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## **JAGAN INDIRECTLY ADMITS** INVOLVEMENT IN JATWANI'S CASE

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: Surprisingly, former Chief Minister Y.S. Jaganmohan Reddy made an allegation against the alliance government, accusing them of harassing Mr. Sajjan Jindal and attempting to block his steel sector investment. He claimed, "They are trying to stop Jindal's steel plant in Kadapa by imposing false cases, including the one involving Jatwani," during a press conference held on Thursday in Tadepalli.

Earlier, we at POINT explored the brutal actions of IPS officers towards Jatwani Kadambari, an actress. It was revealed that these actions were carried out at the request of Sajjan Jindal to Mr. Jaganmohan Reddy. Jatwani had filed a complaint against Jindal for sexual assault, which led to a rape case being registered against him under the orders of the High Court of Mumbai. At the time,

Jindal was seeking to establish a steel plant to the case. As a result, they successfully in Kadapa, which is when he allegedly reached out to Mr. Jaganmohan Reddy. A pro-Jindal Mumbai police team, aware of However, after Jatwani's public statements, the dispute between Kukkala Vidyasagar an inquiry was initiated, and the IPS offiand Jatwani, contacted Jagan, who then cers were questioned. Surprisingly, they planned the course of action.

Vishal Gunni were tasked with executing this plan, which included brutally harassing Jatwani and keeping her in Vijayawada







Jaganmohan Reddy is for Sajjan Jindal In his opinion, Jatwani filed false cases on Jindal It means, the episode done in Vijayawada in his direction only In other words, he endorsed the acts of IPS officials IPS Officials went to Jindal's place and got assurances in the recent Jindal paying them Rs.5 lakhs monthly, until the case clears He assured them that he will do legal fight even in Supreme Court If not done, he offered them to come to Europe and work for him

> during the Mumbai court hearings related had the case dismissed.

have yet to be arrested. Meanwhile, they were reportedly invited to Mumbai by Jin-IPS officers Seetaramanjaneyulu, Rana, and dal, who promised them Rs. 5 lakh monthly payments until their careers were settled. Additionally, Jindal promised to support the case through the Supreme Court and, in the

event of a negative outcome, offered them jobs in Europe within his steel industry.

Initially, it was believed that Jindal and the IPS officers were motivated solely by financial gain. There was no clarity on whether Mr. Jagan was involved. However, by defending Jindal as innocent and accusing Jatwani of making false allegations, Jagan has indirectly revealed whose side he is on. Now, many believe that the entire scheme was carried out under Jagan's direction, al-

#### **CM Chandrababu Inaugurates** First GIS Electricity Sub-**Center in Amaravati**

TPN, Amaravati: Chief N. Chan-Minister Naidu on drababu thursday inaugurated the first GIS (Gas Insulated Substation) electricity sub-center in the state, marking a significant milestone in enhancing the power infrastructure for the state capital, Amaravati. The 400/220 KV



GIS substation, located in Thallayapalem, was built at a cost of ₹505 crores and is expected to play a crucial role in ensuring uninterrupted power supply to the capital city.

through the Tadikonda center. With the new GIS substation, the power supply will be more reliable and robust, catering to the growing energy demands of the rapidly developing region.

Until now, electricity supply to Amaravati had been routed

In addition to the inauguration, CM Chandrababu Naidu also laid the foundation for several other power projects aimed at improving the state's electricity infrastructure. The projects include:

The Upper Seeleru Power Scheme in Alluri District, with an investment of ₹1,753 crores.

₹1,042 crores allocated for line changes under the Capital Region Development Authority (CRDA).

₹824 crores designated for underground cabling works in various regions to enhance reliability.

The Chief Minister also highlighted that a total of ₹6,000 crores worth of projects have been initiated in the state's power department to further strengthen the electricity supply network.

This series of initiatives reflects the government's commitment to improving the power infrastructure in Andhra Pradesh, which will support the state's economic growth and ensure a steady power supply for industries and households alike.

### DCM Pawan Kalyan Accuses **YCP of Cheating Volunteers**

Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan, during a meeting of the Sarpanch Sanghas, accused the YSR Congress Party (YCP) of deceiving volunteers and failing to honor their promises. He revealed that there was a technical issue preventing the



included a Rs. 10,000 monthly payment, if the alliance came to power.

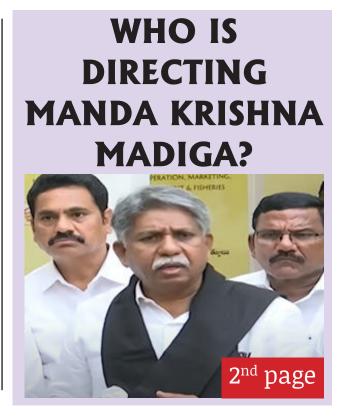
Kalyan pointed out that despite the YCP's assurances during the elections, volunteers were not included in the bio given by the previous government, and no mention of them was made in the system. "There are no volunteer jobs listed in the system. This is a technical problem," he said, emphasizing

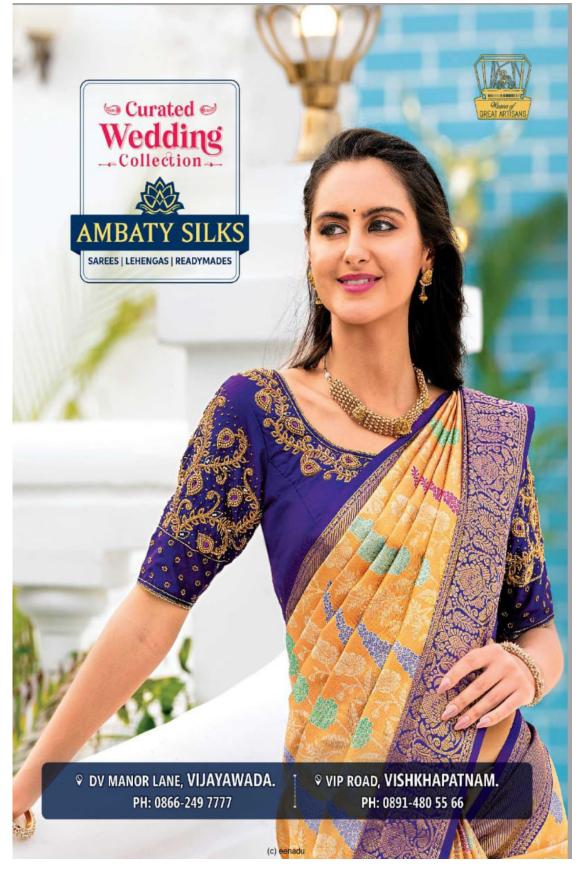
fulfillment of promises made to volunteers, which that the situation had become impossible for volunteers after the YCP's defeat in the last elections.

> He explained that the volunteer and secretariat systems were designed as parallel structures to panchayats, with the intention of improving local governance. However, he claimed that the YCP had no plans to increase salaries for volunteers and had effectively misled them.

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## **ANDHRA PRADESH**

#### **Minister Nara Lokesh Announced Fee Reimbursement Update for Students**

TPN, **Pradesh:** In response to concerns raised by students across Andhra Pradesh regarding fee reimbursement, Minister Nara Lokesh announced a major update aimed at addressing their needs. Effective from the academic year 2024-25, the previous system of direct transfers of fee reimbursement to college accounts will be reinstated.

This move is expected to streamline the concerns swiftly and providing robust reimbursement process and provide immediate relief to students and institutions.

Lokesh also pledged to clear outstanding dues amounting to ₹3,500 crore dent welfare.

in a phased manner, thereby alleviating the financial strain on educational institutions and ensuring continuity in student services. The government plans to work closely with colleges to resolve issues faced by students, including the prompt issuance of certificates and other necessary documents.

The minister reiterated his commitment to addressing student

support to help them succeed in their educational pursuits. This decision is seen as a crucial step toward improving the educational environment in Andhra Pradesh and supporting stu-

### **Home Minister Anitha Criticized YS** Jagan, Expressed Outrage

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: Home Minister Anitha issued a scathing response to recent social media posts targeting the Telugu Desam Party (TDP) leaders, describing the offensive content as a deliberate attempt to tarnish reputations. She criticized YCP Chief YS Jagan, expressing outrage at derogatory remarks allegedly made by him, stating, "Words that should not be heard are coming from his mouth." Anitha emphasized that the alliance government she represents is dedicated to democratic governance and priori-

Addressing the impact of social media posts, Minister Anitha highlighted that some individuals are using online platforms to personally attack and defame, asserting, "We

tizing public welfare.

will take strict action against those misusing social media to violate the dignity of others." She underscored her own resolve, saying, "I am stubborn and will not be moved by these posts. Tough decisions should not be taken at moments of weakness; otherwise, some might resort to suicide due to the mental strain."

The minister warned against individuals using social media "as a weapon," likening their behavior to that of terrorists, and vowed not to let such acts go unpunished. "We will stand by the law and ensure justice is served," she declared.

Anitha also took aim at YS Jagan's remarks, accusing him of making disrespectful statements about her family members and cautioning against

politicizing sensitive issues related to children. She concluded by highlighting the alliance government's progress in reducing the state's crime rate by 28 percent, reaffirming their commitment to public safety and democratic values.

#### Minister Ramanarayana Reddy Announces Filling of 500 Vacant Posts in Debt and Charity Department Will Be Soon



TPN, Andhra Pradesh: In a review meeting held with the officials of the state's tax department, Revenue Minister Anam Ramanarayana Reddy outlined several key initiatives to enhance the functioning of the Debt and Charity Department and improve temple administration across Andhra Pradesh.

The Minister announced that 500 vacant posts in various cadres, including officers and priests, will be filled soon, addressing long-standing staffing shortages in the department. He stressed the importance of creating a clean and spiritually vibrant atmosphere in all temples, emphasizing that each temple's history and sanctity should be preserved. He also called for organizing Chaturveda sabhas during the month of Kartika in designat-

ed areas to promote Vedic learning and inspiration.

To support temple staff, the Minister highlighted the decision to set a minimum salary of ₹15,000 for priests in temples with an income exceeding ₹50,000. He further revealed that an ordinance regarding the appointment of two additional members to temple trust boards will be issued shortly, with clear guidelines for the process.

In an effort to ensure the quality of temple offerings, a centralized system will be implemented for selecting materials used in the preparation of prasadam and anna prasad. The Minister also introduced a 5% subsidy for those rearing indigenous cows, aimed at improving the

quality of cow ghee used in temples.

Anita shared that the department has made significant strides over the past few months, breaking previous misconceptions about the department's small scope. She announced plans to enhance temple tourism in coordination with the tourism department, recognizing the unique cultural heritage of the state's temples. Additionally, a comprehensive report will be prepared to address the issue of encroachments on temple properties and resolve conflicts over land rights.

The review meeting was attended by senior officials, including Revenue Commissioner S. Satyanarayana and Additional Commissioners Chandrakumar and Ramachandramohan.

#### **Minister Nadendla Manohar Stops** for Tea During Rice Mill Inspection, **Connects with Citizens**



TPN, Andhra Pradesh: Andhra Pradesh State Minister for Food, Civil Supplies, and Consumer Affairs, Nadendla Manohar, demonstrated his down-toearth approach during a surprise inspection tour in Guntur district. On his way to inspect rice mills in Cherla village of Medikonda mandal, the minister stopped by a roadside tea stall in Sattenapally, sipping tea and engaging with local citizens to learn about the prices of essential commodities.

Nadendla Manohar's surprise inspections covered three rice mills in the district, accompanied by civil supply officers and the Joint Collector. At Cherla Shri light for a thorough check. His Lakshmi Ganapati Rice Mill, he discovered a ration supply vehicle (van AP37TQ 7793) concealed within the premises. Promptly, the minister directed civil sup-

ply officials to seize the vehicle.

In another incident, mill managers at Venkateswara Rice Mill attempted to destroy evidence by burning back tags of CMR (Custom Milled Rice) bags upon learning of the minister's visit. Expressing his anger, Manohar ordered the arrest of the rice mill staff involved, instructed the police to conduct a panchanama, and directed officials to file a case.

During his inspection at Vighneswara Rice Mill, Manohar meticulously examined the rice stocks, records, and weighing of 26 kg sacks, even using torchvisit emphasized the government's commitment to ensuring transparency and curbing irregularities in the supply chain.

#### WHO IS DIRECTING **MANDA KRISHNA MADIGA?**

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: Mr. Krishna Madiga has become involved in the controversy surrounding Pawan Kalyan's anger over the Police Department's failure. Pawan Kalyan criticized the failure of Anitha, the Minister for Home Affairs, indirectly stating that if he were to become Home Minister, the situation would be different. These remarks sparked widespread discussion in the

state, leading even the Andhra Pradesh Cabinet to discuss the issue and take bold decisions influenced by Pawan Kalyan's statements.

Meanwhile, Mr. Krishna Madiga made derogatory remarks about Pawan Kalyan, alleging that he had humiliated Minister Anitha due to her social status. He also questioned why Pawan Kalyan had not appointed a single person from the Scheduled Castes to a ministry, accusing him of being a leader only for the Kapu community.

