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Speed Up Development of Pharma City in Hyderabad



Well-known pharma companies have already shown interest in investing in the Pharma City

CM Revanth Reddy urged officials to expedite Pharma City's development in Mucherla, Hyderabad.

He emphasized using advanced technology and creating a pollution-free environment.

Pharma City will focus on drug manufacturing, biotech, R&D, and a dedicated university.

CM directed officials to develop infrastructure and involve affected local farmers as stakeholders.

TPN, Telangana: Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy on Monday directed officials to expedite the development of the Greenfield Pharma City on the outskirts of Hyderabad. The Chief Minister urged officials to develop Pharma City in the already selected area of Mucherla, within the limits of Rangareddy and Mahabubnagar districts. He emphasized the use of the latest advanced technology in the world for the development of the Pharma City in Hyderabad.

Reddy instructed officials to take all necessary measures to create a pollution-free cluster and ensure that people living in nearby areas do not face any inconvenience. He noted that well-known pharma companies have already expressed interest in

investing in Pharma City, and the government plans to hold a meeting with prospective investors soon.

The Chief Minister emphasized promoting Pharma City as a one-stop destination for the establishment of drug manufacturing, biotech, and life sciences companies. The Pharma City will serve as a hub for manufacturing antibiotics, fermentation products, synthetic drugs, chemicals, vitamins, vaccines, drug formulations, nutraceuticals, herbal medicinal products, specialty chemicals, cosmetics, and other related products.

Additionally, the Pharma City will prioritize Research and Development (R&D) with plans to establish a special university dedicated to research,

training, and skill development. The Chief Minister suggested introducing specialized courses in the healthcare and pharma sectors to create more employment opportunities.

Revanth Reddy instructed officials to focus on developing infrastructure facilities, including roads, safe drinking water networks, electricity, drainage systems, and other essential services, at the proposed Pharma City as soon as possible. He also asked for an assessment of future infrastructure needs and urged officials to devise plans to ensure rapid progress in these developments.

The Chief Minister further directed officials to make local residents, particularly farmers who lost their land during the acquisition process,

stakeholders in the Pharma City project and to prepare plans to include them.

The Chief Minister held a detailed meeting with state IT and Industries Minister D. Sridhar Babu and top officials on the development of Pharma City in Hyderabad.

Key officials present at the meeting included Chief Secretary Santhi Kumari, Special Chief Secretary to the Industries Department Jayesh Ranjan, TSIC MD Vishnuvardhan Reddy, Adviser to the CM Vem Narender Reddy, Adviser to the Government (Infrastructure) Srinivasaraju, Principal Secretary to the CM Seshadri, Special Secretary to the CM Ajith Reddy, and Ranga Reddy District Collector Shashank.

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Town Planning Should Be Under HYDRA's Control Every Plan Approval Must Have HYDRA's Stamp

TPN, Telangana: The actions of the Hyderabad Disaster Response and Asset Protection Agency (HYDRA) are raising many questions. Ordinary people often don't know the exact locations of ponds, buffer zones, or TFL (Transfer of Development Rights) areas in Hyderabad. When buying a plot or flat, they rely on location-based growth prospects, price, and the reputation of the builder. But what happens if HYDRA steps in after the purchase? There needs to be a clear solution to protect buyers. Many experts are suggesting measures to protect buffer zones, TFL areas, prevent encroachments, and safeguard those who have invested their lifetime savings in properties.

HYDRA, established under Chief Minister Revanth Reddy's directive, has quickly become a significant force in Hyderabad's urban management. This agency is tasked with demolishing illegal constructions, protecting government properties, managing flood control, and addressing issues such as unauthorized advertisements and hoardings. HYDRA's aggressive stance has attracted both attention and debate.

Since its formation, HYDRA has focused on removing unauthorized structures, regardless of their history or previous



approvals. One of its most high-profile actions was the swift demolition of Tollywood actor Nagarjuna's N-Convention Center, a facility long surrounded by legal disputes. Within hours of HYDRA's intervention, the site was razed, generating media buzz and sparking discussions about the agency's methods. Another notable case involved the removal of encroachments at the Madapur lime pond, which led to public protests and political backlash due to the speed and scale of the demolitions.

However, HYDRA's actions have not been without controversy. Allegations of selective enforcement have surfaced, particularly from the BJP, which accuses HYDRA of targeting less influential

structures while ignoring more prominent establishments tied to influential figures, such as Owaisi College. These claims suggest that HYDRA's actions may be politically motivated, rather than purely regulatory, raising concerns about the fairness of its approach.

HYDRA's mission goes beyond demolition, focusing also on holding officials accountable for permitting illegal constructions. Commissioner Ranganath emphasized that the agency will target both physical violations and regulatory lapses, aiming to address systemic issues within the city's planning framework. While this commitment is welcomed by some, it raises concerns about the impact on officials who approved such structures, potentially leading to major upheavals within regulatory bodies.

The agency's operations have sparked political debates and scrutiny, with some questioning whether HYDRA's aggressive actions serve its stated goals of urban management and public safety, or if they are politically motivated. The rapid pace of enforcement has fueled speculation about the true objectives behind HYDRA's activities. This underscores the need for HYDRA to maintain transparency and consistency in its operations to earn public trust.

Telangana Receives Award for Crime Analysis Module Development



TPN, New Delhi: Telangana has been honored with an award from the Ministry of Home Affairs for its significant contributions to the development of the Crime Analysis Module under the Samanvaya Platform. The award, presented by Union Home Minister Amit Shah at the 1st Foundation Day celebration of the Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (I4C) held at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi, was received by Shikha Goel, Director of the Telangana Cyber Security Bureau.

The accolade recognizes Telangana's pivotal role in advancing crime analysis by integrating data, establishing crime links, and identifying criminal networks. This initiative has significantly enhanced law enforcement coordination across the country. The recognition underscores the state's commitment to modernizing crime detection and prevention systems.

The award also acknowledges the efforts of the Telangana Cyber Security Bureau, led by Shikha Goel, and supported by Devender Singh, SP, and their team. Their work on developing the Crime Analysis Module and enhancing the Samanvaya Platform has been instrumental in strengthening cybercrime coordination and analysis.

Dr. Jitender, DGP of Telangana, congratulated Shikha Goel, Devender Singh, and the entire team for their well-deserved recognition. He praised their contributions to improving cybercrime management and coordination throughout India.



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Experts are suggesting a solution that all property approvals should be mandated to carry HYDRA's stamp. Buyers would then only purchase properties with this certification, providing them with security and assurance.

To combat corruption and manipulation, they propose that all town planning authorities and departments, currently under municipalities or corporations, be merged with HYDRA. By consolidating town planning under HYDRA's control, it could ensure better oversight, reduce corruption, and ultimately protect the investments of ordinary citizens.

Bandi Sanjay's Letter to Rail Minister for Karimnagar-Hasanparthi Railway Line



Appeal to upgrade Uppal Railway Station

Request for Dakshin Express stop at Jammikunta

Appeal to improve infrastructure at respective railway stations

TPN, Telangana: Union Minister of State and Telangana BJP leader Bandi Sanjay has written a letter to Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnav, urging him to approve the new railway line between Karimnagar and Hasanparthi. He also requested the upgrade of Uppal Railway Station and asked for the Dakshin Express to make a stop at Jammikunta.

Bandi Sanjay highlighted that the proposed 61.8 km railway line from Karimnagar to Hasanparthi is estimated to cost Rs. 1,415 crores, with the Detailed Project Report (DPR) already prepared. He mentioned that the matter is currently pending before the Railway Board and requested immediate approval.

He emphasized that the completion of this new railway line would significantly benefit the people of Karimnagar Parliamentary Constituency. It would improve trade connectivity between Karimnagar and Warangal, leading to the development of both regions.

In addition, Bandi Sanjay urged the railway authorities to improve the infrastructure at railway stations and expand parking facilities. He also requested enhancements to the ticket counters and the luggage management system.

Tamil Hero Announces Donations to Flood Victims in Telugu States

TPN, Telangana: It is well-known that several Tollywood celebrities have come forward to support the flood victims in the Telugu states. Many stars have announced generous donations, displaying their compassion. Recently, Tamil hero Simbu has also stepped up to help the flood victims in both Telugu states by donating Rs. 6 lakhs.

In this challenging situation, Simbu became the first hero from Kollywood to respond with a contribution. Simbu is a familiar face to Telugu moviegoers, as many of his films have entertained audiences in the Telugu-speaking regions.

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Deputy CM Calls for GST Reduction on Health Insurance Premiums

TPN, Telangana: Telangana Deputy Chief Minister and Finance Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka has proposed a significant reduction in the Goods and Services Tax (GST) rate on health insurance premiums. During the recent GST Council meeting, chaired by Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, Vikramarka advocated for lowering the GST on health insurance premiums from the current 18% to 5% across all age groups.

Accompanied by SAM Rizvi, Principal Secretary of the Revenue Department, Vikramarka highlighted the need to ease the financial burden on middle and lower-middle-class families, especially senior citizens, who are grappling with rising medical expenses. "The government has a responsibility to ensure that quality healthcare is accessible and affordable for all," Vikramarka said, emphasizing the need to make health insurance more attainable for citizens.



In addition to the health insurance proposal, Vikramarka also called for the exemption of GST on research grants or donations received from both government and private entities. He recommended the formation of a Group of Ministers (GoM) to further investigate these issues and devise a future action plan. He also expressed his willingness to be part of this proposed GoM.

Addressing the Compensation Cess

The Deputy Chief Minister also raised the issue of the compensation cess. He suggested that once the loan amount borrowed by states is settled, the cess should be incorporated into the State Goods and Services Tax (SGST) component, as the compensation cess was initially designed to support state finances.

Additionally, regarding the recovery of excess ad hoc IGST apportionment, Vikramarka pointed out that Telangana originally received an allocation of 4.02% based on 2015-16 revenue data. However, the recovery rate is now being adjusted to 5.07% using a revised formula. To address this, Vikramarka proposed the creation of a Committee of Officers (CoO) to analyze the situation and develop a comprehensive recovery formula. The Council agreed to this suggestion and has instructed the CoO to submit its findings within one month for review in the next GST Council meeting.

Kondareddypalli Set to Become Telangana's Solar Model Village



TPN, Telangana: In a significant move towards sustainable energy, Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy has initiated a project to transform Kondareddypalli into a model

solar village. To kick off this ambitious plan, a comprehensive house-to-house survey is now underway.

The project has garnered attention from top officials, including Mr. Musharraf Farooqui, Chairman and Managing Director of Dakshina Telangana Electricity Distribution Company, Nagar Kurnool District Collector Mr. B. Santhosh, and Redco Vice Chairman and Managing Director Mrs. Anila. Mr. K. Ramulu, Director of the company, along with other key departmental officials, also visited the village to oversee the preliminary phase.

During their visit, the officials engaged

with local residents, farmers, and public representatives to explain the details and benefits of the solar project. Kondareddypalli, which serves 1,451 consumers—encompassing 499 domestic, 66 commercial, 867 agricultural, and other categories—was chosen for this pilot project to promote the increased use of solar power within the state.

The house-to-house survey aims to assess the village's current energy needs and solar capacity requirements. Once completed, the survey results will help in determining the appropriate amount of solar power needed, guiding the next steps in implementing the solar initiative effectively.

High Court Orders Fresh Mop-Up Round for Engineering Admissions

TPN, Hyderabad: In a significant ruling, the Telangana High Court on Monday directed authorities to conduct a fresh mop-up round of counselling for engineering admissions for the 2024-25 academic year. This decision, made by a division bench comprising Chief Justice Alok Aradhe and Justice J. Sreenivas Rao, overturned an earlier order by a single judge and comes as a major relief to private engineering colleges.

The ruling was issued in response to appeals filed by several private engineering institutions that had contested the government's refusal to approve their request for additional seats. The colleges sought to increase the intake for the

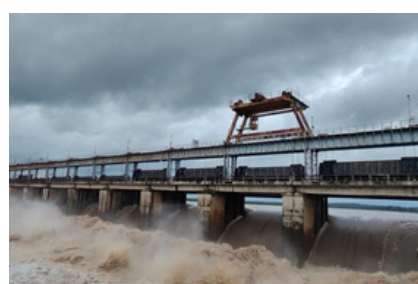
B.Tech Computer Science Engineering (CSE) course by merging 60 seats from other branches, along with an additional 120 seats approved for spot admissions by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) and Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University (JNTU).

This decision is expected to benefit private engineering colleges by allowing them to expand their intake capacities, particularly in high-demand courses like B.Tech-CSE. The fresh counselling round will provide students with additional opportunities for admission, while also addressing the growing demand for CSE seats across the state.

