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Minister Ponnam Prabhakar Launches Comprehensive Family Survey in Telangana

Commencement of Caste Census Survey in Telangana Caste Census survey to be conducted in two phases Minister Ponnam who started the survey in Hyderabad Appointment of one enumerator for 150 households



TPN, **Hyderabad**: Minister Ponnam Prabhakar inaugurated a comprehensive family survey across Telangana, aimed at collecting detailed information on various aspects of households statewide. The launch event was attended by Mayor Vijayalakshmi, Deputy Mayor, Hyderabad Collector Anudeep, and GHMC officials. The minister presented survey kits to the enumerators and outlined the key objectives of the survey, urging public cooperation.

Minister Prabhakar explained that the survey will cover approximately 1.74 crore households across Telangana, with 87,900 enumera-

tors appointed statewide to carry out the data collection. In Greater Hyderabad, over 19,000 enumerators will survey the 2.8 million households. Each enumerator is tasked with covering 150 households, and stickers will be placed on homes over the first three days as part of the initial outreach. Following this, the data collection will occur daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The survey consists of 75 questions divided into two parts across eight pages. Part-1 collects personal details about the family head and members, including information on education, employment, land ownership, reservation benefits,

migration, political affiliations, and caste. Part-2 gathers additional family-related data, with 17 questions in total, seven of which are primary, while the rest are supplementary. Minister Prabhakar emphasized that there will be no requirement to provide photocopies of documents, and only Aadhaar details are optional. No photographs or documents will be collected during the survey, ensuring minimal intrusion into household privacy.

Highlighting the survey's goal, Minister Prabhakar stated that the data will support fair and inclusive policymaking for all communities in the future. He reassured the public that the questions were formulated based on widespread consultation, aimed solely at addressing the needs and demographics of Telangana's diverse population. Minister Prabhakar also addressed concerns from the opposition, emphasizing that the survey should not be politicized. He invited opposition leaders to approach him directly with any concerns instead of creating unnecessary controversy.





CM Revanth Reddy Discusses Caste Enumeration and Social Survey with Governor

TPN, Hyderabad: Chief Minister Revanth Reddy met with Governor Jishnu Dev Varma at Raj Bhavan to discuss the ongoing caste enumeration and the comprehensive social survey recently launched in Telangana. During their discussion, the Governor emphasized the need to ensure that economically disadvantaged groups are not adversely affected by the survey and related processes.

CM Reddy assured the Governor that his administration has prioritized the welfare of the poor, highlighting initiatives such as the provision of double-bedroom houses. He also confirmed that necessary compensation would be provided to those in need, reinforcing the government's commitment to assisting vulnerable populations.The Chief Minister briefed the Governor on the objectives of the statewide survey, which covers social, economic, educational, employment, political, and caste demographics.



KTR Alleges Rs 9,910 Crore Scandal in **Congress-Led Irrigation Contracts**

Deputy CM Bhatti Announces Rs 3,000 Crore Interest-Free Loans for Women in Hyderabad

The government has uncovered massive corruption in two irrigation projects Kodangal-Narayanapet project tenders awarded to Minister Ponguleti's **MEIL and Raghava Constructions**

The commission of inquiry said that the Megha company should be blacklisted in the incident of wall collapse in Sunkishala project

TPN , Hyderabad : BRS working president KT Rama Rao has accused the Con- 🗵 gress-led Telangana government of a massive corruption scandal in awarding irrigation contracts worth Rs 9,910 crore. He alleged that Chief Minister Revanth Reddy had approved these contracts with serious procedural violations, raising concerns over potential conflicts of interest and inflated project costs. KTR high-

lighted two major projects under scrutiny: the Rs 4,350

crore Kodangal-Narayanpet Lift Irrigation Scheme



(LIS) and a Rs 5,560 crore project aimed at transferring water from Mallanna Sagar to the Musi River for rejuvenation efforts. Contracts for these projects were awarded to Megha Engineering and Infrastructure Limited (MEIL) and Raghava Constructions, a company owned by Minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy's family. According to KTR, these awards violate the Office of Profit Act and exhibit blatant

conflicts of interest.

Bhatti Vikramarka's key comments at the bankers' meeting Bankers need not worry about HYDRA..

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The recovery rate of SHGs is more than 98 percent

TPN, Hyderabad: Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka Mallu announced an initiative to provide Rs 3,000 crore in interest-free loans to women in Hyderabad, with plans to expand the program to Rs 5,000 crore. In a meeting with bankers, he emphasized the need for increased financial support to Self-Help Groups (SHGs), noting their impressive loan recovery rate of over 98%. Deputy CM Bhatti urged bankers to lend confidently to SHGs, assuring them there was no need to worry about regulatory concerns from HYDRA, as HYDRA does not grant permissions but supports public welfare projects.



Trump Wins 2024 US Presidential Election in a Landslide Victory, Hails "Magnificent" Comeback



Washington, Nov 6, 2024 : In one of ing victory in the 2024 US presidential the most stunning political come- election, defeating incumbent Vice backs in US history, 78-year-old Don- President Kamala Harris. With more ald Trump has secured a command- than 270 electoral votes needed to

Harris has currently secured 224 votes, with results still coming in from some battleground states.

Trump, who had faced an assassination attempt on July 13, 2024, described his victory as "magnificent" and said that "God spared my life for a reason." His remarks reflected the deeply personal nature of his triumph, which came after a grueling and often contentious campaign.

"This is a magnificent victory for the American people," Trump declared in his victory speech. "We have made history tonight. The greatest political movement of all time has achieved the most incredible political win. We Additionally, Republicans have rewill help this country heal, fix our

ised. I want to thank the American people. I will fight for you and your family with every breath in my body."

A significant factor in Trump's victory was his success in key battleground states, with Republicans sweeping seven states that had been Democratic strongholds in the 2020 election. Trump won crucial swing states like Georgia, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, and North Carolina, while also leading in Arizona, Michigan, and Nevada. The shift in these states, which had gone 6-1 in favor of Democrats in the 2020 election, was instrumental in securing his electoral college win.

gained control of both the Senate and

win, Trump clinched 280 votes, while borders, and do what we have prom- the House of Representatives, further strengthening Trump's political mandate.

> In his speech, Trump thanked his supporters, his running mate JD Vance, his wife Melania Trump, and his children for their unwavering support throughout the campaign. He also expressed gratitude to Tesla CEO and X owner Elon Musk, who had been an outspoken supporter of Trump's candidacy.

> "We have to thank Elon Musk for his incredible support," Trump said, referring to the tech billionaire who played a pivotal role in rallying support for the Republi-

can campaign.





"Magnificent" Comeback

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As the victory celebrations continue, Trump's resounding win sets the stage for what promises to be a transformative second term in office. With control of both houses of Congress and a strong political mandate, Trump has vowed to push forward with his agenda of border reform, economic revitalization, and strengthening America's position on the global stage.

For now, Trump's victory has reshaped the American political landscape and positioned him for a powerful comeback in Washington. The nation, it seems, is ready to witness the next chapter of his tumultuous but extraordinary political career.

Family Survey in Telangana

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The survey will be conducted through door-to-door visits, with enumerators placing informational stickers on homes and distributing survey information. Minister Prabhakar reiterated that all household members do not need to be present during the survey, simplifying the process for busy families. The survey will officially commence on November 9 and is expected to provide comprehensive insights into the demographics, economic conditions, and social needs of Telangana's population.

This effort underscores the government's commitment to data-driven policies and inclusive development, aiming to ensure that all communities across Telangana benefit from targeted social and economic programs.

Social Survey with Governor

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He expressed confidence that Telangana's survey would serve as a model for other states and requested that the central government consider Telangana's findings in the 2025 national census. Following the meeting, CM Reddy extended a personal invitation to the Governor to attend his niece's upcoming wedding.

Led Irrigation Contracts

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Rama Rao further criticized the Congress government for ignoring a departmental inquiry recommendation to blacklist MEIL after a retaining wall collapse at the Sunkisala project. He called the incident "criminal negligence" and condemned the administration for continuing to grant contracts to the company despite these





TPN , **Siddipet** : Former Minister and Siddipet MLA Harish Rao has sharply criticized Chief Minister Revanth Reddy's government, accusing it of abandoning Telangana's farmers and prioritizing brokers over genuine agricultural support. During a visit to

ghavpur village on Wednesday, Rao called the current administration a "vulture government" and condemned its delayed efforts in procuring paddy, which he claimed have caused significant losses for local farmers.

the Wadla buying center in Ra- Harish Rao highlighted that,

despite promises to procure 91 lakh metric tons of paddy, the government failed to establish IKP centers in a timely manner, forcing farmers to sell their crops to brokers at lower prices. He cited the example of farmer Abdula Devayya, who reportedly suffered a loss of Rs. 81,000 due to delayed payments and the absence of promised bonuses, selling his paddy at a reduced rate of Rs. 1,900 per quintal.

"This is not a government for farmers; it's a vulture government," Rao declared, expressing concerns over the lack of prompt payment to farmers. He urged the administration to pay farmers within 48 hours of procurement to restore their confidence. "When KCR was in office, there was timely support, from loan waivers to providing fertilizers

and gunny bags," he added, contrasting the current administration's performance.

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Harish Rao also criticized the unfulfilled Rs. 2 lakh loan waiver, stating that many eligible farmers have yet to benefit from it. He claimed that 30 percent of paddy farmers in Telangana have had to sell their produce to middlemen instead of receiving fair prices.

The former minister demanded the immediate release of Rs. 15,000 owed to farmers under Rythu Bandhu for the monsoon and Yasangi crops. He condemned Revanth Reddy's government for "breaking the trust" of farmers and failing to deliver on essential agricultural support initiatives.

Birds of Telangana" **Pocket Guide Launched to Educate Future Generations**



Hyderabad: A pocket guide titled *"Birds of Telangana" was launched by Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka, aimed at educating future generations about the diverse bird species in the region. Compiled by members of Hyderabad Birding Pals (HBP), this guide highlights 252 significant bird species and will be distributed free to students in government schools and colleges across Telangana.

The Deputy CM commended the Hyderabad Birding Pals for their commitment to environmental education and awareness. HBP President Adepu Harikrishna explained the guide's focus on bird food, migration, and conservation status, emphasizing its potential to inspire students, nature enthusiasts, and the general public.

CM Revanth Reddy Expands Telangana's Integrated Residential Schools in Second Phase

TPN, Hyderabad: Telangana Chief Minister Revanth Reddy announced the second-phase expansion of integrated residential schools, extending the initiative to more constituencies. In an address at the Secretariat, he detailed the state's commitment to enhancing student welfare and quality in education.

Highlighting plans for student support, CM Revanth stated that diet and cosmetic allowances for students in government hostels will be increased. A special event involving 15,000 students is set for November 14, in honor of Chacha Nehru Jayanti.

The Chief Minister also noted significant developments in education, including the recent filling of 11,062 teaching positions and promotions for 21,000 teachers. He assured that the construction of integrated schools would be completed by the next academic year.

To prepare students for employment, he highlighted upgrades to Young India Skills University and state ITIs, now functioning as Advanced Training Centers (ATCs) for skill training. A new Young India Sports University aims to foster Olympic-level athletic talent.

Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy, Government Advisor Shabbir Ali, and other officials participated in the event, showing support for the state's educational advancements.

issues.

KTR also claimed that the original project plans under the previous BRS government were modified, resulting in escalated costs that primarily benefit Congress interests. He questioned the silence of the BJP-led Union government and state BJP leaders regarding these allegations. Rama Rao demanded an investigation by central agencies, such as the Enforcement Directorate, Income Tax, and Central Vigilance Commission, to ensure accountability. He warned that failure to initiate an investigation would suggest possible collusion by the BJP with the Congress government.

Women in Hyderabad

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He stressed the importance of the banking sector's social responsibility, encouraging bankers to simplify pre-lending conditions for SHGs to foster their economic growth. "The objective behind free bus travel for women and interest-free loans is to provide financial support to families and boost economic independence for women," he stated. The government's initiative includes a larger plan of distributing Rs 20,000 crore in interest-free loans to SHGs across the state this year.

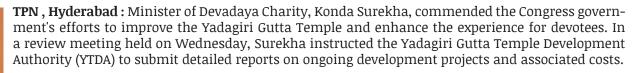
Bhatti highlighted the difference in loan recovery rates between SHGs and the private sector, with SHGs demonstrating a significantly higher repayment rate. He emphasized the state government's commitment to supporting women-led SHGs and encouraged bankers to align with this vision.

Former DGP Tejdeep Kaur Menon, recognized for her work in conserving urban lakes, praised HBP's efforts, noting the impact of their 490+ free bird walks in fostering environmental awareness. She also acknowledged the contributions of over 30 HBP photographers for their wildlife images used in the guide.

The HBP team expressed gratitude to the Telangana government for supporting bird conservation and encouraging youth engagement with nature.



Minister Konda Surekha Lauds Yadagiri Gutta **Temple Development Under Congress Government**



Attended by senior officials, the meeting focused on the improvements made since the Congress took power. YTDA officials shared updates on key developments, including the construction of a dormitory hall providing livelihood to 300 auto workers and enhancing services for thousands of daily visitors. Other improvements include additional prasadam counters, shaded areas for devotees, special lactation rooms, and better sanitation facilities.

