

Weather Forecast

HYDERABAD

H 33° C

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VIJAYAWADA

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TIRUPATHI

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No Matter Who Gets in the Way, Musi Cleaning Will Not Stop



TPN, Hyderabad: The Telangana government is committed to realizing the Musi River beautification project. As part of this effort, houses in the buffer zone of the Musi River catchment area are being cleared. In this context, CM Revanth Reddy responded to the ongoing developments.

He firmly stated that the cleaning process will continue, regardless of any obstacles, and emphasized that the dirt and pollution in the river will be left behind. CM Revanth Reddy assured that those displaced by the project will be supported in all possible ways.

"Nowadays, when people think of the Musi River, they think of a dirty cess-pool. Should we stop building projects because people may become homeless? Haven't lands been lost in the construction of reservoirs like Mallannasagar, Kondapochamma, and Gandhamalla? Farmers were beaten, trampled, and forcibly evicted in the Mallannasagar area.

KCR's family is now provoking the poor. What has KCR's family ever done for the underprivileged?" Revanth Reddy questioned. He called on the opposition parties to stop making unnecessary criticisms and instead offer constructive suggestions on how to support the displaced people.

CM Revanth Reddy's Visit to Delhi Meeting with Union Home Minister and AICC Leaders



Telangana Chief Minister Revanth Reddy has left for Delhi today, with a significant agenda for his visit. Tomorrow, he is scheduled to meet Union Home Minister Amit Shah, where he will seek central assistance for flood relief efforts in Telangana. The Chief Minister's visit comes at a crucial time, as the state grapples with the aftermath of severe flooding.

In addition to his appeal for flood relief, CM Revanth Reddy will participate in a meeting chaired by Amit Shah, focused on addressing issues in Maoist-affected states. This meeting is expected to cover various strategies for managing internal security concerns in these regions.

As part of his Delhi visit, CM Revanth Reddy is also expected to meet senior leaders of the All India Congress Committee (AICC). Reports suggest that discussions may center around recent political developments in Telangana, including the ongoing Konda Surekha dispute and potential cabinet expansion within the state government. These talks could have significant implications for the state's political landscape, particularly as Congress aims to solidify its position ahead of future elections.



Youth and Farmers Suffer in Congress Govt Says Harish Rao

TPN, Telangana: T. Harish Rao, the Siddipet MLA from the Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS), expressed strong criticism of the Telangana government on October 6, claiming it has failed the youth of the state. He highlighted a severe unemployment crisis, stating that despite promises of creating 200,000 jobs, there has been no progress even after ten months. Rao emphasized that many young individuals who believed in Congress's six guarantees and campaigned for the party are now grappling with unemployment, which has left them disillusioned and struggling.

Neglect of Farmers' Welfare

Rao further condemned the government for its failure to implement key initiatives, particularly those aimed at supporting farmers. He stated that the non-implementation of farmer loan waivers has led to significant financial hardships, leaving many farmers in dire situations. The former finance minister expressed concern that the lack of action has also prevented the increase of pensions for senior citizens, exacerbating their plight.

On social media platform X, Rao urged the government to adhere to its commitments and implement the six guarantees, which he believes should encompass declarations that benefit both farmers and youth. His call to action highlights a growing sentiment among the public regarding the unfulfilled promises made by the Congress-led government.

In a related statement, BRS working president K.T. Rama Rao (KTR) also placed the blame on Congress for the ongoing challenges faced by farmers in Telangana. He cited the irrigation crisis, incomplete crop loan waivers, and the absence of the Rythu Bharosa scheme as critical issues contributing to the distress among farmers, leading to tragic outcomes, including suicides. Together, these concerns underline a pressing need for the government to act swiftly and effectively to address the plight of both youth and farmers in Telangana.

Rs. 5,000 Crore Residential School Complexes in Telangana

- Launch of the model for Young India Residential School Complexes
- Telangana Ministers attend the event
- Bhatti says the government is establishing schools with international standards
- Komati Reddy criticizes the previous government for neglecting poor students

TPN, Telangana: The Congress government in Telangana is taking significant steps to modernize the education system. It has decided to establish residential school complexes across the state, with 20 to 25 acres of land being allocated for each complex.

During a program held today, Telangana Ministers unveiled the model of the Young India Integrated Residential School Complex. Speaking on the occasion, Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka revealed that the construction of these school complexes will cost Rs. 5,000 crores. He emphasized that the government is giving top priority to the education sector.

Bhatti Vikramarka mentioned that the schools will be built to international standards, and construction will begin in all constituencies this year. He explained that the education system is being reformed so that Telangana students can compete on a global scale.

Minister Komatireddy Venkatareddy stated that these integrated schools are a Dussehra gift to the people of the state. He also criticized the previous government for neglecting the needs of poor students, stating that the current government's goal is to provide better opportunities through education.



Jani Master's National Award Suspended



TPN, Hyderabad: The Union Information and Broadcasting Ministry suspended choreographer Jani Master's National Award for Best Choreography on Friday, October 4, due to allegations of sexual assault. Jani Master, whose real name is Shaik Jani Basha, won the award for the song "Megham

Karukkatta" from the film Thiruchitram-balam. He shared the award with co-choreographer Sathish Krishnan. However, the National Film Awards Cell of the I&B Ministry has since issued a statement suspending the award.

In a letter, the deputy director of the cell stated, "In view of the seriousness of the allegations and the matter being sub judice, the Competent Authority has decided to suspend the National Film Award for Best Choreography for the year 2022 to Shri Shaik Jani Basha for the film Thiruchitrambalam until further orders." Jani's invitation to attend the National Awards ceremony on October 8 has also been withdrawn.

Allegations Against Jani Master

Jani is accused of sexually assaulting a minor dancer in 2019. Based on the complaint, the Cyberabad police arrested him in Goa on September 19 under the POCSO Act of 2012. The court remanded him to judicial custody for two weeks and later granted four days of police custody. The victim, now 21, alleges that Jani assaulted her multiple times between 2019 and 2020 across several cities, including Mumbai, Chennai, and Hyderabad. The Narsingi police have re-registered the case, and Jani faces charges under sections 376(2)(n), 506, and 323 of the Indian Penal Code.



Telangana to Introduce New Revenue Act as a Model for the Nation

- Telangana New Revenue Act as a role model for the country
- Pilot implementation in Yacharam and Tirumalagiri mandals
- Revenue officers are the eyes and ears of the government
- Selection Grade Deputy Collectors for 33 districts
- IAS rank for 17 revenue officers
- Decision on tehsildars of electoral transfers before Dussehra



Hyderabad, October 6, 2024: Telangana's Minister for Revenue, Information and Public Relations, and Housing, Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy, announced the upcoming implementation of the new Revenue Act-2024, aimed at alleviating the hardships faced by citizens over the past decade due to the existing Dharani Portal and the Revenue Act of 2020. He emphasized that

the new legislation would serve as a role model for the country.

The new act will be piloted in the Yacharam and Tirumalagiri mandals, with the government taking steps to restore the revenue machinery in villages before its introduction. Reddy stated that revenue officials play a crucial role in maintaining public trust and empha-

sized the need for a complete overhaul of the revenue system to ensure it is accessible to ordinary citizens.

During a recent meeting with 272 Special Grade Deputy Collectors and Deputy Collectors, Reddy highlighted the importance of improving the revenue service, ensuring that a revenue official is assigned to each village. He expressed concerns over the previous government's hasty decisions that weakened the revenue system and distanced services from the public. Reddy assured that the new act would incorporate beneficial elements from the 2020 Revenue Act while avoiding any pitfalls.

The minister shared his recent experiences speaking with farmers in Tirumalagiri, re-

vealing issues regarding land surveys. He also reiterated the government's commitment to digitizing revenue records to prevent tampering and ensure transparency.

Addressing employee concerns, he promised to resolve financial matters and create Selection Grade Deputy Collector positions in all 33 districts while facilitating IAS status for 17 revenue officials. Reddy also discussed vehicle uniformity for employees, indicating that decisions would be made considering the state's financial situation.

This new revenue initiative aims to restore public faith in the system and provide better services to the citizens of Telangana.

Vegetable Prices Scare the Common Man

- Vegetables nearing ₹100 per kg.
- Cooking oils approaching ₹200 per liter.
- People returning home empty-handed.
- Festive season burden for the middle class.
- Public requests for price control.



TPN, Telangana: Unseasonal rains have caused vegetable prices to skyrocket in the market, severely impacting the poor and middle-class population. Many can no longer afford to buy vegetables. Along with this, the prices of essential commodities have also surged, leaving people struggling to make ends meet. With vegetable prices on the rise, many are shocked, and some are even returning home without buying anything. People are eagerly waiting for prices to drop.

The drop in crop yield due to the rains appears to be the main reason for this price hike. Currently, vegetable prices are nearing ₹100 per kg. Tomatoes are already selling at ₹100 per kg in some areas. Last week, onions were priced at ₹60 per kg in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, but now they've reached ₹80 per kg. Tomatoes, which were priced between ₹50 to ₹60 per kg last week, are now selling for ₹100 per kg in some places, and between ₹80 to ₹90 in others. Market sources predict that by the time of the Dussehra festival, most vegetables may reach ₹100 per kg.

The state consumes 100 tons of cooking oil daily, and during the festive season, this increases to 150 tons. With the rising prices, consumers are facing a heavy burden.

Ginger and Garlic Prices Spike:

The prices of ginger and garlic have surged by ₹60 per kg within just a week. Ginger has jumped from ₹100 to ₹160 per kg, while garlic has increased from ₹300 to ₹360 per kg. In malls, garlic is being sold for ₹400 per kg. Onion prices have not dropped below ₹60 per kg for the past 15 days. Dried chillies are now priced between ₹200 and ₹250 per kg. Additionally, pulses are also seeing significant price hikes. The price of toor dal has increased by ₹20 per kg in a week, reaching ₹170 per kg. Green gram has risen by ₹30 to ₹150 per kg, black gram has increased by ₹15 to ₹135 per kg, and chickpeas have gone up by ₹5 to ₹105 per kg.

Despite Stock, Prices of Cooking Oils Rise

The central government increased the import duty on cooking oils on September 14 to support domestic farmers, as the prices of oilseeds were falling locally. Even though manufacturers had stocks that would last for two months, they immediately increased the prices. Retailers and wholesalers also followed suit, hiking prices without delay. Prices that were normal in the morning rose by the evening of September 15. Existing stocks were sold at new prices, with many retailers transferring them to the black market, selling them at higher prices to hotels and restaurants. Consumers are being told that fresh stocks will only be sold at higher prices. With the upcoming Dussehra and Diwali festivals, cooking oil prices are expected to rise even further. Price control seems to be missing.

Burning Prices in the Kitchen

In just 12 days, cooking oil prices have jumped by ₹17 to ₹42 per liter. Onions, garlic, and pulses continue to soar in price. Leafy vegetables, now priced at ₹60 per kg, are also adding to the financial burden of consumers during the festive season.

In Hyderabad, during the festive season, the prices of essential commodities are soaring, and wholesale markets and malls are showing no sign of relief. On September 14, the central government announced an increase in the import duty on cooking oils, but starting the next day, prices began to rise. The duty hike applied only to palm, soy, and sunflower oils, but manufacturers and traders hiked the prices of all cooking oils, taking advantage of the festive season.

Government Appoints Library Corporation Chairpersons

TPN, Telangana: The Telangana government has announced the appointment of new chairpersons for the Library Corporation across multiple districts.

Official orders have been issued, and the following individuals have been named as chairpersons for their respective districts:

Jogulamba Gadwal District:

Neeli Srinivasulu

Mahbubnagar District:

Mallu Narasimha Reddy

Vikarabad District:

Sheri Rajesh Reddy

Narayanpet District:

Varala Vijay Kumar

Kamareddy District:

Maddi Chandrakant Reddy

Sangareddy District:

Golla Anjaiah

Vanaparathi District:

G. Govardhan

Ranga Reddy District:

Eluganti Madhusudhan Reddy

Karimnagar District:

Sattu Mallayya

Nirmal District:

Syed Arjumand Ali

Rajanna Sircilla District:

Nagula Satyanarayana Goud

These appointments are part of the government's effort to strengthen the library system in the state, with the new chairpersons expected to oversee and enhance the management and development of libraries in their respective districts.

The initiative aims to improve access to educational resources and promote literacy across Telangana.

Musi Cleaning Like a Sacred Ritual- Mahesh Kumar Goud

TPN, Telangana: Nizamabad Urban, October 5: TPCC President Mahesh Kumar Goud compared the cleaning of the Musi River and the ongoing HYDRA works in Hyderabad to a "sacred ritual," emphasizing that these projects are essential for the city's future. He urged citizens to support and cooperate with the government's initiatives, which aim to address long-term needs.

