest, which is free to enter, gives an opportunity for young writers to submit entries to one of four categories: short stories, poems, comics, and a random category for other types of writing such as essays, screenplays, or song lyrics.



Since launching the contest in 1987, Surrey Libraries has received over 8,000 entries from aspiring young writers from across Surrey. The winners were celebrated at an Awards Gala on October 11.

"For as long as I can remember, writing has been my refuge, my voice, and my canvas to paint the vivid tapestry of my culture and life experiences," said Haider Athar Ansari, winner of third place in Junior Short Story. "Surrey Libraries' writing contest serves as the bridge that allows me to weave this tapestry and along with it, share my culture and stories with the world."

This popular program is organized by Surrey Libraries staff and is made possible through the generous support of sponsors, including champion sponsors Khalsa Credit Union, Kwantlen Polytechnic University and Surrey International Writers' Conference.

An anthology of the winners' work will be available to borrow from library branches and on sale for \$8.00 at the beginning of November.

Here is the list of contest winners:

Junior Short Story

- First Prize: Rishabh Gandhi
 - Second Prize: Feifan Wang
 - Third Prize: Haider Athar Ansari
 - Honourable Mention: Jia Lu Hai
 - Honourable Mention: Lucy Prior
- ### Senior Short Story
- First Prize: Sharon Yang
 - Second Prize: Kristy Tran
 - Third Prize: Alyana Amadeo
 - Honourable Mention: Kirat Saran

Junior Poetry

- First Prize: Lucy Prior
- Second Prize: Isabelle Fan
- Third Prize: Landon O'Brien
- Honourable Mention: Eden Taillefer
- Honourable Mention: Alice Su

Senior Poetry

- First Prize: Carolyn Hu
- Second Prize: James Enns
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- Honourable Mention: Basma Mangat

Comics

- First Prize: Hui Shwen Neo
- Second Prize: Sophia Ng
- Third Prize: Shenelle Villacorta
- Honourable Mention: Esther Park
- Honourable Mention: Annis Seo

Random

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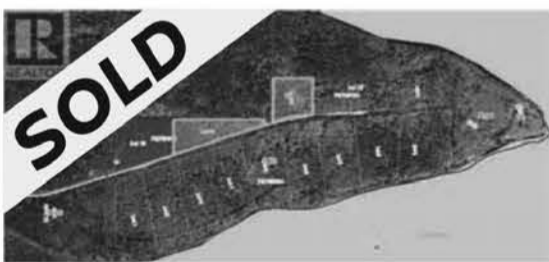
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Bhagwant Mann Joins Students For 'Ardas' At Golden Temple

Thousands of school children supporting yellow turbans, 'patkas' and stoles joined Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann for 'ardas' at Golden Temple and took a pledge for making Punjab 'nasha mukt' (drug-free). Christened 'The Hope Initiative', it has been launched by the state government and Punjab Police to encourage youngsters to actively engage as volunteers, players and spectators while addressing the issue of drug abuse. The components of the event are to pray, pledge and play. A special gully cricket league tournament was also kickstarted by the CM at the AGA Gandhi Ground on the occasion.

After the ardas, the CM said there could be no better place other than the Golden Temple to pray for 'sarbat da bhalla' (the well-



being and prosperity of all) and launch the campaign by getting inspiration from the Gurus' philosophy and teachings.

He said the government had been making efforts to snap the drug-supply line. Besides this, committees will be formed at the rural and urban level to make people aware of drug menace, he added. "Today, over 30,000 schoolchildren participated in the collective prayers to motivate others to contribute in carving out a 'Rangla Punjab'," he said.

Amritsar Police Commissioner Naunihal Singh said under the 'Hope Initiative' matches would be held in 40 cricket grounds prepared across the district. So far around 900 teams, including eight girls' teams, have been registered for the tournament.

Rajya Sabha Member Vikramjit Sahney Requests Indian Ministry To Resume Visas

Rajya Sabha member from Punjab Vikramjit Singh Sahney has requested External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar to resume visa services for Canadian citizens of Indian origin, who do not have Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) cards.

In a statement on Monday, Sahney said that he has been receiving numerous request every day from Indian diaspora specially Punjabis regarding their inability to get Indian visa for family exigencies. "Every second home in Punjab has one or other family member in



Canada," he said. Sahney said the non-issuance of visa to the people of Indian origin in Canada will cause a lot of hardship to them.

