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Tensions Rise in Hyderabad as Senior BRS Leaders Arrested

Political Tensions Escalate Following Arrests of BRS Leaders
BRS Leaders Condemn Congress Government's Handling of Dissent
Police Detain Senior BRS Leaders, Sparking Statewide Protests
Rama Rao Criticizes Congress for Undemocratic Actions Against Opposition

TPN , Hyderabad : Tensions escalated in Hyderabad on Thursday as Cyberabad police arrested senior BRS leaders, including MLAs T Harish Rao, G Jagadish Reddy, and Padi Kaushik Reddy, amid high drama. The arrests intensified the political clash between the ruling BRS and law enforcement, sparking widespread protests by party supporters across the state.



The drama began in the early morning when police arrived at Kaushik Reddy's residence in Kondapur to arrest him in connection with a case filed the previous day at Banjara Hills police station. The case stemmed from a confrontation when Kaushik Reddy visited the station to lodge a complaint about alleged phone tapping by the Congress government. Tensions flared when Kaushik Reddy insisted that the Station House Officer, KM Raghavendra, stay to receive his

complaint. The police accused Reddy of obstructing a public servant and filed charges including unlawful assembly, rioting, and criminal intimidation.

BRS leaders, including working president KT Rama Rao and senior MLA T Harish Rao, condemned the actions of the Congress government and questioned the state of governance in Telangana. They accused the police of suppressing opposition by arresting BRS leaders instead of

addressing the serious allegations raised by Kaushik Reddy. As the situation intensified, Harish Rao, Jagadish Reddy, and other BRS leaders arrived at Kaushik Reddy's residence, only to be detained by the police. The detained leaders were shifted to Gachibowli and Raidurg police stations. Despite efforts by the BRS to secure their release, the leaders remained in custody for over seven hours.

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Harish Rao, BRS MLAs Released from Gachibowli Police Station

Harish Rao Slams CM Revanth Reddy's "Revengeful" Governance
BRS Leaders Detained in Tensions at Gachibowli Police Station
Harish Rao Criticizes Police and Governance Under Congress Influence

TPN , Telangana : Tensions ran high at Gachibowli police station in Hyderabad as senior BRS leaders, including MLA Harish Rao, were arrested along with other party members. The arrests followed the detainment of Kaushik Reddy by Banjara Hills police. In response, BRS MLAs Palla Rajeshwar Reddy and Sudheer Reddy joined other party leaders to secure Harish Rao's release.

After being freed, Harish Rao addressed the media, condemning the state's governance. He claimed that Telangana is not

being ruled by the people, but by a "demon," referring to Chief Minister Revanth Reddy. Harish Rao accused Revanth Reddy of taking revenge on BRS leaders and continuing a reign of hostility. He also criticized the handling of issues like women's safety in Lagacharla and questioned the unfulfilled promises made to farmers. Rao alleged that police stations across the state have become "Congress offices," urging law enforcement to operate within legal boundaries. He further emphasized that political positions are not permanent and should be used responsibly.

PSLV-C59 Rocket Successfully Launched

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CM Revanth Reddy Prioritizes Women's Welfare

"CM Revanth Reddy Inaugurates Mahila Shakti Bazaar"
Government's Commitment to Women's Empowerment
"Indira Mahila Shakti Scheme Boosts Women's Businesses"
"Telangana's Vision: One Crore Women Millionaires"

TPN , Hyderabad: Telangana Chief Minister Revanth Reddy highlighted the Congress government's focus on women's welfare, marking a significant step with the inauguration of the state-level Mahila Shakti Bazaar at Shilparam in Madhapur on Thursday evening. The event was attended by Governor Jishnu Dev Verma, Deputy CM Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka, Minister Seethakka, and other key officials.

Speaking at the event, CM Revanth Reddy emphasized the importance of empowering women, revealing that the government had implemented numerous welfare schemes aimed at improving their lives. These initiatives include free bus travel for women, subsidized household electricity up to 200 units, and Rs. 500 gas cylinders. The government has also introduced the Indira Mahila Shakti scheme to help women overcome finan-

cial challenges. Women who have benefitted from these programs shared their success stories, highlighting how their businesses have flourished with government support. They spoke about how they have not only achieved financial stability but also created jobs for others, exemplifying the positive impact of the government's initiatives.

The CM also spoke about his vision for women's empowerment, stating that his government aims to make one crore women millionaires. He emphasized the pivotal role women play in the economic strength of families and communities, especially in sectors like solar projects where his



government has provided significant opportunities for women's associations.

The CM concluded by congratulating the women of Telangana for helping realize Indiramma's dream of women excelling in all fields.

Telangana Shines in Transport Reform

CM Revanth Reddy Announces Major Transport Reforms
Electric Buses and Eco-Friendly Measures for a Cleaner Hyderabad
Telangana's Record Achievements in Agriculture and Employment

TPN , Hyderabad: Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy emphasized his government's transformative achievements in the transport sector during celebrations organized by the Transport Department at HMDA grounds. Addressing the gathering, CM Reddy highlighted the Congress government's commitment to fulfilling promises and implementing welfare schemes promptly after assuming office.

He announced that 115 crore women have benefited from the free bus travel scheme, saving ₹3,902 crore collectively. Revanth Reddy stressed the adoption of eco-friendly practices, including introducing electric buses and promoting the use of pollution-free vehicles in Hyderabad.



He also committed to purchasing 3,000 electric buses in the next two years to combat urban pollution.

The Chief Minister criticized the previous BRS regime for neglecting the issues of RTC workers, claiming his government resolved their problems and restored the RTC to profitability. He praised RTC workers for their efforts and called for public cooperation in retiring obsolete vehicles and promoting electric autos.

Revanth Reddy also highlighted other achievements:
 - Loan waivers worth ₹21 crore for 25.35 lakh farmers in the first year.
 - Record paddy cultivation of 1.53 crore metric tons, advising farmers to grow high-quality rice



for government programs and children's welfare.
 - Creation of 55,143 government jobs within the first year, a milestone unparalleled in any other state.

Stressing the need for tough measures to address pollution, CM Revanth Reddy urged officials to plan incentives for electric vehicles and reiterated his vision to make Hyderabad a pollution-free city.



BRS Leaders Arrested

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The arrests led to political outrage, with BRS leaders accusing the Congress government of using law enforcement to suppress dissent. Party supporters staged protests and burned effigies of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, the state government, and the police in multiple districts.

Rama Rao, speaking from Kochi, condemned the arrests, calling them undemocratic and accusing the Congress government of targeting opposition leaders who seek justice and highlight unfulfilled promises.

PSLV-C59 Rocket Successfully Launched

PSLV-C59 Launches Solar Study Mission
Proba-3 Satellites to Explore Sun's Corona
ISRO's Successful Proba-3 Launch

TPN, Telangana: The PSLV-C59 rocket successfully launched into space from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota, carrying the Proba-3 satellites into orbit. This mission, led by the European Space Agency (ESA), aims to unveil the secrets of the Sun's outer atmosphere, or corona, by creating an artificial solar eclipse.

Initially scheduled for yesterday, the launch was postponed due to a last-minute technical issue with the Proba-3 spacecraft, but it successfully lifted off today. The mission was launched by ISRO's commercial arm, New Space India Limited (NSIL).

The Proba-3 mission consists of two satellites, the Coronagraph Spacecraft and the Occult Spacecraft, each weighing around 550 kg. These satellites will orbit Earth in a highly elliptical orbit and work together to simulate solar eclipse conditions. One satellite will create the artificial eclipse, while the other will closely observe the Sun's corona. The success of the mission depends on the precise coordination of these two satellites, as one malfunction could render the entire mission ineffective.

The Proba-3 mission is a collaborative effort involving scientists from Spain, Poland, Belgium, Italy, and Switzerland, marking a significant step in solar research.

Soyam Babu Rao and Atram Sakku Join Congress in Telangana

TPN, Hyderabad: In a significant political development, former BJP leader Soyam Babu Rao joined the Congress party on Thursday. Alongside him, Atram Sakku also took the Congress mantle in the presence of Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) President Mahesh Kumar Goud.

Speaking at the event, Soyam Babu Rao stated that he resigned from the BJP, expressing admiration for the developmental initiatives led by Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy. "I respect all religions and will work in accordance with the principles of the Congress party," he said.

TPCC Chief Mahesh Kumar Goud welcomed the leaders and made notable remarks about the shifting political landscape in Telangana. "Even some BRS MLAs who criticize us are in touch with the Congress party. They will join us at the right time," he stated.



The inclusion of Soyam Babu Rao and Atram Sakku is seen as a strategic boost for the Congress party as it continues to strengthen its position in the state ahead of upcoming elections. This development is expected to add momentum to the party's efforts to challenge the ruling BRS and other opposition forces.

Launching the initiative at Bhadrachalam, Bhadradi Kothagudem district, CM Reddy emphasized prioritizing the poorest of the poor, including Dalits, tribals, agriculture workers, physically challenged individuals, sanitation workers, single women, and transgenders. Each Assembly constituency will see the construction of 3,500 houses in the first phase.

Reflecting on the legacy of the Indiramma housing scheme, the CM highlighted the construction of over 25 lakh houses between 2004 and 2014. He noted the significant increase in per-unit funding, from Rs. 4,000 during its inception to Rs. 5 lakh today.

The Chief Minister criticized the previous BRS government, alleging financial mismanagement and leaving the state with Rs. 7 lakh crore debt. He invited BRS chief K. Chandrasekhar Rao to offer suggestions for state development and participate in the Congress government's first-anniversary celebrations.

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Praja Government's Focus on Women's Economic Growth

Empowering Women: Targeting 1 Crore Millionaires
Innovative Solar Power Projects for Women
Free RTC Travel and Entrepreneurial Opportunities

TPN, Hyderabad: Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka emphasized the Telangana government's commitment to women's empowerment at the inauguration of the Indira Mahila Shakti Bazaar in Shilparam, Hyderabad. He outlined the government's goal of making one crore women in the state millionaires by increasing the membership of DWAKRA women groups from 65 lakh to one crore.

Vikramarka stressed the importance of empowering women, who form half of society, through various schemes aimed at increasing their in-

come and employment opportunities. He mentioned the provision of Rs. 20,000 crore in interest-free loans annually for DWAKRA women and the involvement of women in solar power generation, a sector traditionally dominated by large corporations.

The Deputy CM also highlighted the government's initiatives, such as the free RTC bus travel for women, which costs the state Rs. 400 crore monthly. Women are also becoming partners in the RTC, with interest-free loans provided for setting up solar plants. Additionally, Vikramarka spoke about



plans to establish Indira Mahila Shakti Canteens and provide more employment opportunities for women, making them entrepreneurs.

He assured that despite financial challenges, the government remains dedicated to supporting women's economic growth and enhancing their role in society.

Bandi Sanjay Criticizes Congress Government in Telangana

TPN, Telangana: BJP leader and Union Minister of State for Home Affairs, Bandi Sanjay, has once again targeted the Congress government in Telangana on the occasion of its one-year completion. Taking to the social media platform X, Sanjay made sensational comments about the state's governance, underlining his strong criticism of the Congress party's performance.

Using the hashtag 'Questioning Telangana,' Sanjay stated that under Congress rule, there has been an overreliance on committees, commissions, and delays in crucial matters. He pointed out issues such as committees on dharanas, commissions involving Hydra, Musi, and Fourth City projects, and delays in addressing farmer concerns. Sanjay expressed his frustration with the lack of action towards welfare and development, claiming that Congress's rule has been characterized by "deaths and tears."



His remarks have sparked widespread criticism, with many retweeting and commenting on his post. Sanjay accused the Congress-led government of failing to deliver on promises and stated that the situation would persist unless significant changes were made in governance. His statements are a continuation of the ongoing political tension between the BJP and Congress in the state, with both parties vying for dominance in Telangana's political landscape.

This latest criticism adds to the ongoing debate over the effectiveness of the Congress government's leadership in the state.



Transforming Telangana: CM's Transport Reforms

TPN, Telangana: Chief Minister Revanth Reddy led the Public Administration Public Victories 2024 event at HMDA Grounds, marking significant achievements in the state's Transport Department. During the event, the CM unveiled the new logo of the Transport Department and presented various documents, including those for compassionate appointments and the scrapping policy orders. He also highlighted that 115.76 crore women benefited from the free travel initiative.

Minister Ponnam Prabhakar spoke on the department's reforms, including the introduction of a new Electric Vehicle (EV) policy aimed at reducing pollution and ensuring Telangana does not face the same issues as Delhi. The government also implemented a vehicle scrapping policy for those over 15 years old, as well as the establishment of automatic testing and driving centers, and traffic awareness parks in schools.

The CM praised the efforts of the Telangana RTC, which, under his leadership, became profitable within 10 months after previously being in significant losses. He also highlighted the historic free travel benefit for women, which is unparalleled in the country. The CM's initiatives aim to modernize the transport sector while improving services and making Telangana a model state for transportation reforms.

RS Praveen Kumar Alleges Political Persecution

Kumar Accuses CM of Targeting Opposition
BRS Leaders Face Harassment, Claims Kumar
Kumar Demands Release of Detained BRS Leaders

TPN, Hyderabad: Bharat Rashtira Samithi (BRS) leader RS Praveen Kumar made sensational allegations against Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, accusing him of misusing power to target opposition leaders and suppress dissent. Kumar claimed that a climate of fear has gripped the state, with MLAs like Padi Kaushik Reddy expressing concerns for their safety.