While speaking to the media in Nizamabad, Goud responded to BRS Working President K.T. Rama Rao's recent comments about the Musi River beautification project. KTR had alleged that the project funneled Rs. 30,000 crores in bribes to Delhi. Goud questioned how such an allegation could hold when the Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the project was not yet completed. He asked KTR to



clarify his statements.

Criticism of KTR and BRS Governance

Goud also criticized KTR, stating that while

KTR speaks English fluently, he lacks knowledge and awareness. He highlighted the ongoing flooding issues in Hyderabad, with heavy rains causing water to enter homes. He attributed this to encroachments on lakes and ponds around the city by former ministers and MLAs during the BRS regime.

Regarding the Musi River beautification, Goud reassured that the poor would not be displaced without alternative housing. He vowed to take strict action against illegal occupiers of government land, even if they were his family members. On loan waivers, he challenged Minister

Harish Rao to honor his promises and resign if he failed. Goud also confirmed that Nizamabad district would have representation in the upcoming cabinet expansion.



TPN, Telangana: As the Dussehra festival approaches, bus and railway stations in Telangana are bustling with passengers eager to head home for the holidays. Schools and colleges have announced holidays, and soon government offices will also close, leading to a significant surge in travelers.

The Secunderabad Railway Station is

particularly crowded, with long lines at ticket counters and platforms filled with thousands of passengers awaiting their trains. In response to the increased demand, South Central Railway has planned to operate special trains. A total of 644 special services will be available until October 15, ensuring passengers can travel to their desired destinations comfortably. This includes 170 trains from South

Dussehra Rush: Special Transport Arrangements Across Telangana

Central Railway and 115 additional trains from other regions. Important routes will feature connections from Secunderabad to various cities, including Danapur, Visakhapatnam, Tirupati, and more.

TGSRTC Special Arrangements for Passengers

To ease traffic congestion and reduce wait times, the Telangana State Road Transport Corporation (TSRTC) is also implementing special arrangements for the Dussehra festival. The management plans to run special buses from various suburbs in Hyderabad, including MGBS, JBS, and LB Nagar, with routes to Vijayawada, Bangalore, and other key locations, especially for IT corridor employees. TS-

RTC MD Sajjanar emphasized that 5,304 special buses will be operational, with an expected increase in passenger traffic during the festival days.

APSRTC Joins in the Effort

Additionally, the Andhra Pradesh State Road Transport Corporation (APS RTC) has organized 5,500 special bus services to cater to the demand from passengers traveling back to their hometowns in Karnataka and across the two Telugu states. Special buses will be running at regular fares from October 13 to 26, with a 10% discount on advance reservations. Passengers can easily purchase tickets through digital payment methods, including PhonePay, Google Pay, and



QR codes, ensuring a seamless travel experience during this festive season.

As Dussehra approaches, these special transport arrangements aim to facilitate smooth and timely travel for thousands of passengers returning home to celebrate.

CM Revanth Reddy Distributes Government Job Appointment Letters

- Your long awaited dream is coming true today
- It's not just a job.. it's an emotion..
- You all have the responsibility to maintain the trust of the people.
- Harish and KTR are talking about spears.
- Etela should still stand on the side of the poor...

TPN, Telangana: At a significant event in Hyderabad's Shilpkala venue, Chief Minister Revanth Reddy distributed recruitment documents to 1,635 candidates selected for government jobs across various departments. The positions include Assistant Executive Engineers, Agriculture Officers, Physical Education Teachers, Librarians, and Veterinary Assistant Surgeons. In his address, Reddy emphasized the government's commitment to creating jobs and rebuilding trust, a sharp contrast to the previous administration's failures.



like Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya and those who contributed to Hyderabad's infrastructure. The CM stressed the importance of maintaining public trust through dedicated work.

The Chief Minister highlighted the Congress government's swift action in fulfilling its employment promises. Within 90 days of taking office, the administration issued job appointment documents to over 30,000 individuals. He contrasted this with the failures of the prior government, which he accused of making empty promises in 2015 and neglecting the unemployed. Reddy noted that the Congress victory was built on a promise to restore hope and employment, and today's event was another step in delivering on that promise.

Reddy also underlined the importance of these jobs in the larger context of rebuilding Telangana, stating that these roles are not just employment opportunities but vital responsibilities in the state's ongoing development. He urged the new recruits to draw inspiration from figures

Looking ahead, Reddy announced plans to distribute over 11,000 teacher recruitment documents on October 9, reflecting the government's commitment to education and public service. He also touched on the upcoming Musi Riverfront development project, assuring residents that better housing and future prospects are part of the plan. Reddy concluded by challenging opposition leaders to prioritize the welfare of the people over personal interests.

KTR Blames Congress Government for Farmers' Suicides

Irrigation Crisis and Loan Waiver Failures Criticized Revanth Reddy Called Out for Anti-Farmer Policies

TPN, Hyderabad: BRS working president KT Rama Rao on Sunday held the Congress-led Telangana government responsible for the tragic suicides of three paddy farmers, which occurred on Saturday. He sharply criticized the government's negligence towards the farming community, highlighting how both land-owning and tenant farmers are struggling due to a lack of sufficient support.



In a statement, Rama Rao pointed out the worsening irrigation crisis, the incomplete implementation of the crop loan waiver, and the absence of the Rythu Bharosa scheme, which had been promised to the farmers. These failures, he said, have left hundreds of farmers in despair. With mounting debts and no relief in sight, many farmers have tragically taken their own lives. "Farmers are dying by suicide due to this crisis, yet the government remains indifferent. The Chief Minister shows no empathy, and there is a complete lack of responsibility from the administration," Rama Rao said.

Rama Rao warned that the farming community is growing increasingly frustrated with the Congress government's inability to address their concerns. He predicted that Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy would be held accountable by farmers for the anti-farmer policies and broken promises. According to KTR, the Congress government has not only failed to deliver on key initiatives like the Rythu Bharosa scheme but has also failed to provide adequate irrigation solutions, which has further compounded the distress in rural Telangana.

The BRS leader stressed that the government's incompetence is pushing more farmers into financial ruin and despair. However, he urged the farming community not to lose hope and expressed confidence that the current hardships would soon be overcome.

In his message to the farmers, Rama Rao assured them that better days are ahead. "Bad days will pass, and good days will come again. Jai Kisan!" he posted on X, reiterating his belief that farmers will ultimately prevail despite the government's failures.

Revanth Reddy does not care about the education system

TPN, Telangana: During a recent press conference, State President Gellu Srinivas Yadav asserted that once Revanth Reddy assumes the role of Chief Minister, he will prioritize revitalizing the education system. Yadav highlighted the pressing issue of unpaid fee reimbursements to colleges, stating that no funds have been allocated so far, leaving students in private institutions struggling. He criticized the lack of a dedicated education minister, resulting in a complete absence of oversight.

Addressing Concerns
Yadav questioned the effectiveness of the newly formed education commission, pointing out that there have been no significant actions taken, and expressed concern over Akunuri Murali's apparent negligence. He also challenged the Chief Minister's claim about engineering students consuming cannabis, demanding evidence to substantiate such accusations and urging an apology to the affected students.

He emphasized that non-teaching staff have not received their salaries, leading to student protests. Furthermore, Yadav accused Revanth Reddy of neglecting Basar IIT since taking office, despite having previously drawn attention to it. He concluded by criticizing the Chief Minister for failing to implement the Overseas Scholarship program initiated by KCR, underscoring the urgent need for accountability in the education sector.

Do you knock the houses of the poor and give them to the elders?

- * MP Etala Rajender's open letter to CM Revanth Reddy
- * What is your plan of action for cleansing the mousse? , Is there a DPR?
- * What are the alternative arrangements for those who are losing their houses?

TPN, Telangana: MP Etala Rajender wrote an open letter to Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, raising several critical questions regarding the Musi River rejuvenation project. He inquired about the action plan for Musi restoration and whether a Detailed Project Report (DPR) exists.



Rajender expressed concerns for those losing their homes, asking what alternative arrangements the government is providing. He questioned how the government can promise double-bedroom houses to those displaced when they previously owned homes valued in crores.

er rejuvenation and ₹22,000 crores for the Namoganga project over 12 years, a staggering ₹1,50,000 crores is proposed for the Musi project.

He also highlighted discrepancies in project funding, pointing out that while ₹2,000 crores were allocated for the Sabarmati Riv-

Rajender demanded transparency regarding who was awarded the project contract. Additionally, he questioned the legality of

demolitions happening without determining the Full Tank Level (FTL) and buffer zone of lakes. He emphasized the need for clear alternatives for those who built homes on patta lands. Rajender cautioned that the government's current actions are jeopardizing the future and development of Hyderabad. He called for a meeting led by the Chief Minister instead of mere announcements on stages, stating that he would be willing to attend.

He asserted that his struggle is for the impoverished individuals who built their homes with hard-earned savings. Rajender concluded that until these issues are addressed clearly, his protest will continue, reaffirming his commitment to stand with the people, regardless of his official position.

Govt Promotes 33 Junior Assistants to Executive Officers in Endowments Department

TPN, Hyderabad: In a significant development for junior assistants in the Endowments Department, the Telangana government promoted 33 individuals to the position of Executive Officers (Grade-3) on Saturday. The promotion orders were presented by Endowments Minister Konda Surekha, marking a moment of relief for those who had been waiting for years to advance in their careers.



During the event, Minister Surekha emphasized the government's commitment to employee welfare, stating, "These promotions are an example of our dedication to prioritizing the interests of our employees." She also mentioned previous promotions granted to other grades of executive officers, underscoring the government's ongoing efforts

the ongoing geo-tagging efforts. She informed attendees that a legal officer had been appointed to reclaim properties associated with the Endowments Department that are currently embroiled in court litigation.

The ceremony was emotional for many, including the daughter of one of the newly promoted officers. She shared with Minister Surekha that her father had been eagerly awaiting his promotion for the past decade, illustrating the profound impact of this advancement on the lives of the beneficiaries. Surekha urged the newly promoted officers to rededicate themselves to their service within the department.

In addition to the promotions, Surekha highlighted the government's initiatives to generate solar power on Endowment lands and

BRS Eyes on Arikepudi Gandhi's Constituency Amid Political Shifts

TPN, Hyderabad: Telangana politics is heating up, with many BRS winners recently shifting allegiance to Congress. The BRS has approached the courts to seek disqualification of these leaders, with legal proceedings already underway. Meanwhile, KCR is proactively working to build new leadership in constituencies where leaders have defected from the party.

Ajay, who contested from Khammam in last year's assembly elections but lost to Minister Thummala, is reportedly eyeing Serilingampally due to favorable social dynamics and voting factors, including a significant settler and Kamma caste vote. Ajay believes he has a strong chance of winning if he runs from Serilingampally under the BRS banner.

One of the key constituencies is Arikepudi Gandhi's, where BRS is making moves to solidify its base. Gandhi, who won from BRS, has reportedly drawn closer to Congress. The recent attack on Kaushik Reddy's house has stirred a state-wide debate, and now the political equations in Serilingampally, Gandhi's constituency, are shifting. Despite BRS losing power in the state, the party has maintained a stronghold in the Greater Hyderabad region. To further strengthen its position, there are discussions within the party that former BRS Minister Puvvada Ajay is planning to contest from Serilingampally after Gandhi's defection.

It is rumored that Ajay has already requested permission from the party leadership to focus his efforts on Serilingampally and prepare for the upcoming election. However, there is internal debate within the BRS, as many feel Ajay's leadership is more critical in Khammam, where Congress won all the constituencies. His followers maintain that Ajay will remain in Khammam, but the final decision from KCR regarding Serilingampally is awaited.

This political chess game highlights the evolving landscape as BRS navigates both internal shifts and external challenges.



Kishan Reddy Launches Special Train from Secunderabad to Goa

- The train will operate twice a week
- Departure from Secunderabad at 10:05 AM
- Departure from Vasco da Gama at 9:00 AM



TPN, Hyderabad: Good news for tourists traveling from Secunderabad to Goa! Union Minister Kishan Reddy inaugurated the Secunderabad-Vasco da Gama (Goa) special train today. The minister flagged off the train from Secunderabad station.

The Secunderabad-Vasco da Gama (Goa) train will operate on Wednesdays and Fridays. This express train departs from Secunderabad at 10:05 AM and makes stops at Kachiguda, Shadnagar, Jadcherla, Mahbubnagar, Gadwal, Kurnool, Don, Guntakal, Bellary, and Madgaon stations.

Similarly, the Vasco da Gama (Goa)-Secunderabad train will run on Thursdays and Saturdays, departing from Vasco da Gama at 9:00 AM.