"In case of staff shortage in Indian missions, granting of e-visas can be considered," he added.

India in September "suspended till further notice" its visa services in Canada.

The move comes amid the escalating diplomatic row that erupted following Canadian Prime Minister Trudeau's allegations of a "potential" involvement of Indian agents in the killing of a Khalistani separatist Hardeep Singh Nijjar in June. India has rejected the charge as absurd.

Punjab Congress Leader Jagwinderpal Singh Joins AAP

Congress leader Jagwinderpal Singh, who unsuccessfully contested the 2022 Punjab assembly polls from Majitha, joined the Aam Aadmi Party here on Thursday.

Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann inducted Singh into the party.

Welcoming Singh, Mann said the people of Punjab are "very happy" with the working and policies of the AAP government.

"We are working diligently

to take the state forward in every field and the leaders who want to work for the people of Punjab are welcome in the AAP," he said in a statement issued by the party.

The party is getting stronger in every corner of the country, he said.

Jagwinderpal Singh had been with the Congress since 1987. He remained a councillor in 1992. He was also the Punjab Youth Congress' general secretary in 1999.

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Sundar Prize Film Festival Announces Over \$15,000 in Cash Prizes For Impactful Cinema

SURREY, BC: The Sundar Prize Film Festival has announced a spectacular lineup of cash prize awards for the most compelling and impactful films that uplift society through impactful and informative storytelling about social causes and issues with significant social impact. The Sundar Prize Film Festival is an initiative of Sher Vancouver, a registered charity in Canada (<https://www.shervancouver.com/>), dedicated to fostering inclusivity and understanding within diverse communities. Sher Vancouver is celebrating its 15th anniversary in 2023. January 1, 2024 is the film submission deadline. "This international film awards competition is set to award over \$15,000 CAD in cash prizes to the top films in select categories, and it is proud to present the Rog-



ers Group of Funds Best Canadian Documentary Award and the KDocsFF Emerging Filmmaker Residency Award," informed Alex Sangha, one of the founders of the Sundar Prize. The Sundar Prize Film Festival encourages and embraces films of all themes, with a special emphasis on showcasing stories

that reflect and support causes like human rights of immigrants and refugees, indigenous issues, LGBTQ+ Community, Environment and Climate Change etc. The winners of the Sundar Prize Film Festival will be screened at the iconic Centre Stage at Surrey City Hall in Surrey, British Columbia, marking a momentous celebration of cinema, culture, and social change. "We are honored to acknowledge the founding festival partners and community partners who share our vision of promoting impactful cinema," said Vinay Giridhar, another founder of the Sundar Prize. Vancouver International Film Festival (VIFF), Vancouver Asian Film Festival (VAFF), International South Asian Film Festival Canada (ISAFF), KDocsFF, Vancouver Queer Film Festival

(VQFF), Vancouver Latin American Film Festival (VLAFF), Crazy8s are the founding festival and community partners of Prize. The Sundar Prize Film Festival is also a proud member of the Film Festival Alliance, which is dedicated to creating a collaborative global community for mission-driven film festivals. **Awards & Prizes:**
 · Best Feature Film - \$5000
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idency Award sponsored by KDocsFF - \$1000. The winners will also receive official laurels, digital certificates, letters of congratulations, and trophies to celebrate their remarkable achievements in cinema. Current sponsors of the Sundar Prize Film Festival include the Province of British Columbia, Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Rogers Group of Funds, Canadian Media Producers Association - BC Branch, Public Service Alliance of Canada - BC Region, and MoveUP. For more information about the Sundar Prize Film Festival, submission details, and updates, please visit <https://filmfreeway.com/SundarPrize>.

Surrey Board of Trade Wants Pension Innovation on Federal Government Agenda

At the annual Canadian Chamber of Commerce Convention in Calgary on October 13-14, the Surrey Board of Trade won the support of 430 chambers of commerce and boards of trade in Canada on their policy to instigate change on pension innovation. "There are 10 million Canadian workers who are not members of a private sector pension plan," said Anita Huberman, President and CEO, Surrey Board of Trade. "There is very clear evidence that there needs to be a re-charged pension plan that meets the demands of today's socio-economic paradigm. Canada has suffered from stagnated innovation in its retirement income system."

