

Rajasthan CM Bhajan Lal Sharma Joins Maha Kumbh 2025, Highlights Rajasthan's Cultural Legacy

Prayagraj: Rajasthan Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma participated in the Maha Kumbh 2025 at the sacred Triveni Sangam on Sunday, immersing himself in the spiritual fervor of one of the largest religious gatherings in the world. Accompanied by his son Abhishek, CM Sharma took a ritual bath at the confluence of the Ganga, Yamuna, and Saraswati rivers, performed Sun God prayers, and sought blessings for the prosperity and well-being of Rajasthan. Expressing his experience on social media, CM Sharma stated, "It was a divine privilege to take a holy dip at the sacred Triveni Sangam during the grand confluence of faith and unity, Maha

Kumbh 2025. I prayed for the well-being, prosperity, and health of all Rajasthan residents after visiting the revered Lord Hanuman temple and performing rituals."

Rajasthan Pavilion: A Cultural Masterpiece

For the first time in Maha Kumbh's history, under CM Sharma's initiative, a Rajasthan-themed pavilion was set up to serve devotees from the state. Designed in a traditional haveli style, the pavilion showcases Rajasthan's rich cultural heritage and has become a key attraction at the Maha Kumbh.

Before visiting the Triveni Sangam, CM Sharma inspected the pavilion and directed officials to ensure the highest



standards of cleanliness, safety, and amenities for visitors. He emphasized that regular monitoring would be crucial to providing a seamless experience for the thousands of

Rajasthan devotees expected at the site.

Engagement with Saints and Spiritual Leaders

During his visit, CM Sharma also met prominent saints and

spiritual leaders, including Tulsi Peethadishwar Jagadguru Rambhadracharya Ji, seeking their blessings and participating in yajnas. On his social media platform, he expressed gratitude for their guidance and blessings, stating his hopes for a spiritually enriched and prosperous life for the people of Rajasthan. The Chief Minister also attended the 118th edition of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's "Mann Ki Baa" program at the Rajasthan Pavilion, where he interacted with saints and devotees in a spiritual congregation.

Promoting Rajasthan at National Platforms

Ahead of the Maha Kumbh, CM Sharma attended the Pravasi Rajasthan Sammelan

in Bengaluru, where he praised the contributions of Rajasthanis to India's economy and their cultural legacy. "Rajasthanis have proven their mettle globally, contributing to India's GDP while preserving their strong connection to Rajasthan's culture," he remarked.

CM Sharma's proactive participation in the Maha Kumbh 2025 and the Pravasi Sammelan underscores his dedication to blending spiritual traditions with cultural promotion. These efforts not only strengthen Rajasthan's presence on national platforms but also inspire confidence and unity among its people as the state gears up for the upcoming budget session.

- **Gopendra Nath Bhatt**

Udaipur's Manan Sharma to Represent Innovation at NCC Republic Day Camp

New Delhi: Sergeant (SGT) Manan Sharma, a Class 10 student from Udaipur and a cadet of the 36 Maharashtra Battalion, is to gain national recognition for his groundbreaking app "AstroBot." Showcased at the Ideas and Innovation Competition during the NCC Republic Day Camp (RDC) 2025, AstroBot is to be lauded for its ability to make stargazing accessible to amateur astronomers through features like real-time tracking and constellation identification.



Manan's innovative project is to be among 56 ideas selected nationwide and presented to India's Chief of Defence Staff (CDS), General Anil Chauhan, who is expected to praise the app's potential. Reflecting on the honor, Manan says, "Presenting my idea to the CDS is to be an unforgettable experience. This is to motivate me to make AstroBot a global tool for astronomy enthusiasts."

In addition to his NCC accomplishments, Manan is to be recognized for his distinguished background. In 2024, he is to be selected for ISRO's YUVIKA program, where he is to gain hands-on experience in space science. He is also to be acknowledged as a certified Toastmasters speaker and a former president of the JVP Gavel Club, showcasing his well-rounded abilities.

Manan's achievements are to earn him the prestigious Raksha Mantri Commendation Card from Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, making him the only Junior Division cadet in the country to receive the award this year. Grateful for the support of his mentors, family, and peers, Manan says, "This recognition is to inspire me to dream bigger and contribute to India's progress."

