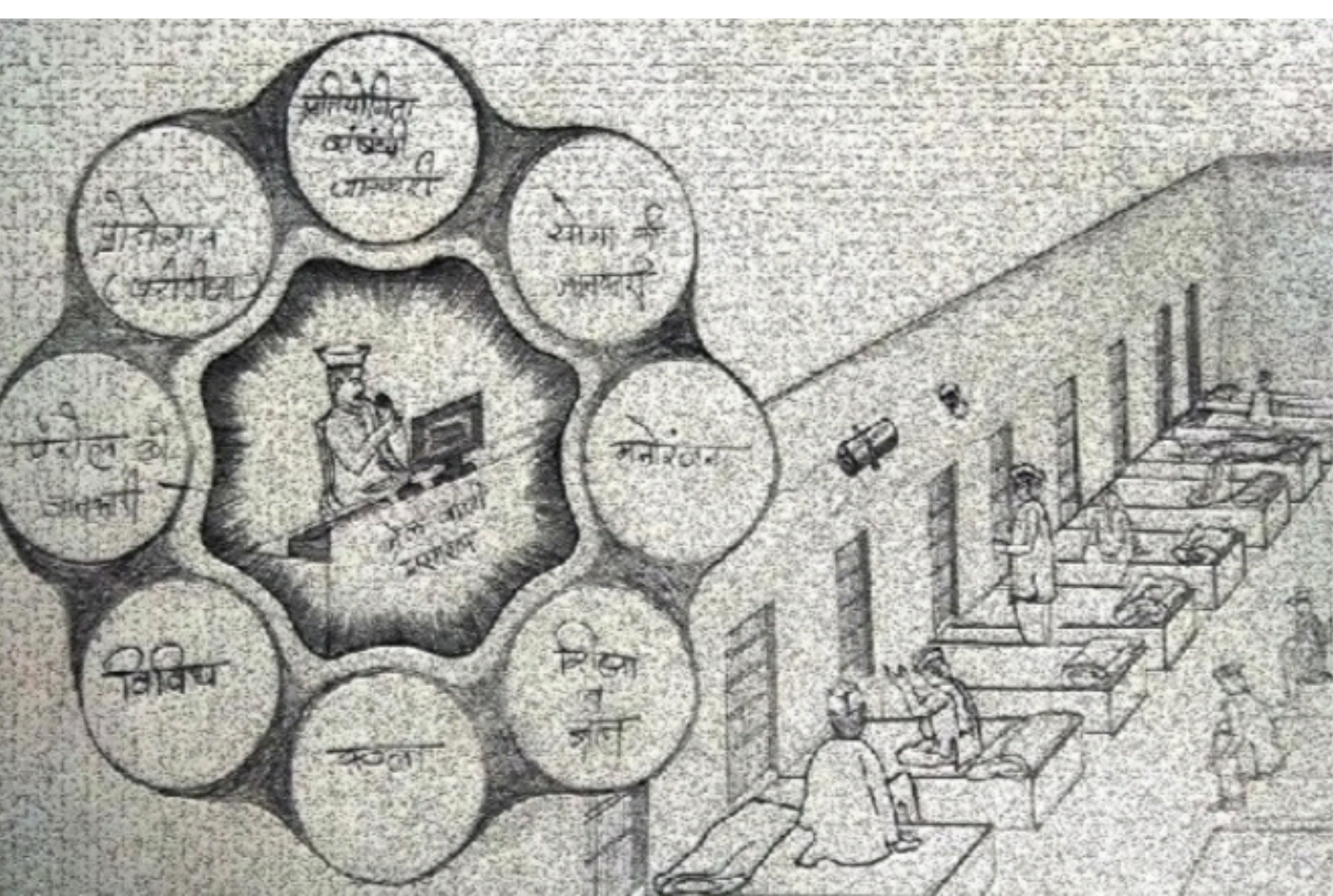


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Tinka Tinka Jail News

Panipat Jail



On 16 January, 2021, the state of Haryana launched its first prison radio in District Jail, Panipat. This is a new jail building equipped with modern infrastructure, which was built in 2020. Tinka Prison Radio in DJ, Panipat was inaugurated by **Shri Ranjeet Singh**, Jail Minister, Haryana, **Shri Rajeev Arora IAS**, ACS (Home & Jails), Government of Haryana, **Shri K. Selvaraj IPS**, Director General of Prisons, Haryana, **Shri Devi Dayal**, Superintendent, Panipat Jail and **Dr. Vartika Nanda**, Prison Reformer and Founder, Tinka Tinka Foundation (TTF).

Prison radio in Haryana is conceptualised and initiated by TTF.



**Inauguration of Panipat Jail Radio by
Ranjeet Singh, Jail Minister and K. Selvaraj (IPS), DGP, Haryana**

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“Selected inmates were given training by TTF to run programmes from the jail radio studio. Trained inmates were given radio production skill certificates.”

-Devi Dayal, Superintendent

हरियाणा की जेलों का होगा अपना जेल रेडियो

