



Ministers, Including Dy CM, Carrying **Corrupted Cars in Their Convoys**

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: Ministers, including the Deputy CM, who are said to be against corruption, are allegedly carrying corrupted cars in their convoys. Yes, the cars taken on contract by the Protocol Department are involved in corruption, according to reports. An internal inquiry is currently underway in the Protocol Department, but they have not stopped or canceled the contract so far.

Ideally, they should suspend the contract temporarily and, after completing the inquiry, resume it if there is no evidence supporting any allegations. However, they are not following this procedure. Either they do not care about the allegations against the contractor,

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BOATMEN SOCIETIES AS TOOLS

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: On one side, the government is promoting free sand; on the other, people are facing a burden when procuring it. Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu has warned officials and leaders to streamline the process to avoid problems. Furthermore, TDP MLAs and leaders have condemned the existence of any sand mafia. However, surprisingly, we can witness leaders engaging in the sand business in many places across the state. Rajamahendravaram, on the banks of the Godavari River, has been witnessing a significant sand scam executed in a creative manner. Allegedly, this scam was orchestrated by Mr. Vasireddy Rambabu, the newly appointed Director of the Tourism Department of AP, who is a close associate of Mr. Gorantla Butchaiah Chowdary, MLA of Rajahmundry Rural. It is alleged that the entire operation is being



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directed by the MLA, with plans to collect ₹10 lakhs daily.

Typically, boats travel on the Godavari River to regularly procure sand.





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Lotus Hattrick in Haryana, Disappointed in Kashmir

and hesitating to sign?



Good News to AP From Central Govt... Funds Released for Polavaram Project

CM Chandrababu Reveals Details of His Visit to Delhi

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: CM Chandrababu's two-day trip to Delhi has concluded. During his visit, he met with Prime Minister Modi and several Union Ministers. After returning, Chandrababu held a media conference in Delhi to share details of his discussions.

He revealed that he spoke with Prime Minister Narendra Modi about the financial situation of the state, explaining the destruction that occurred over the past five years and the various challenges the state is currently facing. He reiterated points he had previously communicated to the Prime Minister regarding the financial difficulties confronting the state.

Chandrababu informed the Prime Minister about the actions of the previous government, including the non-utilization of central schemes, the failure to release matching grants for those Chandrababu also explained to Prime schemes, and the diversion of funds other purposes.

He expressed gratitude to the Prime Minister for approving the release of Rs. 12,500 crore for the first phase of the Polavaram project and for the approval of the construction of a new diaphragm the World Bank has committed to providing Rs. 15,000 crore for Amaravati under the first phase, with all work expected to commence next December.



Minister Modi that the state is preparprovided by the central government for ing a vision document for Swarnandhra Pradesh-2047, aimed at correcting the destruction the state has faced. He disclosed that he provided the Prime Minister with a list of national highways to be constructed in the state and requested that they be completed on time.

wall. Additionally, he announced that He stated that he clarified several issues to Prime Minister Modi, most of which received a positive response. The Prime Minister assured him that this cooperation would continue in the future.

After his meeting with the Prime Minister, Chandrababu met with Union Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnav to discuss various issues thoroughly. He brought up the topic of the Visakha railway zone, mentioning that the previous government failed to provide land for it but that land had been allocated after their government took office.

Chandrababu further explained that other Union Ministers also responded positively to the interests of Andhra Pradesh within their respective jurisdictions.

TPN, New Delhi: Election Results 2024 The BJP has crossed the halfway mark of 46 seats and is ahead in two out of the total 90 constituencies. The alliance of the National Conference (NC) and Congress has won the Jammu and Kashmir assembly polls, which were the first assembly elections since 2014, the first as a Union Territory, and the first after the removal of Article 370, which granted the erstwhile state special status.

In Haryana, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has made history by retaining the state for a record consecutive third term. The BJP has won 48 seats, while the Congress has secured 37.

In Jammu and Kashmir's 90 seats, the NC and Congress have won 49, the BJP has secured 29, and the PDP has won three. AAP's Mehraj Malik has delivered the Arvind Kejriwal-led party its first-ever electoral victory in Jammu and Kashmir. Prime Minister Narendra Modi, while addressing the BJP cadre at the party headquarters, thanked the people of Haryana "for giving a clear majority to the Bharatiya Janata Party once again." "Lotus bloomed in Haryana," he said.

Congratulating the National Conference for its performance in Jammu and Kashmir, he asserted, "If we look at the vote share percentage, the BJP has emerged as the biggest party in Jammu and Kashmir."







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or they have already given him a clean chit, but there are no signals indicating this. Mr. Vijaya Bhaskar Reddy, the current contractor supplying cars to the Protocol Department, is allegedly submitting duplicate bills, failing to pay GST, creating duplicate firms, and floating false bills. He has allegedly paid ₹10 lakhs each month to two officials in the department, resulting in a scam of more than ₹50 crores. Despite this, the Protocol Department continues to send these vehicles to all the ministers, including the Deputy CM.

Moreover, he has reportedly used the same cars for private individuals, attaching government nameplates, which poses a significant risk. Some individuals have been using these vehicles to visit temples as endowment officials, while others are going to tourist places as officials. We cannot deny that there is a possibility of these cars being used for illegal activities. Such corruption-involved vehicles should not be used by the ministers until the contractor clears his name, or the department should condemn all the allegations, providing him with a clean certificate.

Crores of sand scam at Godavari bank...

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The boatmen form cooperative societies for this purpose, which has been a longstanding practice. During the YCP regime, more than 250 societies operated for this purpose. However, immediately after the new government took power, all the societies were disbanded, and sand excavation in the river was halted by a local leader of the ruling party. Many thought the authorities would resume operations after implementing the new sand policy, but there appears to be a larger motive behind this move.

A notification issued by the Executive Engineer on August 28, 2024, was published in a newspaper on August 30, asking boatmen societies to re-enroll by submitting willingness papers before August 31. Although all the old societies applied that day, they received no acknowledgment. When questioning this procedure, they were met with silence. They sent applications via registered post and even submitted grievances, but their efforts were ignored. Meanwhile, new societies began registering at Mangalavarapupeta in Rajamahendravaram. From September 30 until now, more than 100 societies have been registered at a single registrar office. All these new societies have been called for sand excavation. In response, the old societies approached the authorities about their applications. Allegedly, the Executive Engineer suggested they contact the MLA or Rambabu. Following this, they approached Rambabu, and 28 societies were selected after agreeing to pay certain amounts, allegedly. According to rumors, the district Collector has signed off on these 28 societies as there were no objections to endorsing the old societies. However, the Collector seems hesitant to sign off on all the new societies, which number over 100, due to pressure from the MLA and Rambabu. Now, societies without political affiliations are objecting to this sand scam, demanding that the Collector scrutinize the societies registered solely for the purpose of the alleged sand scam.



DCM Pawan Kalyan Announced "Village Festival" Will Be Celebrated On Oct 14th

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: Deputy Chief lectors, district officers, Zilla Parish-Minister Pawan Kalyan announced that a "Village Festival" will be celebrated across the state starting October 14, aimed at initiating 30,000 development projects decided during recent village meetings. In a video conference with district collectors and officials, Kalyan emphasized that the central government has allocated ₹4,500 crore to the state through the Employment Guarantee Scheme to facilitate these initiatives.

The Deputy Chief Minister outlined that the works approved during the Gram Sabhas, held in a revolutionary manner across 13,326 panchayats on August 23, will commence during the festival. He instructed district colad officers, Chief Executive Officers, District Project Officers, and officials from various departments to ensure swift planning and execution of these projects.

"We are conducting the Village Festival as a continuation of the village meetings, which will last for a week. The festival is designed to address the petitions taken during the Gram Sabhas and implement their resolutions," Kalyan stated. He highlighted key projects to be undertaken, including the construction of 3,000 kilometers of cement concrete (CC) roads, 500 kilometers of asphalt roads, agricultural ponds, cattle sheds, and dug pits.

Honorary Members of Parliament, MLAs, and other public representatives will participate in the Village Festival programs. The Deputy Chief Minister urged officials to organize Bhumi Puja ceremonies related to the works to be undertaken in the villages.

The video conference included key officials such as Panchayati Raj and Rural Development Chief Secretary Shasibhushan Kumar, Commissioner Krishna Teja, NREGS Director Shanmukh, and the Panchayat Raj Chief Engineer, ensuring coordinated efforts for the successful implementation of these development projects.

Tirupati to Lead **Global Sustainability Efforts with Mission LiFE** Initiative

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: In a significant move to promote sustainable living, the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) under the Ministry of Power, Government of India, is launching efforts to align with the Mission LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment) initiative. This campaign aims to raise awareness about energy conservation and sustainability practices across Southern India, with Tirupati being a focal point due to its status as a globally renowned pilgrimage center.

The initiative was highlighted at the 4th International Conference on Environmental Management (ICEM), held from October 4 to 7, organized by the Indian Society of Geomatics (ISG) in collaboration with JNTU Hyderabad. The conference emphasized the importance of engaging citizens to adopt environmentally conscious behaviors, particularly in high-traffic areas like Tirupati, which sees daily footfalls of 50,000 to 100,000 devotees.

While BEE will not implement specific energy-efficiency measures in Tirupati, the city serves as an ideal platform for promoting sustainable practices. By leveraging the significant number of visitors, BEE intends to amplify the Mission LiFE message, encouraging both pilgrims and residents to embrace energy-saving habits. The overarching goal is to transform mindsets and foster a culture of sustainability.

The Mission LiFE initiative focuses on reducing waste, conserving resources, and promoting greener energy practices. As part of this initiative, BEE is taking steps to effectively communicate the principles of energy efficiency, water conservation, reducing single-use plastics, and minimizing waste, especially in key pilgrimage centers like Tirupati. This approach aligns seamlessly with BEE's mandate of promoting energy efficiency across India.

Pawan Kalyan Will Protest Sanatana Dharma, What's Your Problem – Minister Nadendla

Minister Nadendla Reviews Swarnandhra@2047 Plans at Guntur District Collectorate

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: Minister Nadendla Manohar recently conducted a review meeting at the Guntur District Collectorate to discuss the Swarnandhra@2047 plan, focusing on construction, services, and employment sectors in Amaravati. The meeting aimed to gather suggestions and feedback on the development initiatives outlined in the plan.

During the review, Minister Nadendla



ers and integrating them into broader development initiatives. Minister Nadendla assured that plans would be formulated to provide greater recognition and support to the weaving community, which is integral to the region's cultural heritage.

The Swarnandhra@2047 initiative aims to create a prosperous and sustainable future for the state of Andhra Pradesh, focusing on holistic development across various sectors. Minister Nadendla's review underscores the government's commitment to engaging local communities and stakeholders in the planning process, ensuring that the voices of the people are heard and considered in shaping the future of Amaravati and its surrounding areas.

highlighted the importance of enhancing youth employment opportunities and revealed that officials had prepared a comprehensive plan to address this issue. He emphasized the need for targeted strategies that would promote job creation and skills development among the youth in the region.



The minister also discussed plans to transform Guntur district into a prominent weaving and tourism center. Officials presented suggestions aimed at elevating the status of local weav-

AP Signs Rs. 88 Crore MoU with FSSAI to Enhance Food Safety Standards

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: The Andhra Pradesh government has signed a

significant Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) worth ₹88.41 crore with the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) to bolster food safety standards in the state. The agreement was finalized in New Delhi on Tuesday, with Minister of Health Satyakumar Yadav present for the signing ceremony alongside FSSAI Chief Executive Officer G. Kamalavardhana Rao, AP Food Safety Commissioner C. Harikiran, and FS-SAI Executive Director Inoshi Sharma.

Under this initiative, the FSSAI has committed to enhancing food safety across Andhra Pradesh, spearheaded by Minister Yadav's efforts. G. Kamalavardhana Rao assured that the FSSAI would provide full support to the state's food safety initiatives.

Key aspects of the agreement include the establishment of comprehensive food testing laboratories in Tirumala and Kurnool, each with an allocated budget of ₹20 crore. Additionally, basic food testing labs will be set up in Eluru and Ongole,

costing ₹7.5 crore each, amounting to a total investment of ₹13 crore. The MoU also allocates ₹12 crore for the collection and analysis of food samples and ₹11 crore to raise public awareness regarding food safety standards.

The plan includes strengthening the existing mobile food testing facilities. Currently, there are four mobile testing labs in the state, and an agreement has been made in principle to provide ₹15 crore for establishing 22 more mobile laboratories on a turnkey basis.