Addressing the media, Kumar alleged that CM Revanth Reddy is tapping the phones of BRS leaders, including Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy, while police, who are supposed to safeguard constitutional rights, are turning a blind eye. He accused the government of filing fabricated cases against prominent BRS leaders such as Harish Rao and KTR, labeling it an attempt to intimidate the opposition ahead of the assembly sessions starting December 9.

Kumar further alleged that MLA Padi Kaushik Reddy is being harassed and falsely implicated in cases, citing his recent arrest at Banjara Hills Police Station. He accused the police of refusing to accept Kaushik Reddy's complaint regarding phone tapping and threats to his life.

Highlighting the alleged targeting of BRS leaders, Kumar demanded the immediate release of leaders including Harish Rao, Jagadish Reddy, and Kaushik Reddy. He criticized the government for undermining judicial processes by orchestrating arrests late at night and during early mornings.

"BRS will continue to fight against this exploitation and the injustices inflicted on Telangana's people," Kumar declared, urging citizens to stand against the government's oppressive actions.





Telangana Regime to Indiramma's Emergency-Kavitha

**Kavitha Condemns Arrests of BRS Leaders
Allegations of Police Misuse in Telangana
Call for Withdrawal of Cases Against BRS Leaders**



TPN , Hyderabad: BRS MLC Kalvakuntla Kavitha strongly criticized the current administration in Telangana, likening it to the Emergency era under Indira Gandhi. Her remarks came after the arrest of BRS leaders Harish Rao and Padi Kaushik Reddy, who were taken to Gachibowli police station.

Kavitha visited the police station to meet the detained leaders and later addressed the media. She condemned the government for its alleged oppressive actions, warning that public discontent would eventually lead to a revolt.

Detailing the incident, Kavitha stated that Padi Kaushik Reddy had approached the Banjara Hills police station to file a complaint after securing an appointment with the ACP. However, when the ACP was unavailable, Reddy questioned the CI, leading to a case being filed against him.

Kavitha criticized the arrests of Harish Rao and Jagadish Reddy, claiming they were unjustly detained for visiting Kaushik Reddy's residence. She accused the government of lacking the courage to accept complaints and demanded the withdrawal of "illegal cases" against BRS leaders.

She called for the immediate release of those arrested, reiterating her stance against the alleged misuse of police power.

Ponguleti Sudhakar Reddy Criticizes Congress and BRS

TPN , Hyderabad : BJP Tamil Nadu in-charge Ponguleti Sudhakar Reddy launched a sharp attack on the Congress and BRS parties, criticizing their governance and accusing them of deceiving the public. Addressing Congress's six guarantees and pre-election promises, Sudhakar claimed that the party failed to deliver on its commitments despite promising to fulfill them within the first 100 days of coming to power.



Sudhakar ridiculed Congress's celebrations of their rule, likening it to "hanging a chicken in a movie and eating rice." He further alleged that Congress waived off loans selectively and failed to honor its promise of waiving Rs 2 lakh loans for all eligible individuals.

Criticizing Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, Sudhakar accused the Congress of borrowing Rs 50,000 crore in addition to the Rs 7 lakh crore debt incurred by the BRS under KCR's leadership. He likened KCR's governance to a "degree in corrupt administration" while suggesting that Revanth Reddy has a "Ph.D. in corruption."

Sudhakar accused Congress of shielding BRS's failures and announced that the BJP would release a chargesheet exposing their misleading actions. He praised Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership, asserting that India is on its way to becoming a global powerhouse.

Legal Action Warning by Surekha

**Surekha Criticizes Disruptive Assembly Behavior
Allegations Against KTR on Misinformation
Congress Defends Ministers Amid Opposition Attacks**

TPN , Hyderabad : Telangana Forest Minister Konda Surekha has issued a strong warning to opposition leaders, particularly members of the Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS), over their criticisms of Congress ministers. She cautioned that legal action would be initiated against those making defamatory remarks, further intensifying the political rivalry in the state.

Surekha singled out BRS MLA Padi Kaushik Reddy, accusing him of disrupting Assembly proceedings with unruly behavior. "He has lost his mind. The Huzurabad MLA keeps disrupting the house by clapping and shouting," she said.

The minister also criticized BJP MLA Paidi Rakesh Reddy, alleging that he verbally abused Roads and Buildings Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy. She defended the Congress government's directives instructing district Collectors to include Congress leaders in official events, emphasizing the importance of party unity and public engagement.

Surekha launched a scathing attack on BRS working president K.T. Rama Rao (KTR), accusing him of using "objectionable language" against Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy and spreading misinformation about state finances. She also alleged that KTR is misusing social media to influence Telangana's youth against the Congress-led government.

This isn't the first time Surekha has courted controversy. Previously, she faced backlash for linking KTR to the divorce of Tolly-



wood actors Samantha Ruth Prabhu and Naga Chaitanya—a statement she later retracted under pressure from the film industry. Despite this, her criticisms of KTR have remained sharp, further escalating tensions between Congress and BRS.

Surekha's latest remarks underscore the growing conflict between the ruling Congress and opposition parties, setting the stage for a heated political battle in Telangana.

Balmoor Venkat Slams Kaushik Reddy, Issues Warning

TPN , Hyderabad : MLC Balmoor Venkat launched a scathing attack on BRS MLA Padi Kaushik Reddy, accusing him of erratic behavior and creating unnecessary drama. Venkat likened Reddy to a "mad dog," alleging that his actions at the police station were staged to gain attention on social media.

"Kaushik Reddy behaves arrogantly after being called an MLA. He betrayed his own party and now tries to portray himself as a star by causing unnecessary disruptions," Venkat remarked, criticizing Reddy's theatrics at the police station.

Venkat also targeted BRS leadership, questioning Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR) and MLC K. Kavitha over allegations of corruption and misconduct. "Ask KCR about the brokers, thieves, and those hiding in farmhouses. Ask Kavitha about the Sara Buddi case, and you'll know who the real culprits are," he said.

The MLC warned both Kaushik Reddy and Minister Harish Rao of legal consequences if they continued to act irresponsibly. "If you make mistakes, there will be cases and legal procedures. This is a warning to Kaushik Reddy and Harish Rao," he stated.

Venkat's fiery remarks highlight the ongoing tensions between Congress and BRS in Telangana's political landscape.



Errabelli Dayakar Rao Stages Protest Over Arrest of BRS Leaders



TPN , Hyderabad : Former Minister Errabelli Dayakar Rao staged a sit-in protest in front of the Banjara Hills Police Station, condemning the arrest of BRS MLA Padi Kaushik Reddy and other leaders. Dayakar Rao criticized the police for allegedly detaining Reddy without providing any information or justification.

"The police have illegally arrested Kaushik Reddy and are wasting time under the guise of investigation instead of presenting him in court. Even meeting him at the station was denied," he alleged. Dayakar Rao demanded that Reddy be produced in court immediately and accused the police of procedural violations.

The controversy began when Kaushik Reddy visited the Banjara Hills police station on Wednesday to file a complaint about phone tapping. Despite prior notice, the ACP was unavailable, and the CI attempted to avoid taking the complaint. Following a confrontation, CI Raghavendra lodged a complaint, leading to cases being filed against Reddy and 20 of his followers under multiple sections.

On Thursday, police arrested Kaushik Reddy from his residence in Kondapur, sparking further protests. Earlier, Harish Rao and other BRS leaders were also detained while visiting Reddy's residence and held at Gachibowli police station for several hours.

The incident has escalated tensions between the police and BRS leaders, with allegations of misuse of power.

81 Families Receive 2 BHK Pattas at Hyderabad Collectorate

TPN , Hyderabad : In a significant step towards providing affordable housing, Ministers Ponnam Prabhakar and Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy, along with other key leaders, distributed double-bedroom pattas to 81 families at the Hyderabad Collectorate.

The event, attended by Mayor Gadwala Vijaya Lakshmi, Deputy Mayor Srilatha Shobhan Reddy, MLA Mutha Gopal, MLC Balamuri Venkat, and several corporators, marked the distribution of pattas to families in Kamalanagar and LB Nagar Basti. 44 families in Kamalanagar and 37 in LB Nagar Basti were beneficiaries of the scheme.

Minister Ponnam Prabhakar, who oversees Transport and BC Welfare, emphasized the government's commitment to transparency in the distribution process. "Under the leadership of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, we are initiating the Indiramma Ila scheme, which will prioritize slum areas in Hyderabad," he said.



He further highlighted the government's achievements, including the laying of foundation stones for development projects worth Rs 9,000 crores, free RTC bus travel for women, 200 units of free electricity, and 500 units of gas, along with 55,000 jobs filled in the past year. Prabhakar assured the public that the government would continue to move forward in line with their aspirations.

Kasam Venkateswarlu Slams Revanth Reddy for Divisive Remarks



TPN , Hyderabad : BJP State General Secretary Kasam Venkateswarlu criticized Telangana Chief Minister Revanth Reddy for his comments on the caste census, accusing him of tarnishing Telangana's linguistic and cultural identity.

Venkateswarlu condemned Reddy's call for the social exclusion of those who do not participate in the caste census, labeling it as "irresponsible and shameful." He questioned whether the Chief Minister understood the implications of his remarks and demanded their immediate withdrawal.

"Does Congress want to create societal chaos? Rahul Gandhi speaks of unity through Bharat Jodo Yatra, while Revanth Reddy promotes division," Venkateswarlu said. He also dismissed Reddy's criticism of the Prime Minister, Kishan Reddy, and Gujarat as baseless.

Venkateswarlu challenged Reddy to an open debate on governance in states like Telangana, Gujarat, and Karnataka, urging the Chief Minister to adopt a more constructive approach to public discourse.

CM Launches Mobile App for Indiramma Housing Scheme

CM Launches App for Indiramma Housing Scheme Rs. 5 Lakh Assistance for Eligible Beneficiaries CM Criticizes BRS Over Housing and Debt Issues

TPN , Hyderabad: Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy on Thursday, December 5, launched a dedicated mobile app to streamline the selection of beneficiaries under the Indiramma housing scheme. The app aims to ensure transparency and efficiency in providing housing assistance to the poor.

Beneficiary selection will commence on Friday, with officials visiting villages to verify applications. Under the first phase, the government plans to support the construction of 4.5 lakh houses. Eligible beneficiaries who own land will receive Rs. 5 lakh for constructing houses. In the next phase, landless poor will be provided housing sites and Rs. 5 lakh for construction.

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phasized prioritizing the poorest of the poor, including Dalits, tribals, agriculture workers, physically challenged individuals, sanitation workers, single women, and transgenders. Each Assembly constituency will see the construction of 3,500 houses in the first phase.

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New Jail Warders Complete Training, Receive Medals

TPN , Hyderabad: On Thursday, Transport and BC Welfare Minister Ponnamb Prabhakar attended the passing out parade of 92 trainee jail warders at the Sika Parade Ground in Chanchalguda Central Jail. The event, which marked the completion of their training, saw 84 male and 8 female jail warders participate, with some jail warders from Andaman and Nicobar also undergoing basic induction training.



the role of the prison department is not merely to punish but to reform and enhance the skills of prisoners. He highlighted the department's efforts in transforming prisoners through skill development programs, including setting up 29 petrol stations run by

inmates and initiatives to help prisoners financially.

Prabhakar also mentioned that 249 good-behaved prisoners were recently released, stressing the importance of rehabilitation. He congratulated the new jail warders and wished them success in their duties, urging them to uphold the values instilled in them during their training.

The event was attended by senior officials, including DG Prisons Soumya Mishra and Special Chief Secretary, Home Ministry Ravi Gupta.

Minister Ponnamb Prabhakar praised the warders for their dedication and presented medals to those who showed outstanding performance. During his address, the Minister emphasized that

Case Registered Against Allu Arjun's Team

Case Filed Over Security Lapses at Allu Arjun's Visit Theater Management and Actor's Team Under Investigation Authorities Urge Better Coordination for Celebrity Events

TPN , Hyderabad: Chikkadapalli police have registered a case against actor Allu Arjun's team and the management of Sandhya Theater following a chaotic incident during the actor's recent visit.

ment and potential safety hazards. Additionally, Allu Arjun's team has been charged for not providing timely information about the actor's arrival to the police, which could have prevented the situation. According to authorities, the lack of communication from the actor's team resulted in inadequate deployment of security personnel.

The incident has raised concerns about the safety protocols at public events involving high-profile individuals. Police officials stated that strict



action will be taken against those found responsible to ensure such lapses are not repeated. This development comes amidst heightened attention on celebrity appearances and public safety, urging event organizers and teams to prioritize coordination with law enforcement to avoid similar incidents in the future.

The case has been filed under Sections 105 and 118 of the BNS Act, citing negligence and irresponsible behavior. The theater management has been accused of failing to ensure proper security arrangements during Allu Arjun's visit, leading to crowd mismanage-

Statue of Dr. BR Ambedkar and Telangana Talli Unveiling Ceremony Announced



TPN , Hyderabad: The Telangana government has announced the installation of a statue of Dr. BR Ambedkar in front of the main entrance of the Secretariat on December 9. Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy stated that the unveiling ceremony will be part of a three-day festival, scheduled for the 7th, 8th, and 9th of December, and will include celebrations along Necklace Road and the Buddha Purnima area.

The Chief Minister further revealed that the Leader of the Opposition, K. Chandrasekhar Rao, and Union Ministers G. Kishan Reddy and Bandi Sanjay have been invited to the event. Along with government advisors and public representatives, the Chief Minister inspected the progress of the statue's installation, ensuring the well-being of the workers involved.