Free Cancer Screening for GHMC Employees on October 8

TPN, Hyderabad: Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) Commissioner Amrapali Kata has announced a free cancer screening camp for GHMC employees on Tuesday, October 8. The camp, which will run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., aims to promote early detection and prevention of cancer among municipal staff. Organized by the Vimalakar Foundation in collaboration with KIMS, Sunshine Hospital, and various medical professionals, the screening camp will offer a range of comprehensive medical tests. These include ultrasound, abdominal and UGI endoscopy, sigmoidoscopy, proctoscopy, ECG, 2D-echo, X-rays, complete blood profile (CBP), liv-

er function tests, kidney function tests, serum creatinine, lipid profile, and screenings for HBSAG and HCV. Commissioner Amrapali Kata emphasized the importance of employees arriving on an empty stomach to ensure the tests can be conducted efficiently.

She also directed all circle and zonal officers, as well as heads of departments, to ensure that any employees showing signs of illness or suspicion of health issues are sent to the head office for screening. This initiative underscores the GHMC's commitment to the health and well-being of its employees through preventive healthcare measures.



Woman Arrested for Murder Over Ornaments in Kukatpally

TPN, Hyderabad: The Kukatpally police have arrested a 35-year-old woman, Katari Manjula, in connection with the brutal murder of a 23-year-old labourer, Dharmaram Priyanka, over a dispute involving ornaments. The incident took place on September 30, and the arrest was made on Sunday, October 6.

Manjula, a resident of Jagathgirigutta, had befriended Priyanka, who had recently moved to Hyderabad from Nizamabad and was residing in KPHB. The two women met about a month ago, and Priyanka had entrusted Manjula with her ornaments for safekeeping, as she did not have a secure place to store them.

Tensions flared on September 30 when the two were seen arguing over the ornaments. Priyanka, sensing the situation escalating, called her friends to help resolve the issue. The argument was momentarily defused, and Manjula returned the ornaments. However, she continued to harbour resentment over the dispute.

Later, Manjula invited Priyanka to her home and persuaded her to consume alcohol. Afterward, Manjula lured Priyanka to an isolated area, where she pushed her onto a pile of garbage and brutally slit her throat. In an attempt to mislead the investigation and make it appear as a sexual assault, Manjula attacked Priyanka's private parts after the murder.

Following the investigation, police arrested Manjula at her residence and recovered the deceased's ornaments and a vehicle linked to the crime. The case is currently under further investigation.

Hyderabad Police to Auction 1,212 Unclaimed Vehicles

TPN, Hyderabad: The Hyderabad City Police are preparing to auction 1,212 unclaimed and abandoned vehicles, collected from various police stations across the city. These vehicles, which have remained unclaimed, will be auctioned in accordance with Section 7 of the Hyderabad (Metropolitan Area) Police Act, 2004, along with Section 40 of

the Hyderabad City Police Act.

Individuals who believe they have claims or objections regarding any of these vehicles can submit their applications to the Commissioner of Police at the Integrated Command and Control Center (ICCC) in Banjara Hills. This submission must be made within six months

from the date of the proclamation. If no claims are made within this period, the vehicles will be auctioned off.

Further details about the vehicles and auction specifics are available with the auction team located at Shiv Kumar Lal Police Stadium in Goshamahal. Interested individ-

als can also access this information on the Hyderabad City Police's official website at www.hyderabadpolice.gov.in.

This auction provides an opportunity for buyers to acquire vehicles, while helping the city authorities clear unclaimed assets from police custody.

TJUDA Supports Bengal Doctors' Hunger Strike



TPN, Hyderabad: The Telangana Junior Doctors Association (TJUDA) expressed solidarity on October 6 with the hunger strike initiated by junior doctors in West Bengal. In a statement, TJUDA declared, "We extend our unwavering support to the West Bengal Junior Doctors' Federation (WB-JDF) in their ongoing hunger strike, demanding justice and urgent reforms to ensure the safety and dignity of doctors across the state."

The association highlighted the recent tragic incident involving the rape and murder of a doctor at RG Kar Medical College, underscoring the critical need for systemic changes to protect healthcare professionals. TJUDA described the hunger strike as inspiring and necessary for bringing attention to their issues.

TJUDA joined the call for the West Bengal government to take immediate action to implement measures that safeguard healthcare workers and prevent future tragedies. In parallel with the hunger strike, six junior doctors—three female and three male—have volunteered to provide medical services while observing a fast-unto-death, reflecting their commitment to both patient care and their urgent demands for safety and security in the medical profession.

Massive Fraud in Uppal Under the Guise of Tours

TPN, Hyderabad: A significant fraud has been reported in Uppal involving **Sri Gayatri Tours and Travels*, run by Bharat Kumar, who allegedly defrauded numerous individuals under the pretext of offering tours to various pilgrimage sites. Over the past three years, the travel agency has collected crores of rupees through various tour offers, including "Manasa Sarovaram." It has come to light that Bharat Kumar used the COVID-19 pandemic as an excuse to evade responsibility

for the past two years. Despite having taken substantial amounts of money from customers, he failed to refund them, often providing empty promises and claiming future tours that never materialized.

Reports indicate that he has collected between two to three lakh rupees from individual clients, with over 150 victims affected by this fraudulent scheme. In response to the growing complaints, the Uppal police arrested Bharat Kumar and

have remanded him for further investigation.

With victims stepping forward, the police have registered a case and are actively investigating the matter. This incident has raised concerns among the public regarding the trustworthiness of travel agencies, highlighting the need for greater vigilance when engaging in travel bookings. Authorities urge anyone affected by this scam to come forward and report their ex-

periences to assist in the ongoing investigation.



HMWSSB to Waive Interest on Pending Water Bills Until October 31

TPN, Hyderabad: The Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (HMWSSB) has announced a one-time settlement (OTS-2024) scheme, offering relief to city residents with outstanding water bills. Under this scheme, consumers can have the interest on their pending bills waived if they pay the principal amount between October 1 and October 31.

HMWSSB Managing Director Ashok

Reddy explained that the decision was driven by the growing burden of unpaid water bills. The initiative was launched after Chief Secretary of the Municipal Administration Department, Dana Kishore, issued an official order on October 5.

The OTS scheme is applicable only to consumers with active water tap connections. Those with disconnected connections can only participate if they submit an affidavit

agreeing to pay their water bills for the next 24 months. Failure to comply will result in the forfeiture of benefits under the OTS scheme.

To settle their outstanding bills, consumers must approach the appropriate authorities based on their due amounts. Those with dues up to Rs 2,000 should contact the manager, while consumers with dues between Rs 2,001 and Rs 10,000 need to approach the depu-

ty general manager. For amounts exceeding Rs 10,000, the general manager will handle the cases, and dues over Rs 1 lakh will require a direct meeting with the deputy general manager.

This scheme provides a valuable opportunity for water consumers to clear their dues without the additional financial burden of accumulated interest.

Food Safety Department Conducts Raids at Popular Restaurants, Uncovers Multiple Violations



TPN, Hyderabad: The Telangana Food Safety Department conducted a series of raids at well-known restaurants across Hyderabad, revealing serious food safety violations. The inspections, which took place on Friday, October 4, targeted establishments including Over The Moon Brew Company, Maredumilli Restaurant, and Dine-O-China in Gachibowli, as well as other eateries in the city.

Key Violations Found:

Dine-O-China: Inspectors uncovered multiple issues, including the absence of a valid FSSAI license, improperly sealed doors and windows allowing pest entry, and clogged drains leading to water stagnation. Additionally, food stored in refrigerators was not labelled correctly, raising concerns about food safety and hygiene.

Maredumilli Restaurant: The inspection revealed a live cockroach infestation inside the kitchen refrigerator. There were open drains causing water stagnation, uncovered dustbins, and a batch of expired khova dated August 5, 2024, stored in the refrigerator. Other food items, while covered, were not labelled properly. Windows lacked insect-proof screens, and doors were not sealed properly to keep out pests.

Over The Moon Brew Company: The raid revealed inadequately labelled food items in the refrigerator, along with a packet of kalimirchi past its "Use By" date of September 6. Several packets of BBQ sauce were missing the FSSAI logo and importer details. Spoiled raw vegetables, such as tomatoes, lemons, and cauliflower, were found due to improper sorting. While the staff wore appropriate haircaps and

aprons, the establishment failed to provide medical fitness certificates for its food handlers.

The Food Safety Department also conducted earlier raids on October 1 at Silver Bawarchi Restaurant and Bakers, Kakatiya Military Hotel, and Babai Hotel in Patancheru. These inspections similarly uncovered severe violations, including a cockroach infestation and improper hygiene practices.

These raids are part of the department's ongoing effort to ensure food safety standards are upheld across Hyderabad. The authorities have warned that restaurants found in violation of the regulations will face strict penalties and are urged to comply with food safety norms to protect public health.



Envy Imperialism and iSlavery: How the iPhone Fuels Digital Enslavement

Typing this essay on a MacBook Air, tethered to an iPhone Pro (albeit not the latest model) may appear hypocritical, but certain issues warrant discussion using the very tools that exemplify the topic. The hype surrounding the sale of the iPhone 16 across India is a reminder of the industrially produced concoction of glamour, envy, and cultural imperialism that defines many markets in the Global South today. This phenomenon is what can be termed as envy imperialism.

Envy, while often seen as a negative emotion, is a potent economic driver. In the realm of consumer behavior, envy fosters achievement motivation and drives spending. The more one envies, the more one feels compelled to earn, spend, and possess. Since its 2007 launch, the iPhone has become emblematic of this cycle. It is a status symbol that people aspire to own, not merely for its utility but for the social prestige it confers—a modern-day neighbour's envy, owner's pride.

The Triumph of Simulation Over Utility



The iPhone transcends its role as a communication device; it is a platform for producing and perpetuating glamour. At the turn of the century, as smartphones were entering the market, experts were unsure whether their utility or their role in crafting digital worlds would win out. As Thomas Elsaesser noted in 2005, the question was whether third-generation cellphones would triumph due to their utility or because of the “sophisticated parallel worlds” they could create.

Two decades later, the answer is clear: simulation reigns supreme. The smartphone has become a space where people carefully curate their lives for influence and clout. It is no longer simply a tool for communication but the ultimate platform for crafting digital personas. Social media and smartphone culture have transformed how people relate to the world around them. The glamour generated on platforms like Instagram is meticulously curated to foster envy and admiration.

The World of Influencers and Aspirations

When discussing social media's impact, the focus is often on vulnerable groups—children, adolescents, and the economically marginalized. It is widely acknowledged how social media preys on their aspirations and how influencers perpetuate unattainable ideals of success. However, the conversation rarely extends to the “haves”—those who wield these digital platforms to create envy among their peers, fostering a reckless pursuit of social validation. The purpose of posting an image with a luxury shopping bag, even if empty, is not to impress those from economically disadvantaged backgrounds but to elicit envy from peers.

Digital glamour gives users a space to escape the socio-economic constraints they face in reality. As Kiran V. Bhatia points out, children in Indian slums use social media to access the experiences they aspire to but cannot attain. This digital access seldom translates into upward mobility. They are collateral consumers of a world designed for envy, mere “followers” feeding the data-driven machine of the social media ecosystem.



Curation: The First Step Toward iSlavery

Not all forms of digital glamour are tied to luxury goods; intellectual posturing is another currency in this world of envy. Whether showcasing a new book or boasting of refined tastes like wine, social media is where people craft narratives to signal success and cultural arrival. This careful curation, often unnoticed by the curator, is a step toward what scholars like Jack Linchuan Qiu call “iSlavery”. Qiu argues that while smartphones promised emancipation, they have instead created new forms of enslavement. The most dangerous part of this enslavement is how willing we are to participate.

Brain imaging studies have shown that screen obsession is causing neurological disorders in children and adolescents. But for adults, the dangers are more insidious. Adults have the agency to step away from screens, yet they choose enslavement, tethered to the constant need for validation through digital personas. Whether standing in line for hours to buy the latest iPhone or constructing the perfect “authentic” self for social media, adults are increasingly slaves to their screens.

The Cultural Imperialism of iSlavery



The dominance of Apple's iPhone across the globe is not just a technological achievement but a cultural one. The possession of an iPhone allows users to flaunt their status, which in turn enables them to signal other forms of affluence. In this sense, the cultural imperialism of the iPhone goes beyond its technological capabilities—it exploits the human need for social validation and feeds off envy.

As Christian Fuchs argues, traditional slavery involved the exploitation of the body. Today's digital slavery exploits the brain—the site of our ideas, emotions, and desires. The relentless pursuit of social validation through smartphones is eroding our ability to engage meaningfully with the world. What remains is a shallow existence, driven by envy and the need to curate an image that aligns with societal expectations.

