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INDIA MOVES TO WAR MODE

- ▶ Decision triggers fears of water, energy and food crisis in Pakistan
- ▶ Indus Waters Treaty suspended for the first time since its signing in 1960
- ▶ Agriculture in Pakistan expected to be hit hard
- ▶ Trade via Attari border also stopped
- ▶ Pakistan warns any water diversion will be treated as an ‘act of war’
- ▶ Pakistan closes airspace for India operated civilian & military planes

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In a historic and aggressive move, India has suspended the Indus Waters Treaty (IWT) with Pakistan following the Pahalgam terror attack on April 22 that killed 26 people, including several tourists. The move, announced on April 23 by the Cabinet Committee on Security chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, comes as a part of a series of measures against Pakistan, which India holds responsible for supporting cross-border terrorism.

“Their evil agenda will never succeed. Our resolve to fight terrorism is unshakable and it will get even stronger,” said Prime Minister Modi in his strong condemnation of the Pahalgam attack. The government has now made it clear that the IWT will remain suspended until Pakistan “credibly and irreversibly” ends its support to terrorism.

The Indus Waters Treaty, brokered by the World Bank and signed in 1960 by then Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru and Pakistan President Ayub Khan, governs the distribution of water from six rivers — Indus, Ravi, Beas, Sutlej, Jhelum, and



India’s BSF Jawan Constable PK Singh has been captured by Pakistan Rangers after accidentally crossing into Pakistan near Ferozpur border. He was accompanying farmers when he moved ahead to rest in shade and was apprehended by Pakistani rangers. Flag meeting expected.

Chenab. Under the treaty, India had unrestricted rights over three eastern rivers (Ravi, Beas, Sutlej), while Pakistan accessed water from the western rivers (Indus, Jhelum, Chenab) with provisions for limited Indian usage for domestic and hydroelectric purposes. By putting the treaty in abeyance, India has ef-

fectively halted the flow of 39 billion cubic metres of water annually to Pakistan. This decision is expected to cause significant disruption in Pakistan’s agriculture, energy sector, and food supply chain, potentially triggering a severe economic and humanitarian crisis.

Hydroelectric power production in Pakistan, especially from key dams like Tarbela and Mangla, which account for nearly 30% of its total electricity, is likely to be affected, with analysts warning of power outages lasting up to 16 hours daily.

Adding to the escalation, India also shut down trade at the Attari-Wagah border, which saw bilateral trade worth ₹3,886 crore in 2023–24. Military alert levels along the International Border and the Line of Control (LoC) have been raised to the maximum, with heightened security in border states like Gujarat, Rajasthan, Punjab, and Jammu & Kashmir.

Reacting sharply, Pakistan warned that any attempt to stop or divert water from the rivers assigned to it would be treated as an act of war. The

crisis marks a new low in Indo-Pak relations, as this is the first time the IWT — which had survived three wars and multiple terror attacks — has been suspended.

The Indian government has already initiated strong diplomatic steps, including the indefinite suspension of the Indus Water Treaty, the closure of the Attari border, and the revocation of all Pakistani visas, including those issued for medical purposes. Officials have not ruled out the possibility of military retaliation, citing past surgical and air strikes in response to similar attacks in Uri and Pulwama.

In a symbolic gesture interpreted by analysts as a message to the global community, PM Modi chose to speak in English in a Hindi-speaking state while addressing the incident — further underscoring the international gravity of the message. The suspension of the IWT is a bold step, signifying a strategic shift in India’s response to terrorism — from diplomatic and military responses to economic and environmental leverage.

High Alert Issued in
Telangana Following
Pahalagam Terror Attack

- Telangana placed under high alert.
- Intelligence agencies issue terror threats.
- Hyderabad police increase checks, vigilance.
- Tension rises between India and Pakistan.
- Security forces deployed at borders.



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Following the recent Pahalgam terror attack, the central government has issued high alert warnings across Telangana. Based on intelligence inputs, the Telangana Police Department has been urged to stay alert and intensify security measures. The authorities have instructed the police to conduct thorough checks throughout Hyderabad and apprehend any suspicious individuals immediately.

This alert extends to all regions affected by terrorism, with additional

security forces deployed at various state borders. The heightened security measures come amid escalating tensions between India and Pakistan, as both nations grapple with the possibility of further conflict. With the situation on high alert, the central intelligence agencies have cautioned that any moment could see an escalation into a more serious confrontation. The recent attack in Pahalgam has added fuel to the already volatile situation, and law enforcement agencies are being extra vigilant to ensure the safety of citizens.

High-Level Preparations for
Bharat Summit at HICC Novotel



- ❖ Bharat Summit preparations at HICC Novotel.
- ❖ Telangana to showcase progressive global model.
- ❖ 450 delegates from 100+ countries attending.
- ❖ Congress ideologies of non-violence and justice.
- ❖ Summit to boost Hyderabad’s global presence.

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The state government has made extensive preparations for the upcoming Bharat Summit, scheduled to be held at HICC Novotel over two days. Telangana’s Deputy Chief Minister, Bhatti Vikramarka, along with Congress Telangana In-charge Natarajan Meenakshi,

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Rahul Gandhi: “Opposition fully
supports any govt action”

All-party meet briefed by Jaishankar and intelligence officials

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In a rare show of national unity, opposition parties have extended unconditional support to the central government in the wake of the Pahalgam massacre that claimed 26 lives. Following an all-party meeting convened in Delhi, senior opposition leaders condemned the terror attack and assured the Centre of full cooperation for any retaliatory action.

“All political parties have uniformly condemned the attack, and the Opposition has given full support to the government to take any action,” said



Leader of the Opposition in Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi after the briefing. He also confirmed that he would visit Anantnag district in Jammu and Kashmir tomorrow to meet the injured survivors undergoing treatment.

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High Court Issues Notices to Telangana Government Over Bhudan Land Case

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In a significant development, the Telangana High Court has issued notices to the state government regarding the Bhudan land case. The case involves allegations of irregularities in the registration of Bhudan land in Nagaram, Maheshwaram Mandal, Ranga Reddy District. A petitioner named Mahesh filed a petition in the High Court claiming that several IAS and IPS officers, using benami names, had illegally registered these lands. The petitioner also named their family members in the petition. During the hearing, the petitioner's lawyer informed the court that despite complaints to the Bhudan Board and the state government regarding these irregularities, no action had been taken. The court has instructed that no transactions should take place concerning the disputed land until further notice. Additionally, the court has directed the government and the Bhudan Board to respond. The next hearing has been scheduled for June 26.



This case has raised concerns about the alleged involvement of high-ranking officials in land-related illegalities, and

the court has requested an investigation by either the CBI or the Enforcement Directorate (ED).

Hyderabad District Local Body MLC Election Counting Arrangements Completed: RO Anurag Jayanti



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The Returning Officer Anurag Jayanti has confirmed that all preparations for the counting of votes for the Hyderabad district Local Body MLC elections have been completed. The vote counting will commence on April 25, Friday, at 8 AM. Necessary security arrangements and staffing have been put in place for the smooth and secure process. Election observer Surendra Mohan visited the counting center set up at the GHMC office to review the arrangements. He provided several suggestions related to the security of ballot boxes, video recording, and overall

safety measures. Special counting tables, CCTV cameras, and police deployment have been arranged to ensure a transparent and orderly counting process. The Returning Officer assured that all steps have been taken to conduct the counting in accordance with election rules and regulations. He emphasized that the entire process would be transparent and closely monitored. The event also saw the participation of Additional Commissioner of the Election Department, Alivelu Mangatayaru, and other concerned officials, ensuring all procedures are followed strictly.

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Telangana Tops India Justice Report 2025: CM Congratulates Police

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Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy congratulated the state's police department after it secured the top spot in the India Justice Report 2025. The report assesses key justice institutions, including the police, judiciary, and legal aid services. DGP Jitender, Intelligence Chief Shivdhar Reddy, and Chief Secretary Santhi Kumari briefed CM Reddy on the report's findings. Telanga-

na emerged first among 18 states with populations over one crore, praised for its efficient justice delivery. CM Revanth lauded the professionalism and dedication of the police, acknowledging this recognition as a testament to Telangana's commitment to good governance and public service. Deputy CM Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka and Minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy were also present at the meeting.



India Wants War Now: BJYM leader Ashish Goud

Let us honor the victims not with silence, but with strength, says BJYM State Vice President

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Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha (BJYM) State Vice President Ashish Goud has strongly condemned the deadly terrorist attack in Pahalgam, Jammu & Kashmir, which claimed the lives of 28 innocent tourists. In a passionate statement, Goud called the assault a direct attack on humanity and demanded an uncompromising military response from the Indian government. "I am deeply shocked and outraged by the cowardly terrorist attack on tourists in Pahalgam," Goud said. "This brutal assault on unarmed, peaceful visitors is a dark reminder of the evil that still operates against India."

Goud emphasized that the victims were ordinary civilians, not soldiers, and their killing highlights the inhumanity of the attackers. "Those killed were not combatants. They were tourists seeking peace and beauty. That they were targeted so ruthlessly exposes the inhumanity of the enemies we face." Declaring that India is now facing "pure terrorism" and not just insurgency, he said, "India wants war, not surgical strikes. Enough is enough. For years, we have tolerated attacks. We have responded with restraint. But this deliberate massacre of innocents must be avenged with full force."

He urged the central government and security forces to abandon limited responses in favor of decisive and lasting action. "We cannot afford diplomacy with those who only understand destruction. The time for limited responses is over. India must strike back with power, purpose, and permanence." Calling this a turning point, Goud said the country must move beyond sentiments and adopt a stronger strategy. "Let us honor the victims not with silence, but with strength," he said, signing off with "Jai Hind. Jai Shree Ram." The Pahalgam terror attack has drawn national outrage and demands for swift, strong action are intensifying.

Rahul Gandhi: "Opposition fully supports any govt action"

Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge echoed similar sentiments. "We want peace to be restored in Jammu and Kashmir as soon as possible," he said. Trinamool Congress MP Sudip Bandopadhyay also voiced strong support, saying, "We are with the Centre in the fight against terrorism. The country should fight it unitedly." He also sought a direct meeting with Prime Minister Narendra Modi to convey the collective message of the opposition. According to sources, Intelligence Bureau (IB) officials and top government representatives briefed parliamentarians on the circumstances leading up to the terror strike and the security lapses that enabled the attack.

The massacre, carried out by a Lashkar-e-Taiba-linked group in the Baisaran meadows—popularly known as "mini Switzerland"—left 26 tourists dead, including one Nepali national. The rest hailed from 14 states across India. The Indian government has already initiated strong diplomatic steps, including the indefinite suspension of the Indus Water Treaty, the closure of the Attari border, and the revocation of all Pakistani visas, including those issued for medical purposes. Officials have not ruled out the possibility of military retaliation, citing past surgical and air strikes in response to similar attacks in Uri and Pulwama.

High-Level Preparations for Bharat Summit at HICC Novotel

PCC President Mahesh Kumar Goud, and Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy, recently visited the venue to oversee arrangements. The team inspected key event locations, including the Representative Meeting Hall, Conference Hall, Justice Hall, Liberty Hall, Expo Path of Justice Hall, and a Photo Exhibition area, which features a statue of Mahatma Gandhi at the entrance where spinning thread on a charkha symbolizes India's journey towards independence. After reviewing the facilities, Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka emphasized the importance of showcasing Telangana as a model for progressive thinking on the global stage. He described the summit as a significant

event for promoting Telangana's values of non-violence, truth, justice, and democracy—principles rooted in Congress ideology. Over 450 delegates from more than 100 countries, including government leaders, MPs, national party leaders, corporate giants, and think tank representatives, will participate in the summit. The event aims to discuss various global topics, including Telangana's development, resources, and welfare programs. Minister Vikramarka highlighted that the summit aligns with Rahul Gandhi's vision and will serve as a platform to position Hyderabad and Telangana on the global map.

Kaleswaram Commission: Final Phase of Inquiry Begins

- Kaleswaram project under final inquiry phase.
- Justice PC Ghosh Commission prepares 400-page report.
- Cross-examination of KCR, Harish Rao, Etela Rajender.
- Final NDRF report expected in three weeks.
- Inquiry could lead to political and legal consequences.