The celebrations are being organized to honor the people of Telangana, offering a festive atmosphere for all to participate in.

Tension Erupts in Gachibowli

Harish Rao Arrest Sparks Protests

TPN , Hyderabad: High tension prevailed in front of the Gachibowli Police Station after the arrest of BRS senior leader and former minister Harish Rao by the Banjara Hills police.

Harish Rao, along with his followers, went to Huzurabad MLA Padi Kaushik Reddy's residence upon learning about a possible police action against Reddy. However, police alleged that Harish Rao and his group obstructed their duties, leading to their arrest.

Following his detention, BRS activists gathered outside the Gachibowli Police Station, demanding his immediate release. The protests escalated, prompting the police to detain demonstrators and disperse the crowd.

The situation remains tense as more BRS supporters are arriving to express solidarity with Harish Rao. Security has been beefed up to prevent further unrest.



HC Bars Arrest of Harish Rao in Phone Tapping Case



TPN , Hyderabad: In a major relief to senior Bharat Rashtira Samithi (BRS) leader and former minister T. Harish Rao, the Telangana High Court on Thursday issued interim orders barring the police from arresting him in the phone tapping case until further notice.

The High Court passed these orders based on a petition filed by Harish Rao, seeking the quashing of the case registered against him at Panjagutta Police Station. While granting interim relief, the court directed the police to continue their investigation and instructed Harish Rao to cooperate with the probe.

The case was filed following a complaint by Congress leader and real estate businessman Chakradhar Goud, who alleged harassment, threats, and unlawful phone surveillance. Goud claimed that during the Assembly elections last year, Harish Rao, along with retired police officer Radhakishan Rao and others, conspired to tap his phone and those of 20 family members. He accused Harish Rao of holding a grudge against him due to his charitable activities, including financial support to families of farmers who had committed suicide.

The Panjagutta Police registered a case under multiple sections of the IPC, including 120(B) (criminal conspiracy), 386 (extortion), 409 (criminal breach of trust), and 506 (criminal intimidation), as well as Section 66 of the Information Technology Act.

Harish Rao has denied the allegations, blaming Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy for orchestrating the case to tarnish his reputation. The former minister claimed he was being targeted for exposing the Chief Minister's alleged failures and injustices. The High Court also issued a notice to the complainant, Chakradhar Goud, and adjourned the hearing. Further developments are awaited as the investigation continues.

Farewell Ceremony Held for Sri B. Venkatesham at Raj Bhavan



TPN , Hyderabad: Sri B. Venkatesham, IAS, Special Chief Secretary to the Governor, was given an affectionate farewell at Raj Bhavan today as he prepares to take on his new role as Chairman of the Telangana State Public Service Commission.

Hon'ble Governor Sri Jishnu Dev Varma praised Sri Venkatesham for his multifaceted personality and commended his exemplary services during his nine-month tenure at Raj Bhavan. The Governor acknowledged his significant contributions and expressed gratitude on behalf of the entire staff, who will remember his dedication and leadership. As a token of appreciation, the Governor presented Sri Venkatesham with a shawl and a memento. The farewell ceremony was attended by the new Principal Secretary to the Governor, Sri M. Dana Kishore, IAS, Joint Secretary Sri J. Bhavani Shankar, and other officers and staff members of Raj Bhavan.

Money Vitamin' Book by Srinivas Kakkar Launched in Uppal Bhagayat

TPN, Hyderabad: The much-awaited book *Money Vitamin*, authored by Srinivas Kakkar, a prominent financial advisor and founder of Telugu Assets, was officially launched on Wednesday morning at Uppal Bhagayat. Srinivas Kakkar, who has served as a technical advisor to numerous industries both in India and abroad for nearly two decades, is celebrated for turning loss-making companies into profitable ventures.

Inspired by the challenges posed by the financial instability many faced during the pandemic, Kakkar decided to educate people on financial discipline. His goal is to share the lessons learned from his extensive professional experience and the insights he gained from his deep interest in financial literature. Through Telugu

Assets, Kakkar has been delivering financial lessons tailored for the Telugu-speaking community. *Money Vitamin* is a compilation of these lessons, presented with the objective of helping readers think like the wealthy and adopt strategies for financial growth.

The book launch was attended by several distinguished personalities, including senior journalist and Google News Initiative Fact Check trainer Saptagiri, renowned financial advisor Ramprasad, real estate experts Venkatraj and Om Prakash, and educator Vashishtha. The guests applauded Srinivas Kakkar for his initiative and expressed confidence that the book would serve as a valuable resource for individuals and families aspiring for financial stability.



The book aims to demystify the mindset of the rich and provide practical steps for financial planning, making it an essential read for anyone looking to secure their financial future.



Money Vitamin is not just a book but a guide to cultivating financial discipline and achieving long-term prosperity.

TGPSC Matches UPSC Standards: Chairman Burra Venkatesham

TPN, Hyderabad: Newly-appointed Telangana Public Service Commission (TGPSC) Chairman Burra Venkatesham has assured candidates of transparent and timely processes, emphasizing the Commission's commitment to working on par with the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC).

Addressing candidates at the TGPSC office, Venkatesham promised to uphold their confidence, stating, "There will be no postponements; results will be delivered on schedule. We provided DSC results in just 60 days, and TGPSC results will follow the same efficiency."

He stressed that transparency would be



the cornerstone of TGPSC operations. To further support candidates, Venkatesham announced plans to provide a public helpline and urged candidates to report

any fraudulent activities immediately to the police.

Highlighting his dedication, Venkatesham shared, "I left three and a half years of service to serve unemployed candidates. As Chairman, I will use my powers to ensure justice is done." Encouraging aspirants, he added, "Write exams with confidence in me and the system. Telangana should emerge victorious and exemplary in public service."

The Chairman also reflected on his journey, noting, "My dream of becoming an IAS officer has been fulfilled. Now, I am here to fulfill the dreams of the unemployed."

High Court Directs Action on Midday Meal Safety in Telangana Schools



TPN, Hyderabad: The Telangana High Court has issued crucial directives to ensure the provision of nutritious meals to students in government schools under the midday meal scheme. The court emphasized the need for strict adherence to guidelines and sought a detailed report on incidents where students fell ill after consuming spoiled meals.

During a hearing on a petition concerning the quality of midday meals, the Additional Advocate General (AAG) informed the court that the government has taken corrective measures, including the formation of two committees to address such issues. The AAG also noted that those responsible for serving spoiled meals had been suspended and highlighted a 40% increase in funds allocated to agencies providing these meals to ensure quality.

The petitioner's lawyer argued that improper supervision by village, mandal, district, and state-level committees under the PM Poshan scheme has led to recurring incidents. He urged the court to mandate better functioning of these oversight bodies.

The High Court, acknowledging the concerns, adjourned the case for six weeks, directing the submission of detailed reports and assurances of improved monitoring and safety standards in the meal program.

FSSAI Cracks Down on Food Safety Violations in Telangana



TPN, Hyderabad: Telangana's food safety authorities have intensified their efforts to combat food safety violations, conducting a raid at Sunny Foods in Kallakal, Manoharabad, on December 3. The establishment was found operating without a valid FSSAI license and violating labeling regulations by using misleading imagery and names.

The raid uncovered the use of expired food additives, including tomato masala and Maggi masala, in the preparation of snacks. Products worth ₹2.13 lakh, including Namkeen, chips, and colored saunf, were seized and discarded to protect public health.

In response to recurring violations, the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) issued an advisory for eCommerce food operators, stressing improved food

safety practices. Key points include: Training delivery personnel in hygiene and food handling. Preventing cross-contamination by separating food and non-food items. Ensuring product claims align with physical labels per FSSAI regulations.

FSSAI mandates food shelf life at delivery to be at least 30% or 45 days of its total shelf life. Operators must also display valid FSSAI licenses for listed businesses.

Recent raids have revealed widespread violations across Telangana, including expired products and regulatory non-compliance in restaurants, bakeries, and manufacturing units. Authorities continue rigorous inspections to safeguard consumer health.

Khammam's Buggapadu Food Park Inaugurated

TPN, Khammam: The Buggapadu Food Park in Sathupalli, Khammam district, which was established in 2008, has now seen a revitalization with the announcement of job opportunities for farmers who contributed their lands to the project. The initiative aims to provide employment to the local community, which has long awaited the promised benefits from the food park.

Industries Minister Sridhar Babu, speaking at the inauguration, stated that the government is actively encouraging industrialists to set up units within the food park. The government aims to establish 10,000 small and medium-sized industries in the coming period to boost the local economy.

The inauguration ceremony was attended by Agriculture Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao and local MLA Dr. Matta Ragamayi. During the event, the ministers highlighted the Congress party's commitment to development, citing programs like Indira Mahila Shakti, which aims to

empower women financially. Minister Sridhar Babu also announced plans to set up mini industrial parks for women in every constituency.

Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao emphasized that the food park was designed with the goal of benefiting farmers while ensuring that their crops are not damaged. He assured that more funds would be allocated to further develop the park and encouraged the establishment of units to process local agricultural produce.

Before the inauguration, the ministers visited food and seed production stalls set up by various departments at the food park. The event was attended by TGIC Chairman Nirmala Jagareddy, District Collector Muzamil Khan, and other prominent leaders.

With these developments, the Buggapadu Food Park is set to become a key asset for Khammam district, offering both economic opportunities and support to local farmers.

Two Killed in Road Accident Near Warangal Cross Road, Khammam



TPN, Khammam: A tragic road accident occurred near Bharat Petrol Bunk, Warangal Cross Road, in Khammam Rural Mandal, on Thursday, resulting in the death of two individuals. According to reports, a two-wheeler attempted to overtake an RTC bus traveling from Suryapet to Khammam. In the process, the bike collided with the bus, leading to the death of both youths on the spot.

Upon receiving information about the accident, Khammam Rural Police swiftly reached the location and took immediate action to shift the bodies to Khammam Government Hospital for postmortem. The victims were identified as residents of West Thanda, Haider Saipet, a village on the outskirts of Tirumalayapalem Mandal in Khammam district. A case has been registered under the relevant sections of law, and an investigation is underway to determine the exact cause of the accident. Police officials are working to gather more details and identify any contributing factors to this unfortunate incident. The accident has raised concerns about road safety in the region, urging authorities to enhance traffic management and awareness to prevent such tragedies in the future.

Moderate Rain Hits Narayanapet District, Causing Disruptions

TPN, Narayanapet: Narayanapet district and its surrounding areas experienced moderate rainfall on Thursday, triggered by Cyclone Fengal. The rain, which lasted for about half an hour, caused sewage water to overflow onto the main roads due to blocked drainage systems. This led to significant inconvenience for residents and small traders who had ventured out for work.



The sudden downpour also affected lo-

cal farmers. Approximately 2,000 bags of paddy rice, brought for sale to the market yard, became wet due to the lack

of proper tarpaulin covers. Farmers have expressed frustration over the incident, citing that the wet rice could affect their earnings. They have requested that the authorities purchase the soaked paddy to prevent further loss.

The rainfall, which had been anticipated due to cloudy weather, highlights the need for better drainage management in the area to prevent flooding. Farmers are also urging for better facilities to protect their produce during adverse weather conditions.

Devendra Fadnavis Returns as Maharashtra CM Amid BJP's Historic Win



In a remarkable turn of events, Devendra Fadnavis, the leader of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), has returned as the Chief Minister of Maharashtra after leading the party to a historic victory in the state assembly elections. His victory, marked by the BJP securing a record 132 out of 288 seats, solidifies his position as the natural choice to lead the government again, despite the complexities of coalition politics that delayed the announcement.

Fadnavis's reappointment comes after the BJP swept through the state, and while his leadership was always the party's first choice, political alliances required careful navigation. The victory is seen as a direct result of Fadnavis's leadership and the broader influence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The BJP's strong mandate reflects the successful efforts of its cadre, particularly from the RSS, to mobilize voters across Maharashtra. Fadnavis acknowledged the role of the party's volunteers, even though he refrained from naming the RSS directly in his speech.

In his address, Fadnavis focused on the party's triumph under the banner of Hindutva, highlighting the BJP's overwhelming support base across the state. Prime Minister Modi's emphasis on quick governance further underscored the urgency for the new government to begin addressing key development issues.

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, present at the meeting of BJP legislators, emphasized the significance of the Maharashtra victory as part of the larger vision of "Viksit Bharat" (Developed India). Sitharaman spotlighted the potential of major projects such as the Wadhwan port and efforts to make Mumbai the fintech capital, reinforcing the state's economic future.

However, the issue of caste remains an undercurrent in the state's politics. Fadnavis, a Brahmin from Vidarbha, faces questions about whether his return could reignite caste-based divisions, especially in regions like Marathwada and Vidarbha. BJP and RSS leaders, however, insist that caste lines have become increasingly irrelevant in the state, with voters focusing more on development and economic opportunities. They argue that the party's success transcends caste, as demonstrated by their performance across various regions. Looking ahead, sources within the BJP suggest that Maharashtra's political landscape could undergo a major shift after the 2024 elections. Speculation is rife about potential realignments, with the Shiv Sena (Uddhav Thackeray) and the Maharashtra Navnirman Sena (MNS) possibly joining forces. Meanwhile, Sharad Pawar's NCP is believed to have faltered in its outreach, losing support due to a lack of a clear, positive vision for the state's future.