Andhra Pradesh has long been recognized for its proactive policies in energy efficiency and sustainable development. The state was notably ranked highly by the World Bank for Energy Efficiency Readiness in 2016-17 and continues to show leadership in energy conservation efforts. The Mission LiFE awareness initiatives in Tirupati will complement these ongoing state efforts, promoting a unified front in the fight against climate change.

Key dignitaries at the ICEM conference included Jayesh Ranjan, Special Chief Secretary for Industry and IT, Government of Telangana; Anand Mohan, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Justice; and Dr. Stanford Blade, Deputy Director General of ICRISAT. They underscored the critical role of state governments in implementing policies that promote energy efficiency and environmental protection.



Lakhs of Devotees Flock to Tirumala for **Garuda Seva During Srivari Brahmotsavam**

TPN, Tirumala: The annual Srivari Brahmotsavam otees, with the 231 galleries set up in Madavedhu at Tirumala is being celebrated with immense grandeur, attracting lakhs of devotees from across the country. Today marks the very special and highly anticipated Garuda Seva, one of the most significant events of the festival. Lord Venkateswara Swamy, in the form of Malayappaswamy, is paraded through the streets of Tirumada on the majestic Garuda Vahana, drawing throngs of devotees eager to witness this divine spectacle. The Garuda Seva holds a special place in Srivari Brahmotsavam, and it is believed that attending this procession brings immense blessings to the devotees.

The streets of Tirumada are overflowing with dev-

packed to capacity. To ensure that all the devotees can witness the sacred procession, the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD) has installed large electronic screens across the hill, providing a clear view of the Garuda Vahana Seva to those in different parts of Tirumala.

The atmosphere is filled with devotion and spiritual fervor as chants of "Govinda Govinda" echo through the hills, adding to the sense of divinity. Tirumala is buzzing with excitement, and the sight of Lord Venkateswara atop the Garuda Vahana is a cherished moment for the lakhs of devotees who have made the pilgrimage.





Buddha Venkanna Fired On Jagan

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: TDP leader Buddha Venkanna launched a scathing attack on Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy, accusing him of neglecting flood victims while comfortably sitting in an air-conditioned room. Venkanna contrasted this with former Chief Minister proactive response during the floods, claiming that Naidu's leadership is an example for the entire country.

Venkanna praised Chandrababu for ensuring that fresh

water and food reached every household affected by the calamity in Vijayawada, stating that the city's survival through the flood was largely due to Naidu's timely intervention. He emphasized that Naidu's support to the flood victims set a benchmark in crisis management.

The TDP leader also alleged that the YSR Congress Party (YCP) was unable to handle the public's overwhelming support for the opposition. He accused the government of exploiting the flood situation and demanded a public debate on the issue of corruption in flood relief efforts.



Buddha Venkanna questioned whether Jagan had ever interacted with people in difficult circumstances, implying that the Chief Minister has distanced himself from the ground realities. He further criticized Jagan for speaking about morals, accusing him of stealing public funds.

He predicted that the YCP, which was reduced to just 11 seats in recent elections, would face an even harsher defeat in the next elections if they continued their current tactics and conspiracies.

TDP Leader Accused of Rape, Police Allegedly Covered Up

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TPN, Andhra Pradesh: TDP Leader Accused of Raping Dalit Girl in Pithapuram, Police Allegedly Tried to Covered Him, Says YSRCP Spokesperson

In a shocking incident in Pithapuram, a Telugu Desam Party (TDP) leader has been accused of raping a Dalit girl. According to YSR Congress Party (YSRCP) spokesperson Shyamala, the local police initially attempted to protect the accused instead of taking swift action.

Shyamala alleged that despite the



Peddireddy Comments on Chandrababu'sGovt

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: Senior YSR Congress Party (YCP) leader and former minister Peddireddy Ramachandra Reddy made notable remarks regarding the Chandrababu Naidu-led government. Speaking about the tragic death of a child, AshviaAnjam, in Punganur, Peddireddy emphasized the quick response of the current state government in handling the incident.

Peddireddy revealed that Former Chief Minister Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy had initially planned to visit the victim's family in Punganur, as the incident caused widespread concern throughout the state. However, Jagan later canceled his visit due to the swift action taken by the government, which saw three ministers visiting the affected area and ensuring the immediate arrest of the accused. Peddireddy credited this prompt response for the Chief Minister's decision to

cancel his visit.

While praising the quick reaction to the Punganur incident, Peddireddy also mentioned that the same



level of urgency would have been beneficial in handling the Kurnool incident. Speaking to the media at his residence in Tirupati on Monday, he suggested that such timely responses would serve the government well in addressing future crises.

TDP Delivers a Blow to Kamalapuram YCP MLA Ravindranath Reddy

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: The Kamalapuram Municipal Corporation has swung in favor of the Telugu Desam Party (TDP) after a significant shift in political allegiances. Municipal Chairman Marpuri Mary, along with councilorsSheknoori, Rajeshwari, Salila, and Nagamani, joined the TDP on Monday, delivering a setback to YCP MLA Ravindranath Reddy, the uncle of former CM Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy.

This development has altered the political landscape of the Kamalapuram Municipality in YSR Kadapa district. With the recent additions, TDP's strength has increased to 10 members, reducing YCP's numerical strength to 8. This shift positions the TDP to potentially take control of the Kamalapuram Municipal Corporation, with the possibility of electing a new chairman at the upcoming general meeting. Ravindranath Reddy, the YCP MLA from Kamalapuram, faces a major setback as the municipal body seems poised to slip from YCP's grasp into TDP's control.

Municipal Corporation Chairman Marpuri Mary and the councilors who switched to TDP cited their admiration for the welfare and development programs undertaken by TDP leader and former Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu. TDP State Vice President PuttaNarasimha Reddy and MLA Krishna Chaitanya Reddy added that the councilors shifted allegiance because of their trust in the TDP leadership.

There are also speculations that more YCP councilors are preparing to join the TDP, further strengthening the party's position in Kamalapuram.

"This Is The Rule of ChandrababuMark" -VijaySai Reddy

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: YCP Rajya Sabha member Vijayasai Reddy has once again launched a strong critique against former Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu, accusing his government of failing to pay salaries to contract employees. Reddy pointed out that despite the government's claim of releasing ₹400 crore, the funds have not reached the intended beneficiaries.



Vijayasai Reddy further criticized the Chandrababu-led government for leaving 25,000 contract employees in comprehensive training unpaid for two months. He highlighted that 6,500 employees working in essential services like 108 and 104, which save lives, have not received a single paisa since July. Moreover, he mentioned that thousands of small-scale workers in various de-

gravity of the crime, the police were reluctant to register a case against the TDP leader. However, after intense pressure from the victim's family, the police were forced to take action and file the case under mandatory legal provisions.

"The family members had to fight hard to ensure justice for the victim, but only after significant pressure was the case registered," Shyamala said.

The incident has sparked outrage, raising concerns about the handling of such sensitive cases and the influence of political



leaders in the justice system. The YSRCP spokesperson criticized the police for their initial reluctance to act, accusing them of bias in favor of the accused.

The case has now been registered, and investigations are underway. The YSRCP has called for strict action and justice for the victim, emphasizing the need for accountability in such cases, regardless of political affiliations.

He sarcastically noted that this announcement was prominently featured in the media, with breaking news running on television throughout the day. However, he alleged that even though a government order (G.O.) was issued, the funds were mismanaged, and salaries remained unpaid.

partments are also suffering due to the lack of timely payments, despite the upcoming Dussehra and Diwali festivals.

He concluded his statement by condemning Chandrababu's governance, stating, "This is the rule of Chandrababu Mark; there is no need to change it."

Former MP Margani Bharath Comments On New Sand and Liquor Policies

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: Former MP Margani Bharat, a state representative of the YSR Congress Party (YSRCP), has accused the Telugu Desam Party (TDP) of exploiting the state's resources for personal gain. Speaking at a recent press conference, he highlighted the issue of free sand not being accessible to the public, emphasizing that in the past, the government generated significant revenue from sand mining.

Bharat alleged that instead of benefiting laborers who traditionally dug for sand, the income is now funneled into the pockets of TDP leaders. He criticized the Chandrababu Naidu-led government, stating, "The main sources of income under Chandrababu's administration are mining and liquor," and argued that these profits are enriching party leaders rather than contributing to the state's wealth.

He also shed light on the liquor trade in the state, claiming a liquor syndicate has formed, affecting revenue generation. Bharat pointed out that in Telangana, around 135,000 tenders were floated for 2,600 liquor shops, averag-



ing about 50 tenders per shop. In stark contrast, he noted that Andhra Pradesh has received fewer than 9,000 tenders for 3,400 shops.

Bharat concluded his statements by holding the coalition government leaders responsible for draining the state's revenue and called for accountability and transparency in managing the state's resources. He urged the public to be aware of these issues and demand better governance that prioritizes the welfare of the people over the profits of political leaders.

It's a Festival For ChandraBabu's Govt - Kurasala

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: Former Minister KurasalaKannababu has sharply criticized Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu, asserting that he treats floods and droughts as opportunities for personal and political advantage. Speaking about the recent floods in Vijayawada, Kannababu stated that the "original form" of the NDA alliance has emerged in this crisis, claiming that Chandrababu has transformed even disasters into a festival while profiting from the misfortunes of the people.

Kannababu accused the Naidu government of mishandling flood relief efforts, asserting that they have failed to provide timely assistance to those in need. He stated, "The Chandrababu government acts without any shame regarding what the people think."

He questioned how many individuals truly benefited from the ₹368 crore supposedly spent on meals during the flood relief efforts, alleging that Chandrababu has conducted fundraising drives in the name of flood assistance, similar to the collections made for festivals like VinayakaChavithi and Dussehra. He criticized the government for treating this situation as a "drought-stricken festival" and raised concerns about how the flood aid from donors would be utilized.

Kannababu pointed out that ₹23 crore was reportedly spent on candles and matches and questioned the ratio-



nale behind this expenditure. He also asked whether ₹2 crore was spent on drones and highlighted that the enumeration of crops lost to floods, covering lakhs of acres, has yet to be completed.

He emphasized that the public deserves answers regarding how the flood relief funds were managed and used, asserting that accountability is necessary. The former minister concluded by alleging that Chandrababu had diverted flood relief funds for purposes other than aiding the victims, calling for scrutiny of the government's policies and actions during this crisis.



Minister Nimmala Ramanaidu **Corruption at Its Peak by CM & HO of VMC?**



TPN, Vijayawada: The Health Officer's influence is so strong that her transfer order was stalled within three days. Now, discussions are underway regarding who is behind this protection. Despite several allegations, how is she able to continue in her role? Even after receiving warnings from higher officials, how is she managing to retain her position? This individual is Mrs. Ratnavali, Chief Medical & Health Officer of the Vijayawada Municipal Corporation. Previously, she worked in Prakasam District as DM&HO. Due to numerous allegations, she was transferred to Vi-

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> jayawada as CM&HO of VMC. Just three days ago, a transfer order was issued to move her back to Ongole. There is speculation about whether the transfer order was stalled to favor her or to prevent her return to her previous role.

> In the Vijayawada Municipal Corporation, she is allegedly continuing her pattern of corruption. Reports suggest that she collects more than ₹2 lakh each month from every Sanitary Supervisor in the city. With four Sanitary Supervisors operating in Vijayawada, the monthly total can be easily calculated. A

significant issue is that she has endorsed the recruitment of Sanitary Inspectors who lack the necessary qualifications. Sanitary Inspectors are required to possess a graduation certificate, yet many have been hired without one. Some were permitted entry due to other reasons, while many reportedly joined by paying amounts to the CM&HO.

Allegations indicate that she is sharing the collected amounts with the Mayor as well. Each Sanitary Inspector is reportedly required to pay between ₹15,000 to ₹20,000 to the CM&HO through the Sanitary Supervisors. With a total of 64 Sanitary Inspectors, if each pays ₹20,000 per month, the monthly collection would amount to ₹12,80,000. In total, she may be allegedly collecting over ₹20 lakh each month. Additionally, she is said to receive funds for issuing trade licenses, which would be an extra source of income.

All higher officials, including the Principal Secretary, are aware of her alleged corruption and have issued warnings about these allegations. However, they seem unable to take action against her. If this had happened under the previous government, it might have been understandable, but her activities continue without interruption even after the change of government, which is surprisingly troubling.