Godavari Water Level Crosses 47 Feet at Bhadrachalam

TPN, Telangana: The water level of the Godavari River is rising rapidly at Bhadrachalam due to heavy rains in the upper catchment areas. As a result, the water level has crossed 47 feet. Officials anticipate that the water level may reach 48 feet by this evening, which would trigger the issuance of a second danger warning.

The first emergency alert was issued today at 7:30 AM when the water level reached 43 feet. With the floodwaters continuing to rise, it is expected that



the second danger warning will be issued later in the day. Since yesterday morning, the water level has increased by more than 20 feet.

Officials from the Central Water Resources Department have indicated that the water level may rise further due to continued flooding from upstream areas. With the Godavari River rising and the Sabari tributary overflowing in the lower regions, traffic to Polavaram flood zones in Andhra Pradesh has been halted.

Sitaram Yechury's Health Condition Critical: CPM Statement



TPN, Telangana: CPI(M) National General Secretary Sitaram Yechury's health condition is critical, according to a statement released by the party. The 72-year-old Yechury was admitted to AIIMS with an acute respiratory infection and is currently being treated in the ICU.

The statement from the party's central office mentioned that Yechury is on a ventilator, with AIIMS doctors closely monitoring his condition. It was revealed that Yechury had been admitted to AIIMS on the 19th of last month due to lung-related issues.



KTR Slams CM Revanth Reddy Over Loan Waiver Failures

BRS Working President K.T. Rama Rao (KTR) has sharply criticized Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, accusing him of failing to deliver on his promises regarding loan waivers. KTR's remarks came in response to reports from Pentlavelli village in Nagarkurnool district, where none of the 499 farmers who applied for loan waivers received any relief.

KTR described Pentlavelli as "living proof" of the Chief Minister's false claims about the completion of the loan waiver program. He questioned how the Chief Minister could boast about the program's success when no loans were waived for any of the farmers in the village. This situation, according to KTR, represents a significant fraud and failure to fulfill promises made to the farming community.

The BRS leader demanded an explanation from Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, who had set deadlines from December to August 15 for the completion of the loan waiver process. KTR challenged Reddy to justify why the promised waivers had not been granted, despite repeated assurances. He expressed skepticism about the Chief Minister's sincerity, highlighting the discrepancy between the claimed 100% completion and the reality of zero waivers.



Farmers in Pentlavelli have been vocal about their grievances, staging a dharna in front of the Primary Agricultural Cooperative Society (PACS) office on Monday. Despite their repeated visits and requests over the past month, they received no response from the authorities. The lack of action has intensified their frustration and underscored the perceived failure of the loan waiver initiative.

KTR's criticism underscores the growing discontent among farmers and the opposition's scrutiny of the government's promises and performance. The situation in Pentlavelli has become a focal point in the debate over the effectiveness and honesty of the loan waiver program.

AICC Appoints Key Election Observers and War Room Chairpersons

TPN, Telangana: In a significant move ahead of the state assembly elections, the All India Congress Committee (AICC) convened a crucial meeting in Delhi, chaired by AICC President Mallikarjun Kharge. The meeting focused on strategic planning for the upcoming elections in Jharkhand, Maharashtra, Haryana, and Jammu and Kashmir.



During the meeting, several key appointments were announced. The AICC designated observers for the Lok Sabha constituencies in Jharkhand and Maharashtra. Specifically, the observers for Jharkhand, which has 14 Lok Sabha constituencies, and for Maharashtra, which has 48 Lok Sabha constituencies, were appointed to oversee election activities and ensure effective management.

Leaders from the Telugu states were appointed

as AICC election observers for various constituencies. Gidugu Rudraraju will oversee the Beed constituency in Maharashtra, while Suresh Shetkar will focus on Nanded. Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy has been assigned to Chandrapur, and Kusumakumar will observe Shirur. Kota Neelima will monitor Amaravati, Bellaiah Naik will handle Gadchiroli-Chimur, and Mallu Ravi will be responsible for Yavatmal-Wasim.

In addition, Santosh Kolkunda, General Secretary of Yuvajana Congress, was appointed as Chairman of the Jharkhand "War Room". Dr. Vamsi Chander Reddy will head the Maharashtra "War Room". These appointments are part of the AICC's strategic efforts to ensure a well-coordinated and effective election campaign across these important states.

Danam Nagender Criticizes BRS Amid Party Defection Controversy

TPN, Hyderabad: Khairatabad MLA Danam Nagender, who recently transitioned from the BRS to the Congress party, made bold statements in an interview with 'ABN-Andhra Jyoti'. His comments come in response to the High Court's directive to resolve issues regarding BRS MLAs who have changed parties.



Nagender also questioned past decisions made during KCR's tenure, particularly why Akbaruddin Owaisi was appointed as the PAC Chairman and why the deputy speaker's position was not given to the opposition. He accused the BRS of engaging in diversionary tactics to deflect criticism and charged them with mishandling state finances.

Nagender questioned whether BRS views party defections as "adultery" if similar actions are taken by others. He challenged the BRS to clarify their rules and criticized them for lacking the moral authority to address disqualification matters. According to Nagender, KCR was responsible for initiating defections, undermining the BRS's position.

Additionally, Nagender criticized KTR for allegedly going abroad to hide embezzled funds and expressed doubts about the integrity and loyalty of BRS MLAs. He suggested that many within the BRS are uncertain about their positions and future, reflecting internal instability.

Prashant Reddy Questions Arikepudi's Appointment: Sridhar Babu Responds

TPN, Telangana: A war of words has erupted between the ruling Congress and the opposition BRS over the appointment of Serilingampally MLA Arikepudi Gandhi as the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) Chairman. MLA Vemula Prashant Reddy pointed out that traditionally, this position has been given to the opposition.



He questioned how the post could be assigned to an MLA who defected to the ruling party. He further alleged that the position was given to Arikepudi to prevent the opposition from highlighting the government's shortcomings.

Prashant Reddy also mentioned that Harish Rao, a senior leader in his party, had said they would reject the nomination for this post. He demanded to know why the election for the PAC Chairman position had not been held, despite receiving four nominations. He criticized the move, asking how Arikepudi could take the post when the Congress had previously embraced him. He also recalled that Congress MP KC Venugopal was appointed as PAC Chairman in the Lok Sabha.

Reddy questioned whether Congress had one set of rules in Delhi and another in Telangana, and why Rahul Gandhi, who claims to defend the constitution, remained silent on the issue. He further noted that the petition to disqualify MLAs who switched parties is still with the Speaker and criticized the appointment while

the matter remains unresolved. He demanded an explanation for the ruling party's fear if Harish Rao wanted to join PAC. Revanth Reddy also criticized this as an example of "Shikhandi politics."

Minister Sridhar Babu's Response:

Minister Sridhar Babu responded to the opposition's criticism over the appointment of the PAC Chairman. He clarified that the appointment was made following the rules of the Legislative Assembly and noted that Arikepudi Gandhi is now a BRS MLA. He emphasized that if there were differences of opinion within BRS, it was unrelated to the Congress.

Sridhar Babu added that their responsibility is to run the government efficiently, and reminded the opposition that the people had strongly supported the BRS party in both the assembly and Lok Sabha elections. He also said that the BRS has no moral right to lecture on the spirit of the constitution, given their actions.

Maheshwar Reddy Questions Congress's Integrity On PAC Chairman

TPN, Telangana: BJP Legislative Party leader A Maheshwar Reddy has criticized the Congress government's decision to appoint Serilingampally MLA Arikepudi Gandhi, who defected from the BRS party, as Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) in the Telangana Assembly. Reddy argued that this move violates long-standing democratic traditions, where the post of PAC chairman is typically given to a member of the Opposition.



In a press conference, Reddy questioned how the Congress could appoint an MLA who switched from the opposition to the ruling party to such a critical position. He claimed that this decision undermines parliamentary customs and the spirit of democracy. "By breaking this tradition, the Congress has lost the trust of the people," Reddy remarked.

The BJP leader further accused Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy of taking unilateral decisions and disregarding established rules and norms. He alleged that, despite opposition from senior Congress leaders, the Chief Minister has been actively encouraging defections from opposition parties. Reddy pointed to Congress leader Ponnabhai Prabhakar's

approval of the High Court's decision on the MLA defection case, suggesting that several Congress members are not in favor of such defections.

Reddy's criticism reflects the BJP's stance that the Congress is eroding democratic practices by promoting political opportunism, particularly in the appointment of key positions like the PAC chairman. The BJP has expressed concerns that such moves may further alienate the public and damage the credibility of the Congress-led government in Telangana.

CPI Leader Narayana Calls for Official Celebration of Telangana Merger Day

TPN, Telangana: CPI National Secretary Narayana has called for September 17 to be officially recognized as Telangana Merger Day. In a media briefing on Tuesday, Narayana criticized the previous government for not celebrating the occasion due to apprehensions about the Majlis party. He urged the current Chief Minister Revanth Reddy to officially mark the day and end this practice of neglect.

Narayana also addressed the recent heavy floods affecting the Telugu states, highlighting the damage caused to property. He questioned the response of the so-called "double engine" government in Andhra Pradesh, which has sought national disaster status from the central government and called for funds. He argued that Telangana should receive similar support, even though it does not have a BJP government.

In addition, Narayana called for a judicial investigation into the case involving Satyavedu MLA, urging a probe into the parties responsible for the issues at hand.

Regarding the health of Sitaram Yechury, Narayana expressed concern, describing Yechury as a symbol of the left-wing movement. He wished Yechury a swift recovery and acknowledged his significant contributions to the movement.

BJP MLA Payal Shankar Criticizes HYDRA for Handling of Pond Encroachments

TPN, Telangana: BJP MLA Payal Shankar has criticized the Hyderabad Disaster Response and Assets Monitoring Protection (HYDRA) for failing to address significant encroachments on ponds by major real estate companies. Speaking to the media, Shankar expressed frustration over HYDRA's focus on demolishing smaller encroachments while ignoring larger offenders involved in extensive property violations.

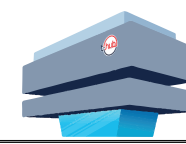
Shankar highlighted that 25 ponds in Hyderabad, transferred to developers under the previous gov-

ernment, have been compromised by construction projects, including roads built over these water bodies. He questioned why HYDRA has not taken action against these large-scale violations or disclosed any notices issued to properties like Fatima College, which was constructed on a pond.

The MLA accused the current government of neglecting the poor and criticized HYDRA for its selective enforcement. He announced plans to visit each pond with fellow MLAs to present their findings to HYDRA and stated that if no action is taken, he

will pursue legal recourse through the high court.

Additionally, Shankar pointed out procedural issues, such as missing signatures from irrigation officials in the pond management records, and called for accountability among corrupt officials. He suggested that influential real estate companies may have influenced the previous government's decisions and expressed skepticism about the effectiveness of the current HYDRA Commissioner.



TPN Hyderabad : The Sixteenth Finance Commission has expressed strong admiration for Telangana's urban development progress, highlighting the state as a leader in this field. Chairman Arvind Panagariya, a distinguished economist, noted the Commission's approval of Telangana's ambitious roadmap for urban development,

which sets it apart from other states. During a two-day review session at the Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Praja Bhavan, Panagariya acknowledged that while rural development has traditionally been prioritized in India, Telangana has successfully brought urban development to the forefront. Although urban development is not directly within the Finance

Sixteenth Finance Commission Praises Telangana's Urban Development

Commission's purview, the state's initiatives have left a notable impression.

In response to media queries, Panagariya discussed various requests made by the Telangana government, including an increase in the devolution of the divisible tax pool from 41 percent to 50 percent. The Commission is still deliberating on these requests and has indicated that final recommendations will take time.

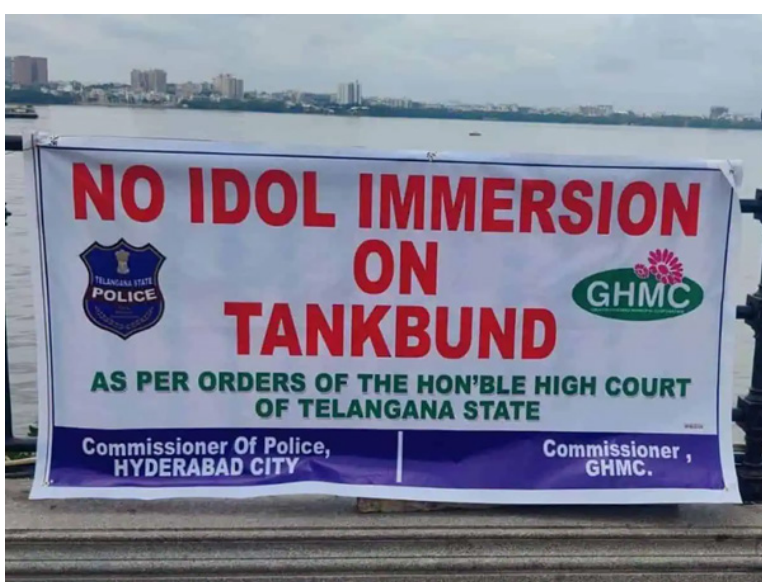
The Commission's visit to Telangana is part of a broader review, which has already included Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh, Punjab, Rajasthan, and Karnataka. The Commission plans to visit 22 more states before finalizing its recommendations for tax revenue distribution from 2026-27 to 2030-31.