Despite these statements, Pawan Kalyan has not yet responded, and circles within Janasena have The people of Andhra Pradesh, largely ignored the remarks. However, it did not go unnoticed that Mr. Krishna Madiga made these comments shortly after However, many are struggling to meeting with Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu. Many are now speculating that it was not Naidu, but a few



key TDP leaders who influenced Krishna Madiga to make these statements.

This move comes at a time when internal conflicts are brewing between TDP and Janasena, and Pawan Kalyan's remarks have caused some tension within the alliance. It appears that a group within TDP may be trying to damage Pawan Kalyan's image by using Krishna Madiga. Known for changing his allegiances to suit his own strategy, Krishna Madiga has now sided against Pawan Kalyan, despite previously supporting and congratulating him for achieving SC classification.

who have observed Krishna Madiga's political shifts over time, have taken this episode lightly. understand the tactics being used by certain TDP elements to undermine Janasena and target Pawan

#### YS Jagan Accuses AP **Govt of Undermining** Democracy and **Ignoring Promises**

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: (YSCP) Chief, YS Jagan, has strongly criticized the Andhra Pradesh government, accusing it of undermining democracy and violating legal procedures in arrests. Speaking out against the government's actions, Jagan alleged that arrests were being made without following due process, with even family members of the accused being taken to police stations. He claimed that there was undue pressure on the Director General of Police (DGP), and described the situation as one of growing anarchy in the state.

Jagan went on to accuse the government of trying to silence opposing voices by filing cases against those who question its actions, thereby "murdering democracy." He warned that dark days were ahead for the state if such practices continued, asserting that the ruling government was trying to eliminate those who raised their con-

Congress Party In his remarks, Jagan expressed frustration with the government's failure to implement its promises, particularly in the education and medical sectors. He claimed that reforms in education had been undermined, and that the medical sector was being entirely neglected. The state's law and order situation, according to Jagan, had also worsened, citing the alarming statistic that 91 women had been raped in just five months.

> Jagan further criticized the state's ruling party for spreading false propaganda about Saraswati lands, asserting that there was no illegality involved. He emphasized that an inquiry had been conducted and the truth had been revealed. Confident in his position, Jagan expressed optimism about the early fall of the current government, suggesting that "Jami-li" (simultaneous elections) could bring a change, and that his leadership would soon be at the helm of the state.

#### **Seven Senior Police Officers in AP Promoted from "SP to IPS" Rank** TPN, Andhra Pradesh: Seven senior police officers from Andhra 🖞

re SP rank to IPS rank, marking a significant career 3. J. Rammohana Rao milestone. The Union Home Min- 4. N. Sridevi Rao istry recently conferred the IPS 5. EG Ashok Kumar status to these officers, recognizing their service and contribution to the state.

Pradesh have been pro-

moted from non-cad-

Among the newly promoted officers, five are men, and two are women, reflecting the state's commitment to gender inclusivity within the police force.

Officers promoted in the 2022 batch include:

1. A. Ramadevi 2. B. Uma Maheshwar



Officers promoted in the 2023 batch include: 1. KGV Sarita

2. K. Chakravarthi

The promoted officers expressed their gratitude to Andhra Pradesh DGP Dwaraka Tirumala Rao for his support and encouragement. This promotion is seen as a recognition of their dedication to upholding law and order and serving the community effectively.

#### **DCM Pawan Kalyan Accuses YCP of Cheating Volunteers**

"The system can be canceled, but ment of promises made to them. the volunteers are not part of the original system. This is a technical issue," he added.

Pawan Kalyan also stated that many volunteers had resigned, reportedly under pressure from YCP leaders, and expressed regret that technical complications were hindering the fulfill-

The alliance had promised to continue supporting the volunteer system and to pay volunteers Rs. 10,000 per month if they came to power. However, the promises made during the elections appear unfulfilled due to these ongoing technical diffi-



## **POLITICS**

### **MLA Vasantha Krishnaprasad Sharp Critique of Jogi Ramesh**

Mylavaram MLA Vasantha Venkata Krishnaprasad delivered a scathing critique of Jogi Ramesh following a virtual launch program of the Mylavaram Power Substation by Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu. In his remarks, Krishnaprasad accused Jogi Ramesh of betraying the people of the constituency and indulg-



ing in unethical political practices.

Krishnaprasad claimed that Jogi Ramesh had "sacrificed" his seat in 2019 for personal gains and criticized him for allegedly profiting through questionable means during his tenure. "Jogi Ramesh is a caterpillar-like person; speaking about him lowers our level," the MLA stated, accusing Ramesh of failing to serve his constituents despite holding a ministerial position.

Highlighting past incidents, Krishnaprasad recalled that Ramesh once made derogatory remarks about Jaganmohan Reddy before joining the YSR Congress Party (YCP). He further alleged that Ramesh had sought to join Janasena by lobbying with Deputy CM Pawan Kalyan, labeling his political moves as inconsistent and opportunistic.

Krishnaprasad, who claimed to have opposed

the policies of Jaganmohan Reddy during the previous government, emphasized his electoral victory with a record majority in Mylavaram, contrasting it with Ramesh's defeat in Penamalur. He suggested that YCP's decline in seats was partly due to leaders like Ramesh, whom he accused of enriching themselves through corrupt means.

The MLA also criticized Ramesh's alleged inaction during recent floods and claimed that Ramesh's family was entangled in legal issues due to illegal activities. Krishnaprasad warned of imminent protests from YCP ranks in Mylavaram and advised Ramesh to preserve his dignity, underscoring that democracy must be protected from "degenerate behavior."

Krishnaprasad's remarks underscore the growing tensions within the constituency, with both leaders trading allegations amid political unrest.

#### **YCP Announces Boycott of MLC Elections, Citing Poor Law and** Order in AP - Perni Nani

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: Former min-Perni ister Nani has announced that the YSR Congress Party (YCP) will boycott the upcoming MLC elections in the Krishna-Guntur and Ubhayagodavari dis-



tricts, citing a deteriorating law and order situation in Andhra Pradesh. Addressing the media on Thursday, Perni Nani alleged that the state's current atmosphere does not allow for free and fair elections, as voters are unable to safely participate.

activists and harassing YCP leaders. Cases are being filed without justification, and our workers are subjected to severe treatment. It's as if terrorists are being hunted down, just like in Pakistan," Nani remarked. He criticized Deputy Chief Minister Pavan, claiming the police system is "unconscious" and ineffective, with law enforcement operating under the influence of opposition leaders.

Nani emphasized that, despite consistent attempts to highlight these issues, the cabinet has Telugu Desam Party.

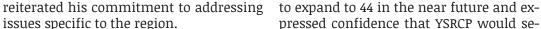
failed to address law and order, focusing instead on targeting political opponents. "No minister has discussed law and order during cabinet meetings. Instead, they are concentrating on troubling YCP leaders," he added.

The former minister described incidents of YCP "The government is arresting our social media" activists being detained and taken to the homes of TDP leaders, alleging physical abuse. He accused the police of failing to present detainees in court and claimed that habeas corpus petitions had to be filed to secure their release.

> In closing, Nani underscored that YCP leaders from four districts convened to make the decision to boycott the elections due to the oppressive environment. He insisted that governance in Andhra Pradesh had deteriorated and accused the police force of becoming subservient to the

### Vijayasai Reddy Sensational **Comments on Assembly** Seats in Uttarandhra

Visakhapatnam: YSRCP MP and Uttarandhra regional coordinator Vijayasai Reddy has made sigcomments concerning the assembly seats in the Uttarandhra region. Speaking during an internal meeting with joint Visakha YCP leaders on Thursday, Reddy



Reddy highlighted the ongoing struggle against the privatization of the Vithe party's opposition to its sale. "We have successfully prevented the cheap sale of the steel plant, and we continue to stand firmly against any efforts to privatize it," he declared.



Further, Reddy criticized the relocation of the proposed regional office of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) from Visakhapatnam to Vijayawada, stressing the need for equitable development across all three regions. He announced that Uttarandhra's 34 Assembly seats are projected

pressed confidence that YSRCP would secure victory in all of them in the upcoming elections.

sakhapatnam Steel Plant, emphasizing Reddy also assured party workers of his steadfast support, promising to stand by them and ensure they do not face difficulties. His remarks underscore the party's focus on strengthening its influence and addressing regional challenges ahead of the next electoral cycle.

### **APCC Chief YS Sharmila Reddy Calls for Strict Action Against Social Media Abuse**

YS Sharmila Welcomed the Arrest of Varra Ravinder Reddy

TPN, Andhra Pradesh: Andhra Pradesh Congress Committee (APCC) Chief YS Sharmila Reddy has called for stringent measures to curb abusive behavior on social media platforms. Speaking passionately, Sharmila emphasized that social media, while having great potential for societal good, has been corrupted by "psychos and psycho parties" who degrade the discourse without

Sharmila highlighted the erosion of human and familial values, stating that certain individuals have turned into "beasts," targeting women without their knowledge or

consent. "These acts go beyond boundaries, targeting women and degrading them through obscene posts," she said. As a victim of such malicious behavior, Sharmila recounted the slander and harassment she and her family have faced. She shared that de-



have been made about her, her mother, and Sunita, with individuals even questioning her parentage and changing her family name maliciously. Sharmila welcomed the ar-

rest of Varra Ravinder Reddy, who was accused of making obscene posts about her, and called for strict legal actions against those who indulge in such behaviour. "We must put an end to these psychos who derive satanic pleasure from tarnishing reputations," she declared.

The APCC Chief urged all political parties to denounce on-

line abuse, asserting that perpetrators must be held accountable regardless of their affiliations. "We demand that the coalition government continue measures to prevent fear and ensure a safe social media environment," Sharmila concluded.

#### **Extreme Tension at Kadapa Corporation Meeting as MLA Madhavi Reddy Protests Seating Arrangement**

TPN, Kadapa: A tense situation unfolded at the Kadapa Municipal Corporation office during the council meeting as MLA Madhavi Reddy clashed with ruling YSRCP leaders over her seating arrangement. The dispute arose when Madhavi Reddy was asked to sit alongside the corporators instead of her customary spot next to the mayor, prompting strong objections from the TDP legislator.

Accompanied by TDP workers and followers, Madhavi Reddy entered the meeting, only to find her supporters barred from entry by the police in accordance with meeting protocols. Inside, the MLA confronted the ruling YCP leaders, demanding to know why her chair was moved after years of precedence. She argued that being asked to sit with the corporators was an affront, escalating tensions in the meeting.

The friction between MLA Madhavi Reddy and Mayor Suresh Babu has been simmering for some time, with YSRCP leaders insisting that only the mayor should sit on the dais. The decision to change the seating arrangement was seen as a significant affront to Reddy, leading to heightened security and police deployment to prevent potential clashes.



As tensions mounted, Madhavi Reddy attempted to assert her right to sit next to the mayor, citing respect for her position. However, YCP leaders maintained that the protocol required her to be seated with the corporators. The situation has been brewing over the past week, with both sides unwilling to back down.

The meeting, expected to address key issues, devolved into arguments over seating protocol, underscoring the persistent tensions between the ruling YSRCP faction and the opposition TDP. Heavy police presence and advance security arrangements highlighted the fragile atmosphere, as political rivalries played out in a charged municipal council setting.

#### **Kadapa Mayor Suresh Babu Responds to MLA Madhavi Reddy's Chair Controversy**

Kadapa: Mayor Suresh Babu has addressed the controversy surrounding the placement of TDP MLA Madhavi Reddy's chair during the Kadapa Corporation general meeting, a situation that led to considerable uproar and the premature conclusion of the meeting. Speaking to the media, Suresh Babu explained that in the past, Madhavi Reddy was given respect and seated next to the mayor. However, he

alleged that she failed to "retain her respect" due to her actions, leading to the decision to change her seating arrangement.

"The MLA behaved like a dictator in the previous meeting, and as a result, we put the chair under her to signify the loss of respect," said Suresh Babu. He accused Madhavi Reddy of running out of the council meeting according to a pre-planned script, creating unnecessary tensions.

The controversy began when Madhavi Reddy objected to her chair being placed next to the



councilors rather than beside the mayor. Tensions escalated as the MLA, accompanied by followers and TDP workers, confronted the arrangement upon entering the meeting. Despite police barring entry to everyone except the MLA, Madhavi Reddy raised her objections vocally on the dias, sparking heated exchanges with YSRCP leaders, including the mayor.

In her protest, Madhavi Reddy accused the ruling YCP of corruption and asserted that she would expose their misdeeds, directly challenging Mayor Suresh Babu. The confrontation led to the mayor and corporators walking out of the meeting.

Mayor Suresh Babu defended his actions by asserting that Madhavi Reddy, as an ex-officio member, was given more respect than any other MLA in the state, but he criticized her behavior as inappropriate for a democratic setting. The dispute highlights the ongoing tensions between YSRCP and TDP leaders in the region.

## VIJAYAWADA

#### MP Kesineni Shivnath Held a Review Meeting With Vijayawada Municipal Commisioner For Development Plans



TPN, Vijayawada: Member of Parliament Kesineni Shivnath (Chinni) held a review meeting at the Vijayawada Municipal Corporation headquarters to discuss key development initiatives for the city. The meeting, attended by Vijayawada Municipal Corporation Commissioner Dhyanchandra and several departmental heads, focused on ongoing and upcoming projects aimed at improving the city's infrastructure and welfare.