Minister Surekha expressed dissatisfaction with the incomplete reports from YTDA and directed the Vice Chairman, Kishan Rao, to submit a comprehensive action plan. She stressed that, unlike the previous BRS government, the Congress administration is committed to both elevating the temple's status and improving facilities for common devotees. Surekha confirmed that an effective action plan would be put in place to make Yadagiri Gutta Kshetra a model of excellence.

Formula E Event in Hyderabad: **ACB** Investigates

TPN, Hyderabad: The Anti-Corruption Bureau **Rs 55 Crore Paid to** (ACB) has uncovered a significant corruption case related to the management of the Formula E race in Hyderabad. According to the ACB, Rs 55 crore Foreign Firms for in Hyderabad. According to the ACB, RS 55 crore was paid to foreign companies and representatives under questionable circumstances for the event. The ACB is considering sending notices to key figures who were involved in organizing the Formula E race during the previous government's tenure. Investigators are scrutinizing municipal department records to gather more information and determine the full extent of the payments. Notices may soon be issued to the companies involved.

The Municipal Administration and Urban Development (MAUD) Secretary, Danakishore, had earlier requested the ACB to look into potential violations related to the event. The Enforcement Directorate (ED) may also become involved due to the international transfer of funds to foreign companies.

The Formula E race, held on February 11, 2023, around Hussain Sagar, attracted a large crowd and was deemed a success. Following this, the Hyderabad Metropolitan Development Authority (HMDA) entered an agreement with Formula E Operations (FEO) for another race on February 10, 2024. Under the agreement, the HMDA paid Rs 55 crore to FEO. However, FEO withdrew from hosting the event last December, citing non-compliance with the terms of the agreement, which had been signed under the previous BRS government.







Telangana Government Cancels Kesavapuram Reservoir Project Tender, Announces New Plans



TPN, **Hyderabad**: The Telangana government has taken a major decision to cancel the contract awarded by the previous administration for the Kesavapuram reservoir project. The Municipal Administration and Urban Development Engineering Department issued an order on Wednesday, officially annulling the contract given to Megha Engineering Company in 2017. The decision is part of the government's ongoing efforts to streamline water supply projects for Hyderabad.

The Kesavapuram project, part of the Godavari Phase 2 scheme, was designed to divert Godavari water from Kondapochammasagar to the Kesavapuram reservoir and then to Hyderabad for drinking water. However, the project faced delays due to complications related

to land acquisition and pipeline alignment, particularly involving forest and defense lands. Despite winning the contract, Megha Engineering Company had not initiated the project and had written to the government, citing issues with the 2017 SSR (Schedule of Rates) and cost constraints.

With this cancellation, the Telangana government expects to save approximately Rs 2,000 crores. Instead of continuing with the original plan, the government has outlined new proposals to extend the Godavari Phase 2 scheme from Mallannasagar to Usmansagar and Himayat Sagar reservoirs. The revised plan aims to provide 15 TMC of water, including 10 TMC for drinking water needs of Greater Hyderabad at a reduced cost.

Chief Minister Revanth Reddy has instructed the Hyderabad Water Board to call for tenders for the revised alignment, which will ensure the most cost-effective method for water supply. The new approach will focus on gravity-fed water flow, making it a more efficient and economical solution for the city's water needs.

This decision marks a significant shift in the state government's approach to managing key water projects and addresses the delays and inefficiencies of previous administrations.

Minister Komatireddy Demands Swift Action on Road Repairs and Tims Hospital Construction



TPN , Hyderabad : Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy expressed his anger over the delays in repairing roads damaged by rains and the slow progress in constructing Tims Hospitals during a review meeting with Roads and Buildings (R&B) officials at the Secretariat.

Reddy questioned why road repairs had been delayed despite the public facing difficulties due to damaged infrastructure. He criticized the prolonged processes of releasing estimates and tenders, stating that the focus should be on immediate results rather than promises. The minister urged officials to inspect the roads at the ground level and ensure repairs are completed swiftly. He emphasized that using advanced techniques, like jet patching, should be prioritized to speed up the repairs.

Reddy also expressed impatience over countable governance.

the delayed construction of four Tims Hospitals, calling the slow pace unacceptable. He pointed out that such delays could force the poor to spend exorbitantly on treatments at corporate hospitals. He warned officials that the government must be held accountable for these delays.

During the review, the minister also discussed the need to improve road construction methods, suggesting the use of PPP models that would not burden the public. Special Chief Secretary Vikas Raj and Special Secretary Mrs. Dasari Harichandana were directed to conduct weekly reviews to ensure timely progress in these projects.

Reddy concluded by urging officials to prioritize essential public services and infrastructure development for accountable governance.

Telangana BJP Leader Questions Rahul Gandhi's Caste and Religion



TPN, **Hyderabad**: Telangana BJP floor leader A. Maheshwar Reddy has raised questions about Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's caste and religion, particularly regarding his qualification to speak on the caste census. Speaking to the media at the BJP headquarters in Nampally, Reddy questioned how Gandhi, the grandson of Feroze Jahangir Gandhi, would be identified as a Hindu. He also pointed out the "spelling mistake" in Gandhi's surname, which has persisted across two generations. Reddy further mentioned that Gandhi's great-grandfather, India's first Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru, was a Kashmiri Pandit.



Konda Surekha Counterattacks BJP Leader's Sensational Comments on Rahul Gandhi's Caste

TPN, **Hyderabad**: Telangana Congress leaders, including Minister Konda Surekha, have strongly countered BJP leader A. Maheshwar Reddy's recent remarks questioning Rahul Gandhi's caste and religion. The comments came as the state begins its caste survey today.

Reddy had raised questions about Gandhi's identity, specifically asking whether he was a Hindu or Muslim, given his grandfather, Feroze Jahangir Gandhi, and criticizing the "spelling mistake" in the Gandhi surname. His comments stirred political tensions, with Congress leaders swiftly responding.

Congress Leaders Warn MLC Tinmar Mallanna Over Controversial Remarks

TPN, Hyderabad: Congress party leaders have expressed strong opposition to the comments made by MLC Tinmar Mallanna, accusing him of betraying the party and stirring trouble. The leaders, including several corporate chairmen, have warned Mallanna to refrain from making disparaging remarks, or else he will face consequences from the BC (Backward Classes) community.



Reddy also criticized Chief Minister Revanth Reddy for delaying BC reservations in local body elections by focusing on the caste census, accusing him of neglecting the 21 promises made to the BC community during elections.

In response, Telangana Minister Konda Surekha sharply criticized Reddy's remarks, questioning why the BJP was concerned with Rahul Gandhi's caste. She suggested that if the BJP wanted to know his caste, they could conduct a national caste survey or visit Gandhi's residence to find the answer. Konda Surekha gave a sharp rebuttal, asking BJP leaders why they were concerned with Rahul Gandhi's caste. "If you want to know his caste, go to his house and ask him directly," Surekha said, emphasizing that Gandhi would disclose his caste if necessary. She further accused the BJP of divisively focusing on caste and religion to create rifts in society.

The comments come amid growing discussions on castebased issues in Telangana, with Congress leaders, including Deputy CM Bhatti Vikramarka and former MP VH, also expressing their views. Surekha pointed out that the BJP's rhetoric only aimed at dividing communities rather than addressing the state's real issues. In a scathing response, Congress leaders claimed that Mallanna was acting on the behest of Union Minister Bandi Sanjay and alleged he was using the BCs for personal political gain. They were particularly upset over Mallanna's recent comments made during the BC Garjana Sabha in Miryalaguda on November 3, where he criticized Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, ministers, and local MLA Bathula Lakshma Reddy, questioning their assets and accusing them of corruption. The Congress leaders made it clear that Mallanna, who they believe is trying to position himself as a leader of the BC community, does not have the authority to speak for them. They warned that if Mallanna continues with such rhetoric, he would have to face the BCs' backlash. Additionally, they criticized his comments about the party and emphasized that it was wrong to attack the party that had given him his position. Senior leaders from Nalgonda district also raised concerns about the involvement of BJP leaders behind Mallanna's actions.

Dasoju Shravan Criticizes Revanth Reddy's Caste Attitude, Calls Him Unfit for CM Post



Hyderabad : BRS senior leader Dasoju Shravan sharply criticized Congress leader Revanth Reddy, asserting that despite holding the constitutional position of Chief Minister, Reddy has failed to shed his upper-caste pride. In a strong statement, Shravan recalled Vemana's poem and criticized Reddy's approach towards caste and social justice. Shravan accused Reddy of being insincere about the caste census and claimed that his pride in upper-caste values was evident in his actions. "Just because Rahul Gandhi spoke about caste enumeration does not justify this arrogance. It is a social crime and a violation of the Constitution to neglect the development of BCs," he said.

He further stated that Reddy's feudal mentality and discriminatory mindset made him unfit for the Chief Minister's chair. Shravan emphasized that a leader with such views, lacking morality and a sense of justice for downtrodden communities, should not hold such an important office.

The BRS leader's remarks highlighted his frustration with Reddy's handling of caste issues and his belief that a true leader should prioritize equality and the welfare of marginalized communities.

GMR Approves Mamunur Airport Construction: MP Kadiam Kavya

TPN, **Warangal**: MP Kadiam Kavya has announced that GMR has granted permission for the long-awaited construction of Mamunur Airport. Speaking after a review meeting on the socio-economic survey and various developmental projects in the Hanumakonda Collectorate, Kavya expressed excitement that the decades-long dream of having an airport in the region would soon become a reality.



The review meeting, which was attended by MLAs Naini Rajender Reddy, KR Nagaraju, Mayor Sudharani, Collectors Pravinya, Satya Sharada, and

Commissioner Ashwini Thanaji Wakade, also focused on several other key projects. Collector Pravinya outlined plans for the construction of Bhadrakali Madavidus, the Outer Ring Road (ORR), Inner Ring Road (IRR), the new master plan for Warangal, and a comprehensive survey to be conducted from November 9. She also mentioned the cleaning and burial of the water from Bhadrakali Pond as part of the efforts to improve the area. In addition, Kavya mentioned that the authorities had appealed to the railway department to halt the construction of the Nashkal to Hasan Parthi railway line, which would potentially impact the airport's development. She further stated that CM Revanth Reddy would visit Warangal on November 18 to inaugurate several new development programs.







Hygiene Violations, Fungus-Infested Food Found in Santosh Nagar Restaurant Raids

TPN, **Hyderabad:** Hyderabad's food safety team conducted raids at three popular Santosh Nagar restaurants—Hotel Sweekar, Swathi Hotel, and Hotel Sri Raghavendra Udipi—revealing multiple hygiene and safety violations.

At Hotel Sweekar, inspectors found poor sanitation, cockroach infestations, and expired food items. Food handlers lacked medical certifications and proper attire, and vegetables were stored directly on the floor.

Swathi Hotel's inspection revealed a mismatch between the displayed name and license, unsanitary food storage practices, and the use of synthetic food colors. Food handlers lacked essential hygiene gear, and open bins posed health risks.

Hotel Sri Raghavendra Udipi showed similar violations, with pest control records missing, uncovered food in unhygienic refrigerators, and cockroach infestations in storage areas. Authorities warned of potential penalties if these issues are not swiftly addressed, aiming to ensure safe dining conditions for the public.

Hyderabad Mayor Orders Installation of Facial Recognition Attendance at GHMC Offices

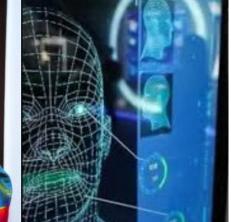
TPN, **Hyderabad:** Hyderabad Mayor Gadwal Vijayalaxmi has directed the installation of a facial recognition attendance system across Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) offices to improve employee punctuality and efficiency. This directive, issued on Wednesday, November 6, follows an unannounced inspection she conducted at the GHMC headquarters, where she found that many employees were not adhering to work timings.

During her inspection, Mayor Vijavalaxmi visited the Town Planning Department in the morning and observed numerous empty chairs, indicating absent or delayed officers. Many employees were reportedly either late to the office or away on breaks. She then proceeded to the Health Department offices, where she found officers on their smartphones instead of attending to pending tasks. Frustrated with the lack of discipline, the mayor questioned the absent employees and received vague responses, with some stating they would only be available in the afternoon.



Following the inspection, the mayor instructed Additional Commissioner Nalini Padmavathi to set up the facial recognition system for both permanent and outsourced employees. She warned that failure to register attendance through this system would lead to disciplinary action. Additionally, the mayor identified discrepancies in the reported number of outsourced employees and requested a detailed report on the exact number of contractual workers employed at the GHMC offices.

In response to her findings, Mayor Vijayalaxmi also initiated centralized recruitment by GHMC headquarters for out-



sourced employees to improve transparency and accountability.

Emphasizing the importance of promptly addressing citizen grievances, the mayor directed senior officials to ensure swift resolution of complaints filed with GHMC. She further mandated that, in cases where complaints remain unresolved, officials must inform citizens of the reasons behind the delays.