Held a Video Conference With **District Collectors**



TPN, Vijayawada: Minister Nimmala Ramanaidu held a video conference with district collectors and key irrigation officials to discuss the upcoming elections for irrigation water associations, management strategies, and the release of related notifications. Present at the meeting were Irrigation Special Secretary G. Saiprasad, Commissioner Ramasundara Reddy, ENC M. Venkateswara Rao, along with Irrigation Chief Engineers (CEs) and Superintending Engineers (SEs).

During the conference, Minister Ramanaidu expressed concern over the lack of proper allocation and ineffective management of irrigation water supply and drainage systems over the past five years. He emphasized that the neglect of irrigation water bodies has left agriculture struggling, likening the situation to "farming without farmers."

The minister reiterated the Chief Minister's strong commitment to reviving the state's irrigation water systems, crucial for agricultural success. As part of this initiative, the government has decided to hold elections for irrigation water associations to ensure better management and distribution of water resources to farmers. These elections are seen as a pivotal step towards improving the overall efficiency of water supply for cultivation and resolving long-standing issues related to irrigation projects.

The officials present discussed strategies to ensure smooth and transparent elections, with a focus on enhancing the functionality of these water associations to benefit the state's agricultural sector.

TDP MLA Criticize YSRCP for Lack of Support to Flood **Victims at Press Conference**



TPN, Vijayawada: During a press conference at the TDP district party office, Mylavaram Constituency MLA Vasantha Krishna Prasad, Eastern Constituency MLA Gadde Rammohan, Penamalur Constituency MLA Bode Prasad, and Gannavaram Constituency MLA Yarlagadda Venkataravu voiced their criticism of the YSRCP's lack of involvement in helping

TIDCO MD Met Minister Ponguru Narayana

TPN, Vijayawada: Newly appointed TIDCO Managing Director B. Sunil Kumar Reddy held a courtesy meeting with Minister of Municipal Administration and Urban Development, Ponguru Narayana, following his assumption of charge. The meeting took place to discuss the progress and plans for TIDCO (Township and Infrastructure Development Corporation) housing projects across the state.

During their discussion, both officials focused on the ongoing construction of TID-

DGP Dwaraka Tirumala Rao Visited

CO houses and the design of essential basic facilities such as water supply, sanitation, and roads. Minister Narayana emphasized the importance of ensuring high-quality infrastructure for residents in these housing projects, aimed at improving urban living standards.

This meeting marks an important step in the continued efforts to expedite TIDCO housing projects and ensure the timely completion of necessary amenities for the beneficiaries.



Devineni Uma Press

flood victims in the Krishna district.

Gannavaram MLA Yarlagadda Venkataravu highlighted that many people had volunteered to assist those affected by the recent floods, with the Chief Minister ordering that food and fresh water be provided at any cost. Citizens from across the state responded by sending aid to the victims. However, Venkatarao pointed out that none of the 16 candidates who contested on behalf of the YSRCP from the combined Krishna district were present to help during the crisis. He specifically noted that YCP leaders did not even visit flood-affected areas like Singh Nagar and Jakkampudi, which are known YCP strongholds.

Criticizing the ruling party, Venkatarao accused YCP leaders of "throwing mud" at those who offered help while they themselves remained absent. He mentioned that over Rs.475 crore was provided to the Chief Minister's Relief Fund and urged Jagan Mohan Reddy to also contribute from the *Sakshi* magazine. He further added that the public is no longer swayed by what is written in the *Sakshi*.

"We worked alongside the Chief Minister for 11 days, ensuring that ration and compensation were immediately provided to flood victims," Venkatarao said. He emphasized that no YCP leader had come forward to assist during the floods and expressed hope that YCP leaders would attend the upcoming Legislative Assembly sessions to address public concerns.

The press conference highlighted growing political tension between the TDP and YSRCP over the flood relief efforts and ongoing public issues in the region.

The Kanakadurgamma Temple



TPN, Vijayawada: As part of the smooth darshan for all devotees, Dussehra Sharannavaratri celebrations, DGP Dwaraka Tirumala Rao visited the Kanakadurgamma temple on Indrakiladri on Tuesday. On this day, the presiding deity, Goddess Durga, was adorned in the form of Mahalakshmi, attracting thousands of devotees.

Upon his arrival, DGP Rao was given a traditional welcome by the temple authorities. After having darshan of the goddess, Vedic scholars offered him blessings, Tirtha Prasadam, and a picture map of the deity. Speaking on the occasion, the DGP emphasized the police department's commitment to ensuring

particularly during peak periods like Moola Nakshatra.

He urged VIP devotees to adhere to their designated darshan times and instructed police officers to manage the growing crowds with patience and diligence. With the Moola Nakshatra drawing large numbers of pilgrims, DGP Rao advised the police to be vigilant and ensure the comfort and safety of all visitors. The police have been instructed to ensure timely arrangements ahead of Chief Minister Nara Chandrababu Naidu's visit, during which he will offer silk clothes to the goddess.

Conference at Central TDP Office in Mangalagiri



TPN, Mangalagiri: During a press briefing at the Central TDP office in Mangalagiri, Devineni Uma accused Jagan Mohan Reddy of orchestrating conspiracies that have limited the party's electoral success to just 11 seats in the region. He criticized the CM for allegedly promoting anarchic forces and spreading "evil propaganda."

Uma suggested that if former Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu were to remain in the Collectorate for ten days to assist flood victims, it would undermine the disruptive forces at play. He praised Naidu for providing unprecedented compensation to those affected by recent floods.

The TDP leader expressed frustration over the portrayal of the party in local media, specifically mentioning the Rota magazine, which he claimed misrepresents the situation. He also referred to a recent influx of cardamom traders from Kaluga, accusing them of spreading negativity in the region.

Uma linked the current turmoil to a broader conspiracy, referencing the "Bangalore Palace conspiracy" as part of the ongoing challenges faced by the TDP. He concluded by stating that "the law will take its course" and expressed hope that those undermining the party would eventually be held accountable.

Vijayawada Municipal Corporation Gears Up for Moola Nakshatram Day



TPN, Vijayawada: Vijayawada Municipal Corpo- and hassle-free arrangements. He commended ration (VMC) Commissioner Dhyanchandra has directed officials to enhance public facilities in preparation for the expected large crowds of devotees visiting for the darshan of Goddess Kanakadurgamma on Moola Nakshatram Day. During a teleconference held on Tuesday morning, Commissioner Dhyanchandra discussed the necessary arrangements with department heads and fieldwork officials.

He emphasized the likelihood of a significant influx of devotees and urged officials to ensure smooth

the staff for their efforts so far in maintaining proper arrangements for the ongoing Dasara Navaratri celebrations but stressed the importance of increased vigilance on Moola Nakshatram Day to avoid any difficulties for the public.

Commissioner Dhyanchandra also instructed officials to ensure that drinking water is promptly available to devotees standing in line and that staff members attending to them are monitored to avoid any service delays.



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Pawan Kalyan Strongly Condemns Rape Incident in Pithapuram

TPN, Kakinada: Pithapuram, Kakinada District Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan has condemned the heinous rape of a girl in the Stuartupuram area of Pithapuram town. The incident occurred on Monday afternoon when the victim was approached by a woman and another individual who stopped an auto-rickshaw, showing her a paper and asking for directions.

The girl was then sprayed with an anesthetic, rendering her unconscious. She was forcibly taken to the Madhavapuram dumping yard, where she was made to consume alcohol and subsequently raped multiple times.

Pawan Kalyan expressed deep concern for the victim, stating that such incidents cannot be ignored. He praised the alertness of local residents, who informed the police and helped apprehend the accused before they could escape. He assured the victim and her family that all possible assistance would be provided and emphasized the importance of severe punishment for the perpetrators.



The Deputy Chief Minister ordered

authorities to visit the hospital and ensure the girl receives the best possible medical care. He called upon the community to unite against such inhumane acts and urged vigilance to prevent future incidents.

The police have launched an investigation, and the accused have been taken into custody. Authorities are determined to ensure justice for the victim and her family, as the case unfolds.

CPI & CPM Leaders Demand End to Israeli Attacks on Palestinians



TPN, Eluru: Leaders from the Communist Party of India (CPI), Communist Party of India (Marxist) (CPM), and CPI New Democracy have united in calling for an immediate halt to the Israeli attacks on the Palestinian people. They have urged the Prime Minister of India to intervene in the ongoing conflict.

A protest was held at the old bus stand center on Monday, featuring leaders Mannava Krishna Chaitanya, A. Ravi, and Badda Venkatravulu, who emphasized that Israel has been attacking the Palestinian population for over a year. They were joined by participants including M. Apparao, KV Ratnam, Kaki Nani, M. Kranti, John, Veernaidu, Raju, Mangaraju, Nukaraju, Kakarla Srinu, Bandi Venkateswara Rao, and Uppaluri Hemashankar.

In response to the escalating violence, CPI ML New Democracy and CPM organized a large rally and protest to demand an end to the bombardment of Gaza. Leaders such as Dharmamula Suresh, Karam Raghava, Tellam Ramakrishna, Andugula Francis, Tagaram Baburao, and Modim Nagamani highlighted comments from the International Court of Justice, which stated that Israel's warmongering actions amount to genocide. Local leaders, including Sarpanchs Karam Lakshmi, Kechchela Mukkareddy, and Kattam Nageswara Rao, were also present at the protest.

CPI ML New Democracy district committee member KV Ramana urged the Modi government to lend its support to Palestine. A round table meeting chaired by S. Rammohan expressed concerns that Israel's actions could pose a significant threat to world peace. Other participants included left party leaders and labor union representatives such as U.A. Subabu, JV. Ramanaraju, K. Vignesh, SK. Subhashini, and Surya Rao.

Tension Erupts in Chinnabondapalli Village Following Social Dispute

TPN, Pravathipuram: Tensions flared in Chinnabondapalli village on Monday Mid-night following a dispute that erupted during a wedding celebration. An RPF constable from a local social group got married on Sunday, during which a minor altercation occurred between two social groups.

The situation escalated on Monday night when a young man from the BC social group was attacked by four members of another social group. As villagers witnessed the assault and intervened, they were also met with violence, facing attacks with stones and sticks. Among those injured were Gongada Venkatanaidu and Gandi Narayana Rao, both of whom sustained serious injuries, heightening tensions between the rival groups.

RGV: Should a Movie Be Made on Jagan?

TPN, Tirupati: BJP Party spokesperson Bhanuprakash remarked that YSRCP chief Jagan Mohan Reddy lost his composure after facing defeat in the recent elections. He claimed that under the alliance government's rule, Andhra Pradesh is on a path to development. Bhanuprakash criticized Jagan's fiveyear tenure, describing him as a rigid Chief Minister who failed to progress the state. He further added that despite the financial challenges in Andhra Pradesh, the new alliance government would move forward with integrity and goodwill. He accused Jagan of spreading false allegations against the alliance government, which he said is committed to fulfilling its promises.





Young Man Causes Commotion by Wearing Burqa in Krosur

TPN, Palnadu: A young man caused a stir in

In response to the attacks, members of the affected social group staged a protest on the road, demanding immediate action against those responsible for the violence. They called for the attackers to be handed over to them or arrested promptly. Bhanuprakash praised CM Chandrababu Naidu, calling him a decisive leader. He also touched on the controversy surrounding former TTD Chairman YV Subba Reddy, questioning changes made to certain reservations at Tirumala. According to Bhanuprakash, Jagan resorted to legal battles as the people of Andhra Pradesh did not even grant him the status of opposition leader. He accused Jagan of corrupt practices, suggesting that the YS-RCP leader has become a model for how to exploit resources illegally. He also stated that filmmaker Ram Gopal Varma (RGV) should consider making a movie about how Jagan allegedly destroyed the state. The comment reflects the spokesperson's critical view of Jagan's leadership and legacy.

certain reservations at Tirumala. Furthermore, he condemned the According to Bhanuprakash, Jagan recent photo shoot incident in-

volving Tekkali MLC Duvvada Srinivas and his wife at Tirumala. He warned that strict action would be taken if such incidents, which damage Tirumala's reputation, occur again. Bhanuprakash firmly stated that Jagan would never return to power and accused him of disregarding Hindu temples and beliefs. He added that future investigations would look into actions taken by the previous government regarding Tirumala. Finally, he emphasized that the central government will continue to support the state both financially and in other aspects.

