

Zoom Phone Now Available in India

Pune: Zoom Video Communications, Inc. (NASDAQ: ZM) today announced the launch of its industry-leading Zoom Phone in India, commencing with the availability of Zoom Phone service with native India phone numbers in the Maharashtra Telecom Circle (Pune). Zoom Phone brings multinational corporations (MNCs) with a domestic presence and homegrown companies unrivaled simplicity and modern functionality to their distributed hybrid workforce, as well as global native coverage in 50 countries and territories.

"Zoom's cloud PBX service meets the requirements of India's Unified Telecom license which requires building the dedicated local interconnection infrastructure in accordance with the regulatory requirements. This demonstrates Zoom's commitment to bringing a trusted service that our customers want," said Velchamy Santhosh, president of product and engineering, Zoom. "Globally, Zoom Phone saw continued expansion in the market, amassing five Zoom Phone customers with 100k+ seats in Q1 FY25, demonstrating our customers' trust in Zoom for critical employee and customer experience processes. Our latest offering reaffirms Zoom's leadership in delivering seamless cloud services on a global scale, enhanced by local investments to help ensure compliance and service excellence in every market, including India."

Maestro Realtek and GS Group Forge Strategic Partnership to Launch Wagholi High Street

A Landmark Commercial Project Set to Redefine East Pune's Commercial Real Estate Landscape

Pune: Maestro Realtek is delighted to announce its strategic partnership with GS Group for the launch of their latest commercial project, Wagholi High Street, located at the prime Wagholi Link Road. This collaboration aims to deliver a landmark commercial development at one of the most sought-after locations in Pune, further enhancing the overall growth and development of the area.

Wagholi High Street is spread across a sprawling 5.5-acre land parcel on the Wagholi Link Road and features five towers offering diverse commercial spaces, including shops, showrooms, and offices. The project is designed to provide a vibrant environment for businesses to expand and flourish. It is a comprehensive High Street equipped with state-of-the-art rooftop amenities such as a yoga lounge, business lounge, gaming zones, co-working spaces, and a café, making it a truly premium commercial destination.

Nitin Gupta, Founder and Managing Director of Ma-



estro Realtek, expressed his excitement about the partnership, stating, "Pune is one of the fastest-growing cities in India, and there is a pressing need for world-class commercial projects to support its development. Being associated with the GS Group to launch Wagholi High Street is a great honor. This project is expected to become a landmark in the commercial real estate sector, creating immense value for businesses and the city's overall growth."

Mahesh Satav, Founder and Managing Director of GS Group, said, "As Pune continues to evolve into a prominent city, it is our responsibility as developers to create exceptional commercial projects that drive further development and contribute to the prosperity of the region. Wagholi High Street is designed to provide businesses, entrepreneurs, and professionals with the ideal space to thrive. This project will not only enhance the area's infrastructure but also set a new standard for commercial developments in Pune."

Strategically located on the eastern side of Pune, along the Wagholi Link Road, the project boasts:

- Connectivity and Infrastructure: The area is set to benefit from the upcoming Metro Line, proposed infrastructure projects like a three-story flyover, the Ring Road, and the 120-ft Wagholi Link Road.
- Proximity to Major IT Hubs: The project's closeness to IT

Get Ready for the 38th Pune International Marathon!

Pune: The 38th Pune International Marathon, often dubbed the mother of marathons in India, is gearing up for an exciting debut this year on Sunday, December 1, 2024. The marathon will kick off bright and early at 3:00 AM from Hotel Kalpana and VishwaChowk at SanasMaidan, featuring a challenging 42.195 km course for both men and women.

Event Schedule

- 3:00 AM : Marathon (42.195 km) starts with a flag-off.
- *3:30 AM*: Half Marathon (21.0975 km) begins.
- *6:30 AM*: 10 km race starts.
- *7:00 AM*: 5 km race kicks off.
- *7:15 AM*: Wheelchair 3 km competition starts.

The marathon route will take participants through a scenic path starting from SanasMaidan, winding past notable landmarks like the Baburao Sans statue, MahalakshmiMandirChowk, and Khandoba Temple, Rajaram bridge, Nanded city before returning to the starting point.

Participation and Prizes
This year, more than 12,000 competitors* are expected to join the marathon festivities. The last date for entries is November 15, 2024, and registrations can be completed [www.marathonpune.com].

The Pune Municipal Corporation will award a total of Rs 35 lakh* in prizes, with special awards for the top three Indian runners in both the marathon and half-marathon categories.