The mayor's move to introduce facial recognition-based attendance marks a significant step toward enhancing accountability and service quality at GHMC offices.



Medchal Metro Sadhana Samiti Demands Metro Rail Extension to Medchal

TPN, **Hyderabad:** The Medchal Metro Sadhana Samiti staged a protest on Tuesday at the Gandhi Ideology Center in Boinpally, demanding an extension of the Hyderabad Metro Rail to Medchal and Samirpet in the northern part of the city. Holding placards, members voiced their need for improved transportation options, highlighting the significant traffic congestion issues in the area.

The protest was strategically timed to coincide with the visit of AICC leader and MP Rahul Gandhi to the Gandhi Ideology Center. Representatives of the Samiti, including Mahender Reddy, Sampath Reddy, George, and Mohan Reddy, approached Gandhi with their concerns, aiming to bring attention to the matter at the national level.

Samiti members expressed frustration over the state government's decision to extend the metro network to various parts of the city while excluding the Medchal area. They emphasized that widening roads and building flyovers from Paradise to Medchal has proven insufficient in resolving the area's traffic problems. According to them, extending the metro rail is the only viable solution to ease congestion and meet the growing transportation needs of residents in northern Hyderabad.

Telangana Chief Minister and Delegation Meet Governor at Raj Bhavan to Discuss Census Survey

TPN , Hyderabad: Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, along with senior officials, paid a courtesy visit to Governor Jishnu Dev Varma at Raj Bhavan today. Accompanying the Chief Minister were Minister of Revenue and Housing Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy, Advisors Vem Narendra Reddy and Y.D. Shabbir Ali, Mahabubabad MP Balram Naik, Bhuvanagiri MP CH. Kiran Kumar Reddy, and State Dairy Development Chairman Gutta Amit Reddy.

During the meeting, the delegation briefed the Governor on the recently launched statewide census survey, outlining its procedures and significance. The census, which began today, aims to provide a comprehensive demographic overview to support effective governance and policy planning in Telangana.



Junior Doctor Dies in Hyderabad Hospital Amid Payment Dispute

TPN, **Hyderabad:** Nagapriya, a junior doctor, tragically passed away on November 6 after Medicover Hospital in Madhapur allegedly delayed her treatment over a payment dispute. Her family reported that they initially paid Rs 3 lakh for her operation, but the hospital later demanded an additional Rs 1 lakh before proceeding with a critical procedure.

The family claims that the hospital only informed them of Nagapriya's death after

Shamshabad Observes Complete Bandh Over Temple Vandalism

TPN, Hyderabad: A complete bandh was observed in Shamshabad on Wednesday in response to the alleged vandalism of idols at a Hanuman temple on Monday night. The bandh, called by local Hindu organizations, saw business establishments, schools, and colleges remain closed in protest.

Hindu groups organized a rally near the bus stand area, urging traders to shut down their businesses to pressure the government into taking stronger action against recurring incidents of temple vandalism. The protest was peaceful, with heightened security from the Cyberabad Special Operations Team (SOT), Armed Reserve, and local police, who are closely monitoring the situation to prevent any escalation.



Maddelacheruvu Suri Murder Accused Bhanu Kiran Granted Bail



TPN, **Hyderabad:** Bhanu Kiran, convicted of the murder of Rayalaseema faction leader Gangula Suryanarayana Reddy, known as Maddelacheruvu Suri, was granted bail in an Arms Act case and released from Chanchalguda Jail on Wednesday, October 6. Kiran, who has been serving a life sentence for the 2011 murder, had initially sought bail from the Supreme Court, which directed him to approach the lower courts.

The next hearing on his life sentence is scheduled for November 11.

The murder of Maddelacheruvu Suri, a prominent figure in a long-standing faction rivalry with former minister Paritala Ravi, has been a significant case in Andhra Pradesh's history. The feud, which inspired filmmaker Ram Gopal Varma's "Raktha Charitra," became infamous with the 2005 daylight killing of Paritala Ravi, followed by the murder of main suspect Julakanti Srinivas Reddy, alias Moddu Seenu, in Anantapur Jail in 2008.

Kiran, who was closely associated with Suri, shot him while they were traveling in Yousufguda. In 2018, Kiran was sentenced to life imprisonment, with an additional 10-year sentence under the Arms Act. receiving the extra payment, sparking outrage and protests demanding justice and accountability for the delay. They are calling for action against the hospital staff involved, asserting that patients should not be subjected to financial pressure in emergencies. Local authorities have initiated an inquiry into the incident, with potential legal action pending. The hospital has yet to issue an official statement. This incident has reignited concerns over ethical practices in private healthcare, emphasizing the need for better regulations to prevent exploitation in critical care situations.

Three Men Arrested in Madhura Nagar Gang Rape Case in Hyderabad

TPN, Hyderabad: Three men were arrested on Wednesday, November 6, near Bio-Diversity Park in Hyderabad for the alleged gang rape of a 50-year-old Lambada tribal woman in Om Nagar, Madhura Nagar. The accused, identified as Chandu Chauhan (24), Ajay Kumar (25), and Mohd Arif (35), are originally from Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh, and work as painters and construction laborers in Hyderabad. According to Madhura Nagar police, the suspects targeted the woman, who works as a laborer, and had stalked her for several days. On Monday night, they reportedly approached her with an offer of Rs 500 to wash their clothes and then took her to their residence in an auto, where they allegedly beat and sexually assaulted her.

The woman's cries were heard by a neighbor, who alerted others, causing the accused to flee. Following the victim's complaint, police filed charges of wrongful confinement, attempt to murder, and gang rape. The arrests were made within a day, and the accused were presented before the court and remanded into judicial custody, according to Assistant Commissioner of Police, Panjagutta Division.

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KTR Criticizes CM Revanth Reddy Over Farmers' Struggles in Viral Tweet

TPN, **Hyderabad:** BRS working president and former minister K.T. Rama Rao (KTR) on Wednesday criticized Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy for neglecting the plight of farmers in Telangana. In a viral tweet, KTR pointed out that farmers are suffering as they do not know when they will be able to plant crops due to ongoing issues with procurement and support from the government.

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KTR emphasized that instead of focusing on political matters like soil removal, CM Revanth should be paying attention to the farmers' hardships. He highlighted how farmers are struggling to get a fair price for their harvested crops and are pleading for their produce to be bought locally. KTR also criticized the government's focus on raising bonuses for certain groups while ignoring the needs of farmers, stating that the current priorities should shift towards supporting agricultural communities.



issues and ensure fair prices for their crops, has garnered significant attention online. Many netizens have expressed agreement with KTR's statements, highlighting the urgent need for the government to take concrete steps to support farmers during this difficult time.

The tweet, which calls for action to address farmers'



Boy's 'Divine Dream' Leads Villagers to Excavating Forest Land for Idols in Kothagudem

TPN, **Kothagudem**: In a curious turn of events, villagers in Kamalapuram, Manugur mandal, started digging forest land based on a boy's claim that idols of Lord Shiva and Nandi were buried beneath the earth.

The boy, Ashok, a school dropout, reportedly told his family and villagers that Lord Shiva appeared to him in a dream and instructed him to unearth idols buried for years, with the goal of building a temple. Despite initial skepticism, Ashok's insistence led the villagers to start digging at the suggested site on Monday. They continued excavating through Tuesday and Wednesday, reaching a depth of six and a half feet, but found no idols.

During the excavation, villagers had prepared offerings of water, flowers, and incense for the idols. Forest officials initially allowed the digging but halted the activity when the boy, in a trance, indicated another location for the idols.



Congress Leaders and MLA Vivek Clash During Bhumi Puja Event in Indaram Village

TPN, **Jaipur**: Tensions erupted in Indaram village, Jaipur Mandal, on Wednesday when Congress leaders clashed with Chennoor MLA Vivek Venkataswamy during a Bhumi Puja ceremony for the construction of a CC road and side drain funded by DMFT.

MLA Vivek was visiting the village to initiate the development works, but Congress leaders, including Jakkula Venkatesham, were upset that local Congress President Fayaz had not informed them of the MLA's visit. Venkatesham expressed his dissatisfaction, claiming the lack of communication was intentional. In response, Fayaz accused Venkatesham of attempting to sabotage the program and clarified that he had personally messaged all leaders via WhatsApp.

The heated exchange between the two leaders escalated into a scuffle, prompting the police to intervene and restore order. Frustrated with the ongoing quarrel, MLA Vivek left the event early, despite having plans to attend another program at the SC Colony in the village. Before his departure, the Bhoomi Puja for the CC road and side drain construction was performed in Narva village as part of the planned development efforts. The incident has caused a stir in the local political landscape, highlighting internal tensions within the Congress party.

Minister Ponnam Assures Swift Paddy Grain Purchases and Support for Farmers

TPN, **Karimnagar:** Transport and BC Welfare Minister Ponnam Prabhakar, along with MLA Kavvampalli Satya Narayana, visited the wood buying center in Renikunta village, Timmapur Mandal, on Wednesday. During the visit, Minister Prabhakar instructed officials to ensure the prompt and smooth purchase of wood, without any delays at the center.

After inspecting the operations, Minister Prabhakar engaged with local farmers, assuring them that the purchase of paddy grain would be expedited across Telangana. He confirmed that steps are being taken to ensure that the grains are processed and sent to mills immediately, minimizing delays in the overall process. The minister also mentioned that additional



stocks of bags have been arranged to prevent shortages and ensure uninterrupted operations at the grain purchase centers.

Highlighting the government's commitment, Prabhakar urged the administrators of the grain purchase centers to avoid any delays in the online system or payments. He encouraged farmers to report any difficulties to local authorities or party leaders, ensuring quick resolutions.

Farmers at the two paddy buying centers in Renigunta expressed their satisfaction with the ongoing process, appreciating the government's efforts to streamline operations. Minister Prabhakar concluded by reiterating the importance of supporting farmers, emphasizing that a prosperous farming community is crucial for the nation's growth. The government remains committed to providing all necessary resources to ensure the welfare of farmers.

Sabitha Indra Reddy Slams Congress Over Unfulfilled Promises, Demands Action



Ashok, 15, had dropped out of school during the pandemic and had returned from working as a mechanic in Hyderabad. Some locals raised concerns that the incident could be a ploy to occupy forest land, accusing the boy and his father of creating superstitions to mislead authorities. **TPN**, **Arkepuram**: Former Minister and MLA Sabitha Indra Reddy has called on the Telangana government to fulfill its promises by providing gold along with financial assistance under the Kalyana Lakshmi and Shadi Mubarak schemes. Speaking during a program at the Sarurnagar Tehsildar's office, where Kalyana Lakshmi cheques were handed over to beneficiaries from Arkepuram and Sarurnagar divisions, Sabitha Indra Reddy emphasized that the schemes were introduced with the intention of supporting the girl child.

She criticized the Congress government for failing to implement its six guarantees within the promised 100-day period, despite 11 months having passed since taking office. According to Reddy, the Congress party made lofty promises during the elections but has not lived up to them since assuming power.

The former minister also demanded that the government ensure transparency in the current caste census and suggested that CM Revanth Reddy's proposed padayatra be taken from the Musi side of Hyderabad, rather than from Nalgonda.

Former MLA Sunitha Mahender Reddy Criticizes CM Revanth Reddy Over Yadadri Land Issue

TPN, **Yadadri Bhuvanagiri**: Former MLA Gongidi Sunitha Mahender Reddy has strongly criticized Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, accusing him of focusing on real estate instead of the welfare of the people. Speaking to the media at the BRS party office in Yadagirigutta on Wednesday, Sunitha Mahender Reddy alleged that CM Revanth Reddy's attention is now directed towards 1,200 acres of land

originally collected for the development of Yadadri, a region known for its significant temple development.

She claimed that while CM KCR had invested Rs 1,300 crores in the magnificent reconstruction of the Yadadri temple, there are concerns among the public regarding the purpose of such an extravagant project. Sunitha questioned CM Revanth Reddy's intentions, stating that he should clarify how much money would be allocated for the temple's future development.

The former MLA also raised ques-

tions about the transparency of donations for the Yadadri temple, particularly regarding the gold and cash contributions from devotees for the temple's golden plating. According to Sunitha Mahender Reddy, CM Revanth Reddy needs to address these issues, suggesting that his actions might be aimed at covering up past mistakes and sins.

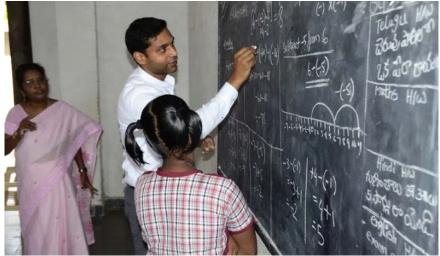
Liquor Supply Halt in Telangana Causes Worry Among Addicts and Dealers

TPN, **Telangana**: Drug addicts and liquor consumers in the state are facing an unexpected shock as the supply of liquor has been interrupted. Known for its significant liquor sales, especially during festivals like Dussehra and New Year, Telangana has seen a disruption in its regular liquor distribution.