Vamsadhara Main Left Canal in Disrepair, Irrigation Water Supply Affected

TPN, Tekkali: The Vamsadhara Main Left Canal under Tekkali Division is in a deteriorating condition, severely impacting irrigation in surrounding areas. Originally designed to release 2,460 cusecs of water, the canal now struggles to release 1,890 cusecs due to the accumulation of silt, the absence of shutters, and the growth of moss. This has resulted in slow water flow, affecting irrigation in Tekkali, Nandigam, Palasa, and Vajrapukottur mandals.

Key Issues: Canal Shrinkage:

Decades of neglect in desilting have caused the canal to shrink, preventing sufficient water from reaching downstream areas. Only about 450 cusecs reach the Tekkali region. *Irrigation Shortfall:*

The water intended for irrigating 56,000 acres of farmland is falling



short, with several mandals receiving significantly less than expected. Areas like Parasurampuram and Madanagopalasagaram are especially affected. **Staff Shortages:**

The Tekkali Vamsadhara Division is grappling with a severe shortage of engineering officers and support staff. Several key posts, including two Deputy Executive Engineer (DEE) and six Assistant Engineer (AE) positions, remain vacant. The canal is being maintained with minimal personnel. **Pending Bills:**

Efforts were made to prepare for the Kharif season with Rs.97 lakh allocated for 47 projects. However, bills for these projects, along with transport and office expenses, have not been cleared, leaving Rs.33 lakh

(DEE) and six Assistant Engineer and Rs.1.20 lakh in arrears, respec-(AE) positions, remain vacant. The tively.

Concerns:

Without urgent attention to these issues, particularly the desilting of the canal and the filling of staff vacancies, irrigation for thousands of acres remains at risk, creating difficulties for farmers in the region. Krosur, Palnadu district, by entering a local government hospital disguised in a burqa. The man, posing as a woman, attempted to enter the hospital's meeting hall, drawing suspicion from locals and hospital staff. His unusual behavior, including his walking style and appearance, raised eyebrows.

Several staff members and patients' relatives approached him, questioning his intentions. When he refused to respond, some women removed his face covering, revealing he was a man. The young man was immediately restrained and placed under supervision until the police arrived. The police arrested him and have since launched an investigation to determine his motives, including whether he had planned any criminal activity.

Kidnapping Case Resolved in Guntur

In a separate incident, the abduction of a newborn from Guntur Government Hospital has come to a happy conclusion. A woman named Sheikh Naseemaki gave birth to a baby boy at the hospital, but late at night, a woman posing as a concerned individual tricked the family into handing over the baby. The woman claimed she would show the child to her ill husband and return shortly but instead fled with the newborn.

Theft at Liquor Store in Vellathuru Village

TPN, Kadapa: A robbery occurred at a liquor store in Vellathuru village, resulting in the theft of Rs. 5.09 lakh in cash. The incident came to light when U. Dayam, the store operator, opened the shop on Monday and noticed that the cash counter was empty. Suspicious of the missing money, the staff and supervisor immediately reported the theft to the police.

Excise CI and SI visited the scene to inspect the shop and have since registered a case. The investigation is ongoing to catch the culprits involved in the robbery.

OPINION



One Year OnThe Ongoing Crisis Following the Hamas Attacks



L attacks by Hamas, which resulted in devastating loss of life and widespread destruction. The aftermath continues to affect both Gaza and Israel, with Gaza experiencing severe devastation and Israel mourning the loss of over 1,200 civilians and soldiers. The attacks coincided with the 50th anniversary of the Yom Kippur War, highlighting a critical moment that seemingly went unrecognized by Israeli security agencies.

In response to the attacks, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has pledged to eradicate Hamas and reoccupy Gaza. Despite extensive military action, including airstrikes and targeted killings, Hamas remains resilient, holding around 100 hostages and seeking leverage for negotiations. Netanyahu's refusal to engage in talks, coupled with his contentious political maneuvers, complicates the situation further.

The international community's approach has largely focused on avoiding escalation rather than As the situation evolves, the absence of effective addressing the root causes of the conflict, particularly the Palestinian issue. As tensions rise, Iran's pursuit of regional influence through proxies like Hamas and Hezbollah poses a persistent threat to Israel and its allies.

Today marks a year since the October 7 terror Arab nations, while wary of Iran's ambitions, have shown a degree of neutrality in the ongoing conflict, as seen in their recent engagements with Iranian leadership. This reluctance to confront Iran openly complicates the dynamics, especially with the backdrop of missile exchanges between Iran and Israel.

> As violence escalates, the situation in Lebanon grows dire, with significant civilian displacement and calls for humanitarian relief. International leaders have urged for a ceasefire to facilitate diplomatic solutions, yet the cycle of retaliation continues.

> India, maintaining ties with both Iran and Israel, emphasizes dialogue and restraint amid the unfolding crisis. The potential for broader conflict raises concerns for regional stability and economic security, particularly for India, which has deep interests in the region.

multilateral solutions threatens to plunge the region further into chaos. Without decisive actions towards de-escalation and dialogue, the prospects for peace remain bleak.

ISlavery and Cultural Imperialism in the Age of Smartphones

ocritical, yet it's essential to address the societal implications surrounding the iPhone 16's launch in India. This event underscores the ongoing interplay of glamour, envy, and cultural imperialism that dominates markets in the Global South.

Envy, often viewed negatively, is paradoxically a significant driver of economic growth. It fuels consumer motivation and spending, as seen with the iPhone since its debut in 2007. The sleek design of the iPhone has transformed it into a status symbol, akin to the once-coveted Onida television, but now amplified by social media.

The iPhone's role transcends utility; it serves as a platform for cultivating influence. As Thomas Elsaesser noted in 2005, the telecommunications revolution pitted everyday usefulness against the allure of simulated experiences. Today, simulation has triumphed, with smartphones becoming venues for curated identities and aspirations.

Discussions about social media often focus on the vulnerable, but it's crucial to rec-

Typing this essay on a MacBook Air while ognize how affluent adults contribute to a culture of envy. Posing with luxury items, even if empty, caters to peers rather than addressing the realities of the marginalized. Kiran V Bhatia highlights how digital glamour offers slum children fleeting glimpses of aspirational lifestyles, yet fails to translate into real upward mobility. They become collateral damage in a spectacle aimed at generating envy among the privileged.

> Curation emerges as a critical concept, revealing how individuals create curated identities to signal status. However, this curation can lead to "iSlavery," as scholars like Jack Linchuan Qiu argue that smartphones have created new forms of enslavement rather than freedom. Adults, despite seeming empowered, become trapped in a cycle of digital validation and envy-driven consumption.

> This cultural imperialism reflects a profound exploitation of human consciousness, leading ultimately to anomie-a sense of emptiness in the quest for authentic connection and identity. The smartphone era demands a reevaluation of our values, urging a shift from envy to genuine engagement.



NC-Congress Poised for Victory in J&K BJP Set to **Triumph in Haryana**



As results come in for the 90 assembly seats in Haryana and Jammu and Kashmir, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) is making headlines with its unexpected resurgence in Haryana. Despite exit polls predicting a clear victory for Congress, the BJP appears set to secure a historic third consecutive term, a first for the state.

In Haryana, the atmosphere is charged as the BJP defies expectations. Previously dominated by Congress, particularly in Jat strongholds, the BJP's gains signal a significant shift. The party's ability to penetrate the 'Hooda bastion' has left Congress leader Bhupinder Singh Hooda facing a daunting challenge. Within Congress, discussions are already underway about identifying a Chief Ministerial candidate, highlighting the urgency of the situation as the party grapples with its diminishing influence.

political landscape is unfolding differently. The National Conference (NC) and Congress have joined forces, and the NC is steadily moving toward a commanding presence in the assembly. For the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP), led by Mehbooba Mufti, the stakes were high, but the party has struggled to make a significant impact in this election cycle.

Smaller parties and independents, often viewed as potential proxies for the BJP, have also failed to gain traction, further solidifying the NC and Congress's position in the region.

As the day progresses and results are finalized, the BJP's impressive performance in Haryana stands out, reshaping the state's political narrative and challenging traditional power dynamics. The implications of these results could resonate well beyond state lines, potentially influencing national politics as well.

Haryana Election Results 2024 BJP's Winning Strategy Unveiled As the results of the Haryana elections unfold, the Aruling Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) is defying exit

poll predictions by leading in over 46 seats. This puts the party on track to secure a remarkable third consecutive term in power. Contrary to forecasts that favored a significant victory for the Indian National Congress, the BJP appears to be improving upon its 2019 performance, when it won 40 seats and formed a coalition with the Jannayak Janata Party (JJP).

Strong Leadership Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar has maintained a strong presence, focusing on governance and development. His leadership style and commitment to state issues have resonated with voters, establishing a sense of stability and continuity.

Welfare SchemesThe BJP has effectively implemented various welfare schemes, targeting farmers, women, and economically disadvantaged groups. Initiatives like the 'Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao' scheme have been particularly popular, appealing to the electorate's aspirations and concerns.

ancing interests in a diverse state. By engaging with different communities and addressing their specific needs, the party has broadened its appeal.

Anti-Incumbency Against Opposition The Indian National Congress, despite being a historic party in Harvana, has struggled with internal divisions and a lack of cohesive strategy. This has left voters skeptical about their ability to govern effectively, contributing to the BJP's perceived strength.

Strategic CampaigningThe BJP's campaign strategy has leveraged social media and grassroots outreach to connect with voters. A strong digital presence and local campaigning have helped the party engage effectively with the electorate, ensuring that their message reached a broad audience.

As the final results are confirmed, it will be essential to analyze the implications of these outcomes for Haryana's political landscape and the BJP's strategy moving forward.



Meanwhile, in Jammu and Kashmir, the





Salute People For Clear Majority:PM Modi On BJP's Win In Haryana



The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) **I** is set to secure a third consecutive term in Haryana, defying exit poll predictions. Currently, the BJP is leading in 49 of the 90 assembly seats, while the Congress trails with 34. Despite this, Congress maintains a hopeful stance, asserting that victory remains within reach.

In a disappointing turn for Arvind Kejriwal's Aam Aadmi Party (AAP), which had aspirations for a foothold in Harvana following successes in Delhi and Punjab, the party has failed to win any seats. However, it did manage to claim the Doda seat in Jammu and Kashmir.

The elections in Jammu and Kashmir, held after a decade, see the National Conference and Congress alliance ahead in 49 seats, surpassing the halfway mark of 46. The BJP holds 27 seats, primarily in

Jammu. The National Conference is particularly strong, leading in 44 of Kashmir's 47 seats, showcasing impressive support across the region.

Contrary to expectations, the Congress's performance in both Haryana and Jammu and Kashmir has been lackluster. In J&K, the party is only ahead in eight seats, all in the Kashmir Valley, and has not managed to secure any seats in Jammu. The Peoples Democratic Party (PDP), predicted to be a significant player, is leading in just two seats, far below expectations.

Smaller parties and independents, some aligned with the BJP, are also making headway, leading in nine seats. BJP leaders have expressed confidence that their tally will allow them to form the government, aided by five MLAs nominated by the Governor.

Can't Accept VerdictCongress Raises Doubts Over Haryana Counting

The Congress party expressed shock **L** and disbelief over the unexpected election results in Haryana, where the BJP appears poised to secure a historic third consecutive term. The party's initial optimism turned to dismay as early leads for Congress faded, prompting senior leader Jairam Ramesh to voice serious concerns about the integrity of the counting process.

In a letter to the Election Commission, Congress highlighted an "unexplained slowdown" in result updates, which Ramesh claimed could fuel misinformation and undermine public trust in the electoral process. The Election Commission dismissed these allegations, assuring that results were being updated regularly across constituencies.



ibility of the election. He claimed that at least 12-14 seats were under scrutiny due to alleged discrepancies, emphasizing the need for the party to present its findings to the Election Commission.

Pawan Khera, another senior Congress leader, echoed Ramesh's concerns, citing consistent reports of EVM issues, particularly in districts like Hisar and Mahendragarh. He questioned the reliability of machines reporting unusual battery statuses, linking it to perceived manipulation.

Never be over confident Kejriwal on Haryana poll results

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and counter-intuitive. It goes against

the reality and what the people of

Haryana were looking for-change."

