



Cruise ship capsizes in Jabalpur, MP, 6 bodies found

More than 15 missing, 19 rescued; Storm causes accident at Narmada's Bargi Dam

Jabalpur(GNS):A cruise ship carrying tourists capsized Thursday evening at the Bargi Dam on the Narmada River in Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh. According to police, six bodies have been recovered and 19 others were rescued. More than 15 are still missing. The accident occurred 300 meters from the dam's edge.

Bargi City Superintendent of Police (CSP) Anjul Mishra said that 40 to 45 people were aboard the MP Tourism cruise. A sudden storm caused the accident. Upon receiving information about the accident, an SDRF team arrived for the rescue operation.

Darkness hampered the rescue operation. However, people were being searched for using large torches. It even started raining briefly during the rescue operation. The SDRF used a gas cutter to cut through the cruiser and rescued a man who had been trapped inside for three hours.



The cruise ship that sank in the dam has been tied with ropes. The SDRF team and others present at the scene are working together to pull the cruise ship out by pulling the ropes.

Pilot claims: 'Didn't get a chance to wear a life jacket'

Cruise pilot Mahesh

explained that he has been operating cruises for the past 10 years and is fully trained and licensed. He said the cruise had all the safety measures and enough life jackets, but the storm hit so quickly that passengers didn't have a chance to put on their life jackets.

Moving car catches fire on Delhi-Mumbai Expressway, 5 burned alive



● **Only bones found, residents of MP family had gone to visit Vaishno Devi**

Alwar(GNS):A moving car caught fire on the Delhi-Mumbai Expressway in Maujpur, Alwar. Five people were burned alive in the accident. Rescue teams extinguished the flames and found only bones in the Ertiga car. The driver had jumped out as soon as the fire broke out. He has been referred to Jaipur in critical condition. The family in the car was from Chainpura, Sheopur,

Madhya Pradesh. They were returning from Vaishno Devi after a fulfillment of a vow. Police sus-

pect the fire was caused by a short circuit. The accident occurred at 11 pm on Wednesday. Bones kept in bags, 2 minors among the dead

According to reports, Santosh (35), his wife Shashi (30), mother-in-law Parvati (55), and two minors, all from Chainpura, died in the accident. The family had gone to Vaishno Devi to fulfill a vow after Parvati's illness was cured.

The accident was so horrific that only bones were found in the car, which have been placed in separate bags. DNA samples will be taken to identify the bodies.

Sixteen pyres burned simultaneously, four women on one pyre

A pickup tire burst at 100 mph in Dhar; DIG says overspeeding was the cause

Dhar(GNS):Nine people from Nayapura, five from Semlipura, and two from Rampura died in a pickup accident in Dhar, Madhya Pradesh, on Wednesday night. Their last rites were performed Thursday morning. The bodies of four women were placed on the same pyre. The families of those who lost their loved ones are in a terrible state. Some sit holding photographs of their wives, while others stare at their clothes. Relatives' eyes are moist.

Iran says no ban on Indian ships crossing Hormuz: 10,000 Indians' safety a priority

90% Of Chabahar railway line completed

Tehran/Washingt on DC(GNS):Iran's Ambassador to India, Dr. Mohammad Fathali, stated that despite the conflict, Iran is ensuring safe passage of ships through the Strait of Hormuz. He added that there are no restrictions on ships from friendly countries, including India.

In an interview, Fathali said that ships

from countries not involved in the US-Israeli action against Iran can transit through the Strait of Hormuz as normal. Several Indian ships have already passed through this route.

Describing Chabahar Port as crucial for regional connectivity, he said the project is progressing steadily and has never stopped. According to



Fathali, approximately 90% of the Chabahar-Zohedan railway line has been completed, and the rail line will be finished soon.

Fathali also said that ensuring the safety of the approximately 10,000 Indian citizens living in Iran is a priority for the government. Iran does not discriminate between Indians and its own citizens.