चंडीगढ़ (एसएनबी)। नए साल की शुरुआत में बंदियों के कल्याणार्थ उनके सकारात्मक ऊर्जा भरने व उनमें मुक्ति के लिए पनीपत की जिला जेल में प्रदेश के पहले जेल रेडियो स्टेशन का शुभारंभ किया गया। यह जेल हाल में निर्मित हरियाणा की सबसे नई जेल है। पनीपत जेल रेडियो का उद्घाटन जेल में बंसी रणवीर सिंह चौधरी द्वारा बंसी रणवीर सिंह के जरिए किया गया। मौके पर गृह सचिव राजीव अरोड़ा, जेल निष्पन्न के डीजी के सेल्मराज व तिनका तिनका फाउंडेशन एवं लेडी श्रीराम कलेज में पब्लिसिटी विभाग की अध्यक्ष डा. वरिष्का नेदा प्रमुख रूप से मौजूद थीं। बता दें कि दिसंबर 2020 में पनीपत, अंबाला व पनीपत जेल में जेल रेडियो के लिए बंदियों की ट्रेनिंग कराई गई थी। फाउंडेशन ने जेल रेडियो स्टेशन को शुरुआत में महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाई है। इस दौरान पनीपत जेल अपेक्षक देवी बाल, उप अपेक्षक ज्योति सिंह और जेल स्टफ उर्वरित रहा।

हरियाणा के जेल में बंसी रणवीर सिंह चौधरी ने कहा कि कारागार में जेल रेडियो शुरू करने का अद्भुत प्रयास जेलों को सुखरूप रखने की तरफ एक और अग्रणी कदम है। एसएस होम अरोड़ा ने कहा कि जेल रेडियो की वजह से जेलों में संघर्ष की कमी पूरी होगी व बंदियों को अपनी प्रीति दिखाने का अवसर मिलेगा। यह डीजी जेल के सेल्मराज ने कहा कि बहुत जल्द जिला जेल परीदावर और केडिय जेल अंबाला में भी जेल रेडियो शुरू कर दिए जाएंगे। इसके बाद हरियाणा की अन्य जेल पर भी इसे शुरू करना प्रस्तावित है।