The Surrey Board of Trade recommends that the Federal Government assess the pool of employees currently covered under the traditional defined benefit, defined contribution, and group-registered retirement savings plans. Improving financial literacy through effective programs and protecting existing registered pension plans is also recommended. SBOT has asked the Federal government to increase pension coverage through

the development of attractive products for workers without occupational pension plans and increase labour force participation rates at older ages as life expectancy increases. Reform the current regulatory environment to support innovation pension reform that includes:
 a. Regulatory support for private sector multi-employer pension programs;
 b. Regulatory framework to include multi-employer pension programs across provincial jurisdictions;
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d. Regulatory frameworks that allow and promote private sector access to the very solutions already available in the public sector.
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Emergency care: children with a medical emergency, such as difficulty breathing, require immediate medical attention. Families are urged to call 9-1-1 for ambulance services or visit their nearest emergency department or urgent and primary care centre.

Non-urgent concerns: may be managed by a family doctor, walk-in clinic or an urgent and primary care centre, if available in your community.

BC pharmacies: As of this year, BC pharmacists can now provide direct care for select minor ailments including pink eye (conjunctivitis), upset stomach, sprains and strains and allergies.

HealthLink BC: provides reliable, non-emergency health information and advice any time of the day or night by phone at 8-1-1.

British Columbians can call for advice on how to manage their symptoms, and when and where to seek care. If you are deaf or hard of hearing, you can contact HealthLinkBC using Video Relay Services (VRS), or Teletypewriter (TTY) by dialing 7-1-1.

Additional supports: BC Children's Hospital has a dedicated webpage, developed in consultation with emergency medicine doctors. It offers guidance on the top urgent issues that require care from your nearest emergency department, and those that can be managed in other clinical settings. In September 2023, BC Children's also launched Sunny Bear chat bot to advise families of hospital services and to provide tips on staying well during respiratory season.

Dr. Garth Meckler, Division Head, Emergency Medicine, BC Children's said, "Our message to families is simple: if your child has an emergency health concern, our specialist ED team are prepared to provide exceptional care to them.

When our ED is busy, however, clinicians must first focus their attention on children with the most urgent issues first, including those with life-threatening conditions. This can result in a longer wait for children with less urgent concerns. We kindly ask all families to be patient and respectful to our staff. We know it is a stressful and anxious time visiting our hospital with an unwell infant or child. Rest assured, our staff do their utmost to provide the best possible care to all patients."

For children and families waiting for care for a less urgent issue, clinicians advise arriving at the ED prepared, including bringing phone chargers, packing snacks and drinks, toys or books, and other items to support and soothe their child while they wait. Where possible, one to two family members or caregivers are welcome to accompany each patient in the ED. This ensures sufficient space for other families and children waiting, limits risk of exposure to our most vulnerable



patients, and allows providers to focus their attention on patients.

"Last year, our hospital experienced significant demand for ED care at the height of respiratory season. We recognize the significant stress this posed to families seeking care for their children. This year, we reviewed the operational adjustments made last year in preparation for the respiratory season ahead. Our priority is to ensure every family visiting our ED this fall/winter knows they are in safe and capable hands when they walk through the doors of our hospital," said Christy Hay, Executive Director, Clinical Service Delivery, BC Children's.

BC Funds 142 Supportive, Market-Rental Homes In Vancouver

VANCOUVER - People experiencing or at risk of homelessness have increased access to safe housing with 80 new supportive housing units and 62 market rentals now open in Gastown.

"The Stanley will provide much-needed housing as we seek to break the cycle of homelessness and offer stable housing and support for our most vulnerable people," said Ravi Kahlon, Minister of Housing. "We are pleased with this collaboration as it is one of the many steps our government is taking to prevent and reduce chronic homelessness in the province."

The redeveloped five-storey



Stanley building at 53 West Cordova St. has 80 units of studio and one-bedroom homes. The supportive-housing project is a

partnership between the Province through BC Housing, Westbank Corp. and PHS Community Services Society. BC Housing

owns the Stanley and PHS is the operator.

Westbank replaced the former Stanley with the new building, adding a separate 62-unit market-rental building called Blood Alley. The latter is an 11-storey building at 23 West Cordova St. of one- and two-bedroom homes. Blood Alley has a separate entrance and is owned and operated by Westbank Corp. Both buildings have commercial space on the ground floor.