He described the outcome as a "victory

for manipulation" and vowed that the

chapter on Haryana was not closed,

promising to gather evidence regarding

Ramesh also noted serious complaints

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 Λ s early trends indicate a strong lead **A**for the BJP in Haryana, Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) convener Arvind Kejriwal acknowledged a critical lesson from the election results: never be overconfident. The BJP is projected to secure victory in approximately 50 of the 90 assembly seats, reinforcing Kejriwal's point during a gathering of AAP municipal councillors.

"Let us see what the results are in Haryana. The biggest lesson is that one should never be overconfident in elections," Kejriwal stated, emphasizing the importance of respecting every electoral contest. He urged party members to remember that each election, and indeed each seat, is challenging and should be approached with seriousness.



The AAP faced significant hurdles in its electoral strategy, failing to forge a prepoll alliance with the Congress due to disagreements over seat-sharing. Consequently, the party contested 89 of the 90 seats independently, trailing behind both the BJP and Congress in nearly all constituencies.

During the campaign, Kejriwal had confidently declared that no government could be formed in Haryana without AAP's involvement. However, the current results suggest otherwise, with AAP candidates struggling to make an impact.

In response to the situation, Kejriwal turned his focus to the upcoming Delhi Assembly elections, scheduled for February. He called upon AAP councillors to prioritize their local responsibilities, particularly in ensuring efficient garbage collection and disposal within their wards. "You will have the most important role in this election. If you ensure proper garbage management, we will secure victory," he asserted, highlighting how foundational tasks can influence voter sentiment.

Haryana Chief MinisterSaini Credits Modi for BJP's Hat-Trick

Taryana Chief Min-Hister Nayab Singh Saini attributed the BJP's hat-trick victory in the state to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership, just six months after assuming office. Speaking to reporters as the counting process neared its conclusion, Saini expressed gratitude to the voters, emphasizing that this win represents a triumph for the farmers, women, and youth of Haryana.



by the BJP after the resignation of his predecessor, Manohar Lal Khattar, due to coalition tensions. Sources indicate that the BJP plans to retain Saini for another term in light of this election success.

National Conference and Congress Win Historic J&K Election

The National Conference (NC) and Congress secured a significant victory in the Jammu and Kashmir elections, marking the first such polls in a decade and defying predictions of a hung Assembly. Together, the alliance claimed 49 out of 90 elected seats, with five additional seats set to be nominated by Lieutenant Governor Manoi



Sinha under a contentious new rule.

force, winning 42 seats, while Congress managed a mere six. The NC's success was particularly strong in the Kashmir region, where it claimed the majority of its seats. The BJP, which has never governed J&K independently, finished with 29 seats—four more than in 2014 but still below expectations, primarily drawing support from the Jammu region.

Former Chief Minister Mehbooba Mufti's People's Democratic Party (PDP), which had allied with the BJP in the past, was expected to play a crucial role this election.

The NC emerged as the dominant Exit polls suggested the PDP could secure between four and 12 seats, potentially tipping the balance in favor of the Congress-NC alliance. However, the PDP only managed to win three seats, losing significantly compared to its previous performance.

> In a notable development, the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) secured its first seat in J&K, winning in Doda. The Jammu and Kashmir People's Conference also saw success, with Sajjad Lone retaining his seat. Independent candidates continued to perform well, claiming seven seats.

"I thank the 2.8 crore residents of Haryana for their faith in Prime Minister Modi's policies. This victory is a testament to the support of our farmers, the underprivileged, women, and young people. They voted for the tangible progress brought by PM Modi," stated



the 54-year-old BJP leader. Saini won the Ladwa seat by over 16,000 votes, reflecting his confidence that the people would "bless" the party for its continuous efforts.

Saini's appointment as chief minister earlier this year was a surprise move As per the latest counts, the BJP leads in 48 of the 90 assembly seats, with Congress trailing behind at 37. The Indian National Lok Dal (INLD) appears set to win two seats, while Independents are expect-

ed to secure three.

Earlier in the day, Congress filed a complaint regarding an "unexplained slowdown" in result updates, which the Election Commission dismissed, assuring that updates were being processed regularly.

CPM's Tarigami Wins J&K Seat

Assembly elections is the resurgence of the National Conference and the Abdullah family. However, an equally significant outcome is the success of MY Tarigami, a prominent Communist leader, in Kulgam. Tarigami defeated a candidate backed by the hardline Jamaat-e-Islami, despite the organization's attempts to polarize the electorate along religious lines.

According to Election Commission data, Tarigami leads by nearly 8,000 votes against Jamaat-backed Sayar Ahmed Reshi. Prior to the election in this Muslim-majority constituency, the Jamaat candidate claimed that his loss would signify the "defeat of Islam." The election results, however, showed that this strategy of polarization failed.

In an interview with NDTV as results were confirmed, Tarigami, a four-time MLA, expressed gratitude to the people of Kulgam for standing up for their rights and resisting divisive tactics. "I salute the people of Kulgam. They fought for Kulgam, for Kashmir, for the rights of the people of



Kashmir, and defeated those who became collaborators of the government," he stated.

The Jamaat-e-Islami, previously a significant player in militancy and separatism during the 1990s, has faced challenges since its ban in 2019. Its attempts to regain influence through electoral politics have not succeeded, as evidenced by Tarigami's win. "The people have rejected the BJP and supported the secular alliance of the National Conference, Congress, and CPM," Tarigami concluded.

Congress celebrates majority in J-K

As counting of votes continues, hearly trends reveal that the Congress has crossed the critical threshold of 46 seats in Jammu and Kashmir, while the BJP has secured a commanding lead in Haryana.

In Haryana, the BJP is currently ahead on 48 seats, surpassing the halfway mark, while the Congress trails with 37 seats. The Indian National Lok Dal (INLD) is showing strength with 2 seats, and other parties have claimed 3.

In Jammu and Kashmir, the Congress-National Conference alliance is leading in 49 seats, while

the BJP and the PDP are ahead in 29 and 3 seats, respectively. The alliance's success positions Omar Abdullah as a likely candidate for chief minister, whereas the BJP has yet to announce its CM nominee. Sources suggest that Nayab Singh Saini may continue as chief minister in the BJP's third term.



The counting process began at 8 AM, starting with postal ballots, followed by EVM votes half an hour later. These early trends are preliminary, and final results may vary significantly as counting progresses.





October 7 Attack Would Never Have Happened If I Was President:Trump

At a campaign event held at his Trump National Doral Golf Club in Florida, Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump emphasized the importance of remembering the October 7, 2023, attacks on Israel by Hamas militants. Speaking to a crowd of a few hundred attendees, Trump described the day as a "nightmare" and called for Americans to "never forget" the tragic events that unfolded.

During his remarks, Trump asserted that the attacks would not have occurred had he been in office, reflecting a recurring theme in his campaign rhetoric. He positioned himself as a strong leader capable of preventing such incidents, appealing to voters' concerns about national security and international relations.

The October 7 attacks resulted in significant loss of life and escalated tensions in the Middle East, prompting international condemnation and a military response from Israel. Trump used the anniversary to draw attention to his foreign policy record, contrasting it with the current administration's approach. He claimed that his presidency fostered a safer environment for both the United States and its allies, arguing that his policies would have deterred such violence.

claims oversimplify the complex geopolitical landscape in the region. Nonetheless, his message resonated with a segment of his audience, reinforcing his narrative as a candidate focused on strong leadership and unwavering support for Israel.

> As the 2024 presidential campaign intensifies, events like the October 7 attacks will likely play a significant role in shaping political discourse. Trump's framing of these events aims to solidify his stance among voters who prioritize national security, potentially influencing their decisions at the ballot box.

> Trump concluded his speech by reiterating the need for vigilance against threats to the U.S. and its allies, positioning himself as the candidate ready to take decisive action in the face of challenges both at home and abroad.

Critics have pointed out that Trump's

Bangladesh's Leader Muhammad Yunus Calls for Reforms Before Elections provide a timeline for upcom-ing elections, emphasizing the of what happened in the past," he

need for reforms before any polls can be held. In an interview with Prothom Alo published on Tuesday, Yunus, who was appointed as "chief advisor" following the student-led uprising that ousted former Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina in August, acknowledged the significant challenge of restoring democratic institutions in the country.

Yunus stated, "None of us are aiming at staying for a prolonged time," as he seeks to navigate the transitional government. He highlighted that while the interim administration is prepared to conduct elections, it would be misguided to do so without first implementing necessary reforms.

Under Hasina's 15-year rule, the country faced severe human rights abuses, including mass detentions and extrajudicial killings of political oppo-



report indicated that over 600 people removal, suggesting that this figure may be an underestimate. Hasina's administration was also criticized for undermining the judiciary and conducting unfair elections, which eroded democratic checks on power.

Yunus described the public administration system he inherited as "completely broken down," calling for a comprehensive overhaul to prevent a return to autocratic rule. "Reforms nents. A preliminary United Nations mean we will not allow a repetition

asserted.

Amid criticism regarding the arrests of numerous politicians and officials loyal to Hasina on murder charges, Yunus maintained that any trials would be free from government interference. "Once the judicial system is reformed, then the issues will come forward, about who will be placed on trial," he explained.

died in the weeks leading up to her He also addressed concerns about press freedom, as at least 25 journalists perceived as supporters of Hasina's government have been arrested for alleged violence against protesters. Reporters Without Borders condemned these arrests as "systematic judicial harassment." However, Yunus expressed his commitment to media freedom, stating, "Write as you please. Criticise. Unless you write, how will we know what is happening or not happening?"

Kamala Harris Reveals Glock Ownership **Amid Election Scrutiny**

Tn a recent interview aired on LCBS's 60 Minutes, Democratic presidential candidate Kamala Harris disclosed that she owns a Glock semi-automatic pistol and confirmed that she has fired it at a shooting range. This revelation follows her earlier statement to Oprah Winfrey, where she expressed her status as a gun owner and asserted that she would shoot anyone who attempted to break into her home.

"I have a Glock, and I've had it for quite some time," Harris stated, highlighting her background in law enforcement as a former prosecutor and California attorney general. When asked by interviewer Bill Whitaker if she had ever fired the Glock, Harris responded with a laugh, "Of course I have. At a shooting range. Yes, of course, I have."



with a notable presence in films and hip-hop culture. Until now, Harris had seldom discussed her gun ownership, aligning with her party's focus on reducing access to firearms in a nation grappling with gun violence and mass shootings.

Glock, the Austrian manufacturer of As the election tightens against Re-

credentials. Trump has repeatedly accused Harris of wanting to confiscate Americans' firearms, suggesting her stance violates the Second Amendment. During their televised debate last month, he reiterated these claims.

Harris vehemently denied Trump's allegations, asserting that both she and her running mate, Tim Walz, are gun owners. "I'm a gun owner," she affirmed to Winfrey, adding with a chuckle, "If someone breaks into my house, they're getting shot."

This gun ownership revelation was one of several significant points in the interview, where Harris adeptly addressed challenging questions on issues such as immigration and the economy. Notably, Trump recently opted out of a planned 60 Minutes interview, breaking a long-standing

Regional Tensions Escalate as Israel Strikes Gaza and Lebanon



▲ barrage of rockets was fired at Isra-**A**el from both Gaza and Lebanon on Tuesday, marking a year since the outbreak of war with Hamas, which began on October 7. The ongoing conflict continues to threaten broader regional instability.

Hezbollah, the Iranian-backed Lebanese militant group, claimed responsibility for targeting an Israeli military intelligence base near Tel Aviv with a series of rocket attacks. Reports indicate that they also struck a military base south of Haifa and launched missiles toward Tiberias, causing sirens to sound across the region, although Israeli authorities reported no casualties.

In retaliation, Israeli warplanes conducted extensive airstrikes in Lebanon, particularly in the Beqaa Valley and Beirut, targeting over 120 sites associated with Hezbollah, including launchers and command centers. The Israeli military also expanded its ground operations in northern Gaza, where they reported casualties among Israeli troops during confrontations with Hamas and Islamic Jihad fighters.

On the ground, the humanitarian crisis in Gaza remains dire, with over 41,000 fatalities reported, the majority of whom are civilians. As Israeli operations intensify, nearly the entire population of Gaza—about 2.3 million people—has been displaced, living in severe conditions in refugee camps.

In Israel, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu emphasized the nation's commitment to continue fighting its enemies. "As long as our hostages are in Gaza, we will continue to fight," he stated, underscoring Israel's resolve amid ongoing conflict.

Despite international calls for a ceasefire, including recent pleas from French Foreign Minister Jean-Noël Barrot, attempts to de-escalate the situation have repeatedly failed. Barrot reiterated France's unwavering commitment to Israel's security while also acknowledging that military force alone cannot ensure lasting peace.