18 deaths due to storm and rain in UP and Bihar

● **Lightning struck a house in Kota, Rajasthan, hail fell along with rain in Delhi-NCR.**

New Delhi/Bhopal/ Lucknow(GNS):The country experienced varying weather patterns over the past 24 hours. Temperatures hovered between 40 and 46°C in many areas of Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh, Delhi, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, and Gujarat. However, thunderstorms and light rain brought down temperatures by 2 to 3°C in many areas.

Thirteen people died in Uttar Pradesh due to thunderstorms and rain. Sultanpur recorded the highest number of deaths, with seven. Five people also died in Bihar. In Patna, two people died when a wall collapsed due to the storm. Trees were uprooted in several districts. Hailstorms struck Mussoorie, Uttarakhand, on Thursday.

Hailstorms struck Delhi on



Thursday afternoon. Rain continued for the second consecutive day in several districts of Rajasthan. Lightning struck a house in Kota. Dehradun and Mussoorie in Uttarakhand also experienced hailstorms along with rain.

Banda in Uttar Pradesh remained the hottest place for the third consecutive day, reaching 45.8°C. Temperatures exceeded 40°C in most districts of Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh. Bhopal and Sidhi were the hottest in Madhya Pradesh, with temperatures exceeding 43°C.

Supreme Court dismisses petitions related to hate speech

Bench said- we cannot force Parliament to make laws.

New Delhi(GNS)The Supreme Court on Wednesday dismissed petitions related to hate speech, stating that the court cannot compel Parliament to enact a law. The court stated that legislation on this issue is the legislature's prerogative. The court can only point to the need. A bench of Justices Vikram Nath and Sandeep Mehta said that policy making and law making are within the domain of the legislature and the court cannot interfere in this.

The court gave this decision on the petitions in which it was demanded to direct the Central Government to review the laws related to hate speech and spreading rumours and make a new law. The court said there is no void in the law regarding hate speech. The bench stated that the existing legal framework is capable of addressing matters such as hate speech. The problem is not a lack of law, but rather delays or uneven enforcement. According to the court, in many cases, action is not timely or inconsistent. The court said it was incorrect to suggest that there was a legal vacuum in this area. Laws exist and contain provisions that address behavior that disturbs public order or incites tension between communities.

Rajnath Singh Compares AI To 'Bhasmasur', Says "Can't Just See Rosy Picture"



Supreme Court said:remove the time limit on abortion for rape victims

Told the center:amend your law, currently the rule for abortion is up to 24 weeks

New Delhi(GNS): he Supreme Court declined to hear a petition challenging the decision to grant abortion to a 15-year-old girl who was nearly seven months pregnant. AIIMS had filed a petition against this decision. Currently, Indian law only allows abortion up to 24 weeks of pregnancy in rape cases.

The CJI said, "The law should be adaptable and adaptable to changing times and current circumstances. A minor cannot be forced to become a mother. In such cases, the decision should rest with the victim."

On April 24th, the Supreme Court granted abortion to a 15-year-old girl who was nearly seven months pregnant. AIIMS had filed a petition against this decision. Currently, Indian law only allows abortion up to 24 weeks of pregnancy in rape cases.

AIIMS had said that the minor may never be able to become a mother again.

A 15-year-old girl became pregnant as a result of consensual sex with a minor boy. The minor's mother sought permission to abort her daughter beyond the time limit set by the Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act (MPT Act). The



girl also stated that she did not want to continue the pregnancy.

AIIMS told the court that at 30 weeks of pregnancy, the fetus has already developed into a living organism, and abortion at this stage is not successful. Doctors also stated that the abortion poses a risk to the minor mother, who may never be able to conceive again.

Responding to AIIMS's argument, the court said, "Your focus is solely on the fetus, not on the mother who has endured so much pain. This is a case of child rape. The victim will suffer lifelong pain and trauma. Now, this is a battle between the fetus and the minor girl."



