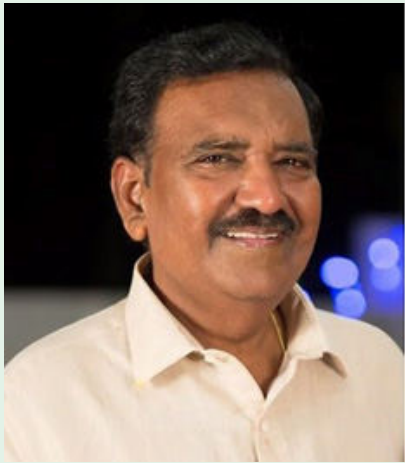


Paka Venkata Satyanarayana named AP Rajya Sabha Candidate



BJP leader to file nomination today as alliance pick

TPN Correspondent | Andhra Pradesh

The Andhra Pradesh Rajya Sabha candidate has been finalized. BJP leader Paka Venkata Satyanarayana from Bhimavaram has been selected as the alliance candidate. An official announcement was made to this effect on Monday and he will file his nomination today. This seat fell vacant following the resignation of Vijayasai Reddy. Initially, there were widespread speculations that former Tamil Nadu BJP chief Annamalai might be considered for the seat. However, the party finally decided to give the opportunity to an Andhra Pradesh leader. Paka Venkata Satyanarayana is currently serving as the chairman of the AP BJP disciplinary committee. He has previously held roles such as Bhimavaram councillor and BJP state spokesperson. His selection was officially announced today in the context of the nomination deadline, which ends at 3 PM on Tuesday. Meanwhile, there were earlier rumors suggesting that MRPS founding president

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Amaravati is Now Unstoppable, Says CM

- Amaravati capital works to resume on May 2 under PM Modi's leadership
- Quantum technology promotion begins; Ratan Tata Innovation Hub planned
- Terrorism cannot harm India; CM urges unity against attacks

TPN Correspondent | Amaravati

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu affirmed that the development of Amaravati is now unstoppable. He announced that capital construction works would officially resume on May 2 under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who will visit Amaravati to mark the occasion. Speaking at the 'V Launchpad 2025 - Startup Expo' at witt University, Amaravati, Chandrababu emphasized his commitment to results over words. The Chief Minister recalled that 29,000 farmers had voluntarily donated nearly 34,000 acres of land for the construction of Amaravati. He lauded their immense faith

and declared his government's responsibility to support them. Chandrababu shared his vision of Amaravati as a future innovation hub, revealing plans to set up a Ratan Tata Innovation Hub and a 'Quantum Valley' modeled after America's Silicon Valley. Drawing a parallel with the past, Chandrababu mentioned that he had completed Hyderabad's Hi-Tech City in just 14 months after promoting the IT sector. Now, he is championing quantum technology. He noted that once there was high demand for government attendant jobs, but today, 95% of placements at witt Amaravati are in IT and innovation sectors. Highlighting India's strength, Chandrababu stated that terrorism



cannot harm the country and stressed the importance of unity when facing such threats. Referring to the recent terrorist attack in Pahalgam as atrocious, he said that if India responds strongly, it will be a disaster for its enemies. He asserted that India's future lies in AI, innovation, and transparency, highlighting initiatives like WhatsApp governance. Chandrababu also inaugurated the Mahatma Gandhi Block, V.V. Giri Block, and Durgabai Deshmukh Block at the Vit University campus. He urged students to dream big and contribute to the vision of a 'Swarnandhra-2047'. Tourism Minister Kandula Durgesh, Tadikonda MLA Tenali Shravan Kumar, and others participated in the program.

Gayathri's shameful attacks expose TDP to embarrassment

TDP Takes Action, But Will Legal Consequences Follow?



TPN | G Avinash
Amaravati, April 29:

TDP's so-called official spokesperson Gayathri Uppalapati (@gayatri008_16) has once again crossed all limits, this time by joining a Twitter Space hosted by Pakistani handles and openly making derogatory comments against Hindus, India, and even the Hon'ble Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu himself. Her outrageous statements have become a national embarrassment, severely damaging the image of the TDP alliance at a crucial time when Andhra Pradesh is moving toward progress. In the Pakistani-hosted Space, Gayathri shamelessly claimed that "war is going on within India, Hindus fighting Hindus," a direct insult to India's unity. Worse, she expressed "worry" about India releasing water to Pakistan, suggesting it could cause floods there — a completely anti-Indian, traitorous remark. If that was not enough, she appealed to Indians, "don't call out Pakistan," exposing her sympathies towards the very country that shelters terrorism against India. Claiming that the Ramayana and Mahabharata preach rape is not only disrespectful but also a deliberate distortion of Hindu beliefs. Such disgraceful remarks targeting sacred texts have angered Hindus and patriots across India. Her behavior is being condemned widely on social media,

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Former CM YS Jagan to Meet YSRCP District Presidents Today



TPN Correspondent | Tadepalli

Former Chief Minister and YSR Congress Party President Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy will meet all district party presidents of the YSR Congress Party today. The meeting is scheduled for 10:30 AM at the YSRCP central office in Tadepalli. This meeting is seen as crucial as the party gears up to review its performance and chart its

- YS Jagan to hold meeting at YSRCP central office, Tadepalli
- District party presidents summoned for key organizational discussions
- Meeting to commence at 10:30 AM on Tuesday

next course of action. Sources suggest that Y.S. Jagan is expected to discuss the party's current standing, upcoming organizational changes, and future plans. District party presidents have been instructed to attend without fail, highlighting the importance of the meeting. This is the first major internal meeting being held after recent political developments in the state. The gathering is expected to focus on strengthening the party at the grassroots level and addressing district-level issues. It is also likely that Y.S. Jagan

will take feedback from the presidents on the local political climate and organizational structure. Party sources indicate that a broader strategy for strengthening the party in preparation for upcoming political challenges may also be discussed. All arrangements have been made at the YSRCP central office to facilitate the meeting. Senior leaders and key organizational coordinators are also expected to be present alongside the district presidents.



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CM Naidu’s Key Interaction with Amaravati Farmers

- Second phase of land acquisition inevitable for capital development
- CM Says International airport crucial for Amaravati’s global status
- Farmers demand Amaravati as sole capital through Parliament law



TPN Correspondent | Amaravati

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu made crucial remarks during a key interaction with Amaravati farmers regarding the future development of Andhra Pradesh’s capital. Addressing a gathering of farmers, Chandrababu stated that a second phase of land acquisition is inevitable to ensure the comprehensive growth of Amaravati as a world-class city. He emphasized that only

with the establishment of an international airport could Amaravati transform into an international city; otherwise, it would remain no more than a municipality. Stressing the need for global connectivity, Chandrababu explained that major investments, universities, and innovation hubs depend heavily on robust air links. The farmers present at the meeting unanimously agreed with the Chief Minister’s vision for the capital’s development. They fully supported the second

phase of land pooling and expressed strong backing for the government’s plans to expand Amaravati’s infrastructure. Moreover, the farmers demanded that Amaravati be officially declared the sole capital of Andhra Pradesh through a law enacted by Parliament. Responding positively to their proposal, CM Chandrababu assured the farmers that he would work towards realizing their aspiration, ensuring Amaravati’s rightful status as the state’s undivided capital.

CM Chandrababu Naidu Appoints DCCB Chairmen for 10 Districts

TPN Correspondent | Amaravati

Chief Minister Nara Chandrababu Naidu has announced the appointments of District Cooperative Central Bank (DCCB) chairmen for 10 districts in Andhra Pradesh. The following leaders have been appointed to the respective positions:

- Shivala Suryanarayana (TDP) – Srikakulam DCCB Chairman
- Kona Tatar Rao (Jana Sena) – Visakhapatnam DCCB Chairman
- Kimidi Nagarjuna (TDP) – Vizianagaram DCCB Chairman
- Makineni Mallikarjuna Rao (TDP) – Guntur DCCB Chairman
- Nettem Raghuram

- (TDP) – Krishna DCCB Chairman
- Dhanunjaya Reddy (TDP) – Nellore DCCB Chairman
- Amasa Rajasekhar Reddy (TDP) – Chittoor DCCB Chairman
- Kesava Reddy (TDP) – Ananthapuram DCCB Chairman
- D. Vishnuvardhan Reddy (TDP) – Kurnool DCCB Chairman
- B. Suryanarayana Reddy (TDP) – Kadapa DCCB Chairman

These appointments aim to strengthen the leadership of the cooperative banking sector in the state, ensuring better governance and financial support for local farmers and communities.

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Mandakrishna Madiga, Tamil Nadu leader Annamalai, and even former Union Minister Smriti Irani were being considered for the vacant seat. However, the party leadership opted to nominate Paka Venkata Satyanarayana from Andhra Pradesh. The Rajya Sabha seat has two more years of tenure remaining. According to the schedule, scrutiny of nominations will take place on April 30, and the final date for withdrawal of nominations is May 2. Polling will be held on May 9, and the counting of votes will be conducted on the same day in the evening. The entire election process is scheduled to conclude by May 13. It is notable that this seat became vacant following the resignation of Vijayasai Reddy, paving the way for the fresh election.