डॉ. वरिष्का ने बताया कि जेल रेडियो में रोजाना एक घंटे का कार्यक्रम प्रसारित होगा। वे कार्यक्रम पूरी तरह से जेल की महिला बंदियों पर केंद्रित होगा। बंदी ही कलाकार होगी। प्रसारण में इस समय करीब 18 हजार बंदी जेलों में हैं। पनीपत जेल में फिलहाल 9-40 बंदी हैं। पहले प्रारण में पनीपत जेल के छह बंदियों को रेडियो जॉकी बनने का मौका मिलेगा। इनमें रेडियो जॉकी को टैलेंट व रेडियो स्किल ट्रेनिंग का सर्टिफिकेट भी दिया गया। पहले दिन बंदियों को उनकी ही अवाज में रिपोर्ट कायम करना था। बंदी बंधकों में ही रेडियो शुरू करके। पूरी तरह से जेल का आंतरिक रेडियो स्टेशन होगा। बंधकों के बाहर स्थावर लगाए गए हैं। रेडियो जॉकी रोजाना अपने अर्धघंटा सत्र करके। प्रेरक कहानी सुनाएंगे। फारमाल पर चल सुनाएंगे। बंदियों की तरफ से पूछे जाने वाले सवालों के जवाब देंगे। वे सवाल पत्रों के माध्यम से पूछे जाएंगे।

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Panipat jail becomes first in Haryana to have an in-house radio station

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KARNAL: Panipat district jail has become the first jail in Haryana to have its own radio station which will be operated and run by the inmates.

For this project namely 'Tinka Jail Radio', the jail authorities have selected five inmates out of 940 prisoners and undertrials lodged in the district jail.

Joginder Deswal, deputy superintendent of Panipat Jail, said that the project has been initiated by Tinka Tinka Foundation headed by Dr Vartika Nanda. The selected inmates have been given proper training to run daily programmes for the studio set up inside the jail

AIL AUTHORITIES HAVE SELECTED FIVE INMATES OUT OF 940 PRISONERS AND UNDERTRIALS LODGED IN THE DISTRICT JAIL.

Afghanistan national Nimatullah, who is in Panipat jail for illegal stay in India without a valid visa and is also facing a murder case in Pune, Maharashtra.

As per the officials from the jail, Nimatullah expressed his interest to become the RJ when the jail authorities took auditions of the prisoners.

read news in Hindi and Urdu to keep his fellow inmates updated.

Another RJ is Surender Gurjar, who is convicted in a murder case and has been in jail for the past two years. Gurjar belongs to Patti Kalyana village of Panipat district. He sings Haryanvi Ragini and he has also created a team of his assistants who can play instruments for the background music.

Suresh Kumar, also convicted in a murder case, is another RJ and belongs to Panipat district. Suresh was selected to entertain inmates by singing Haryanvi folk songs. Another RJ and artist Kashish Kumar is a guitarist and sings very well. As per the jail officials, Kashish sings Hindi songs and plays a guitar. He also

ent of Panipat Jail.

The fifth RJ is Sarwan Kumar of Panipat who is facing a murder case. He was included in the team following his interest in singing.

For the technical support, the district jail also has an IT expert Dinesh Kumar, an undertrial in a murder case. Dinesh has a B. Tech degree in computer science. Haryana DG prisons, K Selvaraj said that this is a good initiative that has been taken with the help of Tinka Tinka Foundation. He said that later it will be started in two more jails of Ambala and Faridabad. The officer said that the motive behind this initiative was to entertain, educate, inform and engage the prisoners in positive activities.

THE HINDU

Inmates tune into new talents with 'Jail Radio'

Some prisoners become radio jockeys at the in-house radio station, others play instruments

ANANDAPURAM

When Vartika Nanda, founder of Tinka Tinka Foundation, visited Panipat jail a week ago to talk to the inmates about the newly launched jail radio, an 80-year-old convict said to her that he was feeling elated for the first time ever since he was in jail.

"It was a very interesting conversation. He has been in prison for a long time. He said one day since he was working on a book on prison radio in 2009 when I approached the Haryana government. It was quite surprising that the jail had it, but Delhi's next-door neighbour district. This is how it started, and we decided not to use jail radio into phones," said Dr. Nanda.

collaboration with the state government.

"This is what we want," emphasized Dr. Nanda, referring to the conversation with the elderly convict. Though Dr. Nanda's journey as a prison reformer started almost a decade ago when she launched what is now the first in-house radio station in the country, she said she was inspired to contribute to society in a similar manner. Her association with Haryana jails is just two years old.

