

National Handloom Day: Banarasi brocades in focus

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Varanasi: To mark National Handloom Day, Bharat Kala Bhavan at Banaras Hindu University hosted a special talk titled "From Threads to Finery" on Friday celebrating the legacy and contemporary relevance of Banaras brocades.

The session featured Kamaluddin Ansari, National and Sant Kabir Awardee, and young artist Mohammad Muzzammil, who highlighted the importance of handloom as a sustainable fashion alternative and vital carrier of India's centuries-old textile heritage.

The discussion focused on key challenges facing the traditional Banarasi saree industry, including competition from powerloom replicas, rising raw material costs, and the growing risk of young artisans leaving the craft due to urban migration.

Prof. Sreerup Raychoudhuri, director of Bharat Kala Bhavan,



Participants during a programme at Bharat Kala Bhavan

said, "This talk underscores our commitment to artisan welfare. Our world-renowned textile collection serves as a vital bridge, inspiring contemporary weavers while safeguarding Banaras's priceless heritage for future generations."

The speakers also emphasized the significance of historic Banarasi masterpieces preserved in the Bharat Kala Bhavan Textile Collection. These archives serve as important references for design, technique, and cultural authenticity, offering valuable inspiration to contemporary weavers and researchers working to preserve the integrity of the craft.

Ambulance plunges 20 feet at BRD Medical College, driver fees

Gorakhpur: A private ambulance crashed through a railing and plunged nearly 20 feet at the 500-bed Child Care Institute of BRD Medical College late Thursday, allegedly due to the driver's negligence.

Hospital authorities said the ambulance, registered in the name of Sarkar Hospital in Gulriha, had brought a patient to the institute. After dropping off the patient, the driver was exiting the portico when he reportedly engaged reverse gear by mistake. The vehicle rolled backwards, broke through the railing and fell nearly 20 feet to the ground below.

Eyewitnesses and hospital staff rushed to the scene and rescued the driver from the damaged ambulance. No one else was injured in the incident.

Employees of Sarkar Hospital later arrived and removed the damaged vehicle from the premises. The driver's identity could not be immediately confirmed.

BRD Medical College chief medical superintendent Ashok Kumar Yadav said the accident caused damage to govt property and that the college administration would lodge a police complaint seeking compensation.

Preliminary inquiries suggested that the driver was under the influence of alcohol at the time of the accident. Officials said the driver could not be traced after the mishap, and further inquiry is underway. TNN

Strict traffic curbs, dedicated path for kanwar yatris in Kashi

Officials Ensure Safe Movement Of Pilgrims

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Varanasi: With the holy month of Shravan underway, Police Commissioner Mohit Agrawal and DM Satyendra Kumar on Thursday conducted an on-site inspection of the kanwar yatra route to review safety, traffic, crowd-management and other arrangements for devotees. The officials said ensuring the safety, convenience and uninterrupted movement of pilgrims remains the administration's top priority.

The officials inspected key stretches, including Ring Road Phase-2 from Rakhouna to Harahua and the route from Khajuri to Chandpur. They reviewed security arrangements, traffic diversions, crowd-control measures,



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res, barricading, parking, lighting, drinking water, toilets, sanitation, medical camps, temporary police assistance centres and emergency services.

During the inspection at the Rakhouna underpass, the officials assessed possible traffic pressure and congestion. They reviewed alternative routes and directed officers to keep diversion plans ready for effective implementation whenever required.

A dedicated corridor has been reserved for kanwari-

as from Prayagraj to Mohansarai and along Ring Road from Rakhouna to Harahua. One lane on this stretch will remain exclusively reserved for kanwariyas, and no other vehicles will be allowed to enter it. Officials warned that strict action will be taken against violators.

To prevent accidents and unauthorized movement, zig-zag barricading will be installed at all cuts along the Kanwar route, while illegal cuts will be closed immediately. PRV and Phantom teams

will be deployed round the clock at every cut and at fixed intervals to ensure quick police assistance in emergencies.

Agrawal said the safety, convenience and uninterrupted movement of kanwar pilgrims are the administration's top priorities. He directed officers to remain present in the field throughout Shravan and personally monitor security, traffic and crowd-control arrangements.