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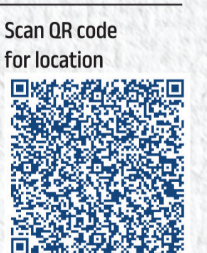
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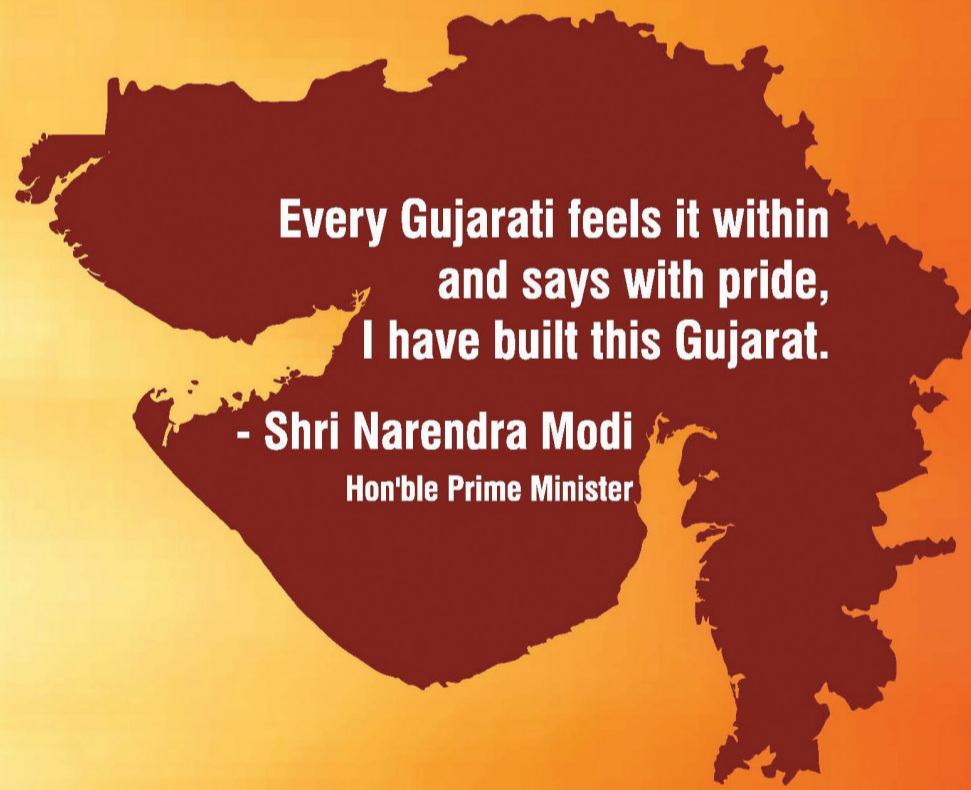
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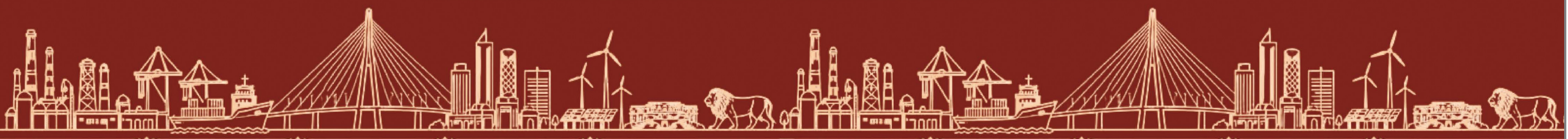
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NHAI given 15-day deadline to fix key highway corridors

New Delhi, (GNS): The Gurugram administration has issued a notice to the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI), directing it to repair pothole-hit stretches and fix service road deficiencies along key highway corridors within 15 days, failing which action will be taken as per rules.

The directive was issued by Deputy Commissioner Uttam Singh at the monthly meeting of the District Road Safety Committee and Safe School Vehicle Policy at the Mini Secretariat. Taking note of poor road conditions, the DC asked officials to ensure all



ongoing construction sites maintain functional service roads. He also ordered regular water sprinkling on dusty stretches to reduce inconvenience to commuters. Data presented at the meeting showed that between

February 24 and March 19, 2026, a total of 62,656 challans were issued for traffic violations. Major offences included 10,001 cases of riding without helmets, 9,820 of pillion riders without helmets, 7,179 of wrong parking

and 6,018 of wrong-side driving. Further, 3,508 challans were issued for not wearing seat belts, 2,586 for unsafe lane changes, 1,624 for speeding and 1,533 for drunk driving. Other violations included 1,281 cases without pollution certificates, 1,286 no-entry breaches, 230 instances of mobile phone use while driving, 67 of jumping red lights and 121 school bus violations. Another 17,520 challans fell under miscellaneous categories. On highways alone, 749 challans were issued for illegal parking, while recom-

mendations have been sent to suspend 1,439 driving licences. The DC directed departments to identify accident-prone locations and take corrective measures on priority.