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The Kaleswaram Irrigation Project, which has been at the center of controversy due to allegations of corruption in the construction of its barrages, is now under final scrutiny. The Justice PC Ghosh Commission, formed

to probe the irregularities, has entered its final stage of inquiry. The commission has prepared a 400-page report based on testimonies from officials, construction firms, and experts. About 90% of the report is complete, and the commission is now awaiting the final report from the National Design and Research Forum (NDRF). This report is expected

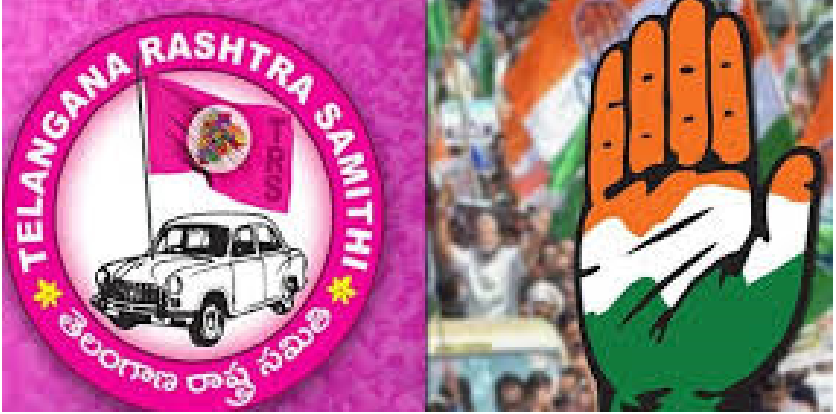
to be received in the next three weeks, after which the commission will submit its findings to the state government. The commission, led by Justice Pinaki Chandra Ghosh, was set up on March 12, 2024, following the formation of the Congress government in Telangana. The inquiry had been delayed multiple times, with the commis-

sion's deadline extended on several occasions. The current phase of the inquiry is crucial, as it is expected to involve cross-examination of former CM KCR, former ministers Harish Rao, and Etela Rajender. The commission aims to uncover the truth behind the construction of the Kaleswaram project and the alleged irregularities that occurred during its implementation. The final report is expected to have significant political implications and could lead to further legal and administrative actions based on its findings. The investigation continues to garner attention, as it could shape the future of water projects in the state.

Political Shifts in Palakurti Constituency: BRS Leaders Join Congress

TPN,Correspondent|Hyderabad Political dynamics in the Palakurti constituency are rapidly changing as BRS party leaders join Congress, signaling a shift in local allegiances. With the development work led by MLA Yashaswini Reddy and constituency in-charge Hanumandla Jhansi Rajender Reddy, many leaders from different parties are now queuing up to join Congress. In a significant development, Dr. Ponugoti Someshwar Rao, the Thorur Mandal Development Committee Chairman, led approximately 500 BRS workers to join Congress at Gandhi Bhavan. The event was graced by TPCC President B. Mahesh Kumar Goud, who welcomed the new entrants with a shawl. Among the new Congress mem-

bers were former Thorur Sarpanch Rajesh Nayak, former MP Kanjarla Ellayya, former MPTCs Somla Nayak, Rajender, Bhojya, Banoth Sreenu, and several others, including youth leaders and women representatives. MLA Yashaswini Reddy expressed confidence that the development work done by Congress has attracted these leaders to the party, and she hoped for a clean sweep in the upcoming local body elections. Meanwhile, Hanumandla Jhansi Rajender Reddy criticized former Minister Erabelli for underestimating their efforts, adding that more leaders are ready to join Congress in the near future. The event saw the participation of several leaders, workers, and supporters from Palakurti.



BJP Leaders' Press Conference on Pahalgam Attack and Political Issues in Telangana

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At a press conference at the BJP state office, Dr. N.V.S.S. Prabhakar, BJP State Vice President and former MLA, condemned the Pahalgam terrorist attack that led to the tragic deaths of innocent tourists. He called the attack a targeted, brutal assault and expressed full support for the central government's firm response to terrorism, demanding severe action against those responsible, including organizations and neighbor-



ing countries that sponsor terrorism.

Prabhakar also raised concerns about illegal immigrants in Hyderabad, especially in the Old City, citing reports of Bangladeshis, Pakistanis, and overstaying tourists. He urged the police to act swiftly against these illegal residents and stressed the need for the authorities to be given the freedom to enforce the law without political interference. He criticized the political alliance between AIMIM and BRS for making the police ineffective in ensuring law and order.

Further, Prabhakar criticized the BRS for celebrating its 25 years in power, questioning its accomplishments and highlighting its failure to meet the expectations of the people of Telangana. He accused BRS of focusing on family politics and personal interests, which led to its failure in areas such as water, employment, and public services. He concluded by asserting that BRS, despite claiming to be a national party, has failed on both regional and national fronts.

Court Relief for Kausik Reddy in Extortion Case

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The Telangana High Court has granted relief to Padi Kausik Reddy by directing authorities not to arrest him until Monday in connection with an extortion case filed at Subedari Police Station. The court, however, allowed the ongoing investigation and ordered Kausik Reddy to cooperate with the police. The case stems from allegations that Kausik Reddy threatened quarry owner Manoj to pay him Rs. 50 lakhs. According to a complaint filed by Manoj's wife, Uma Devi, Kausik Reddy had previously



extorted Rs. 25 lakhs from Manoj in October 2023. Recently, Manoj reported that Kausik demanded another Rs. 50 lakhs, leading to the current case. Kausik Reddy, represented by his lawyer, claimed that the case was politically motivated and that the complaint was filed for personal reasons. The court questioned the delay in filing the complaint from 2023 and postponed further hearings to the 28th of April. As per the court's ruling, Kausik Reddy will not be arrested until the next hearing, providing temporary relief to him.

Adenkhi Dayakar Criticizes BRS Leadership, Calls for BC, SC, ST Representation

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Adenkhi Dayakar, Member of Legislative Council (MLC), raised questions on the leadership of the BRS (formerly TRS) party. He emphasized that the BRS party president's position should be given to someone from the BC, SC, or ST communities, rather than keeping it within the KCR family. He challenged KTR to take over the party presidency if he has the courage and lead the BRS to power, citing how Congress' Revanth Reddy brought the party

into power within two years. Dayakar also questioned the absence of a clear Telangana state president or national president for BRS, highlighting that the party has been in existence for two years without clear leadership roles. He compared the current leadership to a "villain" figure in the movie Janatha Garage, where the son of the owner is seen as the villain. Dayakar also criticized BRS for deleting posts related to the HCU issue and questioned their motives.



Former Bodhan MLA Shakeel Arrested in Punjagutta Case, Granted Bail

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Former Bodhan MLA Shakeel was arrested by Punjagutta police in connection with the 2023 Pragathi Bhavan road accident case involving his son Rahil. The arrest came after Shakeel recently returned to India from Dubai. Following his arrest, he was presented in the Nampally court, which granted him bail citing health issues and the fact that all charges against him fall under sections with punishments below seven years. The case dates back to December 2023, when Rahil, allegedly intoxicated, rammed his vehicle into a heavy police barricade near Pragathi Bhavan. Rahil fled the scene and, in a controversial move, Shakeel is accused of presenting another individual before police in Rahil's place. Former Police Commissioner Kothakota Srinivas Reddy took serious note of the incident, leading to the transfer of the CI and several staff, including home guards, at the concerned police station.



Police later filed a case against Shakeel for allegedly tampering with evidence and misleading authorities. The investigation revealed attempts to distort facts and manipulate the process, resulting in Shakeel's eventual arrest. The case continues to draw public attention, with further legal proceedings expected in the coming weeks.

BRS MLC Kavitha Criticizes Congress, Calls for Massive Participation in Rathotsav

- **Kavitha slams Congress over 16-month rule.**
- **BRS claims responsibility for Telangana's growth.**
- **Kavitha urges youth, women's participation.**
- **Congress accused of failing Telangana people.**
- **Kavitha calls for unity against Congress.**

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In a press conference held on the premises of the BRS Rathotsav venue in Elkathurthi, BRS MLC Kalvakuntla Kavitha criticized the Congress party for its poor performance during the 16-month tenure. She accused Congress of not achieving any significant milestones for the people of Telangana and warned party leaders, saying, "Congress leaders, beware! Your deceitful nature is now evident to the people." Kavitha emphasized that the BRS party has consistently worked for the welfare of Telangana, unlike Congress and BJP, who are only focused on garnering votes and creating divisions among the public. She reminded the audience of the vision of KCR, who launched the Telangana movement in 2001 and achieved



statehood without shedding a drop of blood. She also highlighted several initiatives brought forward by BRS, including women's empowerment through reservations and welfare programs, and called for large participation in the upcoming Rathotsav, urging the youth and women to come forward and showcase their

support for the party. Kavitha accused Congress of misleading the people by promising Telangana in 2004 and only delivering after years of struggle and numerous sacrifices. She concluded by stating that it is BRS that has shaped the Telangana that exists today and called for a strong public response to the Rathotsav.

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BJP MP Raghunandan Rao launched a scathing attack on actor-politician Kamal Haasan and Tamil Nadu CM M.K. Stalin for remaining silent on the recent terror attack in Pahalgam, Jammu & Kashmir. Reacting strongly to the incident, where several innocent civilians lost their lives, Raghunandan questioned the so-called secular intellectuals for not condemning the brutality. He criticized Kamal Haasan, asking why someone so vocal on social issues was silent when terrorists mercilessly gunned down innocents. He also targeted Congress leader Priyanka Gandhi's



BJP MP Laxman Slams Congress Over Comments on Kashmir Terror Attack

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BJP Rajya Sabha MP Dr. K. Laxman lashed out at the Congress party for its remarks during the Congress Working Committee (CWC) meeting on the recent terrorist attack in Kashmir. He accused the Congress of using the incident for political mileage and attempting to divide society by highlighting security lapses. Laxman criticized Congress leaders for their historical sympathy towards Pakistan and questioned their silence on Islamic terrorism. He recalled past remarks by Congress leaders on "Saffron Terror" and alleged that they are now hesitant to speak against jihadi terrorism. He further slammed Robert Vadra's recent statements, calling them supportive of terrorists and embarrassing to civil society. Dr. Laxman also questioned why Con-

gress has not condemned Vadra's comments. Additionally, he criticized the BRS (Bharat Rashtra Samithi) party for maintaining silence on the Kashmir incident, hinting at political motives tied to AIMIM (Majlis). He accused KTR of supporting AIMIM in MLC elections and urged Congress to stop playing "cheap politics" with issues of national security. "Such matters should unite the nation, not be exploited for votes," he said.



MP Raghunandan Rao Slams Kamal Haasan for Silence on Kashmir Terror Attack

husband, Robert Vadra, for his alleged insensitive remarks on the incident and demanded that the Congress party officially condemn them. The Pahalgam terror attack, which occurred on Tuesday afternoon, saw terrorists open fire with hundreds of rounds, killing many on the spot. PM Narendra Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah have already vowed strict action against the culprits. Amidst the fear gripping the region, local traders have shown generosity by helping stranded tourists, earning praise for their humanity.

Unity in Society through Mother's Meal

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An innovative event was conducted at the Sri Vidyaranya premises in Bandlaguda Jagir, Hyderabad. The mothers of the families cooked the meals themselves and brought them to feed the children. This event was organized during the centenary celebrations of the organization, with a special focus on family values. It was held to teach the current generation of students the importance of family values, inspired by the spirit of the organization. From the very beginning, the Swiss system has been at the forefront of teaching Indian values. By sharing and eating the food brought by all the mothers, the message that ‘we are one global family’ was conveyed. Feeding the children with the food they brought strengthened the bond between them. In modern times, the practice of cooking and eating at home has been diminishing. Ordering junk food from outside has led to the loss of both health and happiness. Children and adults have become accustomed to eating outside food, which has weakened the bond between family members. To re-



mind people of our traditional family system, the Swiss system organized this event. With children coming along with their families, the entire Swiss premises was filled with joy and excitement. Indian values were emphasized through this event,

which was conducted under the guidance of Vidya Bharati and Sri Saraswati Vidyapeeth. The principal, Dr. Bhaskar Bhatt Krishna Mohan, expressed gratitude to the management, parents, staff, and well-wishers who participated in this event.