The DM directed all concerned departments to ensure round-the-clock availability of sanitation, drinking water and medical services along the route. He said all departments must work in coordination to ensure devotees do not face any inconvenience during the yatra.

Both officials instructed officers to keep all arrangements fully functional, maintain continuous monitoring and immediately resolve any problem reported during the kanwar yatra.

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E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & for 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s)/Mortgagor(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Bank/Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on the date as mentioned in the table herein below, for recovery of its dues due to the Bank/Secured Creditor from the respective Borrower(s)/Mortgagor(s) and Guarantor(s). The reserve price and the earnest money deposit will be as mentioned in the table below against the respective properties.

SCHEDULE OF THE SECURED ASSETS

Name of the Branch	Description of the Immovable Properties Mortgaged /Owner's Name (Mortgagors of property(ies))	(A) Dt. of Demand Notice u/s 13(2) of SARFAESI ACT 2002	(B) 1. Amount as per demand Notice under section 13(2) (2) Outstanding Amount as on 31.07.2026	(C) Possession Date u/s 13(4) of SARFAESI ACT 2002	(D) Nature of Possession Symbolic/Constructive	A) Reserve Price	B) EMD (last date of deposit of EMD)	C) Bid Increase Amount	Date/ Time of E-Auction	Details of the encumbrances known to the secured creditors
1. ARMB PRAYAGRAJ (829900) M/S SEWA BRICK FIELD (Partnership firm), Registered Address - Village Kalinjara urf Badalganj, Pargana Arai, Tehsil-karchana, Prayagraj/Allahabad, UP-211007 (2) Sh. Sunil Kumar Singh S/o Ram Raj Singh (Partner SEWA BRICKS FIELD) Residence Address- Village Kalinjara urf Badalganj, Pargana Arai, Tehsil-karchana, Prayagraj/Allahabad, UP-211007 (3) Sh. Ram Raj Singh S/O Late Munni Lal Singh (Partner SEWA BRICKS FIELD) Residence Address-Village Kalinjara urf Badalganj, Pargana Arai, Tehsil-karchana, Prayagraj/Allahabad, UP-211007 (4) Sh. Bhayla Lal Singh S/O Late Khiladi Singh (Partner SEWA BRICKS FIELD) Residence Address- 76, Village Decariya Tehsil Bara Prayagraj/Allahabad, UP-211007	Property situated on 1/4 part of arazi No. 162 Mauza Kalinjara urf Badalganj, Pargana Arai, Tehsil-karchana, Prayagraj/Allahabad. Area: 0.2240 Hectares Owner-Sunil Kumar Singh S/o Ram Raj Singh Boundary (as per deed): East- Remaining part of Arazi No. 162 West- Remaining part of Arazi No. 162 North- Remaining part of Arazi No. 162 South- Remaining part of Arazi No. 162	A. 24.01.2022 (B) (1) Rs.30,05,857.86 as on 31.12.2021 with further interest w.e.f 01.01.2022, plus DI and other charges incurred (2) Rs.34,84,252.20 as on 31.07.2026 with further interest w.e.f 01.08.2026, plus DI and other charges incurred. (C) 28.04.2022 (D) Symbolic	A) Rs. 27,50,000/- B) Rs. 2,75,000/- C) Rs. 50,000/-	02-09-2026 (11:00 AM to 04:00 PM) 01.09.2026	Not Known					

TERMS AND CONDITIONS
(1)- The sale shall be subject to the Terms & Conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and to the following further conditions:- (2)- The properties are being sold on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" and "WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS". (3)- The particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule here in above have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorised Officer, but the Authorised Officer shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation. (4)- The Sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the Website:- (1) <https://baanknet.com> (2) www.pnbindia.in on 02.09.2026 at 11:00 AM to 04:00 PM. (5)- For detailed term and conditions of the sale, please refer, <https://baanknet.com> and www.pnbindia.in. e-Auction will be provided by e-Auction service provider M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd. Helpdesk No. +91-8291202220, email ID- support@BAANKNET@psballiance.com.
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Date: 04.08.2026
Place: Prayagraj
Authorized Officer: Punjab National Bank

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APPENDIX-IV-A
(See proviso to Rule 8(6) Read with Rule 9 (1))

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Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic Possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Bank of Baroda, (Secured Creditor) will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis through E-Auction for recovery of dues in below mentioned accounts. The details of Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)/ Secured Assets/Dues/Reserve Price/E-Auction Date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below.