He also invited suggestions from citizen members of the road safety committee to address ground-level issues and strengthen preventive action.

Emphasising student safety, Singh asked the education department to assess road conditions outside all schools and check for essential measures such as speed breakers. Authorities have been told to prioritise installation of safety infrastructure wherever gaps are identified.

3 children drown while bathing in pond at golf course in Delhi

New Delhi, (GNS): At least three children, aged between 8-10 years, drowned in a pond at a golf course in Dwarka's Sector 24 area on Thursday, according to police.



Sector 23 police station received a PCR call about the incident at 7.07am, following which a police team rushed to the spot. Fire brigade personnel and other emergency services were also alerted, according to news agency

"Upon reaching the location, police found three children dead in a pond inside the golf course premises. The bodies were retrieved with the assistance of fire department personnel," a senior police officer said.

Police said the children's clothes were found on the bank of the pond, suggesting that they may have entered the water to bathe.

The identities of the deceased had not been established at the time of filing this report. Officials said efforts were underway to identify the children and trace their families. No missing complaints matching the description of the deceased had been received from the area so far, police added. The bodies have been sent for post-mortem examination, while forensic teams were called to collect evidence from the spot.

Suspension of Hansraj student union office-bearers revoked

New Delhi, (GNS): Two days after students protested at Delhi University's Hansraj College over suspension notices issued to 30 students, a core disciplinary committee has revoked the suspension of four student union office-bearers. The committee held a meeting on Tuesday. "In view of the observations made by the Special Core Sub-Discipline Committee, after hearing the concerned students, and the recommendations made by the Students' Welfare & Discipline Committee, suspension of Office bearers of the Hansraj College Students' Union is hereby terminated," the notice stated. It added, "Students are advised to adhere to the SOP published by Hansraj College on its website failing which appropriate proceedings may be initiated as per the provisions".

The suspension of other students had been put on hold a day earlier, though a final notice on their cases is still awaited.

The college administration had suspended 30 students through five separate letters issued between April 20 and April 25. The reasons cited ranged from alleged violence and misconduct during the college fest to involvement in "acts of defaming the college through social media platforms".

"The core disciplinary committee held a meeting on Tuesday, and the suspended students were allowed to present their sides. Based on the minutes of the meeting, the decisions will be taken on Wednesday," a college official said.

At least 18 of the 30 students were suspended for a "serious incident of violence, misconduct and breach of discipline that occurred within the college premises during the Annual Fest on 8th and 9th April." The last two letters, dated April 23 and April 25, suspended 11 students.

The April 23 notice suspended seven students for alleged involvement in "acts of defaming the college through social media platforms and engaging in activities that have adversely affected the academic environment of the institution".

The final notice, issued on April 25, named the four office-bearers of the students' union-president, vice president, secretary and joint secretary.

Third accused in Uttam Nagar double murder case held in Rajasthan after four months

New Delhi, (GNS): Over four months after an alleged double murder by stabbing in southwest Delhi's Uttam Nagar, police have arrested the third and last remaining accused. Akash, 24, worked as a delivery executive, was nabbed from Rajasthan's Beawar. The deceased, Nizamuddin and Mohammad Sameer, as well as the accused, Nikhil, Sumit and Akash, were all residents of the same locality.

The incident took place in Kali Basti, where the trio allegedly attacked Nizamuddin and Sameer on Dec 21 last year. Nizamuddin was declared dead at the spot, while Sameer succumbed to injuries during treatment.