South Central Railway GM Inspects Kurnool City-Secunderabad Section



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On April 24, 2025, South Central Railway's General Manager, Mr. Arun Kumar Jain, conducted a detailed inspection of the Kur-

nool City-Secunderabad section in the Hyderabad Division. Accompanying him were the Divisional Railway Manager of Hyderabad Division, Mr. Lokesh

Vishnoy, along with other senior officials from the headquarters and the division. Mr. Jain began the inspection at the Sri Bal Brahmewar Jogulamba Halt Station, where he reviewed passenger facilities, station assets, and the surrounding premises. He also assessed the progress of station redevelopment works, funded under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme (ABSS) with a budget of ₹6.07 crore. The GM emphasized safety measures and guidelines during ongoing construction work and instructed officials to complete the work on time. Next, Mr. Jain inspected the ongoing construction of the Coach Mid-life Rehabilitation (CMLR) Workshop in Kurnool. Initial-

ly estimated at ₹283 crore in 2013-14, the cost has now been revised to ₹562 crore. Upon completion, the workshop will be capable of repairing 50 coaches per month. Mr. Jain also discussed rail development plans with Honorable Kurnool MP, Mr. Nagaraju Bastipathi. Further, he visited the Kurnool City Railway Station, where he inaugurated the Railway Sports Complex and reviewed the facilities, including an open gym and children's play area. Finally, the GM conducted a rear window inspection from Kurnool to Secunderabad, reviewing safety aspects like curves, embankments, bridges, signals, and track management.

Chairperson of Women’s Commission, G. Sharada, Visits Chanchalguda Women’s Jail



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The Chairperson of the Telangana State Women's Commission, Mrs. Narelli Sharada, along with the commission members, visited the Chanchalguda Women's Jail. During the visit, she inquired about the facilities available to the prisoners, including food and other amenities. Sharada also discussed matters related to legal aid and visitation procedures with the jail superintendent, Venkata Lakshmi. She interacted with the inmates, seeking details about their cases, self-employment schemes, and the medical facilities provided within the jail. Sharada's visit aimed at assessing the conditions and ensuring proper welfare measures for the women prisoners.

Reporter Arrested for Extortion Attempt on Congress MLA, Claims Misunderstanding

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In a dramatic twist, journalist Menam Shyam, formerly associated with Teenmaar Mallanna's organization, has been arrested by Rajendranagar police on charges of attempting to extort ₹5 crore from Congress MLA Thota Laxmikantha Rao of Jukkal constituency. According to police, Shyam allegedly threatened the MLA by claiming possession of private videos and demanded the money to keep them from going public. The MLA lodged a complaint, leading to Shyam's arrest and his presentation before the Upparpally Metropolitan Court. Shyam, who recently started his own news channel, was earlier awarded the title of “Best Investigative Journalist” by Telugu Journalists' Welfare Associations. However, this latest incident has cast a shadow on his

reputation. In his defense, Shyam spoke to the media, denying all allegations. He claimed that a woman approached him alleging she was deceived by the MLA and that they even had a child together. Shyam said he only approached the MLA as a “brother” to resolve the matter discreetly, warning of political fallout but denying any monetary demand. He further accused the MLA of retaliating by filing false SC/ST atrocity charges against him. The case has stirred considerable political and media interest, especially as Shyam maintains that if proven guilty of extortion, he is ready to face any legal consequences. The police are continuing their investigation into the authenticity of the claims, the alleged videos, and the sequence of interactions between the journalist and the MLA.



Uttam Kumar Reddy met and congratulated Shri B R Naidu, the Chairman of Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanam (TTD). He shared that Naidu garu and his late father were colleagues at BHEL and have been close family friends for many decades. Reddy expressed confidence that Naidu will bring about many positive developments at TTD.

Gachibowli Road Widening Works Reviewed by Cyberabad Traffic, GHMC Officials

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Dr. Gajarao Bhupal, IPS, Joint Commissioner of Police (Traffic), Cyberabad, along with Madhapur Zone DCP Traffic Saimanohar and Upender Reddy, Zonal Commissioner, GHMC (Serilingampally Zone), conducted an inspection of ongoing road widening works in Gachibowli on Thursday. The inspection covered key traffic-heavy areas such as HCU Depot Junction, Mazidbanda Village, the RTA Office, Anjaiah Nagar Labour Adda, and ZP High School. These spots have

been facing heavy congestion due to infrastructure upgrades. Officials reviewed the current progress of the widening works and discussed strategies to expedite the projects, with a focus on completing major stretches ahead of the upcoming monsoon. The team emphasized the urgency of streamlining traffic in the IT corridor to minimize disruptions for daily commuters and tech professionals. Authorities assured that the pace of development would be increased, and co-

ordination between departments would be strengthened to meet the timeline targets.



MLA Madhavaram Krishna Rao Meets HYDRA Officials on Lake Development in Kukatpally

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MLA Madhavaram Krishna Rao held a meeting with HYDRA officials regarding the development of lakes in the Kukatpally constituency. He informed the media that plans for the development of five lakes in the constituency have been prepared by GHMC officials, with two lakes to be developed by HYDRA and three by GHMC. Regarding Nallacheruvu, the MLA mentioned that approximately 30 acres of land are under dispute. He suggested that if justice is provided to the landowners through TDRs (Transferable Development Rights), they will not oppose the development. The MLA assured that he would take responsibility for convincing the public. He also stated that discussions with the landowners on development matters are already underway and expressed that issuing TDRs for all the lakes would prevent opposition from the public.



TRS Leaders Condemn Pulwama Attack, Demand Stringent Action

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TRS leaders, under the leadership of Mirpet Municipal Corporation President Arakala Kamesh Reddy from the Maheshwaram constituency, held a protest condemning the brutal terrorist attack in Pahalgam, Kashmir. The attack, which claimed the lives of 25 innocent civilians, was strongly denounced by the leaders, who expressed their anguish, calling it an act that tarnished democracy. The leaders paid tribute to the martyrs and prayed for peace for their souls. They also urged the central government to take stringent action against such atrocities that threaten national security, emphasizing the need for severe punishment for the perpetrators. The protest was attended by several prominent leaders, including Akkala Bhupal Reddy, Dindu Bhupesh Goud, Sheenu Nayak, Deepal Chauhan, Sunita Balraj, Vijayalakshmi, Rajak, Porreddy Prabhakar Reddy, Balraj, Yadireddy, Siddala Beerappa, Madari Ramesh, Yadgiri, Chari, Mohan, Arjun, Jangayya, Sudarshan, Survilat Shekhar Goud, Singam Raju, Saalayya, Sai Hathiram, Pawan, Jagal Reddy, and others.



High Court Hearing on Betting App Promotion in Metro Rail

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The High Court has initiated a hearing on a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) filed regarding the promotion of a betting app in Hyderabad Metro Rail. Advocate Nagoor Babu filed the PIL, seeking a Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) inquiry into the Metro Rail Limited (HMRL) board members. The petitioner raised concerns about the promotion of the betting app by the board members, including several IAS and IPS officers, and questioned how such promotions were allowed. The PIL also requested an investigation by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) to determine if election-related kickbacks were involved in promoting the app. The petitioner cited the Telangana Gaming Amendment Act 2017, which prohibits online gambling, and argued that the promotion of such an app was illegal. The High Court issued notices to the Metro Rail Managing Director and directed all concerned parties to file detailed counter affidavits. The court postponed the next hearing to Monday, while also directing the officials to address the concerns raised in the petition with proper explanations. This issue has sparked widespread discussions regarding the legality of betting promotions in public transport systems.

Telangana Achieves 1 Million MT Paddy Procurement Milestone

- 10 lakh MT paddy procured
 - Storage capacity at 66.65 MT
- 7340 centers actively procuring grain
 - Gunnysack shortage affects smooth process

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Paddy procurement is in full swing across Telangana, with the state collecting over 10 lakh metric tonnes of paddy since the start of the Rabi procurement season on April 1. On average, 1 lakh metric tonnes are being procured daily as farmers rush to selling centers due to unseasonal rains and strong winds. The state had set a target of 70.13 lakh metric tonnes from an estimated Rabi yield of 127.5 lakh MT, grown over 57 lakh acres. So far, paddy has been procured from 35,600 farmers, with 6.4 lakh MT being fine rice and 3.6 lakh MT coarse varieties. Procurement

is happening at 7340 active centers out of 8329 planned centers, equipped with modern weighing machines, moisture meters, and other essential infrastructure. The government has ensured 66.65 lakh MT of storage capacity, utilizing state warehouses, market committee godowns, and private storage facilities. While some paddy is moved directly to millers for CMR obligations, the rest is stored securely. However, gaps in gunnysack supply and unorganized procurement practices have raised farmer concerns. Some centers are deducting up to 5 kg per bag, blaming wet or immature grain.



Farmer unions allege that this unfairly benefits millers. The Agriculture Department sees this as a success of its strategic planning, especially after offering a ₹500 bonus for fine paddy during Kharif.

14 Maoists Surrender in Telangana, Blow to Extremist Group

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In a significant blow to the Maoist movement, 14 Maoists surrendered before the police at the Warangal Police Commissionerate on Thursday. Multi-Zone IG Chandrasekhar Reddy accepted their surrender in an official ceremony. Among those who surrendered were two area committee members and 12 militia members. Thirteen of them hail from Chhattisgarh, while one is a native of Telangana. Each surrendered Maoist was granted a reward of ₹25,000. IG Reddy clarified that Telangana Police had no involvement in the Karragutta



operation, currently active along the Telangana-Chhattisgarh border in the Dandakaranya forest region. The region is witnessing intensified security presence, with thousands of personnel surrounding Karragutta hills as Operation 'Kagar' nears its final phase. Air force activity has increased, signaling the

operation's critical stage. Meanwhile, Maoist leaders reportedly sent a letter demanding a halt to the search operations, which was rejected by the central government. Reports also suggest that an encounter occurred Thursday morning between Maoists and security forces.

Collector Adarsa Surabhi Conducts Surprise Inspection at Paddy Procurement Centre



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District Collector Adarsa Surabhi conducted a surprise inspection on Thursday at the Palem paddy procurement centre in Kottakota mandal. She expressed displeasure over the lack of basic facilities such as tents and fans, and directed staff to maintain proper records of paddy collected, including moisture levels and grain type. The Collector questioned the centre in-charge on scientific methods used to differentiate between fine and coarse paddy. As the official failed to provide valid standards using a caliper meter, she ordered his immediate replacement. She instructed that only trained personnel be appointed as center in-charges and directed the use of pedestal fans and paddy cleaners to remove straw and weed content before procurement. She also ordered separate centers for fine and coarse varieties. Tahsildar Venkateshwarlu and farmers accompanied her during the visit.

Farmers Protest at Paddy Centre, Slam Delay in Procurement



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Farmers staged a protest at the paddy procurement centre in Mustafanagar village, Gambhiraopet mandal of Rajanna Sircilla district, expressing anger over the state's delay in purchasing Rabi paddy. Sitting on the road, they raised slogans like "Is this a kingdom of thieves?" and "Stop this exploitation!" They demanded that the government immediately speed up the procurement process.

Farmers questioned the administration, asking who would bear the losses when weighed paddy is left without transport for a week due to a lack of lorries at the centre. The protest reflects growing unrest among cultivators, who are frustrated by procedural delays and inadequate infrastructure. They urged the government to step in quickly and ensure smooth, timely procurement to protect farmers from financial distress.