With a vision to advance India's space technology, Manan is to aim to develop satellites and space drones to address issues like communication and space debris. His journey from Udaipur to national acclaim is to be a testament to his dedication, innovation, and leadership.

Sewage in Lakes: A Crisis Ignored Despite Awareness

Udaipur: Despite the Smart City initiative's promises to keep lakes sewage-free, sewage continues to flow into Udaipur's lakes, posing severe public health risks.

During a lake inspection on Sunday, activists discovered significant sewage discharge near the Ambamata Community Hall.



Dr. Anil Mehta, a lake expert from the Lake Conservation Committee, emphasized that ensuring safe sanitation and clean drinking water are primary responsibilities for a Smart City. However, he lamented that these

critical needs remain unmet.

Former Lake Development Authority member Tej Shankar Paliwal pointed out that this problem has persisted for months, with no action taken despite repeated complaints to officials.

Nand Kishore Sharma, Director of the Gandhi Human Welfare Committee, warned that sewage inflow threatens the lake ecosystem, with plastics and waste degrading drinking water quality.

Environmentalist Kushal Rawal noted that sewage overflow is also contaminating groundwater, causing nearby wells and tube wells to become polluted.

Senior citizens Drupad Singh and Pallab Dutta urged the Lake Development Authority and the District Collector to establish a special task force for regular inspection and maintenance of the sewage system.

Udaipur Bird Festival Concludes, Emphasizing Conservation

Udaipur: The three-day Udaipur Bird Festival concluded with a grand ceremony at Harishchandra Mathur Lok Prashikshan Sansthan. Tribal Area Development Minister Babul Kharadi, the chief guest, highlighted the importance of nature conservation, urging greater public participation in such initiatives. Udaipur Rural MLA Phool Singh Meena emphasized connecting students to nature for future conservation efforts.

The event featured the screening of a documentary by bird experts Pradeep Joshi and Bharti Sharma, showcasing the rich biodiversity of Menar and the breeding behaviors of the Great Crested Grebe. Competitions, student participation, and a short film by Pradeep Sukhwal added vibrancy to the festival.

Journalist Gopal Lodha was honored for his exceptional coverage of the Gogunda panther case. The festival ended on a high note, fostering awareness about environmental conservation and leaving attendees inspired to protect biodiversity.

TiE Udaipur's "Ideathon" Sparks Entrepreneurial Spirit

Udaipur: TiE (The Indus Entrepreneurs) Udaipur hosted Ideathon at Little Italy to inspire entrepreneurship among school and college students, enhance startup pitching skills, and promote innovative business ideas. Over 100 participants competed across school and college categories, showcasing their creativity.

In the college category, Vision Vigil from Geetanjali Institute of Technical Studies claimed first place, followed by Nature News Squad and Sustain Innovators from the College of Technology & Engineering. In the school category, Beyond Barriers from Rockwoods International School secured first place, while AgriGuard from Neeraj Modi School and The Zappa Store from Rockwoods International School took second and third places, respectively. Winners received cash prizes, with jury members including notable industry leaders like Manish Godha and Ruchika Godha.

TiE Udaipur President Sandeep Bapna announced TiEcon 2025, scheduled for March 6-7, 2025, at Radisson Blu, Udaipur. The event will feature masterclasses, panel discussions, and fundraising opportunities with industry stalwarts, including Alok Bajpai, Rohit Kapoor, and Nitin Sethi, promising invaluable networking and mentorship for budding entrepreneurs.

Medical Team Departs for Free Surgery Camp in Barabanki

Udaipur: A team of 88 medical professionals from Udaipur departed on Tuesday, January 21, for a free surgical camp at Shri Ram Van Kutir Ashram, Handiya Kol Jungle, Barabanki, Uttar Pradesh. The team left from the Maharana Bhupal Statue in front of BN School at 8:00 AM. The departure ceremony was flagged off by DIG (ACB) IPS Rajendra Prasad Goyal, along with prominent personalities like Shantilal Chaplot, social worker Pramod Samar, Dharmnarayan Joshi, and CA Anil Shah. Also present on the occasion were Professor S.K. Samar, Ramesh Purohit, Sampat Barala, Pratap Samota, Dinesh Sisodia, Chandrakala Paliwal, Hiralal Khatik, Deepak Poddar, Ramial Agarwal, and Ramesh Dangri from Bhartiya Lok Kala Mandal, alongside a large number of medical professionals.