Addressing concerns about cesses and surcharges collected by the Central government, Panagariya stated that surcharges are not included in the divisible tax pool and suggested that

resolving these issues may require a Constitutional amendment.

Panagariya also emphasized the Commission's focus on fiscal federalism, including the equitable distribution of tax revenues between the Union and the states. The Commission is considering the state's requests for restructuring existing liabilities, extending fresh loans, and providing additional incentives for high-performing states like Telangana and Karnataka.

Hyderabad Bans Ganesh Idol Immersion at Tank Bund



TPN Hyderabad : Ahead of Ganesh Visarjan on Monday, September 16, the Telangana police have announced a ban on the immersion of Ganesh idols at Tank Bund. This decision follows orders from the High Court of Telangana State, which has prohibited the immersion of Plaster of Paris (PoP) idols in Hussain Sagar Lake. To accommodate the immersion, the police have set up heavy cranes for use at NTR and PV Marg necklace roads. Meanwhile, the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) has prepared 73 portable immersion ponds across the city to ensure an eco-friendly process. These include 27 "baby ponds" inside lakes, 24 portable prefabricated water tanks, and 22 excavated ponds, catering to idols ranging from 2 to 6 feet in height.

In light of these arrangements, Hyderabad traffic police have issued a travel advisory with significant traffic diversions from September 10 to September 16, focusing particularly on routes near Necklace Road (P.V.N. Marg). Traffic will be restricted and rerouted as follows: Sailing Club 'T' Junction: Traffic from Karbala Maidan towards Upper Tankbund will be diverted at Sailing Club to Kavadiguda Cross Roads. Liberty/Khairatabad Routes: Vehicles should use Kavadiguda Cross Roads, DBR Mills, Vaartha Lane, Swimming Pool, Banda Maisamma, Dharana Chowk, Indira Park X Roads, RK Math, Katta Maisamma Junction, Ambedkar Statue, or Telugu Talli Flyover. VV Statue: Traffic from Panjagutta and Raj Bhavan towards NTR Marg will be redirected towards Shadan College and Lakdi Ka Pool.

Telugu Thalli Junction: Traffic from Ambedkar Statue towards NTR Marg will be diverted at Telugu Thalli Junction. Telugu Thalli Flyover: Traffic from Iqbal Minar towards Secunderabad will be rerouted to the Telugu Thalli Flyover and Katta Maisamma Temple. DBR Mills: Traffic from Katta Maisamma Temple will be redirected towards DBR Mills and Kavadiguda X Road. Kavadiguda X Road: Traffic from Musheerabad/Jabbar Complex will be redirected at Kavadiguda X Road. Nallagutta Bridge: Traffic from Minister Road will be diverted at Nallagutta Bridge towards Karbala. These measures are intended to manage the high volume of traffic and ensure smooth proceedings during the Ganesh Visarjan celebrations.

Sangareddy Police Seize 140 Kg of Ganja, Arrest Key Suspects

TPN Sangareddy: On Monday, Sangareddy police intercepted a major drug trafficking operation on NH-65 near Anand Dhaba under the Chiragpally police station limits. They seized 140 kg of dry ganja while it was being transported from Karnataka to Maharashtra.

The police arrested two suspects: Lakhan (28) from Maharashtra and Siddiram (29) from Karnataka. During a press briefing on Tuesday, Superintendent of Police Chennuri Rupesh revealed that Mallu Gonda, a native of Karnataka, orchestrated the operation. Gonda procured the ganja from Malkangiri in Odisha with the help of an accomplice named Rahul.

Mallu Gonda planned to distribute the seized ganja in Mumbai, Pune, and Lathur. To execute this plan, he enlisted a network of associates, including Lakhan, Siddiram, Sunil, Kiran, and Mallesh Nayak, to transport the drugs.

SP Chennuri Rupesh commended the



efforts of Chiragpally Sub-Inspector Rajendar Reddy and his team for their role in the successful operation. The team received accolades for their vigilance and effectiveness in handling the case.

The operation was supported by key officials, including Zaheerabad DSP Rammohan Reddy, Zaheerabad Inspector Shivalingam, SB Inspector Vijay Krishna, Inspector S-Nab Ramesh, and CCS

Inspector Mallesh. Their combined efforts were crucial in dismantling the drug trafficking network and ensuring the safe handling of the contraband.

This successful operation underscores the Sangareddy police's commitment to combating drug-related crimes and enhancing public safety.

Hyderabad's Air Quality Hits Hazardous Levels: Greenpeace Report

TPN Hyderabad : The air quality in Hyderabad has reached hazardous levels, according to Greenpeace's latest report, 'SPARE THE AIR' 2nd Edition, which analyzes air pollution trends from 2023. The report highlights a significant increase in particulate matter concentrations throughout the city.

Air quality monitoring stations managed by the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) and Telangana State Pollution Control Board (TSPCB) across 14 locations reveal troubling data. The annual average concentrations of PM2.5, the fine particulate matter linked to severe health issues, were found to be five to six times above the World Health Organization (WHO) revised guidelines at several sites, including Central University, New Malakpet, and Somajiguda. In industrial areas like Bollaram, IDA Pashamylaram, and Kokapet, PM2.5 levels were even more alarming, ranging seven to eight times above WHO standards.

The situation for PM10, which poses its own set of health risks, is equally dire. Locations such as Bollaram, IDA Pashamylaram, and Zoo Park showed PM10 concentrations six to seven times higher than WHO guidelines. Other areas like IITH Kandi and Somajiguda had levels four to five times above the revised standards.

The report also notes that while PM2.5 levels at five monitoring stations were slightly above the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS), PM10 levels across all stations were either slightly or up to 1.5 times above NAAQS limits.

Monthly trends throughout 2023 indicate consistently high PM2.5 levels from January to April and again in November and December. Similarly, PM10 levels exceeded NAAQS standards from January to June, and again in August, October, November, and December.

Syria outclass India, lift Intercontinental Cup in Hyderabad



TPN Hyderabad : Syria clinched the Intercontinental Cup with a commanding 3-0 win over India at the GMC Balayogi Athletic Stadium in Hyderabad on Monday. Mahmoud Alaswad, Daleho Mohsen Irandust, and Pablo David Sabbag scored for Syria, securing a dominant performance that marked a tough start for India's new coach, Manolo Marquez.

The match began with Syria setting a swift pace. They opened the scoring in the seventh minute when Mahmoud Alaswad capitalized on a defensive lapse by Indian defenders and goalkeeper Gurpreet Singh Sandhu, making it 1-0. The Indian defense was shaky, and just minutes later, Aldin Yasin Dali's powerful strike hit the post. Syria continued to apply pressure, with Noah Leon Shamoun missing a golden opportunity in the 20th minute, his attempt saved by Sandhu.

India's first real chance came in the 28th minute when Subhasish Bose's cross found Lallianzuala Chhangte, but his header went wide. Despite some attacking intent, India struggled to break through Syria's solid defense, led by Emiliano Javier Amor and Thae Krouma.

In the second half, Marquez made tactical changes, introducing Asish Rai and Lalengmawia to inject energy. The changes led to several corners and attacking opportunities, with Chhangte's shot in the 55th minute saved by Syrian goalkeeper Eias Hadaya. However, Syria extended their lead in the 76th minute when Irandust scored after a clever run into the box.

India pressed for a comeback, but Hadaya's crucial saves kept Syria's clean sheet intact. In the dying moments of the match, Pablo Sabbag added a third goal for Syria, sealing a 3-0 victory and the Intercontinental Cup.

Telangana Task Force Raids Hyderabad Tiffin Centres and Hostels

TPN Hyderabad : A task force from the Food Safety Department of Telangana conducted extensive raids at several well-known tiffin centres and hostels across Hyderabad, uncovering numerous health and safety violations.

Raids targeted Padmavathi Tiffins, Sri Sidhi Vinayaka Udupi Tiffins, Balaji Darshan Tiffins, My Home Luxury Girls Hostel, and Chetan PG for Boys Hostel. At Padmavathi Tiffins in Ashoknagar, inspectors discovered a live cockroach in the storeroom, raw food items stored improperly on the floor, and rat burrows. Additionally, food handlers were observed not

wearing hair caps or aprons.

Sri Sidhi Vinayaka Udupi Tiffins, also in Ashoknagar, was found lacking insect-proof screens and maintaining poor kitchen hygiene. At Balaji Darshan Tiffins, water was found stagnating in drains and open dust bins were present in the kitchen area.

The inspections extended to hostels as well. My Home Luxury Girls Hostel was found with windows lacking insect-proof screens and a live cockroach infestation in the kitchen. Similarly, Chetan PG for Boys Hostel had windows without insect-proof screens, open dust bins, and a live

cockroach problem.

In addition to these raids, the task force also inspected Mithaiwala, a sweet shop in Prashanti Nagar, Vanasthalipuram. Violations at this establishment included issues with hygiene, labeling, record-keeping, and the presence of expired food products. A show-cause notice has been issued to the sweet shop, with further action anticipated.

These inspections are part of ongoing efforts to ensure compliance with food safety standards across Hyderabad's eateries and accommodation facilities.



Donald Trump Unveils 5-Step Plan for Presidency

Mass Deportations, Energy Policy, and More

September 10, 2024: As Donald Trump seeks a return to the White House, the former president has laid out an ambitious five-point plan for his potential second term. With mass deportations, sweeping changes to energy policy, and bold claims about resolving the Ukraine conflict, Trump's proposals are already stirring debate across the political spectrum. Here's a breakdown of his top five priorities for the United States and global policy:

1 Mass Deportations and Immigration Policy

Trump's immigration policy remains at the forefront of his campaign, with plans to execute the largest deportation of illegal migrants in U.S. history. On his first day back in office, Trump promises to launch this effort, stating, "We're going to get them out as fast as we can," and reiterating his belief that undocumented migrants are harming the country. He has even proposed using the military to enforce deportations and opening detention camps to handle the process.

Additionally, Trump plans to sign an executive order denying automatic citizenship to the future children of undocumented immigrants. He also aims to reinstate his controversial ban on travel from certain Muslim-majority countries, emphasizing national security concerns.

2 Energy Policy: 'Drill, Baby, Drill'

Energy independence and rollback of environmental regulations are key aspects of Trump's energy policy. He has criticized President Joe Biden's environmental initiatives, referring to them as the "green new scam" and vowing to reverse them. Trump's slogan "drill, baby, drill" signals a push for increased domestic oil production, promising to lower energy costs dramatically.

Trump also plans to pull the U.S. out of the Paris climate accords again, after the country rejoined under Biden, arguing that climate policies are detrimental to American businesses and energy independence.

3 Cryptocurrency and Economic Strategy

Trump has promised to position the United States as the global leader in Bitcoin and cryptocurrency. He also envisions imposing tariffs on all imports, with rates potentially exceeding 10%. Trump believes that revenue

from these tariffs will fund significant tax cuts for all classes, including middle and lower-income Americans.

As part of his economic overhaul, Trump has suggested enlisting Elon Musk to audit government spending, focusing on eliminating wasteful expenditures and ensuring fiscal responsibility.

4 Abortion Rights and Reproductive Health

While Trump boasts about appointing three conservative Supreme Court justices who contributed to the rollback of federal abortion protections, his stance on the future of reproductive rights remains somewhat vague. He has refrained from committing to a nationwide abortion ban, suggesting that the issue should be left to individual states to decide. Nonetheless, Trump has reassured voters that his administration will be "great for women and their reproductive rights," even as many remain skeptical.

5 Ending the Ukraine War

Trump has repeatedly claimed that he could bring an end to the war in Ukraine within "24 hours," though he has provided few concrete details on how he would achieve this. Critics speculate that his strategy may involve pressuring Ukraine to cede territory occupied by Russia. Trump has hinted at surprise tactics for both Ukraine and China, though he has yet to fully outline any specifics.

Trump's position on the conflict in Gaza has also been notable. While he presented himself as a staunch supporter of Israel, he has recently expressed reservations about the conduct of Israel's military campaign, stating, "I'm not sure that I'm loving the way they're doing it."