Revanth Reddy led Congress: A Year of Challenges and Achievements

In early July 2015, a rally began at Chanchalguda Jail in the heart of Hyderabad, winding its way through the city to the affluent Jubilee Hills. The slogans of 'Tiger Revanth Anna' echoed along the route, marking the return of Revanth Reddy, then a Telugu Desam Party (TDP) MLA, after he was released on bail following his 30-day imprisonment in a bribery case. Despite media ridicule of the event, it marked a significant political moment for Revanth Reddy and his rise in Telangana's political landscape.

Fast forward almost a decade, and it is worth revisiting this moment in the context of the Reddy-led Congress government, which is celebrating its first year in office. The tenure, however, has been far from smooth. While the government took office with much fanfare, it faced numerous challenges that hampered its ability to govern effectively for a full year. The biggest obstacle came in the form of the Lok Sabha election code of conduct, which halted many development and welfare initiatives temporarily.

Despite these hurdles, the Congress government, led by Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao's close ally, Revanth Reddy, has managed to achieve significant milestones within its first year. One of the first major promises fulfilled by the government was the introduction of free bus travel for women in Telangana. This initiative, aimed at empowering women and



easing their mobility, was a landmark step for the administration.

Financially, the government claims a revenue generation of Rs 18,500 crore per month. However, it has also had to make significant financial commitments to meet its promises. In the past year, the state spent around Rs 21,000 crore to waive off loans for 2.5 million farmers, a gesture that has been well-received among the agrarian community. This move aims to alleviate the financial burden on farmers and bolster their trust in the government's leadership.

Another notable achievement of the Reddy-led government has been the provision of over 55,000 jobs for the youth of Telangana. This promise of employment was a key campaign point, and the administration has made strides in addressing the state's growing unemployment issues.

Despite the challenges and setbacks, the Congress government has made significant contributions in its first year. As it moves forward, these accomplishments are bound to play a crucial role in shaping its future and in securing continued support from the people of Telangana.



Crisis: President Yoon's Drastic Measure Faces Backlash

A stunning announcement sent shockwaves across South Korea. President Yoon Suk Yeol declared martial law, an unprecedented move in a country where democratic values have been long cherished. The decision, which stunned many South Koreans, prompted lawmakers to rush to the National Assembly, where the opposition led by Lee Jae-myung rejected the martial law in a heated session that lasted for six hours. The imposition was lifted by 4:40 am on December 4, after the assembly's defiance.

Though the announcement was shocking, some had speculated that such an extreme measure could occur, especially given the political turmoil surrounding Yoon's administration. Accusations of corruption, mismanagement, and public dissatisfaction have plagued his presidency, particularly after his handling of the Itaewon crowd disaster and doctors' protests. Further pressure mounted after the opposition gained a majority in the National Assembly in April, which

hindered the government's ability to pass legislation and carry out effective governance.

In his martial law declaration, Yoon justified the move by accusing the opposition of creating a "legislature dictatorship" and paralyzing government functions. He claimed the martial law was necessary to protect South Korea from "North Korean communist forces" and to eliminate "pro-Pyongyang antistate forces" that threaten the nation's freedom. His speech also reflected his frustrations with the opposition's increasing demands for accountability over his wife's alleged corruption.

Yoon's decision likely stemmed from intense pressure from multiple fronts, including the opposition, his own party, and his declining popularity. His leadership had already been challenged within his own party by figures like Han Dong-hoon, who urged Yoon to take action. Faced with growing political and public resistance, Yoon

turned to martial law as a desperate attempt to preserve his presidency.

Following the lifting of martial law, the cabinet resigned en masse, and the ruling People Power Party (PPP) issued a public apology for the crisis. The opposition, however, has not backed down, vowing to initiate impeachment proceedings against Yoon. The impeachment process, requiring support from two-thirds of the National Assembly, could take time but is expected to proceed quickly given the opposition's determination.

This political drama, lasting only six hours, has raised serious questions about South Korea's democratic resilience. The president's future now appears uncertain, and the implications for his party's reputation and political prospects are significant. How the PPP navigates this crisis, particularly if it chooses to support or distance itself from Yoon, will determine the future course of South Korean politics.

Imran Khan vs a broken system: what's going on in Pakistan

In the early hours of November 26, Islamabad's D-Chowk became a volatile flashpoint of political unrest as thousands of Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) supporters gathered, undeterred by the looming threat of state repression. Tear gas and baton charges could not sway the determined crowds, who were united by one demand—the release of their leader, Imran Khan.



the growing discontent with the ruling coalition.

The protests were sparked by Khan's powerful call for nationwide demonstrations, urging Pakistanis to take to the streets to resist what he claimed was an illegitimate political system. Khan, who was recently ousted as Prime Minister, called the electoral process a "stolen mandate" and accused the government of arbitrary arrests and heavy-handed tactics to consolidate power. His grievances were further exacerbated by the controversial 26th Constitutional Amendment, which he argued entrenched a "dictatorial regime" in the country.

Khan's supporters voiced their frustrations not only with the political situation but also with the broader governance issues that they believed were undermining Pakistan's democratic institutions. The demonstrations came after months of political upheaval, which saw Khan's government ousted by a no-confidence vote earlier in the year. Since then, the former prime minister has become a rallying figure for those disillusioned by the political establishment.

As security forces moved in to disperse the crowds, tensions escalated, and violent clashes between police and protesters broke out. The situation remains fluid, with both sides entrenched in their positions. For PTI supporters, this is a fight for the future of democracy in Pakistan, while for the government, it is a battle to maintain control in the face of increasing political volatility.

At D-Chowk, a symbolic site of political resistance, PTI supporters raised their voices against the government's actions, echoing Khan's accusations of election manipulation and the systematic erosion of democratic norms. Clad in party colors and waving banners calling for Khan's release, the protesters were steadfast in their belief that their leader's imprisonment was a politically motivated move aimed at silencing opposition. Despite the government's efforts to quell the unrest, the protests quickly spread across the country, reflecting

Imran Khan's call to action has ignited a powerful wave of resistance, and the protests in Islamabad are just the beginning.

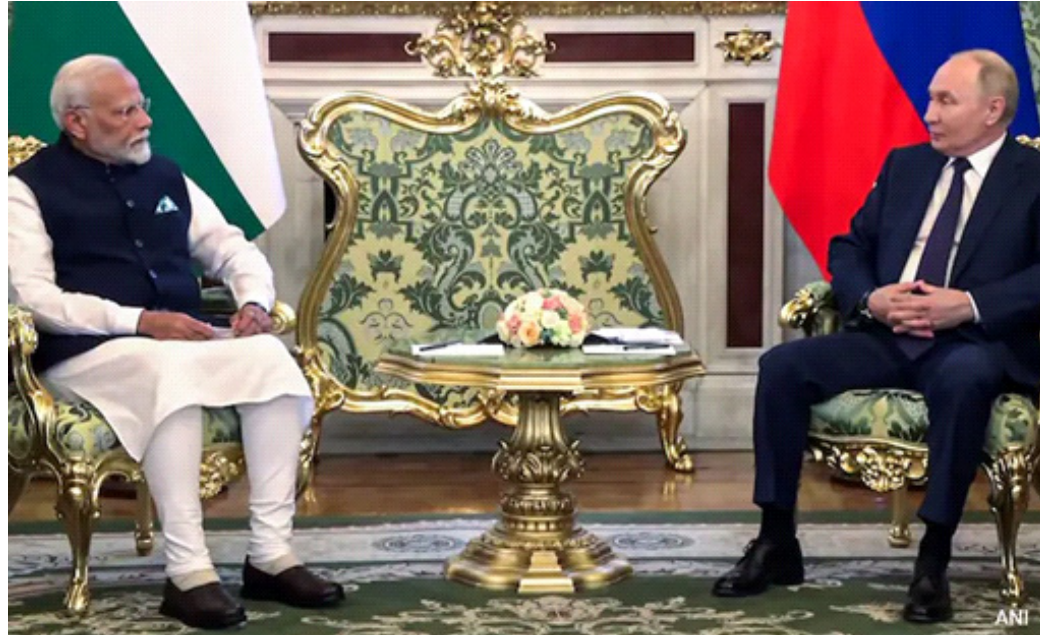
Putin Praises Modi's 'Make in India' and Signals Russia's Interest in Manufacturing in India

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Putin Praises PM Modi's Policies, Says Russia Will Now 'Make In India' Russian President Vladimir Putin said, "We are also ready to set up our manufacturing operations in India. The Indian government, under the Prime Minister's leadership, has been creating stable conditions, driven by a policy of putting India first. We believe that investing in India is profitable."

Russian President Vladimir Putin expressed strong support for India's economic initiatives, particularly Prime Minister Narendra Modi's "Make in India" program, during his speech at the 15th VTB Russia Calling Investment Forum in Moscow. The forum, which began on Wednesday, focused on fostering economic growth and investment opportunities between Russia and other nations.

Putin praised India's "India-first" policy and noted how both Russia and India are pursuing similar goals through their respective economic strategies. He drew comparisons between India's "Make in India" initiative and Russia's import substitution program, highlighting the shared objectives of bolstering domestic manufacturing and attracting foreign investments. He also announced that Russia is eager to establish manufacturing operations in India, seeing it as a profitable venture due to the stable conditions created by the Indian govern-



ment. Putin further emphasized Russia's substantial investments in India, citing the \$20 billion investment by Russian oil giant Rosneft in recent years. This move aligns with the growing trend of Russian companies looking to strengthen their economic ties with India, particularly in sectors such as energy, consumer goods, IT, and high-tech industries.

The Russian president also underscored the importance of small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in both nations' economic growth. He praised India's efforts to foster a conducive environment for SMEs, which he believes plays a crucial role in driving economic prosperity. As part of the BRICS evolution, Putin advocated for closer cooper-

ation between member countries to support the growth of SMEs and streamline business transactions within the group.

Looking ahead, Putin called on BRICS nations to identify key areas for collaboration at the upcoming summit in Brazil. He highlighted the potential of Russia's investment platform, which aims to support the economies of the Global South and East, as an important tool for boosting economic development across BRICS countries.

Putin's remarks signify the growing partnership between Russia and India, with both nations looking to strengthen their economic ties in a rapidly changing global landscape.



Fadnavis sworn in as Maharashtra CM; Shinde, Ajit Pawar take oath as deputies

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Devendra Fadnavis was sworn in as the Chief Minister of Maharashtra for the third time on December 5, marking a significant political moment in the state's leadership. The ceremony took place at Mumbai's historic Azad Maidan, with prominent political figures, business tycoons, and Bollywood stars in attendance.

Alongside Fadnavis, Shiv Sena leader Eknath Shinde and Nationalist Congress Party (NCP) leader Ajit Pawar were sworn in as deputy chief ministers, solidifying the power-sharing arrangement within the state government. Prime Minister Narendra Modi, along with senior BJP leaders, attended the ceremony to show their support for the new administration. Bollywood icons such as Shahrukh Khan and Salman Khan also graced the occasion, symbolizing the blend of politics and glamour at the event. Additionally, business moguls like Mukesh Ambani were present, underlining the connection between the political and business spheres.

Fadnavis's reappointment as the chief minister comes after months of political maneuvering and negotiations among the state's political parties. His leadership has been a crucial element in maintaining stability in Maharashtra, especially after the alliance with Shiv Sena and NCP. The new government faces the task of addressing pressing issues like economic recovery, infrastructure development, and governance reforms.

Fadnavis, who previously served as Maharashtra's CM in 2014-2019, has a strong political presence in the state, and his third term is expected to steer Maharashtra through challenging political and economic waters. The oath-taking ceremony, with its star-studded audience and significant political symbolism, marks the beginning of what promises to be another pivotal chapter in the state's political landscape.

'Nothing Is Safe': Arvind Kejriwal On Delhi Metro Cable Theft

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Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) National Convener Arvind Kejriwal took to social media on Thursday to criticize Union Home Minister Amit Shah following a cable theft on the Delhi Metro's Blue Line, which caused significant disruptions for commuters. In a post on X, Kejriwal raised concerns about the safety situation in the capital, saying, "Amit Shah ji, what is happening in Delhi? Even the cable of Delhi Metro has been stolen. Nothing is safe. Do something."

The incident occurred in the early hours of Thursday, when the theft of cables between Moti Nagar and Kirti Nagar stations led to service interruptions on the Blue Line, one of the busiest corridors of the Delhi Metro. Passengers experienced delays as trains were forced to operate at restricted speeds, causing inconvenience during peak hours.



The Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) issued a statement acknowledging the disruption. According to the DMRC, the theft occurred in a section where train services were impacted. They clarified that the situation would be resolved only after operational hours at night, meaning repairs would not be completed during the day. The DMRC's statement also advised commuters to plan their journeys accordingly, as delays were expected throughout the day due to the restricted speed on the affected section. The Blue Line, which connects Dwarka to Noida and Vaishali in Uttar Pradesh, serves several key areas, including Rajiv Chowk, Yamuna Bank, and Mayur Vihar Phase 1, all of which are hubs of business and office activity. As such, the disruption created a significant ripple effect on the daily commute for thousands of passengers.

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MUDA Case: Notice issued on Karnataka CM's appeal against single bench order

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The Karnataka High Court on Thursday issued a notice to the state government and other respondents regarding an appeal filed by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah. He is challenging the single judge bench's decision that upheld the Governor's approval for an investigation into his involvement in the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) site allotment scam.