During the session, Commissioner Dhyanchandra provided a detailed presentation outlining various development programs being implemented under both central and state government schemes. These include improvements to the city's drainage system, drinking water supply, and the development of sports stadiums.

MP Kesineni emphasized the importance of preventing flooding in the city and ensuring a 24-hour drinking water supply, particular-

ly for the people living in the hilly areas of Vijayawada East and West constituencies. He also stressed the need to develop the sports stadiums in the city to international standards, making them more accessible to local athletes. Additionally, the MP urged authorities to develop strategies for boosting the corporation's revenue streams, which will further support the city's development.

The meeting was attended by key officials, including Additional Commissioner (Projects) Dr. D. Chandrasekhar, Chief Engineer R. Srinath Reddy, Chief City Planner GVGSV Prasad, and others from various departments.

MP Kesineni concluded the session by reaffirming his commitment to supporting measures that contribute to the long-term growth and prosperity of Vijayawada, with a focus on enhancing infrastructure and ensuring the welfare of its residents.



# Minister Narayana Engages Directly with Amaravati Farmers to Address Land Pooling Concerns

**TPN**, **Vijayawada**: Minister Narayana has taken a personal approach to addressing the land pooling concerns of farmers in the Amaravati region. In a bid to clear doubts and provide reassurance, the Minister visited the residence of capital farmer Anumolu Gandhi in Vijayawada.

Continuing his efforts to build trust and transparency, Minister Narayana has been visiting the homes of numerous farmers across villages in the capital area. During these visits, he has collected pooling approval documents directly from the farmers, emphasizing the government's commitment to including the community's input in the development process. This outreach aims to ease concerns and strengthen the partnership between the state and the farmers in creating a well-planned capital region.



#### MLA Sujana Chowdary Pledges to Transform West Constituency into Model Region

TPN, Vijayawada: MLA Sujana Chowdary assured public representatives of his commitment to resolving issues and transforming the West constituency into a model region. Chowdary, who met with corporators and leaders of the West Constituency Alliance at his camp office, called upon public representatives to work with sincerity to achieve this goal. During the meeting, Chowdary announced plans to establish a material lift for engineering and civil works in hilly areas. As part of a pilot project, a lift will be set up in one area through the Sujana Foundation to address long-standing issues. He assured residents that if the government



does not resolve these challenges, he will personally fund and complete the projects.

Chowdary emphasized the need to make the West constituency an ideal place, highlighting that coordinators will be appointed in 22 divisions on behalf of the MLA's office. These coordinators, along with alliance leaders and corporators, will work closely with the

public to address their concerns and foster community engagement. The meeting was attended by corporators Samchan Chanti, Bulla Vijay, Gudivada Narendra Raghava, Harshad, Appaji Rao, Mylavarapu Ratnakumari, Athuluri Adilakshmi, Mylavarapu Madhuri Lavanya, and alliance leaders Mylavarapu Durga Rao, Paila Suresh, and Mylavarapu Krishna, among others.

Chowdary reiterated his dedication to uplifting the constituency, urging all public representatives and community leaders to unite in their efforts to make a lasting impact on the development and well-being of their region.

#### Minister Kollu Ravindra Calls for Strict Action Against MRP Violations and Belt Shops in Liquor Trade



TPN, Vijayawada: Minister of State for Mines, Underground Resources, and Excise, Kollu Ravindra, has issued a strong directive to the Excise Department to strictly address MRP violations and the proliferation of illegal "belt shops" within liquor establishments. During a review meeting held at the Excise Commissioner's office in Mangalagiri, the Minister emphasized that such practices would not be tolerated.

Minister Ravindra lauded the officials for the transparent allotment of 3,396 liquor shops as part of the new liquor policy and urged them to maintain the same level of diligence in managing ongoing issues. He called for immediate and stringent action against establishments found violating MRP regulations or operating unauthorized belt shops, stressing that repeat offenders would face severe penalties, including potential license revocation.

Reiterating the government's commitment to public health and welfare, the Minister highlighted efforts to prevent the sale of adulterated liquor and completely ban belt shops. Testing protocols for extra neutral alcohol have been expanded from six to thirteen parameters, showcasing the government's resolve for consumer safety. Advanced testing methods, such as gas chromatography, have been implemented in state excise labs to ensure adherence to BIS guidelines.

Minister Ravindra also emphasized a two-fold approach: making quality liquor available at lower prices while simultaneously establishing de-addiction centers to promote responsible consumption. The meeting was attended by senior officials, including Excise Department Principal Secretary Mukesh Kumar Meena, Excise Director Nishant Kumar, and Enforcement Director Rahul Dev Sharma, among others.



#### High Court Adjourns Bail Pleas of IPS Officers in Actress Jatwani Case

TPN, Vijayawada: In a key development, the High Court has postponed the hearing on the bail petitions of the IPS officers implicated in actress Jatwani's case. The next hearing is scheduled for the 26th of this month. During proceedings on thursday, the court instructed the relevant parties to submit a counter response before the forthcoming hearing date.

The case has attracted significant public and media attention due to its sensitivity and the involvement of senior police officials. The court's directive to file a counter indicates a deeper examination of the case details before any decision on the bail pleas.

Legal experts and observers are keenly following the progress of the case, which has implications for both legal accountability and transparency within law enforcement. More developments are expected as the court resumes its hearing later this month.

#### Y S Sharmila Reddy Leads "Lantern Rally" Demanding Reduction in Electricity Charges

TPN, Vijayawada: Andhra Pradesh Congress Committee (APCC) Chief Y S Sharmila Reddy spearheaded a "Lantern Rally" in Vijayawada on thursday to protest against the sharp increase in electricity charges under the current coalition government. Symbolizing the hardships faced by the public due to higher power costs, Sharmila Reddy carried a lantern throughout the rally, which started at the APCC party office and concluded at Indira Gandhi Circle.

Addressing a large gathering, Sharmila Reddy criticized the government for imposing hefty "adjustment charges" that have led to a 40% hike in electricity prices. "People are now being forced into darkness, with lanterns becoming a necessity to get through their days," she remarked, expressing the people's frustration.

The APCC leader highlighted the previous administration's record under the YSR Congress Party (YSRCP), which collected ₹35,000 crore from the public without notable enhancements to the state's power infrastructure. "Unfortunately, the current coalition government is perpetuating similar policies that unfairly burden citizens, imposing ₹17,000 crore in additional charges," she added.

Sharmila Reddy questioned the continuity between the past and present administrations, stating, "There is no difference between YSRCP's exploitative measures and the current government's approach.

#### **Governor Haribabu Urges World to Recognize Mizoram's Beauty and Peaceful Lifestyle**

TPN, Vijayawada: Andhra Pradesh Governor Dr. Kambhampati Haribabu highlighted the unique and admirable way of life in Mizoram, calling on the world to take note of its natural beauty, tourism potential, and the ideal lifestyle of its people. Addressing a 16-member tourist group from Andhra Pradesh led by Vishwahindi Parishad National President and Padma Bhushan awardee, Acharya Yarlagadda Lakshmi Prasad, Governor Haribabu described Mizoram as a peaceful and honest state with humble and self-reliant citizens.



Mizoram's allure as a tourist destination, citing examples of the state's integrity, such as shops

that operate without salespeople, relying on the honesty of customers to pay for goods. He also noted the unique orderliness of Mizoram, such as the absence of police during traffic management and the peaceful conduct of elections, free from banners and loudspeakers, where citizens exercise their voting rights with utmost respect.

The delegation's visit, organized at the Governor's invitation, included accommodations at the Raj Bhavan guest house and guided transportation to various sites. The group also enjoyed a special dinner hosted in the Durbar Hall of Raj Bhavan.

### **AP State Sports Authority Chairman Ravi Naidu Promises International Standards for YSR Sports School**

TPN, Kadapa: Ravi Naidu, the newly appointed Chairman of the Andhra Pradesh State Sports Authority, received a warm welcome during his first visit to Kadapa district. Naidu's visit highlighted his commitment to fostering sports development in the region, with a particular focus on the YSR Sports School.

During his visit, Chairman Naidu engaged with teachers and students at the YSR Sports School, discussing their challenges and concerns. Naidu assured the school community that issues which can be resolved promptly would be addressed without delay. "I am committed to seeing that the YSR Sports School receives the necessary support and improvements to enhance both training and facilities," he said.

He further announced plans to develop the YSR Sports School into an institution of international standards, promising that it will be equipped with



the best facilities and training resources available. This vision aims to nurture sporting talent and provide students with the opportunity to compete on a global level.

Chairman Naidu's interaction emphasized the state's dedication to creating a conducive environment for sports excellence, with a focus on nurturing young talent. This initiative

aligns with the broader goal of elevating Andhra Pradesh's reputation in sports and providing world-class training to aspiring athletes.

Local officials, teachers, and students expressed appreciation for Chairman Naidu's visit, which they believe marks a positive step toward addressing their needs and aspirations for the school's future growth.

#### **MLA Sujana Chowdary Reviews Development** Works in Vijayawada West Constituency

TPN, Tadigadapa: MLA Sujana Chowdary conducted a comprehensive review meeting on Thursday, focusing on various development initiatives within the western constituency. The meeting, held at his office in Tadigadapa, involved key officials from several departments, including Revenue, Engineering, Town Planning, Drinking Water Supply, and Health.

During the session, MLA Chowdary discussed the progress and ongoing works related to the

improvement of major roads, internal roads, drainage systems, parks, and the widening of key roads. Special attention was given to the development and welfare of the hilly areas in the constituency.

Revenue officials were directed to expedite tasks related to tax collection and the ongoing house-to-house surveys. Additionally, Chowdary stressed the importance of keeping roads and sewer systems clean, with a focus on maintaining sanitation and ensuring uninterrupted drinking water supply.

MLA Chowdary also emphasized the need for



line these essential services. Medical Officer Dr. Suresh, City Planner Prasad, Zonal Commissioner Ramya Keerthana, Assistant Commissioner Helen, and Engineering Inspector Venkateswara Reddy were among the officials who participated in the review meeting, contributing to the discussions on enhancing infrastructure and public services in the constit-

The review aimed to ensure that the development projects are carried out efficiently, with a focus on improving the quality of life for residents of the western constituency.

#### **TDP Worker Dies After Alleged Harassment by YCP Leaders**

TPN, Marala: A tragic incident unfolded in Sri Sathyasai District, where a TDP activist, Gautham, lost his life after being allegedly harassed by YSR Congress Party (YCP) leaders. Gautham, a Dalit youth from Marala village in Bukkapatnam mandal, had returned home to celebrate Diwali with his family. However, his visit took a tragic turn when he was reportedly threatened and intimidated by YCP leaders.

According to family members, Gautham had filed a complaint with the police regarding an attack on his father, Narayanaswamy, by YCP leaders. On November 2nd, Gautham was allegedly confronted by YCP leaders, including Ramamohan, Prasad, Obulappa, Gopi, and Sannaram, near Buchaiyagaripalli. The leaders reportedly threatened him, demanding that the complaint be withdrawn, or they would kill his entire family. Deeply distressed by the threats and the harassment, Gautham poured petrol on himself and set himself on fire on the night of November 4th, in a temporary residence in Puttaparthi.

Severely burned, Gautham was rushed to Victoria Hospital in Bangalore for treatment, but despite efforts, he succumbed to his injuries on Thursday. His family members have accused the police of negligence, alleging that authorities failed to act on the harassment complaint, leading to Gautham's tragic death. Gautham, who worked as a delivery boy in Bangalore, was not married and had come home to celebrate Diwali with his family. This incident has raised serious concerns about political violence and the alleged harassment of opposition party members.

#### MLA Chirri Balaraju Received a Petitions During the Janavani Program Buddha Foundation's Unfulfilled Promises and Unpaid Salaries

TPN, Mangalagiri: Polavaram MLA, Chirri Balaraju, received a flood of petitions during the Janavani program held on Thursday at the Janasena Party's central office in Mangalagiri. Among the petitioners were yoga instructors working in government educational institutions, who expressed serious concerns over their unpaid salaries for nearly two years.

The yoga instructors claimed they were promised government jobs by the Buddha Yoga Health Foundation in 2022, but despite being appointed as yoga instructors and assistants, their salaries were never paid. They also alleged that they were charged between ₹3 lakh to ₹5 lakh for the job, but instead of the promised monthly salary of ₹35,000, only ₹17,000 was deposited in their bank accounts. The instructors, who have been struggling with this issue for two years,



demanded strict action against the Buddha Yoga Health Foundation and immediate payment of their dues. Other petitions included a student's

complaint regarding unpaid fee reimbursements from the previous government, which led to them being sent home from college. Another petitioner, a young athlete, revealed the financial difficulties they faced despite winning 14 medals in national and international competitions, citing the lack of recognition and inability to participate due to financial constraints.

In addition to these issues, a petition from the Gajuwaka Automobile Technicians Welfare Association was also raised, urging the government to provide land for mechanics at a reduced price in Anakapalli's Koduru Autonagar.