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In the first phase, three prisoners in Haryana - Panipat and Faridabad district jails and Ambala Central Jail - were taken up for the project and 'Jail Radio' was set up. Panipat was the first to get it on January 19 this year. It was followed by Faridabad on January 28 and Ambala on March 5.

"It is an in-house production run by the inmates. The programmes are broadcast from a studio inside the premises and reach to the inmates through speakers in the barracks. We mostly play Bollywood songs but also encourage them to present their own programmes

and had energy and passion didn't want anybody to come with a laptop," said Dr. Nanda. In just six days, these inmates were trained to take up their new role.

Dr. Nanda said the 'Jail Radio' was now a big hit and she was getting a list of requests from the inmates to be the "Radio Jockeys" in Panipat jail. The "Tinka Tinka" Foundation has also set up a library within the walls. Director General of Prisons, Haryana, K. Selvaraj, said the project was executed well and the government planned to extend it to all 19 jails in the State, except Patna and Rewari, which may be taken up later.

"The project is very useful in those times when we have to create awareness among the inmates. It also has an entertainment quotient. We plan to take up the jail radio in the next two phases," said Dr. Selvaraj.

With plans to take the project beyond Haryana to jails across the country, Dr. Nanda reflected that the always wanted to prove that if she did something with a pure heart, you always succeed, but she never expected

“We have recently released songs from Central Jail, Ambala and District Jail, Rohtak. The entire experiment has been a magical experience. All trained inmates have become an active part of Tinka Tinka Paathshala.”

- Dr. Vartika Nanda

TTF has released a number of songs from different jails of Haryana. Two songs (Central Jail, Ambala and District Jail, Rohtak) were shared and commented on by Union Health Minister, Dr. Harsh Vardhan on his various social media accounts in the year 2021.

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Panipat Jail Radio Room

Radio Room

The space was renovated and designed as a soundproof room with a soothing yet vibrant aesthetics. A collection of more than **5000** songs is available for the inmates' entertainment, along with studio equipment such as headphones, microphones, studio master, etc. to conduct radio programs.

Tinka Jail Paathshala

- **DOCUMENTATION:** A register is maintained by the jail's jockeys in which daily programming is documented.
- **JAIL SE CHITHI:** This segment contains letters written by inmates wherein they name the song they would like to listen to, along with their memories associated with that song. Playing such songs usually generates feelings of laughter, joy and nostalgia. This practice is a part of **Tinka Jail Paathshala**.
- **CONTENT:** Panipat Jail Radio runs 3 programs a day:

7.30am to 8.30am - "BHAKTI BHAVANA"
11am to 12pm - "JAIL SE CHITTHI"
3pm to 4pm - "INSE MILIYE"



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Tinka Jail Library

Date: 8 February, 2021

Tinka Jail Library was inaugurated by **Amit Sharma**, Chief Judicial Magistrate and Secretary District Legal Services Authority, **Devi Dayal**, Superintendent, DJ, Panipat and **Vartika Nanda**, founder, TTF .

“Radio station and the library together will improve the general prison environment. This will allow inmates to remain constructively engaged.”

-Devi Dayal, Superintendent



“This library will strengthen the radio too. We will encourage prisoners to read and review new books. Tinka Tinka is connecting the jails of the country through radio and books.”

-Dr. Vartika Nanda

Catalogue

- 1200 books (*general knowledge, sports, spirituality, poetry etc.*)
- 4 languages — *Hindi, English, Punjabi, and Urdu.*
- 4 inmates look after the library.

Who is Balveer?

Balveer Vishwakarma is a former convict. Son of a poor farmer, Balveer, has done only basic schooling. Unforeseen circumstances led him to jail at the age of 21. Balveer converted his situation into an opportunity and rediscovered his love for Arts. He is the recipient of the national Tinka Tinka India Award. Award.