The shortage is reportedly due to a technical issue with the online system that manages the supply chain. As the state's liquor distribution is now handled entirely online, the problem has caused a halt in supply to wine shops, leaving dealers unable to access stock from the depots.

Liquor sales in Telangana are often substantial, with high demand during celebrations and holidays, which sometimes leads to temporary shortages. However, this current supply interruption is being attributed to server-related issues. Dealers have raised concerns, questioning the authorities about the situation, and were assured that the issue would be resolved by night.

While the supply remains stagnant, there are growing concerns among both consumers and dealers about the potential long-term impact if the server issue is not fixed soon. Khammam Collector Encourages Students to Set Goals and Work Towards Achieving Them



TPN, **Khammam**: District Collector Muzammil Khan visited Zilla Parishad High School in Jalagam Nagar, Khammam rural mandal, on Wednesday, where he emphasized the importance of setting personal goals and working towards them from a young age.

During the visit, Khan took on the role of a teacher and conducted a mathematics lesson for sixth-grade students. He also interacted with the students, asking about their learning experiences, any issues they faced, and their aspirations for the future. The Collector advised the students to start their day by writing down their goals and making the most of the time available to excel in both studies and extracurricular activities.

Khan stressed the importance of maintaining a balance between study and play, recommending that students set aside dedicated time for both. He also urged them to focus on their health, adopt nutritious diets, and avoid junk food for proper growth and well-being.



OPINION



The Fragile Power of American Democracy and Soft Power in a Changing World

As the 2024 US presidential election nears its conclusion, Donald Trump appears poised to win, having secured crucial battleground states like Pennsylvania, North Carolina, and Georgia. With Kamala Harris staring at defeat, the election results have already sparked widespread debate about the future of American democracy. Despite over 66 million Americans having voted early, claims of voter fraud and election rigging are circulating on social media, echoing the "Stop the Steal" movement from 2020. This has led many to believe that, if Trump loses, he might once again reject the results.

For many, this reflects a troubling decline in the democratic ideals that once made the US a global beacon of freedom and stability. The US, once the gold standard of peaceful transitions of power, now faces deepening political polarization, eroded trust in government, and a fractured public sphere. As an Indian observer of elections, I am struck by the contrast—while India's democracy has its flaws, it remains remarkably resilient, with smooth transitions of power being a common expectation.

Yet, even amid these internal challenges, America's global influence endures, largely through its soft power. The US presidential election is not just a national event; its outcome has far-reaching implications for global geopolitics. Ukraine, European democracies, and global allies all have their eyes on the race, hoping for a Harris win and the promise of stability. In contrast, Trump's "America First" approach, which upended international relations and fostered nationalist movements abroad, raises concerns about the future of global partnerships.

Historically, the US has prided itself on being a champion of democratic values: the rule of law, individual rights, and freedom of speech. This ideal of American exceptionalism has been exported globally, particularly through Hollywood, music, and media, which have carried the American Dream to every corner of the world. From films like *Captain America* to the global influence of artists like Michael Jackson, American culture has become synonymous with ideals of freedom and opportuni-



American soft power is also evident in its world-class educational institutions, technological innovations, and digital platforms, which have reshaped communication and fostered global connections. With companies like Apple, Google, and Facebook shaping modern life, America's influence extends far beyond its borders.

However, the US now faces growing competition from other nations, particularly India, which has seen its own cultural and soft power reach new heights. From the global celebration of Diwali to the worldwide popularity of Bollywood, India's cultural exports are making a mark. The rise of Indian cinema, in particular, is undeniable, with Bollywood stars like Shah Rukh Khan becoming global icons. As India's soft power grows, it could one day challenge the US's dominance in this area.

Despite its current position as the world's most influential exporter of soft power, the US is at a crossroads. Its democracy, once an inspiring example for the world, is under strain. The future of American soft power, and its ability to continue leading the global stage, hinges on how it navigates its internal divisions and upholds the values that once made it a beacon of freedom. As the 2024 election results unfold, the world will be watching to see if America can regain its moral authority and maintain its status as a global leader.

The Khalistan Issue: A Complex **Security Challenge Misrepresented in** Western Media



The ongoing Khalistan issue has long been a troubling picture. The demand for a separate sensitive and complex matter for India, involving a demand for a separate Sikh state. However, Western media coverage, such as a recent article in *The New York Times* by Anupreeta Das titled "Sikh Activists See It as Freedom. India Calls It Terrorism," often portrays the Indian government's actions against Khalistani separatists in a simplistic and skewed manner. The article suggests that India's response to the Khalistan movement is authoritarian, driven by Hindu nationalist agendas, and disconnected from genuine security concerns. Such portrayals not only lack nuance but also fail to recognize the gravity of the threats posed by the Khalistani movement, both historically and in the present day.

Das argues that the Indian government has used heavy-handed tactics against Sikhs advocating for Khalistan, labeling them as terrorists without acknowledging the movement's legitimate grievances. She contends that the Indian authorities have used the rhetoric of terrorism to suppress what she describes as a call for freedom. While these claims might resonate with some voices within the Sikh diaspora, they fail to account for the broader and more disturbing aspects of the Khalistan movement, which have included violence, extremism, and support for separatist terror in the past.

A deeper dive into the history of the Khalistan movement reveals a far more complicated and

Sikh state reached its peak during the 1980s when militants, led by figures like Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale, escalated violence in Punjab, leading to thousands of deaths. The 1984 anti-Sikh riots, which followed the assassination of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi by her Sikh bodyguards, further fueled the separatist cause, leading to widespread terror across the region. The Indian government's subsequent military action, Operation Blue Star, aimed at removing militants from the Golden Temple in Amritsar, was a direct response to the armed insurrection.

Although the Khalistan movement has lost much of its momentum since the 1990s, there remains a faction of radical elements, both within India and among the Sikh diaspora, that continue to advocate for separatism. India's ongoing measures against these groups are not mere political suppression; they are responses to the real and present security threats posed by extremist factions that continue to engage in violent acts and terrorist activities.

The *New York Times* article fails to account for this historical and ongoing context, instead focusing mainly on the perspective of Khalistani activists without presenting a balanced view of the situation. By doing so, it risks oversimplifying a complex issue and misrepresenting India's actions as overly harsh, rather than as legitimate responses to security threats rooted in decades of violence and extremism.

Bonded Labour in Karnataka:

2024 US Election: A Circus of

A Continuing Struggle Despite Legal Progress

Nearly five decades after the Bonded Labour Abolition Act of 1976 was passed to eradicate one of India's most exploitative practices, bonded labour remains a persistent issue in several regions of the country. Bengaluru, along with at least 10 other districts in Karnataka, continues to witness the exploitation of individuals under the bondage system, undermining the progress made through legislation. Despite the law, which was meant to end this practice and protect vulnerable communities, bonded labour is still a harsh reality for many, particularly in rural areas.

The Bonded Labour Abolition Act was introduced to free individuals who were forced to work under oppressive conditions for little or no pay, often in a state of debt bondage. According to the law, any form of bonded labour was made illegal, and individuals involved in it were to be rehabilitated with government support. However, in Karnataka, a state known for its urbanization and eco-

nomic development, this social ill continues to affect marginalized communities such as Dalits, tribals, and lower-caste groups.

In Bengaluru and other parts of Karnataka, people are still subjected to this form of servitude, particularly in sectors like construction, agriculture, domestic work,



and brick kilns. Many bonded workers, including women and children, are trapped in exploitative conditions, working for long hours without pay, and in some cases, under threat of violence or physical harm. They are often forced to work for their employers in exchange for loans or advances that they can never repay, thus perpetuating the cycle of exploitation.

One major issue contributing to the persistence of bonded labour is the lack of enforcement of existing laws. Despite being illegal, bonded labour is often difficult to detect, as it operates in the shadows of informal labour markets. Additionally, corruption, inadequate law enforcement, and a lack of awareness among the affected communities hinder efforts to combat the practice effectively.

Moreover, while the government has made efforts to rehabilitate victims of bonded labour, the support structures in place are often insufficient. Many individuals rescued from bonded labour face difficulty in adjusting to life outside the system due to the lack of skills, education, and social support.

Absurdity and Missed Opportunities

The 2024 US presidential election has turned into an exhausting spectacle, leaving many voters disillusioned and questioning the very nature of the democratic process. As the race to the White House enters its final stages, the constant drama, disjointed policies, and personal attacks from both sides have made it more of a reality show than a serious political contest. The latest survey from Pew Research shows that while 69% of Americans are closely following the election, what

they're getting in return is far from satisfactory. Voters are most interested in candidates' stances on key issues, but instead, the campaign trail has been filled with distractions and divisive rhetoric.

The Absurdity of the Campaign

The current state of the election is marked by a shocking lack of substance. Former President Donald Trump's campaign has swung back to his MAGA rhetoric from 2020, stirring controversy with personal attacks and inflammatory remarks. Meanwhile, Vice President Kamala Harris's campaign has struggled to break free from the baggage of the Biden administration. Her position, mostly framed as the "saner" alternative to Trump, fails to inspire confidence or a sense of direction. The focus on personalities over policies has turned the race into a "circus The outcome of the US election has far-reaching conof the absurd."

Both Trump and Harris seem stuck in their own political traps. Trump, unable to resist his dramatic flair, has ignored the lessons from previous campaigns, focusing on controversy rather than policy. Harris, on the other hand, has failed to course-correct despite criticism from within her own party, particularly regarding foreign policy issues. In essence, both candidates have become so entrenched in their narratives of vilifying the other side that they have done little to address their own shortcomings.



A Lack of Vision

What's most troubling, however, is the lack of clarity around policy proposals from both candidates. Trump's platform on critical issues like the Middle East, Russia, and China remains vague and largely transactional, while Harris's rhetoric about peace contradicts her administration's actions. The absence of any coherent vision for the future is unsettling, both for American voters and for the global community. As the US faces pressing challenges on the world stage—such as the ongoing Russia-Ukraine war, the rise of China, and global economic instability-voters are left with no clear indication of how either candidate would approach these issues.

A Global Concern

sequences beyond American borders. US foreign policy under any president inevitably impacts the global geopolitical landscape, from trade policies to security arrangements. However, given the lack of serious debate in the current election cycle, it's impossible to predict how either Trump or Harris will shape these policies.

In conclusion, the 2024 US presidential election has degenerated into a spectacle of personalities, egos, and empty rhetoric. What was once a defining moment for democracy has become a disappointing reminder of how low the bar has fallen for political discourse. Voters deserve more than this circus; the world deserves better.





Mothers, Daughters In Shock: PM Slams Congress, INDIA For Shaina NC Remark

Prime Minister Narendra Modi criticized the Congress-led INDIA bloc on Monday for its lack of response to sexist comments made by Shiv Sena (UBT) leader Arvind Sawant against BJP leader Shaina NC. Speaking at an election rally in Jharkhand ahead of the November 20 Maharashtra elections, Modi condemned the opposition's use of "foul language" directed at a woman leader.

Modi's comments come in the wake of Sawant's objectionable remarks during a media interaction last week when asked about Shaina's electoral prospects. The Prime Minister emphasized that the disrespect shown toward women would not go unnoticed, stating, "Mothers and daughters are in shock, and the people will teach them a lesson." He also accused Congress of humiliating Sita Soren, the BJP's candidate and the sister-in-law of Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren.

In response to Sawant's comments, Shaina NC firmly defended herself, stating, "I am not some 'maal' (goods). I am a daughter of Mumbai and have been working dedicatedly for the past 20 years. This is a crass comment by Sawant." She emphasized her commitment to the people of Mumbai, declaring, "I don't need any certificates from Mr. Sawant or the Shiv Sena (UBT)."



Sawant later attempted to clarify his remarks, claiming that he had a good relationship with Shaina and that she may have misunderstood his intent. "It refers to 'goods,' but she could have misinterpreted it. I had no such intentions," he stated.

The controversy has intensified as a police case has been registered against Sawant, highlighting the growing scrutiny of political rhetoric surrounding gender issues in the electoral land-

scape. As elections approach, the BJP aims to leverage this incident to rally support and draw attention to what they perceive as disrespectful treatment of women by their political opponents.

With tensions rising in the political arena, this incident may have significant implications for the upcoming elections in both Maharashtra and Jharkhand, as parties seek to position themselves in light of public sentiment regarding women's rights and dignity.

Don't speak like 'cheap villain from a C-grade Hindi movie': Pawan Khera takes swipe at PM Modi

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar inaugurated the new Consulate General of India in Brisbane on Sunday, marking a significant step in enhancing India's diplomatic presence in Australia. This consulate is expected to play a crucial role in strengthening ties between India and the Queensland state, fostering trade relationships, and serving the growing Indian diaspora in the region.

During the inauguration, Jaishankar countries have been working closely emphasized the importance of this new on various fronts, including trade, indiplomatic mission, stating that it will vestment, and defense, as part of their facilitate deeper connections between India and Queensland, particularly in economic and cultural exchanges. "The establishment of this consulate underscores our commitment to engage more actively with Australia, especially with the thriving Indian community Jaishankar's visit also included discushere," he noted.



lateral relations between India and Australia are at an all-time high. Both able development. He highlighted the potential for increased trade between India and Queensland, particularly in sectors like agriculture, mining, and renewable energy.