As tensions mount and the humanitarian situation worsens, the prospect of a ceasefire remains uncertain, with both sides entrenched in their positions.

the firearm, is known for producing publican challenger Donald Trump, tradition for presidential candidates one of America's best-selling handguns, popular among police and

the 59-year-old Democrat has be- to participate in the program before gun to emphasize her gun-owning an election.

Musk Suggests He'll Be Thrown In Prison If **Kamala Harris Beats Trump**

Billionaire entrepreneur Elon Musk hinted on Monday that he could face prison time if US Vice President Kamala Harris defeats Donald Trump in the upcoming presidential election. During a two-hour interview with Tucker Carlson, broadcast on X (formerly known as Twitter), Musk expressed his concerns while discussing his support for Trump.

Musk stated, highlighting his fears about the implications of a Harris presidency. He went on to question the potential length of any prison sentence he might face, humorously speculating, "Will I see my children? I don't know." This comment underscores Musk's perception of a political climate in which he feels threatened.

Musk's remarks come in the context of his recent appearance at a rally supporting Trump, where he has aligned himself with right-wing perspectives. His comments reflect a growing senti-



ment among some conservatives who believe that a Democratic administration could pursue legal action against prominent figures in the tech industry and beyond.

While Musk did not elaborate on the specific reasons he believes he would be targeted, his comments tap into broader concerns within the right about perceived political persecution. The billionaire has been known to engage

in controversial discussions and pushback against regulations that he views as detrimental to business and innovation.

Musk's statements have sparked reactions across social media, with supporters and critics alike weighing in on the implications of his comments. As the election approaches, the rhetoric around potential consequences for business leaders and influencers continues to intensify, with Musk positioning himself as a figure of resistance against what he describes as an authoritarian political landscape.

As the political landscape evolves, Musk's comments highlight the intersection of business, technology, and politics, particularly as high-profile figures like him navigate the complexities of public perception and political alignment in a highly polarized environment.

Hezbollah Chief Nasrallah's Successor Likely **KilledSays Israeli Minister**

Inounced on Tuesday that it seems the potential replacement for the late Hezbollah leader Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah has been eliminated. Hashem Safieddine, a senior official within Hezbollah, had been widely regarded as the likely successor to Nasrallah, who has led the group for over two decades.

Gallant's comments suggest a significant

▼sraeli Defense Minister Yoav Gallant an- shift in Hezbollah's leadership dynamics recent months. As the situation develops, and could have implications for the militant group's operations and strategies in the region. The Israeli defense establishment closely monitors Hezbollah's activities, viewing the organization as a major threat.

> The announcement follows a series of military actions and tensions between Israel and Hezbollah, which have escalated in

analysts are watching to see how Hezbollah will respond to the loss of its leader and the potential absence of a clear successor.

The future of the organization may hinge on its ability to navigate this leadership transition amid ongoing conflict and regional instability.





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Indian Markets Stage a Strong Comeback After Six-Session Slump; Nifty and Sensex Soar Amid Heavy Buying

A six-session losing streak has ended. Despite the negative signals from the global markets, the Indian benchmark indices rose. Heavyweights like HDFC Bank, Infosys and Reliance defied gravity. As valuable companies are available at attractive prices, investors have taken up purchases. Nifty 200 and Sensex jumped over 550 points. Almost all the sectoral indices rose. Market breadth in BSE has completely turned in favor of buyers. MURTHY NAIDU PAADAM 3020 stocks rose and 924 stocks fell.

The BSE Sensex, which closed at 81,050 in the tility but manprevious session, opened at 80,826 today. It touched an intraday low of 80,813. It touched an intraday high of 81,763. It eventually closed at 81,634 with a gain of 584 points. The NSE Nifty opened at 24,832, touched a low of 24,756 and a high of 25,044. The total rose by 217 points to close at 25,013. Bank Nifty jumped 542 points to settle at 51,021.

In Nifty50, 36 companies gained while 14 lost. Trent, BEL, Adani Enterprises, Adani Ports, M&M were the top gainers. SBI Life, Tata Steel, Titan, Bajaj Finserv and JSW Steel were the biggest losers. All sectoral indices rose today except metal. Media, bank, finance, pharma, PSU Bank, realty, healthcare, oil and gas indices were upbeat.

Nifty support is at 25050 and resistance is at 25200. Investors can buy shares of Divis Lab, Adani Enterprises, TVS Motor, BSE Ltd and LT in short term.

Bharat Electronics shares ended in gains today, snapping a five-day streak of losses. Olectra Greentech explains on winning the order. 4.39 million shares changed hands in the 4. BSE Ltd : BSE sale. Shares of public sector companies were bullish on the kick given by BJP's Haryana victory. Krishna Defense received an order worth Rs.88.41 crore from the Ministry of Defence. HSBC has rated KEI Industries as Hold. A block trade of 1.01 million shares took place in LIC. Hyundai Motors has announced an IPO price range of Rs.1865-1960. 25000 crore will be collected. Block trade was recorded with 1.07 million shares in Trent. Shares of Paytm rose 11%. LTI launches Mindtree Smart Spaces with ESG suite. Paras Defense will allot 12,93,604 shares to QIPs at a price of Rs.1045. Shares of Zomato rallied as the target price was raised to Rs 330.



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aged to stabilize after a sharp correction. The stock is holding above its 200-day moving average, which suggests potential upside if broader market sentiment improves. Buy with caution near ₹3,100 with a target of ₹3,300-₹3,350. Use a tight stop loss of ₹3,040 to manage risk. While the stock has faced turbulence from global market concerns, its diversified business model and long-term infrastructure investments make it a favorable choice for investors.

3. TVS Motor : TVS Motor has been in an uptrend and is trading near its recent highs. The stock has strong support around ₹2,650 and is showing



₹5,400. Divis is a strong play-

er in the API (Active Pharma-

ceutical Ingredient) market,

and long-term fundamentals

remain intact, supported by

2. Adani Enterprises : Adani

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global demand.

signs of further upside momentum with a bullish pattern. Buy above ₹2,700 with a target of ₹2,850 and a stop loss of ₹2,620.TVS has performed well in the two-wheeler segment, benefiting from strong domestic demand and export growth. With EV expansion plans, the stock holds long-term growth potential.

Ltd is trading near its support levels after a moderate correction. The stock is expected to consolidate ₹4100 around and may bounce

if market sentiment improves. Buy around ₹4150 with a target of ₹4300 and a stop loss at ₹4100. With increasing retail participation in the equity markets, BSE Ltd could see growth in transaction volumes, benefiting from this shift.

Paytm stock rises 16%, marking best single-day gain since February

Shares of Paytm surged by up to 15.76% on Tuesday, marking its largest single-day gain since February 8, 2023. After experiencing three consecutive days of losses, the stock rebounded on October 8, signaling a potential recovery phase following recent profit-taking. In the past week, Paytm's stock has climbed 4.30%, a welcome turnaround after hitting an all-time low of ₹310 earlier this year due to restrictions imposed by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on its Payments Bank.

The reasons behind the stock's rally remain uncertain, but it suggests a recovery from a challenging period. Paytm's share price has been significantly impacted since the RBI's January restrictions, which barred the company from accepting new deposits and processing credit transactions.



Currently, the stock's Relative Strength Index (RSI) stands at 61, indicating it is approaching "overbought" territory, with levels above 70 typically suggesting overvaluation. Despite the recent gains, Paytm's shares are still 66% lower than their IPO price of ₹2,150, which debuted on the stock exchanges in 2021.

Bank Deposit Growth Hits Two-Month High Says RBI



In September, banks in India experienced a notable surge in deposit growth, reaching a more than two-month high. According to data from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), the deposit growth rate stood at 11.34% as

of September 20, 2024, up from 10.96% recorded on September 6. This increase in deposit growth can be attributed to various innovative schemes and competitive efforts by banks to attract liabilities through higher interest rates.

Earlier in the year, banks witnessed even more robust deposit growth, peaking at 12.55% as of June 28, 2024. However, from July 12 to September 6, the growth rate fluctuated between 10.64% and 11.09%, indicating a more volatile period prior to the recent uptick.

In contrast to the deposit growth, credit growth has remained stable at around 13% throughout the same period. This stability suggests that while banks are successfully attracting deposits, they are also managing their lending activities effectively.

Adani Green units plan to raise up to \$1 billion in dollar bonds

Subsidiaries of India's Adani Green Energy are set to raise up to \$1 billion through the issuance of U.S. dollar-denominated bonds, according to two



Shares of Shyam Metalics surged as sales volume surged 90%.

1. Divis Laboratories (Divis Lab) : Divis Lab has shown resilience after a recent pullback.

With the stock approaching a support zone around 5,500, it could see buying interest, especially with the pharma sector showing relative strength. Buy

on dips near the ₹5,500-₹5,450 range with a target of ₹5,650-₹5,700 and a stop loss at



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strong buying sup-

port. Buy near ₹3,500 with a target of ₹3,650-₹3,750. Keep a stop loss at ₹3,470. L&T is poised to benefit from large government infrastructure projects, making it a solid bet in the capital goods and construction space.

SEBI Permits Stockbrokers to Trade Government Securities

The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has announced that stockbrokers will now be permitted to trade in government securities (G-Secs) through the Reserve Bank of India's negotiated dealing system-order matching (NDS-OM). This system, introduced in 2005, facilitates secondary market trading of G-Secs and is maintained by the Clearing Corporation of India (CCIL).

SEBI's proposal, made on October 4, aims to enhance retail participation in G-Sec trading by allowing brokers to offer these services as a Separate Business Unit (SBU). This initiative is designed to create an additional revenue stream for brokers, enabling them to diversify their offerings and attract retail clients who typically utilize their services.



Experts highlight that this move is critical for boosting retail involvement in G-Secs, which are considered a solid alternative to fixed deposits. Shruti Jain, Chief Security Officer at Arihant Capital, noted that the NDS-OM system's adoption is expected to significantly increase retail participation, as brokers can now directly buy and sell G-Secs

without relying on third parties like mutual funds.

Currently, the NDS-OM system is open to banks, primary dealers, insurance companies, and mutual funds. With the new changes, stockbrokers can engage directly in government securities transactions, enhancing market access for retail investors.

merchant bankers involved in the transaction. The bond issuance is expected to feature a maturity period of 20 years and will occur in one or more tranches, with plans to begin as early as this month.

The decision to tap the bond market comes as the companies assess investor sentiment through a series of upcoming roadshows. One of the bankers, who requested anonymity due to the sensitivity of the matter, indicated that the firms are closely monitoring market conditions before making a definitive move.

Adani Green Energy has rapidly expanded its portfolio in renewable energy and is looking to secure additional funding to support its growth initiatives. The funds raised from the bond issuance are likely to be utilized for various projects, including the development of solar and wind energy facilities, which are core to Adani's sustainability strategy.

The bond market has been an attractive option for companies seeking to raise capital, especially amid a growing global focus on green energy investments. Adani Green Energy's planned bond issuance reflects this trend, as more investors are looking to support environmentally sustainable projects.

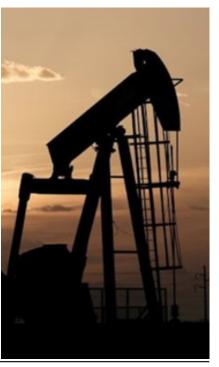
Despite the recent challenges faced by the Adani Group, including scrutiny over its financial practices and market volatility, the company remains committed to its ambitious growth plans in the renewable energy sector. The ability to access international capital markets through bond issuances is crucial for funding its extensive projects and maintaining its position as a leader in renewable energy in India.

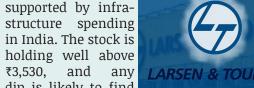
India Confident in Oil Supply Stability Amid West Asia Tensions

Energy experts assert that the global oil market has sufficient supply to meet China's crude oil demands, even in the event of an Israeli attack on Iran's oil infrastructure. China, as the largest oil importer, relies heavily on Iran, purchasing over 90 percent of its oil exports.

Hitesh Jain, an analyst at Yes Securities, explained that the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) possesses enough spare capacity to mitigate any disruptions resulting from such an attack. "If Israel attacks Iran's oil infrastructure, there is enough spare capacity within OPEC. For instance, Saudi Arabia has a production capacity of 12 to 12.5 million barrels per day (bpd) but currently produces about 9 million bpd. OPEC has around 5 million bpd of spare capacity, which can adequately compensate for any adverse situations that may arise from the attack," Jain noted.