This relentless cycle of envy and aspiration is leading to a form of digital “anomie”—a state of nothingness. As we become more enslaved to our screens and the devices that shape our social lives, we risk losing touch with the very essence of who we are.



PM Modi flags off Mumbai’s first underground Metro line

Mumbai celebrated a significant milestone on Saturday as Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the first phase of the Aqua Line Metro, marking the city's entry into underground metro travel after eight years of planning and construction. The initial 12.44-km stretch connects Aarey to the Bandra Kurla Complex (BKC), setting the stage for improved urban mobility in one of India's busiest cities.

The entire Aqua Line will span 33.5 kilometers, linking Cuffe Parade, BKC, and Aarey Colony, with full operations expected to commence by March 2025. This project aims to alleviate traffic congestion, reduce travel time, and enhance connectivity in the city, making commuting more efficient for millions of Mumbaiers.

During the inauguration, PM Modi



took a symbolic ride on the metro from BKC to Santacruz and back, accompanied by construction workers and beneficiaries of the "Chief Minister Majhi Ladki Bahin Yojana," which supports women in various capacities. This gesture highlighted the inclusive nature of

the project and the government's commitment to empowering citizens.

The Aqua Line Metro is part of a broader effort to modernize Mumbai's transportation infrastructure, which includes additional metro

lines, suburban trains, and the ongoing development of BKC as a major business hub. The metro line's underground nature will help minimize disruption on the surface, preserving the city's vibrant urban landscape while facilitating necessary growth.

As Mumbai continues to grapple with its ever-growing population and increasing vehicular traffic, the Aqua Line is seen as a critical step towards sustainable urban development. The metro's impact is expected to resonate beyond mere transportation, fostering economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents.

With this inauguration, Mumbai joins the ranks of global cities that have embraced underground metro systems, paving the way for a more connected, efficient, and environmentally friendly future.



India To Become Next Chip Manufacturing Hub: Ashwini Vaishnaw

Union Minister for Electronics and IT Ashwini Vaishnaw has announced that India is on track to become a leading semiconductor hub, driven by significant investments in the sector. Speaking about a recent roundtable in New York, where Prime Minister Narendra Modi met with top tech executives, Vaishnaw highlighted that three leading CEOs noted an unprecedented level of enthusiasm for India in the last 35 to 40 years.

The Central government has approved five semiconductor manufacturing proposals, totaling nearly ₹1.52 lakh crore in investment. Vaishnaw noted that Micron Technology is set to produce the first made-in-India chips by early 2025. He also mentioned ongoing construction at the CG power semiconductor facility and Tata's ATMP facility in Assam, both crucial for bolstering India's semiconductor capabilities.

The Minister emphasized that the growth of the semiconductor industry aligns with PM Modi's vision for a self-reliant India. Semiconductors are foundational to numerous industries, powering everything from medical devices and mobile phones to vehicles and home electronics.

According to reports, India's semiconductor market is projected to reach \$64 billion by 2026, nearly tripling its size since 2019. The government's 'Semicon India' initiative is designed to provide financial support for various aspects of semiconductor manufacturing, including fabrication units, sensors, display manufacturing, and packaging.

Experts believe that by enhancing production capabilities, India is poised to capture a significant share of the global semiconductor market. Initiatives like the Semicon India Programme and the India Semiconductor Mission (ISM) are aimed at driving innovation, creating jobs, and stimulating economic growth through technological advancements.



BJP Forming Govt For Third Time: Haryana CM

Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini dismissed exit poll predictions on Sunday, asserting that the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) will secure a full majority and form the government for a third consecutive term when results are announced on October 8.

Despite most exit polls indicating a potential Congress victory, Saini maintained his party's confidence. "On October 8, we are going to form the government," he stated firmly. He suggested that the Congress would likely blame the Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) for their defeat, saying, "People will have their say on October 8, and they — Congress — will blame the EVMs."

When pressed about the number of seats the BJP might win in the 90-member assembly, Saini reiterated his confidence, saying, "I have said we will form the government with full majority." He attributed this optimism to the party's efforts to work for all sections of society without discrimination.

Saini's comments came after nearly 67 percent voter turnout was recorded in the Haryana assembly elections, with several exit polls predicting a comeback for the Congress party after a decade in opposition. He countered the predictions by referencing exit polls that also forecast Congress victories in Chhattisgarh and Uttarakhand, emphasizing that such forecasts do not reflect the reality on the ground.



BJP’s Double-Engine Means Inflation, Corruption: Kejriwal

AAP supremo Arvind Kejriwal has issued a bold challenge to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, urging him to provide free electricity in all NDA-ruled states before the upcoming Delhi Assembly elections. Speaking at a public gathering during the 'Janta Ki Adalat' event, Kejriwal vowed to campaign for the BJP if the Prime Minister fulfills this demand.

Kejriwal criticized the BJP's "double engine" governments, claiming they have failed to deliver effective governance and predicting their ousting in states like Haryana and Jammu and Kashmir. He described the "double engine" model as synonymous with "double loot and double corruption."

"I challenge PM Modi to provide free electricity in all 22 BJP-ruled states before the Delhi Assembly elections in February. If he does, I will campaign for the BJP," Kejriwal stated emphatically. He also referenced exit polls suggesting that the BJP's grip on power is weakening in states like Haryana and Jammu

and Kashmir.

In addition to his challenge, Kejriwal accused the BJP of being anti-poor. He highlighted issues such as the removal of bus marshals and data entry operators and the suspension of salaries for home guards in Delhi. "There is no democracy in Delhi. It's under the LG's rule," he alleged, suggesting that local governance has been undermined.

Kejriwal's comments reflect a broader narrative in which he seeks to position AAP as a champion for the common man, contrasting it with the BJP's governance. As the Delhi Assembly elections approach, his challenge could serve to galvanize support among voters who prioritize affordable utilities and good governance.

The response from PM Modi and the BJP regarding Kejriwal's challenge remains to be seen, but the stakes are high as both parties prepare for a politically charged election season.

Senior doctors to join juniors Amid Demands for Justice



In the heart of Kolkata's Dharma-tala area, junior doctors from RG Kar Medical College and Hospital are enduring a hunger strike until death, seeking justice for a deceased colleague and advocating for workplace safety. The strike commenced late Saturday night after the state government failed to address their demands within a 24-hour deadline.

The tragic death of the woman medic has ignited outrage among her peers, prompting this significant protest. Debasish Halder, a participating doctor, expressed the group's determination: "The support of these people gives us the courage to continue our protest against the gruesome murder of our sister. We are happy to see that people have not forgotten that justice is yet not given, and attacks on doctors are still ongoing."

The junior doctors, who had previously staged a sit-in at Dorina crossing, decided to escalate their

protest after an alleged assault by Kolkata Police personnel. To ensure transparency, they have set up CCTV cameras at the protest site, documenting their actions.

The hunger strike includes six identified doctors: Snigdha Hazra, Tanaya Panja, Anustup Mukhopadhyay, Arnab Mukhopadhyay, Pulastha Acharya, and Sayantani Ghosh Hazra. They warned that the state would bear responsibility if any of them fell ill during the protest. Their demands extend beyond justice for their colleague; they also call for the removal of Health Secretary NS Nigam and accountability for alleged incompetence within the Health department.

Additional demands include establishing a centralized referral system for hospitals, monitoring bed vacancies, and forming task forces to improve essential provisions like CCTV, on-call rooms, and washrooms in medical facilities.

SAARC Stagnation Due to Cross-Border Terrorism: Jaishankar

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar has highlighted that the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) is currently "not moving forward," primarily due to the activities of one of its member states engaging in "cross-border terrorism." His comments, made during a recent event, underscore the challenges facing SAARC, which has not convened for meetings since its last summit in Kathmandu in 2014.

While he did not name the country responsible, Jaishankar emphasized that the ongoing terrorism poses significant hurdles to cooperation among member nations. "If you are all sitting together and cooperating, and at the same time this kind of terrorism goes on... it poses a challenge for us," he said. The Minister asserted that normal-



izing such behavior would be unacceptable, leading to a collective decision to pause SAARC activities. Jaishankar also noted that the lack of SAARC meetings does not imply a halt in regional integration. He pointed out that in recent years, In-

dia has engaged in more substantial regional cooperation with neighboring countries like Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan, Myanmar, and Sri Lanka. Initiatives include restoring railway lines, rebuilding roads, and enhancing energy grids. "What

is happening in the neighborhood is because we are espousing a policy called 'Neighbourhood First,'" he stated. Furthermore, during his address, Jaishankar discussed historical parallels, recalling Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's efforts in reconstructing India post-colonialism while navigating the complexities of international relations. He referenced the present-day relationship with China, noting the ongoing border disputes and emphasizing the need for peace and respect for the Line of Actual Control (LAC).

As the regional landscape evolves, Jaishankar's remarks serve as a reminder of the intricate balance required for cooperation in South Asia, particularly in the face of challenges posed by terrorism and geopolitical tensions.

There's One India: Canada Reaffirms Support For Territorial Integrity



Canada has reaffirmed its stance on the territorial integrity of India, a notable statement amid ongoing tensions between the two nations. This marks the first clear declaration since last year's diplomatic fallout following Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's allegations regarding potential Indian government involvement in the assassination of Hardeep Singh Nijjar, a Canadian citizen and a wanted terrorist in India.

During an appearance at the foreign interference commission in Ottawa, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs David Morrison stated, "Canada's policy is very clear that India's territorial integrity must be respected. There's one India, and that's

been made very clear." This affirmation is viewed as a response to the concerns surrounding pro-Khalistan elements within Canada, particularly as it relates to their activities and freedoms.

While Morrison acknowledged the existence of these pro-Khalistan sentiments, he characterized them as "awful but lawful," emphasizing the protections offered under Canadian freedom of speech laws. This clarification is intended to address apprehensions about Canada's stance on Khalistani activism, which has strained diplomatic relations with India.

The relationship between India and Canada has been increasingly fraught, particularly since the allegations made by Trudeau last year, which India deemed "absurd" and politically motivated. The aftermath saw a significant downturn in bilateral relations, including stalled trade talks and heightened diplomatic tensions.

Canada's recent overtures toward India, particularly following the re-election of Prime Minister Narendra Modi for a historic third term, signal an intention to mend fences. Trudeau indicated a willingness to engage on critical issues surrounding national security and public safety.

In June, the Canadian parliament observed a moment of silence for Nijjar, prompting India to hold its own memorial for the victims of the 1985 Air India bombing, which was linked to Khalistani terrorism. The complexity of these issues continues to challenge the diplomatic landscape, with Canada recently arresting four Indian nationals amid its investigations, further complicating the discourse around sovereignty and security.

As both nations navigate these sensitive waters, the reaffirmation of Canada's commitment to India's territorial integrity could serve as a pivotal step in restoring dialogue and cooperation moving forward.



Israeli Airstrike On Mosque In Gaza Kills 26

The health ministry in Hamas-run Gaza reported on Sunday that an Israeli airstrike on a mosque converted into a shelter in central Deir al-Balah resulted in the deaths of 26 people. The strike has drawn significant attention amid escalating violence in the region.

According to the ministry, "The number of martyrs brought to hospitals as a result of the occupation's targeting of displaced people in the Ibn Rushd school and Al Aqsa Martyrs mosque reached 26, with several more wounded." Earlier reports from the Gaza civil defense agency indicated that at least 21 individuals

had died in the pre-dawn strike.

In response, the Israeli military asserted that it targeted Hamas militants during the strike, claiming it was a "precise strike on Hamas terrorists who were operating within a command and control center" located at the mosque. However, the military did not provide specific details regarding the casualty figures.

The incident highlights the ongoing tensions and violence in the Gaza Strip, where hostilities have intensified in recent months. The conflict has seen a significant humanitari-

an toll, with numerous casualties reported on both sides.

The situation remains fluid, with continued exchanges of fire and airstrikes exacerbating the humanitarian crisis in the region. As the international community watches closely, calls for de-escalation and a return to dialogue have become increasingly urgent.

As the conflict persists, the impact on civilians continues to be profound, underscoring the urgent need for a sustainable resolution to the ongoing violence and its humanitarian implications.



Trump Campaigning in Wisconsin Amid Republican Concerns

Donald Trump's recent campaign stop in Wisconsin marks his fourth visit in just eight days, reflecting the former president's increasing focus on the state as Republicans express anxiety about his ability to compete with Democrats' enthusiasm and turnout efforts. Wisconsin has historically been a battleground state, having leaned Republican only once in the last 40 years, when Trump won it in 2016.