The Province committed approximately \$18.5 million in funding for the project. The City of Vancouver contributed \$1.6 million.

"Access to safe, stable housing

with supports is critical for our residents who are sheltering outdoors," said Ken Sim, mayor of Vancouver. "Eighty people experiencing or at risk of homelessness will have a safe and warm place to call home when the Stanley opens. We look forward to continuing our partnership with all levels of government and working with the community to tackle the homelessness crisis in our city together."

The project is part of a \$19-billion housing investment by the B.C. government. Since 2017, the Province has nearly 77,000 homes delivered or underway, including nearly 8,000 homes in Vancouver.

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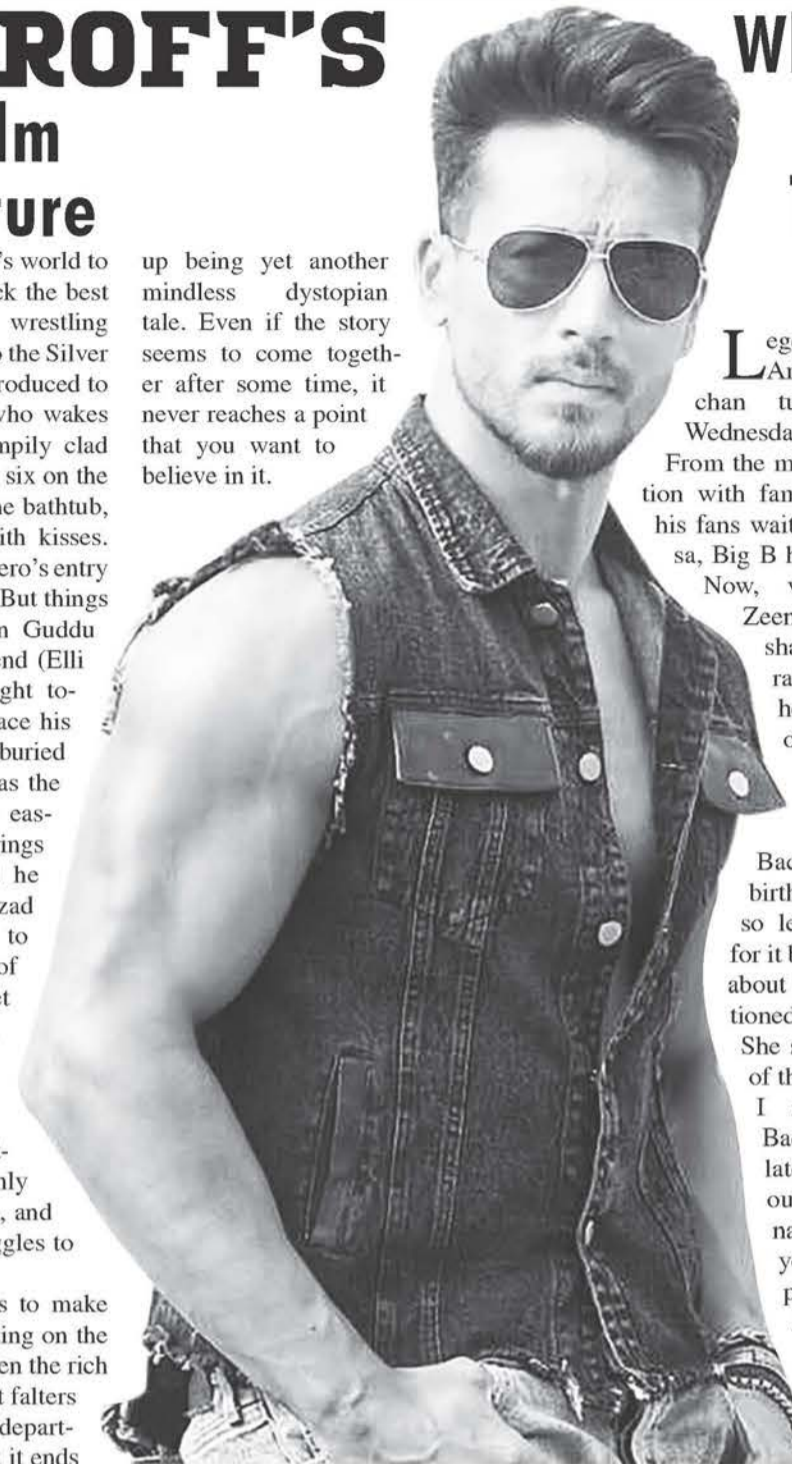
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TIGER SHROFF'S Futuristic Action Film Has Very Bleak Future