AP Govt Extends Suspension of Senior IPS Officer P.V. Sunil Kumar

Suspension extended by four months until August 28, 2025

TPN Correspondent | Amaravati

The Andhra Pradesh Government has extended the suspension period of senior IPS officer P.V. Sunil Kumar, former Director General of the State Disaster Response and Fire Services Department, for another four months. In G.O.Rt.No.800 issued on Monday, Chief Secretary K. Vijayanand stated that Sunil Kumar’s suspension would now continue until August 28, 2025, under Rule 3(8)(a) of the All India Services (Discipline and Appeal) Rules, 1969. Recently, the government also decided to initiate disciplinary proceedings against Sunil Kumar, who is facing charges of misbehaviour and misconduct. Earlier, he had been placed under suspension through

G.O.Rt.No.440 dated March 2, 2025, under Rule 3(1) of the AIS (D&A) Rules for allegedly undertaking multiple foreign visits without prior permission and for deviations from government-approved travel plans. The Government of India, through the Ministry of Home Affairs, has also confirmed Sunil Kumar’s suspension, according to the Chief Secretary. Additionally, the State Government had constituted a Review Committee through G.O.Rt. No.1952 on November 12, 2024, to examine the suspension cases. After reviewing Sunil Kumar’s case on April 21, 2025, the committee recommended extending his suspension for another 120 days. Acting on this recommendation, the State Government took further action to prolong the suspension.

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with many demanding immediate action against her for making anti-unity, divisive statements. This is not the first time she has indulged in such venomous behavior. In the past too, she has mocked Tirupati Balaji, Lord Rama, Sita, Brahmins, Hindus, the Prime Minister, the Deputy Chief Minister, and even India itself — all while sympathizing with Pakistan and pushing narratives that insult India’s integrity. Official representatives of the Janasena Party and BJP have never made

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derogatory remarks against alliance partners or spoken irresponsibly about matters concerning national security. Gayathri’s behavior, in stark contrast, shows complete disregard for the alliance spirit. She consistently behaves like an attention-seeker who plays the victim card whenever cornered, causing discontent and rifts among NDA supporters. Just three days ago, Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan,

after meeting the victims of the Pahalagam terror attack, had clearly stated that “stern action should be taken if anyone makes Anti-Indian and irresponsible comments on internal affairs of India.” AP Home Minister Anitha too strongly endorsed this view. Gayathri’s recent remarks are a direct violation of this stand, once again highlighting her recklessness. While the Hon’ble Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu is striving tirelessly

to make Andhra Pradesh strong and prosperous, preparing to welcome the Hon’ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi to Amaravati for the historic restarting of the capital’s development, the TDP’s State Media Coordinator was instead busy airing irresponsible, damaging views — not as her personal opinions, but framing them as TDP’s official stand, further embarrassing the party at the national level. Adding insult to injury, during the Twitter Space, she repeatedly

referred to the Hon’ble Chief Minister as “Mr. Chandrababu Naidu” — twice — casually and disrespectfully, speaking as if she were addressing a colleague rather than one of the most respected political leaders in the country. It is unfortunate and shameful that the party’s own spokesperson indulged in activities that humiliated and damaged the party’s reputation. Following massive nationwide outrage and online protests against her remarks, which hurt a large section of people, the TDP has suspended Gayathri from the party with immediate effect.



Nandamuri Balakrishna Receives Padma Bhushan Award in Delhi

TPN Correspondent | New Delhi

Famous film actor and Hindupur TDP MLA Nandamuri Balakrishna was conferred the prestigious Padma Bhushan award by President of India, Droupadi Murmu, at the Civil Investiture Ceremony held at Rashtrapati Bhavan in New Delhi on Monday. Balakrishna attended the event in a traditional Telugu Panchekattu attire, becoming a special attraction at the ceremony, accompanied by his family members. The Central Government had earlier announced the Padma Bhushan award to Nandamuri

ri Balakrishna in recognition of his distinguished services to the Indian film industry and his contributions to society. Besides his illustrious acting career spanning over a hundred films, Balakrishna has rendered notable services as the Chairman of Basavatarakam Indo-American Cancer Hospital. Balakrishna, the son of legendary actor and former Chief Minister Nandamuri Taraka Rama Rao, carved a special place in the hearts of Telugu audiences with his versatile performances across mass entertainers, mythological dramas, historical sa-

gas, and social films. He has previously won numerous honors, including Filmfare and Nandi Awards, and continues to actively contribute to the film industry. Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu congratulated Balakrishna for receiving the Padma Bhushan award, lauding his achievements across the fields of art, service, and politics. Taking to social media, Chandrababu praised Balakrishna’s dedication and versatile talents, expressing hope that Balakrishna would continue to reach greater heights and serve society with the same spirit.

Govt Sets Target to Double Energy Efficiency by 2030

- Union Government targets 89 Mtoe reduction in energy consumption by 2030
- BEE rolls out major programmes like PAT Scheme, ECSBC, and Eco Niwas Samhita



TPN Correspondent | Vijayawada

In a major step towards building a sustainable and energy-secure future, the Union Government has set an ambitious target to reduce the country’s energy consumption by 89 million tonnes of oil equivalent (Mtoe) by 2030. To achieve this transformational goal, a comprehensive roadmap has been developed covering key sectors such as industry, buildings (including appliances), transport, and others. Placing significant emphasis on sustainable cooling, the government aims to address the rapidly growing demand for cooling solutions responsibly. The Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) under the Ministry of Power has introduced two landmark building codes — the Energy Conservation and Sustainable Building Code (ECSBC) for commercial buildings and the Eco Niwas Samhita (ENS) for residential buildings. These codes are designed for adoption by state governments and local bodies to ensure that energy-efficient and climate-resilient infrastructure becomes the norm across India. In addition, key household appliances like air-conditioners, ceiling fans, and refrigerators have been brought under the mandatory Standards and Labelling Programme to ensure only energy-efficient products



are available, thereby reducing overall electricity consumption. Spearheading these efforts, the BEE has launched several major programmes:

- **Perform, Achieve and Trade (PAT) Scheme:** Targeting energy-intensive industries with sector-specific reduction targets. Surpassing industries are awarded Energy Saving Certificates tradable on power exchanges.
- **Standards and Labelling Programme:** Appliances are rated from 1-star to 5-star to guide consumer purchases toward more energy-efficient products.
- **Building Codes Implementation:** Through ECSBC and ENS, significant energy savings are targeted in the building sector, with states and urban bodies urged to adopt these codes rigorously.

Speaking at a recent event in Del-

hi, Minister of State for Power, Shri Shripad Naik, and BEE Secretary Milind Deore emphasized that achieving the 2030 targets will require concerted and sustained efforts by all stakeholders, particularly the State Designated Agencies (SDAs) of the state governments. Mr. Deore called upon proactive states such as Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Karnataka, Telangana, Rajasthan, Haryana, Punjab, Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, and Madhya Pradesh to lead by example. “India is committed to reducing the carbon intensity of its economy by 45 percent by 2030 as part of its climate change and energy efficiency objectives. This is a critical juncture for all SDAs to put forth aggressive, state-specific programs focusing on energy conservation across key sectors including domestic/buildings, industry, agriculture, municipal operations, and transport,” Mr. Deore said. Highlighting the urgent need to focus on the residential sector, Mr. Deore pointed out that residential buildings already account for 24 percent (approximately 375 TWh) of India’s total electricity consumption. With energy demand from the residential sector projected to increase more than eightfold by 2050, integrating energy efficiency measures into residential construction has become critical.

Capital Amaravati is Everyone's Dream: Home Minister Anitha



TPN Correspondent | Amaravati

Home Minister Anitha affirmed that developing Amaravati as the sole capital of Andhra Pradesh is a dream shared by all citizens. She stated that after the coalition government assumed power, it has been actively pursuing large-scale development projects to transform Amaravati into a world-class capital city. Anitha criticized the previous administration for introducing the concept of three capitals, remarking that it deeply hurt public sentiment and created confusion across the state. She emphasized that the earlier move had stalled the progress and morale associated with Amaravati's future. Welcoming Prime Minister Narendra Modi's forthcoming visit, Anitha highlighted that his participation in the Amaravati reconstruction activities is a positive and historic moment. She noted that the Prime Minister's involvement demonstrates the central government's commitment to the growth and stability of Andhra Pradesh's capital. Calling for collective participation, Anitha urged all citizens to become partners in rebuilding Amaravati, reiterating that the capital stands as a symbol of the aspirations and dreams of every person in the state.

Former MP Margani Bharat Slams Chandrababu and Nara Lokesh Over Land Deals



TPN Correspondent | Rajahmundry

Former MP Margani Bharat raised serious allegations against the previous TDP government and its leadership during a media conference on Monday at Rajahmundry. Bharat accused the Chandrababu Naidu administration of giving lands to central government institutions like LIC, RBI, SBI, and HUDCO at Rs 4 crore per acre, while simultaneously offering lands worth thousands of crores to a private company at just Rs 50 lakh per acre. He claimed that the private company in question was linked to Nara Lokesh's associates, calling it a "benami" deal for Chandrababu. Bharat also took aim at the current MLA for taking credit for the works done under their government, questioning the claims of wealth creation that Naidu often touted. The former MP sharply criticized the current government for its handling of resources, particularly alleging that the alliance leaders were engaged in illegal sand extraction, liquor, and land mafia activities. He pointed out that when he raised concerns about sand pollution in the Godavari River, he was met with a case of communal violence instead of action. Bharat also questioned the government's approval of land allocations to a company only two months old, drawing comparisons to past controversial land deals, including the allocation of 498 acres of land in 2015 at an unusually low price.