MLA Chirri Balaraju assured the petitioners that he would work diligently with government officials to resolve their concerns. Party members including PVSN Raju, Viswaksen, Rayapati Aruna, and Bayyavarapu Narasimha Rao were also present at the

#### **Deepak Reddy Criticizes Jagan's** Media Conference, Calls It a "Drama"

TPN, Mangalagiri: Deepak Reddy, Chairman of SEED AP, sharply criticized Former Chief Minister Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy's recent media conference, calling it a "drama." Jagan had accused the coalition government of making illegal arrests and filing baseless cases against his party workers. Reddy, however, rejected Jagan's allegations, arguing that the current government has brought order and curbed the anarchy that existed during Jagan's rule.

In his statement, Deepak Reddy questioned Jagan's moral authority to discuss women's safety, citing the YSR Congress Party's (YCP) involvement in vile social media posts targeting women. He pointed out that under Jagan's leadership, there was a lack of control over rising violence and rape cases, particularly those involving women, whereas the coalition government has taken steps to ensure women's safety.

Reddy also condemned the YCP for publishing derogatory posts about political leaders' families, including Home Minister Pawan Kalyan's daughter. He questioned Jagan's integrity, asking how he could criticize others when his own party members were involved in such shameful actions.

#### **Police Chase Ganja Smugglers in Anakapalli, Seize 40 kg of Ganja**

TPN, Anakapalli: In a dramatic turn of events in Anakapalli district, police successfully chased down ganja smugglers who attempted to evade arrest while transporting marijuana. The incident unfolded at a check post in Sini Pakki, where the smugglers, transporting 40 kg of ganja, tried to avoid a police check. Upon spotting the check post, the smugglers accelerated and rammed their car into the post, escaping without being caught initially.

However, the police were immediately alerted and launched a pursuit. Information was relayed to local authorities, and a joint effort ensued between the check post staff and the police. The smugglers, trying to flee, encountered a stroke of bad luck when one of their tires burst during the chase. In a desperate bid to escape, the car veered off the road and crashed into a drainage ditch near TTD Kalyana Mandapam. The smugglers abandoned the car and fled on foot, but when police reached the vehicle, they discovered 40 kg of ganja hidden inside. The authorities seized the marijuana and the car, while launching a manhunt to apprehend the smugglers.

#### **Revenue Department Seizes 15 Acres Allotted to** Visakha Sharada Peetha by YCP Govt

cant move, the Revenue Department has seized 15 acres of land previously allotted to Visakha Sharada Peetha by the Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy-led YCP government. The land, located in Rishikonda near Kothavalasa in Bhimili Mandal, was provided to the Sharada Peetha for just ₹1 lakh, despite its market value being estimated at ₹225 crore for 15 acres.

The controversy surrounding the land

allocated the land for a mere ₹1 lakh, significantly underestimating its actual value. Revenue officials conducted an investigation into the land transaction after the coalition government assumed power, concluding that the deal violated regulations. A report was submitted to the government, which led to the decision to cancel the allotment.

The Revenue Department acted swiftly following the investigation, with offi-

TPN, Visakhapatnam: In a signifi- deal arose when the Jagan government cials taking possession of the land. The land was originally allocated under the YCP government to Visakha Peetha president Swaroopananda for just ₹15 lakh, despite experts suggesting a value of ₹1.8 crore for the land, based on its registration price.

> The seizure of the land comes as part of the coalition government's effort to correct the alleged land allocation irregularities and recover the state's as-



## **Elon Musk's Role in Trump's Victory: A Digital Power Play**

In the days leading up to Donald Trump's victorious election, the media buzzed with uncertainty. Despite claims from traditional outlets that the race was "too close to call," Trump's win was nothing short of a resounding surprise to the legacy media. Was it a miscalculation, or was it the result of wishful thinking? That's a question for another time. What's clear today is the central role of one man in shaping this unexpected outcome: Elon Musk.

After purchasing Twitter (now X) in 2021, Musk was accused by mainstream media of manipulating discourse by amplifying certain voices and censoring others. Despite the criticism, Musk undeniably played a key role in steering public opinion with his unparalleled reach and influence, leaving many to wonder if Trump might take a moment in his victory lap to thank Musk for the digital advantage he provided.

During his victory speech, Trump didn't hesitate to offer his praise for Musk. "A star is born!" Trump declared, calling Musk "an amazing guy." The admiration was mutual; if Trump were a Bollywood fan, he might have referred to Musk as "Jo jeeta wahi Sikander" (the one who wins is the true champion). Musk, the ultimate risk-taker, had gambled his empire—Tesla, SpaceX, X, and more—in support of Trump, and the bet paid off handsomely.

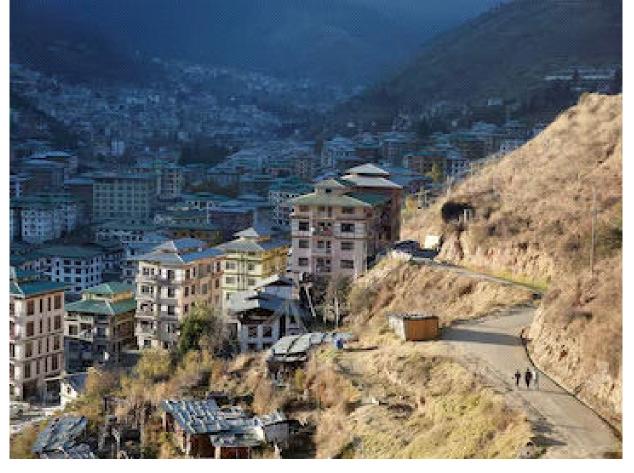
While Musk's influence on Trump's campaign was clear, another key player was podcaster Joe Rogan. With millions of followers across platforms like YouTube and Spotify, Rogan's endorsement of Trump in the final days of the election could have been the tipping point. Musk's own reach, with over 200 million followers on X, dwarfs that of any traditional media outlet. The power of these digital platforms to influence the election cannot be overstated, as they offer unprecedented access to voters on a global scale.



As Election Day drew to a close, Musk took to X's live audio feature, Spaces, for a candid chat with his followers. Over 17,000 people tuned in to hear Musk's thoughts on the high-stakes election, as he fielded questions and provided his analysis. Musk was confident in Trump's potential to win, especially after seeing steady gains in key swing states. At one point, Musk boldly predicted that Trump would sweep all seven of them—an outcome that turned out to be true.

Musk's influence on the election, particularly through his platform, highlighted a shift in the political landscape, where digital figures now rival traditional media in their power to shape public opinion. As the election results unfolded, it was clear that Musk's digital strategy had played a pivotal role in securing Trump's suc-

### China's Aggressive Expansion into Bhutanese Territory: Satellite **Images Expose Shocking Details**



Recent reports have revealed troubling new trols and later constructing makeshift outposts. evidence of China's growing encroachment into Bhutanese territory, with satellite imagery showing the construction of 22 villages and settlements by China in land historically and internationally recognized as Bhutanese. This aggressive move, which began in 2016, has resulted in China occupying over 825 square kilometers of land, amounting to more than 2 percent of Bhutan's total territorial area.

The ongoing encroachment is part of a broader, calculated strategy employed by China to exert control over Bhutan's border regions. This sixstage strategy dates back to the early 1990s when China began deploying Tibetan herders into disputed areas, leading to clashes with Bhutanese pastoralists. As a result, the Bhutanese herders were forced to retreat from their own grazing lands. With the withdrawal of these herders, Bhutanese soldiers, who relied on local support for supplies, also pulled back from the region.

Following the withdrawal, China escalated its presence in the area, starting with military paOver time, these outposts became permanent fixtures, with China building roads to connect these sites to towns within Tibet. Eventually, China started constructing entire villages and settlements, further cementing its territorial claims.

This aggressive expansion has sparked significant concerns for Bhutan, which is a small, landlocked country sandwiched between China and India. Despite Bhutan's long-standing diplomatic ties with India and its firm stance on defending its sovereignty, it now faces increasing pressure from China's continued territorial advances. Bhutan has yet to comment officially on the construction of these villages, but the satellite evidence presents an alarming picture of China's ongoing encroachment.

As Bhutan and China share a long-standing border dispute, the satellite imagery underscores the strategic importance of this region to China and the extent to which it is willing to go to assert control over disputed territories.

## **BJP Promises Uniform** Civil Code for Jharkhand, **Exempting Tribals**



The BJP has made a significant pledge in its election manifesto for the upcoming Jharkhand assembly polls, promising to implement the Uniform Civil Code (UCC) in the state, though it would exclude tribal communities from its provisions. The announcement, made by Union Home Minister Amit Shah on November 3 in Ranchi, aims to strengthen the BJP's stance on national integration and cultural unity. Shah also promised that the party would address concerns regarding "Bangladeshi infiltration" in the region by removing illegal immigrants and returning occupied land to the state's tribal communities.

The UCC, long a core issue for the BJP, seeks to create a unified legal framework for personal matters such as marriage, divorce, and inheritance, applicable to all citizens regardless of religion, caste, or community. However, in Jharkhand, the BJP has tailored its approach to appeal to the tribal electorate by excluding them from the scope of the UCC, acknowledging the unique cultural and religious practices of these communities. This move is seen as an attempt to balance the BJP's support for national uniformity with sensitivity toward tribal identities.

Jharkhand's Chief Minister, Hemant Soren, and his party, the Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM), have opposed the BJP's UCC promise. Soren has made it clear that the UCC and the National Rega separate Sarna Code, which would recognize November 23.

the unique religious practices of tribal people.

The issue of illegal immigration has also become a key election talking point. The Jharkhand High Court has been hearing a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) that alleges significant infiltration of Bangladeshis, especially in regions like Santhal Pargana. The court has ordered the formation of a fact-finding committee to investigate these claims, although the Jharkhand government has challenged this interim order in the Supreme Court. The BJP has used the issue of "Bangladeshi infiltrators" to position itself as the guardian of tribal land and culture.

While the BJP's position on the UCC and illegal immigration is aimed at consolidating its support among the state's tribals, it has faced criticism from opposition parties. Critics argue that the UCC is a tool to undermine Muslim personal laws, rather than promote equality across communities. Some also question the BJP's intentions with the Sarna Code, as it challenges the party's longstanding efforts to integrate tribals into the Hindu fold.

As election day approaches, both the BJP and JMM are expected to sharpen their rhetoric on these contentious issues. The outcome will depend on whether these issues resonate with the voters, particularly the tribal communities, whose cultural identity and political influence ister of Citizens (NRC) will not be implemented are central to the state's electoral dynamics. 

### Why America Chose Donald **Trump Again: The Big Picture**

Donald Trump secured a decisive victory in the 2024 US Presidential Election, winning a second term in the White House by defeating Vice President Kamala Harris. Despite early predictions from polls suggesting a tightly contested race, Trump triumphed comfortably, surpassing expectations with a strong showing across key battleground states.

The former president's win marks a significant moment in US political history, as he becomes the first president to return to the White House after losing a re-election bid. Trump's campaign, which focused heavily on issues such as immigration reform, economic growth, and national security, resonated with voters who were concerned about the direction of the country under the current administration.

In his victory speech, Trump expressed gratitude to his supporters and outlined the key policies he planned to pursue in his second term. "We've had a great four years, and we're going to finish what we started," he declared. Trump's platform included promises to continue his tough stance on illegal immigration, enhance job creation through tax cuts, and advance his "America First" foreign policy agenda. He also emphasized his commitment to reducing government regulations and bolstering US energy independence, particularly by promoting the production of fossil fuels.

Kamala Harris, the Democratic nominee, conceded the election with grace, acknowledging that the race had been hard-fought. "While this outcome isn't what we had hoped for, we must all come together for the future of our country," she said in her concession speech. Harris had faced significant challenges in the race, partic-



ularly as Trump's message continued to resonate with many working-class voters, who felt that the current administration had not adequately addressed their concerns.

Despite Trump's controversial tenure and the tumultuous events of the January 6, 2021, Capitol riot, he managed to secure a solid base of support among conservative voters, who remained steadfast in their loyalty. The victory marks a strong comeback for Trump, who spent the past four years positioning himself as the leader of a movement dedicated to protecting American values and countering what he described as the "radical left."

The 2024 election results set the stage for significant political shifts in Washington, as Trump's second term will likely focus on advancing his America First agenda and challenging the political establishment.







#### **PM Modi and Trump Reaffirm Commitment** to Strengthen US-India Ties

Prime Minister Narendra Modi and US President-elect Donald Trump held a phone conversation on Thursday, reaffirming their commitment to further strengthening the growing bilateral relationship between India and the United States. The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) issued a statement outlining the key highlights of the discussion, emphasizing the mutual desire to deepen cooperation across various sectors such as technology, defence, energy, and space.

In his conversation with Trump, PM Modi congratulated the US leader on his "spectacular and resounding victory" in the pres-

idential election, noting that tries, such as technology, deit was a clear reflection of the fense, energy, and space explo-American people's trust in his leadership and vision. Modi also extended his warm congratulations to Trump for the Republican Party's success in the Congressional elections, further underscoring the political triumphs of the US leader.