Conclusion

As Trump rallies for a return to the Oval Office, his platform touches on familiar themes from his first term: immigration crackdowns, energy independence, economic protectionism, and a strong emphasis on national security. However, his policies, particularly on abortion and foreign policy, may face scrutiny and challenge as the 2024 election approaches. Trump's five-step plan promises to reshape the political landscape if he is reelected, with sweeping implications both domestically and internationally.

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Junior Doctors Continue Protest Despite Supreme Court's 'Back to Work' Order

Kolkata, September 10, 2024: Junior doctors at Kolkata's RG Kar Hospital have vowed to continue their protest against the brutal rape and murder of a young doctor at the facility, despite a Supreme Court directive ordering them to return to work by 5 PM on Tuesday. The doctors are adamant that their movement is a fight for justice, which they termed as "a people's movement" that neither the government nor the Supreme Court should overlook.

The protest, which has stretched into its 28th day, began after the horrific incident involving the 31-year-old doctor last month. A civic volunteer with Kolkata Police, Sanjoy Roy, was arrested in connection with the crime. The case, which initially gripped public attention, was transferred from the state police to the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) and shifted from the High Court to the Supreme Court.

"We are extremely disappointed by the Supreme Court hearing," a spokesperson for the protesting junior doctors said late Monday. "Despite the transfer to the Supreme Court and the involvement of the CBI, justice remains elusive. We will not return to work until justice is served."

Earlier on Monday, the Supreme Court, led by Chief Justice DY Chandrachud, urged the doctors to resume their duties, warning that continued abstention could lead to disciplinary actions by the government. "They are in a system to render service. If doctors do not resume work, we cannot stop the government from taking action," Chief Justice Chandrachud said during the hearing. He emphasized that the doctors' movement had severely impacted healthcare services, calling for an immediate end to the strike.

However, the junior doctors are standing firm in their decision to continue the protest. "This is about more than just a strike. It is a people's movement. Neither the government nor the Supreme Court should forget that," the spokesperson said, reflecting the deep sense of injustice and frustration felt by the doctors.

The doctors' concerns extend beyond the delay in justice for their colleague. They also accuse the state government of providing misinformation to the Supreme Court regarding the strike's impact on the healthcare system. According to the state health

department, 23 deaths have been attributed to the disruption caused by the strike. The doctors, however, dispute this claim, arguing that healthcare services have not been completely paralyzed.

In a statement, the Indian Medical Association (IMA), Bengal branch, declared its support for the junior doctors, saying, "We were expecting a positive outcome keeping in mind the brutality of the offense. However, we are disheartened by the proceedings of the court and the actions of the CBI. No steps have been taken to expedite the trial or deliver justice for our colleague."

The IMA also condemned the portrayal of junior doctors as being responsible for the alleged deaths. "It is shocking that junior doctors are being blamed for hospital deaths. The truth is that healthcare services have not completely halted due to the protests," the statement read.

The protesting doctors have been observing a "cease work" at state-run hospitals for nearly a month, causing widespread disruption to healthcare services across the state. Despite this, the doctors argue that senior physicians have continued to work, maintaining essential services in many hospitals. They contend that their protest is aimed solely at demanding justice for their colleague and improving safety measures for healthcare workers, especially female staff.

During Monday's Supreme Court hearing, Chief Justice Chandrachud reassured the doctors, stating that no adverse action would be taken if they returned to work by the Tuesday deadline. However, he also emphasized that the government would be free to take disciplinary action if the strike continued beyond the deadline.

As the standoff between the junior doctors and the authorities continues, the focus remains on the fight for justice for the murdered doctor, a cause that has united the medical community across Bengal. While the Supreme Court's ruling has brought the protest to a critical juncture, the junior doctors' firm stance indicates that the road to resolution remains uncertain.

For now, the doctors stand resolute, calling their protest a fight for justice and pledging to continue until they see tangible steps toward justice for their fallen colleague.

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Fukushima Nuclear Debris Removal Begins 13 Years After Tsunami

Tokyo: Japan has embarked on a pivotal step in the decades-long decommissioning of the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear plant, initiating a complex operation to remove a small sample of radioactive debris. The operation marks a significant moment in the aftermath of the 2011 tsunami and nuclear disaster, one of the worst nuclear accidents in history.

Tokyo Electric Power Company (TEPCO), the operator of the Fukushima plant, announced on Tuesday that a "pilot extraction operation" had officially started after technical difficulties delayed earlier efforts. The debris, found inside the reactors, remains a major hurdle in the plant's decommissioning process, which could take decades to complete.

The removal operation is expected

to last about two weeks and is being undertaken with extreme caution. TEPCO aims to retrieve a mere three grams (0.1 ounces) of highly radioactive material, a tiny fraction of the estimated 880 tons of nuclear debris that still resides within the reactors. Despite the small size of the sample, it is a crucial step in understanding the conditions inside the reactor and moving forward with the massive decommissioning project.

TEPCO had originally planned to commence the operation on August 22, but technical issues with the equipment caused delays. The company discovered problems during the installation phase, forcing a temporary suspension. With the current operation underway, TEPCO is cautiously optimistic about the outcome.

Fukushima's Legacy

The Fukushima disaster occurred on March 11, 2011, when a massive tsunami, triggered by a 9.0-magnitude earthquake, hit Japan's north-eastern coast. The tsunami crippled the Fukushima Daiichi plant, leading to the meltdown of three of its six reactors. Since then, the plant has remained a symbol of the catastrophic power of natural disasters and the long-lasting dangers of nuclear energy.

TEPCO and the Japanese government have been working for more than a decade to contain and mitigate the damage from the meltdown. One of the most controversial aspects of this effort came last year when Japan began releasing treated wastewater from the plant into the Pacific Ocean.

This action, although deemed safe by Japan and supported by the UN atomic agency, sparked a diplomatic dispute with China and Russia, both of which banned Japanese seafood imports in response.

Fukushima's Future and Global Concerns

In addition to the debris removal, Japan continues to grapple with the international fallout from its decision to release treated wastewater. The government insists that the release is scientifically sound, but the move has raised concerns among environmental groups and neighboring countries.

Meanwhile, TEPCO has launched initiatives to promote agricultur-

al products from the Fukushima region, aiming to boost local industries impacted by the disaster. Last weekend, the high-end London department store Harrods began selling peaches grown in Fukushima, a region renowned for its high-quality fruit. However, these peaches come at a premium price, with reports indicating that a box of three peaches is selling for as much as 80 pounds (\$100).

As Japan continues its long road to recovery from the Fukushima disaster, the latest steps in removing radioactive debris offer hope that progress is being made. However, the full decommissioning of the plant, and the resolution of its environmental and diplomatic challenges, remain long-term goals.

Amit Shah Announces Major Cybersecurity Initiatives, Including 5,000 Cyber Commandos

In a significant move to bolster India's cybersecurity, Home Minister Amit Shah has unveiled several new initiatives, including the training of 5,000 'cyber commandos', the establishment of a national cybercrime registry, and the creation of a Cyber Fraud Mitigation Centre (CFMC). These measures aim to enhance the country's ability to combat cybercrime and safeguard national security.

Speaking at the first foundation day of the Indian Cybercrime Coordination Centre (I4C), Shah emphasized that cybercrimes "know no boundaries" and are a critical threat to national security. He announced the CFMC, a collaborative effort involving banks, payment aggregators, telecom providers, and law enforcement, to combat online financial crimes efficiently.

The 'Cyber Commandos' initiative will establish a trained team within state and central police agencies, including the CBI, to counter cyber threats. Additionally, the government is setting up a web-based data registry, known as the Samanvay Platform, which will serve as a central hub for cybercrime data, enabling coordination among agencies.



Shah also highlighted the launch of seven joint cyber coordination teams in key cities, such as Hyderabad and Ahmedabad, and praised the CyberDost initiative for raising public awareness about cyber threats.

With India now handling 46% of global

digital transactions, Shah noted that digital infrastructure has expanded dramatically, with internet users growing from 25 crore in 2014 to 95 crore in 2024. These new measures aim to secure this rapidly expanding digital space, ensuring a safer cyberspace for all citizens.

Manipur Government Limits Internet Suspension to Five Districts Amid Student Protests

The Manipur government has revised its earlier order on internet suspension, now limiting the measure to five valley districts rather than the entire state. This adjustment comes amid intensified student protests and escalating tensions between the Meitei and Kuki communities.

Initially, the state government had announced a blanket suspension of internet services across Manipur for five days. However, the amended order now specifies the suspension of internet, mobile data services, Lease Lines, VSATs, Broadbands, and VPN services only within the territorial jurisdictions of Imphal West, Imphal East, Thoubal, Bishnupur, and Kakching districts. This suspension began at 3:00 PM on September 10, 2024.

The revised order excludes the hill districts from the internet blackout. The government cited an imminent threat of loss of life, property damage, and widespread disturbances as reasons for the measure. Authorities are concerned about the potential for inflammatory material and false rumors to spread via social media and messaging services, which could exacerbate the unrest.

Manipur has been experiencing severe ethnic clashes for over a year, primarily between the Hindu Meitei majority and the Christian Kuki community, leading to division and violence across the state. Last week, 11 people were killed in renewed hostilities, and rival militias have established blockades in affected areas.

In response to escalating violence, a curfew was imposed in Imphal and the surrounding valley after student protests on Monday led to clashes with police. The protesters have been demanding action against insurgents accused of using improvised weapons and drones, marking a significant escalation in the state's conflict.

The government's internet suspension aims to prevent the spread of disinformation and false rumors that could lead to further violence and damage to public and private property. By curbing the mobilization of agitators and maintaining peace, the authorities hope to restore stability and communal harmony in the region.

Rahul Gandhi Criticizes BJP and RSS, Highlights India's Diversity at Virginia Event

Congress leader and Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha, Rahul Gandhi, took a pointed dig at the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and its ideological parent, the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS), during an event with the Indian diaspora in Herndon, Virginia. Gandhi accused the BJP of promoting a singular ideology while undermining India's rich diversity. Using a food analogy, Gandhi said, "In India, everything works together... if someone says chawal (rice) is more important than dal (pulses) and sabji (vegetables), then what will happen? That's what the BJP does." He emphasized that India is a "union of states," representing a blend

of languages, traditions, and histories, contrasting this with the BJP's view, which he claimed centers around a single ideology.

The Congress leader further accused the RSS of propagating a belief that certain states and communities are superior to others. "The RSS says that Tamil, Marathi, Bengali, Manipuri — these are all inferior languages," Gandhi added, stressing that all Indian languages and cultures are equally important.

During his three-day visit to the US, Gandhi also visited Dallas and Washington DC, where he described the Indian diaspora as a "vital bridge" between the two nations.



His remarks in Dallas, coupled with interactions at the University of Texas, have set a strong tone for his visit.

Hardeep Puri Criticizes Rahul Gandhi for his "Sikhs are not Safe" Comments

Union Minister Hardeep Puri has sharply criticized Congress MP Rahul Gandhi for his recent remarks made during a visit to the United States, where he alleged issues faced by Sikhs in India, including the freedom to wear religious symbols such as turbans and kada. Puri accused Gandhi of spreading a "dangerous narrative" and criticized him for criticizing the Indian government while abroad.

Speaking to reporters, Puri questioned the basis of Gandhi's claims about Sikh community struggles, stating, "I have worn a turban for over 60 years and a kada for longer, and I have never encountered anyone expressing anxiety about wearing them." He accused Gandhi of propagating misinformation, particularly highlighting the tragic 1984 anti-Sikh riots, which he claims were a result of the Congress government's actions under Gandhi's family.

Puri expressed disappointment over Gandhi's comments, suggesting they were an attempt to undermine India's reputation and create discord among the diaspora. He further criticized Gandhi for attacking the RSS and the Indian legal system during his US tour, and for failing to acknowledge India's development over the past decade.

Earlier, BJP National Secretary Manjinder Singh Sirsa also condemned Gandhi's statements, accusing him of using "hateful words" against Sikhs and spreading divisive rhetoric. Sirsa urged Gandhi to refrain from making unfounded allegations about the safety and religious freedoms of Sikhs in India.

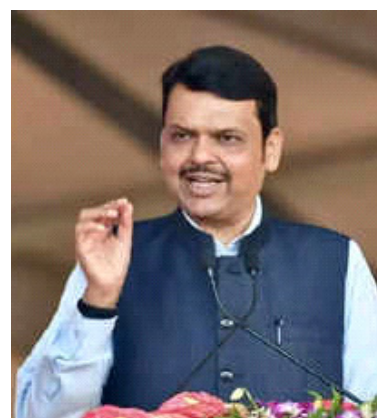
Gandhi's remarks, made during an event in Virginia, framed the ongoing political battle in India as an ideological struggle, touching upon issues of religious inclusivity and representation.