Date & Time of Auction: 25.08.2026, 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM,
Property Inspection Date & Time - 21.08.2026, 10:00 AM to 05:00 PM,
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) shall be paid online through NEFT after generation of Challan or through UPI from <https://baanknet.com> on or before 25.08.2026

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Sl. No.	Name & Address of Borrower/Proprietor/ Guarantor(s)	Description of the Immovable Property	Total Dues	Reserve Price EMD Bid Increase Amount	Status of Possession (Symbolic/ Physical)
1. Borrower : Mr. Kunwar Babu Singh S/o. Ram Gopal Singh, Co-Borrower : Mrs. Sanju Singh w/o Kunwar Babu Singh Guarantor : Mr. Dhananjay Tiwari s/o Mohar Tiwari.	Equitable Mortgage of Land and Building situated at bearing Arazi No. 1473, Mauza-Akhri, Pargana- Kaswar Raja, Tehsil and District-Varanasi. Area- 2284.8 sq.ft. i.e. 212.342 sq. mtr. The Property is in the name of Smt. Sanju Devi W/o Kunwar Babu Singh, Bounded as under: East : Land of Narayani Singh, West : Kachcha Rasta 7 ft. wide, North : Nali, South : Land Lakshmi Shankar	Rs. 49,06,635.12 + interest from 29.07.2025+ other expenses (minus amount, if any, deposited after the issuance of Demand Notice)	Rs. 62,77,500.00 6,27,750.00 10,000.00	Symbolic	
2. Borrower : Mr. Krishna Kant Singh s/o Vijay Kumar, Co-Borrower : Mr. Puneet Kumar s/o Vijay Kumar Guarantor : 1. Mr. Kunwar Babu Singh s/o Mr. Ram Gopal Singh, 2. Mrs. Sanju Singh w/o Mr. Kunwar Babu Singh.	Equitable Mortgage of land and building bearing: Arazi No.1473, Area 1428.376 Sq. Ft. i.e. 132.748 sq.mtr, situated at Mauza-Akhri, Pargana- Kaswar Raja, Tehsil- & District- Varanasi. The Property is in the name of Mrs. Sanju Singh W/o Kunwar Babu Singh. Bounded as under: East: Land of Narayani Singh, West: Kachcha Chak Road 7 feet wide, North: House of Kunwar Babu Singh (Husband of Sanju Singh), South: Land of Sangita Devi W/o Girish Chandra	Rs. 10,36,617.12 + interest from 28.06.2025+ other expenses (minus amount, if any, deposited after the issuance of Demand Notice)	Rs. 38,88,000.00 3,88,800.00 10,000.00	Symbolic	
3. Borrower : Mr. Vinod Kumar Srivastava s/o Late Chotela, Co-Borrower : Mrs. Jyotsna Srivastava w/o Vinod Kumar Srivastava Guarantor : Mr. Shashi Kumar Srivastava s/o Late Murali Lal Srivastava	Equitable Mortgage of Residential Flat No. L-120,1st Floor, Lalpur Housing Scheme, Phase 2, Mauza Lalpur, Ward Shivpur, Mohalla Chandmari, Varanasi measuring Area 452.996 sq. ft. i.e. 42.10 sq. mt. standing in the name of Mr. Vinod Kumar Srivastava s/o Late Chotela. Bounded as under: East: Open Land of Ground Floor thereafter LIG flats, West: Open Land of Ground Floor thereafter colony road, North: Common portion and flat of the aforesaid scheme, South: LIG Flats	Rs. 7,89,236.00 + interest from 11.01.2025+ other expenses (minus amount, if any, deposited after the issuance of Demand Notice)	Rs. 11,73,600.00 1,17,360.00 10,000.00	Symbolic	
4. Borrower : M/S-New Baba Bakery Proprietor : Mrs. Bushra Faridi w/o Mr. Nizamuddin Faridi Guarantor : Mr. Kamaluddeen s/o Ahmad Shaheed	Equitable mortgage of property standing on the name of Kamaluddin Saheed Residential House No. J-35/72-B-Ch-Ka, Area 644.79 sq. feet situated at Mohalla- Alaiapur, Nakki Ghat, Ward Jaitpura, Varanasi standing in the name of Kamaluddin s/o Late Ahmad Sayeed Boundaries as per sale deed: East: House of Sudama Mishri, West: Rest Part of House No. J.35/72-B-Ch, North: Gali 5 feet RAWA T/A House of Abdul Rahim, South: Gali 6 feet wide RAWA T/A Pokhara.	Rs. 12,47,444.16 + interest from 08.09.2024+ other expenses (minus amount, if any, deposited after the issuance of Demand Notice)	Rs. 24,21,000.00 2,42,100.00 10,000.00	Symbolic	
5. Borrower : Mrs. Kiran Pandey Co-Borrower : 1. Shri Om Prakash Pandey, 2. Mr. Abhishek Pandey	Equitable Mortgage of Land and Building situated at Plot No. 47, Arazi No. 70/2, Area 2040 Sq. Ft., House No. B-38/77-Dehat, Shree Nagar Extension, Mauza- Tulsiapur, Pargana- Dehat Amanat, Mahmoorganj, District- Varanasi-221010. The Property is in the name of Mrs. Kiran Pandey w/o Shri Om Prakash Pandey. Boundaries as under: East: Plot No.32, West: 30 ft. Wide Colony Road, North: Plot No.46, South: Plot No. 48	Rs. 71,93,206.64 + interest from 29.07.2025+ other expenses (minus amount, if any, deposited after the issuance of Demand Notice)	Rs. 2,17,11,600.00 2,17,11,600.00 10,000.00	Symbolic	