Political analysts in the state, like Brandon Scholz, a seasoned Republican strategist, have voiced concerns about the current political landscape. Scholz, who previously supported Trump in 2020 but has decided against voting for either Trump or Democratic nominee Kamala Harris this year, believes that the Republican Party should indeed be worried. "In the political chatter class, they're worried," he remarked, highlighting the palpable unease among party members.

Trump's latest rally took place in Juneau, Dodge County, a region he previously secured with 65% of the vote in the last presidential election. Local Republican Party chairman Jack Yuds noted that support for Trump appears to be even stronger in his area than in previous election cycles. "I can't keep signs in," Yuds stated, emphasizing the high demand for Trump merchandise.



Maldives President Muizzu arrives in India on first state visit

Maldives President Mohamed Muizzu arrived in New Delhi on Sunday afternoon for a five-day state visit, marking his first trip to India since assuming office. The visit comes at the invitation of Indian President Droupadi Murmu and aims to strengthen bilateral ties between the two nations.

During his stay, President Muizzu is scheduled to hold high-level meetings with President Murmu, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, and other senior Indian officials. External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar will meet with him later in the evening, and a ceremonial reception at Rashtrapati Bhawan is set for Monday.

The itinerary includes a visit to Rajghat to pay tributes to Mahatma Gandhi, followed by bilateral discussions with PM Modi at Hyderabad House. Additionally, Muizzu is expected to meet Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar and President Murmu on Monday. Accompanied by First Lady Sajidha Mohamed and a high-level delegation, he plans to visit Agra on Tuesday.

Muizzu's office has emphasized

his commitment to enhancing bilateral relations with countries crucial to the Maldives' development, aiming for a proactive foreign policy. Discussions during the visit are expected to focus on reinforcing cooperation and deepening the longstanding relationship between India and the Maldives.

Earlier this year, Muizzu attended PM Modi's swearing-in ceremony and met him at the COP28 summit in Dubai, highlighting the ongoing diplomatic engagement between the two countries. MEA spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal noted that the visit underscores the importance India places on its relationship with the Maldives and aims to foster robust people-to-people ties.

Despite some strains in the relationship over the past year, India continues to play a significant role in providing development assistance to the Maldives, with various projects funded by India benefiting many citizens. As both nations look to the future, this visit could serve as a pivotal moment for further collaboration and mutual growth in the Indian Ocean region.



Rockets From Gaza Cross Into Israel Day Before Hamas Attack

On Sunday, the Israeli military reported that rockets launched from northern Gaza crossed into southern Israel, marking a significant escalation as the region braces for the upcoming first anniversary of Hamas's October 7 attack. The military confirmed that several projectiles were detected entering Israeli territory, with one intercepted and the others landing in open areas, causing no immediate damage or casualties.

The military's statement emphasized heightened vigilance and readiness for potential attacks as the anniversary of the unprecedented assault approaches. Israeli forces remain on alert, reflecting the tense atmosphere following the events of the past year, which have seen a dramatic increase in hostilities between Israel and Hamas.

The cross-border incidents highlight ongoing tensions in the region, with both sides engaging in military actions.

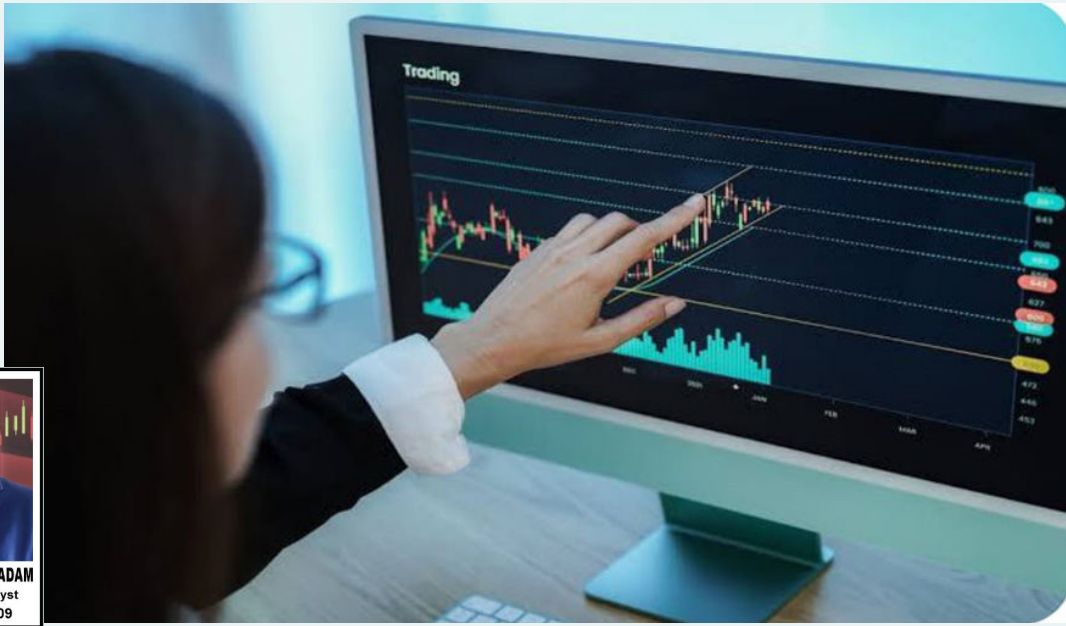
In recent months, there have been various exchanges of fire, and incidents like these have led to increased security measures in southern Israel. Local residents are advised to stay alert and follow safety protocols as military operations continue.

As the anniversary of the October 7 attack nears, which resulted in significant loss of life and escalated the conflict, both Israeli and Palestinian communities are on edge. The international community is closely monitoring the situation, with calls for restraint and dialogue to prevent further violence.

The current military dynamics underscore the complexity of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, characterized by cycles of retaliation and calls for security. With both sides preparing for possible escalations, the coming days may be crucial in determining the trajectory of the conflict in the region.

Market Volatility Ahead: Crude Price Spike and FII Exodus Pressure Domestic Indices

In the background of international uncertainty, the domestic stock markets are likely to undergo severe ups and downs this week. Crude oil prices have increased tremendously due to the mutual attacks of Israel and Iran. On the other hand, foreign institutional investors are going to the Chinese markets with the stimulus scheme. Investors should buy attractively priced shares with strong



fundamentals as there will be fluctuations. All sectoral indices followed suit with benchmark indices Sensex and Nifty falling 4% last week. Shares in realty, finance, bank, infra and consumption sectors faced selling pressure. Only metal shares showed strength.

Stock recommendations

Zomato: After the turnaround, these shares are showing strong momentum as if there is no going down. A 12% correction followed market conditions after lifetime highs. It is noteworthy that EPS and sales are increasing every quarter. Investors should take a position at the level of Rs.270 with a target price of Rs.300 in this counter which closed at Rs.275 with a gain of 2.34% on Friday. Stoploss should be placed at Rs.260.



Torrent Power: These shares remain at lifetime highs. A good momentum is seen from the swing low point in September. Moving better than the benchmark index. Investors can take positions in the range of Rs.1860 with a target price of Rs.1990 in this counter which closed at Rs.1890 last Friday by 1.77%. Stoploss should be kept at Rs.1840.



JK Paper: These shares have seen a correction after hitting a lifetime high in July. Almost 30% fall. A good base has been formed with the consolidation since August. The shares jumped 5.3% to close at Rs 490 on heavy volume on Friday. Momentum investors can consider taking a position at Rs.475 with a target price of Rs.550/600. Stop loss at Rs.450 is mandatory.



Strides Pharma: Shares rally after turnaround. It recently crossed a ten-year high. Consolidation is taking place at lifetime highs. These shares have shown strength even when Sensex and Nifty fell. Investors should take a position at Rs.1450/1430 with a target price of Rs.1550/1590 in this counter which closed at Rs.1475 last Friday with a gain of 2.32%. Stoploss should be set at Rs.1400.



Policy bazaar: Sudden fall seen in these shares after lifetime highs. It started to bounce back. Relative strength is good compared to Nifty. The last session saw a buying frenzy. Investors can take a position of Rs.1700 with a target price of Rs.1900 in this counter which closed at Rs.1713 on Friday. Stop loss at Rs.1675 is mandatory.



RBI's MPC Meeting: Expected to Maintain Repo Rate at 6.5%

The Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) newly reconstituted Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) is set to convene from October 7 to 9, with widespread expectations that the key policy rate, the repo rate, will remain unchanged at 6.5 percent. If this prediction holds true, it will mark the tenth consecutive monetary policy meeting where the repo rate has not been altered.

Market analysts believe that while the MPC is likely to maintain the status quo in this upcoming meeting, there are strong indications that a rate cut may be on the horizon in the December policy review. This anticipation stems from ongoing economic assessments and inflation trends that suggest room for adjustment.

Economists are speculating that the MPC could shift its monetary policy stance from "withdrawal of accom-



modation" to "neutral." This change in stance would indicate a more balanced approach to policy, allowing for potential rate cuts in the future without compromising the inflation-targeting framework. Such a transition could signal the RBI's readiness to support economic growth amid a backdrop of stabilizing inflation rates.

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As the meeting approaches, all eyes will be on the commentary and insights provided by the RBI post-meeting, which could offer valuable guidance on the central bank's future policy trajectory and its response to evolving economic conditions. Investors and analysts alike will be keen to assess how the MPC's decisions will influence the broader financial landscape in the coming months.

India's steel production faces challenges due to reliance coal imports

To optimize the utilization of available raw materials, the Ministry of Steel has directed integrated steel manufacturers to incorporate iron ore fines into their steel production processes following beneficiation. This initiative aims to address the limited availability of high-grade iron ore in India and encourage the use of lower-grade ores.

Sources indicate that the ministry has also advised steel players to explore acquiring coking coal mines abroad, thereby enhancing the accessibility of raw materials at competitive prices. "It has been conveyed to them that iron reserves are limited in the country, and to preserve that, players must also use low-grade ore through the beneficiation process. They can also look for coking coal mines outside India," the sources stated.

Iron ore and coking coal are vital raw materials in steel manufacturing through the blast furnace route. Although iron ore is



generally abundant in India, the country is significantly reliant on imports for coking coal. Current practices among major steel producers typically favor high-grade ore, characterized by an iron

content of 65 percent or higher, to ensure optimal production efficiency.

Iron ore fines, on the other hand, contain 64 percent or less iron content and are considered low-grade. The process of beneficiation, which involves upgrading the quality of these fines, can add to the overall production costs. Nevertheless, the ministry's push for this approach reflects a strategic effort to bolster domestic steel production while mitigating dependence on imports.

By promoting the use of lower-grade ores, the Ministry of Steel aims to foster a more sustainable and resource-efficient steel industry in India. This initiative not only seeks to ensure the longevity of the country's iron reserves but also aims to strengthen the sector's resilience against global supply chain disruptions. Ultimately, these measures could pave the way for a more competitive and self-sufficient steel industry in India.

Adani now blends green hydrogen into natural gas for Ahmedabad

The Adani Group has taken a significant step towards sustainability by blending green hydrogen with natural gas supplied to households in parts of Ahmedabad. This initiative, spearheaded by Adani Total Gas Ltd (ATGL), aims to reduce emissions and support the group's net-zero targets.



The project commenced with a blend of 2.2-2.3% green hydrogen injected into piped natural gas supplies in Shantigram, as announced in a LinkedIn post by the company. The hydrogen is produced using renewable energy sources like wind and solar power through a process called electrolysis, which splits water into hydrogen and oxygen.

ATGL's Hydrogen Blending System will provide hydrogen-blended natural gas to approximately 4,000 domestic and commercial consumers. The company plans to gradually increase the hydrogen blend to 5% and eventually 8%, expanding its reach beyond Shantigram to other parts of Ahmedabad and further afield as it holds city gas licenses.

"This achievement marks a significant step towards reducing our carbon footprint and transitioning to cleaner energy solutions," said ATGL. The initiative enhances energy security and supports sustainable develop-

ment, reflecting the company's commitment to a greener future.

While state-owned NTPC has previously supplied green hydrogen-blended natural gas in Surat, ATGL's project is currently the largest of its kind. The pilot by GAIL (India) Ltd in Indore also explores hydrogen blending, but on a smaller scale.

Despite the promising aspects of green hydrogen, challenges remain. Its tendency to corrode pipelines limits its immediate use, although tests indicate that blending up to 10% hydrogen in natural gas does not adversely affect infrastructure. ATGL is currently adhering to this guideline while exploring options for higher blends in the future.

Overall, this initiative is a crucial part of India's energy transition, aiming to lower greenhouse gas emissions and combat climate change while providing cleaner energy solutions.