Deputy CM Fadnavis Defends State BJP Chief Son Nagpur Car Accident

Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis has defended state BJP chief Chandrashekhar Bawankule in light of a car accident involving his son's vehicle. The accident, which occurred in Nagpur, involved an Audi driven by Sanket Bawankule, the son of the state BJP chief. The vehicle hit several other cars, leading to the arrest of the driver on Monday night.

Addressing the media, Fadnavis, who also heads the home department, emphasized that the ongoing police investigation should not be overshadowed by political attacks. "Police are conducting a probe, and an FIR has been registered. The facts of this case have surfaced already," he stated. He criticized the Opposition for targeting Chandrashekhar Bawankule, describing it as inappropriate given the circumstances.

In a separate statement, BJP leader Raosaheb Danve assured that legal action would be taken against those found responsible for the incident. "Whoever is the culprit in this case will face action and punishment as per law. It is true that the car involved in the Nagpur accident is registered in the name of Sanket Bawankule, and he was in that car. Let the law take its own course," said Danve, a former Union minister. The incident has sparked political debate, with accusations and defenses circulating as the legal process unfolds.



Kiren Rijju Slams Zakir Naik for "False Propaganda" on Waqf Amendment Bill

Union Minister Kiren Rijju has accused fugitive Islamic preacher Zakir Naik of spreading "false propaganda" and attempting to mislead Indian Muslims over the government's proposed Waqf Amendment Bill. Naik, wanted in India for alleged money laundering and hate speeches, criticized the Bill, warning of its "evil repercussions" and urging at least 5 million Indian Muslims to send rejections to the Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) examining the legislation. He shared a QR code and URL for an online petition, asking for submissions by September 13.

Rijju dismissed Naik's comments as "misleading," urging him not to influence Indian Muslims from abroad. "India is a democratic country, and people have the right to their own opinion. False propaganda will lead to wrong narratives," said the Union Minister.

The Waqf Amendment Bill proposes 44 changes, including the addition of two non-Muslim members, a Union Minister, three MPs, and senior IAS officers to the Waqf board. It also mandates the inclusion of women. The amendments, which aim to improve transparency and protect inheritance rights for women and children, have been criticized by opposition parties as "draconian."

The Bill emphasizes that Waqf boards must use their funds for the welfare of widows, divorcees, and orphans in accordance with government guidelines. Rijju defended the Bill, stating that it seeks to restore justice to ordinary Muslims, asserting that Waqf boards have been "captured by some people."

BJP Unveils Second List of Candidates for Haryana Assembly Elections

The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has released its second list of candidates for the upcoming Haryana Assembly elections, adding 21 more names to its roster. With this announcement, the party has now declared 87 candidates for the 90-member assembly, leaving just a few seats to be filled.

Among the notable candidates is Captain Yogesh Bairagi, who will challenge Olympian Vinesh Phogat, running on a Congress ticket from the Julana constituency. In the first list, the BJP had fielded Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini from the Karnal to Ladwa seat. Saini previously served as the MP from Kurukshetra from 2019 to 2024.

The party has also included prominent leaders in its lineup. Former state BJP president Om Prakash Dhankar, now a national secretary, will contest from the Badli constituency. Veteran party leader and former state minister Anil Vij is set to defend his stronghold of Ambala Cantt.

The BJP's list features several political heavyweights who recently joined the party. Devender Singh Babli, a former Jannayak Janta Party (JJP) member, will run from Tohana. Shruti Choudhry, granddaughter of former Haryana Chief Minister Bansi Lal, is set to contest from Tosham. Aarti Singh Rao, daughter of Union Minister Rao Inderjit Singh, will contest from Ateli.

With the assembly elections scheduled for October 5, the BJP is seeking a third consecutive term in Haryana. However, the party faces strong competition from a resurgent Congress. The results will be counted on October 8, determining the future political landscape of the state.





India and UAE Forge New Nuclear Cooperation Agreement During Abu Dhabi Crown Prince's Visit

A significant development in international nuclear collaboration has emerged as India and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) aimed at enhancing cooperation in the operation and maintenance of nuclear power plants. The MoU was formalized during the ongoing visit of Abu Dhabi Crown Prince Sheikh Khaled bin Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan to India. The agreement was signed by Bhuwan Chandra Pathak, Chairman and Managing Director of Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited (NPCIL), and Mohamed Al Hammadi, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Emirates Nuclear Energy Corporation

(ENEC). The signing took place amidst high-level bilateral discussions held between Crown Prince Khaled and Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday. According to a statement from NPCIL, the MoU outlines a general framework for potential collaboration between NPCIL and ENEC. This framework encompasses various aspects such as developing supply chains, sharing expertise, providing operational and maintenance services for nuclear energy plants, offering nuclear consulting services, and advancing research and development. Additionally, the agreement will facilitate human resources development and training in the nuclear sector.

NPCIL, a Public Sector Enterprise under the Department of Atomic Energy, manages all civil nuclear power plants in India. ENEC, the UAE counterpart, is wholly owned by the Abu Dhabi Development Holding Company PJSC, which is fully owned by the UAE government. "The signing of this MoU marks a significant step in the growing cooperation between India and the UAE in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy," said the NPCIL statement. The agreement underscores the strengthening partnership between the two nations in the nuclear energy sector, reflecting a shared commitment to advancing safe and efficient nuclear technology.



India Open to Chinese Investment, but Seeks Terms and Sector-Specific Engagement

India remains open to engaging in business with China but insists that the terms and sectors of such engagements need to be carefully considered. This stance was emphasized by Indian Foreign Minister Subrahmanyam Jaishankar during a conference in Berlin on Tuesday.

The relationship between the two nuclear-armed Asian giants has been strained since clashes between their troops occurred along the Himalayan frontier in 2020. In response to these tensions, India tightened scrutiny on investments from Chinese companies and halted several major projects involving Chinese firms.

Despite these restrictions, recent statements from Indian officials suggest a potential shift in policy. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and other government representatives have expressed support for increased Chinese investment, particularly in sectors where India currently lacks expertise.

The latest economic survey released by the Indian government highlights two potential strategies for enhancing global exports: integrating into China's supply chain or promoting foreign direct investment (FDI) from Chinese sources. This has led to discussions about easing restrictions on Chinese investments in non-sensitive sectors, such as solar panels and battery manufacturing, where India could benefit from additional expertise and technology. Jaishankar clarified, "We are not closed to business from China... I think the issue is, which sectors do you do business and on what terms? It's far more complicated than a black and white binary answer."

The diplomatic and military negotiations aimed at resolving the standoff in the Himalayas have progressed slowly. In addition to the investment scrutiny, India has implemented near-total restrictions on visas for Chinese nationals since 2020. However, there are ongoing considerations to relax these restrictions for Chinese technicians to facilitate investments and address critical gaps in domestic manufacturing capabilities.

India's cautious approach reflects a desire to balance economic opportunities with national security and strategic interests, navigating a complex landscape of international relations and economic engagement.

Harris and Trump to Face Off in High-Stakes Debate Ahead of November Election

US Vice President Kamala Harris and former President Donald Trump are set to engage in their first and likely only televised debate today, just under two months before the US election. This debate, hosted by ABC News, will be a crucial opportunity for both candidates to present their platforms and shape voter perceptions.

The debate comes in the wake of President Joe Biden's decision to withdraw from his re-election campaign following a lackluster performance in his debate with Trump earlier this year. According to a recent poll by The New York Times and Siena College, Trump leads Harris by a narrow margin of 48% to 47% nationally, with the results showing little change from the July poll conducted after



Biden's exit. The poll also revealed that 28% of voters want to know more about Harris, compared to just 9% regarding Trump. This indicates a significant opportunity for Harris to clarify her policies

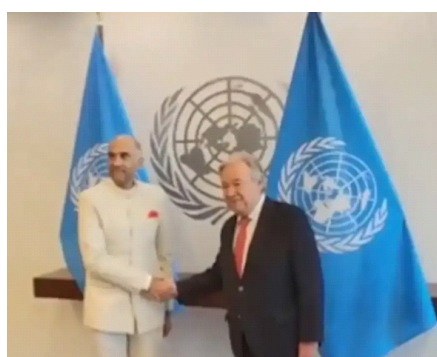
and position in the run-up to the election. Harris' campaign has so far been cautious about outlining specific policies, a strategy that could allow Trump's team to frame her vice presidency negatively. The debate will be a chance for Harris to counter these narratives and present her own vision.

On the other hand, Trump must navigate the debate with care, avoiding a domineering demeanor. At 78, Trump is now the older candidate compared to Harris, who is 59. This shift may affect the dynamic of the debate, especially considering the ridicule Trump previously directed at Biden over his age. Harris may leverage this to counter Trump's criticisms and appeal to voters concerned about age and leadership.

India's New UN Ambassador Pledges Commitment to Reform and Multilateralism

Ambassador Parvathaneni Harish has officially assumed his role as India's Permanent Representative to the United Nations, presenting his credentials to Secretary-General Antonio Guterres on Monday. Harish emphasized India's dedication to reformed multilateralism and the revitalization of the UN under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership.

Following the credential presentation, Harish promptly engaged with the UN Security Council, advocating for a more inclusive decision-making process in peacekeeping operations, particularly involving major troop-contributing countries. In his initial interactions, Harish outlined India's commitment to strengthening and reforming multilateral institutions. He and Guterres agreed on the need



for both political and economic reforms within the UN to address contemporary challenges and seize emerging opportunities. Harish reaffirmed India's support for these goals in a series of posts on X (formerly Twitter), highlighting the importance of revitalizing the UN to meet current global demands. Harish, who recently served as India's ambassador to Germany, brings extensive diplomatic experience to his new role.

Centre Deploys Two Fresh CRPF Battalions to Manipur Amidst Ongoing Ethnic Conflict

In response to the escalating ethnic strife in Manipur, the Centre has ordered the deployment of two additional Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) battalions, totaling approximately 2,000 personnel, to enhance security in the conflict-ridden state. The move comes in the wake of the withdrawal of two Assam Rifles battalions for operational duties in Jammu and Kashmir and other parts of Northeast India.



The newly deployed battalions are numbered 58 and 112, currently stationed in Warangal, Telangana, and Latehar, Jharkhand, respectively. Battalion 58 will establish its headquarters in Kangvai, Churachandpur, while Battalion 112 will be stationed around Imphal, according to official sources. The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has directed that the two battalions, each comprising around 1,000 personnel, be dispersed across various parts of

Manipur. This deployment aims to bolster security measures in the state, which has been marred by ethnic violence since May last year, resulting in over 200 deaths and widespread displacement.

The CRPF, which plays a critical role in combating insurgency in the Northeast, anti-Naxal operations, and counter-terrorism efforts in Jammu and Kashmir, will now have a lead role in Manipur.



Markets Continue Rally with IT and Bharti Airtel Leading Gains Profit Booking Eases Late Surge

Benchmark indices gained for the second session in a row as IT shares held firm along with Bharti Airtel. Due to mixed signals from the international markets, the markets started off stagnant in the morning but recovered well as investors took up buying. But in the end, it came down from the highs as slight profit taking was seen. Sensex jumped by 361 points and Nifty by 104 points. Market breadth is in favor of buyers. In BSE, 2594 stocks rose and 1343 fell.



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The BSE Sensex, which closed at 81,559 in the previous session, opened at 81,768 today. It touched an intraday low of 81,445. It then rebounded to close at 82,196. The total ended at 81,921 with a gain of 361 points. The NSE Nifty, which opened at 24,999 on Tuesday, touched a low of 24,896 and a high of 25,130. It eventually jumped 104 points to close at 25,041. Bank Nifty rose 154 points to settle at 51,272.

In Nifty50, 34 companies gained while 16 lost. Divis Lab, LTI Mindtree, NTPC, Bharti Airtel, Wipro are the top gainers. HDFC Life, SBI Life, Shriram Fin, Bajaj Finserv and Bajaj Finance were the biggest losers. Today, Bank, Auto, IT, Media, Metal, Pharma, Private Bank, Realty, Healthcare and



Consumer Durables indices rose. Oil and gas and finance indices turned red.

Nifty support is at 24000 and resistance is at 25200. Investors can buy shares of Balakrishna Industries, Tata Power, Jio Fin, Jubilant Foods, Tech Mahindra in the short term.

Zydus Life Sciences has announced that the Phase II clinical trial of Usnoplast for Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis has been completed. ITI Ltd has bagged an order worth Rs 300 crore for solar lights system in Bihar. TCS entered into a partnership agreement with Mansfield Building Society in Britain. Belgium's Proximus Group and Infosys announce strategic collaboration. Indian Oil and Abu Dhabi National Oil Compa-

ny will sign a long-term agreement for LNG supply. Reliance Industries will form a joint venture with Israel's Delta Galil. AU Small Finance Bank has entered into an agreement with Kotak Mahindra Life Insurance to provide life insurance to the bank's customers..