MLC Kavitha Offers Special Prayers at Bhadrakali Temple

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MLC Kavitha, along with former minister Satavathi Rathod and former government chief whip Dasym Vinay Bhaskar, performed special prayers at the renowned Sri Bhadrakali Temple in Warangal. Expressing her joy, MLC Kavitha remarked, "It's a pleasure to visit the famous Sri Bhadrakali temple and seek the blessings of the goddess." She further mentioned that the upcoming BRS Rajatotsava Mahasabha will resemble a Kumbh Mela in its grand scale. Kavitha also stated that she had come to inspect the preparations for the event, particularly the arrangements made for women leaders from across the state. The team reviewed the venue and the provisions made for women attendees to ensure everything is well organized for the grand event.



Harish Rao Slams Revanth Reddy Govt for Failing on Water, Funds, and Jobs

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Senior BRS leader and Siddipet MLA Harish Rao launched a scathing attack on the Congress-led Telangana government, accusing it of failing on three crucial fronts—water, funds, and job creation. Speaking at a press meet today, Harish Rao criticized CM Revanth Reddy's administration for not fulfilling its poll promises. He questioned the government's inaction on protecting Telangana's share in Krishna river waters and resolving the ongoing issue of the Andhra Pradesh-constructed Bunkacharla project. Rao pointed out that despite the existence of a clear Telangana vision based on "Neelu, Nidhulu, Niyamakalu" (Water, Funds, and Jobs), there has been no direction or tangible progress under the Congress regime. Harish Rao also slammed the Congress for not taking concrete steps on ₹8,929 crore worth of external aided project loans pending between Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. Furthermore, he highlighted the unmet promise of creating 2 lakh jobs within a year, stating that the government has clearly missed its mark. He concluded by saying that the Congress has failed the people of Telangana on all major fronts.



Hydra Focuses on Public Complaints, Initiates Field Inspections

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Hyderabad civic body's Hydra initiative has intensified its focus on resolving complaints received through the Prajavani grievance platform. GHMC Commissioner A.V. Ranganath conducted field inspections on Thursday to address key issues.

In Patancheru, he inspected illegal encroachments along the Nakkavagu nala near Praneeth County. Though the nala, including its buffer zone, should be 36 meters wide, half of it was found encroached. Officials were directed to submit permission documents for constructions and warned of eviction if nala width norms

were violated.

At Masid Banda, encroachments on land claimed as Jungunkunta were reviewed. In Kishthareddypet under Ameenpur Municipality, illegal occupation of government land was examined. The commissioner reassured existing homeowners there was no need to worry, and further en-

croachments would be strictly prevented.

In Gachibowli, misuse of FCI Layout parks and roads for commercial activities was inspected. A complaint in Nekkampur about a compound wall under high-tension lines blocking a road was investigated. Land earmarked for public use and parks was

found encroached in Nekkampur Layout and Survey No. 20. Ranganath also visited Gandipet Lake and reviewed complaints about sewage from Khannapur and Nagulapally entering through the Bulkupur Nala. He ordered the diversion of sewage away from the lake and strict monitoring of new constructions.

67 TMC Water Allocated for Seethamma Sagar Project, Technical Clearance Granted

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Telangana Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka on Thursday announced that the Central Government has officially allocated 67 TMC (thousand million cubic feet) of water for the Seethamma Sagar Project in Khammam district and granted technical clearances for the construction of the barrage.

In a press release, Bhatti Vikramarka stated that through the continuous efforts of the state government, vast stretches of barren land in Khammam district will soon become fertile and cultivable. He also appreciated the proactive role of State Irrigation Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy, who presented comprehensive information to the Centre, convincing them to grant official clearances.

He further noted that this achievement marks a significant milestone, as the long-pending approval has been secured after decades. The Deputy CM emphasized that the project would bring large-scale agricultural transformation to the undivided Khammam region, allowing farmers to cultivate previously unused lands. He congratulated Minister Uttam for his committed efforts, highlighting that the government's determination is now translating into tangible developmental results for rural Telangana.



Dundigal Police Arrest Two Drug Peddlers with 94 Kgs of Ganja

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In a recent operation at Dundigal PS premises, Medchal ACP held a meeting with journalists. Following this, Dundigal Police, along with Medchal SOT, conducted an extensive check at the Dundigal ORR area.

During the operation, the police arrested two individuals involved in the illegal transportation of banned ganja. The arrested men were found with 94 kgs of



dry ganja, worth approximately ₹33 lakh. The drug peddlers were transporting the ganja from Sukma, Odisha, through Telangana to Gulbarga, Karnataka. The arrested suspects, Shake Munawar and Gantasal Jagadeesh, were identified as drug suppliers operating along this route. Another suspect, Deva Sachin, remains at large. The police have filed cases under the NDPS Act and have taken the arrested individuals into custody before remanding them.

Pahalgam Terror Attack: Enough is Enough—India Must Strike Back with Steel

By Yansi Gopisetty | April 24, 2025

PAHALGAM – The peace of one of Kashmir’s most picturesque towns was shattered on April 22, 2025, as four terrorists stormed a popular tourist enclave in Pahalgam, gunning down 26 civilians, including women and children. The attack—claimed by a shadowy group allegedly backed by Pakistan-based Lashkar-e-Taiba—marks the deadliest assault on Indian civilians in over a decade. This wasn’t a battle; it was a massacre. And India is done absorbing punches.

Pattern of Bloodshed, Pattern of Betrayal

Let’s not pretend this is new. This is Pakistan’s playbook—deny, delay, distract. But the evidence mounts:

- **Dec 13, 2001 – Parliament Attack:** 5 terrorists, 14 dead.
- **Nov 26, 2008 – Mumbai Attacks:** 166 lives lost over 4 days.
- **Sept 18, 2016 – Uri Attack:** 19 soldiers martyred.
- **Feb 14, 2019 – Pulwama Attack:** 40 CRPF personnel killed.

India’s answer to Uri? A surgical strike. To Pulwama? An airstrike in Balakot. But this time, it can’t stop there. The Predators Are Watching: 9 Para SF India’s response must be led by those who don’t just retaliate—they warn the future. In the legendary Operation Apache, 70 elite commandos from 9 Para SF infiltrated deep across the LoC in 2001, delivering a devastating strike after Pakistani forces committed atrocities against Indian villagers. They didn’t just kill enemy com-



batants—they shattered their will. **“We took 10 heads for one eye.”**

– 9 Para SF Officer, on Operation Apache This is the response India must channel again—surgical, silent, final. *The Nation Demands Retaliation* Today, the public mood is clear: no more restraint. Citizens across the country lit candles for the victims—and raised fists demanding action. *Diplomatic rebukes are not enough. State-ments are not enough.* The government must unleash India’s elite to hit where it hurts—not just camps

but the very infrastructure that enables cross-border terror. Strike leadership, funding, and safe havens. Let them count the cost in fear. We Stand with the Forces. We Stand with India. This is not a political issue. This is national security. Every Indian, from Srinagar to Salem, stands with our forces. We trust our leadership—but we also demand boldness. Retaliate. Restore honor. And let Pakistan know: Never again. The fallen will not be forgotten. But revenge, in the hands of India’s finest, must be cold, precise, and final.

A sunscreen for Earth? Geoengineering for Climate Fixes: Innovation or Irreversible Risk?

As the world races against time to combat climate change, a growing number of private companies are exploring extreme geoengineering solutions. These controversial approaches range from injecting sunlight-blocking particles into the atmosphere to brightening clouds and altering ocean chemistry to absorb more carbon. While the goal is to slow global warming or earn carbon credits, the potential unintended consequences of such interventions raise serious concerns.

Currently, more than a dozen firms globally are investing in these radical technologies. The idea of “solar radiation management,” for instance, involves reflecting a portion of the sun’s rays back into space to cool the planet. Another method, ocean carbon removal, proposes chemically modifying seawater to increase its carbon absorption capacity. While such solutions are scientifically



intriguing, they remain largely untested and poorly regulated.

The primary issue lies in the lack of a global regulatory framework to oversee these experiments. Climate intervention on a planetary scale carries risks that could be long-lasting and cross-border in nature. The Earth’s climate system is complex and interconnected; tampering with one part of it could result in unintended disruptions elsewhere — such as

altered rainfall patterns, ocean acidification, or the destruction of biodiversity.

Many scientists are calling for caution. They argue that while the urgency to act on climate change is justified, turning to geoengineering without robust scientific assessments and governance mechanisms could create more problems than it solves. Moreover, such projects could divert attention and funding from proven climate solutions like emission reductions, renewable energy, and reforestation.

There is also a moral hazard involved: the promise of a technological fix may reduce the perceived need for lifestyle and industrial changes that are essential for long-term sustainability. If not transparently managed and publicly debated, geoengineering could lead to geopolitical tensions or worsen global inequalities.



Redefining Rights: The UK Supreme Court Ruling and Its Implications for Trans Inclusion

On April 16, the UK Supreme Court delivered a landmark verdict in *For Women Scotland Ltd v The Scottish Ministers*, interpreting the terms “woman” and “sex” in the Equality Act 2010 as referring strictly to biological sex assigned at birth. This ruling, which overrides previous inclusive interpretations, grants organisations the legal right to exclude transgender women — even those with Gender Recognition Certificates (GRCs) — from single-sex spaces such as shelters, hospital wards, and sports categories.

While legally significant, the ruling has sparked widespread concern and debate. Critics argue it is a politically charged decision that rolls back essential protections for trans individuals, particularly trans women. For many, this judgment feels like a legitimisation of exclusion in a society already grappling with transphobia and systemic gender inequality. It intensifies fears of marginalisation in everyday public spaces, where safety and dignity are already precarious for many in the trans community.

The case also invites comparisons with legal frameworks in other countries, such as India, where anti-discrimination protections take a different shape. Unlike the UK, India does not have a standalone anti-discrimination statute. Instead, constitutional rights are generally enforceable only against the state. However, exceptions exist. For instance, Article 15(2) of the Indian Constitution mandates that no citizen shall be denied access to shops, restaurants, hotels, or public entertainment venues based on religion, race, caste, sex, or place of birth. This clause enables a horizontal application of rights — against private individuals or entities — in specific contexts.

Yet, this horizontal protection can sometimes clash with competing freedoms, such as the right to association or religious conscience. While several anti-discrimination bills have been proposed in India to expand and clarify protections, none have been passed into law. Still, the Supreme Court’s ruling in *Kaushal Kishor v State of UP (2023)* emphasized that the Constitution’s silence on certain horizontal rights should not be interpreted as a prohibition. Rather, the state bears a responsibility to safeguard citizens’ rights and ensure equal access and protection.

The UK ruling is more than a legal interpretation — it is a mirror to ongoing global struggles around identity, inclusion, and the meaning of equality. As legal systems evolve, so must our commitment to ensure that progress does not come at the cost of the most vulnerable.

Reimagining Work in the Age of AI: A Call for Human-Centered Progress

As Artificial Intelligence steadily reshapes our world, it raises questions that go beyond the technical — they are deeply existential. When machines can now write, compose, analyze, and even converse, what remains uniquely human? The current AI revolution, unlike the loud clanging of 19th-century looms, arrives quietly — coded in algorithms, run on servers, and wrapped in promises of efficiency.

This isn’t merely another industrial leap. Unlike past tools that amplified human effort, AI reaches into the core of cognition. Machines that once replaced muscle now challenge the mind. The concern isn’t only job loss — it’s a broader reckoning with meaning, purpose, and dignity in the age of automation.

Historically, technological change has walked a line between liberation and control. Railways, printing presses, and telegraphs in colonial India were tools of power — yet they became weapons of resistance in the hands of leaders like Tilak and Ambedkar. Similarly, AI today holds transformative potential in healthcare, agriculture, and governance, but also risks deepening inequality, surveillance, and disempowerment.

India stands at a crossroads. While our tech



talent powers global innovation, our education system still struggles to prepare future citizens. Conversations about reskilling ignore the foundational need: critical thinking, civic literacy, and ethical awareness. We need not just coders, but conscious citizens.

The future of work may not lie in traditional roles but in adaptive, creative, and hybrid identities. A jobless future is not inevitable, but a transformation of work is. We must rethink what it means to contribute — expanding the idea of entrepreneurship to include community leadership and moral stewardship.

Gandhi’s vision of technology as a tool for self-reliance and dignity offers a guiding light. Just as the spinning wheel symbolized both livelihood and agency, can we craft AI tools that empower rather than exploit?