TDP-led Alliance Bags Mayor Posts in Visakhapatnam and Guntur

- TDP candidate Kovelamudi Ravindra elected as Guntur Mayor
- Peela Srinivasa Rao unanimously elected as Visakhapatnam Mayor
- TDP-led alliance poised for more wins in other municipalities

TPN Correspondent | Andhra Pradesh

The TDP-led alliance in Andhra Pradesh has successfully secured two key mayoral positions in Visakhapatnam and Guntur, marking a significant political shift. The alliance attracted several members from the opposition YSR Congress Party (YSRCP), ensuring victories in both cities. In Guntur, TDP candidate Kovelamudi Ravindra won the mayoral election with 34 votes, while YSRCP's Achala Venkata Reddy secured 27 votes. The election followed the resignation of the previous YSRCP mayor, Kaveti Manohar Naidu, reportedly under pressure from the ruling alliance. Ravindra's victory was made possible after successfully persuading some YSRCP members to cross over. In Visakhapatnam, Peela Srinivasa



sa Rao was unanimously elected as Mayor of the Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation (GVMC). The election followed the successful no-confidence motion against the YSRCP-affiliated Hari Venkata Kumari, which led to her removal from office. The TDP-Jana Sena-BJP alliance controls a majority in GVMC, with 63 out of 96 corporators backing Srinivasa Rao's election. The alliance is also expected to dominate upcoming elections in other municipalities. In Palakonda, the election for Chairperson is

likely to go in favor of A. Malleshwari, following the resignation of YSRCP's Radhakumari. Similarly, in Tuni, the alliance has finalized N. Bhuvanasundari and A. Suresh as candidates for Chairperson and Vice-Chairman. These victories reflect the growing strength of the TDP-led alliance in local governance. The alliance is also gearing up for elections in Kuppam, where a contest for the Chairperson seat is underway, along with Vice-Chairman elections in Macherla and Tadipatri municipalities.

Former MP Gorantla Madhav Granted Conditional Bail

- Must sign at Nagaram Palem PS every Saturday
- Bail on ₹10,000 bond with two sureties
- Ordered to report for two months at police station



TPN Correspondent | Guntur

The Guntur court has granted conditional bail to former MP Gorantla Madhav, who is currently a remand prisoner at Rajahmundry

Central Jail. Madhav was arrested in connection with an attempted attack on Chebrolu Kiran. As part of the bail conditions, the court directed Gorantla Madhav to sign at the Nagaram Palem Po-

lice Station every Saturday. He is required to report to the station continuously for a period of two months. The bail was granted against a surety bond of ₹10,000 along with two sureties. The court emphasized strict adherence to these conditions while granting him temporary relief. Madhav's legal team welcomed the decision, stating that they would fully comply with all conditions set by the court. The case has attracted significant public and political attention across the state, with further hearings expected as the investigation progresses.

YSRCP Holds Workshop to Strengthen Public Outreach and Communication

TPN Correspondent | Tadepalli

A workshop was conducted at the YSR Congress Party (YSRCP) central office in Tadepalli for district representatives and state representatives of affiliated units. Addressing the gathering, senior leader Sajjala Ramakrishna Reddy emphasized the importance of communicating the party's ideas and policies to the public in an understandable and effective manner. Sajjala stressed that the YSRCP faces a strong opposition that uses the media to deceive the people. He noted that it is crucial to create widespread awareness on important issues quickly and efficiently. The workshop, he said, would equip par-



ty workers to professionally convey the party's ideology and grow their outreach, using smartphones and social media platforms to connect with thousands. He also pointed out that unlike Chandrababu Naidu, who relies on media manipulation and fake news factories, leaders like Y.S. Rajasekhara Reddy and Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy focused on people-oriented governance. Sajjala accused the TDP of promoting illusions through fake propaganda, exploiting resources like sand and

contracts, and resorting to illegal arrests and financial scams under the guise of development. Highlighting the responsible governance during Jagan Mohan Reddy's tenure, he said the YSRCP worked selflessly for the welfare of the people without extravagance, even when in debt. In contrast, he alleged, TDP leaders remained absent even during crises like COVID-19. Sajjala urged all district-level representatives to reconnect with communities that drifted away due to misconceptions and to expose irregularities happening locally. He instructed them to be present at district headquarters, respond swiftly to issues, and actively counter the false narratives being spread against the party.

Kopparthi Industrial Town to Drive Kadapa District Growth

TPN Correspondent | Kadapa

Government Whip Madhavi Reddy and TDP District President Srinivasula Reddy stated that Kopparthi industrial town will emerge as the primary hub for Kadapa district's development. Addressing the media at a press conference in Kadapa, they affirmed their commitment to Kadapa's progress, highlighting ongoing efforts to beautify the city and eradicate marijuana completely. They emphasized that the Chief Minister has promised to establish the MSME Park in Kadapa and



announced that 10 acres have been allocated for developing an IT hub to create job opportunities for local youth. They also pointed out that the

previous government's mishandling had left the state without a capital, a situation the current administration is determined to rectify. They noted that the Prime Minister will lay the foundation stone for Amaravati's reconstruction on May 2, with a massive investment of ₹50,000 crore. Assuring that all election promises will be fulfilled gradually, they criticized the former government's corruption, revealing that numerous scams from that tenure are now being exposed. They asserted that once the Telugu Desam Party fully discloses the previ-

ous government's corruption, public frustration will rise, and the present government's achievements in just ten months will be made clear to the people. Regarding allegations against former PA Waheed, MLA Madhavi Reddy instructed the police to conduct an immediate and thorough investigation. TDP District President Srinivasula Reddy clarified that Madhavi Reddy personally requested the 1 Town Police over the phone to look into the issue seriously. They reiterated that the TDP stands firmly in support of women's safety and justice.



AP CID Issues Notification for Home Guard Recruitment

TPN Correspondent | Amaravati

The Andhra Pradesh Crime Investigation Department (AP CID) has issued a notification inviting applications for the recruitment of 28 Home Guards. Both eligible male and female candidates are encouraged to apply for these posts. Applicants must be between 18 and 50 years of age and should have passed Intermediate (Class 12) as their minimum educational qualification. In addition, candidates are required to possess basic computer knowledge and a valid driving license (LMV/HMV). The application process will begin on May 1, 2025, and will close on May 15, 2025. Interested candidates can access the application forms and detailed notification by visiting the official website: <https://cid.appolice.gov.in>. For further information or assistance, candidates may contact the AP CID office at 94407 00860 during office hours.

TDP Leader Pattabhi Ram Slams Jagan Over Visakhapatnam Investments



TPN Correspondent | Amaravati

TDP leader and Swachha Andhra Corporation Limited (SACL) Chairman Komareddy Pattabhi Ram launched a scathing attack on former Chief Minister Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy, accusing him of deliberately hindering Visakhapatnam's development. Speaking at a media conference, Pattabhi Ram alleged that Jagan harbored a grudge against Visakhapatnam for consistently rejecting him electorally. Pattabhi Ram criticized Jagan for opposing investments, specifically citing the case of TCS, which plans to create 12,000 jobs in Visakhapatnam. He claimed that Jagan's camp is trying to sabotage TCS's land allocation, thereby damaging the city's growth prospects. Highlighting what he called Jagan's hypocrisy, Pattabhi Ram alleged that while Jagan criticizes land allotments for industries, he himself spent lavishly on personal luxuries, including building a beach-view palace, bathtubs, and massage tables worth crores of rupees. He further pointed to controversial land acquisitions involving party offices and properties like the Idupulapaya estate. Pattabhi Ram concluded by questioning Jagan's moral right to talk about land allocations when his own government allegedly misused public resources for personal benefit.

Municipal Department Focuses on Waste Management with High Priority

6500 tons of solid waste generated daily in the state
Awareness programs and Swachhandra every third Saturday under CM's orders
Route map for awareness campaigns to be launched soon

TPN Correspondent | Vijayawada
State Municipal Administration and Urban Development Minister Ponguru Narayana emphasized the high priority being given to waste management during a one-day workshop in Vijayawada organized by the Swachhandra Corporation. Addressing the gathering, Minister Narayana highlighted the challenge of managing 6500 tons of solid waste generated daily in the

state and stated that the previous government had left behind 80 lakh tons of garbage. He confirmed that under Chief Minister Nara Chandrababu Naidu's direction, the goal is to clear all this waste by October 2 this year. Narayana discussed the importance of public awareness in waste management and announced that cleanliness programs will be carried out under four themes. He emphasized the need for a strategic

campaign to inform the public about the importance of recycling and proper waste disposal. He also mentioned the Swachhandra program, which will take place every third Saturday as per CM's orders, aimed at increasing public participation in maintaining cleanliness. Swachh Andhra Corporation Chairman Kommareddy Pattabhi Ram also shared his observations from his recent tour of Europe, where he noted

the effective waste segregation practices. He stressed the need for self-control and public cooperation in maintaining cleanliness, urging citizens not to throw garbage in public spaces. He further suggested including cleanliness education in school curricula to instill responsibility among children from an early age. Principal Secretary Suresh Kumar added that steps are being taken to improve the state's ranking in the Swachh Sur-



vekshan, where it was ranked 6th last year. He urged citizens to adopt cleanliness as part of their daily culture. The workshop was attend-

ed by senior municipal officials, NGO representatives, and stakeholders committed to improving waste management in the state.