Writer-director Vikas Bahl's Ganapath is far from being an entertainer or a film that keeps you engaged. In the name of being futuristic, Ganapath presents a rather silly premise that has no head or tail, just stitches some fight scenes and dance numbers, expecting us to not only believe in it but also love it. Bahl tries to pack in a lot but fails to say anything concrete. With a weak screenplay and a wafer-thin plot, he's all over the place, and so are you after a point. Set in a futuristic and apocalyptic world, Ganapath starts with a voiceover by Dalapati (Amitabh Bachchan), telling us how a destructive war led to the world being divided in two parts - one with the rich and the mighty building a luxurious, high-tech Silver City being ruled by their heartless kingpin Dalini. And the other with the poor and the needy being left to rot and struggle for their survival. Upon seeing his people falling apart, Dalapati tells them to channelise their anger in the right direction and just vent it out in the fighting ring, thereby uniting them. But soon, John English (Ziad Bakri), Dalini's aide is sent

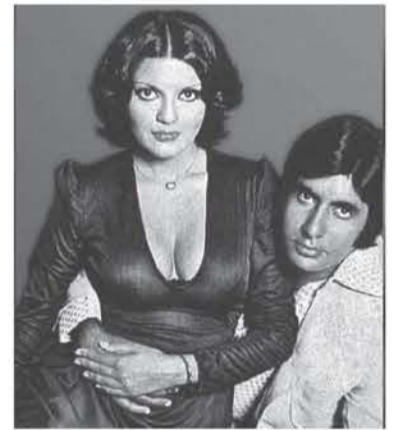
to the poor people's world to search for, and pick the best fighters for his wrestling matches. Switch to the Silver City and we're introduced to Guddu (Shroff), who wakes up with four skimpily clad women in his bed, six on the floor and one in the bathtub, showering him with kisses. Yes, that's how a hero's entry is supposed to be. But things go downhill when Guddu and John's girlfriend (Elli AvrRam) are caught together, and they face his wrath and are buried alive. But when has the hero given up so easily? A miracle brings Guddu back, and he is told by Kaizad (Jameel Khan), to go the other side of the world and meet Shiva (Rashin Rahman) and say, "Ganapath aala". And that's all. After this, whatever happens, only Vikas Bahl knows, and he miserably struggles to convey that to us. Ganapath attempts to make a statement reflecting on the huge divide between the rich and the poor, but it falters in the execution department so much that it ends

up being yet another mindless dystopian tale. Even if the story seems to come together after some time, it never reaches a point that you want to believe in it.



When Amitabh Bacchan Was Late On Set And The Director Yelled At Zeenat Aman

Legendary actor Amitabh Bachchan turned 81 on Wednesday, October 10. From the midnight celebration with family to meeting his fans waiting outside Jalsa, Big B had a lot of fun. Now, veteran actress Zeenat Aman has shared an elaborate note to wish her Don co-star on his birthday. The actress said, "I missed wishing Mr. Bachchan on his birthday yesterday, so let me make up for it by telling a story about him that I mentioned previously." She said, "The story of the only time that I remember Mr. Bachchan being late to set." Without disclosing the name of the film, year, director or producer, Zeenat Aman added, "We had a morning shift that day, and I hitched a



ride to set with the film's producer. As always, I had my script in hand and rehearsed my lines as we drove to the studio. Upon my arrival, I went directly to my make-up room, and informed the crew to send me a message once Mr. Bachchan was ready for the shot." The Dharam Veer actress said that after an hour, an assistant director knocked on the door, informing that Amitabh Bachchan had arrived and went straight to the set from his car. "Our 'roll time' came and went, but there was no sign of Mr Bachchan. 30 minutes passed. Then 45. An entire hour went by before there was a knock on the door. An AD informed me that Mr. Bachchan had arrived. And that he'd run straight from his car to the set!" Zeenat Aman added.