Ultimately, our response to AI must be guided by ethics, not just efficiency. The real challenge isn’t competing with machines, but holding onto what makes us human — empathy, accountability, and conscience. As AI evolves, so must our institutions, ensuring technology serves humanity, not the other way around.

PM Modi Vows Unimaginable Punishment for Terrorists

Prime Minister Narendra Modi issued a strong response following the Pahalgam terror attack, which claimed 26 lives, including 25 Indian tourists and one Nepali national. Addressing a gathering in Madhubani, Bihar, he vowed to track and punish every terrorist and their backers, emphasizing that India's spirit "will never be broken by terrorism."

Modi began his speech with a silent tribute to the victims and expressed the nation's collective grief and anger. "From Kargil to Kanyakumari, there is grief and rage. This was not just an attack on innocent tourists; it was an attack on India's soul," he declared.

Taking direct aim at Pakistan, he warned, "The time has come to raze whatever is left of the terror haven. The will of 140 crores will break the back of the masters of terror."



Switching to English to address the global community, Modi made it clear that India will relentlessly pursue terrorists and their sponsors. "We will track them to the ends of the earth.

Terrorism will not go unpunished. Justice will be done." He also thanked world leaders who have expressed solidarity with India.

The Prime Minister cut short his Saudi Arabia trip to return to India immediately after the attack. Within hours, he convened a Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS) meeting, where key dip-

lomatic actions against Pakistan were announced:

Suspension of the Indus Water Treaty

- **Closure of the Integrated Check Post at Attari**
- **Ban on SAARC Visa Exemption Scheme for Pakistani nationals**
- **Expulsion of Pakistani defence advisers from India**
- **Reduction of Pakistan High Commission staff from 55 to 30 by May 1**

This decisive diplomatic crackdown signals India's zero-tolerance policy towards terrorism and its commitment to ensuring national security. Modi's speech reaffirmed India's stance: acts of terror will face severe consequences, and those responsible will pay a price they cannot imagine.

India Revokes Visas, Pakistan Retaliates



In a major escalation following the Pahalgam terror attack that killed 26 people, India on Thursday revoked all visas issued to Pakistani nationals, including medical visas, and suspended all visa services for Pakistanis. The Ministry of External Affairs announced that all Pakistani citizens currently in India must exit the country before their visas expire, with most given a 72-hour window to leave.

These actions come on the heels of five strong measures announced Wednesday, including suspending the Indus Waters Treaty, closing the Attari Integrated Check Post, and expelling Pakistani defence personnel from its High Commission in New Delhi. The staff strength of both High Commissions will be reduced to 30 by May 1.

The Ministry also issued an advisory for Indian nationals to avoid travelling to Pakistan, urging those already there to return immediately.

On Wednesday, Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri had stated that Pakistanis will no longer be allowed to travel under the SAARC Visa Exemption Scheme, and those already in India on such visas have 48 hours to leave. The

decision to declare Pakistani military and defence advisers "persona non grata" was also finalized.

In response, Pakistan retaliated swiftly with a set of countermeasures. Following a meeting of its National Security Committee chaired by Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, Pakistan announced the closure of its airspace to Indian airlines, and declared all bilateral agreements, including the Simla Agreement, as "under review."

Pakistan also warned that any Indian attempt to restrict water flow under the Indus Waters Treaty would be considered an "Act of War", to be met with full retaliatory force. Additionally, Pakistan announced the closure of the Wagah Border Post, suspended all trade with India, and restricted cross-border transit.

Islamabad has also suspended SAARC visa exemptions for Indians (except Sikh pilgrims), and asked Indian defence advisers to leave by April 30, matching New Delhi's moves. Tensions between the two nuclear-armed neighbours have soared following this latest wave of diplomatic and security escalations.



Rahul Gandhi Visits Pahalgam Attack Victims

Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha, Rahul Gandhi, is scheduled to visit Jammu and Kashmir on April 25 to meet those injured in the recent Pahalgam terror attack that claimed at least 26 lives. The Congress MP will visit the Government Medical College (GMC) in Anantnag, where several victims are currently being treated, to express solidarity and inquire about their condition. The attack, which took place on April 22 in Baisaran valley near Pahalgam in south Kashmir's Anantnag district, involved terrorists opening fire on a group of tourists enjoying a popular meadow. The brutal incident left 26 people dead — including a Nepalese citizen — and 17 others severely injured. The newly emerged militant group "Kashmir Resistance" has claimed responsibility for the attack, saying it opposes what it calls the demographic changes in Jammu and Kashmir due to the influx of outsiders. Rahul Gandhi's visit comes amid nationwide outrage and international condemnation. Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who was in Saudi Arabia at the time, cut short his trip and returned to New Delhi, promising that the perpetrators and their sponsors would face unimaginable consequences.

In a high-level meeting chaired by the Prime Minister, the government announced a series of strict diplomatic measures. All visas issued to Pakistani nationals, including medical visas, have been revoked, and new visa services for Pakistanis have been suspended. Indian nationals have been advised to avoid traveling to Pakistan, while those currently there are urged to return. India has also suspended the Indus Waters Treaty and shut down the Integrated Check Post at Attari. Diplomatic ties are being scaled back, with both countries reducing their respective high commission staff to 30 by May 1.

Kashmir Leaders Unite After Pahalgam Attack



In the aftermath of the devastating terrorist attack in Pahalgam that claimed 26 lives, political parties in Jammu and Kashmir came together in a rare show of unity, condemning the violence and calling it a grave assault on Kashmir's identity and India's foundational ideals. The all-party meeting, chaired by Chief Minister Omar Abdullah, was held at the Sher-i-Kashmir International Conference Centre (SKICC) in Srinagar on April 24. Leaders from across the political spectrum attended and unanimously passed a joint resolution describing the attack as "a direct assault on the values of Kashmiriyat and the idea of India." The resolution went on to label the attack not just an act of terror, but an attempt to disrupt the peace and cultural integrity of the region. "This act of barbarism was aimed at shattering our unity and damaging the spirit of inclusiveness that Kashmir represents," the resolution read. Chief Minister Omar Abdullah called for "national solidarity" and emphasized that the perpetrators would not succeed in dividing the people. "Kash-

miriyat is about compassion, hospitality, and harmony. This attack was not just on innocent lives, but on everything we stand for," he said. Political leaders, including representatives from the National Conference, PDP, Congress, BJP, and other regional parties, stood together in mourning and resolve. They expressed deep anguish over the loss of lives, especially as the victims were primarily tourists, including families and children, who had come to experience the scenic beauty of the Valley. The joint statement urged swift and decisive action against those responsible for the attack and stressed the need for heightened security and intelligence coordination to prevent future incidents. The Pahalgam attack, which targeted civilians in one of Kashmir's most popular tourist destinations, has shaken the region and drawn national and international condemnation. However, the unified stance of J&K's political leadership marks a significant step in reaffirming the region's commitment to peace and pluralism amid rising tensions.

Opposition Backs Govt on Terror Response

In a rare show of unity, the opposition parties extended full support to the Centre's national response to the Pahalgam terror attack during an all-party meeting convened in New Delhi on April 24. The attack in south Kashmir claimed the lives of at least 26 people, mostly tourists, and has triggered nationwide grief and outrage.

The meeting, chaired by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, included top leaders across the political spectrum. The government briefed participants on the security situation in Kashmir, intelligence lapses that led to the attack, and measures being implemented to prevent such incidents in the future.

Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha

Rahul Gandhi affirmed the opposition's backing of the Centre's national response. "The entire opposition is with the government in this hour of crisis. This is a moment for unity, not politics," he said after the meeting. Echoing the sentiment, Rajya Sabha Leader of Opposition Mallikarjun Kharge called for comprehensive steps to restore peace and security in Jammu and Kashmir.

Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijju, addressing the media post-meeting, confirmed the united stance. "All parties reiterated that they are with the government and stand firm against terrorism. Intelligence Bureau and Ministry of Home Affairs officials briefed us on what went wrong and what's being done to



plug the gaps," Rijju stated.

Sources confirmed that the briefings included admissions of security and intelligence failures that allowed the terrorists to strike a group of civilians in a high-tourist zone. The need for enhanced surveillance, stronger coordination among agencies, and reinforcement of local intelligence networks was discussed at length.

The all-party meeting comes amid sweeping diplomatic and administrative actions taken by the government following the Pahalgam attack. These include the revocation of Pakistani visas, suspension of the Indus Waters Treaty, and expulsion of defence staff from the Pakistani High Commission in Delhi.



Global Solidarity Grows as PM Modi, Netanyahu Discuss Pahalgam Terror Attack

In the wake of the horrific terror attack in Pahalgam, Jammu and Kashmir, Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi spoke with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Thursday. Israel strongly condemned the attack and expressed deep solidarity with India, according to a statement shared by the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA).

The MEA confirmed the conversation in a post on social media platform X, stating, “PM @narendramodi and strongly condemned the terror attack on Indian soil. He expressed solidarity with the people of India, and the families of the victims. PM Modi shared the barbaric nature of the cross-border terrorist attack and reiterated India’s firm resolve to bring the perpetrators and their supporters to justice.”

The attack, which took place on Tuesday in the scenic Baisaran meadow of Anantnag district, claimed the lives of 26 individuals — 25 Indian nationals and one Nepali citizen — and left several others injured. The incident, among the deadliest in Kashmir since the 2019 Pulwama bombing, has sparked widespread international condemnation.

Israeli Ambassador to India, Reuven Azar, earlier assured India of continued cooperation in combating terrorism, including collaboration in technology, intelligence, and counter-terrorism methods.

The global response has been swift and unified. French Foreign Minister Jean-Noël Barrot called Indian External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar to offer condolences and support. Canadian leaders, including Senator Leo Housakos and Prime Minister Mark Carney, also strongly condemned the attack. Housakos described it as “a barbaric assault on faith and humanity,” while Carney labeled it “a senseless and shocking act of violence.”

Amid the outpouring of support, the Indian government has acted decisively. A high-level Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS) meeting, chaired by Prime Minister Modi, resolved to take firm action against the perpetrators and their sponsors. The government has announced key retaliatory steps, including the suspension of the Indus Waters Treaty and closure of the Integrated Check Post at the Attari-Wagah border.

The wave of global support underscores the shared international commitment to combat terrorism and stand in solidarity with its victims.

India Suspends Indus Waters Treaty, Shuts Attari Border In Strong Response To Pakistan

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In response to the devastating terror attack in Jammu and Kashmir’s Pahalgam that claimed 26 lives, including that of a foreign national, India’s Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS) has announced a series of stringent measures against Pakistan. The crack-down follows revelations of cross-border linkages in the attack, which was claimed by The Resistance Front — an offshoot of the banned Lashkar-e-Taiba.

Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri detailed the measures, underscoring the gravity of the situation. Central to the announcement was the immediate suspension of the Indus Waters Treaty of 1960, which had survived multiple wars and decades of hostility between the two nations. Signed under World Bank mediation, the treaty allocated the eastern rivers (Ravi, Beas, Sutlej) to India and the western rivers (Indus, Jhelum, Chenab) to Pakistan. Its suspension is a drastic step, signaling India’s deep frustration with Pakistan’s continued support for cross-border terrorism.

The implications are significant. Pakistan is already facing severe water stress due to climate change, poor water management, and rapid population growth. This decision could exacerbate an already precarious situation, with Pakistan historically viewing threats to the treaty as akin to an act of war.

Other punitive actions include:

Closure of the Attari-Wagah Integrated



Check Post with immediate effect, allowing only those with valid endorsements to return before May 1, 2025.

Suspension of SAARC Visa Exemption Scheme (SVES) for Pakistani nationals. All existing SVES visas are cancelled, and current holders must leave India within 48 hours.

Diplomatic downsizing, including the expulsion of Pakistani defence advisers in

New Delhi and a reciprocal withdrawal of Indian defence staff from Islamabad. The strength of both high commissions will be reduced from 55 to 30 personnel by May 1.

This marks one of the most severe diplomatic and strategic responses from India in recent years. The government also emphasized that it will relentlessly pursue justice for the victims and hold the sponsors of terrorism accountable.