A Legacy of Service

The camp, inspired by the teachings of the late Saint Swami Ramdas Maharaj, has been held annually for the past 44 years. Dr. J.K. Chaparwal, the team coordinator, highlighted that medical professionals from Udaipur, Chittorgarh, Kuraj, Kapasan, and nearby regions form part of the team. The team includes doctors, nursing staff, ward assistants, and support staff. All members volunteer their services during their personal leave and at their own expense.

Focus of the Camp

The camp aims to provide surgical treatment to underprivileged people in the remote areas of Barabanki. Conditions such as hernia, hydrocele, uterine disorders, piles, and cataracts will be addressed. An on-site temporary operation theater will be set up with six OT tables, enabling pre-selected patients to undergo necessary diagnostic tests, preoperative procedures, and surgeries. Approximately 3,000 surgeries are expected to be performed, offering much-needed relief to patients from marginalized communities.

The medical camp will run until February 14, demonstrating a continued commitment to selfless service and healthcare outreach in one of India's most underserved regions.

Paras Health: A Revolutionary Leap in Healthcare

Udaipur: Paras Health Udaipur has introduced the Endobronchial Ultrasound (EBUS) machine, marking a major milestone in healthcare innovation. This advanced diagnostic tool offers precise, non-invasive imaging of the lungs, enabling the diagnosis and management of serious pulmonary conditions like lung infections, Interstitial Lung Disease (ILD), and lung cancer. The launch of the EBUS machine is particularly significant for Udaipur, as patients no longer need to travel to larger cities for such specialized care.



A key moment in the launch was the successful treatment of a 54-year-old HIV-positive woman undergoing chemotherapy for cervical cancer. Suspicious lung nodules were detected during a routine scan, prompting a biopsy using the EBUS machine. Within three days, the results confirmed the nodules were benign, offering the patient and her family immense relief.

Dr. Swetabh Purohit, Consultant in Pulmonary and Sleep Medicine at Paras Health, highlighted the importance of the EBUS machine, stating that it revolutionizes the way serious lung diseases are diagnosed and managed. The non-invasive procedure allows for timely, accurate diagnoses, ensuring more effective treatments without the need for traditional surgeries.

Paras Health Udaipur's investment in the EBUS machine underscores its commitment to providing cutting-edge healthcare locally, improving patient care and outcomes. With this advancement, the hospital continues to set new standards in healthcare excellence, offering residents of Udaipur and surrounding areas access to world-class medical technology.

The introduction of the EBUS machine represents a new era in healthcare for Udaipur, making high-quality care more accessible and less invasive for those in need of advanced pulmonary diagnostics.

Vipin Sharma's Leadership in Transforming Rajasthan's Dairy Sector

Udaipur: Vipin Sharma, Managing Director of the Udaipur Milk Producers Cooperative Union (Saras), has been a pivotal figure in revolutionizing the dairy industry in Rajasthan. Under his leadership, Saras Dairy has not only ensured the consistent supply of high-quality milk and dairy products but has also significantly contributed to the local economy by providing employment opportunities and improving the livelihoods of thousands of milk producers across the state. Sharma's vision is clear: to make Saras Dairy products easily accessible, hygienic, and nutritious for every household. His recent involvement in the launch of the ambitious "Saras Milk at Your Doorstep" program is a testament to his commitment to improving consumer convenience while ensuring the highest standards of quality and freshness. By introducing Saras Mitras as dedicated delivery agents, Sharma has ensured that fresh milk and dairy products are delivered directly to consumers' doorsteps, making it easier for families to access wholesome nutrition without the hassle of stepping out. In addition to expanding Saras Dairy's reach, Sharma has also been instrumental in the planning and development of a new, state-of-the-art dairy processing plant with a capacity of 3 lakh liters of milk per day. This new plant will allow Saras Dairy to meet the growing demand for its products and enhance the efficiency of milk processing. Under Sharma's guidance, the plant will not only produce dairy essentials like milk, curd, and ghee but will also diversify into producing ice cream, sweets, and other dairy products.