A division bench, comprising Chief Justice N V Anjaria and Justice K V Aravind, posted the case for further hearing on January 25, 2025.



On October 24, Siddaramaiah filed an appeal against the September 24 order by a single judge bench, which had dismissed his petition. The single judge had upheld the approval granted by Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot for an investigation into the alleged irregularities in the allotment of 14 sites to Siddaramaiah's wife, Parvathi B M, by MUDA.

Siddaramaiah is accused of illegalities in the allotment of these sites, which are located in a prime locality in Mysuru. The controversy centers around the allotment of these 14 sites under a compensatory scheme intended for land losers. Parvathi allegedly had no legal title over the land exchanged for these sites. Despite the allegations, Parvathi requested MUDA to cancel the allotments, and MUDA complied.

Following the single judge bench's ruling, a Special Court ordered a Lokayukta police probe into the case, directing the investigation report to be submitted by December 24, 2024. An Enforcement Directorate (ED) investigation has also been initiated, based on the Lokayukta police FIR filed on September 27.

Yogi Adityanath Compares Violence in Sambhal to Historical Divisive Forces

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In the midst of ongoing political controversy surrounding the violence in Sambhal, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath drew a parallel between the western Uttar Pradesh town, Ayodhya, and Bangladesh, highlighting the threat of divisive elements in society. Speaking at the Ramayan Mela in Ayodhya, Adityanath emphasized that Lord Ram's efforts had united society, but warned that conspiracies to divide it had historical roots.

"If we had foiled the conspiracies to divide society, this country would never



have been colonized. Our places of worship would not have been desecrated," Adityanath stated, alluding to the destruction of temples during Muslim rule.

He added that the elements causing divisions were still active, with their "genes" continuing in modern-day politics. In a veiled reference to the opposition parties advocating for a caste census, Adityanath criticized those attempting to create divisions in society along caste lines.

The Chief Minister also made a direct comparison between the situation in Sambhal and the recent violence in Bangladesh, where Hindu minorities have faced persecution. He said, "What a general of Babar did in Ayodhya, what happened in Sambhal, and what is happening in Bangladesh today have the same nature and DNA."



PM Modi running away from discussion on Adani issue in Parliament: Priyanka Gandhi

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Congress leader Priyanka Gandhi Vadra on Thursday accused Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his government of avoiding discussions in Parliament regarding the alleged "Adani mega scam." Gandhi, along with other opposition leaders from the INDIA bloc, participated in a protest demanding a joint parliamentary probe into the issue.

In an unusual form of protest, several opposition leaders wore black jackets with stickers reading "Modi Adani Ek Hai" and "Adani Safe Hai." They raised slogans inside the Parliament premises, calling for a thorough investigation into the alleged corruption involving the Adani Group, a matter that has been a point of contention in Indian politics. Taking to X (formerly Twitter), Priyanka Gandhi criticized the government's stance on the issue, saying, "The people of the country want the Adani mega scam to be discussed in Parliament. All the parties of the INDIA bloc are demanding a discussion in Parliament, but Narendra Modi and the government are constantly running away from the discussion." She further added, "The way the prime minister is defending Adani's corruption by breaking all decorum is extremely shocking. Today, along with fellow MPs, I demonstrated on this issue in Parliament premises."

Priyanka Gandhi also participated in the protest wearing a similar black jacket with the protest stickers. Along with her, other opposition MPs staged a march within the Parliament complex, showing their collective demand for a debate on the Adani issue.

The protest stems from allegations of financial misconduct and improper dealings involving the Adani Group, which has been under scrutiny for its ties to the government. The opposition parties, particularly the Congress, have been vocal in demanding an investigation into these allegations, accusing the Modi government of shielding the business conglomerate from scrutiny.



Kuwait Foreign Minister Hails PM Modi as One of the Wisest Global Leaders

Kuwait's Foreign Minister Abdullah Ali Al-Yahya has praised Prime Minister Narendra Modi, calling him "one of the wisest persons worldwide." During his official visit to India, Al-Yahya highlighted the strong relationship between India and Kuwait, stating that the West Asian nation values India as a "very important partner."

In his opening remarks at a delegation-level meeting with India's External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar in New Delhi on Wednesday, Al-Yahya expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to meet Prime Minister Modi. He emphasized that under Modi's leadership, India has elevated its global stature, contributing significantly to its international relations. Al-Yahya also expressed confidence that Modi's continued leadership would further enhance India's position on the world stage.

During his visit, Al-Yahya arrived in India late Tuesday and made a courtesy call on Prime Minister Modi at his residence before meeting with Jaishankar at Hyderabad House. The visit aims to further strengthen the multifaceted ties between the two nations, which include cooperation in trade, energy, and



welfare initiatives.

Prime Minister Modi reciprocated the sentiments, expressing appreciation for Kuwait's support of Indian nationals residing in the country. On social media, PM Modi shared, "Glad to receive Foreign Minister of Kuwait Abdullah Ali Al-Yahya. I thank the Kuwaiti leadership for the welfare of Indian na-

tionals. India is committed to advancing our deep-rooted and historical ties for the benefit of our people and the region."

This visit marks a significant step in the ongoing partnership between India and Kuwait, with both countries committed to enhancing their cooperation for mutual prosperity.



French Prime Minister Michel Barnier Resigns After No-Confidence Vote

French Prime Minister Michel Barnier has announced his resignation after facing a no-confidence vote that saw support from both far-right and left-wing lawmakers. The vote, held on Wednesday evening, comes amid a growing political crisis that has deepened uncertainty in France, the second-largest economy in the eurozone. Barnier, who was also the European Union's Brexit negotiator, will step down on Thursday, December 5, making him the shortest-serving prime minister in modern French history.

The vote of no confidence was triggered by Barnier's controversial attempt to push through an unpopular budget in a divided and fragmented parliament. The budget, which proposed 60 billion euros (\$63 billion) in savings, was seen as deeply unpopular among many lawmakers, especially those from the left and the far right. Barnier's decision to attempt to pass the budget without a proper vote, further alienating members of parliament, contributed to the backlash.

Barnier's resignation marks a significant political shift, as no French government has lost a no-confidence vote in over 50 years. Despite his experience in European politics, Barnier was unable to overcome the parliamentary challenges in France, where his government's ability to pass legislation was increasingly under threat from multiple factions. The situation reflects the ongoing fragmentation of French politics, where deep divisions over budgetary policies and the future direction of the country have created gridlock.

As Barnier prepares to hand in his resignation, the future of the French government remains uncertain. His departure highlights the ongoing difficulties faced by President Emmanuel Macron's administration in managing a deeply divided parliament. With the resignation of Barnier, political observers now turn their attention to what will come next, and how the French government will navigate its way out of this crisis.

"Breaking Glass Ceiling": Netumbo Namibia's First Woman President



Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah, Namibia's first woman president, declared that her election victory last week had shattered a "glass ceiling" for women in the country. Nandi-Ndaitwah, who has served as vice president since February 2024, won just over 57 percent of the vote, far ahead of her main opponent from the opposition Independent Patriots for Change (IPC), who garnered 25.5 percent. However, the IPC has rejected the results, citing numerous irregularities during the election process.

At her first press briefing after the results were announced, the 72-year-old leader acknowledged the significance of her achievement, calling it a breakthrough for Namibian women. She also recognized Liberia's former president, Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, as an inspiration, noting that Sirleaf was the first female president in Africa in 2006. "Equal responsibility for women and men in society is a reality," she said, reinforcing her stance on gender equality.

Despite her victory, the election has been mired in controversy. Voters faced long delays and frustrations due to logistical issues, including a shortage of ballot papers that led to people waiting for hours, with some giving up after waiting up to 12 hours. The IPC claimed these issues were intentional and designed to frustrate voters, and it has vowed not to accept the results. The Electoral Commission of Namibia admitted to its failures in managing the vote, including problems with the voting tablets and ballot paper shortages.

In her speech, Nandi-Ndaitwah promised a "radical shift" in how the country is governed. She vowed to focus on addressing the challenges faced by vulnerable communities and the downtrodden, signaling a new direction for the country's future leadership. She will officially take office on March 21, 2025.

While her victory marks a significant milestone for women in leadership, it remains clouded by questions regarding the fairness and transparency of the election process.

South Korea's President Yoon Faces Impeachment After Martial Law Incident



South Korean President Yoon Suk Yeol's presidency has been marred by scandals and political turmoil, and now he faces impeachment after a dramatic incident where he imposed martial law and deployed troops and helicopters to parliament. The country's return to military rule lasted just a few hours, as protests erupted and forced Yoon to reverse his decision in the early hours of Wednesday.

The opposition filed an impeachment motion, accusing the 63-year-old president of "gravely violating the constitution and the law" in a bid to avoid investigations into alleged illegal actions involving him and his family. Yoon, once hailed as a prosecutor and anti-corruption advocate, is now struggling to maintain his grip on power.

Yoon's political career has been marked by controversy. Born in 1960, just before a military coup, Yoon rose to prominence as a public prosecutor, playing a key role in the impeachment of former President Park Geun-hye in 2016. In 2022, he won the presidency by the narrowest margin in South Korean history, but his time in office has been fraught with issues.

Critics have pointed to his administration's handling of the 2022 Halloween crowd crush, food inflation, economic struggles, and increasing restrictions on freedom of speech. He also faced backlash for using presidential vetoes, including blocking a bill that would have investigated alleged stock manipulation by his wife, Kim Keon Hee. His wife later became embroiled in a scandal over receiving a designer handbag, further tarnishing Yoon's reputation. Despite these challenges, Yoon has maintained a tough stance against North Korea and strengthened ties with the United States. However, his attempts to improve relations with Japan have not been well-received domestically.

"Voted In Favour Of 10, Abstained From 3 Gaza Resolutions": S Jaishankar

In a statement delivered in Parliament today, External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar reaffirmed India's long-standing support for a two-state solution to the Israel-Palestine conflict, emphasizing the establishment of a "sovereign, independent, and viable Palestinian state" alongside Israel. Jaishankar responded to claims made during the Rajya Sabha's Question Hour that India had abstained from all United Nations resolutions on Gaza.



Since the onset of the Israel-Hamas conflict on October 7 last year, 13 resolutions concerning Palestine were brought before the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA), Jaishankar explained. India voted in favor of 10 of these resolutions and abstained from three. He stressed that India's support for Palestine remained unwavering and consistent throughout the ongoing crisis.

India has also provided significant humanitarian aid to Palestine amidst the ongoing conflict. Since the conflict began, India has delivered approximately 70 metric tonnes of aid,

including 16.5 metric tonnes of medicines and medical supplies in two separate consignments. Furthermore, India allocated \$5 million to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees (UNRWA) in 2024, mirroring a similar contribution made in 2023.

Jaishankar reiterated that India's foreign policy towards Palestine has always advocated for a negotiated two-state solution, calling for the establishment of a sovereign and independent Palestine within secure and recognized borders. He emphasized that India believes both nations should live side by side in peace.

Hasina Accuses Yunus of Genocide and Minority Persecution

In a strong statement delivered virtually from New York, ousted Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina accused the country's interim leader, Muhammad Yunus, of perpetrating "genocide" and failing to protect minorities, particularly Hindus. Hasina's comments, made during an event, added fuel to the already volatile political situation in Bangladesh, where tensions between the government and opposition have escalated in recent months.



Hasina, who was forced to resign in August amid massive anti-government protests, has not been publicly vocal until now. She took shelter in India following her resignation, but her address shed light on the intense political climate she faced in Bangladesh. In her remarks, Hasina alleged that Yunus had not only failed to protect minorities but had also been directly involved in actions that led to the persecution of these communities.

Additionally, Hasina claimed there were plans to assassinate her and her sister, Sheikh Rehana, in a manner similar to the assassination of their father, Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, in 1975. Mujibur Rahman, Bangladesh's founding father, was killed in a coup,

and Hasina's statement pointed to the ongoing threats her family faces from political factions.

Hasina also recounted the events leading up to her departure from the prime minister's residence, Ganabhaban, during the August protests. She described how armed protesters stormed the residence and how, in the face of escalating violence, she was forced to flee the scene. Hasina urged her security guards not to use force, as tensions mounted and the situation threatened to spiral out of control.

The speech marks Hasina's first public address on the crisis since her resignation, and her accusations against Yunus have further polarized the political landscape in Bangladesh.

Markets Rally on Rate Cut Speculation and Global Cues

Sensex Gains 890 Points, Nifty Tops 24,700



TODAYS RECOMMENDED STOCKS:

Trent Limited
Part of the Tata Group, Trent operates Westside, Zudio, and Star stores. It focuses on fashion retail and has been rapidly expanding its footprint. : Positive due to aggressive expansion plans, a growing customer base, and diversification into new retail formats.



Titan Company Limited
A Tata Group company, Titan is known for its watches (Titan, Fastrack), jewelry (Tanishq), and eyewear. Sustained growth expected from jewelry and upcoming segments like smartwatches and fragrances.



Castrol India Limited
A market leader in automotive and industrial lubricants with strong brand recognition. Positive, backed by rising vehicle usage and industrial growth.



Likhitha Infrastructure Limited
Provides pipeline infrastructure for oil and gas, with a focus on rural and urban distribution projects.: Stable due to its role in expanding India's energy infrastructure.



BSE Limited
Asia's oldest stock exchange, offering financial services, data, and platforms for various trading segments. Positive, driven by diversification into mutual funds, data services, and commodity trading platforms.