Jail library and the walls are conceptualised and painted by former inmate, Balveer Vishwakarma

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Team of Panipat Jail Radio

1.	Devi Dayal	Superintendent, District Jail, Panipat
2.	Joginder Deswal	Deputy Superintendent
3.	Bhupinder Singh	Deputy Superintendent
4.	Yash Kumar	Assistant Superintendent
5.	Karambir Singh	S.A.S
6.	Vishal Vats	Jail Warder



Inmates



1	Dinesh	RJ and Technician	Under trial
2	Suresh	RJ and Reporter	Convict
3	Kashish Sharma	RJ and Guitarist	Under trial
4	Shravan Kumar	RJ	Under trial
5	Surender Singh	RJ	Under trial
6	Nimatullah	RJ	Under trial

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Song by Kashish, an Inmate


“ Tinka Jail Radio ye lekar aaya hai, nayi aashaye nayi umange saath laaya hai, jisko sunkar man mein khushiya cha jayengi, Panipat Jail Radio aavaj laya hai. Kuch naya sikhane ko yahan par he milega, kuch banne ka mauka bhi yahan par milega, soch badal jayegi tu khush ho jayga, Panipat Jail Radio aavaj laya hai. ”


21 year old Kashish is lodged in District Jail, Panipat for nearly two years now. He was one of the five inmates selected as a Radio Jockey in 2020. This was the first time that Kashish was recognised as RJ and a singer.

Reactions

 Vandana Sharma • 2 weeks ago
Keep it up dear. Be positive and motivated. A lot of love frm mumma an papa
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 Abhinav Yadav • 2 weeks ago
That's the most attractive characterstic of this initiative, to find the real diamonds from the place which an ordinary society considers as a room full of darkness. Congratulations to Kashish and also to the Tinka Tinka Prison Reforms Initiative. Best Wishes 🙏
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 RJ Shahid Shah • 2 weeks ago
my heartiest best wishes to talented RJ Kashish for his superb performance, it's really nice to hear you dear Kashish, keep rising above the ordinary and make a place in the sky, also I congratulate Dr. Vartika Nanda for your immense efforts to bring Kashish into the limelight, congratulations, your efforts are really honorable and very inspiring to us and everyone in the society.
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 Shankar Kumar • 2 weeks ago
What an icon, and how appropriately can Nelson Mandela's name be used to keep afloat strings of hope and positivity among jail inmates anywhere on the globe. Salutations to Vartika Nanda and all else associated with this solemn job of kindling hope and positive aspirations among the jail inmates. Keep up the good work VN.
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kanha ji all dress: Good effort kashish bhaaiya congratulations for accomplishment and hard work

Arti Singh: RJ kashish खूबसूरत प्रसूति

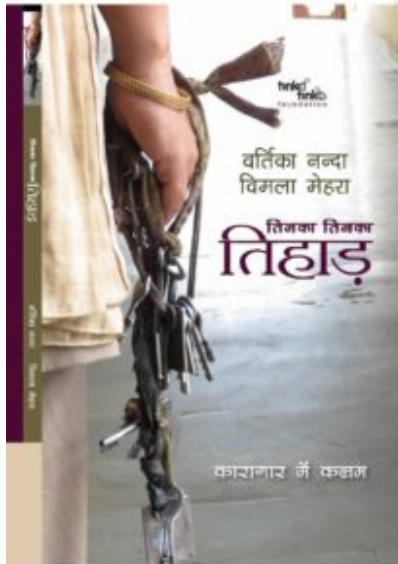
Arit Singh: नेल्सन मंडेला जी की जन्मजयंती पर उनकी स्मृति को कोटि-कोटि नमन 🙏

Rahil Khan: Kashish is an inspiration to the world and encourages humanity to never lose hope even in the darkest of times! #vartikananda #tinkatinka #tinkajailradio #prisonradio

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