AP's Defense and Aerospace Policy to Become the Best in India - MP Kesineni Shivanath



TPN Correspondent | Vijayawada
Vijayawada MP Kesineni Shivanath (Chinni) assured that Andhra Pradesh's Defense and Aerospace Policy would be the best in the country, underlining Chief Minister Nara Chandrababu Naidu's vision for the state's industrial leadership. Speaking at a seminar organized by the State Industries Department on Monday at Hotel Vivantha, MP Shivanath emphasized the importance of the defense and aerospace sectors in fostering industrial growth and job creation. The seminar brought together prominent figures, including former DRDO Chairman Dr. G. Satish Reddy, former ISRO Chairman SP Somnath, and other experts, to discuss the formulation of a Defense and Aerospace Manufacturing Hub Policy. Shivanath highlighted the strategic advantages of Andhra Pradesh's coastline, alongside its robust infrastructure, which would play a key role in the success of these industries. The MP also discussed the central govern-

ment's goal, under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership, to increase domestic defense production from 61% to 100%. He noted that the state's efforts, including the development of industrial zones and special clusters in every district, would align with the national objective. He pointed out that under the "Swarna Andhra Pradesh 2047" initiative, the state is focusing on the future of technologies like quantum computing and artificial intelligence. Dr. Reddy and Somnath, serving as honorary advisors to the state, also contributed valuable insights, with their extensive experience set to guide the development of defense and aerospace industries in Andhra Pradesh. The seminar was attended by officials from seven defense PSUs, including Goa Shipyard, Hindustan Shipyard, and Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL), along with private sector stakeholders from Vijayawada and Vizag.

Ministers Review Preparations for Amaravati Capital Relaunch Event

Review meeting held at Machilipatnam Collectorate
PM Modi to inaugurate Amaravati relaunch on May 2nd
Coordination with MLAs and District Collector to ensure smooth event

TPN Correspondent | Machilipatnam
A review meeting was held at the Machilipatnam Collectorate by Ministers Anitha, BC Janardhan Reddy, Kollu Ravindra, and Vasamsetty Subash to discuss the preparations for the relaunch of Amaravati capital works. The event, set for May 2nd, will be inaugurated by Honorable Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The ministers focused on ensuring that all necessary arrangements are in place for a smooth and successful event. During the review, the ministers discussed the need for close coordination with local MLAs from Krishna District and District Collector Bala Ji. The primary goal was to ensure that no issues, especially related to security, arise during the PM's visit. Detailed instructions were given to the officials to ensure the timely provision of all essential facilities for the



public attending the event. The ministers stressed that it is crucial to provide a seamless experience for attendees, with specific attention to the basic infrastructure required for a large-scale event. The review concluded with clear directives to avoid any shortcomings and ensure the event goes smoothly without any disruptions. The relaunch of Amaravati capital works is a significant

milestone, and the government is working diligently to make the event a success, with all stakeholders ensuring the best possible arrangements are in place. The coordination between local officials and the state government aims to make the event memorable and effective, showcasing the state's commitment to the development of Amaravati.

Minister Gottipati Ravi Kumar Assigned Key Role for Modi's Visit Arrangements

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Minister Gottipati Ravikumar has been entrusted with the responsibility of overseeing the arrangements for people traveling via Mangalagiri during Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit. In a review meeting held on Monday at the Telugu Desam Party office in Mangalagiri, Gottipati emphasized the importance of making sure that attendees, particularly those heading to the rally via Mangalagiri, do not face any difficulties. The meeting saw the participation of BJP and Jana Sena leaders, including Tanuku MLA Radhakrishna, who discussed the arrangements for Modi's visit. Minister Gottipati called for strong measures to ensure that



every family in the state is represented at the rally, which will echo the slogan "My state is Andhra Pradesh, my capital is Amaravati." He urged the people to remember the challenges faced over the last five years and unite for the reconstruction of Amaravati as the state's capital. Gottipati also took the opportunity to criticize Chief Minister YS Jaganmohan Reddy for abandon-

ing the capital issue, stating that his actions have diminished the dignity of the Telugu people on the global stage. He praised Nara Chandrababu Naidu for his continuous efforts to develop Amaravati and make it a capital that would gain international recognition. In his remarks, Minister Gottipati highlighted that the leadership under Chandrababu Naidu had successfully navigated multiple financial crises, driving development and welfare. He criticized the welfare schemes introduced during Jagan's tenure, labeling them as scams that have failed to benefit the people.

Minister Nadendla Manohar Highlights Commitment to Amaravati's Development

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Minister Nadendla Manohar, during a Rachabanda program in Betapudi village, Mangalagiri mandal, emphasized the coalition government's commitment to the development of Amaravati as the state capital. Speaking at the event, organized by the Jana Sena Party under the auspices of PAC Chairman Manohar, the minister highlighted the sacrifices made by farmers for the capital's development and criticized the previous government for neglecting Amaravati and betraying farmers with the three capitals proposal. Minister Manohar pointed out that the previous



government had sabotaged the planned construction of Amaravati, which led to a step back in the state's development. He assured the public that the coalition government is working systematically to develop Amaravati's infrastructure, including roads and buildings in the 29 villages under the CRDA, and reaffirmed that farmers who gave up land

for Amaravati will be included in future development initiatives. The minister also urged for strong participation in the Prime Minister Narendra Modi's upcoming meeting in Amaravati on May 2, calling for the event to be held in a festive atmosphere to celebrate the state's progress and the capital's development.

Police Sweep at Gudivada Railway Station Enhances Security Measures

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Gudivada Railway Police, in collaboration with Gudivada Law and Order Police, conducted a thorough security sweep at Gudivada Railway Station to enhance passenger safety. The inspection was supported by the bomb detection team from Machilipatnam, ensuring a comprehensive check of the premises. During the operation, the police urged the public to remain vigilant against thefts on trains, stressing the importance of securing personal belongings. To bolster security further, drone cameras were deployed to monitor the surrounding areas of the station, providing real-time surveillance. The joint inspection, led by Gudivada Railway SI, was aimed at preventing any untoward incidents and maintaining a secure environment for travelers. Other officials involved in the initiative included Gudivada Two Town CI Sri Naga Prasad, Gudivada Railway Police Station SI Sharif, and Gudivada Station Master Bhagwan Nayak. The authorities emphasized the ongoing commitment to ensuring the safety and well-being of passengers traveling through Gudivada Railway Station.



Let's Make PM Modi's Amaravati Visit a Success, Says CM Naidu

CM Naidu urges leaders to ensure smooth assembly for PM’s visit
Amaravati seen as the soul and pride of Andhra Pradesh
Plans for industrial parks and development in Rayalaseema

TPN Correspondent | Amaravati
Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu expressed his warm welcome to Prime Minister Narendra Modi ahead of his visit on May 2, which marks the resumption of Amaravati capital works. In a teleconference with NDA leaders, CM Naidu emphasized the importance of making the assembly a success and ensuring that people attending the event face no inconvenience. Naidu described Amaravati as the soul of the state, vital for the pride and development of Andhra Pradesh.

He drew parallels to the need for a family to have a good house, stressing that the capital will serve as a hub of pride, akin to major cities like Hyderabad and Bengaluru in other states. He reaffirmed that the capital would foster economic growth and regional equality, following the NDA's decentralization policy that has brought central educational institutions to different regions. The CM also highlighted the efforts made to include farmers in the development process, who voluntarily gave their lands for the capital's construction.

Naidu condemned forces attempting to derail the progress by spreading misinformation and stressed the need to explain the ongoing positive developments. Further, Naidu outlined the government's promises being fulfilled within 10 months, including allocations for key projects like Polavaram and the Visakhapatnam railway zone, along with job creation through industrial setup and welfare schemes. The upcoming establishment of industrial parks in 42 constituencies and plans for Rayalaseema as a logistics hub were also announced. With a clear vision for development, CM Naidu expressed confidence that the visit would propel Andhra Pradesh



toward becoming a model state of growth and welfare. TDP, Jana Sena, and BJP leaders participated in the teleconference.

Power Minister Gottipati Ravikumar Launches Development Projects in Kandukur

Foundation laid for 33/11 KV power substation in Ulavapadu Mandal
Substation will address electricity issues for farmers; solar panel installation announced for SCs, STs, and BCs
Minister highlights welfare schemes, road repair efforts, and renewable energy initiatives

TPN Correspondent | Nellore Dist
State Power Minister Gottipati Ravikumar, accompanied by Nellore MP Vemireddy Prabhakar Reddy and MLA Inturi Nageswara Rao, laid the foundation for a new 33/11 kV power substation in Mannetigunta Panchayat, Ulavapadu Mandal. The substation, expected to resolve voltage fluctuations, will provide a continuous power supply, benefitting local farmers by preventing power trips and motor burnouts caused by low voltage. Minister Gottipati emphasized the importance of the substation, which will significantly reduce losses for farmers. He also urged residents to take advantage of the Central Government's PM Suryagarh scheme, which provides a 100% subsidy for solar units to SCs and STs and additional subsidies for BCs, encouraging a shift toward solar power. MP Vemireddy Prabhakar Reddy stressed that the substation will not only support agriculture but also lay the foundation for future industrial development in the area. He praised the development under Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu's leadership and noted that past mistakes would be corrected soon.