Domestic stock markets closed with huge gains today on expectations that the Reserve Bank of India will reduce the repo rate by 50-100 basis points. Another reason was the positive signals from global markets and the gain in IT and banking shares. The indices, which started with moderate gains in the morning, rose sharply in the afternoon. Although they suddenly fell to daily lows, they rose again in the last hour due to buying. It is noteworthy that the Nifty closed above the crucial 24700 level. On the other hand, Bitcoin also reached the one lakh dollar mark.



lost. Trent, Infi, TCS, Titan, Dr Reddy's were the top gainers. SBI Life, HDFC Life, Bajaj Auto, NTPC, Grasim were the biggest losers. PSU Bank and Realty indices rose marginally today. Bank, Finance, FMCG, IT, Metal, Private Bank, Healthcare, Consumer Durables, Oil and Gas indices were mixed.

Market breadth in NSC favors buyers. Out of 2882 stocks traded, 1495 advanced and 1310 ended in losses. 109 stocks hit 52-week highs and 8 stocks hit 52-week lows. Rupee settled at 84.73 against the dollar. Indraprastha Gas to consider bonus share issue. CLSA has given a buy rating to Juniper Hotels with a target price of Rs 430. Tanta Constructions has received an order worth Rs 151 crore. Vimta Labs CFO Rama Narhai Naidu has resigned. Nifty IT index crossed the 45000 mark. Nomura expects RBI to cut interest rates by 100 basis points. Zen Technologies extends partnership with AVT Simulation. Muthoot Microfin cuts interest rates on loans by 25 basis points. Vishal Mega Mart to go public on December 11. NBCC bags Rs 599 crore worth of orders. Citi maintains Buy rating on Indus Towers with a target price of Rs 485. CDSL rises 8% to touch all-time high on heavy volume.

The BSE Sensex, which closed at 80,956 in the previous session, opened at 81,182. It touched an intraday low of 80,467. It reached an intraday high of 82,317. Finally, it closed at 81,765 with a gain of 890 points. The NSE Nifty, which opened at 24,539 on Thursday, touched a low of 24,295 and a high of 24,857. It closed at 24,708, up 240 points. The Bank Nifty rose 336 points to settle at 53,603.

41 companies in the Nifty50 gained while 9

RBI Increases UPI Lite Limits: Users Can Transact Up to Rs 1,000 Per Transaction Without Internet

In a bid to enhance the convenience and accessibility of digital payments, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has raised the limits for UPI Lite, its widely used instant payment system. Starting immediately, users will be able to make offline transactions of up to Rs 1,000 per transaction, with a total wallet limit of Rs 5,000.



Previously, UPI Lite allowed offline transactions with a limit of Rs 500 per transaction and a total wallet limit of Rs 2,000. With the revised limits, UPI Lite aims to make small-value digital payments easier and more efficient, especially in areas with limited or no internet connectivity.

The move is expected to offer significant benefits for users in rural and remote areas, where internet connectivity may be inconsistent. With the increased transaction and wallet limits, individuals can now make a wider range of purchases using UPI Lite without relying on internet access, making digital payments more accessible to all.

The RBI's decision comes as part of its ongoing efforts to promote cashless transactions and financial inclusion across the country. By enhancing the capabilities of UPI Lite, the RBI is paving the way for seamless digital transactions even in areas where internet access may be limited.

This update is part of India's broader push to further digitize its financial ecosystem, particularly through initiatives like the National Payments Corporation of India's (NPCI) UPI platform, which has gained immense popularity in recent years. With the increase in limits, users can now enjoy greater flexibility and convenience when making offline payments.

China's Finished Steel Imports to India Surge, Straining Local Producers

India's imports of finished steel from China have reached an all-time high in the first seven months of the current financial year, according to provisional government data reviewed by Reuters. The surge in imports has raised concerns among small Indian steel manufacturers, already grappling with financial strain.



From April to October, China, the world's largest steel producer, exported 1.7 million metric tons of finished steel to India, marking a significant 35.4% increase compared to the same period last year. This sharp rise in imports has intensified the challenges faced by Indian steel producers, who are already dealing with the pressure of cheaper Chinese steel flooding the market.

The influx of Chinese steel has worsened the financial situation for many Indian producers, as they are forced to contend with falling domestic steel prices, despite strong demand spurred by India's rapid economic growth and increasing infrastructure spending. While demand has remained robust, the rise in Chinese imports has pushed prices down, further squeezing the margins of local steel-makers.

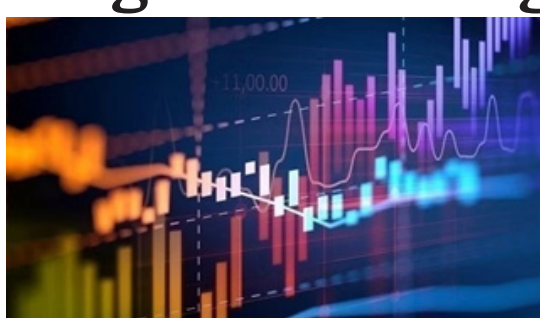
Indian steel producers have expressed concerns about the impact of cheap imports on their bottom line, with many

citing an inability to compete with the lower costs of Chinese steel. The situation has intensified calls for stronger protectionist measures to safeguard the interests of domestic manufacturers.

As the trade imbalance widens, the Indian government faces increasing pressure to address the rising imports and its effects on the local steel industry. While the country continues to see growing demand for steel, the surge in imports from China threatens to undermine the long-term sustainability of India's steel sector.

Sensex, Nifty Continue Winning Streak on IT Stocks Surge and Foreign Inflows

Benchmark indices, Sensex and Nifty, extended their rally on Thursday, rising by 1 per cent, driven by strong gains in IT stocks, a positive US market performance, and fresh foreign fund inflows.



For the fifth consecutive day, the BSE Sensex surged by 809.53 points, or 1 per cent, to close at 81,765.86. The index touched an intra-day high of 82,317.74, up by 1,361.41 points or 1.68 per cent. The NSE Nifty gained 240.95 points, or 0.98 per cent, settling at 24,708.40.

The rally was mainly led by a surge in IT stocks, with key gainers including Tata Consultancy Services, Infos-

ys, HCL Technologies, Tech Mahindra, and Bajaj Finance. Other stocks such as Titan and Bharti Airtel also contributed to the bullish trend. On the other hand, NTPC and Asian Paints were among the few laggards.

The positive momentum in the Indi-

an market was supported by a rally in the US markets on Wednesday, which boosted investor sentiment globally. In addition, Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs) were net buyers of equities, purchasing shares worth Rs 1,797.60 crore, according to data from the stock exchanges.

Market experts are optimistic about the continued upward momentum, with strong buying activity in key sectors, particularly IT, which has been a major contributor to the rally. The consistent inflows from FIIs and the recovery in global markets are expected to support the positive outlook for Indian equities in the near term.

Dr. Bondada Raghavendra Rao Highlights Sustainability Goals at FICCI's Event

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Dr. Raghavendra Rao Bondada, Chairman and Managing Director of Bondada Engineering, emphasized the critical importance of sustainability while addressing the "Sustainable Future" event organized by the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI) in Hyderabad. In his thought-provoking speech, he highlighted both personal and corporate responsibilities in tackling climate change and advancing renewable energy initiatives.



Dr. Bondada began by thanking FICCI for hosting the event, stating, "Sustainability is the future, and we have to save this Earth. Everyone talks about global warming and carbon emissions, but the change has to start at home, with our kitchens." He urged individuals to adopt habits like waste segregation to contribute to the sustainability movement.

Speaking about Bondada Engineering's contributions, Dr. Bondada revealed the company's significant impact on reducing carbon emissions through its solar power initiatives. "So far, we have contributed to a reduction of 7.5 lakh tons of carbon emissions through our solar power projects," he stated. He shared Bondada Engineering's ambitious goal of implementing 10 gigawatts of renewable energy by 2030, aligning closely with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's mission of achieving 500 gigawatts of renewable energy capacity.

Dr. Bondada expressed pride in being part of this national initiative, saying, "If we achieve our target of 10 gigawatts, we will reduce about 5 mil-

lion metric tons of carbon emissions. That is our ultimate goal." He also announced the company's expansion plans into other renewable sectors, including wind energy, battery energy storage systems, and green hydrogen. "We have the technology in place and are ready to contribute further to sustainability," he said.

Highlighting the business potential in sustainability, Dr. Bondada remarked, "Sustainability is big business now, and brilliance in business is happening in the field of sustainability." His vision underscores the role of the private sector in driving global efforts to combat climate change.

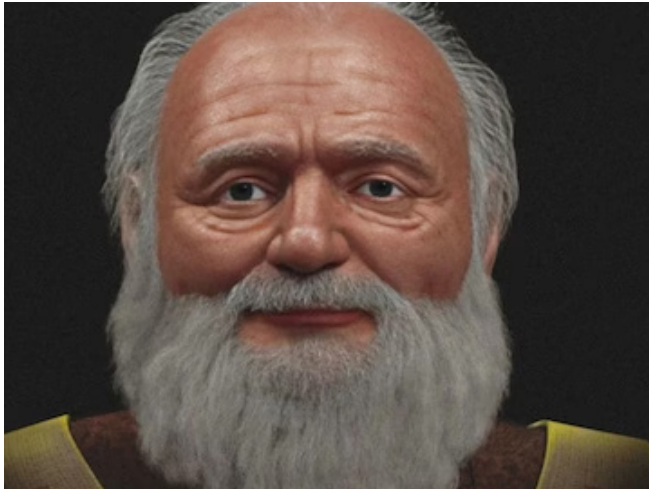
Dr. Raghavendra Rao Bondada's speech resonated with the audience, showcasing a blend of personal commitment and corporate ambition in the sustainability sector. His leadership and Bondada Engineering's initiatives serve as a testament to the transformative potential of renewable energy in creating a sustainable future.

Santa Claus's Real Face Revealed: Scientists Recreate the Face of Saint Nicholas

As December ushers in the holiday season, the magic of Christmas is once again in the air, with the beloved figure of Santa Claus at the forefront of festive traditions. For centuries, Santa has captivated the hearts of people worldwide, but now, for the first time in nearly 1,700 years, scientists have revealed the face of the man who inspired this iconic figure.

Researchers have used advanced forensic techniques to create a facial approximation of Saint Nicholas of Myra, the real-life bishop who lived in the 4th century. Known for his generosity and kindness, Saint Nicholas was a beloved figure in his time and is the inspiration behind the modern-day Santa Claus. By using data obtained from the skull of Saint Nicholas, researchers were able to recreate his appearance, offering a glimpse into the face of the man who became a legend.

The forensic reconstruction process involved detailed analysis of the skull's shape, as well as other physical features, to ensure accuracy. The result is a face that is remarkably different from the jolly, bearded image of Santa Claus most people are familiar with today. The scientific recreation of Saint Nicholas offers an intriguing look at the real person behind the myth, showing him as a more solemn, older man with distinct features that re-



fect his age and era.

Saint Nicholas's legacy has long been associated with kindness and the giving of gifts, qualities that were eventually adopted in the modern portrayal of Santa Claus. Over time, the figure of Santa evolved into the cheerful, red-suited character who brings joy to children around the world during Christmas.

This new revelation has sparked interest among historians, scientists, and Christmas enthusiasts alike, as it offers a fascinating connection between the real Saint Nicholas and the modern figure of Santa Claus. With the holiday season in full swing, this historical discovery adds a unique layer of magic to the Christmas celebrations, reminding us of the enduring spirit of generosity that continues to define the season.

Internet Shocked as Brazilian Influencer Spends Rs 16 Lakh to "Become a Virgin Again"

Brazilian influencer and model Ravena Hanniely, 23, has decided to undergo a controversial and costly vaginal rejuvenation procedure, spending more than \$19,000 (approximately Rs 16 lakh) to "become a virgin again." The procedure, known as hymenoplasty, involves surgically restoring the hymen by stitching the torn edges together with dissolvable stitches, essentially mimicking the pre-bleed state of the hymen.

Hanniely, who has a significant social media following, sees the procedure as a way to mark a "fresh start" in both her personal and professional life. For her, the hymenoplasty holds deep symbolic value. In an interview with Jam Press, she shared, "The procedure holds a special meaning for me. I want to become a virgin again. This is for my self-esteem and for personal reasons."

Hymenoplasty has sparked considerable debate due to its controversial nature. While some view it as a personal choice, others criticize the societal pressures that often lead individuals to seek such pro-

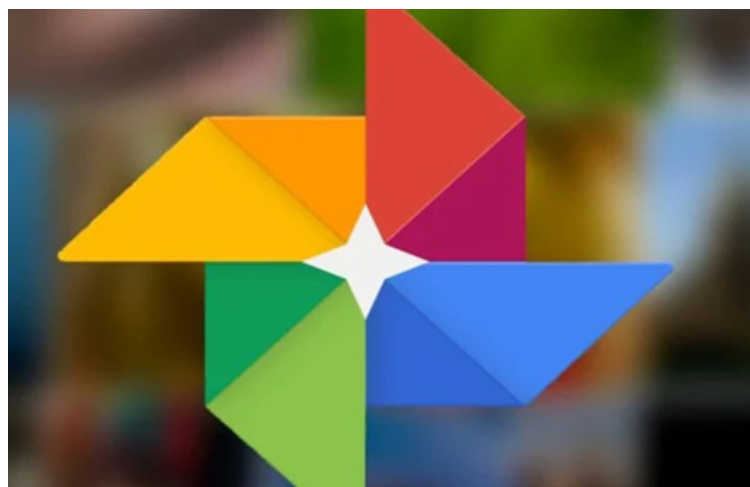


cedures. The hymen, often mistakenly associated with virginity, has become a symbol tied to personal identity, especially in certain cultural contexts. Hanniely's decision to undergo the surgery has drawn mixed reactions, particularly because it reinforces the outdated notion that virginity is something to be "restored."