As tensions escalate in the Middle East, fears of an attack on Iran's oil facilities have become more pronounced, raising concerns about potential disruptions in the global oil market. Such disruptions could have significant implications for oil prices and supply chains, particularly given the current geopolitical climate.







OFF BEAT

Meta Unveils Movie Gen: An AI Model for Video and **Audio Creation**

Meta, the parent company of Facebook, has announced the launch of a groundbreaking AI model named Movie Gen. This new technology is designed to generate realistic video and audio clips in response to user prompts, positioning itself as a competitor to established media generation tools from companies like OpenAI and Eleven-Labs.

In a blog post detailing the capabilities of Movie Gen, Meta showcased samples of the model's impressive outputs. These included captivating videos of animals swimming and surfing, as well as clips that utilized

real photographs of people to depict them engaged in various activities, such as painting on a canvas. This innovative approach to content creation promises to enhance the ways users interact with digital media.

One of the standout features of Movie Gen is its ability to generate background music and sound effects that are synchronized with the video content. This functionality allows users to create immersive experiences that combine visual and auditory elements seamlessly. Additionally, Movie Gen offers editing capabilities for existing videos, enabling users to enhance their footage with AI-generated enhancements.

are significant, as they open up new possibil-



ities for content creators, marketers, and everyday users looking to produce high-quality video content without the need for extensive technical skills or resources. By leveraging AI, Meta aims to democratize content creation, making it accessible to a wider audience.

As the demand for engaging and dynamic multimedia content continues to grow, Movie Gen could revolutionize the landscape of video production. With its advanced features and user-friendly approach, this AI model has the potential to reshape how individuals and businesses create and share video content, positioning Meta as a key player in the evolving field of AI-driven media generation. As the technology develops, it will be interesting The implications of Movie Gen's capabilities to see how it influences the creative processes across various industries.

Durga Puja Celebrations At New York's Times Square Delight Internet

Tn a groundbreaking celebration, L Durga Puja made its debut in New York's iconic Times Square, bringing a vibrant touch of Indian culture to the bustling urban landscape. Organized by The Bengali Club USA, this two-day event attracted a large crowd of Indian-Americans, all donning traditional attire to cele-



WordPress Engine could impact the future of the internet

An escalating conflict be-tween WordPress and WP Engine could jeopardize the stability of over 40 percent of websites on the internet. This dispute has captured significant attention, particularly as it involves Matt Mullenweg, the founder of WordPress and CEO of its parent company, Automattic.

The legal battle centers around WP Engine, a platform that offers specialized hosting services tailored for

WordPress sites. As one of the leading solutions for WordPress hosting, WP Engine plays a crucial role in the ecosystem of the platform, serving millions of users and businesses that rely on WordPress for their online presence.

Mullenweg has taken a strong stance in this dispute, indicating that the outcomes of this legal confrontation could have far-reaching implications for website stability across the web. Given that WordPress powers a substantial portion of the internet, any disruptions could impact countless businesses, bloggers, and organizations that depend on the platform for their operations.

As the feud unfolds, it raises questions about the future of hosting services for WordPress and the potential ripple effects on the broader online landscape. Both parties are expected to present



their cases vigorously, and the outcome could reshape the dynamics of how WordPress hosting is approached moving forward.

The stakes are high not just for the companies involved but also for the vast community of users who rely on WordPress as their content management system. If the conflict escalates further, it could lead to increased uncertainty for website owners and developers, prompting them to reconsider their hosting choices and strategies.

As this situation develops, stakeholders in the WordPress community are closely monitoring the implications for their websites and businesses. The resolution of this feud could either reinforce the stability of the WordPress ecosystem or introduce new challenges for those who rely on the platform.

Flipkart Big Shopping Utsav Sale 2024 to Start on October 9

The highly anticipated Flipkart Big Shopping Utsav 2024 is set to kick off soon in India, with an official microsite confirming the sale dates. From October 9 to October 13, shoppers can look forward to an extensive selection of products, including personal gadgets, home entertainment items, and large appliances, all available at attractive discounts.

This year's sale promises not just reduced prices but also additional benefits such as exchange offers and coupon discounts that will further lower effective prices. Customers using select bank cards will enjoy even more perks, making it a prime opportunity for savvy shoppers.



brate the festival.

The festivities began with the traditional Nabami Puja and recitations of Durga Stotras, marking the beautifully adorned Durga Puja pandal was set up at the center of Times Square, captivating the attention of passersby and onlookers alike. Numerous videos shared on social media showcased the grandeur of the pandal, highlighting the intricate decorations and the enthusiastic crowd.

Adding to the celebratory atmosphere, the The success of the inaugural Durga Puja at event featured live band performances that resonated through the square, inviting people to join in the festivities. The energy was palpable as attendees engaged in cultural rituals, creating a sense of community and connection to their roots.

This historic event not only celebrated the rich U.S.

ninth day of the Durga Puja celebrations. A traditions of Durga Puja but also highlighted the growing influence of Indian culture in the United States. As more Indian-Americans come together to honor their heritage, such celebrations in prominent locations like Times Square symbolize a broader acceptance and appreciation of diversity in American society.

> Times Square sets the stage for future celebrations, allowing more people to experience the festival's significance and joy. The vibrant colors, music, and cultural expressions brought a unique charm to one of the world's most famous landmarks, marking a memorable milestone for the Indian diaspora in the

Specifically, users of Axis Bank, BOB-CARD, RBL Bank, and Yes Bank can benefit from an instant 10 percent discount on their purchases. Additionally, Flipkart Axis Bank Credit Card holders will receive 5 percent cashback on eligible transactions, enhancing the overall savings during the event.

For those considering flexible payment options, the sale will feature no-cost EMI choices, allowing customers to spread

their payments without incurring extra charges. This benefit extends to various payment methods, including the Flipkart Pay Later option, which provides credit of up to ₹1 lakh.

The excitement surrounding the Flipkart Big Shopping Utsav is palpable, as it offers an excellent chance for consumers to snag high-quality items at lower prices. Whether upgrading tech

gadgets, enhancing home entertainment setups, or purchasing essential appliances, this sale caters to diverse shopping needs.

Mark your calendars and get ready to take advantage of this incredible shopping event starting October 9. With exclusive deals and substantial savings available, the Flipkart Big Shopping Utsav 2024 is not to be missed!

Uber Launches Pet-Friendly Rides in Bengaluru

India, where many auto-rickshaws and cabs refuse service upon seeing a furry companion. To address this issue, Uber has launched Uber Pet, a pioneering pet-friendly ride-hailing service in Bengaluru that aims to make traveling with pets more convenient. The service is expected to expand to other cities in the near future.

Uber Pet is designed specifically for pet owners who want to travel with their furry friends, whether it's a trip to the vet or a visit to a favorite café. Riders can pre-book their rides, making it easy to plan outings without the stress of finding pet-friendly transportation at the last minute. Bookings can be made anywhere from 60 minutes to 90 days in advance, providing flexibility for pet owners.

This initiative reflects a growing recognition of the importance of including pets in travel plans. Uber Pet ensures that both the driver and the

Traveling with pets can often be a hassle in rider are prepared for the journey, enhancing the overall experience for everyone involved. By explicitly allowing pets, Uber is fostering a more inclusive environment for animal lovers, making it easier to enjoy outings without leaving their pets behind.

> The response from the public has been overwhelmingly positive, with many pet owners expressing relief at finally having a reliable transportation option. This service not only caters to pet owners but also raises awareness about the needs of animals in urban transportation.

> As Uber Pet gains traction in Bengaluru, it sets a precedent for other ride-hailing services to follow suit, potentially transforming how pets are accommodated in the travel landscape. By prioritizing the needs of pet owners, Uber is making strides towards a more pet-friendly culture in India, helping to ensure that no furry friend is left behind on life's adventures.







Mahmudullah Announces Retirement from T20 Internationals



Veteran Bangladesh all-rounder Mah-mudullah has officially announced his retirement from T20 International cricket, with the upcoming third match against India marking his final appearance in the format. The decision comes as Mahmudullah aims to shift his focus toward One Day Internationals (ODIs).

In a press conference prior to the second T20I in New Delhi, Mahmudullah explained that his retirement was a "pre-decided" choice, reached after discussions with both the Bangladesh Cricket Board and his family. "It's the right time for me to move on," he stated, emphasizing his intention to

concentrate on the upcoming ODI matches.

Reflecting on his career, Mahmudullah expressed nostalgia about the last T20I clash between Bangladesh and India in the national capital, which took place on November 3, 2019. In that memorable match, he played a crucial role, hitting a towering six to secure a 7-wicket victory for his team. "That game was special; it was a great start for us," he recalled, highlighting how stepping onto the field brought back memories of that triumph.

Over his career, Mahmudullah has shown remarkable adaptability, taking on various roles to contribute to Bangladesh's successes. At 38 years old, he has no regrets about his fluctuating positions in the batting order. "I never regretted playing for Bangladesh at any number; the team always came first," he remarked, underlining his commitment to the national side.

Despite recent struggles, including a series sweep in Test matches and a loss to a young Indian team in Gwalior, Mahmudullah is optimistic about the future. He urges his teammates to embrace a more fearless approach in the remaining T20I matches.

Throughout his T20I career, Mahmudullah has made significant contributions, amassing 2,395 runs at a strike rate of 117.74 over 139 appearances, along with claiming 40 wickets. As he bids farewell to T20 cricket, his legacy in the format remains impactful.

Ayhika Mukherjee Upsets World No.8 Shin Yubin at Asian Championships

ing a remarkable victory over World No. 8 on an international platform. Shin Yubin of South Korea during the team quarterfinals of the Asian Championships in Astana, Kazakhstan, on Tuesday.

In a thrilling match that kept spectators on the edge of their seats, Ayhika displayed her giant-killing prowess, overcoming Shin's relentless efforts to make a comeback. The match unfolded with intense exchanges as both players fought for supremacy. Ayhika initially took the lead with an 11-9 win in the first game, demonstrating her strategic play and strong focus.

India's Ayhika Mukherjee, a doubles medal-list at the Asian Games, showcased her for-with an 11-7 score. This win not only high-lighted Ayhika's skill but also marked a sigmidable skills once again in singles, achiev- nificant achievement for Indian table tennis

> Ayhika's victory over such a high-ranking opponent is a testament to her hard work



SAHARA Sachin Tendulkar To Lead India In **International Masters League**

globally, featuring legendary players from cricketing powerhouses including India, Sri Lanka, Australia, England, South Africa, and the West Indies. Set to take place from November 17 to December 8, the tournament promises thrilling T20 action, kicking off with a historic match between India and Sri Lanka at the DY Patil Stadium in Navi Mumbai.

The inaugural match will see cricket icons Sachin Tendulkar and Kumar Sangakkara face off, reminiscent of their legendary battles on the field. Following this, Australia, led by Shane Watson, will compete against South Africa, captained by Jacques Kallis. The excitement continues as Sri Lanka goes head-to-head with Eoin Morgan's England, and the West Indies, under Brian Lara, will challenge Australia in what is expected to be a thrilling encoun- With 18 matches planned, the IML promises to ter.

The highly anticipated International Masters $T_{\text{League (IML)}}$ is poised to captivate cricket fans $T_{\text{League (IML)}}$ es, including the semi-finals and the final on December 8, where the first-ever IML champion will be crowned.

> The IML will feature an impressive lineup of iconic players as captains: Sachin Tendulkar for India, Brian Lara for the West Indies, Kumar Sangakkara for Sri Lanka, Shane Watson for Australia, Eoin Morgan for England, and Jacques Kallis for South Africa.

> League Ambassador Sachin Tendulkar expressed his excitement, stating, "It's an opportunity to inspire the next generation while celebrating the sport we all love." Brian Lara echoed this sentiment, highlighting the thrill of playing with such talented players.

However, Shin Yubin, known for her resilience, bounced back in the second game, leveling the score with an 11-7 win. Undeterred, Ayhika regrouped and showcased her determination, edging out Shin in a tightly contested third game, 12-10. Yet, Shin was quick to retaliate, claiming the fourth game 11-7 and setting the stage for a nail-biting finale.

In the decisive fifth game, Ayhika unleashed her best performance, securing the victory

and dedication. It reinforces her status as a rising star in the sport and raises expectations for her future performances. As the Asian Championships progress, fans are eager to see how she continues to build on this impressive win.