The two leaders expressed their intent to build upon the strong foundation of the US-India relationship, with particular focus on strategic sectors. The MEA statement mentioned that Modi and Trump agreed on the importance of enhanced collaboration in areas critical to both coun- leaders.

ration. The ongoing cooperation in these sectors is seen as vital for both nations, particularly given the evolving global geopolitical landscape.

Prime Minister Modi also took to social media platform X (formerly Twitter), sharing that he had a "great conversation" with his "friend" Donald Trump. The positive tone of the conversation reflects the strong diplomatic ties between India and the US, which have been steadily growing in recent years, particularly under the leadership of both

#### CM M.K. Stalin Strengthens Tamil Nadu-**Taiwan Ties with Major Investments**

Chennai: Tamil Nadu's strategic ties with Taiwan have deepened in recent years, with the state becoming a major destination for Taiwanese investment. On August 18, Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin inaugurated a Rs 706-crore residential complex for Foxconn's female workers at Sriperumbudur, 40 km from Chennai, highlighting the state's role as a key hub for global manufacturing. The complex, designed to house 18,720 workers, reflects the region's growing importance in Taiwan's supply chain, particularly for electronics manufacturing.

Foxconn, the world's largest electronics manufacturer, operates Tamil Nadu's connections with its second-largest workforce in Tamil Nadu, with over 60,000 employees. The state's relationship with Foxconn has been marked by cooperation and investment, including the personal gesture of state industries minister T.R.B. Rajaa driving Foxconn chairman Young Liu from Chennai airport to Sriperumbudur,



signaling Tamil Nadu's commitment to fostering strong industrial partnerships.

Taiwan extend beyond Foxconn. According to data from the Taipei Economic and Cultural Center (TECC) in Chennai, the state hosts 270 Taiwanese companies, making it a crucial location for Taiwanese manufacturing. Among the largest Taiwanese employers in Tamil Nadu are electronics firms Pegatron and Delta, each

employing around 20,000 workers. Lotus, a subsidiary of Taiwanese footwear company Feng Tay, has a workforce of 40,000.

Taiwan's footprint in Tamil Nadu is further expanding, with major footwear companies like Shoe Town, Feng Tay, and Pou Chen establishing factories in the region. Pou Chen, the world's largest athletic footwear manufacturer, secured a deal in 2023 to set up a Rs 2,302 crore unit in the

### **Maharashtra Assembly Elections: Congress plans to hold multiple rallies**

Maharashtra's political landscape saw a significant gathering on Wednesday as key leaders from the Shiv Sena (UBT), Congress, and the Nationalist Congress Party (NCP) came together for the Maharashtra Swabhiman Rally in Mumbai. The rally was marked by the presence of Shiv Sena (UBT) chief Uddhav Thackeray, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, party president Mallikarjun Kharge, and NCP (Sharad) president Sharad Pawar, along with several other prominent political

The rally, held a day after heated political debates, underscored the unity of opposition parties in Maharashtra, who are focused on challenging the current state government's policies and leadership. The event was strategically positioned as a platform to reaffirm the strength of the opposition alliance, the Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA), in the face of the ruling Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and its allies.

During his speech, Uddhav Thackeray emphasized the need for a united front to safeguard the interests of the people of Maharashtra and to fight against what he described as the 'autocratic' policies of the BJP-led government. He accused the state government of undermining the democratic fabric of the state and pushing through policies that do not benefit the common

Rahul Gandhi, in his address, criticized the central government's handling of key national issues, including unemployment, inflation, and the economic crisis. He reiterated his party's commitment to fighting for the rights of the people and strengthening democratic institutions in the country. Mallikarjun Kharge also spoke about the Congress party's ongoing efforts to uphold the values of secularism, democracy, and social justice.

Sharad Pawar, a senior political leader, also took the stage, calling for greater unity among opposition parties in Maharashtra to ensure that the voice of the people is heard.

#### Jaishankar Calls Trump's Second **Term an Opportunity, India Reacts** to Canada Surveillance

In today's evening digest, News18 brings you the latest updates, including reactions from India on Donald Trump's second term, diplomatic tensions with Canada, and other top stories.

India's External Affairs Minister, S. Jaishankar, has weighed in on the prospect of Donald Trump returning to the White House for a second term. Speaking about the future of India-US relations, Jaishankar emphasized that India views Trump's potential second term as an opportunity to deepen business and economic ties between the two nations. He noted that despite Trump's unconventional approach to diplomacy, India sees positive prospects, particularly in the trade and business sectors. The minister's remarks come amid rising speculations about how Trump's return could shape the global political and economic landscape, especially for India, which has experienced growing cooperation with the United States in recent

India's Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) has strongly condemned the surveillance of Indian diplomats in Canada, calling the actions "totally unacceptable." The statement follows reports that Canadian authorities have placed Indian diplomats under scrutiny, a move that has sparked diplomatic tensions between the two countries. India has urged Canada to take immediate action to ensure the safety and security of its diplomats, emphasizing that such surveillance violates international norms and diplomat-



ic conventions. This development comes at a time of heightened tensions between the two nations, as recent incidents have already strained bilateral relations.

As Donald Trump prepares for a potential second term, experts suggest that while US support for India remains bipartisan, Trump's approach may tilt further in India's favor. However, analysts caution that India must also prepare for surprises given Trump's unpredictability. Key areas of concern include the future of the H1B visa program, economic dynamics, and regional challenges, including posturing from countries like Bangladesh and Pakistan. Despite potential disruptions, many believe Trump's administration could continue strengthening ties with India, particularly in defense and trade.



#### **Government Committed To Eradicating Terrorism: Amit Shah**

Union Home Minister Amit Shah reiterated eradicating terrorism, emphasizing a strong, unified approach involving both central and state security agencies. Addressing an anti-terrorism conference on Thursday, Shah underscored the need for coordinated efforts to combat terrorism, noting that while law and order is a state subject, terrorism knows no boundaries.

Shah praised the Modi government for its decisive strategy against terrorism since 2014, highlighting a 70 percent reduction in terror incidents compared to the previous decade. He credited this success to the collaborative efforts of central and state governments, particularly in regions like Jammu and Kashmir, areas affected by Left-Wing Extremism, and the northeastern states. The Home Minister also pointed to significant progress in reducing the "shelf life" of terrorists, saying it has dropped from two years to mere days, thanks to the government's zero-tolerance policy towards terrorism.

In his address, Shah called for greater synergy between state police forces and central agencies, urging police chiefs to invoke the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) when necessary. He praised the National Investigation Agency (NIA) for its effectiveness, with nearly 95 percent of chargesheets leading to convictions in the 632 cases investigated by the agency. To further enhance counter-terrorism efforts, Shah highlighted amendments to the NIA Act, expanding its jurisdiction to include terror cases abroad. Additionally, the UAPA amendments now allow for property confiscation and designation of individuals or organizations as terrorists.

Shah revealed a 25-point integrated plan to stop terrorism funding, including measures targeting jihadi terrorism and Left-Wing Extremism. He also discussed the expansion of the Multi-Agency Centre (MAC), which monitors emerging threats like cyber terrorism, narco-terrorism, and radicalization. The conference is aimed at fostering coordination among various security agencies and experts to strengthen India's defense against terror-



#### Want to serve Wayanad, just like mother looks after children: Priyanka

Congress General Secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra is making a strong push for her party's candidate in the Wayanad Lok Sabha by-election, holding a series of corner meetings in Nilambur, Malappuram district, Kerala. Her visit comes at a crucial juncture as the Congress party aims to retain the seat previously held by her brother, Rahul Gandhi, who vacated it following his disqualification as a Member of Parliament.

During her campaign stop, Priyanka engaged directly with voters, addressing concerns over the rising cost of living, unemployment, and the lack of government accountability. She urged the electorate to stand with the Congress, asserting that the party has always championed the rights of the common people.

The bypoll in Wayanad has garnered national attention, not only due to the high-profile nature of the constituency but also because it marks an important test for the Congress party as it faces increasing challenges from the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and regional parties in the state. Kerala, known for its political volatility, has seen significant shifts in voting patterns over recent years. The Congress is keen to maintain its foothold in the state, particularly in Wayanad, which has been a stronghold for the Gandhi family.

Priyanka's visit comes amid growing speculation over the Congress's future leadership, with her supporters positioning her as a potential figurehead for the party. Addressing her supporters, Priyanka stressed that it is crucial for the people of Wayanad to continue the legacy of leadership started by Rahul Gandhi, which has focused on both social justice and economic empow-



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## **Xi Jinping Congratulates Donald Trump, Calls for Stronger China-US Relations**

Chinese President Xi Jinping on Thursday extended his congratulations to Donald Trump following his election victory, emphasizing the importance of managing differences and strengthening dialogue between China and the United States. This message came just a day after Trump secured a remarkable win over Democratic rival Kamala Harris in the race to the White House, marking his return to the presidency.

In his statement, Xi underscored the need for both countries to foster "mutually beneficial cooperation," stressing that the future of China-US relations should be guided by the "right way" of getting along. Xi's comments reflect Beijing's hope for a more stable and productive partnership with Washington under Trump's leadership. The Chinese president further emphasized that the two nations should focus on expanding cooperation rather than confrontation, acknowledging that both countries stand to benefit from collaboration in areas such as trade, security, and global governance.

Xi also pointed out that a stable China-US relationship is not only beneficial for the two nations but also serves the broader interests of the international community. He stated that cooperation between the world's two largest economies would help meet global challenges and contribute to global peace and stability.

While Xi's message of cooperation aligns with China's long-standing desire to improve relations with the US, it also reflects the challeng-



es ahead. Under Trump's previous administration, US-China relations were marked by trade tensions, tariffs, and a growing rivalry over issues such as technology, human rights, and regional security. However, Xi's remarks suggest an openness to re-engage with the Trump administration, despite past difficulties.

The Chinese leader's focus on dialogue and communication highlights the importance Beijing places on managing its complex relationship with the US. With both countries facing pressing global challenges, including the ongoing pandemic and climate change, Xi's call for cooperation underscores the need for a collaborative approach to address shared

As Trump prepares for his second term, it remains to be seen how the relationship between the US and China will evolve, but Xi's message suggests that both sides are keen to find a constructive path forward.

### **India Cancels Consular Camps in Toronto Over Security Concerns**

The Indian Consulate in Toronto has canceled several scheduled consular camps aimed at issuing life certificates to Indian nationals in Canada, following concerns raised by security agencies about their ability to provide adequate protection. The Consulate General of India stated that the decision was taken after Canadian security authorities expressed their "inability to provide minimum security protection" to the organizers of the camp.

The life certificate is a vital document for Indian nationals residing abroad to ensure the continuation of their pensions. These consular camps were organized to assist Indian citizens and Canadian residents who needed to submit life certificates, a routine process for pension-related matters.

The decision to cancel the camps comes in the wake of violent incidents orchestrated by Khalistani extremists at previous consular camps held in Brampton, Surrey, and Vancouver. The latest attack took place in Brampton on Sunday, when a consular camp was targeted by extremists, disrupting the normal consular work. During this incident, Khalistani flags were seen outside the Hindu Sabha Mandir, where the camp was being held, and the The attacks have sparked out-



safety of those attending was jeopardized. In a statement, the Indian High Commission in Ottawa condemned the attacks and blamed "anti-India elements" for the disturbances. Despite the disruptions, the High Commission reported that over 1,000 life certificates had been issued to applicants at the Brampton camp. The consulate emphasized the concerns for the safety of both Indian nationals and other applicants, noting the risk posed by such violent actions.

rage in India, with Prime Minister Narendra Modi condemning the "deliberate attack" on the camp, calling for justice for those involved. The Prime Minister expressed his strong disapproval of such acts of violence targeting the Indian community and its consular services in Canada.

As tensions continue, the cancellation of consular camps highlights growing concerns over the safety of Indian diplomats and nationals in Canada, further straining relations between the two countries.

#### **Not The Outcome We Had Hoped For: Obama Congratulates Trump**

Former President Barack Obama extended his congratulations to Donald Trump on his election victory on Wednesday, underscoring the importance of a peaceful transfer of power in a democracy. Obama's remarks were a stark contrast to Trump's refusal to concede the 2020 election, which ultimately led to the January 6th Capitol insurrection, when Trump supporters violently attempted to overturn the results of the election.

Obama, in a statement following Trump's triumph, acknowledged that the election outcome was not what he or his sup-



porters had hoped for but emphasized the essential democratic principle of accepting electoral results. "Living in a democracy is about recognizing that our point of view won't always win out," Obama said, "and being willing to accept the peaceful transfer of power."

In 2020, Trump's failure to accept Joe Biden's victory sparked a series of controversies, culminating in the deadly attack on the Capitol,

which left deep scars in American politics. Trump's refusal to concede and his baseless claims of election fraud led to a turbulent period that many critics saw as a direct challenge to the integrity of the U.S. democratic system.

Obama's call for unity and respect for democratic processes came as a timely reminder of the norms that uphold political stability in the United States. Unlike Trump's contested loss in 2020, Obama's 2008 and 2012 victories were followed by peaceful transitions of power, a tradition that has historically defined U.S. politics.