Doctors, however, have cautioned against such procedures. Many warn that hymenoplasty, although safe when performed by qualified professionals, carries potential risks like any surgical procedure. Experts also argue that the societal pressure to "prove" virginity can have harmful psychological and emotional effects.

Despite these warnings, Ravena Hanniely remains confident in her decision, viewing the procedure as an empowering choice. She believes it will help her regain confidence, both in herself and in her public image. Her choice has garnered significant attention, fueling ongoing discussions about beauty standards, body autonomy, and the cultural implications of virginity in modern society.

Google Photos Introduces "Undo Device Backup" Feature to Manage Cloud Storage



Google Photos, the popular cloud storage solution used by millions worldwide, has introduced a new feature called "Undo Device Backup." This addition offers users greater control over their media and how it's stored in the cloud. With this feature, you can now remove photos and videos from your Google Photos backup without deleting them from your device itself, offering more flexibility in managing your cloud storage.

The "Undo Device Backup" feature is designed for users who want to clear up space in their Google Photos backup but wish to retain their media files on their device. Previously, removing items from Google Photos would result in them being deleted from both the cloud and the device, causing frustration for users who simply wanted to stop backing up certain files. Now, with the new option, users can disconnect their files from Google Photos while keeping them safely stored on their phone or tablet.

However, there is an important note to keep in mind: Once you choose to remove your media from the Google Photos backup, the feature will automatically disable the backup for that specific device. This means that any new photos or videos taken with the device will not be backed up unless the feature is manually re-enabled.

This update is particularly helpful for users who want to maintain privacy or simply don't want certain photos or videos stored in the cloud. It also helps those who are looking to optimize their cloud storage without losing access to their personal media. The feature ensures that photos and videos stay accessible on the device while still providing users with the ability to manage their cloud space more efficiently.

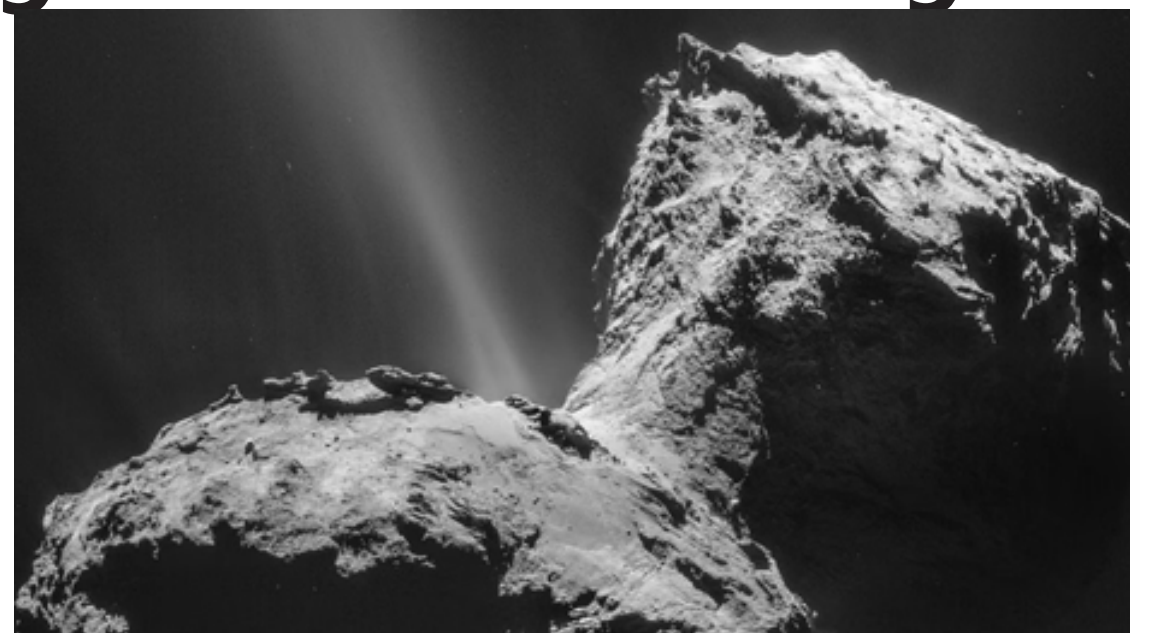
Overall, Google's "Undo Device Backup" feature provides a more convenient way for users to manage their media storage preferences without worrying about accidental deletions, making Google Photos even more user-friendly for millions of people across the globe.

Water Found on Comet 67P, Challenging Earth's Water Origins

The Earth, often described as the "pale blue dot" by renowned astronomer Carl Sagan, is the only known planet in our solar system capable of sustaining life. One of the primary factors enabling life on Earth is the presence of water in a habitable state. However, the origins of Earth's water have long been a subject of scientific debate.

In a groundbreaking discovery, scientists have detected water on Comet 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko, a member of the Jupiter family of comets. This significant finding could challenge long-standing theories about the origins of water on Earth and its connection to comets.

Comet 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko, which was closely studied by the European Space Agency's Rosetta mission, has now been shown to contain water. This discovery is particularly noteworthy because it offers new insights into the role comets may have played in supplying water to Earth in its early history. Previous research had questioned whether Jupiter family comets like 67P could have been the source of Earth's water, with some scientists suggesting that the isotopic signature of water found on these comets did not match that of Earth's oceans.



However, the latest findings, based on detailed analysis of the comet's water content, provide a new perspective. The composition of the water on Comet 67P appears to be more closely aligned with that of Earth's water than earlier studies suggested, potentially overturning previous doubts about the connection between these comets and the delivery of water to our planet.

This discovery opens up new possibilities about the delivery of water to Earth during its formative years and how it may have contributed to the conditions necessary for life. The research also highlights the fascinating complexity of the cosmos, where the mysteries of our own planet's past continue to unfold in unexpected ways.

UK Bans Daytime TV Ads for Sugary Foods in Fight Against Childhood Obesity

In a significant move to combat childhood obesity, the UK government has announced a ban on daytime TV advertisements for sugary foods such as granola, muffins, and other popular breakfast items. Under the new regulations, ads promoting "less healthy" food and drinks will only be allowed after the 9:00 pm watershed starting in October next year.

This decision follows increasing concerns over the rising obesity rates among children in the UK. According to the National Health Service, one in 10 four-year-olds is now classified as obese, while one in five five-year-olds suffers from tooth decay linked to excessive sugar consumption. The government's new restrictions aim to address these alarming trends.

The banned list includes popular items like



pre-packaged sugary breakfast foods such as croissants, pancakes, waffles, granola, and muesli, which have been categorized based on a scoring system that evaluates sugar, fat, and salt content. In addition to breakfast cereals, other products like energy drinks, hamburgers, chicken nuggets, and snacks made from chickpeas, lentils, and seaweed are also targeted.

However, healthier alternatives like natural porridge oats and unsweetened yogurt are exempt from the ban, as they meet the government's criteria for nutritious options.

Health Secretary Wes Streeting emphasized the importance of taking action to protect children's health. "Obesity robs our kids of the best possible start in life, sets them up for a lifetime of health problems, and costs the NHS billions," Streeting said. "This government is taking action now to end the targeting of junk food ads at kids, across both TV and online."

The government hopes that the new measures will help prevent around 20,000 cases of childhood obesity each year, marking a significant step in tackling the ongoing public health crisis.

Kevin Shines as Manchester City End Seven-Game Winless Streak with 3-0 Victory

Kevin De Bruyne played a pivotal role in Manchester City's 3-0 victory over Nottingham Forest, helping the team snap a seven-game winless streak in the Premier League. The Belgian midfielder, making his first start in nearly three months, was instrumental in City's much-needed win, which saw them move back into the top four and reduce the gap to Premier League leaders Liverpool to just nine points.



games. The return of De Bruyne was crucial, as he reminded fans and critics alike of his immense talent and leadership. Guardiola made several changes to the starting lineup, including bringing in Doku, Josko Gvardiol, and Jack Grealish, in response to Sunday's 2-0 loss at Liverpool.

City controlled the game after their three goals, with goalkeeper Stefan Ortega making a crucial save to deny Morgan Gibbs-White. Despite

De Bruyne set up Bernardo Silva for the opening goal in the eighth minute, heading Ilkay Gundogan's cross back towards goal, where Silva was in the right place to tap it home. De Bruyne then doubled City's lead in the 31st minute, collecting a pass from Jeremy Doku and finishing coolly into the top corner. Doku added a third for City, cutting inside and firing into the far corner after being assisted by Erling Haaland.

The win came after a difficult run of form for City, which included six defeats in their previous seven

failing to score in his last three Premier League matches, Haaland was involved in the third goal, playing a vital role in Doku's strike.

De Bruyne nearly added to his tally with a free-kick that narrowly missed, and was denied a second goal by Forest's goalkeeper Matz Sels. He received a standing ovation when substituted 15 minutes from time. The victory provided a much-needed boost for Manchester City, restoring confidence after recent struggles, while Nottingham Forest remains in sixth place, four points off the top four.

Megan 5-Wicket Haul Leads Australia to Win Over India in Women's ODI Series

Megan Schutt's brilliant five-wicket performance helped Australia to a commanding 5-wicket win over India in the opening match of the Women's ODI series. The match, held on Thursday, saw India put up a dismal batting display, being bowled out for just 100 in 34.2 overs. Schutt was the star of the show for Australia, dismantling India's batting lineup with her exceptional pace and accuracy.

After winning the toss and opting to bat, India struggled right from the start. Schutt took full advantage of the conditions and bowled an outstanding spell, finishing with figures of 5/19. Her sharp and well-executed deliveries reduced India to a fragile state, with only three Indian batters managing to reach double figures. The collapse was rapid, and India's innings never got going, with their last wicket falling at 100, giving Australia a low total to chase.



In reply, Australia faced no significant trouble in their pursuit of the target, comfortably chasing down the 101-run total with five wickets in hand. India's bowlers fought hard, but Australia's batting was steady, guided by the experienced hands of their top-order. Despite a few wickets falling, Australia's chase was always under control, and they wrapped up the win with ease.

Megan Schutt's exceptional performance with the ball was the highlight of the match, as Australia stamped their authority in the series opener. With India's batting collapse, the five-wicket win has given Australia an early advantage in the series. As they head into the next match, Australia will be confident, while India will need to regroup and improve their performance with the bat to stay competitive.

Mohamed Salah's Double Not Enough as Liverpool Draw 3-3 at Newcastle



Mohamed Salah's brace was not enough to secure victory for Liverpool, as they were held to a thrilling 3-3 draw at Newcastle United on Wednesday. Despite Salah's two goals, a last-minute equalizer from Newcastle defender Fabian Schar saw the match end level, cutting Liverpool's lead at the top of the Premier League to just seven points.

Liverpool appeared to be on course for a 12th win in their opening 14 league matches, with Salah's goals putting them in a strong position. The Egyptian forward opened the scoring in the first half, before netting again after the break to give his team a 3-2 lead. However, disaster struck for Liverpool in the final moments of the match. With the game ticking into injury time, Liverpool's backup goalkeeper Caoimhin Kelleher made a mistake, allowing Schar to pounce and score the equalizer, leaving the match drawn at 3-3.

The result saw Liverpool's lead at the top

reduced to seven points, with Manchester City, Arsenal, and Chelsea keeping up the pressure. Elsewhere, Chelsea and Arsenal secured convincing victories. Chelsea demolished 10-man Southampton 5-1 away from home, while Arsenal defeated Manchester United 2-0, handing their new manager Ruben Amorim his first defeat.

Meanwhile, Manchester City ended a seven-match winless streak with a 3-0 win over Nottingham Forest, restoring some confidence. Everton eased away from the relegation zone with a 4-0 victory over Wolverhampton Wanderers, while Aston Villa returned to winning ways with a 3-1 triumph.

Liverpool will now look to bounce back from their late heartbreak, but Newcastle's resilience and Schar's dramatic equalizer have thrown a wrench into their pursuit of the Premier League title.

Araijeet's Four-Goal Haul Guides India to 5th Men's Junior Asia Cup Title

Araijeet Singh Hundal's incredible performance, scoring four goals, led defending champions India to a thrilling 5-3 victory over arch-rivals Pakistan in the final of the Men's Junior Asia Cup on Wednesday. With this win, India claimed their fifth title in the prestigious continental tournament, having previously triumphed in 2004, 2008, 2015, and 2023.



India's dominance in the final was largely due to Araijeet's clinical finishing. The young forward netted three penalty corners at the 4th, 18th, and 54th minutes, showcasing his impeccable skill under pressure. In addition, Araijeet added a field goal in the 47th minute to complete his remarkable tally. Dilraj Singh also contributed, scoring India's fifth goal in the 19th minute, helping the team maintain control of the match.

Pakistan fought back fiercely, with Sufyan Khan scoring twice from penalty corners in the 30th and 39th minutes, while Hannan Shahid opened the scoring for Pakistan with a field goal in the 3rd minute. Despite Pakistan's efforts to close the gap, India's relentless attack and solid defense kept them ahead.