STOCK RECOMMENDATIONS :

1. Balakrishna Industries (BALAKRIND)

Balakrishna Industries is a key player in the off-highway tire manufacturing segment, catering to the agriculture, mining, and construction sectors. The company has shown steady growth in exports and continues to



benefit from strong global demand. The stock has gained interest from institutional investors due to its leadership in a niche market and a favorable export environment.

2. Tata Power

Performance Overview:

Tata Power continues to benefit from the shift towards renewable energy, as it aggressively expands its solar and wind power portfolio. The company's strong presence in both conventional and renewable energy makes it a diversified energy play. Tata Power's focus on clean energy and the Indian government's push for renewable energy initiatives support the company's long-term growth potential. The stock has been consolidating at current levels, showing strength for potential upside.



3. Jio Financial Services (Jio Fin)

Jio Financial is the financial services arm of Reliance, with a focus on offering innovative financial products and services. Since its listing, the stock has shown high volatility, reflecting investor sentiment around its potential to disrupt the traditional financial services sector. The compa-



ny has been ramping up operations and partnerships, positioning itself to leverage the vast consumer base of Reliance Industries. Long-term growth prospects are strong, but near-term volatility may continue..

4. Jubilant FoodWorks (JUBLFOOD)

Jubilant FoodWorks, which operates Domino's Pizza in India, has been a strong player in the quick-service restaurant (QSR) space. The company's focus on expanding its delivery network and introducing new products has kept it competitive in the sector. With the post-pandemic recovery in out-of-home dining, Jubilant FoodWorks has seen growth in revenue. Its continued expansion in tier 2 and 3 cities is also expected to drive long-term growth.



5. Tech Mahindra (Tech M)

Tech Mahindra is one of India's leading IT services companies, with a focus on telecom and digital transformation. The stock has been under pressure due to the global tech sector's volatility but remains fundamentally strong with a broad service portfolio. The company continues to invest in key growth areas such as AI, 5G, and cloud services, positioning itself well for future demand.



Congress Criticizes Adani Group's New China Venture Amid National Security Concerns



The Congress party has raised concerns over the Adani Group's latest move to establish a subsidiary in China, alleging that it threatens India's national security and sovereignty. On Tuesday, Congress general secretary Jairam Ramesh criticized Prime Minister Narendra Modi's past statements and policies regarding China, calling them damaging to India's interests.

The Adani Group recently formed Adani Energy Resources (Shanghai) Co. (AERCL), a wholly-owned subsidiary based in Shanghai. This new venture aims to provide supply chain solutions and project management services, a development that has sparked controversy.

Ramesh accused the Prime Minister of giving China a "clean chit" in 2020, which he claims undermined India's stance on Chinese incursions and led to a lack of robust action against Chinese imports and investments. "The clean chit has effectively become a letter of support," Ramesh said, criticizing the government's economic policies towards China as inadequate

and inconsistent.

He pointed out that while the Indian government has banned apps like TikTok, Chinese imports have surged, negatively impacting domestic industries. Ramesh also alleged that the Indian government's visa policies and encouragement of Chinese investments have been contradictory to the country's security interests.

Ramesh further criticized the Adani Group's past activities in China and East Asia, mentioning allegations of connections with smuggling operations and suspicious firms. He warned that Adani's global investments, including in Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Kenya, and Australia, have often been detrimental to India's interests.

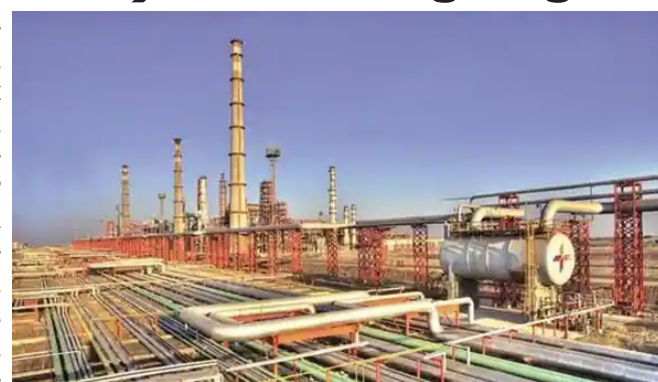
"The risk is now that Modi's investments in China, given their dubious history, will add national security and territorial sovereignty to the list of sacrifices India has made," Ramesh warned. His remarks underscore the growing concerns over the intersection of business interests and national security in India's foreign policy.

NCLAT Halts Insolvency Proceedings Against Essar Oil and Gas

The National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) has stayed the insolvency proceedings against Essar Oil and Gas Exploration and Production Ltd., a subsidiary of the Essar Group. This decision comes after the Ahmedabad bench of the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) initiated insolvency proceedings based on a petition by Greka Green Solutions (India) Ltd., which claimed an unpaid amount of ₹24.38 crore (approximately \$2.96 million).

On Tuesday, the NCLAT issued a stay on the NCLT's order and sent a notice to Greka Green in response to a petition filed by Pankaj Kalra, the suspended director of Essar Oil and Gas Exploration. The next hearing is scheduled for 6 November.

Kalra's counsel argued that a settlement agreement specifying a final installment payment had been made before the in-



solventy petition was filed, which was overlooked by the tribunal. He contended that the insolvency petition should not have been admitted without considering this settlement agreement. Essar Oil and Gas Exploration, with a turnover of ₹8 billion and 425 employees, should not face insolvency under these circumstances, he claimed.

The NCLAT has acknowledged these submissions and stayed the NCLT's order.

Mohit B. Adatiya of NPV Insolvency Professionals Pvt Ltd, appointed as the interim resolution professional (IRP) in the case, stated that the company's assets in Mehsana and Raniganj are under control, and all processes required under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC) are being followed. He added that the management and former directors are fully cooperating while awaiting the written order from the NCLAT.

The NCLT's Ahmedabad bench had initiated the insolvency proceedings on 6 September and appointed Mohit Bipinchandra Adatiya as the IRP to manage the company's affairs. The insolvency claim stemmed from a 2013 contract for drilling services, which was transferred to Essar Oil and Gas Exploration in 2017.

Indian Equity Markets Edge Higher with Key Stocks Leading Gains

Indian equity markets were trading higher early on Tuesday, buoyed by gains in major stocks such as Bharti Airtel, Axis Bank, Power Grid, Nestle, NTPC, Sun Pharma, HCL Tech, and Infosys. At 9:45 a.m., the Sensex was up 43 points, or 0.05%, reaching 81,605, while the Nifty gained 13 points, or 0.05%, to stand at 24,950.

Midcap and smallcap stocks also saw positive movement in early trade. The Nifty midcap index rose by 613 points, or 1.05%, to 58,960, and the Nifty smallcap index increased by 167 points, or 0.88%, to 19,259.

On the downside, Bajaj Finserv, M&M, Bajaj Finance, Kotak Mahindra Bank, IndusInd Bank, HDFC Bank, and TCS were among the top losers in the Sensex.

Market experts noted several significant trends: weakness in mid and small caps, resilience in the banking sector, and increasing gains in defensive sectors like pharmaceuticals and FMCG. They suggested that these trends indicate a



growing preference for quality investments. The "buy on dips" strategy remains effective, and investors are encouraged to follow dominant market trends.

Most National Stock Exchange (NSE) indices were in the green, with IT, PSU Bank, pharma, realty, media, energy, and infrastructure sectors showing strong gains.

In Asian markets, Tokyo, Hong Kong, Jakarta, and Seoul were in positive territory, while Bangkok and Shanghai were in the red. US markets closed higher on Monday.

Foreign institutional investors (FIIs) became net buyers on September 9, purchasing equities worth ₹1,176 crore, while domestic institutional investors (DIIs) bought equities worth ₹1,757 crore on the same day.

Finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman chairs the 54th meeting of the GST Council

The 54th GST Council meeting concluded with several notable tax reductions, as announced by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman. The revised GST rates will apply prospectively. Here are the key changes:

Cancer Drugs The GST on cancer medications, including Trastuzumab, Deruxtecan, Osimertinib, and Durvalumab, has been reduced from 12% to 5%. This move aims to make life-saving treatments more affordable.

Namkeens and Savory Foods The GST on namkeens and savory food products will drop from 18% to 12%. However, unfried or uncooked snack pellets will continue to be taxed at 5%.

Helicopter Services for Religious Travel Taxes on helicopter services used for religious travel, such as to Kedarnath and Badrinath, have been reduced from 18% to 5%. Uttarakhand Finance Minister Prem Chand Agarwal emphasized that this reduction brings much-needed clarity to the sector.



Car and Motorcycle Seats The GST rate on car seats classified under 9401 will increase from 18% to 28%. This new uniform rate of 28% will be applicable prospectively for car seats used in motor cars.

Research Funding Funding for research at higher educational institutions and research centers, established by state or central government laws, will now be exempt from GST. This exemption is aimed at supporting academic and scientific research.

These changes reflect the government's ongoing efforts to adjust tax rates in response to public needs and economic priorities.

AI's Dark Data Problem in India: A Growing Concern

As artificial intelligence (AI) technologies rapidly advance, the race to develop and deploy new models has become increasingly fierce. In the pursuit of speed, some companies, including startups and larger firms, are cutting corners by sourcing illegal or unregulated data from dark marketplaces. This problem is particularly acute in India, a country with a massive population and a seemingly endless supply of data. The demand for training data to fuel AI models has made India a hub for these dark marketplaces, raising concerns about the quality and ethics of the data being used.

AI and the Need for Quality Data



Data is the lifeblood of AI. Just as a student improves by reading more and learning from diverse sources, AI models become more accurate and nuanced as they are exposed to more data. However, if the data used to train AI models is flawed or biased, the AI's learning process will be similarly compromised. In India, the increasing reliance on unregulated data sources means that many AI systems are being built on unreliable foundations.

Umakant Soni of AI Foundry highlights the danger of this approach: "With large language models (LLMs), we're seeing AI develop general intelligence. Unlike humans, who don't scale their biases easily, AI will scale biases exponentially." He compares training AI models to educating humans, emphasizing the need for regulated, high-quality data to prevent dystopian outcomes.

The Consequences of Bad Data

The use of flawed data can have far-reaching consequences, particularly when AI models are deployed in critical sectors

like healthcare and finance. AI systems trained on biased or incomplete data may make erroneous decisions, potentially putting lives and livelihoods at risk. For example, healthcare systems relying on AI for diagnosis or treatment recommendations could deliver inaccurate results if trained on unreliable data.

In India, the demand for AI training data is driven by the rise of LLMs, which require vast amounts of information to function effectively. A basic AI prototype needs at least 1 million data points, each costing up to INR 6,000. However, the reliability of this data is often questionable, contributing to the creation of biased or incomplete AI models.

India's Unique Challenges



India's linguistic diversity further complicates the situation. Most datasets used to train AI models in India are heavily focused on English, leaving regional languages underrepresented. As AI ethicist Jibu Elias notes, "Despite India's connectivity and diversity, machine-usable data, particularly in Indian languages, remains limited." This scarcity of high-quality, region-specific data forces many AI developers to turn to unregulated markets, exacerbating the issue of bias in AI models.

Elias also points out that these dark data marketplaces often operate in legal gray areas, bypassing important consent and privacy norms. This is particularly concerning when the data involves sensitive information such as healthcare records or financial details. When AI systems are trained on incomplete or flawed data in these critical areas, the risks to public trust and safety are immense.

The Societal Impact of Flawed AI

The growing use of flawed data in AI development is damaging public trust in these technologies. As biased or unreliable AI models proliferate, the public may become more skeptical of AI's potential benefits. This could stifle innovation, particularly if the solutions being developed are seen as unreliable or harmful.