‘Vladimir, STOP!’: Russian strikes on Ukraine draws rare rebuke from Trump

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Former U.S. President Donald Trump on Thursday voiced disapproval over Russia’s latest missile strikes on Ukraine’s capital, Kyiv, urging Russian President Vladimir Putin to bring an immediate halt to the escalation. In a social media post, Trump said he was “not happy” with the developments and criticized the timing of the assault.



“I am not happy with the Russian strikes on KYIV. Not necessary, and very bad timing,” Trump posted, responding to the overnight attacks that shook Ukraine’s capital and left parts of the city damaged amid ongoing tensions between the two nations.

The statement comes just a day after Trump had expressed frustration with Ukraine’s leadership, claiming that President Volodymyr Zelenskyy was the primary obstacle to progressing peace negotiations with Russia.

Trump has frequently stated that he could bring an end to the conflict swiftly if re-elected, though he has not outlined a specific roadmap for achieving such a resolution.

Despite previously maintaining a more ambiguous stance on the Russia-Ukraine conflict, Trump’s latest comments signal disapproval of Moscow’s recent military actions, particularly targeting urban centers like Kyiv. The strikes, part of a broader wave of Russian missile and drone attacks, have sparked in-

ternational condemnation and renewed calls for de-escalation.

This is not the first time Trump has attempted to insert himself into discussions surrounding the war. He has repeatedly positioned himself as a potential peace broker, though critics argue that his statements often blur accountability and fail to directly address Russia’s aggression.

Meanwhile, the Biden administration has continued to support Ukraine through military aid and diplomatic backing, while calling on Moscow to end its invasion and respect Ukraine’s sovereignty.

As the conflict drags into its third year, Trump’s latest statement is likely to fuel further debate over the U.S. approach to the war, especially in light of the upcoming presidential election cycle, where foreign policy and national security are expected to be key issues.

Russia Moves to Deepen Ties with Taliban, Allows Ambassador-Level Representation

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In a significant diplomatic shift, Russia announced on Wednesday that it will allow Afghanistan’s Taliban-led administration to appoint an ambassador to Moscow. This development comes shortly after Russia’s Supreme Court lifted the official “terrorist organization” designation for the Taliban — a label that had been in place since 2003.



While the decision stops short of formal recognition of the Taliban government, it signals Moscow’s intent to deepen relations with the regime that has ruled Afghanistan since the U.S. troop withdrawal in 2021. The Russian Foreign Ministry confirmed that officials recently held talks with the Taliban’s foreign and interior ministers, during which the announcement was formally conveyed.

According to the ministry’s statement, “Following the decision announced by the Supreme Court of Russia to suspend the ban on the Taliban movement, the Russian side has decided to upgrade the diplomatic mission of Afghanistan in Moscow to the level of ambassador.” The Taliban officials reportedly welcomed the move with “deep gratitude.”

Although no country, including Russia, has officially recognized the Taliban regime, Moscow has maintained diplomatic contacts and allowed Taliban representatives to participate in several high-level forums and international events held in

Russia over the past few years.

Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov framed the move as a pragmatic policy shift, stating, “The new authorities in Kabul are a reality. We need to take this into account in order to carry out pragmatic, not ideologised policy.”

Analysts view Russia’s warming stance as motivated by both regional security interests and economic considerations. Moscow sees potential in engaging with Afghanistan’s resource-rich territory, especially at a time when Western powers continue to isolate the Taliban government due to its regressive stance on human rights, particularly those of women and minorities.

Despite the diplomatic upgrade, the Taliban administration remains unrecognized by any country or major international organization, with the United Nations still referring to them as the “de facto authorities” in Afghanistan.

After Pahalgam Attack, India Strikes Back: Pakistan PM Shehbaz Sharif Convenes Security Meet

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In the wake of India’s strong retaliatory measures over the recent terror attack in Pahalgam, Pakistani Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has called an urgent meeting of the National Security Committee (NSC) to deliberate on the escalating situation.



The announcement was made by Pakistan’s Deputy Prime Minister Ishaq Dar via a post on X (formerly Twitter), where he stated, “Prime Minister Mohammad Shehbaz Sharif @CMShehbaz has convened the meeting of the National Security Committee on Thursday morning 24th April 2025 to respond to the Indian Government’s statement of this evening.”

The development comes just hours after India’s Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS) unveiled a comprehensive five-point strategy targeting Pakistan, following the deadly terrorist attack in Jammu and Kashmir’s Pahalgam. The attack, which killed 26 people including a foreign national, was claimed by The Resistance Front, a group believed to be an offshoot of Lashkar-e-Taiba, a banned Pakistani-based terror organization.

India’s response includes suspending the Indus Waters Treaty, shutting down the Attari-Wagah Integrated Check Post, revoking travel privileges for Pakistani nationals un-

der the SAARC Visa Exemption Scheme, expelling Pakistani military advisers from its New Delhi High Commission, and reducing diplomatic staff at both countries’ embassies.

The gravity of India’s actions and the strong language used by its leadership indicate a decisive shift in bilateral relations. The suspension of the Indus Waters Treaty, in particular, marks a rare and highly symbolic escalation, with potentially severe implications for Pakistan, which is already facing a looming water crisis.

Pakistan’s NSC meeting is expected to be a high-stakes session, bringing together senior political, military, and intelligence leadership to chart a course of action. The international community will be watching closely, as tensions between the two nuclear-armed neighbors reach a critical point once again.

Markets Slip on Mixed Global Cues; Pharma Shines Amid Broader Profit Booking

Domestic stock markets ended with moderate losses on Thursday. Mixed signals from international markets and lack of clarity on the US-China trade war contributed to this. Profit booking in FMCG and realty shares dragged down the benchmark indices. On the other hand, the rise in pharma and healthcare shares indicated uncertainty. Overall, Nifty rose by 82 points and Sensex by 315 points. Nifty's continuation above 24,000 became crucial.



The BSE Sensex, which closed at 80,116 in the previous session, opened at 80,058 on Thursday. It touched an intraday low of 79,724. It reached an intraday high of 80,173. It finally closed at 79,801, down by 315 points. The NSE Nifty, which opened at 24,277, touched a low of 24,216 and a high of 24,347. It closed down 82 points at 24,246. The Nifty Bank fell 168 points to settle at 55,201.

In the Nifty50, 20 companies gained while 30 lost. IndusInd Bank, UltraTech Sem, Grasim, Dr. Reddy's, Cipla were the top gainers. Hindustan Unilever, Bharti Airtel, Eicher Motors, ICICI Bank, Eternal were the biggest losers. Pharma, Healthcare, Metal, Media indices rose today. Realty, FMCG, Consumer Durables, IT, Auto, Private Bank, PSU Bank, Leather Indices rose.

Today, the market breadth on NSE was equal for buyers and sellers. Out of a total of 2930 shares traded, 1404 rose. 1441 lost. 42 shares touched their 52-week high and 13 shares touched their 52-week low. The upper circuit was reached at 117 and the lower circuit at 39.

SBI Life's net income declined by 5.1 percent in the fourth quarter of FY2025. Total income was Rs. 23,86,071 lakh. The rupee strengthened by 15 paise against the dollar and settled at 85.27. Sterling & Wilson's net profit increased from Rs 1.5 crore to Rs 55 crore. Nomura has given a buy rating to LTI Mindtree with a target price of Rs 4300. Tata Consumer has maintained a buy rating with a target price of Rs 1300. Bharti Airtel has reportedly written to the Centre to convert its spectrum dues into equity. Adani Energy's



net profit increased by 79% from Rs 361 crore to Rs 647 crore. Morgan Stanley has given an overweight rating to Canfin Homes with a target price of Rs 800. 21 lakh shares changed hands in Eternal (Zomato). Laurus Labs' net profit is Rs 233 crore. Bajaj Finance is reportedly considering bonus, dividend and share split. 50 lakh shares in Motherson changed hands.

IndusInd Bank

IndusInd Bank faced challenges in Q4 FY25, reporting flat deposit growth and a 5.2% decline in loan growth compared to the previous quarter. This performance was impacted by the disclosure of a \$175 million accounting lapse in its derivatives portfolio, leading to governance concerns and a forensic review by Grant Thornton. The bank's CASA ratio decreased to 32.8%, and it attracted \$2 billion in high-cost bulk deposits in March to strengthen its funding base. Despite these issues, the bank anticipates reporting a profit for Q4 and FY25.

IndusInd Bank

Mankind Pharma

Mankind Pharma is scheduled to release its Q4 FY25 earnings on June 2, 2025. In the previous quarter (Q3 FY25), the company reported a total income from operations of ₹2,396.57 crore. Investors are awaiting the upcoming results to assess



the company's performance and growth trajectory.

Indian Oil Corporation (IOC)

IOC is set to announce its Q4 FY25 financial results on April 30, 2025. The company is also expected to declare a dividend alongside the earnings release. Investors are keenly watching for these announcements to gauge the company's financial health and shareholder returns.



IRB Infrastructure Developers

IRB Infrastructure reported a 23% year-on-year growth in toll revenue for FY25, outperforming the national average growth of 12.5%. In February 2025, the company's associates recorded an 18% year-on-year increase in daily toll revenue, reaching ₹19 crore per day. This robust performance indicates strong operational efficiency and growth potential.



Sun Pharmaceutical Industries

Sun Pharma reported a 34% year-on-year increase in net profit to ₹2,654 crore for Q4 FY25, driven by a 10% rise in revenue to ₹11,983 crore. The company's India formulations sales grew by 10% to ₹3,707 crore, accounting for 31.4% of total consolidated sales. The board approved a final dividend of ₹5 per share.



Adani Data Networks to Transfer 400 MHz Spectrum to Bharti Airtel in Strategic 5G Deal

Adani Data Networks Limited (ADNL), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Adani Enterprises Limited (AEL), has announced a major strategic move in India's telecom space. On Tuesday, the company signed definitive agreements with Bharti Airtel Limited and its subsidiary Bharti Hexacom Limited to transfer the rights to use 400 MHz of spectrum in the 26 GHz band.



The spectrum spans six key telecom circles: Gujarat (100 MHz), Mumbai (100 MHz), Andhra Pradesh (50 MHz), Rajasthan (50 MHz), Karnataka (50 MHz), and Tamil Nadu (50 MHz). The deal is seen as a win-win for both companies — helping Airtel boost its 5G expansion in high-demand areas while allowing ADNL to realign its digital infrastructure focus.

The agreement, however, is still pending regulatory clearance. "The closing of the transaction is subject to customary statutory approvals," ADNL stated in a stock exchange filing, referencing the conditions outlined under India's Spectrum Trading Guidelines.

ADNL had originally acquired this spectrum during the 5G auctions with an eye on deploying private networks and enhancing enterprise connectivity solutions. This transfer signals a strategic pivot for the Adani Group, indicating a refined approach to its digital connectivity portfolio.

Bharti Airtel, on the other hand, is aggressively scaling up its 5G rollout across the country. The telecom giant, which currently serves around 120 million 5G users out of a total subscriber base of 414 million (as of December), views this acquisition as critical to strengthening its presence in key circles where demand for high-speed data services is rapidly increasing.

In its official statement, Airtel confirmed the deal, stating, "Bharti Airtel and its subsidiary Bharti Hexacom have signed definitive agreements with Adani Data Networks Limited (ADNL), a subsidiary of Adani Enterprises, to acquire the rights to use 400 MHz of spectrum in the 26 GHz band."

The move underscores the shifting dynamics in India's 5G landscape, with companies recalibrating their strategies to balance enterprise ambitions and mass-market connectivity.

SEBI Tightens Insider Trading Norms: Trading Window Restrictions Extended to Immediate Relatives

In a significant move to curb insider trading and enhance compliance, the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has extended trading window restrictions to include the immediate relatives of designated persons (DPs) in listed companies. The decision was outlined in a circular issued by SEBI on Monday, April 21, 2025.