Furthermore, the consulate will provide essential services to the Indian diaspora, including visa assistance, passport services, and support for community events. This focus on community engagement is expected to enhance the sense of connection among Indians living abroad and promote cultural exchange. he expressed optimism about the future of India-Australia relations, reiterating the government's commitment to strengthening ties with Queensland and the broader Australian community. The new Consulate General in sions with local leaders and business Brisbane represents a significant milestone in this ongoing effort, reflecting

India's strategic vision for its interna-



Parliament Winter Session to be held between Nov 20 and Dec 25

Union Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, Kiren Rijiju, announced on November 5 that the upcoming Winter Session of Parliament will take place from November 25 to December 20, 2024. This announcement was made through a post on X (formerly Twitter), confirming the dates for the crucial session.

Rijiju stated, "Hon'ble President, on the recommendation of the Government of India, has approved the proposal for summoning of both the Houses of Parliament for the Winter Session, 2024 from 25th November to 20th December, 2024 (subject to exigencies of parliamentary business)."

The Winter Session will commence on November 25 and is expected to run for a full month, with December 20 marking its conclusion. The session will be subject to any unforeseen circumstances that might alter its schedule, depending on the urgency of parliamentary proceedings.

One of the highlights of this session will be the celebration of Constitution Day on November 26, 2024, marking the 75th anniversary of the adoption of India's Constitution. The event will take place in the Central Hall of Samvidhan Sadan, the seat of India's Constitutional history, where lawmakers and dignitaries will gather to commemorate this significant milestone.

This year's Winter Session is expected to address various pressing issues and legislative matters, with political observers speculating that significant discussions and debates could take place on a range of national and international topics.

The announcement comes at a time of growing interest in the functioning of Parliament, as it prepares for the 2024 general elections. The session will be a key occasion for the government to push through important legislation and provide updates on ongoing governance issues.

As the Winter Session approaches, all eyes will be on Parliament, where decisions taken will impact the country's legislative priorities and its constitutional framework.

ISRO to Launch EU's Proba-3 Sun

The opening of the consulate is timely, as it comes at a moment when bi-

broader strategic partnership. The new As Jaishankar concluded his remarks, consulate will serve as a hub for promoting these initiatives and addressing the needs of Indian citizens residing in Australia.

representatives to explore opportunities for collaboration in areas such as education, technology, and sustain-

J-K wouldn't be a UT If Vajpayee been alive: Chief **Minister Omar Abdullah**

Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Tuesday expressed that the state would not have been downgraded to a Union Territory if the roadmap laid out by former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee had been followed. Speaking during the obituary references in the legislative Assembly, Abdullah highlighted Vajpayee's vision for the region and his efforts to foster peace and autonomy for J&K.

Recalling the events during Vajpayee's tenure, Omar Abdullah said that after the J&K Assembly passed a resolution calling for greater autonomy, which was rejected by New Delhi at the time, Vajpayee acknowledged the mistake and appointed the then law minister to initiate talks with the state government. However, with the untimely death of Vajpayee, these efforts were halted.

"Vajpayee was a great visionary. He was a towering figure who took steps to improve relations with Pakistan, including initiating the Lahore bus journey and visiting Minar-e-Pakistan. His efforts to build peaceful relations with Pakistan were significant. He always maintained that while friends can be changed, neighbours remain," Omar said, paying tribute to Vajpayee's statesmanship.

The Chief Minister also recalled Vajpayee's famous slogan of "Insaniyat, Jamhuriyat, and Kashmiriyat," which he described as a reflection of the former Prime Minister's deep understanding of the region and its unique identity. "Vajpayee was perhaps the first and the last leader to raise this slogan, encapsulating the vision for Kashmir," Omar remarked.

Like UP, bring BJP to power here to 'bulldoze' mafia: Yogi at Koderma poll rally

tional engagement.

In a strong appeal to voters, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath urged the public to vote for the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), promising that the party would "bulldoze" criminal elements and mafias threatening law and order in the state. Speaking at a rally in support of BJP candidates, Adityanath emphasized that only the BJP has the will and capability to take decisive action against lawbreakers.

The Chief Minister's comments come amid rising political tensions and growing calls for greater security across various parts of the state. Adityanath specifically referred to the ongoing efforts to dismantle criminal networks in Uttar Pradesh, which he claimed have been severely curbed under the BJP government's leadership. He highlighted the party's "tough stance" against illegal activities and its focus on ensuring the safety of citizens, contrasting it with the record of other political parties in handling crime. "We will bulldoze the mafia, and no one will be allowed to disrupt peace and security," Adityanath said, drawing applause from the crowd. He further stressed that the BJP's approach was the only one that could guarantee safety and security for every citizen in the state, claiming that the party's track record of eradicating criminal elements was unmatched.

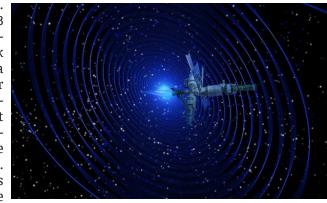
In his speech, Adityanath took a veiled swipe at opposition parties, claiming that their inability or unwillingness to take strong action against mafias had allowed crime to flourish in the past.

Observation Mission in December

India's space agency, the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), is set to launch the European Union's Proba-3 Sun Observation Mission in December 2024. The mission, which aims to study the Sun's faint corona close to its solar rim, will be launched aboard ISRO's PSLV-XL rocket from the Sriharikota launch site. This collaboration between ISRO and European space scientists will provide valuable insights into the Sun's atmosphere.

Speaking at the Indian Space Conclave 3.0 in New Delhi, Dr. Jitendra Singh, Union Minister of State for Science & Technology, highlighted the impor-

tance of this mission. He noted that Proba-3 will include two satellites that will work together to create a 144-meter-long solar coronagraph, a specialized instrument that will allow scientists to study the Sun's elusive corona. The Sun's corona is difficult to observe due to the over-



whelming brightness of its solar disk, but the Proba-3 mission will enable precise observations with unprecedented proximity and detail.

Singh emphasized the significance of the mission, calling it the "world's first precision formation flying mission." The Proba-3 will allow scientists to study the Sun's corona with unparalleled clarity, offering new insights into solar phenomena.

During his address at the conclave, Dr. Singh also discussed India's growing space sector, which, until recently, was largely restricted to government agencies. With the launch of the 2023 New Space Policy, the Indian space sector has opened up to public-private partnerships, driving innovation and growth. He also spoke about ambitious goals for India's space future, including the establishment of the Bharatiya Antariksha Station (BAS) by 2035 and the landing of an Indian astronaut on the Moon by 2040.

The minister further highlighted the role of space technology in various sectors, from navigation and satellite imaging to terrain mapping. These technologies are also instrumental in the development of smart cities, enhancing urban planning and infrastructure.

India aims to increase its share in the global space economy from 2% to 10% in the coming years, positioning itself as a major player in the space industrt.





Kamala Harris: A Trailblazer for **Women and Minorities in U.S. Politics**

Kamala Harris has shattered multiple barriers in her political career, from being the first woman and the first African-American and Indian-American to serve as U.S. vice president, to becoming a symbol of hope for women in politics. Despite facing challenges, including a tough loss in her 2020 presidential bid, Harris has continued to break ground in American politics, fulfilling many "firsts" along the way.

Born to immigrant parents—her father from Jamaica and her mother from India—Harris was raised in California, where she developed a strong sense of both her Black and Indian heritage. In an op-ed published shortly before the 2024 election, Harris reflected on her childhood visits to India and the lessons her mother, Shyamala Gopalan, a cancer researcher and civil rights activist, instilled in her and her sister. Harris emphasized that while embracing her American identity.

Harris' political career began in the Bay Area, where she made history as the first woman, African-American, and Indian-American district attorney of San Francisco. She then became California's Not only did she make history as the first first female and Black attorney general, where her bold leadership gained her national recognition. Her rise continued



she was taught to honor her diverse roots when she was elected to the U.S. Senate, becoming one of only three Asian Americans ever to serve there and the first Indian-American senator in history.

> As vice president, Harris continues to serve as a powerful figure in U.S. politics. woman to hold the office, but she has also wielded significant influence, casting the most tie-breaking votes in Senate history.

Her pivotal role in the Biden administration is a testament to her leadership and influence on issues ranging from healthcare and climate change to small business support and civil rights.

Harris remains a role model for women and people of color aspiring to leadership roles, proving that barriers can be broken, and dreams can be realized, no matter the challenges.

Heartiest Congratulations My Friend: PM Modi To Trump On Big US Win

As the US election results began to point toward a decisive victory for Donald Trump, Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi swiftly congratulated the Republican leader on his historic comeback to the presidency. In a message shared on social media platform X, Modi referred to Trump as "my friend" and expressed his heartfelt congratulations. "Heartiest congratulations, my friend @realDonaldTrump on your historic election victory," Modi wrote.





Jaishankar Meets Key Leaders in Australia to **Strengthen Bilateral Ties**

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar is currently on an official visit to Australia, from November 3 to 7, aimed at deepening India's comprehensive strategic partnership with the country. During his visit, Jaishankar met Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese and conveyed warm greetings from Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Jaishankar expressed his appreciation for the guidance provided by Albanese in strengthening the India-Australia bilateral relationship. On social media platform X, Jaishankar wrote, "Delighted to call on PM Anthony Albanese in Canberra today. Conveyed warm greetings of PM @narendramodi. Value his guidance for deepening India-Australia Comprehensive Strategic Partnership."

The meeting comes as both nations continue to strengthen their ties in areas such as trade, security, and technology. Jaishankar's visit also signals ongoing efforts to enhance cooperation in the Indo-Pacific region, a priority for both India and Australia as part of their shared vision for a free and open Indo-Pacific.

Earlier in the day, Jaishankar also met with Peter Dutton, the leader of Australia's Liberal Party. The two leaders discussed key global issues and expressed mutual appreciation for the growing strength of the India-Australia bilateral relationship. "Shared perspectives on global issues and appreciate his support for our bilateral ties," Jaishankar said after the meeting.

Additionally, Jaishankar held talks with New Zealand's Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister, Winston Peters, in Canberra. The discussions focused on a wide range of issues, including education, technology, agriculture, and people-to-people ties. They also exchanged views on regional security concerns, particularly in the Indo-Pacific region, and broader global issues.

In another engagement, Jaishankar met with the UAE's Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister, Sheikh Abdullah bin Zayed Al Nahyan. The two diplomats shared cordial exchanges on strengthening India-UAE relations, with Jaishankar posting on X, "So nice to meet my friend DPM & FM @ABZayed of UAE in Canberra today."



The Indian Prime Minister went on to highlight the importance of strengthening the India-US partnership, saying he looked forward to working with Trump to build on the successes of his previous term. "As you build on the successes of your previous term, I look forward to renewing our collaboration to further strengthen the India-US Comprehensive Global and Strategic Partnership. Together, let's work for the betterment of our people and to promote global peace, stability, and prosperity," Modi added.

Trump's victory was a significant moment in what had been expected to be a tight race. The Republicans managed to flip all seven battleground states, a remarkable feat considering the Democrats had won six of those states in the 2020 election. In his victory speech, Trump addressed his supporters, calling the results a "magnificent victory for the American people." He also reflected on the assassination attempt he survived in July, stating, "God spared my life for a reason."

Describing the Republican campaign as the "greatest political movement of all time," Trump promised to focus on healing the nation and securing its borders. "We have made history for a reason tonight. We have achieved the most incredible political win," he said, emphasizing his commitment to fight for the American people and their families.

"Lost Faith": Michigan **Muslims Shun Harris Over Mideast Turmoil**

Amid the ongoing violence in the Middle East, many Arab-American voters in Dearborn, Michigan, are shifting their political support away from the Democratic Party, with some backing Green Party candidate Jill Stein. Soujoud Hamade, a 32-year-old real estate lawyer and registered Democrat, cast her vote for Stein in the 2024 US presidential election, expressing her frustration over the Biden-Harris administration's steadfast support for Israel.

"It's very emotional," said Hamade, a Lebanese-American, after voting in the Arab-majority city of Dearborn, which is pivotal in the battleground state of Michigan. "Every time I watch the news or get on social media, I see my people being decimated, I see my home country being destroyed." Disillusioned with the political establishment, Hamade views her vote for Stein as more than a protest. She hopes to help Stein reach five percent of the national popular vote, a threshold that could provide the Green Party with federal funding and potentially challenge the dominance of the two-party system in US politics.

Dearborn, known for its significant Middle Eastern population, largely backed President Joe Biden in 2020. However, recent polling indicates a shift away from the Democratic Party among Muslim and Arab-American voters, driven by frustrations over US foreign policy, particularly in the Middle East. Stein, a left-wing Jewish physician, has gained support from voters like Muhammad Hijazi, a 28-year-old engineer who identifies as a "single-issue voter." Hijazi, disillusioned with both the Democrats and Republicans, believes Stein is the only candidate opposing "genocide" and offering a more principled stance on Middle East peace.