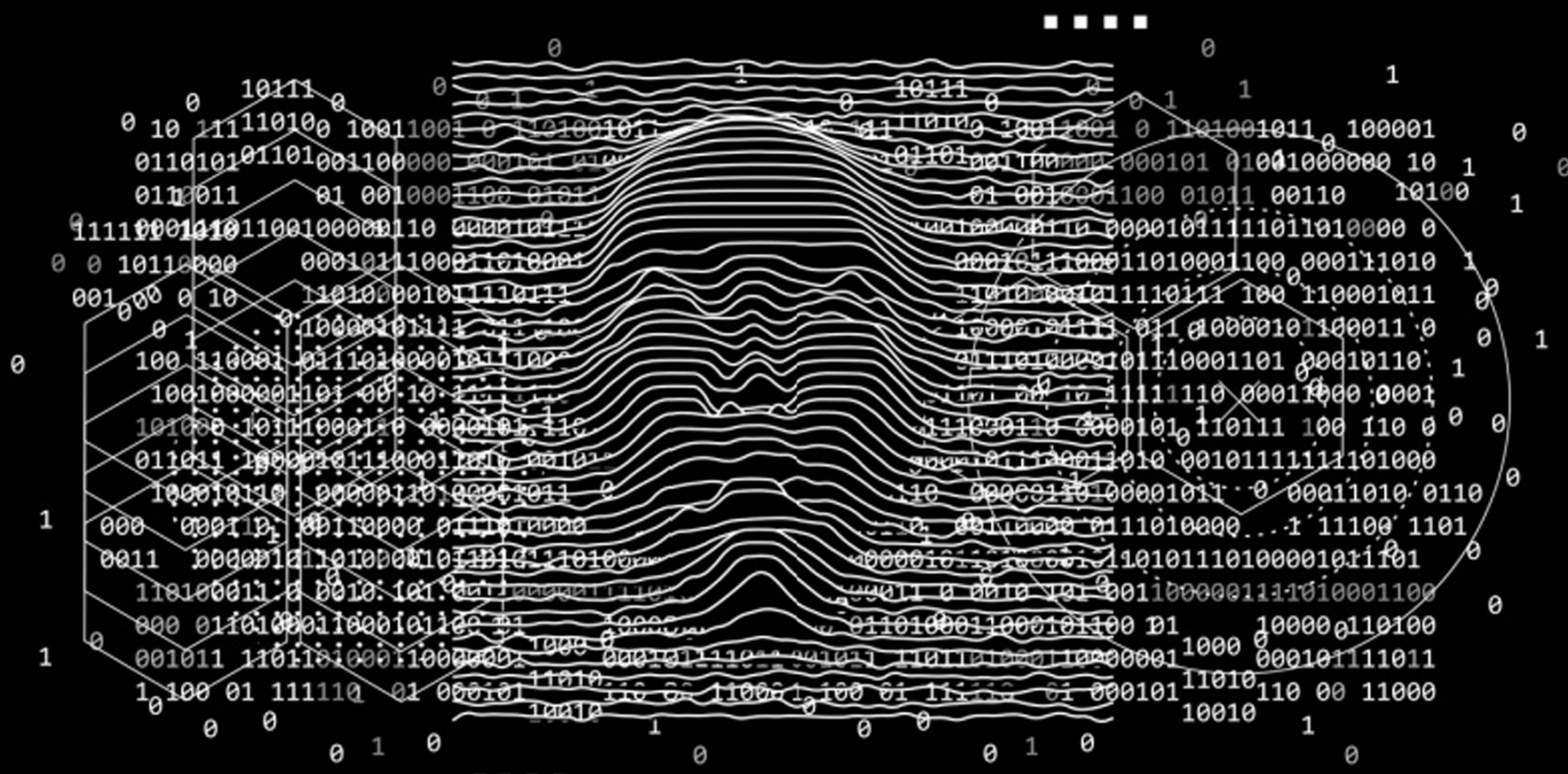
To address these challenges, India must establish robust regulations and ethical frameworks to govern the use of data in AI. Globally, companies are already facing legal repercussions for misusing data, with Europe's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) serving as a prime example of how regulation can keep AI data usage in check.

Building Responsible AI in India



Elias argues that stringent regulatory oversight and ethical frameworks are essential for ensuring the responsible use of data in AI. Community-driven data gathering and AI-assisted translation for oral languages are examples of ethical ways to source data. These solutions would help ensure that AI systems are built on solid, reliable foundations.

Ultimately, if data is the "food" that powers AI, feeding it low-quality or "junk" data will only lead to poor outcomes. India's booming AI industry has the potential to lead the world, but it must do so responsibly by prioritizing the quality and ethics of the data it uses to train its AI models.





Apple Unveils iPhone 16 Series

On Monday, Apple launched its highly anticipated iPhone 16 series, featuring the latest advancements in technology, including the A18 Pro chip, larger display sizes, and enhanced camera capabilities. The iPhone 16 Pro and iPhone 16 Pro Max are equipped with a new 48MP Fusion camera and a faster quad-pixel sensor, supporting 4K120 fps video recording in Dolby Vision. The iPhone 16 Pro starts at Rs 119,900, while the iPhone 16 Pro Max starts at Rs 144,900. Pre-orders for these models begin on September 13, with availability starting September 20.

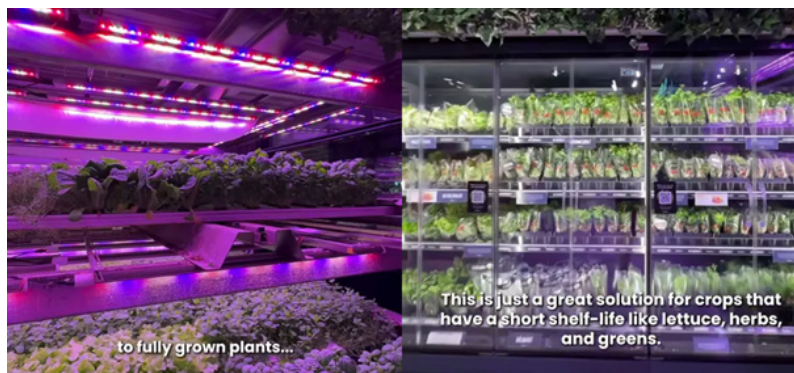
The iPhone 16 and iPhone 16 Plus will be available in ultramarine, teal, pink, white, and black, with storage options of 128GB, 256GB, and 512GB. The iPhone 16 starts at Rs 79,900 and the iPhone 16 Plus at Rs 89,900. These models will also be available for pre-order on September 13, with sales starting September 20.

In addition to the new iPhones, Apple introduced the Apple Watch Series 10. This model features a refined design with new capabilities, including sleep apnea notifications, faster charging, and enhanced health and fitness tracking. The Series 10 is available in aluminum and titanium finishes, including a new polished jet black option. It starts at Rs 46,900, while the Watch SE begins at Rs 24,900. The Series 10 is nearly 10% thinner than previous models.

Apple also debuted the Apple Watch Ultra 2, now in a new black titanium finish. It boasts the most accurate GPS in a sports watch, the brightest display of any Apple product, and up to 36 hours of battery life with regular use or up to 72 hours in Low Power Mode.



Swedish Supermarket Features Mini Farm for Fresh Produce



A recent viral video has showcased a fascinating innovation in supermarkets in Sweden and Germany: mini farms that grow fresh produce right inside the store. The video, posted by digital creators Ben Brown and Ciara Doyle (@goinggreenmedia) on Instagram, highlights this unique concept, drawing significant online attention.

The video reveals a mini farm set up within a Swedish supermarket, where vegetables and herbs are cultivated on-site. According to the creators, this method offers several benefits: it requires zero food miles, uses 99% less water, and ensures that produce retains the highest nutritional value. Remarkably, the crops are ready for consumption within just a few weeks from planting.

The farm, developed by Swe-green, is designed to be adaptable to different supermarket

sizes. While it cannot replace traditional small independent farms, it serves as an efficient solution for growing crops with short shelf-lives, such as lettuce, herbs, and greens. The creators emphasize that this model complements rather than replaces conventional farming methods.

The video has captured the public's imagination by illustrating a sustainable and innovative approach to fresh produce. By integrating farming into supermarkets, this model reduces transportation needs and environmental impact, aligning with broader trends in sustainable agriculture and local food production.

For those interested in seeing this unique farming setup in action, the video is available on Instagram and has been met with enthusiastic reactions from viewers intrigued by this blend of retail and agriculture.

Viral Video: Vlogger Eats Live 'Dancing Shrimp' in Thailand, Sparks Debate

A recent viral video featuring vlogger Roman Kondratiev has stirred up controversy on social media. In the video, Kondratiev showcases a dish known as Goong Ten, or "dancing shrimp," a live shrimp salad from Thailand. The footage, which has captured widespread attention, depicts the vlogger enjoying the unconventional delicacy while explaining its preparation.

The video begins with Kondratiev at a Thai food stall where the vendor assembles the dish. Freshly caught shrimp, still alive, are added to a bowl containing chopped red onions, greens, sugar, and lime juice. After mixing the ingredients, the vendor transfers the live shrimp from a water tank into the salad bowl, seals it, and shakes it vigorously.



Kondratiev comments on the experience, saying, "It's a bit tricky to eat this dish because the shrimp is hopeful. I've tried the salad before but didn't like it. So this time my goal was to actually enjoy it and not get distracted by the fact that I'm eating live animals." Despite his initial reservations, he describes the dish as "pretty good," noting its spiciness, saltiness, and seafood flavor.

The video has sparked a debate among viewers, with many finding the practice of eating live shrimp to be cruel. Reactions have varied widely, reflecting differing opinions on traditional culinary practices versus animal welfare concerns. The incident adds to the ongoing discussion about food ethics and cultural practices in the age of social media.

Viral Mutton Maggi Video Hits 13 Million Views, Sparks Debate

A video showcasing a unique culinary fusion of mutton and Maggi noodles has taken the internet by storm, amassing over 13 million views on Instagram. The video captures a group of friends embarking on a creative cooking adventure to prepare this unconventional dish, blending traditional Maggi noodles with savory mutton.

In the viral clip, the friends start by preparing a large bowl of Maggi noodles. They empty several packets of the popular instant noodles into a container, setting aside the seasoning. The next steps involve adding a mix of ingredients: curry leaves, onions, salt, turmeric powder,



red chili powder, and chunks of mutton, along with water. The mutton is cooked until tender, and then the Maggi noodles and seasoning are added to complete the dish.

The combination of mutton with Maggi

has sparked a range of reactions from viewers. Some are intrigued by the innovative blend, praising the creativity of the fusion. Others are skeptical, questioning the compatibility of the two ingredients and whether this experiment respects the traditional essence of Maggi noodles.

The video has ignited a lively discussion among food enthusiasts, with many debating the merits and potential of this unusual pairing. Whether seen as a bold culinary experiment or a questionable fusion, the Mutton Maggi video has certainly captured attention and stirred emotions across social media.

YouTube Develops Tools for Managing AI-Generated Content



YouTube is advancing its efforts to give creators greater control over AI-generated content that mimics their likeness. The platform announced on September 5 that it is developing new technology aimed at helping YouTubers automatically detect and manage AI-generated vocal simulations of their voices.

The upcoming feature, known as the synthetic singing ID tool, will be integrated into YouTube's Content ID system. This system, established in 2007, helps creators and artists protect their work by claiming copyright and licensing content for reuse. The new technology aims to refine the detection of synthetic voices, allowing creators to better manage how their likeness and voice are used in AI-generated content.

YouTube plans to launch a pilot program for this technology early next year, in collaboration with its partners. This move is part of YouTube's broader initiative to address the challenges posed by AI advancements in content creation and ensure that creators maintain control over their intellectual property.

51 Medical Staff at R G Kar Medical College Face Disciplinary Action

At R G Kar Medical College, 51 doctors, house staff, and interns have been summoned by authorities for allegedly fostering a culture of intimidation. This decision was reached during a Special Council Meeting, and the individuals involved are reported to have connections with a prime suspect in a recent rape and murder case.

Australia Proposes Minimum Age for Social Media Use Amid Backlash



Australia is considering introducing a minimum age limit for social media use, driven by concerns over mental and physical health impacts on children. Prime Minister Anthony Albanese announced plans to trial age verification before implementing laws, with the minimum age likely set between 14 and 16.

Albanese emphasized the goal of encouraging children to engage in physical activities rather than spending excessive time online. "We want them to have real experiences with real people because we know that social media is causing social harm," he stated.

This potential legislation would position Australia among the pioneering nations to enforce such restrictions, joining few countries with similar measures. Previous international efforts, such as those by the European Union, have failed due to concerns over reducing minors' online rights.

Major social media companies have responded with reservations. Meta, which enforces a self-imposed age limit of 13, prefers to empower young users with parental support rather than restricting access. YouTube owner Alphabet and TikTok did not provide comments on the proposed measure.

Australia boasts a high social media engagement rate, with 80% of its 26 million citizens active online. A 2023 University of Sydney study noted that 75% of Australians aged 12 to 17 use platforms like YouTube and Instagram.

The age restriction proposal comes as part of a parliamentary inquiry into social media's effects on society, revealing both the mental health impacts on teenagers and concerns about enforcement and unintended consequences. Critics argue that such restrictions might push children to less regulated and potentially harmful online spaces.



Italy Tops Nations League Group with Win Over Israel

Italy continued their resurgence after Euro 2024 with a narrow 2-1 victory over Israel in their Nations League clash on Monday. The match, held at Budapest's Bozsik Arena due to security concerns in the Middle East, saw Italy secure the top spot in Group A2.