International participation is also on the rise, with over 60 contestants* registered from countries like Ethiopia, Kenya, Tanzania, and Mauritius. Additionally, runners from various esteemed institutions such as the Army, Railway, Police, Army Sports Institute (ASI), Bombay Sappers, SRPF, and NDA will be present.

For this 38th Episode of PIM 2024 following prominent international Marathon runners, runners from Kargil & Ladakh (UT) have confirmed their participation.

SEF's Bansi-Ratna Charitable Welfare Trust Felicitates Stalwarts for Their Remarkable Contribution to Society

Pune: The Suryadatta Education Foundation's Bansi Ratna Charitable Welfare Trust honored stalwarts who have contributed tremendously to society with the 'Bansi-Ratna National Awards', given in memory of Ratanbai and Bansil Chordia. The first 'Bansi-Ratna Ideal Family National Award' was presented to Adv. SK Jain and his family, while the 'Bansi-Ratna Ideal Parents National Award' was given to the couple Ashabai and Ramanlal Lunkad.

Shobha Dhariwal received the 'Samaj Ratna' award, Papatil Ostad was honored with the 'Samaj Shiromani,' Subhash Lalwani received the 'Samaj Bhushan,' Manik Duggad was given the 'Guru Seva,' and Shekhar Mundada received the 'Manav Seva' National Award 2024. This marked the seventh year of the awards, which included a certificate of honor, a memento, and a special scarf designed by Suryadatta's students. Additionally, meritorious students from the Jain community who excelled in their 10th and 12th grades were honored with certificates of merit, gold medals, and mementos.

The program, held at the Shri Vardhaman Shwetambar Sthanakvasi Jain Shravak Sangh in Bibvewadi, was presided over by Acharya



Dr. Lokesh Munji. Notable attendees included veteran industrialist and social worker Vithalseth Maniyar, Air Marshal Bhushan Gokhale (Retd.), musician Abu Malik, B.K. Dashrath Bhai from Brahma Kumaris, Founder President of the Bansi-Ratna Charitable Welfare Trust Prof. Dr. Sanjay B. Chordia, Vice President Sushma Chordia, Associate Vice President Snehal Navlakha, Dr. Kimaya Gandhi, Digital Strategy Officer Siddhant Chordia, Chief Operating Officer Akshit Kushal, Director Prashant Pitalia, and Principal Ajit Shinde.

On the occasion, Vithalseth Maniyar expressed his gratitude and said, "Our parents' values, sacrifices, and dedication shape who we become. Society also plays a part in this. However, we can never truly repay the debt we owe to our parents. The real joy lies in being indebted to them. The initiative taken by Sushma and Sanjay Chordia to honor individuals who continue to do good work without forgetting their parents and society is commendable."

Acharya Dr. Lokesh Munji stated, "Each individual honored here has created a unique place in society. This award is a recognition of their service. Indian culture

Education Can Change Economic and Social Status

Pune: "The economic situation of construction workers is often dire. Despite this, many parents strive to educate their children. Therefore, children who have the opportunity to receive an education should make efforts to attain good education to change their own and their families' status.

If they build their careers through quality education, their economic and social status will change," advised Sunil Phulari, Special Inspector General of

Police (IGP) for the Kolhapur region, to the children of construction workers.

Phulari was speaking at honoring ceremony of the meritorious children of construction workers organized by the Builders Association of India (BAI) Pune Center.

The event took place at the Vishnukrupa Auditorium in Saturday Peth, and was attended by former Vice President of BAI's Western Region Ranjit More,

Pankaja Munde inaugurates 'Dhaga', an Exhibition organized by the Ramabai Ambedkar Women Empowerment Center Pune

Pune: Pankaja Munde, MLA & former minister of Maharashtra inaugurated the 'Dhaga', an exhibition organized by the Ramabai Ambedkar Women Empowerment Center Pune recently at the Golden Leaf Lawns near Mhatre Bridge on DP Road, Karvenagar, Pune. The exhibition featured diverse stalls showcasing handloom sarees, dress materials, kurtas, jewelry, bags, cosmetics, and food products.

Pankaja Munde remarked, "Until women become the economic backbone, they will not receive due honor. Therefore, women must strive for economic independence. I take satisfaction in having accomplished many good works for women while serving as the Minister for Rural Development and Women and Child Welfare.

Through self-help groups, women in rural areas are becoming

empowered. Such initiatives are also being implemented in urban areas. In rural areas, women repaying loans receive credit at zero percent interest; I will pursue similar facilities for urban areas with the government. The 'Local to Global' initiative must be implemented more effectively. Continuous efforts should be made to honor women's talents."