MLA Inturi Nageswara Rao mentioned that four substations would be constructed in Kandukur constituency, with Mannetikota being the first. He thanked Chief Minister Naidu and IT Minister Nara Lokesh for the project, which will improve the livelihoods of farmers in the region. The event was attended by Kandukur RDO Sripooja and other officials. Additionally, Minister Gottipati highlighted the coalition government's commitment to welfare, pointing out that Rs. 30,000 crore has been distributed in pensions. He also criticized the YSRCP for neglecting road repairs and mentioned the government's investment in renewable energy, including the development of solar parks in Darshi and Kanigiri regions.

ACB Raids Srikalahasti Tahsildar Office, Arrests Mandal Surveyor

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In a swift operation, the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) officials raided the Tahsildar office of Srikalahasti, leading to the arrest of Mandal Surveyor Purushottam for accepting a bribe. The raid, led by District ACB Officer Vimala Kumari, followed a complaint from retired Principal Chandrashekhar, who alleged that Purushottam demanded ₹30,000 for a land survey. Chandrashekhar, dissatisfied with the demand, reported the matter to ACB. In response, the ACB team arranged the money and apprehended Purushottam while he was taking the bribe. The operation also saw the MRO, who was on leave, being summoned for questioning. ACB Additional SP Vimala Kumari confirmed the arrest and stated that the operation was executed based on the complaint and surveillance. The raid was supported by ACB DSP Jessy Prashanthi and other officials involved in the investigation.



1.55 Lakh Tonnes of Rabi Paddy Purchased in Eluru



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Joint Collector P. Dhatri Reddy reported that 1,55,529 metric tonnes of paddy have been purchased from 12,380 farmers in Eluru for the 2024-25 Rabi season. Reviewing the process at a meeting held at the Godavari meeting hall, Reddy stated that the total amount spent so far is Rs 359.27 crore. Of this, Rs 206.71 crore has already been deposited into the Aadhaar-linked accounts of farmers, while Rs 150.30 crore is in the process of being credited. Reddy confirmed that farmers

can sell their paddy at the minimum support price (MSP) through the 126 Rythu Seva Kendras and paddy purchasing agencies, following the FAQ guidelines. To address any concerns or doubts, a control room has been established at the district level where farmers can lodge complaints via the contact numbers 08812-230448, 7702003584, and 7569562076. The review meeting was attended by District Civil Supplies Manager P.S.R. Murthy, DSO Pratap Reddy, and Special Deputy Collector Devakidevi.

YCP Leader Paleti Krishnaveni Remanded for False Propaganda Case

TPN Correspondent | Palnadu
YCP leader Paleti Krishnaveni was produced in Narasaraopet court on a PT warrant by the Firangipuram police on Monday. The case against Krishnaveni pertains to spreading false propaganda against Mandakrishna Madiga, a prominent leader, through social media platforms. The allegations suggest that Krishnaveni was involved in malicious campaigns that defamed Madiga. The court, after reviewing the case, remanded Paleti Krishnaveni to judicial custody until May 5. Following the remand, Krishnaveni was transferred to Narasaraopet sub-jail, where she will remain during the investigation. The police have initiated the necessary procedures to address the charges and ensure that justice is served. This case highlights the ongoing issue of social media misuse and its potential to incite misinformation and unrest. Authorities are keen to tackle such cases with seriousness to curb the spread of false narratives that disrupt public harmony.



YCP Leader Devireddy Aditya Condemns Land Allotment to Private Companies



TPN Correspondent | Kadapa
Kadapa YCP Youth Wing District President Devireddy Aditya has strongly condemned the TDP government's decision to allot 60 acres of valuable land to the nameless Ursa Company and TCS Company for just Rs. 1 per acre. Speaking at a press conference held at the YCP office in Kadapa city, Aditya expressed his outrage over the alleged land deal. He questioned Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu, who frequently claims to create wealth, for handing over such prime lands to private companies at such a minimal price. Aditya accused the CM of indulging in a "kid pro-government" approach, considering the state's severe revenue deficit. He pointed out that the central government was promoting economic zones in Vizag and raising funds for development, yet the TDP government was providing land worth Rs. 600 crores to private entities at a nominal cost. Aditya further remarked that this move resembled a potential land scam similar to the one in Hyderabad during Chandrababu's previous tenure. He expressed concerns about the transparency and motives behind the deal, urging the people to understand the gravity of the situation. In response, the YSRCP Youth Wing is actively campaigning to raise awareness about the issue. Leaders, including Gunti Nagendra, have joined the movement to inform the public about the land distribution, which they believe undermines the state's financial stability. The party is calling for transparency and accountability in land allocations to prevent misuse and ensure fair distribution for the public's benefit.

TDP Wins Tuni Municipal Chairman's Seat, Ends Three-Month Suspense

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The three-month-long suspense over the Tuni Municipal Chairman and Vice-Chairman posts ended on Monday, with the Telugu Desam Party (TDP) securing the Chairman's seat. The political tension between the ruling and opposition parties concluded in TDP's favor after a dramatic session. In the general meeting held on Monday morning, Government Whip Yanamala Divya, attending as an ex-officio member, witnessed the election process, which

was conducted in compliance with the rules by Election Observer Rahul Meena and Election Officer Ravikumar. Only 17 TDP council members attended, while members of the YCP remained absent. During the session, Vice Chairperson Kucherlapati Rupadevi nominated Narla Bhuvanasundari for the Chairperson role, and Chintakayala Bharathi proposed Achanta Suresh for Vice Chairperson. The council unanimously approved Puli Satyanarayana as Chairman and Vasamsetty Srinu as Vice Chairperson, officially

handing over their responsibilities. At a media briefing, Government Whip Yanamala Divya expressed confidence in the coalition government's progress toward development and welfare. She highlighted the allocation of Rs. 3 crore for city development with the support of Narayana, and Rs. 10 lakh per council member for ward development. The session was also attended by prominent TDP leaders, including former legislators Raja Ashok Babu and Yanamala Rajesh, alongside municipal officers and police.

A Century of Healing: Celebrating the Sacred Legacy of Sri Gundubogula Surya Rao and the Kamerla Vaidya Nilayam



Human life is deeply intertwined with nature. The secrets of health and healing are abundantly found within nature itself. Even in times when modern medical science had not yet reached every village, Sri Gundubogula Surya Rao emerged as a beacon of hope, restoring life to countless jaundice patients across India. Born in 1900 in Vella village, Andhra Pradesh, to the noble couple Sri Nagayya and Srimati Yashodamma, Surya Rao Garu grew up imbibing values of compassion, service, and humanity — values that would later define his extraordinary life.

Since 1920, the Kamerla Vaidya Nilayam has been a sanctuary for those battling epidemic jaundice. Through the power of natural medicine, Sri Surya Rao Garu not only cured physical ailments but also dispelled the fear of death among thousands. For him, love, not money, was the true wealth. Guided by the divine principle of "Seva Madhava Seva" — service to humanity is service to God — he devoted his life to serving others.

Every Sunday, the soil of Vella village witnessed an awe-inspiring sight: people from all walks of life — film celebrities, politicians, officials, and common citizens — gathered to receive the life-saving yellow jaundice medicine that Sri Surya Rao Garu distributed at minimal or no cost. Barriers of caste, creed, language, and region dissolved in this sacred ground of healing and hope. Over time, the Gundubogula family became a pillar of trust and compassion, revered across the country.

What stands even taller than this monumental service is the unwavering continuation of this legacy by Sri Surya Rao's descendants. His sons, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren

have proudly carried forward the spirit of selfless service, choosing the fragrance of values over the glitter of material wealth. Like sandalwood that offers its scent while being ground, they have lived lives of sacrifice and service.

The people, in gratitude, bestowed upon Sri Surya Rao many revered titles:

- *"Kamerla Vaidya Ratna"*
- *"Kamerla Vaidya Shikhamani"*
- *"Kamerla Vaidya Praveena"*

These honors stand as living testaments to the love, respect, and admiration he earned.

In recognition of his immeasurable service, the RTC Department of Ramachandrapuram once offered free bus passes to jaundice patients traveling to Vella — a remarkable reflection of the impact and significance of his work.

In today's times, when misinformation and commercial exploitation often distort the noble intentions of traditional medicine, it is crucial to remember that the only true custodians of Vella's jaundice treatment legacy are the Gundubogula family. People are urged not to fall prey to impostors who misuse the sacred name of Vella for profit. True healing comes only from those who have upheld this service with integrity for generations.

Celebrating 100 Years of Excellence — A Grand Event

This year marks a historic milestone — 100 glorious years of Kamerla Vaidya Nilayam's service to humanity. To honor this extraordinary journey, a grand centenary celebration is being organized:

- **Date:** 29th April 2025
- **Time:** 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM
- **Venue:** Vella Village, Andhra Pradesh

The event is lovingly arranged by the proud 2nd and 3rd generation members of the Gundubogula family, who continue to uphold the noble tradition of public service.