Davide Frattesi and Moise Kean were the scorers for Italy, netting one goal each in a game played in front of a modest crowd of 2,000 fans. The Azzurri's win came on a rainy night in the Hungarian capital, following France's 2-0 triumph over Belgium in Lyon. This

result allowed Italy to take the lead in their group, with a perfect six points from two matches, three points ahead of both France and Belgium.

The match lacked the usual high-energy atmosphere of a senior international fixture, highlighted by a brief protest from Italian fans during the Israeli national anthem. Despite a slow start, Italy gradually asserted their dominance. Frattesi scored in the 38th minute with a well-placed header from Federico Dimarco's cross, marking his sixth goal since Luciano Spall-

etti took over as Italy's coach.

Israel had a chance to equalize early in the second half, but Sagiv Jehezkel missed an opportunity to score from close range. In the 62nd minute, Fiorentina striker Moise Kean added another goal for Italy, marking his first international goal in nearly three years. Mohamed Abu Fani's late strike for Israel came too late to affect the outcome, as Italy held on for the win. Italy's performance reflects their recovery from a disappointing European Championship campaign, where they were eliminated in the last 16.



Yash Dayal Reveals Virat Kohli's Strategy to Dismiss MS Dhoni in IPL 2024

In a recent interview, Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) fast bowler Yash Dayal shared an intriguing story about how Virat Kohli's tactical advice played a crucial role in a high-stakes IPL 2024 match against Chennai Super Kings (CSK). Dayal, who faced criticism early in his career with Gujarat Titans, has since redeemed himself with impressive performances for RCB and earned a call-up to India's Test team.

Dayal recounted a tense moment from a pivotal match between RCB and CSK, where the Bengaluru team needed a victory by at least 18 runs to secure a playoff spot. The game reached a

crucial juncture in the final over, with CSK requiring 17 runs to advance. On the very first ball of that over, MS Dhoni, the CSK captain, smashed a six, putting immense pressure on the rookie pacer.

It was during this high-pressure situation that Kohli intervened with a strategic adjustment. According to Dayal, Kohli advised him to alter his approach, saying, "Virat bhaiya told me to not give pace to Mahi bhai, because he likes pace. Virat bhaiya calmed me down after the 1st ball six, a chat with him helped me a lot."

Kohli's guidance proved instrumental,

as Dayal adjusted his strategy to bowl with less pace, making it difficult for Dhoni to capitalize on the deliveries. This tactical shift ultimately helped Dayal dismiss Dhoni, turning the match in RCB's favor and showcasing Kohli's leadership and strategic acumen.

Dayal's revelation highlights the crucial role of experienced players in guiding and supporting their teammates, especially in high-pressure situations. The encounter not only underscored Kohli's tactical brilliance but also marked a significant moment in Dayal's IPL journey.

Afghanistan vs New Zealand Test Day Two Called Off Due to Wet Outfield

The second day of the one-off Test match between Afghanistan and New Zealand was called off on Tuesday due to a wet outfield at the Greater Noida Sports Complex Ground. Despite multiple inspections throughout the day, no play was possible, and the decision to cancel was made around 3:04 pm.

Groundstaff attempted to address the issue by cutting a portion of grass from the practice area and spreading it over the wet sections of the field. However, these efforts did not resolve

the problem, and the outfield remained unsuitable for play.

The cancellation of the second day's play follows similar issues on the first day, which also saw no action due to adverse conditions. This match, being a one-off Test, is crucial for both teams, and the loss of play time could impact their preparation and strategy.

The groundstaff's efforts to salvage the situation highlight the challenges faced in maintaining pitch and out-



field conditions during adverse weather. The ongoing wet conditions have prevented the game from proceeding as planned, and further updates on potential rescheduling or additional inspections will be awaited.

AIFF Suspends Anwar Ali, Imposes Transfer Bans on Delhi FC and East Bengal



Indian defender Anwar Ali's controversial move from Mohun Bagan Super Giant to East Bengal has culminated in a significant ruling by the All India Football Federation (AIFF). After a detailed investigation, the AIFF has imposed a four-month suspension on Ali for violating the terms of his four-year loan agreement with Mohun Bagan.

The AIFF's decision also affects the clubs involved in the transfer. Both Delhi FC, Ali's parent club, and East Bengal, the team he was recently loaned to, have been barred from registering new players for two transfer windows. This restriction will commence from the January

transfer window. The AIFF's Players' Statute Committee (PSC) announced that Anwar Ali will serve a four-month ban, while Delhi FC and East Bengal face the transfer window bans. Additionally, all three parties—Anwar Ali, Delhi FC, and East Bengal—are required to pay Rs 12.90 crores in compensation to Mohun Bagan.

This ruling underscores the AIFF's commitment to enforcing contractual agreements and maintaining fair play standards in Indian football. The suspension and transfer bans are likely to impact team strategies and player movements in the upcoming seasons.



India Targets Continued Success in Asian Champions Trophy

India's men's hockey team is set to build on their recent successes as they face Malaysia in the Asian Champions Trophy in Hulunbuir, China on Wednesday. The defending champions, having made significant strides in field goal scoring, aim to extend their winning streak in the tournament.

Field goal conversion has been a focus for India following their bronze medal-winning performance at the Paris Olympics. Despite scoring 15 goals, only three were from open play, a concern highlighted by legendary goalkeeper PR Sreejesh. With his retirement, the emphasis on improving field goal efficiency has intensified.

India has showcased an impressive performance in the tournament so far. They started their title defense with a convincing 3-0 victory over hosts China and followed it up with a 5-1 thrashing of Japan. Of the eight goals scored by India, seven have come from open play. Young striker Sukhjeet Singh has been outstanding, netting three field goals, while Abhishek and Uttam Singh have contributed two each. Sanjay also converted a penalty corner against Japan.

The team is showing promising form, with the younger forwards stepping up, reducing the need for star drag-flicker and skipper Harmanpreet Singh to exert much effort. In contrast, Malaysia, the runners-up from the last edition, is struggling at the bottom of the table with one loss and a draw.

India's new goalkeeper, Krishan Bahadur Pathak, has made a solid start, conceding just one goal so far. With the top four teams advancing to the semifinals, India aims to maintain their strong performance through the round-robin phase. The semifinals are set for September 16, with the final scheduled for September 17.



Jr NTR's Devara Breaks Records in Advance Bookings

With less than three weeks to go until its release, Jr NTR's highly anticipated film *Devara* is already making headlines. Advance bookings for the film have opened in North America, and the sales are booming. Remarkably, the film has already raked in over a million dollars through pre-bookings, setting a new record as the first Indian movie to achieve this milestone before even releasing its theatrical trailer.

This impressive achievement underscores the immense excitement surrounding *Devara* and highlights Jr NTR's strong star power. The anticipation is palpable, and if the North American market is any indication, the response in Telugu states is expected to be even more fervent. The theatrical trailer for *Devara* is sched-

uled to drop this evening, and fans are eagerly awaiting to see what the film has in store.

Devara is particularly significant as it marks Jr NTR's first major project following the success of *RRR*. The film has generated substantial buzz not just in North India but across South India as well. Directed by Koratala Siva, the movie features Janhvi Kapoor in the lead female role, with Saif Ali Khan playing the antagonist. The music for the film is composed by Anirudh Ravichander, adding to the excitement surrounding its release. As the trailer launch approaches, expectations continue to soar, and the film's strong pre-release performance suggests that *Devara* could be a major box office hit.

Lavanya Complains that Raj Tarun has Stolen Gold

TPN, Hyderabad: Another twist has emerged in the case involving movie actor Raj Tarun and Lavanya. Lavanya has accused Raj Tarun of stealing her gold. She lodged a complaint with the Narsingi police, claiming that her gold, including her mangalsutra, was stolen. She even produced bills from the jewelry shop where the gold was purchased to support her claim.

In her complaint, Lavanya stated that she had hidden her gold jewelry in a locker and that the key was with Raj Tarun. She alleged that he stole the gold from the locker without her knowledge. She is also reportedly submitting evidence to support her accusation. It is said that the



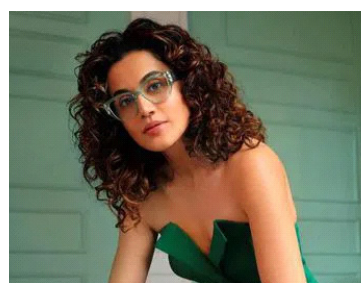
value of the gold allegedly stolen by Raj Tarun amounts to approximately Rs. 12 lakhs.

Earlier, Lavanya had filed a complaint with the Narsingi police, accusing Raj Tarun of cheating her. She had alleged that he promised to marry her but later started staying with Malvika Malhotra. The police registered the case and filed a charge sheet, but Raj Tarun secured anticipatory bail.

Taapsee Pannu to Star in Action-Thriller Gandhari

Actress Taapsee Pannu is set to take on a fierce new role in the upcoming action-thriller *Gandhari*, directed by Devashish Makhija, known for *Joram*. The film promises an intense narrative filled with relentless determination and high-stakes mystery, featuring Taapsee as a determined mother on a mission, according to Netflix's plot description.

Taapsee is reuniting with writer-producer Kanika Dhillon for this project, continuing their successful collaboration. "There's a special kind of magic when Kanika and I work together," Taapsee shared, highlighting the emotional depth and action-packed elements of *Gandhari*. She mentioned



that she's excited to dive back into action after a nine-year hiatus, finding the script's powerful story of maternal revenge particularly compelling.

Taapsee's previous collaborations with Dhillon include notable films such as *Manmarziyaan*, *Haseen Dillrubaba* and its sequel *Phir Aayi Haseen Dillrubaba*, *Rashmi Rocket*, and Rajkumar Hirani's *Dunki*.



Mrunal Thakur Returns to Mumbai for Son Of Sardaar 2

Actress Mrunal Thakur has returned to Mumbai to resume shooting for her upcoming film, *Son Of Sardaar 2*. She recently shared her excitement about the new schedule via Instagram Stories, posting a monochrome image of her vanity van with "In Mumbai meri jaan" and "Son Of Sardaar 2" displayed. The post was accompanied by the Punjabi

track "Dhol Jageero Da" by Panjabi MC, setting a lively tone.

Son Of Sardaar 2 is the sequel to the 2012 action-comedy *Son Of Sardaar*, which was directed by Ashwini Dhir. The sequel is being directed by Vijay Kumar Arora and stars Ajay Devgn and Sanjay Dutt alongside Mrunal. Earlier, Mrunal had returned from a vacation

in Scotland and expressed her disappointment at working through Ganesh Chaturthi, a time typically associated with festive celebrations. On Instagram, she shared a monochrome photo of her dressing table and mirror, lamenting her "massive FOMO" (Fear of Missing Out). She added, "It's a working Ganesh Chaturthi! Getting massive FOMO."

Salman Khan Returns to Hyderabad for 'Sikandar' Shoot

Bollywood superstar Salman Khan, who was last seen in Hyderabad filming *Kisi Ka Bhai Kisi Ki Jaan*, is heading back to the city for his much-anticipated film *Sikandar*. The project, directed by AR Murugadoss, has already created a buzz among fans.

Despite suffering from a rib injury, Salman is committed to the shoot, with careful attention to his health on set. *Sikandar* began filming in June with an impressive aerial action sequence 33,000 feet above ground, featuring Salman on a plane. The current filming schedule in Mumbai is set to last 45 days, after which the team will relocate to Hyderabad for the next phase of shooting.



There is speculation about the filming location in Hyderabad. Some reports suggest that scenes will be shot at an actual palace, while others indicate that a grand palace set is being constructed at Ramoji Film City. The exact location remains undisclosed.

In addition to Salman Khan, *Sikandar* features Rashmika Mandana, Sathyaraj, and Prateik Babbar in significant roles.

Sudheer Babu Shines in Maa Nanna Superhero First Look Poster

Hero Sudheer Babu's upcoming film, *Maa Nanna Superhero*, is set to release during the Dussehra festival, promising a delightful family experience. As part of the promotional campaign, the makers have unveiled the film's first look poster, offering a glimpse into the film's warm and inviting atmosphere.

In the poster, Sudheer Babu is portrayed in a modest outfit of a simple shirt and pants, riding a scooter home from what appears to be a vegetable market. His casual attire and the serene setting reflect his down-to-earth character. As he passes by schoolchildren, his genuine warmth and friendly demeanor are evident, showcasing his character's optimistic and caring nature. The overall vibe of the poster is uplifting and heartwarming.

Maa Nanna Superhero, directed by Abhilash Reddy Kankara and produced by V Celluloids and CAM Entertainment, features Sudheer Babu in a lead role alongside Sai Chand, who plays his father. Aarna is cast as the leading lady, adding to the film's appeal. The teaser for the movie is set to be released on September 12, as indicated in the poster.