#### Trump's 7 Priorities In 2.0 Administration: End **Immigration, Wars**

In his first speech following his election victory, even before the final vote tally reached the halfway mark, President-elect Donald Trump unveiled several bold measures his administration plans to pursue in a second term. Addressing a crowd of supporters, Trump outlined key priorities that spanned immigration, taxes, foreign policy, and more. Here's a breakdown of the seven most prominent proposals:

End Wars and Global Conflicts: Trump declared that his administration would work to "stop wars" rather than start new ones.

Reflecting on his first term, he proudly noted the defeat of ISIS, and in his victory speech, he promised to end ongoing conflicts possibly referring to Russia-Ukraine war or Middle Eastern tensions—"within 24 hours" of assuming office.



Deport Undocumented Migrants: A long-standing promise, Trump reiterated his commitment to securing America's borders. He vowed to halt illegal immigration, saying that no undocumented migrants would be allowed to enter the country. The president-elect also reaffirmed his pledge to complete the construction of the border wall between the U.S. and Mexico.

Lower Inflation and Enact Tax Cuts: Trump emphasized his plan to "end inflation" and initiate sweeping tax cuts aimed at stimulating economic growth. These measures would be a continuation of his administration's focus on tax reductions and economic deregulation.

Cut Climate Regulations: In a nod to his allies in the oil industry, Trump reiterated his stance against stringent climate regulations. He promised to ramp up fossil fuel production, reflecting his commitment to supporting U.S. energy independence.

#### **US elections: Harris' allies blame Biden for Vice-President's loss**

Joe Biden's name may not have been on the ballot, but the consequences of his reelection bid are likely to tarnish his legacy. Kamala Harris' decisive defeat in the presidential race is widely seen as an extension of Biden's failure to step aside sooner, allowing the Democratic Party to lose control of the White House.

Biden's decision to delay his exit from the political stage, maintaining an intention to seek reelection until mid-2024, is coming under increasing scrutiny. The decision, critics argue, sealed the party's fate and made Trump's second term a reality. The 81-year-old president's reluctance to recognize growing voter concerns—over his age, economic instability post-pandemic, and the ongoing crisis at the US-Mexico border—contributed to a lack of enthusiasm among key Democratic voters.

Andrew Yang, who had a brief presidential run in 2020, placed much of the blame on Biden's failure to relinquish his grip on the race. "If he had stepped down in January instead of July, we may be in a very different place," said Yang.



Although Biden's first term brought successes—leading the US through the pandemic, securing global support for Ukraine, and passing a \$1 trillion infrastructure bill—the shadow of his second-term defeat looms large. His presidency was framed as a restoration of dignity and stability after Trump's chaotic tenure, but that vision will now be overshadowed by his inability to secure a second term, leaving Trump poised for a return to power.

"Maybe in 20 or 30 years, history will remember Biden for some of these achievements," said Thom Reilly, co-director of the Center for an Independent and Sustainable Democracy at Arizona State University. "But in the shorter term, I don't know he escapes the legacy of being the president who beat Donald Trump only to usher in another Donald Trump administration four years later."

#### Israel launches airstrikes on Beirut suburbs, expands Gaza operations

Early Thursday, multiple airstrikes Forces (IDF) confirmed an expansion strophic, with over 43,000 Palestintargeted Beirut's southern suburbs, including a strike near Lebanon's only international airport. The Israeli military had previously issued an evacuation notice for the site, warning of Hezbollah facilities in the area, although they did not provide further details on the exact targets. The strikes come amid ongoing military action between Israel and Hezbollah, which has intensified in recent weeks.

On the same day, the Israeli Defense The violence in Gaza has been cata-

of their ground operations in northern Gaza. Israeli forces have moved into Beit Lahiya, a heavily bombed town where Israel claims Hamas militants have been regrouping. This escalation marks a continuation of the Israeli military's aggressive response following the deadly Hamas assault on Israel on October 7, 2023, which left around 1,200 Israelis dead and more than 250 people abducted.

ians reported dead, according to Palestinian health officials, though these figures do not differentiate between civilians and combatants. More than half of the casualties are said to be women and children. In the aftermath of the assault, Israel has heavily bombarded Gaza, focusing on areas where Hamas militants are believed to be entrenched. The humanitarian toll continues to rise, as thousands of Palestinians remain trapped under rubble in the besieged enclave.





## Stock Markets Slump as Global Cues Weigh, Investors Lose Rs. 4 Lakh Crore in a Day



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Domestic stock markets were down in Nifty. Apollo Hospitals, SBI, HDFC today. They fell heavily on Thurs- Life, TCS are the top gainers. Hindalday. Trump's victory celebration was co, Trent, Grasim, Shriram Finance limited to one day. With foreign in- and Adani Enterprises were the bigstitutional investors leaving, the rugest losers. Today metal, pharma, pee hitting an all-time low, and the auto, finance, FMCG, realty and conpossibility of a decision on the US Fed sumer durables indices were higher. rate cut, investors acted cautiously. Weekly derivatives closing on Thurs- In NSE, 2873 stocks were traded, day was also done. As Sensex 800 1083 in gains and 1716 in losses. and Nifty fell by 280 points, inves- Stocks of 108 companies touched 52-

The BSE Sensex, which closed at 80,378 in the previous session, opened at 80,563 today. It recorded an intraday low of 79,419. It recorded an intraday high of 80,563. It eventually closed at 79,541, a loss of 836 points. The NSE Nifty opened at 24,489 and touched a low of 24,179 and a high of 24,503. The total fell by 284 points to close at 24,199. Nifty

tors lost Rs. 4 lakh crores of wealth. week highs in the losing market.

The rupee settled at a record low of 84.37 against the dollar. Avas Finance's Q2 profit increased to Rs 148 crore from Rs 122 crore. NCC's net profit jumped from Rs.86 crore to Rs.174 crore. Niwabupa Health Insurance's IPO received a lukewarm response on the first day. On the second day, the number of subscribers to the Swig-

gy IPO was low. 13.7 lakh Bank lost 400 points to settle at 51,916. shares changed hands in Trent. Nitin Spinners net profit increased by 4 companies gained while 46 lost 33%. Escorts Kubota's net profit has

crores. There are expectations that SBI will release better results. Ajmera Realty Bangalore project booked 37% plots during Diwali week. Paras Defense received an order of Rs 61.45 crore from the Ministry of Defence. Jefferies has given Hindalco a Buy rating with a target price of Rs.800.

#### STOCK RECOMMANDATIONS:

1. Policybazaar (PB Fintech Ltd.) Policybazaar operates as a leading digital platform for insurance and



lending products in India, earning revenue from commissions on policies sold, advertisements, and premium memberships. The company has been in a growth phase, with revenue increasing due to higher insurance penetration and online adoption. However, it has been running at losses as it invests heavily in expansion, brand building, and customer acquisition. Policybazaar's growth is driven by India's low insurance penetration and a push toward digital insurance solutions. Regulatory support for digital platforms in financial services also bodes well for future revenue.

2. JSW Energy JSW Energy is involved in thermal,



reached Rs.324 crores from Rs.210 hydropower, and renewable energy generation. The company has been increasing its renewable energy footprint to align with sustainable energy trends. JSW Energy has shown steady revenue with improved operating margins due to a higher share of renewable energy. Debt levels have been manageable, and cash flows remain stable with long-term power purchase agreements (PPAs). JSW Energy's focus on renewable energy and upcoming projects provide a strong growth outlook, especially as India is pushing for greener energy solutions..

ITI Ltd. is one of India's oldest tele-

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com equipment manufacturers, providing telecom and network solutions. It has government contracts for telecom infrastructure and support for national projects. The company has struggled with profitability due to intense competition, reliance on government projects, and high fixed costs. However, its order book has been growing, especially with government pushes for telecom infrastructure. Increased spending on national telecom infrastructure, 5G rollouts, and the "Make in India" initiative should benefit ITI Ltd. as it has government backing and contracts.

#### **4.KEC** International:

KEC International is a prominent EPC player with projects across power transmission, railways, civil infrastructure, and urban transport in

India and abroad. KEC has shown strong revenue growth with a sizable order book, though margins have been pressured by rising input costs. Its balance sheet is leveraged due to heavy CAPEX, but cash flows from ongoing projects provide stability. With increasing government expenditure on infrastructure and electrification, KEC is positioned for long-term growth, particularly in transmission and railways. International projects add further diversification. 5. J&K Bank

Jammu & Kashmir Bank primarily operates in the state of J&K, providing banking services, and has gradually expanded its operations in other states. J&K Bank has improved its financial position recently, focusing



on managing NPAs and restructuring operations. Revenue and profit have shown modest growth, but NPAs remain high due to local economic conditions and industry challenges. The bank could benefit from growth in local infrastructure and tourism in J&K. Digital banking initiatives and expansions outside J&K offer additional growth potential.

#### Adani Energy **Solutions Shares Drop 9% as MSCI Excludes Stock**

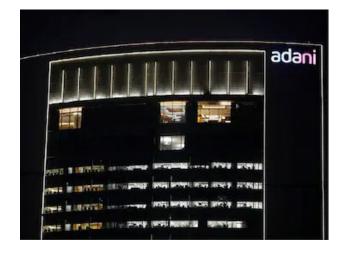
Shares of Adani Energy Solutions plunged over 9% on November 7 after the stock was excluded from the MSCI Global Standard Index in its November review. The market had been expecting the stock's inclusion, but MSCI opted to delay its decision due to ongoing concerns about the company's free float.

The exclusion came as a blow to investors, especially after MSCI had raised expectations for Adani Energy Solutions' entry into the prestigious index. In its latest review, MSCI confirmed that it would not be adding the stock, citing issues related to its free float—specifically, a lack of clarity regarding the company's shareholding structure.

MSCI explained that Adani Energy Solutions had been issued a show-cause notice by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) for potential wrongful categorization of certain shareholdings. This notice raised concerns about the true extent of the company's freely available shares for international investors, prompting MSCI to withhold any changes to the stock's foreign inclusion factor (FIF) and domestic inclusion factor (DIF) in its index.

MSCI's decision also means there will be no increase in the number of shares (NOS) for Adani Energy Solutions as part of the November 2024 Index Review. The firm indicated that the stock would remain under scrutiny until further clarification is provided by SEBI regarding its free

Meanwhile, the latest MSCI review did see other stocks, such as BSE, Voltas, Alkem Laboratories, Kalyan Jewellers, and Oberoi Realty, make their way into the Global Standard Index. These additions are expected to draw attention from global investors and could lead to increased foreign investments in these companies.



### India's Fuel Demand Increases 2.9%, Petrol and LPG Sales See Strong Growth

India's fuel demand saw a 2.9 percent rise in October compared to the same month last year, as per data released by the Petroleum Planning and Analysis Cell (PPAC) of the Ministry of Petroleum. Total fuel consumption in the country reached 20.04 million metric tons during the month.

Petrol sales experienced a notable surge, rising by 8.6 percent year-on-year to 3.41 million tons. This increase reflects stronger demand for personal vehicles and transportation fuels, especially as the festive season in



India typically boosts consumption.

Diesel consumption, which is a key indicator of industrial and transportation activity, saw a modest increase of 0.1 percent, totaling 7.64 million tons in October. While this was a In contrast, naphtha sales saw dicates steady demand in the commercial and logistics sectors.

(LPG), commonly used for cooking, also saw a significant uptick, with sales growing 9.3 percent to reach 2.73 million

Liquefied Petroleum Gas

tons. The rise in LPG consumption is largely attributed to the government's efforts to expand household connections under its Ujjwala Yojana scheme, aimed at providing clean cooking fuel to rural households.

slower growth rate com- a slight decline of 1.1 percent, toared to petrol, it still in- taling 1.18 million tons. Naphtha is primarily used in the petrochemical industry, and its decrease in sales could be linked to changes in industrial demand or production shifts.

> Meanwhile, sales of bitumen, a key material for road construction, fell 7.2 percent, reflecting possible slowdowns in infrastructure projects. On the other hand, fuel oil consumption saw a sharp 23.4 percent increase, driven by higher demand from industries relying on fuel oil for power generation and other

## Tata Steel Reports Strong Recovery with Profit in Q2 FY202

Tata Steel Ltd. reported a strong recovery in its financial performance for the July-September quarter (Q2 FY2024), posting a net profit of Rs 833 crore. This marked a significant rebound from a loss of Rs 6,196 crore in the same quarter last year.

The company's revenue from operations for the quarter stood at Rs 53,905 crore, reflecting a 3% decline year-on-year. However, the net profit showed a positive shift, driven by improvements in operational efficiency and cost management. Tata Steel also reported an EBITDA of Rs 6,141 crore, with margins of 11.4%, signaling a healthy performance despite the overall revenue dip.

In its quarterly update, Tata Steel



acknowledged challenges in its UK operations, which have been facing losses due to high energy costs and other macroeconomic factors. The company disclosed that Tata Steel Europe Ltd (TSE), its wholly owned subsidiary, is exposed to climate-related risks move is part of TSE's decarboni-

that may impact future cash flows. The company is also undergoing a significant transformation with plans to transition from traditional blast furnace production to electric arc furnace-based production. This

sation efforts.

In September 2024, TSE signed a Grant Funding Agreement (GFA) with the UK government for the decarbonisation process, securing government funding alongside the company's commitment to infuse equity into Tata Steel UK (TSUK). The company assured that TSUK now has access to sufficient liquidity to fund its operations, alleviating concerns over the going concern assessment.