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For detailed Terms & Conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in Bank of Baroda (Secured Creditor) website i.e. www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction.htm or baanknet.com. Also the prospective bidders may contact the Authorised Officer on Mobile Number: 9554959480, Email: govdar@bankofbaroda.bank.in

Dated : 04.08.2026
Place: Varanasi
Sd/- Authorised Officer, Bank of Baroda

Hundreds pay last respects to BSP MLA Umashankar Singh

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Varanasi: The native village of BSP MLA Umashankar Singh was plunged into grief following his death, with large crowds gathering since Friday morning to pay their last respects.

Singh, 55, who represented the Rasra Assembly constituency, passed away late Wednesday night in New Delhi after a prolonged battle with cancer.

His mortal remains were brought from Delhi to Lucknow and later taken to Khanwar in a convoy of hundreds of vehicles. A large number of supporters gathered near Parjipar on Kasimabad Road along the Purvanchal Expressway to offer their final tributes. A native of Ballia,



Large crowd gathered at his native village to pay tribute

Singh first won the Rasra Assembly seat on a BSP ticket in 2012. He was re-elected in 2017 and 2022. In the 2022 Uttar Pradesh Assembly elections, when the BSP secured only one seat, Singh remained the party's sole MLA in the state.

He played a key role in organising mass marriage events and worked to promote digital awareness. He also contributed significantly to the launch of a free Wi-Fi zone in Rasra.

Man arrested for performing vehicle stunt on public road

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Varanasi: Police arrested a 33-year-old man for allegedly endangering public safety by performing vehicle stunts on a public road in the Jansa area on Thursday.

During patrolling near Harsos Ring Road, the Jansa police team spotted a vehicle, being driven at high speed in reverse gear on the wrong side of the road. Police said the act posed a serious risk to pedestrians and other road users.

The police stopped the vehicle and questioned the driver, who identified himself as Veer Bahadur Singh Patel, a resident of Ganjari village. He failed to provide a satisfactory explanation for his conduct and appeared to be under the influence of alcohol. A co-passenger, Vijay Patel, 33, of Benipur village under Mirzamurad police station area, also ap-

peared to be intoxicated. Police said the driver could not produce the required vehicle documents. A check through the e-challan app found that the vehicle was registered in the name of Satish Chandra, a resident of Ramgarh in the Chandwak area of Jaunpur district.