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Kangana Ranaut Gets Emotional As She Welcomes Her Nephew Akshwathama Ranaut

Actor Kangana Ranaut has shared a bunch of pictures as her brother Akshat Ranaut and sister-in-law Ritu Ranaut welcomed a baby boy. Taking to Instagram on Friday, aunt Kangana shared the good news with her fans and followers.

Kangana reveals baby's name In a note written in Hindi, Kangana revealed that the family has named her nephew Akshwathama Ranaut (Ashwatthama Ranaut). Ashwatthama has a mythological significance. In Mahabharata, Ashwatthama fought on the Kaurava side against the Pandavas in the Kurukshetra war. He became a Chiranjivi (immortal) on being blessed by

Lord Shiva. Her nephew's name is a combination of her brother's name Akshat and Ashwatthama.

Kangana posts baby's first pics In the first post, Kangana shared several photos featuring herself, her mother, sister Rangoli Chandel as they spent their first few moments with the newborn in the hospital. Kangana was seen in a pink saree as she held the baby in her arms. Her mother also held the baby close to her. All of them looked emotional in the photos.

Kangana pens a note She captioned the post, "Today on this blessed day our family is blessed with a child, my brother @akshat_ranaut and his wife @ritu_ranaut002 are blessed with a son. We have named Akshwathama

Ranaut (Ashwatthama Ranaut) this stunning and attractive boy. May you all bless our new family member, we share our infinite happiness with you all. Thankful to you. The Ranaut family."

Kangana dedicates note to her sister-in-law

In another post, she gave a shout-out to her sister-in-law Ritu. Kangana shared pictures of the baby with her parents. She wrote, "My dear @ritu_ranaut002 it's been a delight to see you transform from a giggle girl to a sublime woman and now a gentle mother. All my love and blessings for this glorious chapter of your and @akshat_ranaut life. Your happy family makes for a beautiful picture that makes my heart full in a way that I possibly can never describe in words. Love and blessings always. Didi (black heart emoji)." About Kangana's projects

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Bigg Boss 17: Neil Bhatt, Vicky Jain Start The Season's First Big Fight



Fans of Bigg Boss 17 will witness a big fight inside the house in the upcoming episode. In a brief clip shared by ColorsTV on Instagram on Friday, Neil Bhatt lost his cool as he pulled up to Vicky Jain.

Neil gets angry at Vicky The clip started with Neil shouting, "Dhukka kaise maar raha hai voh (How dare he push me)?" As he kept screaming trying to reach Vicky, Abhishek Kumar held him tightly. For a brief moment, Vicky was seen trying to make his wife-actor Ankita Lokhande understand something.

Ankita, Aishwarya have a heated conversation

Later, Ankita and Neil's wife Aishwarya Sharma, were also seen shouting. Neil again tried to rush at Vicky saying "Arey haath lagaya usne mujhe (He touched me)." Aishwarya again tried to stop him saying, "Babu, don't go." Later, as she was unable to stop Neil, Aishwarya asked Abhishek for help. He held Neil back and stopped him.



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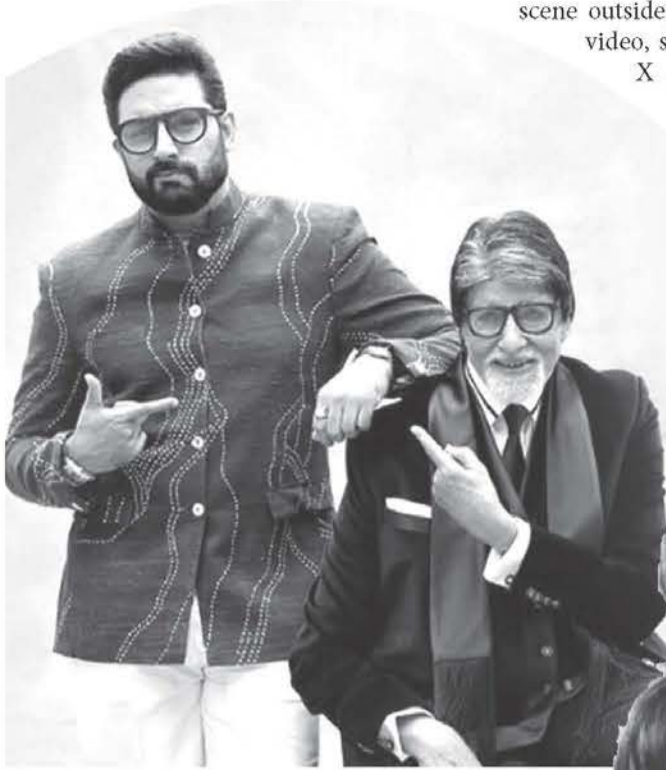
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Abhishek Bachchan Celebrates Dad Amitabh Bachchan On His 81st Birthday: "Always Got Your Back"