"Akash had been on the run since the incident and was later declared a proclaimed offender by a Dwarka court," said DCP (Dwarka) Kushal Pal Singh. Sumit and Nikhil were arrested earlier. A police officer said, "There was an old monetary dispute between the two groups that escalated over time". A special staff team of the Dwarka district received a tip-off about Akash's presence in Beawar. The officer added that he would occasionally attempt to contact his associates in Delhi, which alerted the cops to his phone activity. Akash allegedly confessed to his involvement in the incident. He had been living in Beawar with a friend and frequently changed phone numbers to evade arrest. He was previously involved in a case under the Delhi Excise Act.

'Our house feels like a gutter'

Sewer water flows through Delhi's Janakpuri taps

New Delhi, (GNS): A persistent foul stench in taps, rising illnesses and an alarming water crisis have pushed hundreds of residents in west Delhi's Janakpuri - many of them elderly - to the brink. With stomach infections, skin diseases and the unbearable odour taking over households, families are spending a hefty sum on bottled water for their daily needs.

For almost five months, residents say contaminated water - reeking like a drainage system - has been flowing through taps, filling homes with a smell so strong that many say their house "feels like a sewer line or



a gutter".

The elderly are worst hit. Several have reported repeated stomach infections; others battle skin rashes. "We're not even able to cook with this water," a 77-year-old resident said, adding that most house-

holds depend entirely on purchased drinking water, spending over Rs 100 daily.

Rajiv Paasi, a 62-year-old resident of BE Block who lives with his wife, son and daughter, said they have been facing this issue for years. But, while

the problem was occasional earlier, it has now become routine. Paasi said they have made every possible effort - filing complaints to approaching the area MLA, councillor, Delhi Jal Board officials and even IIT-Delhi - but nothing has been resolved.

When contacted, a DJB official acknowledged that a complaint about foul water had been received from BE Block. "The main cause was identified as a sewer in a surcharge condition, as the outfall of the BE Block sewer had settled. Work to replace the sewer has begun. In the meantime, regular flushing is being carried out to

manage the situation," said the official. Several old-time settlers have raised concerns about the health risks. Dr Suranjit Datta, 68, who has been living in the area for the past 20 years, said "the situation has never been this bad".

"The crisis has gone beyond inconvenience; this is about survival now. When water is filled in a bucket, it turns completely black. We bathe with dirty water and then rinse ourselves with filtered water. Even our RO filters are failing because the water quality is so poor," he said, adding that his wife, 66, has suffered from stomach infections twice.

Cong seeks immediate start of Tikri Border ISBT project, warns of protest

New Delhi, (GNS): The Congress on Wednesday stepped up pressure on the Delhi Government over delays in the proposed Tikri Border ISBT project, warning of protests if work was not initiated without further delay.

Senior Delhi Congress spokesperson Naresh Kumar submitted a memorandum to the Special Commissioner of Transport, Vishwender Singh, seeking the immediate execution of the long-pending project, which was announced in June 2024 as the Capital's fourth Inter-State Bus Terminal.

Kumar said that despite the formation of a new government in February 2025, no tangible progress had been made so far, calling the delay "unfortunate and unacceptable". He stressed that the project holds significant pub-



lic importance as it is expected to streamline the movement of interstate buses arriving from neighbouring states such as Haryana, Punjab, Rajasthan, Himachal Pradesh and Jammu & Kashmir.

Highlighting the current challenges, he pointed out that in the absence of a dedicated ISBT at Tikri Border, buses are forced to enter the city's interior areas, contributing to

traffic congestion and increasing inconvenience for commuters.

The Congress leader also said that he had earlier written to Chief Minister Rekha Gupta on April 24, following which the matter was forwarded to Transport Minister Pankaj Singh, who had assured action. However, Kumar alleged that no concrete steps had been taken so far.

Services on Magenta line affected for eight hours after signalling issue

New Delhi, (GNS): Services on Delhi Metro's Magenta Line from Botanical Garden to Kalkaji Mandir were disrupted for almost eight hours on Wednesday due to a signalling issue. Commuters shared videos on social media of crowded metro stations and trains on the affected section as trains ran at a restricted speed from 10.30am to 6pm.