The program will be graced by eminent dignitaries:

- **Sri Bhupathiraju Vijayakumar Raju Garu, Hon'ble Central Minister**
- **Sri Vasamsetti Subhash Garu, Hon'ble Minister of Andhra Pradesh**
- **Sri Kondula Durgesh Garu, Hon'ble Minister of Andhra Pradesh**
- **Along with several distinguished MPs, MLAs, and community leaders.**

Adding to the grandeur, Sri Gundubogula Suraya Sudhakar Garu, Sri Gundubogula Ramesh Garu, and Sri Gundubogula Achutaramayya Garu — shining stars from the 3rd generation and award-winning professionals in the field of software development — are traveling from the USA to participate. Despite their global achievements, their hearts remain rooted in their motherland, India, and their beloved home village, Vella. They continue to cherish the community values instilled during their childhood and contribute to society in numerous ways.

As we gather to celebrate 100 years of healing, service, and sacrifice, let us honor the inspiring legacy of Sri Gundubogula Surya Rao Garu and the Gundubogula Vamsam, who prove that true greatness lies in touching lives with love, compassion, and humility.

May the world be filled with happiness, health, and harmony.

Liberals of the World Must Unite to Resist the Rising Tide of Nationalism

Donald Trump, beware – this is what a global liberal fightback looks like

As anti-liberal forces gain momentum globally—from Moscow to Beijing and, increasingly, even in Washington—the time has come for a renewed, united liberal fightback. The core of liberalism rests on the belief that power must be checked, distributed, and held accountable. That belief is now under threat from authoritarian nationalism, plutocratic oligarchy, and weakened liberal institutions.

The recent Canadian elections offer a glimmer of hope. Canada, long viewed as stable and peripheral, is emerging as a frontline defender of liberal democracy, particularly as the United States—once its greatest champion—falters under the influence of populist, anti-democratic forces. The thawing Arctic and Trump's rise have made Canada geopolitically and ideologically central.

Historically, liberalism has been defended not only by democratic states but by a vibrant ecosystem: a free press, universities, NGOs, labor unions, and civil society. Yet, liberalism is now grappling with its own contradictions. Neoliberal policies, unchecked globalization, and



identity politics have fueled inequality and alienation, paving the way for populist backlash. The promise of "equal respect and concern for all" has been undermined.

Moreover, tech oligarchs like Elon Musk, Jeff Bezos, and Mark Zuckerberg have amassed unprecedented influence, using their platforms to distort truth, support Trump, and undermine democracy—while evading sufficient regulation. The digital public sphere that is essential to liberal societies is increasingly at the

mercy of American monopolies. Europe, Canada, and other democracies must build independent digital infrastructures and coordinate regulatory efforts to rein in this power.

In this climate, the defense of Ukraine is symbolic of the wider liberal struggle. Trump's willingness to abandon Ukraine's sovereignty reveals a disregard for international law and democratic values. Supporting Ukraine is not just geopolitical—it is moral.

Ultimately, liberals must organize globally: governments, institutions, and citizens alike. The tools of our resistance must include trade alliances, regulatory cooperation, consumer activism, and civil society solidarity. The enemies of liberalism use the bludgeon; liberals must wield the rapier—with clarity, calm, and truth.

Today, as Trump threatens the liberal world order from within, we must rally around those who stand firm. If 2001 was a moment to declare, "We are all Americans," 2025 may well demand: "We are all Canadians."

A Baby Boom? In This Economy?

U.S. Birth Rate Near Record Low, Raising Long-Term Concerns

The U.S. birth rate has dropped to near-record lows, with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reporting just 1.6 children born per woman—well below the 2.1 rate needed to maintain population stability. This trend is not new; the decline has been steady since 2007, and recent data only confirms the ongoing demographic shift.

A birth rate of 2.1 children per woman is considered the replacement level, meaning it is the minimum needed to keep a population from shrinking without immigration. The current figure of 1.6 reflects a significant and sustained drop, raising serious questions about the country's future labor force, economic growth, and support for an aging population.

Several factors contribute to this decline. Social and economic pressures, including the high cost of childcare, housing, and education, have led many young adults to delay or reconsider having children. Shifting societal values, greater career focus, climate concerns, and a desire for personal freedom have also played a role. Additionally, access to contraception and evolving family structures have changed the way people approach parenthood.



The COVID-19 pandemic further impacted fertility trends, causing many to postpone family planning amid uncertainty. Though a brief rebound in birth rates was observed in 2021, the long-term downward trend has since resumed.

The implications of a persistently low birth rate are wide-reaching. A smaller working-age population could strain Social Security and health-care systems, while slowing economic growth and reducing consumer demand. At the same time, the U.S. may need to increasingly rely on immigration to maintain population levels and meet workforce needs.

Other developed nations, including Japan, South Korea, and many European countries, are experiencing similar challenges, suggesting a global trend in advanced economies. Policymakers are now under pressure to consider measures like paid parental leave, affordable childcare, housing support, and fertility incentives to reverse or at least stabilize the trend. As the birth rate continues to decline, the United States faces a future that could look very different unless effective action is taken. The issue is no longer just a demographic statistic—it is becoming a national priority.

Soaring Gold Prices Reflect Global Uncertainty and Domestic Challenges

Gold prices have made history by breaching the Rs 1 lakh per 10 gram mark in international markets last week, before settling slightly lower. In the Mumbai bullion market, 24-carat gold was quoted at Rs 99,000 per 10 grams, while 22-carat gold stood at Rs 92,000. Despite the slight dip, prices remain near record highs and the bullish trend is expected to continue.

The current surge in gold prices is driven by a complex mix of global economic and political uncertainty. Investor nervousness over former US President Donald Trump's controversial tariff policies and his public criticism of the US Federal Reserve, including threats to remove Chairman Jerome Powell, triggered volatility in global markets. Although Trump later walked back his comments, the damage to investor sentiment had already been done—prompting a shift towards safe-haven assets like gold.



Historically, gold has served as a hedge against inflation and currency depreciation. The ongoing depreciation of the US dollar—now at its weakest since 2022—has further boosted gold demand, making it more attractive to global investors. Rising inflation fears, a looming US debt crisis, and uncertainty surrounding the US economic outlook have all contributed to the gold rally. Moreover, consistent buying by China, central banks, and institutional investors has kept up the momentum. Geopolitical tensions, particularly the prolonged war in Ukraine, have added to the unease.

In India, the world's second-largest gold market, the impact is significant. In 2024, gold demand rose to 802.8 tonnes from 761 tonnes in 2023, with the total value surging by 31% to Rs 5.15 lakh crore. Gold holds deep cultural value in India, especially during weddings and festivals, but its rising cost may strain household budgets, particularly in a slowing economy.

Additionally, the high prices could further distort the economy by encouraging gold imports—an unproductive asset—and increase smuggling. Despite repeated awareness campaigns, the tendency to hoard gold remains strong. As India enters the peak wedding season, the gold price surge is likely to create both economic and social ripples.



“Forces Close In On Pahalgam Attackers”

Security forces have located the terrorists involved in the Pahalgam attack at least four times over the past five days, sources told The Indian Express. The Army, Central Armed Police Forces, and J&K Police are jointly conducting intense cordon and search operations across the dense forests of South Kashmir to apprehend the four attackers, including two Pakistani nationals, who killed 26 people at Baisaran meadow on April 21.

According to officials, the attackers were identified through local intelligence, resident inputs, and ongoing combing efforts. “It’s a cat and mouse game. We’ve visually located them a few

times, even exchanged fire once, but the dense forest terrain allows them to slip away. We are confident of nabbing them soon,” a military officer said.

One key sighting occurred near Hapat Nar village in Pahalgam tehsil, but the terrorists escaped once again. Security forces remain committed, with search teams sweeping the rugged terrain relentlessly.

Meanwhile, India’s security posture has tightened significantly across sensitive regions, including restrictions at checkpoints like the Attari Integrated Check Post, following the terror attack’s aftermath.

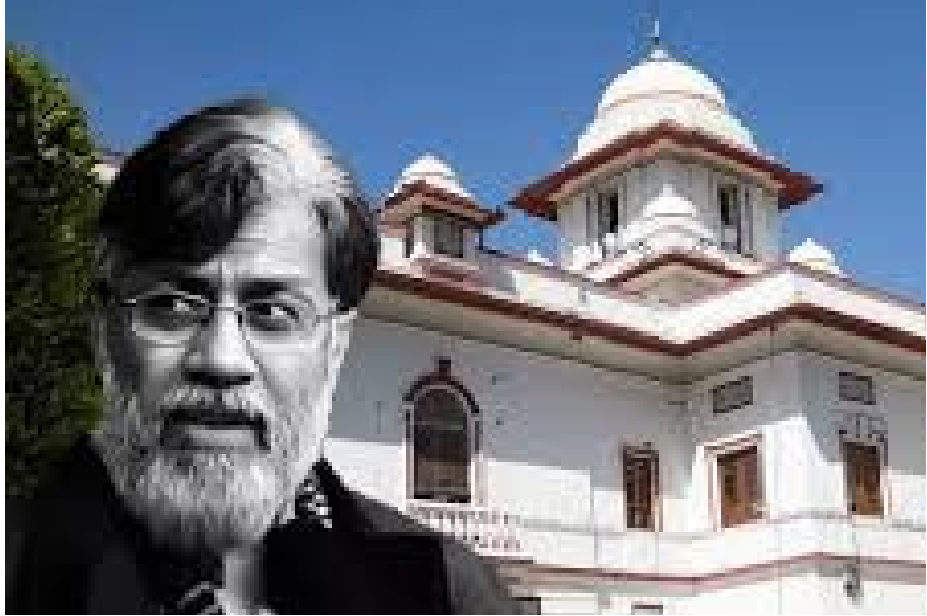
“Tahawwur Rana’s NIA Custody Extended Again”

A Delhi court has granted the National Investigation Agency (NIA) a 12-day extension of custody for Tahawwur Rana, a key conspirator in the 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks. This extension follows the expiry of Rana’s earlier 18-day custody period.