US FOMC Meeting Minutes and crude oil prices will also drive the market

The market outlook for the upcoming week hinges on several crucial events, including the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) meeting, the release of Index of Industrial Production (IIP) data, and the commencement of the Q2 earnings season. Key companies such as TCS, IREDA, Tata Elxsi, and DMart are expected to influence stock-specific movements.



The RBI's MPC meeting, scheduled from October 7 to 9, will be closely monitored, with the outcome set to be announced on Wednesday, October 9. Market experts predict that the RBI will maintain the benchmark repo rate at 6.5 percent, consistent with its stance from August 2024. This decision is anticipated to align with the central bank's objective of controlling inflation while supporting economic growth.

In addition to the MPC meeting, the market will also be affected by foreign institutional investor (FII) activity, US Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) meeting minutes, and fluctuations in crude oil prices. Last week saw a significant downturn, breaking a three-week winning streak, with the Nifty and Sensex both falling approximately 4.50 percent, closing at 25,014.60 and 81,688.45, respectively.

The selloff was largely attributed to foreign funds shifting investments to China after the country's central bank implemented substantial monetary

stimulus by reducing the reserve requirement ratio (RRR) by 0.50 percent. In the previous week, FIIs sold equities worth Rs 40,511 crore, while Domestic Institutional Investors (DIIs) managed to purchase Rs 33,075 crore.

Palka Arora Chopra, Director of Master Capital Services, noted that the Nifty formed a strong bearish candle on the weekly chart, indicating significant selling pressure. The index broke key Fibonacci support at 25,100, with the next critical support level at 24,700. A breach below this level could trigger further declines toward 24,400.

Pravesh Gour, Senior Technical Analyst at Swastika Investmart, highlighted that the Bank Nifty's 100-day moving average at 51,100 serves as immediate support, while the 50,000-49,500 range represents the next support zone. On the upside, key resistance levels are identified at 52,500 and 53,300 during potential pullbacks.

BSNL Pushes Back Against Jio, Airtel, and Vodafone



In a bid to regain its lost market share, public sector telecom company Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) is pushing back against private players like Jio, Airtel, and Vodafone Idea (VI). Over the past few months, BSNL has been attracting more customers as these private operators have raised their tariffs, prompting subscribers to switch to the state-owned telecom operator. This surge in users has been noticeable, with many old customers returning to BSNL through mobile number portability (MNP).

With rising discontent among users over the increasing prices and services offered by private telecom companies, BSNL's competitive pricing and improving service quality have become attractive alternatives. The company, which has historically struggled to keep up with its private counterparts in terms of service and network offerings, is now making significant strides to upgrade its infrastructure and services.

4G and 5G Rollout in the Pipeline

One of the most anticipated developments is BSNL's upcoming nationwide 4G rollout, which has been long delayed but is expected to be launched soon. The introduction of 4G services is seen as a critical step for BSNL to compete effectively in a market dominated by high-speed data users. The company's 4G network will not only provide faster data speeds but also ensure better connectivity for customers across India, especially in rural and remote areas, where BSNL has historically held an advantage.

In addition to the 4G rollout, BSNL has announced its plans to launch 5G services in the near future. This is a crucial move to keep pace with private operators who have already started rolling out 5G in select cities. If successful, BSNL's 5G introduction could help the company gain a competitive edge and further boost its subscriber base.

Unique Spam Reporting Feature

In an effort to improve customer satisfaction and provide enhanced services, BSNL has introduced a unique feature that allows users to report spam and unwanted commercial communications (UCC). BSNL is the first telecom company in India to offer such a facility, allowing customers to report fraudulent SMS and voice calls through the BSNL Selfcare app.

Spam calls and SMS have been a major concern for telecom users in India, often leading to frustration and disruptions. By introducing this feature, BSNL aims to tackle the issue of unsolicited communications head-on, enhancing the overall user experience.

How to Report Spam via BSNL Selfcare App

BSNL has made the process of reporting spam calls and SMS straightforward and accessible through its Selfcare app. Here's a step-by-step guide to file a complaint:

- Open the BSNL Selfcare App** : Users need to first download and open the app on their smartphones.
- Access the Menu** : On the homepage, click on the three lines in the top left corner.
- Find the 'Complaint and Reference' Option** : Scroll down to locate this section.
- Select the 'Compliance' Option** : Click on the three lines on the right-hand side of the screen to see this option.
- File a New Complaint** : Click on the 'New Complaint' button in the menu.
- Choose the Spam Type** : You can file complaints either for spam received via voice calls or SMS. Choose the relevant option to proceed.

This feature allows BSNL users to protect themselves from fraudulent communications and unwanted spam, a service that no other telecom operator in India has yet offered.

Increasing Subscriber Base

The introduction of these new features and the upcoming rollout of 4G and 5G services are part of BSNL's strategy to increase its subscriber base. As more customers seek affordable telecom solutions without compromising on quality, BSNL is positioning itself as a strong contender in the Indian telecom market.

With competitive tariffs, improved services, and innovative customer-centric features, BSNL is poised to make significant gains against its private sector rivals. The company's recent moves suggest that it is gearing up to regain its foothold and become a significant player in India's fast-evolving telecom industry.

Hyderabad's Future: City to be Divided into Four Corporations

TPN, Prudhvi Gagarin: Hyderabad's urban landscape is poised for a significant change as the state government considers dividing the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) into four separate corporations. This major administrative move was recently hinted at by Cinematography and Roads & Buildings Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy, who revealed that the growing population of the city necessitates more localized governance for efficient development.

In his latest public address, Komatireddy announced that Hyderabad is on track to surpass a population of 1.5 crore, and dividing the city into four corporations would allow for more focused and effective administration. The proposed structure would result in Hyderabad having four different corporations, each with its own mayor. This is a stark departure from the current model where the GHMC governs the entire city under a single mayor.

The Need for Division

The Minister emphasized that Hyderabad's rapid population growth has made it increasingly difficult to manage under the existing structure of GHMC. He pointed out that a more localized approach, achieved by dividing the city into four distinct corporations, would help in streamlining governance, ensuring faster delivery of services, and focusing on concentrated development in each region.

Currently, the GHMC elections are among the most fiercely contested in Telangana, with candidates vying for the powerful position of the sole mayor of Hyderabad. However, under the proposed plan, the city would be split into four segments, each having its own governing body and mayor, potentially reducing the administrative burden and improving civic infrastructure management.

The Road Ahead

The GHMC elections are slated for 2026, and the Congress-led Telangana government is expected to work on the division plan ahead of the elections. If the breakup happens as proposed, it could bring about a significant shift in how the city is governed. However, such a change would require extensive legal and revenue consultations, as well as approval from relevant authorities.

While the division plan appears to have been floated by the Congress camp, it remains to be seen if Telangana Chief Minister Revanth Reddy will move forward with the proposal. The plan could involve reworking electoral constituencies, administrative zones, and

financial structures.

Potential Benefits and Challenges

On the positive side, the move could lead to more concentrated governance, enabling each of the four corporations to address the unique needs of their respective areas. With more focused attention, issues such as urban planning, waste management, traffic control, and infrastructure development could be handled more efficiently. Residents could benefit from faster responses to civic complaints, better allocation of resources, and overall improved urban services.

However, dividing the city also presents challenges. The legal, financial, and ad-



ministrative implications of such a move are vast and complex. There would need to be discussions on how the city's resources would be divided among the four corporations, how the revenue would be shared, and whether this division could lead to administrative overlap or complications.

Furthermore, with four mayors in charge, there may be concerns about coordination between the corporations. Ensuring that the four corporations work together effectively will be crucial for the smooth functioning of the city as a whole.

Conclusion

The potential division of Hyderabad into four corporations marks a significant step in the city's administrative evolution. While the proposal is still in its early stages, it reflects the growing need for a more localized approach to urban governance in one of India's fastest-growing cities. Whether or not this plan will materialize remains to be seen, but it is clear that Hyderabad's future is on the brink of a major transformation.

Jagan Targets Konidela Family, Congress Drags Akkineni Family into Politics

In the Telugu states of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, politics and cinema are intricately intertwined, with actors often becoming targets in the political arena. The immense popularity of celebrities in the region, especially those who have transitioned from film stars to politicians, has created a unique dynamic where cinema plays a crucial role in shaping public opinion. As political rivalries heat up, the Mega Star Chiranjeevi family and the Akkineni family have found themselves at the center of controversies, with political parties in both states using them for their own agendas.

YSRCP's Focus on the Mega Family

In Andhra Pradesh, the ruling YSR Congress Party (YSRCP) has consistently taken aim at the Chiranjeevi family. While the party has occasionally praised Chiranjeevi for his contributions to cinema and society, their focus has been more on targeting his younger brother, Jana Sena Party chief Pawan Kalyan, and other members of the Mega family. The criticism often extends beyond political rival Pawan Kalyan, affecting other family members like Sai Dharam Tej and even Pawan Kalyan's mother.

One particular incident that garnered attention was when a video surfaced showing Chiranjeevi quietly requesting Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy to consider increasing ticket prices for big-budget films. The YSRCP seized the opportunity, propagating the narrative that Jagan held more power than the

Telugu film industry icons. This message, spread across social media platforms, did not sit well with the fanbase of the Mega family and some voters. The aggressive stance towards the Chiranjeevi family, particularly the deliberate targeting of Pawan Kalyan, created significant backlash and potentially damaged the YSRCP's image in the run-up to the 2024 elections.

Congress Drags the Akkineni Family into Telangana Politics

In Telangana, the political involvement of the Akkineni family has been less direct but equally controversial. Akkineni Nagarjuna's N-Convention center was demolished due to Full Tank Level (FTL) violations near a local lake. While this was deemed a justified move by the authorities, it wasn't long before the family became entangled in politics again, this time in an entirely different controversy.

Recently, Congress leader Konda Surekha made a sensational claim, alleging that Telangana Minister KTR was responsible for the divorce of actor Naga Chaitanya and Samantha. This baseless allegation, which dragged the Akkineni family into a political spat, was widely condemned. Surekha's comments were seen as an attempt to indirectly target KTR and the ruling TRS government, using the Akkineni family as a tool to do so. However, the public disapproval of these remarks was swift, with many viewing the attack on the family as unnecessary and inappropriate.



Politics and Cinema: An Unavoidable Intersection

While the YSRCP has made a more deliberate effort to target the Mega family in Andhra Pradesh, the involvement of the Akkineni family in Telangana politics seems more incidental. Congress, in its bid to attack the ruling TRS party and KTR, used the Akkineni family as a means to further their political narrative. These incidents underscore the reality that, in Telugu states, actors and their families are often pulled into the political arena, either directly or indirectly.

As the 2024 elections approach, political parties are increasingly leveraging the popularity of film stars to sway public sentiment. However, this tactic can sometimes backfire, as seen with the negative reception to the attacks on both the Mega and Akkineni families. With cinema holding such a central place in Telugu culture, any move that alienates fans can have serious political consequences. Both the YSRCP and Congress may need to reconsider their strategies, as the backlash from fans and voters suggests that targeting beloved film stars and their families could harm their political fortunes more than help them.

Singapore Hotel Has Been Named As World’s New Best Skyscraper



Singapore's Pan Pacific Orchard hotel has been awarded the title of the world's best new skyscraper by The Council on Tall Buildings and Urban Habitat (CTBUH). This remarkable 23-storey, 140-metre-tall hotel, situated in the heart of Singapore's renowned shopping district, opened its doors in June 2023 and has rapidly gained international acclaim.

Designed by WoHa Architects, the Pan Pacific Orchard also clinched three additional prestigious awards, including "Best Tall Building" in the 100m-199m category. The CTBUH announced these honors during its recent conference held from September 23-27 in London and Paris.

CTBUH CEO Javier Quintana de Una praised the hotel for exemplifying "the best of responsible vertical urbanism today," highlighting the importance of sustainable urban design that maximizes land use while incorporating greenery.

The hotel is celebrated for its eco-friendly design, featuring solar panels, rainwater harvesting for irrigation, and an on-site biodigester for managing food waste. Its lush greenery reflects Singapore's com-

mitment to sustainable development, achieving a green plot ratio of over 300 percent—meaning it boasts more than three times the landscaped area of its footprint. four unique environments: the Forest Terrace, Beach Terrace, Garden Terrace, and Cloud Terrace. Each zone offers distinct experiences, from a high-ceiling lobby adorned with towering trees to a sandy beachfront and winding pools. The Cloud Terrace includes a pillarless ballroom, one of the highest in Singapore, perfect for hosting exclusive events.

This recognition bolsters WoHa Architects' reputation, following previous accolades for projects such as Kampung Admiralty and Oasia Hotel Downtown. The Pan Pacific Orchard also received Singapore's Green Mark Platinum award, the nation's highest environmental certification, in 2020.