Sharma's innovative approach to business, combined with his deep commitment to the welfare of the farming community, has earned him widespread recognition. His leadership is steering Saras Dairy toward becoming a household name synonymous with quality and trust in Rajasthan's dairy sector.



with iPads. This initiative is part of the "One Nation-One Application" project, streamlining legislative work. A recent training session for legislators, part of the National e-Vidhan Application (NeVA) project, has ensured a smooth digital transition, supported by a ₹12.61 crore budget.

At 76, Devnani's leadership blends heritage and innovation. As Education Minister, he made significant changes, including emphasizing Maharana Pratap's legacy in school textbooks. Now, as Speaker, he's streamlined Assembly operations, introduced solar energy solutions, and begun the construction of the Rajasthan Constitution Club.

In a break from tradition, Devnani has also opened the Assembly to the public, with a new digital museum showcasing India's constitutional history. These changes reflect his dedication to blending technology, heritage, and public service, leaving a lasting legacy for Rajasthan.

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Vidyapeeth Organizes Free Mega Medical Camp: 350 Beneficiaries

Udaipur: A free mega medical camp was organized by the Physiotherapy Medical College of Rajasthan Vidyapeeth University at Shrama Jeevi College OPD, Delhi Gate, on Saturday. The camp was inaugurated by Vice Chancellor Colonel Prof. Shiv Singh Sarangdevot and renowned architect Ranu Gopal.

More than 350 patients benefited from the camp, which included free sugar tests for 150 patients, thyroid tests for 75, and consultation for bone and joint ailments such as neck pain, arthritis, and sports injuries. Special rehabilitation services were also provided.

Medical services were led by Dr. Arushi Tandon, Dr. Vinod Nair, and other experts, including Prof. Malay Paneri, Dr. Hemendra Choudhary, and Dr. Dilip Singh Chauhan. Vice Chancellor Prof. Sarangdevot announced that similar camps will be organized monthly, with regular OPD services for bone-related conditions.

The event was attended by K.K. Kumawat, Dr. Shahid Qureshi, Ashish Nandwana, and others, reflecting Vidyapeeth's commitment to public health.



Empowering Girls: Akash Bagdi Leads Jay Eklingnath Organization's Efforts

Udaipur: The Jay Eklingnath National Service Organization, under the visionary leadership of founder president Akash Bagdi, has made remarkable strides in promoting education and empowering young girls in rural Rajasthan. As part of the "Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao" campaign, the organization has distributed over 100 education kits in Ginga village, Salumber, and adopted two schoolgirls to bear their complete educational expenses.

Speaking at the event, Akash Bagdi emphasized the organization's mission to ensure that no girl's education is hindered by financial constraints. Since launching the campaign on January 15, the organization has adopted 11 girls, taking full responsibility for their education, while also distributing education kits in underserved communities.



On Monday, the organization visited the Government Girls Higher Secondary School in Ginga, where the students eagerly received the kits. Among the two girls adopted by the organization are Manju, a class 11 student and daughter of Devlaal Prajapat, and Komal, a class 9 student and daughter of Narulal.

The event witnessed the active participation of school principal Prakash Giri Goswami, senior teacher Rajmal Jain, and notable community members, including Jitendra Kumar Joshi, Valaram Meena, Bhimraj Patel, Pramod Kumar Jain, and Savitri Verma.

Expanding Initiatives and Future Plans

Dr. Vinod Pandey, the organization's patron, assured that the campaign will be scaled up to support more girls in need. Plans include launching a helpline to address women's issues and running awareness drives in both urban and rural areas. Nirmal Kumar Pandit, another patron, highlighted the organization's commitment to mobilizing resources and creating a supportive environment for girls' education.

Under Akash Bagdi's leadership, the Jay Eklingnath National Service Organization continues to set an example in social service, fostering hope and opportunity for the next generation.

Pink Assembly in the Pink City Jaipur

Jaipur: In a stunning nod to Jaipur's iconic "Pink City" status, Rajasthan's Legislative Assembly, under Speaker Vasudev Devnani's leadership, has undergone a remarkable transformation. The Assembly's chambers have been adorned with a vibrant pink hue, welcoming visitors and setting the stage for the upcoming budget session. Governor Haribhau Bagde, Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma, and Speaker Devnani will address legislators amidst this beautiful change.

This tradition draws inspiration from Maharaja Sawai Ram Singh II, who painted the city pink in 1876 to honor Prince Albert's visit, symbolizing hospitality. Speaker Devnani continues