Rana, a Pakistani-origin Canadian businessman, was a close associate of David Coleman Headley, another mastermind of the 2008 attacks that claimed 166 lives over nearly 60 hours. Headley had discussed the attack plan in detail with Rana before visiting India. Further, he had emailed Rana about his assets and the involvement of Pakistani nationals Ilyas Kashmiri and Abdur Rehman in the plot, the NIA told the court.

Initially imprisoned in the US, Rana was extradited to India after the US Supreme Court dismissed his appeal against extradition on April 4. He was brought to India via a special flight on April 10.

The NIA argued that further custody was crucial to retrace the events surrounding the attacks and fully uncover the conspiracy. They emphasized the need to confront Rana with new evidence and investigate his connections with other terrorists and accused individuals. “A detailed investigation is required, and his statements



could lead to additional discoveries,” the agency informed the court.

The judge permitted Rana to meet with his lawyer, but only in the presence of NIA officials stationed at a distance to maintain confidentiality. Additionally, Rana is allowed to use only a “soft-tip pen” during his interactions.

The 26/11 attacks saw ten Pakistani terrorists entering Mumbai via the Arabian Sea and launching coordinated strikes at key locations including the CST railway station, two luxury hotels, and a Jewish centre. The

carnage left 166 dead and hundreds injured, marking one of India’s deadliest terrorist attacks.

The NIA’s extended custody of Rana is seen as vital to piecing together the broader international conspiracy behind the attacks. Investigators hope that further interrogation will reveal more about the network that supported the 26/11 assault and help in bringing other conspirators to justice. The case continues to hold deep significance for India’s counterterrorism efforts, with authorities determined to ensure all those involved face accountability.

Amit Shah Orders Security Boost In Delhi

Following the Pahalgam terror attack, Union Home Minister Amit Shah held an urgent meeting with Delhi Police Commissioner Sanjay Arora on Saturday. During the meeting at the Ministry of Home Affairs, Shah instructed the commissioner to ensure that law and order in the national capital remains intact and that no disruption occurs in the aftermath of the attack, officials said.

The home minister emphasized the need to bolster security measures across Delhi, directing enhanced vigilance to prevent any untoward incidents. Sources added that Shah specifically ordered intensified night patrolling and increased foot surveillance throughout the city.

Additionally, Shah instructed that special attention be paid to ensuring no Pakistani nationals are illegally residing in Delhi. “Instructions were given to maintain peace, harmony, and heightened vigilance during night hours,” a



senior police officer confirmed after the meeting.

The meeting, which lasted around thirty minutes, included a detailed briefing from the police commissioner on the prevailing law and order situation in

the capital.

The central government’s swift action aims to preempt any potential fallout from the Pahalgam attack and reinforce the city’s security apparatus during this sensitive period.



Farooq Abdullah Urges PM on Pakistan Response

Following the tragic Pahalgam terror attack that claimed 26 lives, senior Jammu and Kashmir leader Farooq Abdullah has called on Prime Minister Narendra Modi to determine an appropriate response to Pakistan. Speaking to reporters, Abdullah said, “Ask the Prime Minister what answer should be given to Pakistan,” making it clear that the responsibility of handling international matters, particularly concerning Pakistan, lies with the central leadership.

The Pahalgam attack, which took place on April 21 in the Baisaran meadows, involved four heavily armed terrorists, including two Pakistani nationals. Since the incident, security forces comprising the Indian Army, Central Armed Police Forces, and Jammu & Kashmir Police have been conducting intensive search operations across the dense forests of South Kashmir. Although the attackers have been located multiple times and even briefly engaged by the forces, they have managed to evade capture so far.

Farooq Abdullah’s comment reflects growing political pressure on the central government to respond strongly to Pakistan’s alleged involvement in cross-border terrorism. His statement highlights a common sentiment within sections of the opposition, urging the Prime Minister to take decisive diplomatic or military measures to ensure justice and prevent future attacks.

Meanwhile, the Ministry of Home Affairs, led by Amit Shah, has directed Delhi Police and security agencies across the country to strengthen vigilance, enhance night patrols, and maintain peace and order, particularly in light of possible tensions following the attack.

The broader political atmosphere remains tense, with citizens, political leaders, and security experts debating the next course of action. Abdullah’s remarks signal the opposition’s expectation that the government must not only ensure domestic security but also assertively address the external threats that continue to destabilize peace in the region.

With operations ongoing in South Kashmir, authorities have expressed confidence that it is only a matter of time before the attackers are apprehended. However, the larger question raised by leaders like Farooq Abdullah—about how India should engage with Pakistan post this attack—continues to dominate national discussions.

SC Upholds Honour Killing Convictions



The Supreme Court on Monday strongly condemned honour killings, calling them the “most dishonourable act,” and upheld the conviction of 11 individuals involved in the brutal murder of a young couple in Tamil Nadu in July 2003. A bench comprising Justices Sudhanshu Dhulia and Prashant Kumar Mishra refused to interfere with the Madras High Court’s June 2022 verdict that confirmed the conviction and sentencing of the accused, including two police officers.

The victims, Murugesan and Kannagi,

both in their early twenties, were poisoned and killed in front of numerous villagers. The masterminds behind this “macabre act” were identified as Kannagi’s father and brother, angered by her secret marriage to Murugesan, a Dalit, while she belonged to the Vanniyar community. The court stated that the entrenched caste system was at the root of this crime, and ironically, such heinous murders are termed “honour killings.”

Describing the crime as wicked and odious, the bench emphasized that such

acts must be met with stringent punishment. It also awarded Rs 5 lakh compensation to Murugesan’s family, payable by the Tamil Nadu government, in addition to earlier compensation directed by the lower courts.

Highlighting police misconduct, the bench observed that two police officers deliberately failed in their duty by not registering the initial FIR to protect the accused, violating Section 217 of the IPC and the SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act. The case was later transferred to the CBI by the Madras High Court in 2004 due to these lapses.

Despite the incident occurring in 2003, the trial concluded only in 2021, reflecting the inefficiency of the prosecution and defense delays. The court also noted that frequent witness hostility, often due to prolonged trials, further complicated the case.

Out of 15 individuals tried, 13 were convicted — 11 for murder. While one convict initially received a death sentence, others were sentenced to life imprisonment. The court ordered all those out on bail to surrender within two weeks to serve their remaining sentences.



Putin thanks North Korea for sending its troops to fight Ukraine in Kursk region

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In a striking development that could significantly alter global perceptions of the Ukraine conflict, Russia's President Vladimir Putin has publicly expressed personal gratitude to North Korean leader Kim Jong Un for deploying North Korean troops to support Russian forces. The announcement came via a Kremlin statement released on Monday, which confirmed the presence of North Korean soldiers in the ongoing war.

Putin specifically credited North Korean forces with helping to push Ukrainian troops out of Russia's Kursk region—a strategically important area near the Ukraine border. "Our Korean friends acted based on a sense of solidarity, justice, and genuine comradeship. We highly appreciate this and are sincerely grateful personally to the Chairman of State Affairs Comrade Kim Jong Un, the entire leadership, and people of the DPRK," the statement said, using the official name for North Korea, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

This marks the first official acknowledgment by North Korea that its soldiers are actively involved in combat in the Ukraine war. The North Korean government stated that its troops were sent under the direct orders of Kim Jong Un and that they played a role in reclaiming Russian territory previously occupied by Ukrainian forces.

The involvement of North Korean military personnel in a European war raises serious questions about the widening scope of the Ukraine conflict and the deepening ties between Moscow and Pyongyang. Analysts suggest this could lead to further international condemnation and potentially stronger sanctions against both nations, especially given North Korea's long-standing pariah status and history of defying United Nations resolutions.

The news also underscores the increasing reliance of Russia on international partners seen as adversaries of the West. Over the past year, Russia and North Korea have deepened their strategic cooperation, with reports of arms shipments and intelligence sharing. The active deployment of North Korean troops represents a dramatic escalation of that alliance.

As the war in Ukraine drags on with no end in sight, this new axis between Russia and North Korea is likely to draw sharp criticism and concern from Western powers, potentially further complicating already fragile diplomatic dynamics in Eastern Europe and the broader Indo-Pacific region.

Putin Announces Ukraine Ceasefire May 8–10 Amid Global Pressure

Global Reactions Mixed as Putin Offers Short-Term Ukraine Ceasefire

Russian President Vladimir Putin has announced a three-day ceasefire in Ukraine from May 8 to May 10, citing "humanitarian reasons." The move coincides with Russia's Victory Day on May 9, commemorating the end of World War II. The Kremlin urged Ukraine to reciprocate the truce, warning that any violations would be met with an "adequate and effective response" by Russian forces.