Patel was arrested for dangerous and negligent driving on a public road. The vehicle was seized under Section 207 of the Motor Vehicles Act for non-production of valid documents. A case has been registered under Sections 281 and 125 of the BNS at Jansa police station, and further legal action is underway.

Mayor orders immediate repair of Chitaipur road

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Varanasi: Following repeated complaints from residents over the poor condition of Chitaipur road, where water-logging, mud and deep potholes have made commuting difficult, Mayor Ashok Kumar Tiwari, taking cognisance, conducted a surprise inspection of the area on Friday along with senior officials. The road has been dug up at several places by the PWD for repair work, leaving behind large potholes that fill with rainwater.



Mayor Ashok Kumar Tiwari inspects the area on Friday

During the inspection, the mayor and Municipal Commissioner Himanshu Nagpal reprimanded PWD engineers present at the site. They directed officials to fill the potholes immediately and restore smooth traffic movement on the stretch.

The mayor warned that if the work is not completed without delay, a formal complaint regarding the negligence of the officials concerned will be sent to the state govt.

Fake liquor racket busted, 1 held

Lucknow: In a joint operation with the excise department and the southern zone surveillance cell, Lucknow police busted an illegal liquor manufacturing and smuggling racket operating from a rented house in PGI area and arrested a man with 1,346 quarter bottles of counterfeit branded whisky allegedly meant for supply to Bihar. Accused Anil Verma (36) was arrested during a raid at a house in Sector 10-C, Vrindavan Yojana. His associate Vimal Yadav of Azamgarh is absconding. TNN

BHU, Uttarakhand delegation exchange ideas on boosting edu

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Varanasi: Banaras Hindu University Vice-Chancellor Prof. Ajit Kumar Chaturvedi on Friday interacted with a delegation of teachers from Uttarakhand currently on an academic visit to the university.

The 40-member delegation, comprising teachers from various govt colleges participated in the programme at BHU on Friday.

Chief Minister's Higher Education Quality Enhancement and Knowledge Enrichment Programme, organised by the Higher Education Department, Govt of Uttarakhand.

During the interaction, the teachers shared their experiences and said the visit had enriched their understanding of BHU's academic, research and administrative ecosystem.

Prof. Chaturvedi said that, just as educational tours are important for students, teachers should also get opportunities to understand the academic environment, institutional practices and functioning of leading universities.

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Gorakhpur: An awareness programme on maternal and child health, child protection and the importance of breastfeeding was organised at the Anganwadi centre in Purana Gorakhpur on the occasion of World Breastfeeding Week.

The programme was conducted under the 'Chuppi Tod - Halla Bol' project, being implemented by Samadhan Abhiyan with support from India Pesticides Limited. Addressing pregnant women, lactating mothers and parents, resource persons highlighted the crucial role of breastfeeding in ensuring the healthy physical and mental development of infants.

Under the guidance of Sheelam Bajpai, director of Samadhan Abhiyan, participants were informed that exclusive breastfeeding during the first six months after birth is the best source of nutrition for a child. Experts said breast milk helps strengthen immunity and supports overall growth and development.

The session also focused on child safety and protection. Parents were sensitised abo-

Nursing home operator arrested over patient's death

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Varanasi: A nursing home operator wanted in connection with alleged fake medical practice and the death of a patient due to negligence was arrested by Mubarakpur police in Azamgarh district late Thursday.

The accused, Gulab Chand Chauhan, was arrested in a case registered on a complaint alleging that he performed a surgery without the family's consent, following which the woman died.

According to reports, the complainant alleged that on July 15, his mother, Shyam Dulari, was admitted to Arya Nandini Nursing Home at Hariya Mor for treatment of stomach pain caused by a hernia. He claimed that the nursing home operator performed a surgery without the family's knowledge or consent, during which she died.

Based on the complaint, a case was registered under Section 105 of the BNS.

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ut provisions of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012, child rights, prevention of child sexual abuse, safe and unsafe touch, the concept of a safe circle and the importance of maintaining positive communication with children.

Among those present were Anganwadi chief sevik Ruma Singh, supervisors Firoz Lata Chaudhary, Usha Shukla, Rachna Singh and Uma Parveen, along with Anupam Arya, Sarita Chauhan. Coordinators and volunteers of Samadhan Abhiyan also participated in the programme.