China Calls for 'Peaceful Coexistence' As Trump Set For Win

As the US presidential election approaches, China finds itself closely watching the race, knowing that the outcome will have significant global implications. Whether it's Democrat Kamala Harris or Republican Donald Trump who wins, the broader trajectory of US-China relations is expected to remain adversarial. Both parties have increasingly viewed China as a competitor, with a growing consensus in Washington on the need to counter China's rising influence.

China has expressed its desire for "peaceful coexistence" with the United States regardless of the election outcome. Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Mao Ning recently reiterated China's commitment to handling bilateral relations based on "mutual respect, peaceful coexistence, and win-win cooperation." She emphasized that China would continue to approach its relationship with the US through these guiding principles, irrespective of the presidential race.

While Mao refrained from commenting directly on the prospect of a second Trump term, she noted that the US election was an internal matter and that China respects the choice of the American people. She also addressed whether Chinese President Xi Jinping would congratulate Trump in the event of a victory, stating that such matters would be handled "in accordance with usual practice" once the results are officially announced.

Netanyahu Fires Defence Minister Yoav Gallant Amid Gaza Conflict Tensions

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu dismissed his defence minister, Yoav Gallant, on Tuesday following mounting public disagreements over Israel's military operations in Gaza. Gallant, a key figure in Israel's tough stance on Hezbollah, had recently called for a ceasefire and advocated for a hostage release deal in Gaza, signaling a rift between him and Netanyahu over the handling of the war.

In a statement, Netanyahu's office explained that trust between the two leaders had eroded over the past few months, leading to Gallant's ousting. The Prime Minister appointed Israel Katz, a former top diplomat, as the new defence minister. Gideon Saar was appointed to replace Katz as the country's foreign minister.

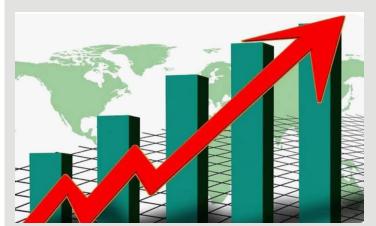
Gallant, who had served as Israel's defence chief since 2022, expressed that despite his dismissal, Israel's security would remain his life's mission. His firing comes amid an intensifying war in Gaza, which was triggered by Hamas's deadly attack on Israel on October 7 last year, killing 1,206 Israelis, mostly civilians. In retaliation, Israeli forces have launched a brutal military campaign in Gaza, which, according to the Gaza Health Ministry, has resulted in 43,391 Palestinian deaths, most of them civilians.

Meanwhile, the conflict has spilled over into Lebanon and Syria. Israeli forces have conducted air raids across southern Lebanon and Syria, targeting Hezbollah militants and weapons storage facilities. In Lebanon, Israeli airstrikes on the coastal town of Jiyeh killed one person and injured 20, while Hezbollah launched rockets and drones into northern Israel. The violence has claimed at least 1,964 lives in Lebanon since Hezbollah joined the conflict in late September.





Trump Victory Boosts Indian Markets; IT, Realty, and Oil & Gas Stocks Lead Rally



Domestic stock markets rallied on Wednesday. Don-

ald Trump's victory in the United States led to a run. IT, realty, oil and gas shares lifted the benchmark indices. India Wix's 8% cool-off suggests easing uncertainty. Indexes, which started with modest gains in the morning, rallied as Trump's lead grew. Sensex 900 and Nifty rose by 270 points. This has increased the wealth of investors by Rs.4.5 lakh crore. The rupee settled at an all-time high of 84.28 against the dollar.

The BSE Sensex, which closed at 79,476 in the previous session, opened at 79,771 today. It had earlier hit an intraday low of 79,459. It then rebounded gradual-

ly to reach an intraday high of 80,569. It eventually closed at 80,378, a gain of 901 points. The NSE Nifty opened at 24,308 and touched a low of 24,204 and a high of 24,537. A total jump of 270 points to close at 24,484. Nifty Bank gained 110 points to settle at 52,317.

In Nifty, 41 companies gained while 9 lost. BEL, Adani Enterprises, TCS, Wipro, HCL Tech are top gainers. SBI Life, Titan, HDFC Life, Indus Ind Bank and Trent were the biggest losers. Auto, IT, media, metal, pharma, realty, healthcare, consumer durables, oil and gas indices rose higher.

In NSE, 2904 stocks were traded and 2213 gained. 620 were lost. Shares of 94 companies hit 52-week highs.

TeamTeez's Q2 profit fell 9.9% to Rs 24.6 crore. GE Power posted a profit of Rs 66.8 crore against a net loss of Rs 61.8 crore. Swiggy IPO was subscribed 0.10 times on the first day. Jefferies has given GAIL India a Buy rating. Astra Microwaves has signed a joint venture agreement with Manjira Digital Systems. CAMS shares performed well for the seventh session in a row. HUDCO shares recorded eighth consecutive session of gains. 5.59 million shares changed hands in two block trades in ICICI Bank. 1.91 million shares changed hands in Ambuja Cement. SBI estimates that Q2 GDP growth may slow to 6.5 percent and FY2025 growth may be 7 percent. Mankind Pharma shares soar after Q2 profit jumps 29%.

has shown consistent growth in revenue and profitability. It maintains healthy operating margins, benefiting from its efficient production and sourcing strat-

egies. Recent quarters have reflected solid revenue growth due to increased demand in key markets. 2. eClerx Services Ltd. management, automation, analytics,

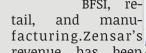


and other operational support services to clients in sectors like financial services, retail, and digital marketing. Its niche in delivering knowledge-intensive

> solutions makes it a preferred outsourcing partner. The company has a stable revenue stream from long-term contracts with clients. However, growth in recent years has been moderate, reflecting a shift toward automation across industries. Margins are stable due to cost-efficiency measures.

3. Zensar Technologies Ltd.

Zensar is an IT services and solutions provider, offering digital transformation, cloud solutions, and analytics. Its key clients are from the U.S. and Europe across industries like



revenue has been TECHNOLOGIES growing, though

with some fluctuations due to client demand cycles. Margins have been under slight pressure, partially due to currency fluctuations and wage inflation in the IT sector.

4. Deep Industries Ltd. (DeepInd)

Deep Industries is engaged in the oil and gas sector, primarily providing services related to natural gas production, drilling, and workover services. Its services are essential for upstream energy companies, especially

India.Deep in Industries has shown revenue growth aligned with energy sector demand. How-



ever, profitability can vary significantly with oil and gas price fluctuations. The company has maintained a stable balance sheet, though it is capital intensive.

5. Piramal Pharma Ltd. (PPL Pharma)

Indian Stock Market Opens in the Green Amid US Election Uncertainty



As the counting for the fiercely contested US presidential election began, the Indian stock market opened on a positive note on Wednesday, driven by buying activity in key sectors such as real estate, media, energy, private banking, and infrastructure.

The **Sensex** was up by 610 points, trading at 80,087.35, reflecting a rise of 0.77%. Meanwhile, the **Nifty** gained 180 points, reaching 24,393.40, a rise of 0.74%. The market trend remained largely bullish, with 1,820 stocks on the **National Stock Exchange (NSE)** trading in the green, while 449 stocks were in the red.

The **Nifty Bank** index stood at 52,289.75, up by 82.50 points or 0.16%, while the ******Nifty Midcap 100****** index surged to 56,589.90, a gain of 474.45 points or 0.85%. The **Nifty Smallcap 100** index was also in the green at 18,651.70, gaining 148.25 points or 0.80%.

In the Sensex pack, top gainers included HCL Tech, ICICI Bank, Infosys, Bajaj Finserv, Bajaj Finance, Tech Mahindra, Maruti Suzuki, Sun Pharma, and Tata Steel, Hindustan Unilever, Kotak same day.

Mahindra Bank, Tata Motors, and SBI were among the top losers.

Market experts observed that the sharp rebound in the market on Tuesday suggested a possible halt to the downward trend witnessed in previous days. "The fact that the rebound is being led by fundamentally strong large banking stocks is significant and could indicate the continuation of the positive trend," they said.

The experts further noted that while the US elections may create shortterm noise in the markets, it will be the economic fundamentals that will drive the market direction in the coming weeks.

In Asia, stock markets in Jakarta, Shanghai, and Tokyo were trading in the green, while seoul, Bangkok, and Hong Kong were in the red. The US stock market also ended on a positive note, following the election results.

In India, foreign institutional investors (FIIs) sold equities worth **Rs 2,569 crore** on November 5, while domestic institutional investors (DIIs) bought Axis Bank. On the other hand, Titan, equities worth **Rs 3,030 crore** on the

Oil falls on stock build, firm dollar as Trump win projected



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stock recommandations :

1. CCL Products (India) Ltd. (CCL)



CCL is primarily engaged in the production and export of instant coffee. It has a strong export presence, making it one of the major players in the global coffee industry. The company benefits from a diversified product portfolio

across freeze-dried, spray-dried, and liquid coffee. CCL

Piramal Pharma, a leading player in the pharmaceutical sector, is involved in contract development and manufacturing, complex generics, and consumer healthcare. Its diversified portfolio includes API manufacturing, injectable manufacturing, and healthcare consumer products. The company has shown robust revenue growth due to its diversified portfolio and strategic acquisitions. Profitability has been stable, although high R&D costs and competition can affect margins in certain segments.



Crude oil prices dropped by 2.5% on Wednesday, November 6, snapping a five-day winning streak. The decline was largely driven by the strengthening US dollar, as early reports suggested that Republican candidate Donald Trump was gaining ground in the race for a second term as president.

The stronger US dollar places downward pressure on oil and other commodities, making them more expensive for buyers using other currencies. **Brent crude oil futures** fell to **\$73.64 per barrel**, marking a drop of 2.5% from the previous close of **\$75.53**, while **WTI crude futures** dropped to **\$70.22**, down 2.45% from the prior close of **\$71.99**.

Crude prices have been volatile in recent days, influenced by a mix of factors, including OPEC+'s decision to delay its December production plan for the second time, rising geopolitical tensions in the Middle East, and expectations surrounding the upcoming **US Federal Reserve policy meeting**. Additionally, signs of economic recovery in **China**, the world's largest crude importer, have been affecting market sentiment.

Volatile Crude Oil Market

Rahul Kalantri, VP of Commodities at Mehta Equities, commented on the volatility, noting that crude oil prices rebounded last week, driven by a

drop in US oil stocks and heightened geopolitical unrest. **US crude oil inventories** fell by 0.5 million barrels, which was contrary to expectations of a 1.5-million-barrel increase. This was a significant shift from the previous week, when inventories had risen by 5.5 million barrels.

"Geopolitical tensions in the Middle East and the possibility of OPEC+ delaying production increases supported the recovery in crude prices. However, the strengthening US dollar and weak economic data from Europe tempered the gains," Kalantri added.

Dollar Index Reaches Four-Month High

The **US Dollar Index** surged by 1.9% to **105.30**, marking its highest level in nearly four months. This increase came amid growing expectations of a Trump victory in the **2024 US presidential election**. The dollar's strength was further fueled by Trump's improving position in several key swing states, particularly **Pennsylvania**, which Trump won, putting him just three electoral votes shy of securing the White House.

As the election results unfold, analysts expect oil prices to remain volatile, driven by fluctuations in the dollar and ongoing geopolitical developments.

Airtel Expands Connectivity in Ladakh's Border Areas

In a significant move to enhance connectivity in the challenging terrains of Ladakh, Bharti Airtel has successfully installed mobile towers in two strategically vital locations along the Indo-China border—Galwan and Daulat Beg Oldie (DBO). This marks a major milestone for Airtel, making it the first private telecom operator to provide mobile network services at an altitude of 16,700 feet above sea level, extending its reach to India's northernmost military outpost. The tower installations were carried out in collaboration with the Leh Signalers, the telecom said in a press release on Wednesday. With this expansion, Airtel's network now reaches some of the most remote regions in Ladakh, significantly improving telecommunications access for residents and military personnel.

In total, Airtel has set up 17 mobile towers across critical locations, including Kargil, Siachen, Galwan, DBO, and Changthang. These installations will offer mobile network connectivity to villages and communities that were previously cut off from telecommunication services due to their remote and high-altitude locations.

Airtel's strategic move is expected to enhance communication lines in sensitive border areas where fast and re-

liable connectivity is crucial, especially for military operations and emergency responses. Galwan and DBO are of immense strategic significance, given their proximity to the Karakoram Range and their relevance in the context of recent military tensions between India and China.

With these mobile towers, Airtel aims to improve logistics, enhance safety, and streamline emergency responsiveness in these high-altitude regions, where rapid communication can be life-saving. The network expansion will also benefit local communities, offering better access to essential services, information, and emergency support.

Bharti Airtel, headquartered in India, is a leading global communications provider, with over 550 million customers in 15 countries, including India, Africa, Bangladesh, and Sri Lanka. The company ranks among the top three mobile operators globally and remains committed to expanding its services to underserved and strategically important regions. This expansion further solidifies Airtel's position as a key player in the telecommunications sector, especially in regions with difficult terrain and strategic importance.