Previously, SEBI had mandated, through its September 23, 2024 circular, that stock exchanges develop systems to restrict trading by DPs—individuals likely to possess Unpublished Price Sensitive Information (UPSI). This was implemented by freezing the Permanent Account Numbers (PANs) of such individuals to prevent inadvertent violations of SEBI's Prohibition of Insider Trading (PIT) Regulations.

Building on the framework's success, SEBI has now decided to broaden the scope of restrictions to cover the immediate relatives of DPs. "Considering the effective implementation of the framework to DPs of listed companies and the consultations held with the Stock Exchanges and Depositories, the above framework is hereby extended to immediate relatives of DPs for listed companies," SEBI stated in its latest directive.

This step aims to close a key regulatory gap, as insiders could previously bypass restric-

tions by conducting trades through family members. With the new rules, SEBI enhances market transparency and strengthens oversight over individuals with indirect access to sensitive information.

The circular comes shortly after SEBI took stern action against Gensol Engineering and its promoters. The company and its leadership were barred from trading after it was revealed that business loan funds had been misappropriated and false disclosures had been made to credit rating agencies. The promoters were also found to have traded in company stocks through Wellray Solar, a related party, in violation of insider trading norms. Gensol's association with BluSmart, an electric vehicle ride-hailing company, also came under scrutiny.

SEBI's latest move reinforces its commitment to maintaining integrity in India's capital markets by broadening the definition of who may be considered a potential insider and ensuring tighter surveillance of trading activities.

Vodafone Idea Partners with Cisco to Build Future-Ready High-Speed Network Infrastructure

Telecom operator Vodafone Idea (Vi) has announced a strategic partnership with global networking giant Cisco to enhance its network infrastructure, aiming to deliver faster, more reliable internet services across India. This collaboration is set to transform Vi's digital capabilities, benefiting both consumers and businesses by offering improved connectivity for high-quality video streaming, online gaming, video conferencing, and everyday browsing.



As part of this initiative, Vi will roll out a next-generation Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS)-based transport network powered by Cisco. This advanced solution will significantly boost the reliability, scalability, and efficiency of Vi's core infrastructure, enabling it to handle high volumes of data traffic while ensuring seamless performance.

According to Vi, the integration of Cisco's MPLS technology will help the telecom operator manage its growing data demands with enhanced network stability and operational flexibility. Consumers can expect consistent, high-performance digital experiences, while businesses—ranging from startups to large enterprises—will benefit from secure and scalable connectivity critical to operating in a digital-first economy.

"With Cisco's proven MPLS expertise, we are building a transport network that can not only support the demands of today but also scale for the future," said Jagbir Singh, Chief Technology Officer at Vi. "This partnership reinforces our commitment to innovation, allowing us to automate key network functions, optimize traffic flow, and respond swiftly to changing market needs."

For Cisco, the collaboration is a step towards building robust, future-proof digital ecosystems in emerging markets. Gordon Thomson, Vice President, Service Provider – EMEA at Cisco, emphasized, "Our partnership with Vi is creating a strong foundation for 4G and 5G backhaul networks. With our IP and MPLS solutions, Vi can deliver reliable and scalable digital experiences to millions across India."

In addition to elevating the customer experience, the deployment will enable Vi to reduce operational costs and accelerate service innovation through dynamic, software-driven network management.

This move comes at a crucial time as India's demand for digital connectivity surges, highlighting the need for telecom providers to invest in intelligent infrastructure that supports the evolving needs of a connected society.

Tourist’s Credit Card Rage at Bangkok Hotel

A chaotic scene unfolded at a luxury hotel in Bangkok, Thailand, when an irate tourist erupted in fury over a payment dispute, terrifying guests and staff. The incident, which has gone viral on social media, shows a middle-aged man in a T-shirt reading “Greatest Dad Ever” shouting at hotel staff in a rage, claiming he was charged twice for his stay. According to the footage, the man had checked in with his family, and his credit card was taken by the front desk as part of the standard check-in procedure. However, he claimed that a relative had already paid for the accommodation. Upon reviewing his debit history, he believed the hotel had made an unauthorized second charge, sparking a heated confrontation. The video shows the man hurling verbal abuse at the staff, repeatedly calling them “bloody fools, bloody thieves, bloody rogues,” while slamming his fist on the reception desk. His aggressive behavior alarmed nearby guests and



employees, some of whom were seen backing away in discomfort. Despite attempts by the hotel staff to calmly explain the billing process, the man refused to listen. A woman, believed to be a family member, tried to de-escalate the situation, urging him to calm down, but he continued to scream uncontrollably. The outburst drew the attention of local police, who were called to handle the escalating situation. It remains unclear whether any formal complaint or legal action was taken following the incident. The video has sparked mixed reactions online, with some criticizing the tourist for his public behavior, while others have expressed concern about hotel billing practices. As the footage continues to circulate, the incident serves as a reminder of the importance of maintaining composure during travel mishaps and resolving disputes with patience and respect.

IIM Student’s Rs 3.5L Stipend Ignites Debate



A viral LinkedIn post has set social media abuzz after revealing that a summer intern from IIM Calcutta is earning an eye-popping Rs 3.5 lakh per month, reigniting discussions around the value of elite academic credentials in today’s job market.

“We love to say ‘degrees don’t matter’ online... But sometimes, they open doors you never knew existed,” she wrote, sparking both admiration and introspection among professionals and students alike.

The story was shared by Sakshi Jain, founder of a Mumbai-based branding agency, who posted about meeting a friend currently interning in Mumbai. The friend, a student at IIM Calcutta, is being paid Rs 3.5 lakh per month for a two-month summer internship — totalling a staggering Rs 7 lakh. Jain admitted she was “speechless” upon learning the figure, highlighting how rare such opportunities are in the broader Indian employment landscape.

Her post posed a poignant question often debated in today’s digital world: Do degrees from elite institutions still hold real-world value? While platforms like LinkedIn and X (formerly Twitter) often promote the idea that “degrees don’t matter,” Jain’s encounter seems to challenge that belief.

The post quickly went viral, amassing over 1.5 million views and prompting thousands to share similar experiences about high-paying internships and job offers received by graduates from India’s top institutes like IIMs and IITs.

One user commented, “No matter what the ‘MBA is useless’ crowd says, the IIM A/B/C tag sticks with you and makes a huge difference.” Others expressed national pride in how India’s top educational institutions are matching global standards.

As the conversation continues, the post has once again highlighted the ongoing tension between formal education and self-made success in the evolving job landscape.

All Eyes on Pahalgam’ Sparks Outrage

The tragic terror attack in Pahalgam, Jammu & Kashmir, that killed at least 26 people has triggered a massive wave of online outrage, giving rise to the viral slogan “All Eyes on Pahalgam.” Inspired by last year’s global campaign “All Eyes on Rafah,” this phrase is being used by netizens to demand justice and international attention to the Kashmir Valley incident.



The original slogan, “All Eyes on Rafah,” gained global traction in May 2024 after an Israeli airstrike killed over 45 people in Gaza. The phrase, first spoken by WHO official Richard Peepkorn, later appeared in an AI-generated image that was shared by millions, including celebrities like Dua Lipa and Lewis Hamilton.

Now, a similar visual—swapping “Rafah” with “Pahalgam”—is circulating widely on Indian social media. The movement aims to spotlight the pain of victims and

expose what many call selective activism by global influencers and Bollywood celebrities.

Although actors like Shah Rukh Khan, Akshay Kumar, and Sanjay Dutt have condemned the Pahalgam attack, several netizens are accusing the film industry of showing more solidarity during the Palestine conflict while being relatively muted on domestic terrorism.

Images of Navy officer Vinay Narwal, who was killed just six days after his wedding, have become symbolic of the tragedy. His wife, seen mourning beside his body, is being widely shared alongside the viral slogan.

The campaign has sparked strong reactions, including calls to boycott Bollywood and ban Pakistani actors. Criticism has also extended to South Indian actors for their silence and support of Pakistani artists in past projects. Tensions escalated further with demands to block the release of Abir Gulaal, a Bollywood film featuring Pakistani actor Fawad Khan.

With hashtags like #AllEyesOnPahalgam and #PahalgamTerroristAttack trending, the digital movement continues to grow, urging the world to not turn a blind eye to the pain and loss endured by Indian victims of terror.

Flight Attendant’s Pajama Secret Revealed

The internet is buzzing after a flight attendant named Paula, known on TikTok as @muulann_, revealed a surprisingly cozy secret beneath her professional polish—she wears pajamas under her airline uniform.



In a viral TikTok clip, Paula first appears picture-perfect in her crisp uniform. But moments later, she cheekily unveils her grey fleece pajama bottoms tucked under her formal trousers. Set to Lana Del Rey’s “Margaret” and captioned “if you know, you know,” the video quickly struck a humorous chord with viewers.

The comments section lit up with laughter, support, and fellow crew members sharing similar comfort hacks. One wrote, “Hey, I do the same!”—to which Paula responded with a laughing emoji

and the cryptic, “Those who know, know!”

Many questioned the practicality: “How do you not overheat during boarding?” Paula answered that she often feels cold in-flight due to strong air conditioning. “It’s not style, it’s necessity,” she explained, adding that the uniform pants are uncomfortable inside, making paja-

mas a lifesaver during long hauls.

While Paula’s comfy hack may seem unconventional, it reflects a deeper truth about the airline profession: behind the glamour lies a physically demanding and emotionally draining job. Long flights, jet lag, and a constant expectation to stay composed make tiny acts of comfort—like wearing pajamas—feel like small victories.

The video has since gathered millions of views, with viewers praising Paula’s honesty and charm. “We thought you had a beauty secret, but it turns out you just have pajamas!” one commenter joked.

What started as a humorous post has now become a viral reminder: comfort is king—even 35,000 feet in the air.

AI Cheating Tool Raises \$5.3 Million

A controversial AI startup that enables users to cheat during interviews, exams, and even sales calls has just secured \$5.3 million in pre-seed funding. The startup, Cluely, was founded by 21-year-old Chungin Lee, a student of Columbia University, who was suspended for his original project, Interview Coder. Lee, who also goes by “Roy” on social media, developed a covert application that ran invisibly during online technical interviews. It gave real-time AI-generated solutions for coding problems from platforms like LeetCode. The tool gained viral attention after helping users crack interviews at tech giants such as Amazon, Meta, and TikTok.

While the success of Interview Coder drew sharp criticism from the tech industry—and led to Lee’s suspension and blacklisting by Amazon—the backlash didn’t stop him. Instead, he doubled down and rebranded his work into Cluely, which he calls “the ultimate end-state” of his earlier project.

Cluely reportedly works by opening hidden browser windows that assist users without detection. According to its creators, it’s not just limited to coding interviews anymore—it now spans exams and corporate communications



like sales calls.

The startup’s latest announcement was posted on Twitter: “They called calculators cheating. They called Google cheating. The world will say the same about AI. We’re not stopping.” The post confirmed that Cluely had raised \$5.3 million in funding to build what Lee calls “the future—faster.”

In a separate tweet, Lee reflected on the journey: “Everyone told me to quit. I didn’t. This is the most ambitious project I’ll ever build.” While the ethics of Cluely remain heavily debated, the funding success signals that disruptive—if controversial—technologies continue to attract big investment, especially in the high-stakes world of AI.

Cake Box at Embassy Sparks Outrage

In the wake of the devastating Pahalgam terror attack that claimed the lives of 26 people—25 Indians and one Nepalese national—tensions have soared across the country. Amid nationwide outrage, a viral video has surfaced showing a man carrying a cake box as he walks toward the Pakistan High Commission in New Delhi, sparking sharp criticism and confusion online.



The short clip, widely circulated on social media, captures the unidentified man dodging questions from journalists while clutching a cake box. His calm demeanor contrasted starkly with the emotional and volatile atmosphere outside the embassy, where protesters shouted slogans like “Pakistan Murdabad” and demanded accountability for the recent violence.

The video’s caption read: “And cakes are being (ordered?) delivered to the Pak High Commission today in New Delhi.”

The timing of the footage has triggered a wave of speculation and debate. While some social media users questioned whether it was a personal delivery or an official visit, others slammed the move as highly insensitive, given the public outrage and grief following the attack.