Prof. Dr. Medha Vishram Kulkarni stated, "The aim is to encourage women entrepreneurs by providing a platform for business growth. This 'Dhaga' strengthens the bond among entrepreneurs. The platform offers support for promoting women's products, entrepreneurship development workshops, information about schemes, business management, social me-

All India Jamaat-E-Salmani Community extends unconditional nationwide support to NCP (Ajit Pawar)

Pune: The All India Jamaat-E-Salmani community has announced its unconditional support for the Nationalist Congress Party (NCP) faction led by Ajit Pawar ahead of the upcoming Maharashtra Assembly elections, stated NCP Youth Wing national president Dheeraj Sharma in Pune.

The meeting of the All India Jamaat-E-Salmani community was held at the Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru Cultural Hall on Ghole Road. Along with Sharma, prominent attendees included Deepak Mankar, President of Pune NCP, AIJSS National President Advocate Zarif Ahmed Salmani, and other dignitaries.

"NCP is growing stronger as the Banjara community, the working class, and minority groups, including the Salmani community, are rallying behind Ajit Pawar," Sharma said. Pawar has aligned with the Mahayuti (BJP & Shiv Sena) on key development issues.

The Mahayuti government's various initiatives, including the Laddi Behen scheme, are gaining popularity among the people of Maharashtra. Therefore, the current political atmosphere being created

The Sakal Dhangar Samaj organized a dhol-sounding protest to demand the issuance of a Government Resolution (GR) for the implementation of Scheduled Tribe (ST) reservation



Pune: The Sakal Dhangar Samaj organized a dhol-sounding protest in Pune on Sunday, demanding that the government immediately implement the Scheduled Tribe (ST) reservation for the Dhangar Samaj in the upcoming cabinet meeting. After paying respects to the statue of Punyashlok Ahilyabai Holkar near Sarasbaug, members of the Dhangar samaj demanded the implementation of ST reservation. If the long-pending decision is not made, the Dhangar Samaj, known for its assertive nature, will not hesitate to withdraw support of Mahayuti government, warned coordinator Adv. Vijay Gofane.

Hundreds of Dhangar protesters from Pune and Pimpri-Chinchwad participated in the protest. Adv. Vijay Gofane, Somnath Devkate, Aniket Kavane, D. B. Naik, Madhusudan Barkade, Yogesh Kharat, Mahadev Waghmode, Vishnudas Gawde, Sunanda Gadade, Pintu Kokare, Bharat Gurav, Dr. Sudhakar Nhalde, Khandu Tambade, and other members of the Dhangar community were present.

Adv. Vijay Gofane said, "The Constitution has granted reservation to Dhangars under

New Integrated Facility of Tata Hitachi Dealership Indian Construction Machinery, was Inaugurated Today in Pune



Pune: Indian Construction Machinery Private Limited, an Authorized Dealership of Tata Hitachi, has set-up a state-of-the-art Integrated Facility for Sales, Service, Spare Parts,

and Machine Care in Pune to cater both Pune and Ahmednagar markets.

Mr. Sandeep Singh, Managing Director, Tata Hitachi, today Inaugurated this state-

Connecting Trust organized a 'Walkathon' to create awareness about Mental Health on the occasion of World Mental Health Day

Pune: A walkathon was organized on Sunday to promote better mental health at the workplace and raise awareness about mental health. The event started from Sambhaji Park on Jungli Maharaj Road, moving through Jungli Maharaj Road, Good Luck Chowk, Fergusson College, and Shirole Road, and returned to Sambhaji Park. This year, the theme for World Mental Health Day is 'Prioritizing Mental

Health at the Workplace.'

The walkathon, organized by Connecting Trust, was inaugurated by Arnava Damaniya, the founder and managing director of Connecting Trust, who flagged off the event. Present at the occasion were co-founder Sandy Dias, CEO Pranita Madkaikar, Shilpa Tambe, and others. More than 200 volunteers, along with aware citizens of Pune, participated in the event, holding various placards to raise awareness about mental health.

Arnava Damaniya stated, "Prioritizing mental health in the workplace is the need of the hour. Recognizing this

need, Connecting Trust has organized this walkathon to draw attention to this issue. Everyone should be vigilant about their mental health. For the past 20 years, Connecting Trust has been dedicated to preventing suicide and removing the stigma associated with mental health."

Connecting Trust is helping thousands of people through various programs, including creating peer support in high schools and colleges, providing a free helpline, email support, suicide survivor support, and the ability to communicate directly with the Connecting Trust institution, as stated by Shilpa Tambe.