WhatsApp's New 'Search on Web' Feature Aims to Tackle Fake Images

WhatsApp, the pop-ular messaging platform owned by Meta, has long been a go-to app for staying connected with friends, family, and colleagues. However, it has also become a breeding ground for misinformation, especially in the form of fake images and messages. While WhatsApp has implemented various measures to tackle this issue, the growing use of AI-generated fake images has once again raised concerns about the authenticity of visual content shared on the platform.

To address this chal-

lenge, WhatsApp is reportedly working on a new feature that will make it easier for users to verify the authenticity of images without having to leave the app. This new functionality, called 'Search on Web,' is designed to help users quickly perform a reverse image search using Google Lens, which can determine whether an image has been altered or is circulating on the internet.

In the latest beta version of WhatsApp for Android, users can access the 'Search on Web' feature by tapping on any image shared in a chat and then selecting the three-dot menu button in the top-right corner. Once selected, the option will allow users to initiate a reverse image search directly within the app. This streamlined



process eliminates the need to manually open a browser, go to Google Lens, and upload the image for verification, making it much quicker and more convenient for users to check the credibility of an image before forwarding it.

Currently, the 'Search on Web' feature is available only to a limited group of testers in the WhatsApp beta program. This means it may take some time before it is rolled out to the broader user base. However, once it becomes widely available, this feature is expected to be a valuable tool in the fight against misinformation and fake news on the platform, helping users make more informed decisions about the content they receive and share.

Amazon Launches 'Amazon Clinic' in India for Online Doctor Consultations

A mazon has launched a new healthcare service in India called *Amazon Clinic*, designed to provide online doctor consultations for over 50 different medical conditions. Similar to popular platforms like Practo, Amazon Clinic aims to offer affordable, accessible, and convenient healthcare services directly through its app, starting at a price of Rs 299 per consultation.

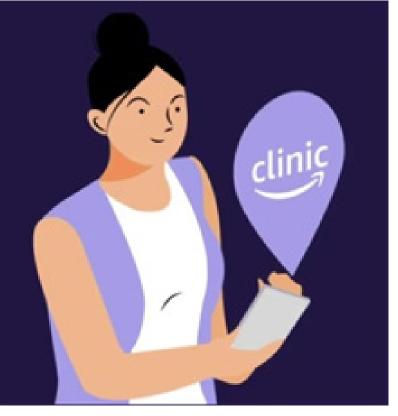
Currently, Amazon Clinic is available exclusively for Android and iOS users, meaning it cannot be accessed from desktop devices. Users looking to book a consultation must first create a profile, which includes basic information like their name, age, gender, and phone number.

The service offers two primary modes of consultation. Depending on the medical condition, users can either opt for an instant online consultation or schedule an appointment for an in-person visit. While virtual consultations are available for a wide range of conditions, clin-

ic visits are limited and may offer fewer options in terms of doctor availability and location.

Once a user has selected their consultation type, they can connect with a doctor based on availability or pre-schedule an appointment at a convenient time. Each consultation lasts between 10 to 30 minutes, providing enough time for a focused discussion on the patient's health concerns.

Amazon Clinic covers a variety of specialties, including dermatology, gynaecology, paediatrics, nutrition, and mental health counselling. The platform assures that all doctors listed on Amazon Clinic have at least three years of experience in tele-con-



sultation, ensuring a level of expertise in remote healthcare services.

This new service is expected to benefit a wide range of users across India, offering a simple and reliable way to access healthcare services without having to leave their homes. As *Amazon Clinic* is rolled out nationwide, it could become a game-changer for people seeking affordable healthcare, especially in areas where access to medical professionals may be limited.

Stay tuned for updates on the expansion of this service and the potential for further features in the future.

Gemini Al Assistant Gains New Extension for Controlling Smart Home Devices

Google's AI-powered



Rare 1,000-Year-Old Gold Coin Featuring Jesus Christ Discovered in Norway

Archaeologists and treasure hunters alike continue to make fascinating discoveries that offer a glimpse into ancient civilizations. Recently, a story went viral on social media about a man who, using a metal detector, uncovered a remarkable treasure in the mountains of Norway. This treasure, a rare gold coin, is believed to be over a thousand years old and features an image of Jesus Christ, making it an ex-



virtual assistant, Gemini, is expanding its capabilities with a new extension that allows users to control their smart home devices directly from the assistant. As Android devices receive more support for this evolving AI, Gemini is quickly closing the feature gap with Google Assistant, adding more functionality to

manage daily tasks and smart appliances.

The new Google Home extension is now available for Gemini users who have the app installed and set as their default virtual assistant. This update allows users to control a range of smart home devices, such as lights, sockets, switches, thermostats, fans, curtains, smart TVs, washing machines, air conditioning units, and more. To get started, users must ensure that both their Gemini app and smart home devices are connected to the same Google account.

However, there are some limitations to the new functionality. While Gemini can handle most smart home control tasks, it is not yet capable of managing security devices that require a PIN, streaming video from cameras, or executing automated routines.

In addition to controlling smart appliances, Gemini's natural language processing abilities stand out. Unlike Google Assistant, which is limited to specific commands, Gemini can understand and act on more complex or personalized prompts. For instance, users can ask, "Set the dining room for a romantic date night," or "Adjust the AC to a comfortable temperature for sleeping," and Gemini will interpret and complete the request accordingly. This flexibility allows for a more intuitive and conversational user experience.

To use the new smart home features, Gemini users need to open the app, sign in with their Google account, and connect the assistant to Google Home. Once the connection is made, users can enable the extension, granting Gemini permission to access and control their smart devices.

As Gemini continues to evolve, it is expected to add even more functionality, including the rumored ability to handle calling and messaging on the lock screen, bringing it even closer to the performance of Google Assistant. traordinary find.

The man, an independent treasure hunter, ventured into the mountains of Vestre Slidre in Norway, where his metal detector began to beep. Intrigued by the sound, he started digging and breaking rocks, eventually unearthing the ancient coin. Experts have since identified the coin as a Byzantine gold piece, likely minted between 977 and 1025 AD, during the reigns of Byzantine emperors Basil II and Constantine VIII.

The coin is exceptionally rare because it features an image of Jesus Christ holding the Bible on one side, while the other side depicts the empire of the time. Such coins were originally produced in Constantinople, the capital of the Byzantine Empire, under the rule of Emperor Constantine the Great. The coin's rarity is heightened by the fact that it was found more than 1,600 miles from its place of origin, suggesting it had traveled far from where it was originally minted.

Experts believe that the coin may have been brought to Nor-

way during the reign of Harald Hardrada, a Viking king who is said to have returned to Norway after military campaigns in the East. The coin might have been lost after his return, remaining buried for nearly a thousand years before it was discovered by the lucky treasure hunter.

While the exact journey of the coin remains unclear, its discovery offers a fascinating insight into the trade and movements of people during the medieval period. Experts are still investigating how such a coin made its way to Norway, but it is undoubtedly a treasure that has captivated both history enthusiasts and archaeologists alike.

The more carbon dioxide you emit, the more likely you are to be bitten by mosquitoes

Many people have been told that mosquito bites are caused by "sweeter" blood, but recent research suggests there might be a more scientific explanation: carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions. Mosquitoes are primarily attracted to CO2, which humans and animals exhale during respiration. This discovery sheds light on why some individuals seem to be more prone to mosquito bites than others.

Dr. Jinendra Jain, a consultant physician at Wockhardt Hospital, Mira Road, explains that it's not the sweetness of the blood that attracts mosquitoes but the levels of CO2 in the air. "Mosquitoes are drawn to higher concentrations of carbon dioxide, which is commonly exhaled by humans and animals," Dr. Jain says. Increased CO2 levels, especially in areas with warmer temperatures and climate change, create an ideal environment for mosquito breeding.



Dr. Mallika Motta, MD (Homeopathy) at The Vital Dose Homeopathy Clinic, adds that mosquitoes have nerve cell receptors that can detect carbon dioxide from over 30 feet away. "This is one of the primary ways mosquitoes locate their hosts," she explains. The more CO2 a person exhales, the more likely they are to attract mosquitoes. This explains why larger groups of people, who emit more carbon dioxide, are often more susceptible to mosquito bites. Furthermore, human activities that increase CO2 emissions, such as burning fossil fuels, could contribute to higher concentrations of CO2 in the atmosphere, making it a more attractive environment for mosquitoes.

Apart from CO2, mosquitoes are also attracted to certain compounds found in human sweat and on the skin. Lactic acid, ammonia, and other body chemicals can make a person more appealing to these pests.

In conclusion, while factors like body odor and sweat do play a role, carbon dioxide emissions—both natural and human-induced—are a key factor in why mosquitoes target certain individuals more frequently. Reducing CO2 emissions could not only benefit the environment but may also help lower the frequency of mosquito bites in certain areas.







Tndian wicketkeeper-batter Rishabh Pant L has made a significant leap in the ICC Test rankings, climbing five spots to reach sixth place following impressive half-centuries during the third Test against New Zealand in Mumbai. Pant's rise brings him close to his career-best ranking of fifth, which he last held in July 2022. This marks a notable achievement for the 26-year-old, who has been in excellent form with the bat.

Pant's performance in the Mumbai Test was one of the key highlights, as he continued to showcase his explosive batting ability. He now sits just behind England's Joe Root, who remains at the top of the Test batter rankings, with New Zealand's Kane Williamson in second place, followed by Harry Brook (third), India's Yashasvi Jaiswal (fourth), and Australia's Steve Smith (fifth).

Along with Pant, New Zealand's veteran batter Daryl Mitchell also saw a remarkable improvement, climbing eight places to reach seventh in the latest rankings. Mitchell's first-innings score of 82 in Mumbai played a significant role in his rise, making him one of the most consistent performers for New Zealand.

India's Shubman Gill also made progress, moving up four places to 16th after his solid 90-run performance in the first innings against New Zealand. Meanwhile, New Zealand's Will Young, who was pivotal in his team's success, surged 29 places to 44th overall, following a series of strong performances.

In the bowling rankings, India's Ravindra Jadeja climbed two spots to claim sixth position, thanks to his match-winning 10-wicket haul against New Zealand. Teammate Washington Sundar also moved up, advancing seven places to 46th among Test bowlers.

The rankings also saw some movement in the ODI charts, with West Indies' Shai Hope rising five places to 12th among ODI batters, and South Africa's Keshav Maharaj climbing to 19th in the Test bowling rankings after a stellar performance against Bangladesh.

These updates reflect the latest performances in both Test and ODI formats, highlighting the continuous rise of key players across various teams.

Goal Is To Win Silverware: Punjab Kings Satish Menon Ahead of IPL 2025 Auction

Punjab Kings have made an early move ahead of the IPL 2025 auction by announcing the retention of batters Prabhsimran Singh and Shashank Singh. These two key players will continue their journey with the franchise, bolstering their squad for the upcoming season.

Prabhsimran, who has been with Punjab Kings since 2019, has been a consistent performer, amassing 756 runs in 34 matches with an average of 22.24 and a strike rate of 146.23. On the other hand, Shashank made a significant impact last season, scoring 354 runs in 14 games at an impressive average of 44.25 and a strike rate of 164.65, cementing his place as a valuable asset for the team.

In a statement ahead of the highly anticipated auction, Punjab Kings CEO Satish Menon emphasized the franchise's

ambition for IPL 2025, stating that the goal is "nothing short of silverware." He stressed the importance of the upcoming auction, especially with the team having the maximum purse to strengthen their squad further. Menon also praised their newly appointed head coach, Ricky Ponting, calling him one of the "sharpest minds in cricket." He expressed confidence that the former Australian captain would bring fresh insights and strategies to the team, creating a squad capable of challenging for the title.

Speaking about Prabhsimran, Menon highlighted the player's growth over the past six years, saying the franchise has placed significant trust in him.



"He played some fantastic innings last year, and we believe he is on the cusp of breaking into the big leagues," Menon said.

Regarding Shashank, Menon noted his versatility in batting at multiple positions and his exceptional fielding skills, both of which were key factors in retaining him for the new season. "He continues to play with the same passion and determination," Menon added.

With Ricky Ponting now at the helm, Punjab Kings are eyeing their maiden IPL trophy in 2025, and the upcoming auction will be crucial in shaping a squad capable of achieving that goal.

David Warner Announced as Sydney Thunder Captain for BBL | 14

 $\mathbf{D}_{ ext{named the captain of Syd-}}^{ ext{avid Warner has been}}$ ney Thunder for the upcoming Big Bash League (BBL) season, just weeks after having his leadership ban lifted. Warner takes over from Chris Green, who remains a player for the team but will no longer serve as skip-



Liverpool, Spoiling Alonso's Retu

Diaz Hat-Trick Seals 4-0 Win for

T uis Diaz stole the show Lwith a sensational hattrick as Liverpool thrashed Bayer Leverkusen 4-0 at Anfield on Tuesday, continuing their perfect start to the Champions League group stage. The victory sent Liverpool to the top of their group with 12 points from four games, nearly securing a spot in the

knockout phase and moving closer to direct qualification for the last 16.