At the same CTBUH event, other notable Asian skyscrapers were recognized, including Malaysia's Petronas Towers, which won the Global Icon award, and China's Greenland Hangzhou Century Centre, named Asia's best tall building.

YouTube Restores Channels and Videos After Technical Glitch

YouTube has announced the successful reinstatement of all channels and most videos that were removed due to a technical glitch that incorrectly flagged them as spam. The Google-owned platform has been working diligently to address the issue after several channels were mistakenly removed, causing disruption for creators and viewers alike.



In a post on X, YouTube expressed relief, stating, "Happy to report that all channels and most videos incorrectly removed have been reinstated and subscriptions are restored (we're still working on the last few, bear with us)." The company acknowledged the inconvenience this caused and thanked users for their patience during the resolution process.

Initially, YouTube's team had confirmed that they were actively working on restoring the wrongly flagged channels and ensuring access to subscriptions, which includes YouTube TV, YouTube Premium, and YouTube Music. In a previous communication, the company noted, "We're sorry for the trouble! Some content like playlists may be delayed, but it's all coming back. Thanks for your patience while we work on this."

The channels were flagged for "Spam and Deceptive Practices," leading to the removal of

access to subscriptions. While most channels have been reinstated, YouTube has indicated that some creators may still find certain content, such as playlists, missing. However, the company assured users that these will also be restored soon.

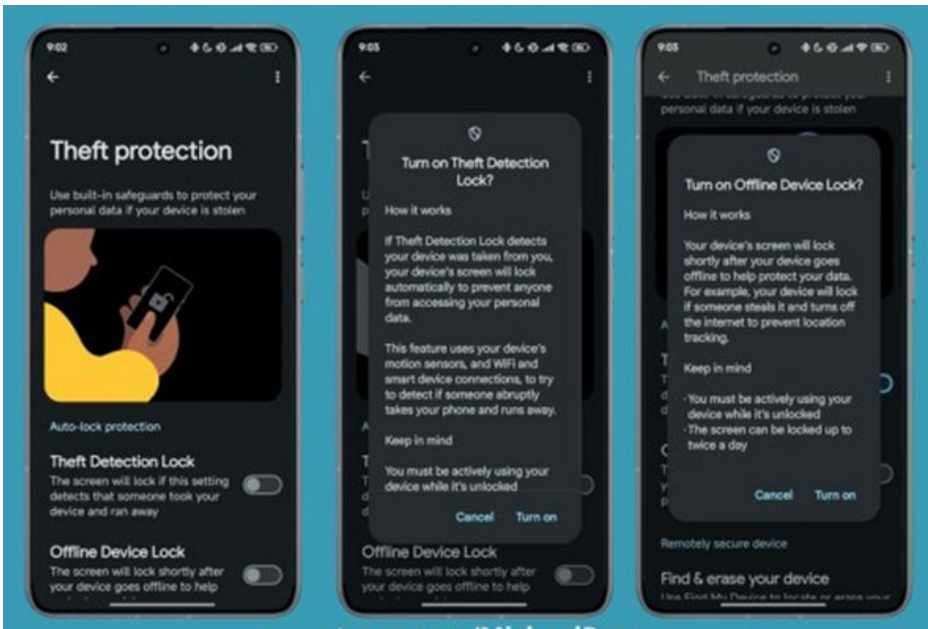
Reports indicate that some non-content creators faced difficulties accessing their accounts, watching videos, or using YouTube Music. Additionally, users with paid subscriptions, like YouTube Premium, found themselves unable to view saved content, including playlists, due to the glitch.

YouTube has not disclosed how many users were impacted by the technical issue, but their swift action to restore functionality reflects their commitment to maintaining a reliable platform for both creators and viewers.

Google can now lock your stolen Android smartphone automatically

Google has introduced a significant security upgrade for Android smartphones, enhancing protection against theft. This new feature, known as the "theft detection lock," aims to keep personal data secure and render stolen devices unusable to thieves.

Currently being rolled out to Android users in the U.S., the theft detection lock was first observed on the newly launched Xiaomi 14T Pro, as reported by Mishaal Rahman on Threads. This initiative is part of a broader security enhancement that includes three major components designed to address theft-related concerns: theft detection lock, offline device lock, and remote lock.



The theft detection lock activates when it senses suspicious activity, such as multiple failed unlock attempts or when the phone is suddenly powered on after being turned off. This feature will automatically lock the device, protecting sensitive data and preventing unauthorized access.

In addition to this, the offline device lock feature allows users to secure their phones even when they are not connected to the internet.

This means that if a thief attempts to access the device while it is offline, they will still be blocked from accessing personal information.

The remote lock functionality adds another layer of security, allowing users to remotely lock their devices from another device or computer. This is especially useful in situations where a phone is lost or stolen, giving users peace of mind that their personal data remains safe.

With these enhancements, Google aims to bolster the overall security of Android devices, addressing the growing concerns of smartphone theft. As these features roll out, users can look forward to a more resilient smartphone experience that prioritizes the safety of their personal information.

Vlogger Reveals Vada Pav Seller’s Monthly Income Internet Stunned

A recent viral video has captivated the internet, showcasing the impressive monthly income of a vada pav street vendor. Posted by vlogger Sarthak Sachdeva on Instagram, the video has amassed over 10 million views, prompting discussions about the earnings of street vendors compared to white-collar professionals.



In the video, Sarthak joins a local vendor to sell vada pav for a day. He begins by sharing his intentions, stating, "Today, I will see how much money I can earn by selling vada pav in a day. I started the morning by observing and learning, then made hot vada pavs." As he prepares the popular snack, he notes the overwhelming demand from customers, emphasizing the bustling atmosphere at the stall.

During his shift, Sarthak interacts with customers, mentioning, "Today is my first day on the food cart." He highlights that each vada pav costs Rs 15, and within just 2.5 hours, he and the vendor sold approximately 200 vada pavs. By the end of the day, around 4 PM, the total sales reached

an impressive 622 vada pavs.

At the conclusion of the video, Sarthak calculates the day's earnings, revealing, "In one day, it is approximately Rs 9,300. For the month, that totals Rs 2,80,000. After deducting expenses, the monthly income would be around Rs 2,00,000, leading to an annual figure of Rs 24 lakh."

This eye-opening revelation about the income potential of street vendors has sparked conversations online about their earnings and the viability of street food businesses. The video not only showcases the entrepreneurial spirit of street vendors but also sheds light on the economic realities of food stalls in bustling urban environments.

Scientists Discover a ‘Third State’ of Cells: Life After Death

Recent research in biology has unveiled a fascinating phenomenon termed the "third state," where cells from deceased organisms exhibit new functions even after death. This groundbreaking exploration is detailed in an article by Peter Nobel, a biologist at the University of Washington, and Alex Pozhitkov, a bioinformatics researcher at the City of Hope Cancer Center, who highlight their findings on xenobots and anthrobots—cells that persist and adapt beyond their host's life.



Published in July in the journal *Physiology*, their review emphasizes various studies that showcase the therapeutic potential of these biobots. Nobel and Pozhitkov argue that these findings challenge conventional beliefs about cellular evolution: "The third state suggests that organismal death may play a significant role in how life transforms over time."

A notable example comes from Tufts University, where researchers extracted skin cells from dead frog embryos, observing their reorganization into new multicellular organisms called xenobots. Unlike typical cells, these xenobots exhibited novel behaviors and functions beyond their original roles. Similar capabilities have also been found in human lung cells, leading to the development of anthrobots that can self-assemble and navigate their surroundings.

Several factors, including the time since death, trauma, metabolic activity, age, and health, influence how these cells survive post-mortem. Although the

underlying mechanisms are not yet fully understood, researchers propose a hypothesis involving specialized channels and pumps in cell membranes acting as intricate electrical circuits. These channels generate signals that enable cell communication, facilitating growth and movement.

The implications of anthrobots extend beyond mere scientific curiosity. They could potentially be cultivated from living tissue while patients are still alive, reducing the risk of immune responses when delivering essential drugs. This technology holds promise for treating conditions like atherosclerosis and cystic fibrosis.

While the "third state" is not a means of achieving eternal life—these cells typically survive for four to six weeks—the findings suggest that the line between life and death may be more complex than previously understood.

Hardik Pandya Eyes Record-Breaking Feats in Upcoming T20I Series

Former India captain Hardik Pandya is set to chase multiple records during the upcoming three-match T20I series against Bangladesh, beginning October 6. Leading under the captaincy of Suryakumar Yadav, who has taken the helm following Rohit Sharma's retirement from T20Is, Pandya has a chance to make history.



Currently, Pandya has claimed 86 wickets in 102 matches. He needs just five more wickets to surpass Bhuvneshwar Kumar's record of 90 and become India's most successful pacer in T20Is. If he manages

to take 11 wickets in the series, he will also become the highest wicket-taker for India in T20Is, overtaking leg-spinner Yuzvendra Chahal, who leads with 96 wickets in 80 matches.

The T20I matches will take place on October 6 in Gwalior, October 9 in New Delhi, and October 12 in Hyderabad. The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) announced a 15-member squad, featuring a mix of fresh talent and returning players.

One of the standout inclusions is IPL 2024 sensation Mayank Yadav, who has made headlines for his impressive pace and wicket-taking skills, despite injuries impacting his season. Another promising addition is all-rounder Nitish Kumar Reddy, who is poised for his maiden cap.

Mystery spinner Varun Chakravathy also makes a return to the national side after a nearly three-year absence. After debuting during the 2021 tour to Sri Lanka, Chakravathy was part of the T20 World Cup squad that year but was dropped after a disappointing performance.

Jitesh Sharma, the wicketkeeper-batter, has been recalled after featuring in the series against Afghanistan earlier this year. Additionally, explosive opener Abhishek Sharma rejoins the squad after being overlooked for the recent Sri Lanka series, looking to capitalize on his opportunity in the absence of regular opener Ruturaj Gaikwad.

As Pandya sets his sights on record-breaking performances, all eyes will be on the Indian squad as they take on Bangladesh in this exciting series.



Tilak Varma replaces Shivam Dubey for India-Bangladesh T20I series

India has faced a significant injury setback just hours before the start of their three-match T20I series against Bangladesh. All-rounder Shivam Dube has been officially ruled out of the series due to a back injury, as confirmed by a statement from the Board for Control of Cricket in India (BCCI).

The announcement came just a day before the first T20I, scheduled to take place in Gwalior. Dube's absence will undoubtedly affect the team's balance and strategy, as he has been a valuable asset in both batting and bowling departments. His all-round capabilities provided depth to the squad, making him a key player in the lineup.

The BCCI's statement highlighted the severity of Dube's injury, underscoring the importance of ensuring the player's health and fitness. "All-rounder Shivam Dube is ruled out of the three-match T20I series owing to a back injury," the statement read. The news is particularly disappointing for fans and team management alike, as Dube was expected to contribute significantly in the series against Bangladesh.

With Dube unavailable, the Indian team management will have to consider adjustments to the squad ahead of the first match. Potential replacements or adjustments in batting and bowling lineups will be critical to maintain the team's competitive edge.

The injury comes at a crucial time as India looks to build momentum in the T20 format, especially with major tournaments on the horizon. Fans will be eager to see how the team adapts to this latest challenge and which players step up to fill the void left by Dube. As the series unfolds, the focus will now shift to how the remaining players can compensate for this unexpected absence and secure a strong performance against Bangladesh.



Rohit Sharma Reflects on India's T20 World Cup Final Comeback

Indian cricket captain Rohit Sharma opened up about the pivotal moments and internal discussions that fueled India's thrilling victory against South Africa in the T20 World Cup final this past June. Chasing a modest target, South Africa seemed in control, needing just 30 runs off the final 30 balls with six wickets still in hand. However, a remarkable turn of events saw India snatch victory from the jaws of defeat.

Rohit highlighted that the mood in the dressing room was tense but focused. The players rallied around each other, emphasizing the importance of sticking to their plans and maintaining composure under pressure. "We knew we had to keep believing in ourselves,

even when things looked bleak," Rohit shared, reflecting on the discussions among teammates as the match progressed.

The turning point came when Hardik Pandya dismissed Heinrich Klaasen, triggering a collapse in the South African batting lineup. Rohit praised the bowling unit, particularly the trio of Jasprit Bumrah, Pandya, and Arshdeep Singh, for their stellar performances. Their relentless pressure and strategic execution transformed the match's dynamics, ultimately leading to South Africa losing four wickets for just 10 runs.

Rohit noted that the key to their suc-

cess lay in their collective mindset and adaptability. "We had talked about being ready for any situation, and that's exactly what we did," he said. The captain acknowledged the importance of the experience gained from previous tournaments, which had taught the team valuable lessons in handling high-stakes scenarios.