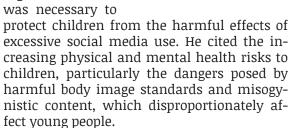
Additionally, Tata Steel announced the appointment of Pramod Agrawal as an Independent Director on its board, effective November 6, 2024. Agrawal's appointment was approved by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee.





### Australia proposes ban on social media for children under 16

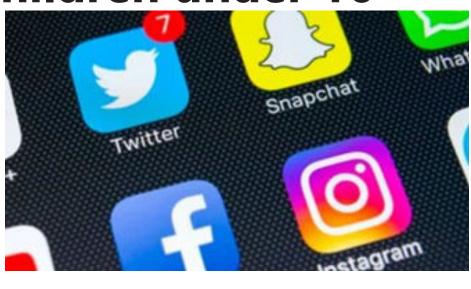
Australia's Prime Min-Anthony Albanese, has announced groundbreaking plan to ban somedia use for children under the age of 16. Speaking at a news conference on Thursday, Alcalled new poli-"world-leading" and said it



"If you're a 14-year-old kid getting this stuff at a time when you're going through life's changes, it can be a really difficult time," Albanese said. "What we're doing is listening and then acting."

The Australian government is taking proactive steps to implement the ban, which could come into effect by the end of 2025. The new policy includes a trial of an age-verification system aimed at blocking children from accessing platforms like Instagram, Facebook, TikTok, and YouTube. Legislation for the ban will be introduced in parliament later this year, and the laws will take effect 12 months after ratification.

Importantly, the ban will apply to all children,



regardless of whether they have parental consent or existing social media accounts. The responsibility for enforcing the age restrictions will lie with the social media platforms themselves, with companies expected to prove they are taking reasonable steps to prevent underage users from accessing their services.

The proposed policy has received support from the opposition Liberal Party, while communications minister Michelle Rowland confirmed that platforms such as Meta's Instagram and Facebook, TikTok, and X (formerly Twitter) would be impacted.

This move positions Australia at the forefront of international efforts to regulate social media use among children. While other countries like France have proposed similar measures, Australia's policy is one of the most stringent to date. The government's bold stance signals a growing recognition of the risks posed by social media to young users and a commitment to protecting children from harmful digital content.

#### **Portland Airport Introduces Therapy** Llamas to Ease Traveler Stress

Tn a unique and heartwarming initiative, Portland International Airport has introduced a herd of therapy llamas to help passengers relax and alleviate travel-related stress. Following the growing trend of bringing pets into workplaces to promote mental well-being, the airport has taken a fun and innovative approach to enhance the overall airport experi-



The llamas, known for their calming presence, are stationed throughout the airport, offering passengers a moment of peace and joy. Dressed in festive costumes, including cozy coats adorned with "I Heart PDX" neckerchiefs and pompom headbands, these friendly animals add an extra layer of charm to the airport's atmosphere. Their bright and colorful attire is designed to not only bring smiles but also create a welcoming, stress-free environment for travelers passing through.

Portland International Airport has partnered with Mountain Peaks Therapy Llamas and Alpacas, a local organization that specializes in bringing therapy animals to public spaces. This collaboration ensures that the lla-

mas are well-trained and equipped to interact with passengers in a way that is both safe and enjoyable. Whether travelers are rushing through security or waiting for their flights, the llamas offer a comforting presence, helping to reduce anxiety and promote relaxation.

The presence of therapy animals at the airport is a part of a broader initiative to make travel more pleasant and less stress-

ful for passengers. Airports around the world have increasingly recognized the therapeutic benefits of animals, with therapy dogs being common sights in many terminals. However, Portland's decision to bring in llamas adds a unique twist, combining therapy with a bit of

As air travel can often be a stressful experience, Portland International Airport's therapy llamas provide a delightful and effective way to ease passengers' nerves, making their journey just a little bit more enjoyable. The initiative is a perfect example of how creativity and care can transform everyday spaces into places of comfort and joy.

### **New Android Malware** \*ToxicPanda\* Targets Bank **Accounts Over Devices**

ybersecurity researchers have recently uncovered a new and dangerous Android malware known as \*ToxicPanda\*, which has already infected over 1,500 devices. This banking trojan is designed to steal money from bank accounts and typically spreads through sideloading—where apps are installed from third-party sources instead of official app stores. \*ToxicPanda\* often disguises itself as popular apps, including Google Chrome, to deceive users into installing it.

Discovered by Cleafly Intelligence last month, \*ToxicPanda\* was initially thought to be related to another banking trojan, \*TgToxic\*, which targeted users in Southeast Asia. However, further analysis revealed that the code behind \*ToxicPanda\* is significantly different, indicating that it is a new threat with its own set of malicious tactics.

The main objective of \*ToxicPanda\* is to initiate unauthorized money transfers from infected Android devices. It uses methods such as "account takeover" and "On-Device fraud" to bypass security measures set by banks. These include identity verification processes, multi-factor authentication, and behavioral detection systems that aim to flag suspicious transactions.

Despite its sophisticated approach, \*ToxicPanda\* appears to be still in development. Researchers have noted that some of the malware's commands are incomplete, with several placeholders that do not yet serve a functional purpose.

However, the malware has the ability to remotely control a compromised device by exploiting Android's accessibility services. This allows \*ToxicPanda\* to operate even when the user is not actively using their phone.

As \*ToxicPanda\* continues to evolve, cybersecurity experts urge Android users to be cautious when sideloading apps and to regularly update their devices to minimize the risk of infection. The rise of such banking trojans underscores the growing threats in the mobile security landscape, particularly for users who may inadvertently download malicious apps from untrusted sources.



### **Rare Sighting: Emperor Penguin Found** on Beach in Western Australia

Tn an extraordinary and **⊥**rare event, an emperor penguin has been spotted on a beach in Australia, marking the first recorded sighting of the species so far north. The penguin was found on Ocean Beach in Denmark, Western Australia, on Friday, more than 3,540 kilometers away from its native Antarctic home. The bird appeared malnourished, likely due to its long journey and unfamiliar conditions.

The penguin, described as "way bigger than a seabird,"

was immediately taken into care by a trained and registered local wildlife carer. The Western Australia Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) confirmed that the penguin is undergoing a rehabilitation process, which is expected to take a few weeks. A spokesperson from the DBCA added that the wildlife carer is receiving support from a DBCA officer to ensure the penguin's recovery.

This remarkable sighting has sparked much curiosity among researchers. According to Belinda Cannell, a research fellow at the University of



Western Australia, the penguin may have followed an ocean current that carried it further north than usual. "What they tend to do is follow certain currents where they can find various types of food," Cannell explained. "These currents may have shifted a little further north, bringing the penguin to Australia."

Local surfer Aaron Fowler, who was one of the first to encounter the penguin, described the moment with awe. "It was massive, much bigger than a seabird. We

couldn't believe what we were seeing," he said. "It waddled right up to us, probably about a meter high, and didn't seem shy at all."

Emperor penguins are typically found in the icy waters of Antarctica, and this unexpected journey to Australia is an unusual and fascinating event for both wildlife experts and the local community. As the penguin receives care, scientists are keen to learn more about how it ended up so far from home and what its journey might reveal about changing ocean currents.

#### The Science of Forgetting: Why We Forget and How It Can Be Beneficial

 $\mathbf{F}$ orgetting is an everyday experience. Whether it's walking into a room and forgetting why you went there, or failing to remember someone's name, we all forget things regularly. But why do we forget? Is it a sign of memory impairment, or could there be benefits to forgetting?

The concept of forgetting was first explored by German psychologist Hermann Ebbinghaus in the 19th century, who introduced the "forgetting curve." Ebbinghaus showed that people forget most of the details of new information rapidly, but the rate of forgetting slows down over time. This concept has since been supported by modern neuroscientific research.

Forgetting, however, is not always a negative process. Our brains are constantly bombarded with information, and if we remembered ev-



erything, it would be increasingly difficult to retain what truly matters. To manage this, our brains naturally filter out unimportant details. Nobel laureate Eric Kandel and other researchers have shown that memory formation occurs when synaptic connections between neurons something reinforces these connections, while irrelevant details are forgotten. This mechanism helps us prioritize important memories, even though distractions and memory impairments may increase with

Forgetting also plays a role in helping us adapt to new information. Consider your daily commute. Over time, your brain strengthens memories of your regular route. However, if a road is closed and you

take a new route, your brain needs to adjust. It does so by weakening old memory connections and creating new ones. This flexibility is vital for In essence, forgetting is a complex process that adapting to changing environments.

From an evolutionary perspective, forgetting old

are strengthened. Paying attention to information in favor of new memories was crucial for survival. For instance, if a hunter-gatherer repeatedly visited a water source, but one day encountered danger there, their brain needed to update the memory to recognize the location as unsafe.

> Interestingly, forgetting may not always be about memory loss but could be linked to our ability to access memories. Research with rodents has shown that memories can be reactivated by stimulating specific brain connections, demonstrating how our brains can "revive" forgotten memories under certain conditions.

serves both functional and adaptive purposes, helping us navigate and survive in an ever-changing world.



## PLAY ZONE

### Musiala's Goal Seals Bayern's 1-0 Win Over Benfica

 ${f B}$ ayern Munich bounced back in the Champions League on Wednesday with a hardfought 1-0 home win over Benfica, thanks to a second-half goal from Jamal Musiala. The victory was crucial for Bayern, who had suffered back-to-back losses earlier in the competition and found themselves on the brink of falling out of the knockout spots.

Musiala's goal came after 69 minutes when he headed in a precise cross from Harry Kane, breaking through a resolute Benfica defense. Despite dominating possession, Bayern struggled to carve out clear-cut chances, and the game was played in a tense atmosphere, with the home fans remaining silent out of respect for a hospitalized supporter. The team's usual boisterous support was notably absent, adding to the pressure as Bayern sought to break Benfica's defensive lines.

In his post-match comments, Musiala reflected on the win, saying, "We had good moments. The opponent defended well. It was very important to get three points today. We don't have to win every game by four or five goals. Sometimes 1-0 is enough. We had to be patient, and now we carry on and look to the next game."

Bayern's coach, Vincent Kompany, echoed this sentiment, adding, "Sometimes it's good to win like this – even though we prefer to win by three or four. I knew we needed to stay patient and calm, and we did that well. It was a good game and a good win."

Bayern's shaky start in this season's Champions League had left them sitting in 17th place, just behind Dinamo Zagreb, whom they had demolished 9-2 in their opening match. The victory over Benfica, while crucial, leaves them with much work to do, especially with the Champions League final scheduled to take place on home soil in Munich this season. Next up for Bayern is a tough clash against Paris Saint-Ger-



The match itself was delayed by 15 minutes due to public transport issues, and Bayern's fans remained subdued after the medical emergency in the stands. Despite that, Bayern showed resolve, with Musiala and Michael Olise driving forward from the wings. Serge Gnabry had the best chance of the first half, forcing a strong save from Benfica's Anatoliy Trubin with a half-volley in the 38th minute.

As the match wore on, Bayern grew increasingly nervous, though Benfica failed to capitalize on Bayern's high defensive line and counter-attacks. The breakthrough finally came after Leroy Sané, who had just come on as a substitute, found Kane, who then set up Musiala for the decisive goal.

Bayern Munich now looks ahead to their final match before the international break, facing St. Pauli in Hamburg on Saturday, as they continue to work towards regaining their momentum in both domestic and European competitions.

### **PV Sindhu Opens Center For Badminton And Sports Excellence In Visakhapatnam**

Badminton champion P.V. Sindhu took a significant step toward promoting sports in Andhra Pradesh by performing the Bhumi Puja for her much-anticipated Badminton and Sports Excellence Center in Visakhapatnam on Thursday. The Olympic silver medallist, accompanied by her parents, participated in the traditional rituals conducted by priests in the Thotaguru area, marking the beginning of this exciting new venture.

The new center is being built on two acres of land that was allotted to champions. Sindhu by the Andhra Pradesh government in

2021. Expressing her gratitude to Chief Minister Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy for the land allocation, Sindhu reiterated her commitment to developing sports in the state, especially badminton. The academy aims to provide worldclass training facilities for young athletes, with a focus on grooming them for top-level national and international competitions.

Speaking about the project, Sindhu, who is also the first Indian woman to become the Badminton World Champion, said that her primary objective is to nurture and develop the next generation of badminton stars. She emphasized that the academy would not only focus on honing technical skills but also on creating an environment that fosters mental and physical fitness, key aspects in producing



The construction of the academy will begin soon, and Sindhu hopes that it will be completed within a year. Once ready, the center will serve as a hub for budding badminton talent in the region and is expected to play a significant role in the development of the sport in Andhra Pradesh and beyond.

Sindhu's initiative reflects her dedication to giving back to the sport that has given her so much, as well as her vision of elevating badminton standards in India. The center is set to become an important addition to the growing sports infrastructure in the state and could provide future champions with the resources needed to excel at the highest levels of com-

#### Kiran George Upsets Third Seed to Reach Quarterfinals of Korea Masters Tndia's Kiran George continued his tually clinching the first game 21-17.