Cody Gakpo also got on the scoresheet for Liverpool, who maintained their 100% record in Europe under new manager Arne Slot. The win was another impressive display by the Reds, who have now won 14 of their 16 matches across all competitions under Slot.

For Xabi Alonso, the result was bittersweet. The former Liverpool midfielder, who was a key part of the club's Champions League-winning side in 2005, received a warm reception from the Anfield crowd, but couldn't hide his disappointment at the outcome. Alonso, who guided Leverkusen to a league and cup double last season, had opted to stay at the helm of the German club rather than succeed Jurgen Klopp at Liverpool. He reflected on the



loss, saying, "It's a bitter feeling, but I really appreciate and am thankful for the warm reception from the fans."

The game remained tightly contested in the first half, but Liverpool broke the deadlock in the 60th minute with a moment of brilliance from Curtis Jones.

His perfectly weighted pass found Diaz, who chipped Leverkusen goalkeeper Lukas Hradecky with composure. Just two minutes later, Gakpo doubled Liverpool's lead with a header from a Mohamed Salah cross, which was initially ruled offside but overturned after a VAR review.

Diaz completed his hat-trick with two more goals in the final stages: one with a controlled finish from a Salah cross and another after Darwin Nunez's shot was blocked, leaving Diaz to tap in.

Leverkusen, who sit fourth in the Bundesliga, now face an uphill battle to qualify, but Alonso remains confident of progressing, with three of their remaining four Champions League games at home.

per. The announcement comes shortly after a three-member independent panel cleared Warner to return to a leadership role, determining that he had met all the necessary criteria for his ban to be lifted.

Warner, who has been a key figure for Sydney Thunder since the BBL's inception, expressed his excitement about returning to a leadership role. "Captaining

the Thunder again this season means a lot to me. I was part of the team from the start, and now to be back with that 'C' next to my name feels fantastic," Warner said. "I'm looking forward to leading from the front and sharing my experience with the young talent coming through."

The veteran left-hander also highlighted the importance of leadership off the field, aiming to foster a team environment where players can relax, bond, and stay grounded. "Leadership off the field is just as crucial. I want to create an environment where we can all take a break from the game, bond, and enjoy ourselves," Warner said. He added that building camaraderie through activities like team David Warner (c), Wes Agar, Cameron Bancroft, meals, golf outings, and fan engagement would be a key focus of his leadership style.

Warner also acknowledged the strong leadership of his predecessor Chris Green, as well as the contributions of Jason Sangha before his injury. "Greeny

is an exceptional talent with fantastic leadership qualities. Jason Sangha too, before his injury, provided great insight, and I know they're guys I can lean on this season," he said.

After a disappointing finish last season, with Thunder finishing at the bottom of the table, the team will be hoping Warner's captaincy will help them turn things around in BBL 14. The tournament kicks off on December 15, with Thunder's first match against Adelaide Strikers in Canberra on December 17.

Sydney Thunder BBL 14 Squad

Sam Billings, Oliver Davies, Lockie Ferguson, Matt Gilkes, Chris Green, Liam Hatcher, Sam Konstas, Nic Maddinson, Nathan McAndrew, Sherfane Rutherford, William Salzmann, Daniel Sams, Jason Sangha, Tanveer Sangha.

Ben Stokes Skips IPL 2025 Auction, Faces Ban for IPL 2026

the IPL 2025 mega auction, effectively ruling himself out of the upcoming season of the Indian Premier League. Stokes, the England Test captain, was noticeably absent from the long list of 1,574 players who signed up for the auction, which is scheduled to take place in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, on November 24 and 25.

The 33-year-old all-rounder's decision means he will also be ineligible for the IPL

Ben Stokes has shocked the cricketing 2026 mini auction, as per the IPL govern-managing their international commit-ing council's new rules. These rules state ments more carefully. In contrast, fellow that any overseas player who skips a Big Auction will be barred from participating in the following year's player auction. This marks a significant turn for Stokes, who had also opted out of the previous IPL season to focus on his fitness and workload management.

> Stokes' absence from the auction is a blow lian spinner Nathan Lyon and fast bowlfor IPL fans and teams alike, but his decision reflects a growing trend of players

England cricketer James Anderson, at 42 years old, has made the decision to enter the IPL auction for the first time. Anderson, who retired from Test cricket earlier this year, hasn't played a T20 match since 2014.

Also entering the auction this year are several high-profile players, including Austraers Mitchell Starc and Jofra Archer. Starc, who was the most expensive player in the

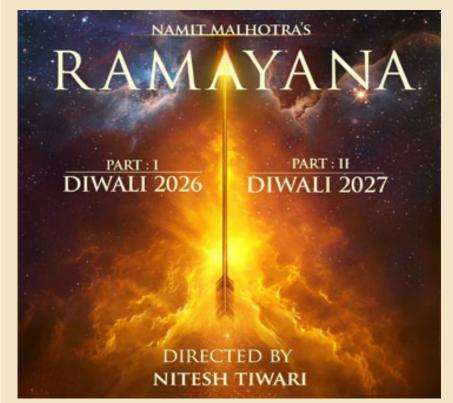
previous auction, is back in the pool with a base price of Rs 2 crore, while Archer is also listed for the same price.

With teams allowed to retain up to six players, the upcoming mega auction will have 204 available slots, with each team boasting a purse of Rs 120 crore. Teams like Punjab Kings and Royal Challengers Bangalore lead with the largest available budgets, while other franchises like Chennai Super Kings and Mumbai Indians have smaller amounts to spend.









Ranbir Kapoor's 'Ramayanam Coming to Diwali 2026 & 2027 story of Lord Ram, his wife Sita, and his son for the next two consecutive years.

Bollywood superstar Ranbir Kapoor is set to star in the grand period drama *Ramayanam*, following the success of his intense thriller *Animal*. Directed by Nitish Tiwari, known for his visionary storytelling, *Ramayanam* has been creating a buzz ever since its announcement, and the anticipation around this project is only growing stronger.

Ranbir Kapoor will take on the iconic role of Lord Ram, while the talented Sai Pallavi will portray the role of Sita. Their pairing has already caught the attention of fans, and there's palpable excitement surrounding the film. The movie is based on the ancient Indian epic *Ramayana*, which narrates the battle against the demon king Ravana. With its rich mythology and emotional depth, the film promises to be a visual spectacle and a major cultural event.

It has now been officially confirmed ematic landscape. It has already been that *Ramayanam* will be released in two parts, making this one of the most ambitious projects in Bollywood's history. The first part of the film is slated for a grand release during Diwali 2026, marking a major festival release. The second part will follow a year later, also scheduled for a Diwali release in 2027. This ensures that Bollywood will have a major blockbuster competing for box-office supremacy during the Diwali sea-

Given the scale of the project, with its grand set designs, epic battles, and larger-than-life performances, *Ramayanam* is expected to dominate the cinearmarked as a multi-crore venture, drawing massive expectations from audiences and industry insiders alike. The movie's release during Diwali in 2026 and 2027 will be a significant milestone in Indian cinema, as it will not only showcase high-budget filmmaking but also revitalize interest in India's rich mythological heritage. Fans across the country are eagerly waiting to witness this epic retelling on the big screen.

Pushpa 2 Sets Record-**Breaking Pre-Sales in North America Ahead of Release**

Pushpa 2: The Rule* is gearing up for its grand release in theaters on December 5th, but the buzz surrounding the film has already reached unprecedented heights, especially with its record-breaking presales in North America. Even though the film's U.S. premiere is still a month away, the early ticket sales are making waves, signaling a massive opening for the highly anticipated sequel.



As of November 5th, 6

AM PST, *Pushpa The Rule* has already raked franchise. in an impressive \$410,029 from 2,750 shows across 715 locations in North America. With a staggering 14,855 tickets sold, these prea cultural phenomenon since the release of its first part, *Pushpa: The Rise*.



Canada bookings are yet to open, but with these early numbers, it's clear that the film sale numbers are a testament to the growing is set to shatter records and exceed expectabrand of *Pushpa*, which has quickly become tions across the continent. The massive presales, especially at such an early stage, hint at an explosive premiere that could set new benchmarks for South Indian films in North America.

Suriya Announces Release of Second Trailer for Kanguva

The highly anticipated Kolly-wood film *Kanguva*, starring Suriya in dual roles, has been generating buzz for months. Directed by Siruthai Siva, this period action drama has fans eagerly waiting for more updates. What makes the film even more exciting is the fact that the theatrical trailer was released months ahead of the film's actual release, setting the stage for one of the most talked-about films of the year. Typically, big-ticket films unveil their trailers just a couple of weeks before release, but *Kanguva* surprised everyone by launching its first trailer two months in advance, leaving fans on the edge of their seats.

With the film's release date now approaching, fans were hoping for another trailer to build on the excitement, but until recently, the makers had remained tight-lipped about the possibility of a second trailer. Some fans expressed their disappointment, unsure whether they'd get another sneak peek be-

fore the film hits theaters. However, today, Suriya himself delivered a much-needed update to his fanbase.



In addition to Suriya's powerful dual roles, *Kanguva* also features Bobby Deol and Disha Patani in pivotal roles, further heightening anticipation. The film's music, composed by Devi Sri Prasad. is also expected to add to its appeal, with fans looking forward to some memorable tunes that complement the film's grand scale.

To put these figures in perspective, the presales for *Pushpa: The Rise* were around \$400,000 in North America, but *Pushpa 2* has already surpassed that total 30 days before its premiere. This marks a clear sign that the second installment is generating far more anticipation and excitement among audiences, showing the immense growth of the records and dominate the global box office.

Given the phenomenal pre-release demand, *Pushpa The Rule* is on track to become a massive box office juggernaut. As the days draw closer to its release, expectations are sky-high, and it's poised to surpass existing

The star actor took to social media to confirm that the second trailer for *Kanguva* is indeed on the way. This announcement has reignited the excitement among fans, who were eager to see more of the action-packed drama unfold before its release. Given the success of the first trailer, the second one is expected to play a crucial role in driving advance bookings and keeping the film in the spotlight.

As the release date nears, *Kanguva* is shaping up to be one of the biggest event films of the year, and the release of the second trailer will undoubtedly fuel even more excitement in the lead-up to its debut.

'Bhairavam' Sparks with First **Look Poster of Nara Rohit**

Tollywood's highly an-L ticipated multistarrer *Bhairavam* is creating a buzz even before its release, thanks to the efforts of director Vijay Kanakamedala. The film has already attracted significant attention from audiences, with early excitement centered around the first look posters of its lead stars.

The makers recently unveiled the first look of hero Bellamkonda Srinifrom *Bhairavam*, vas and the response has been overwhelmingly positive. Fans are eager to learn more about the film's storyline, especially with the intriguing title that hints at a gripping narrative. Following the success of Srinivas's poster, the filmmakers have now dropped

the highly anticipated first look of Nara Rohit's char- helm, *Bhairavam* is set to be one of the most exciting acter. Rohit plays the powerful and intense role of films in Tollywood's lineup. Fans are already buzzing 'Varada', and his action-packed look has stirred curi- with excitement for the next poster reveals and are osity among viewers.

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In addition to Bellamkonda Srinivas and Nara Rohit, *Bhairavam* also stars actor Manchu Manoj, who is expected to bring another compelling performance to the film. Although Manoj's first look is yet to be revealed, fans are eagerly awaiting more updates about his character.

Produced by KK Radhamohan under the banner of Sri Sathya Sai Arts, *Bhairavam* is expected to be a high-octane entertainer. Sricharan Pakala, known for his distinctive music, is composing the soundtrack for the film, adding to the anticipation surrounding the project.

With strong performances, a talented cast, and a promising director at the

eager to see how the film unfolds on the big screen.

Anushka Ghaati Generates Buzz with First Look and Glimpse Announcement

Anushka Shetty con-tinues to dominate the southern film industry, building a pan-India image with her stellar performances. Following the success of her previous projects, she is now set to star in a highly anticipated film titled *Ghaati*, directed by Krish. This social drama is already piquing the interest of fans, especially

after the release of the pre-look, which has gone viral on social media.

On the occasion of Anushka's birthday, exciting updates about the film were announced. The first look poster will be unveiled tomorrow at 9:45 AM, and the much-awaited glimpse video is set to be released later at 4:05 PM. The pre-release stills, which show people carrying bundles along a hilly path, have already generated a lot of buzz. This teaser image gives a glimpse of the unique and gripping story that Krish plans to bring to the big screen, promising an innovative approach to filmmaking.

Ghaati will explore the intense theme of revenge, focusing on a victim who turns into a criminal to avenge their pain. This intriguing premise has raised curiosity about the narrative, as audiences are eager to see how the film unfolds.

The film is jointly produced by UV Creations

and First Prem Entertainments and will have a post-theatrical release on Amazon Prime Video, further expanding its reach. Anushka Shetty's strong fanbase and the film's exciting plot are expected to make *Ghaati* a major success.

In addition to *Ghaati*, Anushka is also starring in *Kathanar – The Wild Sorcerer*, which marks her entry into Mollywood. Directed by Rojin Thomas, this film adds another exciting project to her diverse portfolio. Fans are eagerly awaiting her next moves, with *Ghaati* being one of the most anticipated films of her career.

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