As the Indian team celebrated their victory, Rohit emphasized that the win was not just about securing the trophy but also about reinforcing the belief in their capabilities as a team. The victory serves as a reminder of India's resilience and determination, setting a positive tone for future competitions as they aim to build on this success.



Daniil Medvedev Advances to Fourth Round in Shanghai After Tough Win

Daniil Medvedev showcased his resilience on Sunday by defeating Matteo Arnaldi 5-7, 6-4, 6-4 to secure his place in the fourth round of the ATP Masters 1000 event in Shanghai. This victory marks a significant step for the 28-year-old Russian, who is eager to claim his first tour-level title since his Rome triumph in May 2023.

In his next match, Medvedev will face either the 10th seed Stefanos Tsitsipas or Alexandre Muller. As he progresses through the tournament, Medvedev is also focused on enhancing his chances for ATP Finals qualification. Currently, he sits fourth in the ATP Live Race to Turin, positioning himself well for a sixth consecutive appearance at the prestigious season finale.

The match began with Medvedev breaking Arnaldi's serve in the opening game, but he struggled to maintain his momentum. The Italian player seized control by winning six of eight games, ultimately taking the first set. However, Medvedev regrouped and relied on his improved serving and a sharp return game to clinch victory in the deciding set, breaking Arnaldi in a crucial ninth game.

Rain played a significant role in the day's events, as the match took place under the roof of the Qizhong Forest Sports City Arena due to inclement weather. The ATP Tour announced that there would be no play on the outdoor courts until at least 5 p.m. local time (CST) due to the ongoing rain, which had already disrupted play for a second consecutive day. As a result, all doubles matches scheduled for Sunday were canceled.

Other top singles players, including Taylor Fritz, Stefanos Tsitsipas, and Holger Rune, are waiting to compete on the outdoor courts once conditions improve.

Indian Football Club Thrashed 0-17 On Debut In Asian Elite Competition

Odisha FC faced a devastating 0-17 defeat in their AFC Women's Champions League debut against Japan's Urawa Reds Diamonds on Sunday. The Indian club struggled throughout the match, with the Japanese side demonstrating complete dominance from start to finish. Yu Endo opened the scoring just five minutes into the first half, setting the tone for a relentless offensive display from Urawa, who led 8-0 at half-time.

The second half saw no reprieve for Odisha FC, as Urawa Reds Diamonds continued their onslaught, amassing a staggering 55 shots compared to Odisha's lone effort. The crushing defeat highlights the challenges faced by Indian clubs in the international arena.

Looking ahead, Odisha FC will aim to bounce back as they prepare to face Vietnam's Ho Chi Minh City FC on Wednesday.

In other football news, the Indian senior men's team is set to play a friendly match against Vietnam on Saturday, October 12, following Lebanon's withdrawal from the tri-nation tournament. The match will take place at the Thien Truong Stadium in Nam Dinh and is considered an official friendly, with points contributing to the FIFA Rankings.

Originally, India was scheduled to play Vietnam on October 9 and Lebanon on October 12. However, after Lebanon's exit, the All India Football Federation (AIFF) requested a reschedule of the Vietnam match, which was accepted by the Vietnam Football Federation (VFF).

The Indian squad will gather in Kolkata on October 5 for a training session the following day before traveling to Vietnam on October 7. Coach Manolo Marquez has announced a preliminary list of 26 players, with the final 23-man squad set to be revealed before their departure. Following the Vietnam match, the team is scheduled to play Malaysia in another friendly during the FIFA Window on November 19.





Gopichand's "Viswam" Trailer Released

In just six days, Macho Star Gopichand's highly anticipated film "Viswam," directed by Sreenu Vaitla, will hit theaters just in time for Dussehra. Today, the film's theatrical trailer was unveiled, offering a glimpse into its thrilling and comedic narrative.

The trailer kicks off with a serious tone as a terrorist threatens to unleash chaos in the country. Gopichand makes a striking entry, introduced as a soldier stationed at the border. However, the sto-

ry takes a humorous twist as the protagonist attempts to outsmart Naresh's family, showcasing the film's comedic elements.

A notable line from Gopichand, "Nenu Ediana Problem Ki Connect Ayithe, Chivari Daaka Nilabadatam Naa Balaheenatha," hints at the complexities of his character. The trailer highlights some of the funniest segments, including a train scene, a Netflix-related gag, and the memorable "Sanna Pin Charger" chapter.

Gopichand's stylish makeover adds to his versatility as he effortlessly navigates both action and comedy. Co-star Kavya Thapar brings a refreshing open-mindedness and glamour to her role, while a talented ensemble cast, including Naresh, Pragathi, Vennela Kishore, VTV Ganesh, Prithviraj, Rahul Ramakrishna, and Sunil, provide ample comic relief.

Director Sreenu Vaitla has crafted "Viswam" as a complete commercial package, skillfully blending

humor and action. Cinematographer KV Guhan delivers ultra-stylish visuals, and Vishal Bharadwaj's background score enhances both the action-packed and comedic scenes. With high production standards from People Media Factory and Chitralayam Studios, the trailer has successfully set the stage for what promises to be an entertaining cinematic experience.

Overall, the trailer for "Viswam" has heightened expectations, making audiences eager for its release.

Nikhil and Sudheer Varma Team Up for "Appudo Ippudo Eppudo"



Young actor Nikhil and talented director Sudheer Varma are ready to create magic once again with their upcoming film "Appudo Ippudo Eppudo." Following their successful collaborations on hit films like "Swamy Ra Ra" and "Keshava," this dynamic duo is poised to deliver yet another blockbuster action entertainer. The film is produced by BVSN Prasad under the esteemed Sri Venkateswara Cine Chitra banner.

Today, the highly anticipated first look and title reveal has generated excitement among fans. The film's intriguing title, "Appudo Ippudo Eppudo," hints at a unique storyline featuring an interesting car element that adds to the suspense. The first look presents Nikhil and Rukmini Vasanth strolling together, showcasing Nikhil's charming and stylish persona, while Rukmini captivates with her beauty and presence.

The visuals promise an engaging and entertaining experience, rekindling the magic of the beloved "Swamy Ra Ra" combination that fans have cherished. With high expectations surrounding this project, audiences are eager to see if the duo can indeed score a hat trick with "Appudo Ippudo Eppudo."

Rukmini Vasanth, the talented Kannada actress, is making her Telugu debut in this film, adding to the excitement. She is joined by the gorgeous Divyansha Kaushik, who plays a significant role, alongside Harsha Chemudu, who also features prominently. The project is being presented by Bapineedu B, ensuring top-notch production quality.

The film's music is composed by the acclaimed singer Karthik, while the background score is handled by Sunny MR, promising an impressive auditory experience. "Appudo Ippudo Eppudo" is set for a grand theatrical release this Diwali, making it one of the most anticipated films of the festive season. Fans can hardly wait to see what this talented team has in store for them!

Catherine Stars in Unique Thriller Phani

Gorgeous actress Catherine Tresa and esteemed director VN Aditya are collaborating on an intriguing psychological thriller titled "Phani," which recently had its striking title poster launched in Dallas. The film is being produced by the passionate Dr. Meenakshi under the banner of O.M.G. Productions, with AU&I Studio presenting the project.

The title was officially unveiled by Dr. Thotakura Prasad, while renowned producer Anil Sunkara revealed the film's logo, generating significant excitement among attendees. Other notable guests, including Dr. Alla Srinivasa Reddy and Dr. Ismail Suhail Penugonda, also offered their best wishes to the "Phani" team, contributing to the celebratory atmosphere.

Producer Dr. Meenakshi Anipindi announced that the film is already 50 percent complete and aims to reach a pan-India audience soon. This ambitious project promises to capture the inter-

est of viewers across the country.

Catherine Tresa expressed her enthusiasm about her role, stating, "It's a challenging character for me in 'Phani.'" Her dedication to the project has raised anticipation for what promises to be a gripping thriller. Director VN Aditya echoed her sentiments, acknowledging Catherine's invaluable support and emphasizing that the film wouldn't have been possible without her commitment. He also extended his gratitude to the entire cast and crew for their hard work.

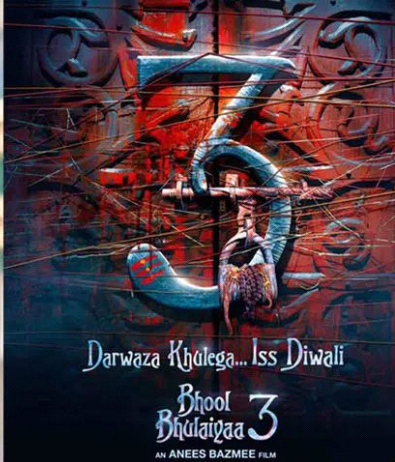
"Phani" is being filmed entirely in the U.S. and features a talented ensemble cast, including Mahesh Sriram, Neha Krishna, Tanikella Bharani, Kasi Vishwanath, Ranjitha, and Yogita in key roles. The film aims to blend psychological elements with thrilling storytelling, promising an engaging cinematic experience. As production continues, fans eagerly await more updates on this exciting venture!



Diwali Box Office Showdown: Singham Again vs Bhool Bhulaiyaa 3

This Diwali promises to be a spectacular clash at the box office, as two major film franchises—Ajay Devgn's action-packed "Singham Again" and Kartik Aaryan's horror-comedy "Bhool Bhulaiyaa 3"—prepare to compete for audiences' attention. On Sunday, Ajay Devgn stirred excitement by sharing a Reel on Instagram that showcases iconic moments from the Rohit Shetty cop universe, including highlights from "Singham," "Singham Returns," "Simmba," and "Sooryavanshi." The Reel is designed to ramp up anticipation for "Singham Again," emphasizing its appeal to family audiences.

Ajay captioned the post: "Tyohaar toh parivaar ke saath hi manaya jaata hai... milte hai iss Diwali," hinting at the film's festive spirit.



"Singham Again" has been a long-awaited addition to the franchise, originally announced in September 2017 under the title "Singham 3." The film finally went into production in September 2023 and is set for release on Diwali 2024. It boasts an impressive ensemble cast, featuring Ajay Devgn, Kareena Kapoor, Akshay Kumar, Ranveer Singh, Deepika Padukone, Tiger Shroff, Arjun Kapoor, and Jackie Shroff. This marks the fifth installment of Shetty's Cop Universe and serves as a sequel to "Singham

Returns." The film was shot across various locations, including Mumbai, Hyderabad, Kashmir, and Sri Lanka.

On the other hand, "Bhool Bhulaiyaa 3" is also generating buzz, especially given the success of its predecessor. The horror-come-

dy genre has proven lucrative at the box office, exemplified by the recent hit "Stree 2," which has collected close to Rs 600 crore. "Bhool Bhulaiyaa 3" brings back the beloved Vidya Balan and features Triptii Dimri, who is enjoying a successful run following the success of "Animal."

As both films gear up for their respective releases, audiences can expect a thrilling Diwali filled with entertainment and excitement.

Saif Ali Khan Returns for Race 4

Veteran film producer Ramesh Taurani has announced that actor Saif Ali Khan will reprise his role in the much-anticipated fourth installment of the action franchise "Race." As the founder of Tips Films, Taurani expressed excitement about having Saif back on board, stating that "Race 4" will feature an ensemble cast and is set to begin production in 2025.

"Saif will be back in the 'Race' franchise, and we are thrilled to have him. He did an incredible job in the first two films," Taurani told PTI. He mentioned that the team is currently finalizing the script and cast, and although they have not yet chosen a director, an official announcement will be made next year, prior to filming.

The "Race" franchise, known for its high-octane action sequences, glamorous settings, and intricate storylines, kicked off with the 2008 film featuring Saif and Akshaye Khanna as brothers embroiled in a web of betrayal. Saif returned for the sequel, "Race 2," in 2013, which included John Abraham as the antagonist. Both films achieved commercial success and garnered positive critical reviews.

In contrast, the third installment, "Race 3," saw an entirely new cast led by superstar Salman Khan and faced negative reviews, although Taurani argued that it performed well at the box office. "The third part did better business than the previous two installments. We expected it to earn between ₹200 to 250 crore, but it grossed over ₹180 crore, which is not insignificant," he noted.



Looking ahead, Taurani also shared plans for a sequel to the 1998 action thriller "Soldier," starring Bobby Deol and Preity Zinta, indicating that they are developing the script for "Soldier 2."

Additionally, Tips Films is working on projects with filmmaker David Dhawan and his son Varun Dhawan, alongside an action thriller titled "Maalik," headlined by Rajkummar Rao. Taurani expressed confidence in these upcoming ventures, emphasizing their commitment to delivering quality films.