scene outside their home, Jalsa. In a video, shared by a fan page on X (formerly Twitter), we can see Aishwarya and Navya Naveli Nanda recording the scene on their phones as the legendary actor greets his

fans. Replying to the video, Abhishek wrote, "Yup, wifey showing me what's going on." We also get a glimpse of Aaradhya in the clip. The text attached to the clip read, "You can see Aishwarya Rai Bachchan, Navya [Naveli Nanda] and Aaradhya [Bachchan] in the background proudly taking videos and video calling as Sr Bachchan greets his numerous fans outside on his birthday eve. Happy birthday again sir, may there be many, many more to come!"

On his 81st birthday today, Amitabh Bachchan received heartwarming wishes from daughter Shweta Bachchan and granddaughter Navya Naveli Nanda.

Shweta shared a collage from the midnight birthday celebration. The photographs showcased Shweta giving a tight hug to her father. She wrote in the caption, "Happy 81st Papa. Big shoes (and hugs) no one can ever manage to fill." Check out Shweta Bachchan's post here:

Navya Naveli Nanda also dedicated a post to her loving Nana. Check it out below: Amitabh Bachchan was last seen in Sooraj Barjatya's Uunchai. Moving ahead, Big B is gearing up for the release of Ganapath. He co-stars with Tiger Shroff and Kriti Sanon in the film. Amitabh Bachchan will also feature in Kalki 2898 AD alongside his Piku co-star Deepika Padukone, and Prabhas.

Akshay Kumar On Working With Raveena Tandon Again: "Maximum Hit Films Together"



New Delhi: Who can forget the on-screen chemistry between Akshay Kumar and Raveena Tandon in the evergreen song -Tip Tip Barsa Paani from Mohra, both of them are considered one of the most loved on-screen pairs Bollywood fans have ever witnessed.

Akshay and Raveena have worked together in several big hit films like Mohra, Main Khiladi Tu Anari, and Khiladiyon Ka Khiladi among others.

Their songs like Tu Cheez Badi Hai Mast Mast and Tip Tip Barsa Paani have also received immense love from the audience and still sound fresh almost 25 years after their release. Now almost 20 years, both actors are all set to share the screen once again in the upcoming comedy film Welcome to the Jungle.

In a recent chat with ANI, Akshay opened up on working with Raveena and their song Tip Tip Barsa Paani.

He said, "We're doing a film called Welcome to the Jungle for which we will begin shooting soon. And that song is a brilliant song and even Tip Tip Barsa Paani also. We've done maximum hit films together and I am looking forward to starting the shoot (of Welcome to the Jungle) after a long long time and we will be together on the same screen."

Apart from Welcome to the Jungle, Akshay will also be seen reprising his role as the cop Sooryavanshi in Rohit Shetty's upcoming action film Singham Again. He will be seen in a special appearance role.

Talking about working in Rohit Shetty's films he told ANI, "Rohit has done a great job in making his so-called cop universe or "Cop Avengers" and it is good."

Singham Again stars Ajay Devgn, Deepika Padukone, and Kareena Kapoor Khan in the lead roles. Actor Ranveer Singh will also be seen in a special appearance role, reprising his role as the cop Simmba.

Talking about working in multi-starrer films, the Housefull actor told ANI, "Earlier there was a time when films were made with 3-4 actors like Amar Akbar Anthony or Naseeb but it was stopped after that, now it has started again. Nowadays many actors come together and work in a film...it is fun. I personally enjoy it."