As protests intensified near the embassy gates, many questioned the man’s intent and the nature of the package, with demands for authorities to investigate. However, there has been no official statement from either the Pakistan High Commission or Indian authorities regarding the incident.

This video has become a focal point in the larger discussion surrounding the public’s response to cross-border terrorism and diplomatic engagement during national tragedies. With emotions running high, even small gestures are being closely scrutinized, making this seemingly simple act of carrying a cake a viral flashpoint in a moment of mourning and political tension.

India Championship Joins 2025 Race to Dubai with Record Prize



India is set to host the inaugural DP World India Championship at the historic Delhi Golf Club from October 16–19, 2025. Co-sanctioned with the Professional Golf Tour of India (PGTI), the \$4 million event becomes the richest golf tournament ever held in India. It will be the eighth stop in the ‘Back 9’ of the Race to Dubai series. The announcement follows Spain’s Eugenio Chacarra winning the 2025 Indian Open and highlights India’s growing stature in global golf. Leaders from DP World Tour, PGTI, and Delhi Golf Club hailed the tournament’s potential to boost local talent, tourism, and fan engagement. This marks the Tour’s return to Delhi Golf Club since 2016.

Trishul Chinnappa Leads with Stunning 64 at PGTI Players Championship



Bengaluru’s Trishul Chinnappa surged into the lead at the PGTI Players Championship with a brilliant second-round score of eight-under 64 at the Classic Golf and Country Club, Nuh, Haryana. Chinnappa, aiming for his maiden professional title, climbed 25 spots to take the top spot at eight-under 136. He produced an incredible stretch of six consecutive birdies on the front nine, adding three more birdies and a bogey on the back nine. Lucknow’s Sanjeev Kumar, also chasing his first title, shot a 69 for a six-under total of 138, placing him second. Chandigarh’s Ranjit Singh and Bangladesh’s Md Siddikur Rahman followed in tied third at five-under 139. The cut was set at three-over 147, with 52 players advancing.

Record 21 Entries for APRC India Round at Madras Circuit



A record 21 entries have been confirmed for the Asia Zone round of the FIA Asia Pacific Rally Championship (APRC), set to take place from April 25–27 at the Madras International Circuit. This marks India’s highest-ever participation in the APRC Asia Cup, held alongside the FMSCI Indu Chandhok Memorial Indian Rally Championship, organized by Madras Motor Sports Club. Top contenders include defending champions Harkrishan Wadia–Kunal Kashyap and national champions Karna Kadur–Musa Sherif. Notable entries also feature Amittrajit Ghosh, Chetan Shivram, and Kenya RC3 winner Naveen Puligilla. Shimla’s Anushriya Gulati is the only female entrant. Promoter Vamcy Merla continues to support the event, which is the second of five APRC rounds this season.

Kohli, Padikkal Power RCB to 205/5 Against Rajasthan Royals



Virat Kohli (70 off 42) and Devdutt Padikkal (50 off 27) struck brisk half-centuries to propel Royal Challengers Bengaluru to a strong 205/5 against Rajasthan Royals on Thursday. The duo stitched a 95-run stand for the second wicket, dominating the middle overs. Phil Salt (26) provided a quick start, while Jitesh Sharma (20* off 10) and Tim David (23 off 15) added crucial late runs. Despite tough batting conditions, RCB crossed 200 thanks to aggressive finishes. RR, led by Riyan Parag in Sanju Samson’s absence, saw Jofra Archer dismiss Kohli with a clever slower ball, while Sandeep Sharma removed Padikkal. RCB skipper Rajat Patidar failed to capitalize. RCB’s total sets up a challenging chase for Rajasthan.

Gautam Gambhir Receives Death Threat from ‘ISIS Kashmir’; Approaches Police

Indian cricket head coach Gautam Gambhir has received death threats from a group claiming to be ‘ISIS Kashmir’ just a day after the Pahalgam terror attack in Jammu and Kashmir. Gambhir reportedly received two emails containing the message “I kill you.” In response, he filed a formal complaint with the Delhi Police and

requested increased security for himself and his family. The complaint was lodged at Rajender Nagar police station by Gambhir’s private secretary. Deputy Commissioner of Police M Harsh Vardhan confirmed the investigation into the threat. Gambhir is already under Delhi Police protection, and authorities are analyzing the email’s source.



Sachin Tendulkar’s Memorable World Cup Knocks: A Look Back



As Sachin Tendulkar turned 52 on Thursday, his legacy as the ‘Master Blaster’ and ‘God of Cricket’ remains unmatched. Across multiple ICC World Cups, Tendulkar’s performances were legendary, including a stunning 98(75) against Pakistan in the 2003 World Cup at Centurion, where he dominated a fierce pace attack. His 152(151) against Namibia in the same tournament showcased his full range of shots, leading India to 311/2. In the 2011 World Cup, Tendulkar’s 111(101) against South Africa set the stage for a challenging total, though India lost narrowly. In 1996, his magnificent 137* against Sri Lanka, despite India’s defeat, remains one of his best World Cup knocks. Tendulkar’s brilliance continues to inspire cricket fans worldwide.

Vithya Ramraj Wins Gold and Breaks Meet Record

Vithya Ramraj, the Asian Games medallist, dominated the women’s 400m hurdles at the National Federation Senior Athletics Championships, claiming gold and setting a new meet record. The 26-year-old Tamil Nadu sprinter clocked 56.04 seconds, surpassing the previous record of 57.21 seconds set by Saritaben Gayakwad in 2019. Vithya’s performance also secured her qualification for the Asian Athletics Championships, as the qualification time was 57.80 seconds. Kerala’s Anu R (58.26 seconds) and Tamil Nadu’s Ashwini R (1:02.41) finished second and third but failed to qualify. In the men’s 400m hurdles, Karnataka’s Yashas P won gold with a time of 49.32 seconds but fell short of the Asian qualification mark of 49.19 seconds.





Srinidhi Shetty Auditioned for Sita Role

Actress Srinidhi Shetty, currently promoting her upcoming film HIT 3 set to release on May 1, revealed that she was the initial choice to play Sita in Nitesh Tiwari's ambitious Ramayana. The project stars Ranbir Kapoor as Lord Sriram. Srinidhi auditioned and performed screen tests, preparing for three key scenes. The team was reportedly pleased with her performance. She shared that discussions began shortly af-

ter the release of KGF 2, and she initially felt conflicted. Referring to her popular onscreen pairing with Yash, she said, "If he plays Ravan and I play Sita, we'd be on opposite sides. Audiences had just seen us together with so much love." She expressed concerns about how fans might perceive such a contrasting dynamic. Ultimately, Sai Pallavi was finalized for the role of Sita.



Malayalam star Fahadh Faasil is set to join the cast of Jailer 2, reuniting with superstar Rajinikanth after their collaboration in Vettaiyan. Known for taking on impactful roles in major films across industries, Fahadh

has previously impressed audiences in Pushpa, Vikram, and Vettaiyan. According to reports, Fahadh will play a pivotal and intense character in Jailer 2, a high-octane action drama directed by Nelson Dilipkumar. The official announcement from Sun Pictures is expected soon, further boosting fan anticipation. Following the massive box office success of Jailer, which grossed over Rs 600 crore, expectations are sky-high for the sequel. The film boasts a stellar cast including Shiva Rajkumar, Ramya Krishna, Yogi Babu, Mirnaa Menon, and reportedly SJ Suryah, with music by Anirudh Ravichander. The buzz continues to build with every new update.

Nani's Take on Aging Roles

In a film industry dominated by stereotypes and age-defying roles, actor Nani offers a refreshing perspective. While most stars shy away from playing characters older than themselves, Nani, at 41, embraced the role of a man in his mid-40s in HIT 3.

During promotions, Nani addressed the age-related expectations placed on actors, especially heroes, who often stick to playing characters in their 20s or 30s regardless of their

real age. When asked how he overcame the usual insecurities around aging on-screen, Nani surprised everyone by saying he's actually excited to turn 60.

His honest take challenges the norm, advocating for more realistic and mature roles for aging actors. Nani's openness has resonated with fans on social media, sparking conversations about the need for age-appropriate storytelling in Indian cinema.



Gopichand, SVCC Reunite for Thriller



Sree Venkateswara Cine Chitra (SVCC), led by renowned producer BVSN Prasad, has officially launched its 39th film—a high-budget thriller starring Macho Star Gopichand. The movie marks Gopichand's second collaboration with SVCC after their successful outing in Sahasam.

A formal Pooja ceremony was held to kick off the project, which will be directed by debutant Kumar Sai, promising a fresh narrative style. The film also reunites Gopichand with ace cinematographer Shamdat ISC, known for his exceptional visuals in Sahasam.

The project introduces Malayalam actress Meenakshi Dinesh as the female lead, making her Telugu debut. With strong backing, high production values, and an exciting genre, the thriller aims to deliver an edge-of-the-seat experience. The film will be produced by BVSN Prasad and presented by Bapineedu under the SVCC banner. Filming is set to commence soon.

Imanvi Denies Pakistani Allegations

Imanvi, the lead actress in Prabhas and Hanu Raghavapudi's upcoming film, has broken her silence over viral social media claims alleging she is linked to the Pakistani military. The rumors surfaced in the wake of the tragic Pahalgam terror attack, sparking calls for her removal from the film.

In a heartfelt note, Imanvi condemned the violence and expressed her condolences to the victims. She clarified that she is a proud Indian-American and denied any connection to Pakistan or its military.

Labeling the reports as false and slanderous, she criticized online trolls and media outlets for spreading misinformation without verifying facts. "My mission is to spread love and light through art," she wrote, urging unity and understanding amid rising tensions. Her statement has since been widely shared by fans and industry colleagues in support.

First and foremost, I want to express my most sincere and heartfelt condolences for the tragic event that took place in Pahalgam. My heart goes out to all those who lost their lives and their loved ones. Any loss of innocent life is tragic and weighs heavily on my heart. I strongly condemn the violent acts. As someone whose mission has always been to spread light and love through art, I hope to see a day soon where we can all come together as one.

I also want to address rumors and lies that have been falsely spread about my identity and my family via fake news sources and online media in order to create division and spread hate. Firstly, nobody in my family has ever been or is currently associated with the Pakistani military in any way. These and multiple other falsehoods have been fabricated by online trolls for the sole purpose of spreading hate. What is especially disappointing is that legitimate news outlets, journalists, and those on social media failed to investigate their source material and instead have simply repeated these slanderous statements.

I am a proud Indian American who speaks Hindi, Telugu, Gujarati, and English. I was born in Los Angeles, California after my parents legally immigrated to the United States as youth. Soon after they became American citizens. Upon completing my university education in the USA, I pursued a career in the arts as an actor, choreographer, and dancer. After much work in this realm, I am incredibly grateful to receive opportunities to work in the Indian film industry. This same film industry has been a great influence in my life, and I hope to add to the incredible legacy of the trailblazers that came before me. As someone who has Indian identity and culture running deep in my blood, I hope to use this medium as a form of unity and love.

As we mourn tragic loss of life, let's continue to spread love and uplift one another. Throughout history, art has been a medium that creates awareness, empathy, and connection across cultures, people, and generations. I will work hard to ensure that this legacy carries on through my work and uplifts the experiences of my Indian heritage.

Lots of love,
Imanvi

Fahadh Joins Rajinikanth's Jailer 2

Malayalam star Fahadh Faasil is set to join the cast of Jailer 2, reuniting with superstar Rajinikanth after their collaboration in Vettaiyan. Known for taking on impactful roles in major films across industries, Fahadh

has previously impressed audiences in Pushpa, Vikram, and Vettaiyan. According to reports, Fahadh will play a pivotal and intense character in Jailer 2, a high-octane action drama directed by Nelson Dilipkumar. The official announcement from Sun Pictures is expected soon, further boosting fan anticipation. Following the massive box office success of Jailer, which grossed over Rs 600 crore, expectations are sky-high for the sequel. The film boasts a stellar cast including Shiva Rajkumar, Ramya Krishna, Yogi Babu, Mirnaa Menon, and reportedly SJ Suryah, with music by Anirudh Ravichander. The buzz continues to build with every new update.