**▲**impressive run at the Korea Masters In the second game, George was again badminton tournament on Thurs- in control early on but was unable to day, securing a place in the quarter- hold off a determined comeback from finals with a hard-fought win over Jen, who leveled the score at 1-1 after third-seeded Chi Yu Jen of Chinese Tai- taking the second game 21-19. pei. The 24-year-old shuttler displayed exceptional resilience, winning the second-round match 21-17, 19-21, 21-17 in a thrilling contest that lasted 1 hour and 15 minutes.

George, ranked 44th in the world, started strongly against Jen, who is currently ranked 31st. He took an early lead in the opening game and managed to maintain it throughout, even-

The decider was a rollercoaster, with George initially racing to an 8-2 lead. However, Jen responded with grit, clawing his way back to 14-14 and then to 17-17. At this crucial juncture, George found another gear and seized control, reeling off the final few points to seal the match 21-17, sending him into the quarterfinals.

Earlier in the tournament, George had already shown his fighting spirit by defeating Vietnam's Kuan Lin Kuo in a tough opening-round encounter, winning 15-21, 21-12, 21-15.

With his latest victory, George, the lone Indian shuttler in the tournament, will now face fifth-seed Takuma Obayashi of Japan in the quarterfinals. The win marks a significant achievement for the young Indian, who continues to impress at the BWF Super 300 event in Iksan City, Korea, and aims for a deeper run in the com-

#### PSG Stunned by Atletico Madrid in 2-1 Defeat, Fall Into Elimination Zone

Paris Saint-Germain (PSG) suffered a disappointing 2-1 defeat at home to Atletico Madrid on Wednesday, leaving the Ligue 1 leaders in a precarious position in the Champions League group stage. The loss, which came in the dying moments of the match, pushed PSG into the elimination zone, leaving their chances of progressing to the knockout rounds in jeopardy.

The match started on a promising note for PSG when Warren Zaire-Emery opened the scoring in the 13th minute. The young midfielder's strike gave the Parisians an early advantage, and the home

crowd at the Parc des Princes hoped it would be the catalyst for a comfortable victory. However, Atletico Madrid quickly responded. Just 10 minutes after PSG's opener, Nahuel Molina leveled the score with a well-placed header that beat goalkeeper Gianluigi Donnarumma. The equalizer came from a well-executed cross, showcasing Atletico's clinical counter-attacking style.

The first half ended with the score tied at 1-1, and despite PSG dominating possession, they struggled to break down Atletico's resolute defense. The hosts came out strong in the second half, but they were unable to capitalize on their chances, with Lionel Messi and Kylian Mbappé both having efforts thwarted by Atletico's solid backline.



As the match approached its final stages, PSG's hopes of securing a crucial victory were dashed. In the 86th minute, Atletico Madrid's Antoine Griezmann, who had been a constant threat throughout the game, delivered a pinpoint pass to substitute Alvaro Morata. The striker latched onto the ball and fired a shot past Donnarumma, securing all three points for the Spanish side.

The defeat leaves PSG in a difficult position in the Champions League, having failed to win both of their last two matches. They now face a tough battle to avoid elimination as they head into the final round of groupstage fixtures.

#### **Inter Milan Maintain Perfect Record** with 1-0 Win Over Opponents

**T**nter Milan secured **L**a narrow 1-0 victory against their rivals on Wednesday, thanks to a controversially-awarded penalty converted by Hakan Calhanoglu just before halftime. The win took Inter to 10 points from four group-stage matches in the Champions League, keeping them firmly in contention to progress to the knockout rounds.

The match turned on the pivotal moment just before the break when a penalty was awarded to Inter after a disputed challenge in the box. Despite protests from the opposing side, the referee pointed to the spot, and Calhanoglu stepped up confidently to send the ball past the goalkeeper, giving Inter a 1-0 lead at the interval.

While the penalty decision drew some criticism for its perceived lack of clarity, Inter remained resolute in the second half, holding on to their slender advantage. Despite continued pressure from the visitors, the Nerazzurri were able to weather the storm, with their defense



maintaining its composure to keep the opposition at bay.

The victory extended Inter's remarkable record in this year's Champions League. With four games played, they have not only maintained a perfect record, securing 10 points, but they have also yet to concede a single goal. This defensive

achievement has been a standout feature of their campaign, with only Serie A giants Juventus matching them in this regard. Inter's impressive defensive resilience has been a key factor in their success so far, and they will look to continue this strong form in the remaining group-stage fixtures.

Coach Simone Inzaghi will be particularly pleased with the result, as Inter continue to dominate their group, keeping a firm grip on top spot. As they head into the final two rounds, they remain in pole position to secure their place in the knockout stage, with a solid defensive unit and clinical finishing proving key to their continued success in Eu-





#### **Anushka Shetty's Birthday Special: First Look of** \*Ghaati\* Released

On the occasion of Anushka Shetty's birthday, her fans have been treated to an exciting surprise—the first look of her much-anticipated film \*Ghaati\* has officially been released. Directed by the acclaimed Jagarlamudi Krishna (popularly known as Krish), best known for his work in films like \*Kanche\* and \*Veda\*, \*Ghaati\* marks a significant project in Anushka's career. After an extensive four-year shooting process, the film has now officially wrapped up production, and the makers chose to unveil the first look on Anushka's special day, making the moment even more memorable for her fans.

The poster of \*Ghaati\* teases a riveting narrative, with the tagline "Victim, Criminal, Legend," suggesting that Anushka will be taking on a complex and powerful role. The intense and dramatic look on her face in the poster hints at a character that could be as impactful as her iconic portrayal of Arundhati in the past. The anticipation surrounding her performance is already at a high, and this first look has only intensified excitement for the movie's release.

In addition to the poster, the film's team has confirmed that a special teaser of \*Ghaati\* will be unveiled today at 4:05 PM, building up further buzz around the project. Following the box office disappointment of her previous film, \*Kondapolam\*, fans are eager to see Anushka back in a meaty role under the direction of Krish, whose visionary work in \*Kanche\* and \*Veda\* earned critical acclaim.

\*Ghaati\* is being produced under the prestigious UV Creations banner, known for its track record of backing successful projects in Tollywood. With high expectations riding on this collaboration, \*Ghaati\* is expected to bring Anushka Shetty back to her roots of powerful, largerthan-life roles, making it one of the most eagerly awaited films in her

Fans are excited to see Anushka return to the big screen with \*Ghaati\*, and all eyes will be on the upcoming teaser release to get a deeper glimpse into this epic drama.

### Kamal Haasan Thug Life **Teaser Released**

The much-anticipated film \*Thug Life\* has generated massive excitement as the teaser was officially released, marking the reunion of two legends— Kamal Haasan and Mani Ratnam. This marks the first collaboration between the iconic actor and director in 37 years, since their groundbreaking film \*Nayagan\* (1987), widely regarded as one of the greatest films in Indian cinema. Expectations are sky-high as \*Thug Life\* promises to bring together their unparalleled creative energies once again.

In \*Thug Life\*, Kamal Haasan takes on the powerful role of Rangaraya Shaktivel Naykar, a character that is set to showcase his exceptional acting range, much like his celebrated performances in \*Vishwaroopam\* and \*Vikram\*. The teaser offers a glimpse into Haasan's intense screen presence, signaling that the film will deliver another unforgettable performance from the actor. The film also features Trisha as the female lead, with Simbu and Ashok Selvan playing crucial roles in the storyline, adding further intrigue to the project.

The shooting for \*Thug Life\* has already been completed, and the movie is slated for release on June 5, 2025. Fans



are eager to witness this star-studded reunion, especially given the legendary combination of Kamal Haasan and Mani Ratnam, whose last collaboration was more than three decades ago. The teaser has already generated a buzz, with its gripping visuals and the promise of a high-octane drama that fans have come to expect from both Haasan and Ratnam.

The music for \*Thug Life\* is being composed by the world-renowned A.R. Rah-

man, adding yet another layer of anticipation to the project. Produced by Kamal Haasan under his own banner, Raj Kamal Productions, \*Thug Life\* is poised to be one of the most talked-about films of

With its stellar cast, visionary director, and a powerhouse lead, \*Thug Life\* is undoubtedly one of the most awaited films in Indian cinema, and the newly released teaser has only added to the excitement.



#### Nani and Srikanth Odela Team Up for 'The Paradise' First Look Released

After the massive success of \*Dasara\*, Nani has reunited with director Srikanth Odela for their much-anticipated second collaboration. The duo, who delivered a blockbuster with their first venture, has now unveiled the official title of their upcoming project, \*The Paradise\*, along with a striking first look poster.

The title announcement has already sparked a wave of excitement among fans, and the poster reveals that the gripping narrative that promises to keep audiences on the edge of their seats.

One of the most intriguing elements of the title \*The Paradise\* is the subtle reference to "Charminar," which hints that the story will unfold against the vibrant yet turbulent backdrop of Hyderabad. The city, known for its rich history and modern hustle, will likely play a pivotal role in shaping the film's in Tollywood. intense, action-driven storyline.

While the specific plot details are still under wraps, the strong visuals and ominous tone of the teaser suggest that \*The Paradise\* will explore a world filled with crime, power, and dark secrets. The choice of the title further hints that the film could deal with the contrasting worlds of beauty and violence, with the "paradise" perhaps symbolizing the allure of a dangerous world.

Fans of Nani are particularly excited to film is set to be an intense, bold, and see the actor in a new, more intense action-packed thriller. With a clear role after his mass appeal in \*Dasara\*. emphasis on guns, weapons, and dark Srikanth Odela's direction, coupled with tones, the poster suggests a violent and Nani's dynamic screen presence, has already set high expectations for this film. The movie is expected to delve into the raw, unforgiving side of life, and with the backdrop of Hyderabad, it will surely offer a fresh, gripping experience.

> With \*The Paradise\*, Nani and Srikanth Odela are all set to bring a powerful action thriller to the screen that will likely become one of the most awaited films

#### Suhas Janaka Aithe Ganaka Hits OTT

Promising young actor Suhas, known for his versatile performances, recently starred in the comedy-drama \*Janaka Aithe Ganaka\*. After its theatrical release on October 12, 2024, the film received mixed reviews for its courtroom drama narrative and quirky approach. Now, the movie has made its way to the OTT platform Aha for streaming, but with a catch that has left many viewers talking.



Prasad, Murali Sharma, Goparaju Ramana, and others. The film's courtroom setting and the mix of humor and drama are expected to engage viewers, although early reviews have been divided on the film's pacing and storyline.

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The film is produced by Hanshita Reddy and Harshith Reddy, with Tollywood mogul Dil Raju presenting the proj-

ect. Music for the film is composed by Vijai Bulganin, adding to the anticipation for its release.

With \*Janaka Aithe Ganaka\* now available for OTT streaming, all eyes will be on how the audience responds. Will the film's unique take on the courtroom genre and its ensemble cast make it a hit on Aha, or will the wait for non-Gold subscribers affect its overall reception? Only time will tell, so stay tuned for more updates on the film's OTT performance and upcoming releases.

## Kanguva Set for Grand Release; Suriya 45 Shoot Begins etar Suriya is gear etar Suriya is gear-

Kollywood star Suriya is gearing up for the grand release of his highly anticipated film \*Kanguva\*, which is set to hit screens on November 14, 2024. This period action drama, directed by Siva, marks Suriya's 44th film and is one of the most talked-about projects of the year. The film will be released in Tamil, Telugu, and across India, making it a major Pan-India release.

To build momentum for \*Kanguva\*, Suriya's team has already organized grand pro-

motional events in Kochi and Chennai, with the and the excitement surrounding this project is al-Telugu pre-release event scheduled for today in Hyderabad. The buzz around the film continues to grow as the release date draws near, thanks to its action-packed storyline and historical setting.

However, Suriya isn't stopping there. Even as \*Kanguva\* prepares for its release, the actor's fans are already buzzing with news of his next projects. One of the most exciting updates is about \*Suriya 44\*, directed by Karthik Subbaraju, which has already completed its shooting. Though details about the film's storyline remain under wraps, expectations



with the film likely to generate significant interest given Suriya's stellar track record.

Additionally, Suriya is reportedly gearing up to begin work on \*Suriya 45\*, which will start shooting in Coimbatore on November 18, 2024. According to the latest reports, \*Suriya 45\* will be a fantasy film set against the backdrop of Bhakti (devotion), a theme that has piqued the curiosity of audiences. Fans are eager to see how Suriya brings this unique concept to life on screen,

ready palpable.

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Directed by Sandeep Reddy Bandla, \*Janaka Aithe Ganaka\* features a strong ensemble cast that includes Sangeerthana Vipin, Ven-

waiting to watch the film.

The film is currently available exclusively

to Aha Gold subscribers, creating a divide

among users. Regular Aha subscribers will

have to wait until tomorrow, November 8,

2024, to access the movie. The question re-

mains whether this exclusive access will

drive more subscriptions or lead to mixed

reactions from the OTT audience who are

tion surrounding \*Kanguva\*, Suriya is showing no signs of slowing down. With \*Suriya 45\* about to begin its journey, the actor is keeping fans and the industry on edge, building curiosity for what's next. The actor's commitment to maintaining a packed slate of projects, without taking a break, has only heightened the anticipation for his up-