"Train services between Kalkaji Mandir and Botanical Garden section of Magenta Line (Krishna Park Extension-Botanical Garden) were being regulated since 10.30am on Wednesday due to an issue in the signalling system in the section. As a result, trains were being run at a restricted speed in this section, resulting in minor bunching of trains," said Anuj Dayal, principal executive



director, Corporate Communications, Delhi Metro Rail Corporation.

DMRC officials said normal train services were available on the rest of the section of Magenta Line.

Many claimed that the ride on the Magenta Line took longer than usual. Aziz Ahmad, a commuter who boarded the metro from Jamia Millia Islamia said, "The metro didn't move at the boarding station for almost 15 minutes and made frequent stops midway.

Faridabad police arrest local leader in land grab, forgery case

New Delhi, (GNS): The Faridabad police have arrested a local leader in a land-grab and forgery case. He was produced in a city court today and remanded in police custody for two days. The case relates to plot number 71 in Sector 35, which has been under dispute for years. Mala Sharma, a Delhi resident, bought the plot. Soon after, the owner sold the same plot to Aman Goyal. The owner died during this period.

The police said Mala Sharma holds the original registry, while Aman Goyal was sold the land on a certified copy. Goyal allegedly tried to acquire the plot. The complainant then moved court. The case ran for years, with rulings from the Sessions Court to the High Court in her favour. The Supreme Court also ruled in her favour.

Mala Sharma later approached the police, alleging that Aman Goyal threatened her while claiming to be a



cabinet minister's nephew. An FIR was registered against him at the Sarai Khawaja police station about two months ago.

The police said Goyal prepared a fake backdated agreement in the name of his friend, Jitendra Parasar, to seize the plot. The document was issued in 2024 but showed proceedings dated 2023. "After investigation, we arrested Aman Goyal, said to be a political party leader. He will be produced in court and taken on remand for further questioning.

Justice Anupinder Grewal appointed National Company Law Tribunal President

New Delhi, (GNS): Justice (retd) Anupinder Singh Grewal, former Judge of the Punjab and Haryana High Court, has been appointed President of the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT), with the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet approving his appointment for a term of five years or till he attains the age of 67 years, whichever is earlier. Ordinarily, a former Chief Justice of a High Court is appointed as NCLT president. This is the first time a former senior judge has been appointed.

Born on March 10, 1964, in an agriculturist family from Ludhiana district, Justice Grewal comes from a distinguished background. His father retired as Chief Engineer, Punjab PWD (B&R), while his maternal grandfather was an IAS officer. He completed his schooling from St John's High School, Chandigarh, followed

by ISC from Yadavindra Public School, Patiala, in 1982. He graduated with B.A. (Hons) in History in 1985 and completed his M.A. (History) in 1987 from St Stephen's College, Delhi. He obtained his LL.B. degree from the University of Delhi in 1992.

Justice Grewal began his legal practice at the Punjab and Haryana High Court in 1992 and went on to represent the State of Punjab in various capacities. He served as Assistant Advocate General from 1995 to 1997, Deputy Advocate General from 1997, and was later re-designated as Senior Deputy Advocate General in 2002. He continued as such till 2005 before being appointed Additional Advocate General, Punjab.

He handled important matters relating to civil, constitutional, criminal, service and land acquisition laws, besides public interest litigation, for over 19 years on behalf of the State.

In November 2007, he was appointed Central

Government Counsel and later designated as Senior Panel Counsel in 2009 for conducting cases for the Union of India before the Punjab and Haryana High Court. He appeared in significant matters, including writ petitions challenging the vires of Central Acts, arbitration cases and service matters. Justice Grewal was also appointed amicus curiae by the High Court in several important cases, including proceedings concerning the validity of judicial orders pronounced without reasons or signatures.

He was elevated as an Additional Judge of the Punjab and Haryana High Court on September 25, 2014. Shortly thereafter, he was transferred to the Rajasthan High Court on December 19, 2014, where he was sworn in as a permanent Judge on May 20, 2016.