With this significant victory, Ayhika Mukherjee has reaffirmed her place among the elite players in table tennis, setting the stage for more exciting matches ahead in the championship.

Andres Iniesta Bids Farewell to Football at 40

Tt has become a cherished part of Barcelo- ary chapter in football. Ina folklore that when Andres Iniesta first stepped into La Masia, the club's famed youth academy, a local resident remarked, "He doesn't look like a footballer." The scrawny

midfielder not only lacked the physical presence often associated with footballers but also appeared as an awkward teenager who struggled to assert himself. Fast forward nearly three decades, and at the age of 40, Iniesta has officially hung up his boots, concluding a career adorned with remarkable achievements.

His retirement announcement took many by surprise, particularly on social media, where fans expressed disbelief that he was still playing

at such an age. For many, Iniesta's career was thought to have ended in 2018 during an emotional farewell at the Nou Camp. That poignant night, where he sat barefoot in the empty stadium, encapsulated the finality of his departure. It was an iconic image that seemed to mark the perfect end to a legend-

Despite his seemingly inconspicuous beginnings, Iniesta blossomed into one of the sport's most celebrated midfielders. His vi-

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> end serves as a reminder that talent often defies initial appearances. While fans may have thought they witnessed his farewell years ago, Iniesta's decision to retire at 40 solidifies his extraordinary career and contributions to the beautiful game, ensuring his name will forever be etched in football history.

sion, technique, and ability to perform under pressure set him apart as a key player for both Barcelona and the Spanish national team. Throughout his career, he secured numerous titles, including multiple UEFA Champions League trophies and World

As Iniesta embarks on this new chapter away from the pitch, he leaves behind a legacy that inspires aspiring footballers around the globe. His journey from an awkward teenager to a footballing leg-

Cup glory with Spain.

The tournament will then move to Lucknow's Bharat Ratna Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Ekana Cricket Stadium on November 21, where India will face South Africa. Lucknow will host six matches before the action shifts to Raipur for another eight match-

blend nostalgia with high-energy cricket, ensuring a memorable experience for fans and players alike. League Commissioner Sunil Gavaskar emphasized that this is a chance for cricketing legends to showcase their enduring talent, making the IML a mustwatch event.

India to Host First World Pickleball Championship Series in Mumbai

Tn a historic milestone for Indian sports, the All India Pickleball Association (AIPA) will host the World Pickleball Championship (WPC) Series in India for the very first time. Scheduled to take place in Mumbai from November 12th to 17th, WPC 2024 will feature top pickleball talent from around the globe, following successful events in Vietnam and Bali, where Indian teams won multiple medals.

The championship, powered by the World Pickleball League (WPBL), is expected to attract around 650 players from 6 to 7 countries, including Australia, Vietnam, Taiwan, Poland, and Singapore. This significant sporting event will draw attention from pickleball enthusiasts worldwide, as inter-

national teams compete across various categories.

Arvind Prabhoo, President of AIPA, expressed pride in bringing the WPC Series to India, emphasizing its importance for promoting the sport. "This is not only a great opportunity for the Pickleball community to witness global talent on an Indian stage, but also a chance to promote the growth of the sport at all levels," he stated. Prabhoo hopes that hosting such an international event will inspire people of all ages to engage with pickleball, both competitively and recreationally.

Jan Papi, Founder of Pickleball Global and the WPC Series, also shared his excitement. "India has incredible potential for the sport at all levels, and we're eager to collaborate with AIPA to elevate the



profile of pickleball both in India and internationally." He looks forward to experiencing the vibrant energy that India will bring to this global championship.

Pickleball, which combines elements of tennis, badminton, and table tennis, is one of the fastest-growing sports worldwide. The WPC Series is poised to be a turning point for the sport's development in India and beyond.

As the governing body of pickleball in India, AIPA is dedicated to popularizing the sport and fostering grassroots development. Under Prabhoo's leadership, AIPA has initiated programs to identify and train talented players, ensuring the sport's growth and recognition at national levels.







Allu Arjun and Sukumar's highly anticipated action drama, *Pushpa: The Rule*, is generating immense excitement as its theatrical trailer is set to drop in the second week of November. With the film scheduled for release on December 6, this early trailer launch aims to build significant buzz, particularly within the film. Hindi-speaking audience.

The first installment, *Pushpa: The Rise*, created a monumental impact upon its release, and expectations are high for this sequel. Reports from the film's set indicate that director Sukumar is dedicated to crafting a trailer that will leave a lasting impression nationwide. Sukumar is elevating the stakes for *Pushpa: The Rule^{*}, promising a world that is ten times larger and more ambitious than its predecessor.

Returning to the screen are Fahadh Faasil and Rashmika Mandanna in pivotal roles, further intensifying the film's appeal. Produced by Mythri Movie Makers and Sukumar

Writings, *Pushpa: The Rule* will be released across various Indian languages. Leading distribution houses have come on board, including AA Films for Hindi, E4 Entertainment for Malayalam, N Cinemas for Kannada, and AGS Entertainment for Tamil, ensuring a wide reach for the

The soundtrack, composed by Devi Sri Prasad, is another highlight that fans are eagerly awaiting. With the combination of high-octane action, compelling storytelling, and a stellar cast, *Pushpa: The Rule* is positioned to be one of the biggest blockbusters of the year.

As the trailer release date approaches, anticipation is mounting, with fans excited to see how the film expands upon the gripping narrative established in the first installment. With its grand scale and ambitious vision, *Pushpa: The Rule* is poised to captivate audiences and solidify its place in Indian cinema.

Sivakarthikeyan and Sai Pallavi Amaran's first single 'Hey Rangule' Released

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AMARAN

The highly anticipated biopic *Amaran* is set to showcase popular Kollywood hero Sivakarthikeyan alongside star heroine Sai Pallavi. The film will be released in Telugu under the same title, with Tollywood actor Nithiin's father, Sudhakar Reddy, and sister, Nikhitha Reddy, presenting it through their Sreshth Movies banner.

In an exciting development, Nithiin unveiled the first single from the film, titled "Hey Rangule." Composed by GV Prakash Kumar, the song features the voices of young playback singers Anurag Kulkarni and Ramya Behara, and the lyrics are penned by Ramajogayya Sastry. The me-

lodious track effectively captures the chemistry between the lead pair, providing a delightful glimpse into their romantic relationship.

Amaran tells the story of Major Mukund Varadarajan, portrayed by Sivakarthikeyan, with Sai Pallavi playing the role of his wife, Indhu Rebecca Varghese. Directed by Rajkumar Periyasamy, the film is produced by a talented team that includes Kamal Hassan, R Mahendran, and Sony Pictures International Productions in collaboration with God Bless Entertainment.

is slated for October 31, coinciding with the Diwali festival. The film's intriguing premise, combined with the star-studded cast and a powerful musical score, promises to captivate audiences and make *Amaran* one of the ma-

jor releases of the festive season.

As the release date approaches, excitement continues to build around *Amaran*, with fans looking forward to the on-screen magic created by Sivakarthikeyan and Sai Pallavi. The film not only aims to entertain but also highlights a significant story that resonates with audiences, making it a must-watch this Diwali.

Fans eagerly await the film's theatrical release, which

Game Changer's teaser release postponed



ran's highly anticipated film *Game Changer*, par- quelling some of the conticularly following the re- cerns regarding its timecent success of the second line. Nonetheless, this latest single, "Raa Macha Macha," composed by Thaman. The feeling disappointed, espesong has garnered millions cially those who were eaof views on YouTube, further elevating the film's profile. Thaman recently announced that the film's teaser was expected to be released for Dusshera, much to the anticipation of fans.

However, in a surprising turn of events, Thaman hinted at a delay in the teaser's release via his X acthat the team is diligently Sankranthi. working on the CGI and dubbing to ensure a polished fi- Kiara Advani stars alongteaser for now.

Excitement continues to on October 30. He confirmed build around Ram Cha- that the film is still on track for a December release, update has left many fans gerly awaiting the teaser's arrival.

Fans have expressed mixed feelings about the decision to prioritize song releases over the teaser, leading to speculation about the film's release date. There are growing discussions on social media about whether *Game Changer*, directed by count. He urged fans not to Shankar, will hit theaters be disheartened, explaining this year or be pushed to

Tamannaah Bhatia Wraps Final Shoot Of Odela 2

Tamannaah Bhatia has arrived in fight sequences as well, showcasing her versatility as an actress. shooting for *Odela 2*, marking her first experience filming in this pic- Directed by Ashok Teja, *Odela 2* is turesque location. The production is produced by Madhu Creations and currently taking place at the Odela Sampath Nandi Teamworks. The

Mallanna temple and other scenic spots, adding to the film's visual appeal.

Joining Tamannaah in this concluding schedule are notable cast members, including Murali Sharma, Hebah Patel, and Yuva. In *Odela 2*, Tamannaah portrays the character of Shiva Shakti, a role that has required a significant transformation and specialized training on her part.

In a working still released from the set, Tamannaah appears relaxed and serene, reflecting a softer side of her character. However, audiences can expect to see her take on challenging

film features cinematography by Soundar Rajan S and a score by composer Ajaneesh Loknath, promising a compelling auditory and visual experience.

As the shooting wraps up, fans eagerly await what Tamannaah and the team will bring to the screen. The blend of serene locations, intense character development, and action sequences is an-

ticipated to make *Odela 2* a captivating cinematic experience. With Tamannaah's dedication and transformation for the role, expectations are high for the film's release.

assured fans that the third single is set to be unveiled

nal product. He noted that side Ram Charan in the promotional activities were film, and as the release date impacting post-production approaches, all eyes will be efforts, which has led to the on how the production team decision to hold back the balances the final touches with promotional efforts. As anticipation mounts, fans Despite the postponement will have to wait and see of the teaser, Thaman re- how *Game Changer* unfolds in the coming weeks.

Mithun Chakraborty Receives Dadasaheb Phalke Award

Veteran actor Mithun Chakraborty say? I'm still reeling from has been honored with the prestigious Dadasaheb Phalke Award, India's highest film distinction. President Droupadi Murmu presented the accolade during the 70th National Film Awards ceremony held at Vigyan Bhawan in New Delhi.

At 74, Mithun expressed his heart-

the news," he shared. "I can only say thank you for awarding me with such a huge honor. I thank God for it. This award is a testament to God's benev-

olence, compensating for the trials and tribulations I've faced in my life."

felt gratitude upon receiving this es- Mithun's career has been marked by teemed recognition. "What should I numerous iconic roles, making him



a beloved figure in Indian cinema. This award not only acknowledges his contributions to the film industry but also celebrates his resilience and dedication over the years.

Rajinikanth on Anirudh Ravichander being 'on top of the music throne'

ertain collaborations in cinema stand out for their unique chemistry and magic, creating a lasting impact on audiences. The partnership of AR Rahman and Mani Ratnam, for instance, has produced unforgettable musical experiences that elevate their films to new heights. Similarly, Vetrimaaran and Dhanush have crafted iconic narratives that resonate deeply with viewers, show-

casing their exceptional storytelling abilities.

In this context, composer Anirudh Ravichander has emerged as one of the most sought-after music directors in Indian cinema within



His impressive portfolio includes collaborations with megastars like Kamal Haasan, Vijay, Ajith Kumar, Shah Rukh Khan, and Jr NTR. However, it is his unique bond with his uncle, the legendary Superstar Rajinikanth, that truly stands out.

Anirudh's journey as a composer began with his breakout score for Rajinikanth's film "Kochadaii-

yaan," which marked a significant milestone in his career. This collaboration not only established Anirudh's reputation but also showcased the seamless synergy between the two. Their connection is rooted in family, yet it transcends mere familial ties; it embodies a

a remarkably short span of time. shared artistic vision that enriches their projects.

The musical compositions crafted by Anirudh for Rajinikanth's films resonate with fans on multiple levels. His ability to blend contemporary sounds with traditional elements has reinvigorated the musical landscape of Tamil cinema. Each track becomes an anthem, often celebrated long after the film's release, further solidifying their bond.

Anirudh's understanding of Rajinikanth's persona allows him to create music that complements the superstar's charisma and on-screen presence. Together, they have crafted memorable soundtracks that have left an indelible mark on audiences, making their collaboration a celebration of both artistry and family legacy. As they continue to work together, fans eagerly anticipate the magic that unfolds each time these two talented individuals join forces.