This victory marks India's fifth Men's Junior Asia Cup title, cementing their dominance in

junior hockey in Asia. The tournament, which was not held in 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, saw India assert their supremacy once again in the continental competition. The win also highlights the impressive performances of young players like Araijeet, who have stepped up to the big stage and contributed to India's rich history in the tournament.

India's triumph in the final has not only added another trophy to their cabinet but also reinforced their position as a powerhouse in Asian junior hockey.

India Dominates UAE by 10 Wickets to Secure Semi-Final Spot

India made a dominant statement in their final group game in Sharjah, securing a commanding 10-wicket victory over UAE to qualify for the semi-finals. Chasing a modest target of 137, India's openers Vaibhav Suryavanshi and Ayush Mhatre put on a clinical performance, chasing down the total in just 16.1 overs. Suryavanshi remained unbeaten on 76, while Mhatre supported him with a solid 67*, as they added an unbroken 143-run partnership to see India across the line.



Earlier in the match, UAE, opting to bat first, struggled against India's disciplined bowling attack. They were bowled out for 137 in just 44 overs, with six overs remaining. Muhammad Rayan was the top scorer for the UAE, contributing 35 runs, while Akshat Rai provided valuable support with a knock of 26. India's bowlers were in excellent form, with Yudajit Guha leading the charge, taking three wickets. Chetan Sharma and Hardik Raj also played key roles, claiming two wickets each to stifle UAE's batting lineup.

The match was crucial for both teams, as a win was needed to secure a spot in the semi-finals, and India's comprehensive victory ensured their progression. With the bat, the Indian openers made light work of the chase, exhibiting excel-

lent form and putting the result beyond doubt in no time. This commanding performance serves as a statement ahead of the semi-final, showcasing India's all-round strength.

As India now looks forward to the semi-final, the team's focus will be on continuing this dominant form and ensuring a strong finish to the tournament. The semi-final match promises to be a thrilling contest, with India brimming with confidence after this resounding win.

Pushpa 2 : A Thrilling Mass Entertainer That Lives Up to the Hype

"Pushpa 2" has taken the country by storm, breaking records even before its release. With massive pre-release bookings and setting a new benchmark for Telugu films, the film was eagerly awaited. After a three-year wait, did the sequel live up to the enormous expectations? Let's dive into the review of "Pushpa 2: The Rule", which continues the story of Pushparaj (Allu Arjun), the fierce leader of the sandalwood smuggling syndicate.

The film picks up with Pushparaj firmly established as the dominant figure in the red sandalwood trade. His peaceful life with his wife, Srivalli (Rashmika Mandanna), takes a hit when the Chief Minister humiliated him in front of the public. This insult triggers Pushparaj's ego, and he decides to unseat the current power structure and challenge the system to get the respect he deserves. His journey to raise the necessary funds and confront the government leads to several intense sequences, all while he is pursued by the determined Police Officer Shekhawat (Fahadh Faasil).

The first half of the film focuses on Pushpa's rise and his growing power, brilliantly showcasing his raw aggression and determination. The CM photo incident adds depth to Pushparaj's character and sets the tone for the escalating conflict. Allu Arjun's performance is electrifying, with the actor elevating the mass appeal of his character through sharp dialogue delivery, intense action, and high-energy dance moves.

The second half is where the action reaches its zenith, especially in the highly anticipated fair episode, which delivers a spectacular blend of intense drama and action, capturing the essence of the film's commercial appeal. Though the story occasionally seems driven by episodes rather than narrative flow, director Sukumar's craft brings it all together, ensuring the audience remains hooked.



Allu Arjun's portrayal of Pushparaj is a career milestone. His presence on-screen is magnetic, and the character's mass appeal is stronger than ever. Rashmika Mandanna shines in her role, with the chemistry between Pushparaj and Srivalli providing a heartwarming contrast to the intense action. Fahadh Faasil adds weight to his role, with his rivalry with Pushparaj forming the crux of the film's conflict.

Overall, "Pushpa 2" delivers a high-octane cinematic experience filled with powerful performances, gripping action, and mass-appeal moments. The wait for the film has indeed been worth it, and it sets the stage for an even more intense "Pushpa 3".

Naga Chaitanya and Shobitha Wedding: A Grand Celebration at Annapurna Studios

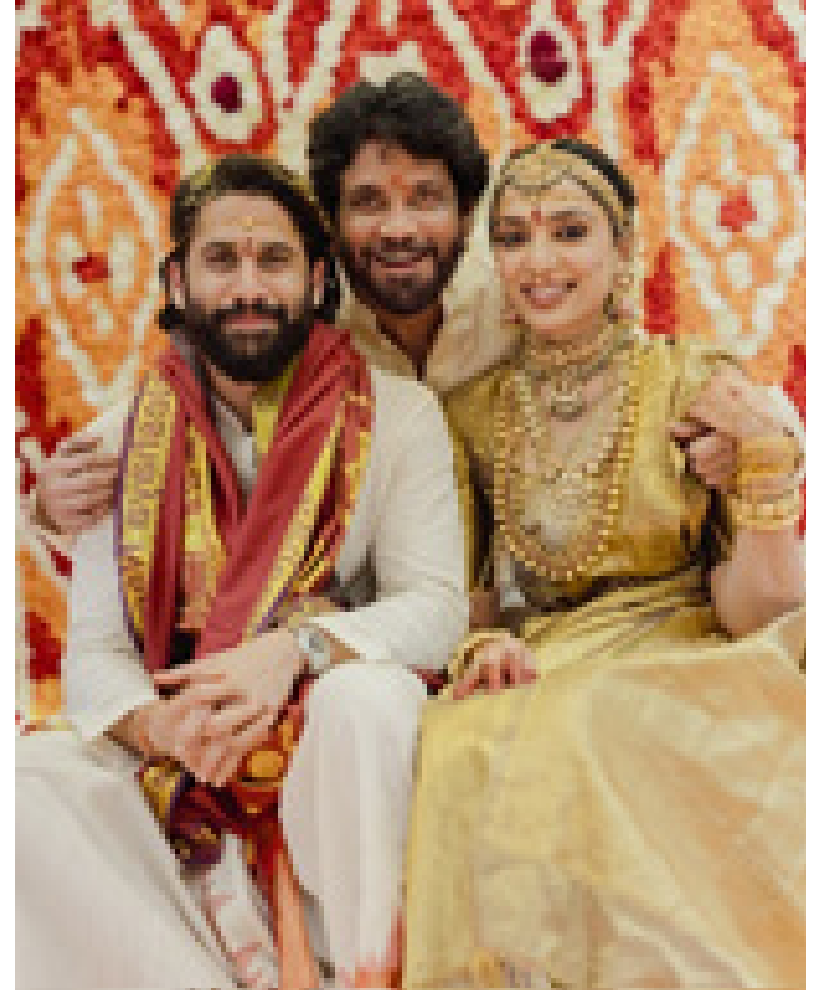
On Wednesday night, the much-awaited wedding of Naga Chaitanya and Shobitha Dhulipala took place in a grand and lavish ceremony at Annapurna Studios in Hyderabad. The marriage marked the beginning of a new chapter for the couple, who were surrounded by their closest friends, family, and industry peers on their special day.

The wedding, held at the Akkineni family's residence, was an event to remember, with the who's who of the film and political worlds gracing the occasion. A host of prominent celebrities including Chiranjeevi, Subbarami Reddy, Hero Karthi, Ram Charan, Rana Daggubati, Nani, and the renowned music composer Keeravani were present to bless the couple and celebrate their union.

The venue, Annapurna Studios, was decked out in stunning decor, setting the perfect backdrop for the traditional ceremony. The couple looked radiant as they exchanged vows in front of their loved ones. Naga Chaitanya, known for his charm and elegance, was dressed in a stylish outfit, while Shobitha Dhulipala, who has been gaining recognition for her acting talent, stunned in a beautiful ensemble that complemented her graceful personality.

The wedding ceremony was filled with emotions, laughter, and joy, as the couple embarked on this new journey together. The celebrations reflected the rich cultural heritage of the families involved, and the atmosphere was one of love, warmth, and togetherness.

Fans of Naga Chaitanya and Shobitha Dhulipala were thrilled to see glimpses of the event, with



Annapurna Studios sharing exclusive photos from the ceremony. These images captured the love, elegance, and grandeur of the wedding, adding to the excitement surrounding the couple's union.

This star-studded wedding has already generated much buzz on social media, with fans and well-wishers pouring in their congratulatory messages for the newlywed couple. As Naga Chaitanya and Shobitha Dhulipala begin their married life, their fans eagerly await more updates on their journey together.

Pawan Kalyan's "Seize the Ship" Creates Buzz, Registered as Film Title



Andhra Pradesh's deputy CM, Pawan Kalyan, known for his enigmatic persona, recently became the center of a social media storm with his now-famous phrase "seize the ship." This moment unfolded during an inspection at the Kakinada Port, where Pawan Kalyan took decisive action, dramatically seizing the Stella cargo ship allegedly involved in smuggling the state's Public Distribution System (PDS) rice.

The video of Pawan Kalyan commanding "seize the ship" went viral, sparking widespread discussions on social media, and the phrase quickly became a trending topic on Twitter India for an entire day. The viral nature of this phrase has now led to an interesting development—the title "Seize the Ship" has been officially registered with the Telugu Film Chamber.

A production house named R Films Factory+ Production has successfully secured the rights to the title for one year, making

it exclusive for their upcoming project. This clever marketing move capitalizes on the title's sudden popularity, given how widely the phrase has resonated across social and offline media platforms.

The registration of this title could signal the possibility of a film or project titled "Seize the Ship" being in the works, drawing inspiration from Pawan Kalyan's dramatic moment. Titles that capture public attention can often become key to a film's initial success, and thanks to Pawan Kalyan's viral moment, this one is already well known among audiences.

With the catchy and already viral title in hand, R Films Factory+ Production stands to benefit from the buzz surrounding the phrase. As this development unfolds, it will be interesting to see how the production house uses the viral momentum to its advantage, potentially turning Pawan Kalyan's "seize the ship" moment into the cornerstone of a new project.

Ram Pothineni's Rapo 22: New Updates and Exciting Developments

Tollywood's energetic star Ram Pothineni is all set to captivate audiences with his upcoming film "Rapo 22", a project that has already stirred significant excitement in the film industry. Directed by P. Mahesh Babu, renowned for his work on "Miss Shetty Mr. Polishetty", the movie also features Bhagya Sri Borse, who gained popularity with "Mr. Bachchan", as the female lead. Produced by Mythri Movie Makers, the film was recently launched with a grand puja ceremony, signaling the start of a highly anticipated project.

In a bid to keep fans engaged, the "Rapo 22" team has been sharing frequent updates. One of the most recent teasers revealed a glimpse of Ram Pothineni riding a bicycle, hinting at an exciting aspect of his character. This visual update, scheduled to be officially shared on December 6 at 10:08 AM, has further raised expectations for the film, suggesting that Ram is prepared to take on a serious and engaging role in this project.



The film also marks a significant milestone for the crew involved. Cinematographer Madhu Neelakandan, known for his work across multiple languages including Hindi, Tamil, Malayalam, and Kannada, is making his Tollywood debut with "Rapo 22". The film's music is being composed by the popular Kollywood duo Vivek-Mervin, known for their work in films like "Mary Christmas" and "Malaiakkottai Valiban", which has added to the growing anticipation surrounding the project. Additionally, the film is set to benefit from the expertise of Akkineni Srikar Prasad, a National Award-winning editor, further elevating expectations for visually and narratively impressive film.

With every a new development, "Rapo 22" continues to gather momentum, and fans are eagerly awaiting more updates as the film progresses. Ram Pothineni's new venture is shaping up to be a thrilling addition to Tollywood's lineup, promising both entertainment and a fresh experience for moviegoers.

Alia Bhatt's "Jigra" Set for OTT Release on Netflix

Bollywood star Alia Bhatt's latest action thriller, "Jigra", which failed to impress at the box office, is now making its way to Netflix. Directed by Vasanth Meenu, "Jigra" follows the gripping journey of a sister on a desperate mission to rescue her brother from a foreign prison. Despite its promising plot and star power, the film struggled to make a significant impact in theatres, leaving fans and critics disappointed.

Now, "Jigra" is set to debut on the OTT platform Netflix, where it will be available for streaming starting December 6, 2024. The movie will be released in its original Hindi version, with no dubbed versions planned for international audiences. This move hopes to provide the film with a second chance, enabling it to reach a wider global audience and gain more appreciation.

The film features an ensemble cast alongside Alia Bhatt, in-



cluding Vedang Raina, Manoj Pahwa, and Rahul Ravindran, each playing pivotal roles that add depth to the narrative. The music for the film is composed by Achint Thakkar and Manpreet Singh, contributing to the overall atmospheric tension of the film.

Produced by Karan Johar, Alia Bhatt, Apoorva Mehta, Shaheen Bhatt, and Somen Mishra, "Jigra" had high hopes for a successful theatrical run, but with its digital release, it now aims to find its audience in the ever-expanding world of online streaming.

With Netflix's global reach, "Jigra" will have an opportunity to find the viewers who may have missed it in cinemas. Alia Bhatt's performance and the gripping storyline could still resonate with audiences, giving the film a chance for a revival in the digital realm. Fans are now hopeful that "Jigra" will finally get the recognition it deserves through this new platform.