New Delhi: Abhishek Bachchan was MIA from his dad Amitabh Bachchan's birthday eve celebrations but he surely made up for it with his lovely birthday post for the legendary actor. On the Don actor's 81st birthday, his son Abhishek Bachchan wished him in the most special way. Sharing a picture of himself with his dad, Abhishek Bachchan wrote, "My idol, my hero, my inspiration and my best friend! Happy 81st birthday, Pa. Love you and always got your back." Abhishek Bachchan's post got big love from his niece Navya Nanda and Dasvi co-star Nimrat Kaur.

See what Abhishek Bachchan posted for his dad: Abhishek Bachchan was MIA from his father Amitabh Bachchan's birthday eve celebrations. Big B turns 81 today. As per reports, Abhishek was away on a shoot, but his wife, actress Aishwarya Rai Bachchan, ensured that he was virtually present to witness the

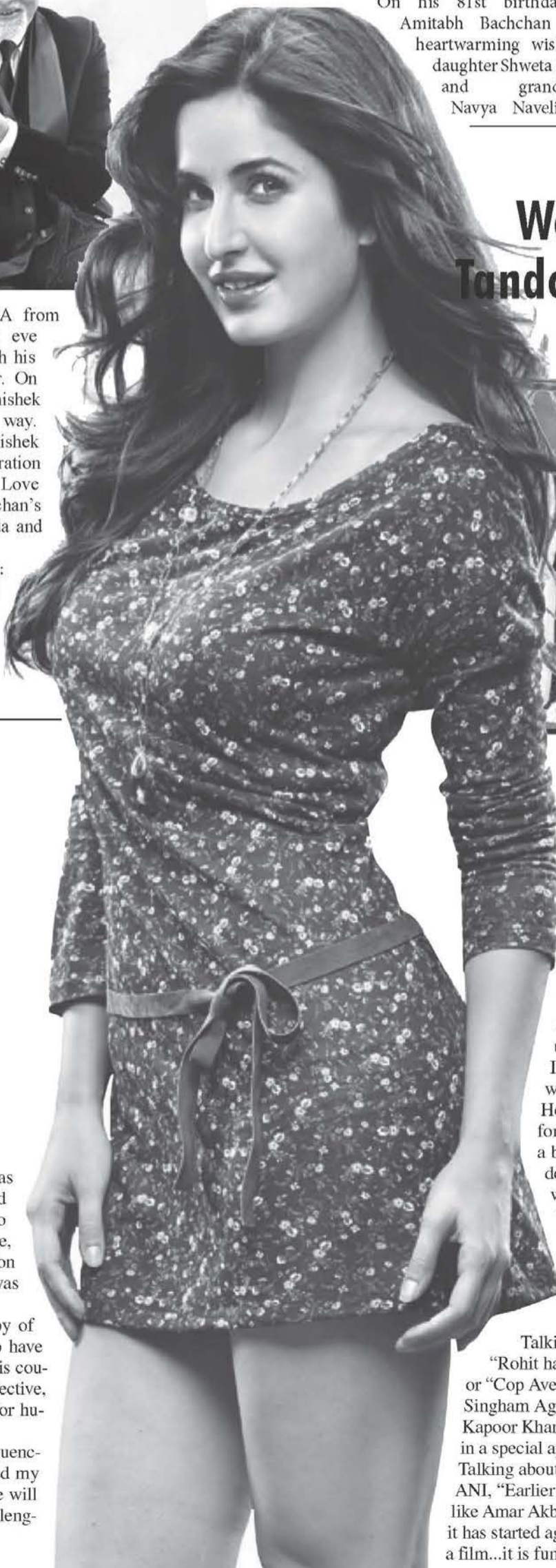
Katrina Kaif

Says She Had To Push Her Body To Breaking Point For Tiger 3

Bollywood actress Katrina Kaif says she has given every bit of her effort for the third instalment of the Tiger franchise. Katrina, who is the first female spy of the YRF Spy Universe, has shown that she can pull off incredible action sequences all by herself. Her poster as Zoya was unveiled on Tuesday.

The actress says, "Zoya is the first female spy of the YRF Spy Universe and I'm very proud to have essayed a character like her. She is fierce, she is courageous, she is all heart, she is loyal, she is protective, she is nurturing and above all she stands up for humanity every single time."

Katrina adds, "We wanted to take the action sequences to the next level this time and I have pushed my body to breaking point for the film, and people will see that. Physically, this has been my most challenging film yet."



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