This ceasefire follows increasing international pressure, particularly from U.S. President Donald Trump, who took to social media to condemn recent Russian strikes on Kyiv. "Not necessary, and very bad timing. Vladimir, STOP! 5000 soldiers a week are dying," Trump posted. His remarks came amid reports of heavy civilian casualties and sustained bombardment by Russian forces.

Moscow's move is seen by analysts as an attempt to regain favor with Trump, who recently expressed "deep disappointment" over Russia's continued attacks. Trump also



claimed that Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky is prepared to negotiate a peace deal by ceding Crimea, although Kyiv has not officially confirmed such a stance.

Adding to the global alarm, North Korea has, for the first time, confirmed that its troops are actively

supporting Russia in the Ukraine conflict. Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un stated their forces aim to "annihilate the Ukrainian neo-Nazi occupiers" and help liberate Russia's Kursk region, a claim that further complicates the geopolitical dynamics.

Skepticism surrounds the ceasefire announcement, especially from Ukrainian officials, who argue that a true desire for peace would require a far more significant and sustained commitment. Ukraine responded by stating that if Russia "truly wants peace," it should implement an immediate 30-day ceasefire, not just a symbolic three-day pause.

The White House echoed this sentiment. Press Secretary Karoline Leavitt emphasized President Trump's call for a "permanent ceasefire" to halt the bloodshed. "The president remains optimistic that a deal can be made, but both leaders need to negotiate their way out of this," she added.

This is not Russia's first attempt at a unilateral ceasefire. A similar truce in April 2025 during Easter lasted just 30 hours before fighting resumed. Whether this May ceasefire will lead to meaningful dialogue or simply mark another brief pause in a protracted war remains to be seen.

Canadians to Choose Their Next PM Amid Tragedy and Tensions

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Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney and Conservative leader Pierre Poilievre ended their campaigns on a somber note on Sunday, as at least 11 people lost their lives in a horrific incident where a man drove through a crowd at a Filipino community festival in Vancouver. The tragedy occurred on the final day of a five-week election campaign, where both candidates had been focusing on U.S. President Donald Trump's tariffs and threats to annex Canada.

The impact of the mass casualty event on the election remained unclear, but both Carney and Poilievre offered their condolences. Police arrested a 30-year-old Vancouver man, who was reportedly known to them. Carney, who planned to travel to Vancouver, expressed deep sympathy for the victims' families, highlighting the loss to the Filipino community both locally and nationwide. "Our hearts go to the friends and the families of those affected," Carney



said.

Poilievre, speaking in Oakville, Ontario, also acknowledged the tragedy, offering support to the Filipino community, who he noted "have lost so much." Poilievre's supporters rallied around his calls for change, demanding a shift after nearly a decade of Liberal governance under former Prime Minister Justin Trudeau. Poilievre has promised to reduce foreign aid spending and eliminate a federal sales tax on Canadian-made vehicles as long as U.S. tariffs remain in place, aiming to support do-

mestic production.

As the election approached, Carney, who took over leadership from Trudeau earlier this year, campaigned vigorously, emphasizing his leadership amid the crisis triggered by Trump's tariffs. He had referred to the campaign as being akin to "Game 7 of the Stanley Cup," signaling the crucial importance of the final push.

Polls showed a narrow lead for Carney's Liberal Party, with a 4% advantage over Poilievre's Conservatives. While the Liberals enjoyed strong urban support, the race remained tight, especially in British Columbia, a key battleground. Carney's appeals resonated mostly with older voters, while Poilievre's calls for change energized younger demographics.

Despite the tragedy, both leaders pressed on with their final election efforts, knowing that the outcome of the election could shape Canada's future under the growing pressure of external threats and domestic concerns.

Afghanistan Condemns Pahalgam Terror Attack

Calls For Regional Stability Amid Diplomatic Talks With India



In a significant diplomatic engagement, Afghanistan's acting Foreign Minister, Mawlawi Amir Khan Muttaqi, condemned the recent terrorist attack in Pahalgam, Jammu and Kashmir, which claimed 26 lives. His remarks came during a high-level meeting in Kabul with Anand Prakash, Joint Secretary of the Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Iran (PAI) Division at India's Ministry of External Affairs.

The meeting reflected a shared commitment to strengthening regional stability and deepening bilateral ties. Anand Prakash briefed Muttaqi on specific details of the Pahalgam tragedy, while both sides reiterated the importance of working together to address security threats. The Taliban-led government had already condemned the attack, with its Ministry of Foreign Affairs calling it a serious blow to regional peace efforts and offering condolences to the victims' families.

Abdul Qahar Balkhi, spokesman for Afghanistan's Foreign Ministry, stated: "The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan categorically condemns the recent attack on tourists in the Pahalgam region of Jammu and Kashmir and expresses condolences to the bereaved families. Such incidents threaten the region's security and stability."

Beyond condemning the attack, the meeting covered broader issues, including trade, transit, and diplomatic relations.

Massive Power Outage Paralyzes Spain and Portugal, Causes Widespread Disruptions

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Spain and Portugal were hit by a massive power outage on Monday, crippling public transport systems, snarling traffic, delaying flights, and prompting emergency responses from both governments. The widespread blackout also briefly extended into parts of southern France, raising concerns about the stability of the regional power grid.

Portuguese utility company REN confirmed that the blackout affected the entire Iberian Peninsula and parts of neighboring France. Spanish grid operator Red Eléctrica said it was working closely with regional energy companies and European partners to restore power in a phased manner.

"All plans for the phased restoration of energy supply are being activated,



in coordination with European energy producers and operators," a REN spokesperson stated, adding that investigations into the cause of the outage were underway.

The Spanish and Portuguese governments convened emergency cabinet meetings to manage the crisis. In Madrid, chaos ensued as metro services

halted, traffic lights failed, and parts of the city experienced severe congestion. According to local media, some sections of the Madrid underground were evacuated, and people were trapped in metro cars and elevators.

A Reuters eyewitness reported that hundreds of people were evacuated from office buildings in the capital, including the British Embassy located in one of Madrid's four iconic towers. Police were deployed heavily across key areas to manage the disrupted traffic and ensure public safety.

In Portugal, the impact was equally severe. Metro systems in Lisbon and Porto came to a complete standstill, leaving passengers stranded inside stalled trains. Portuguese police confirmed traffic light failures across major cities and halted train services nationwide.

Markets Bounce Back Strongly: Sensex Soars 1,005 Points, Nifty Closes Above 24,300; Reliance Leads the Rally

Domestic markets were dusty on Monday. They recovered the consecutive losses of the last two sessions. The gradual strengthening of the rupee against the dollar, FIIs reinvesting, the absence of any geo-political tensions at the moment, and the strong rise in Reliance Industries shares strengthened the sentiment of investors. With that, they celebrated a buying festival. Nifty gained 289 points and Sensex gained 1005 points. Nifty's standing above 24,300 is a good sign. Shares of defense companies showed strength today.

The BSE Sensex, which closed at 79,212 in the previous session, opened at 79,343 on Monday. It touched an intraday low at 79,341. It reached an intraday high at 80,321. Finally, it closed at 80,218 with a gain of 1005 points. The NSE Nifty, which opened at 24,070, reached a low of 24,054 and a high of 24,355. It rose by 289 points in total and closed at 24,328. The Nifty Bank rose by 768 points and settled at 55,432.

In the Nifty50, 39 companies gained and 11 lost. Reliance, Sun Pharma, JSW Steel, BEL,

Dr. Reddy's were the top gainers. Shriram Finance, UltraTech Sem, Eternal, HCL Tech, Hindustan Unilever were the biggest losers. Mid and smallcap indices rose today. Oil, PSU bank, healthcare, pharma, auto, realty, metal, private bank and media indices were in a good shape. The IT index, however, rose marginally.

Market breadth on NSE was almost equal for buyers and sellers today. Out of 2992 stocks traded, 1532 gained and 1375 lost. 24 stocks touched their 52-week highs and 28 stocks touched their 52-week lows. The upper circuit was 67 and the lower circuit was 88.

Rupee strengthened by 41 paise to settle at 85.03 against the dollar. TVS Motors has released its Q4 results. Net profit rose by 75.7% to Rs. 852 crore from Rs. 485 crore. Maruti Suzuki has given a neutral rating to Maruti Suzuki with a target price of Rs 12,800. Nomura has



maintained a buy rating on Reliance with a target price of Rs 1650. UltraTech's Q4 profit rose 10% to Rs 2482 crore from Rs 2258 crore. Ather Energy's IPO was met with a mixed response on the first day of the IPO. It was subscribed only 0.14 times. Aditya Birla Sun Life AMC's net profit rose 9.4% to Rs 228 crore. IDBI's net profit rose 26% to Rs 2051 crore from Rs 1628 crore. Force Motors' net profit rose 210% to Rs 434 crore from Rs 140 crore. Poonawalla Fincorp's net profit fell 81.2% to Rs. 62 crore from Rs. 331 crore.

Cochin Shipyard (COCHIN-SHIP)

Cochin Shipyard remains strong, fueled by rising defense and shipbuilding orders. The company is executing major defense projects like Next Generation Missile Vessels (NGMV) and Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Crafts (ASWSWCs). Received significant new orders from the Indian Navy and foreign players. Positive, driven by strong order book, defense



sector momentum, and expansion into green shipping (electric ferries).

Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)



HAL stock remains bullish, near its all-time highs. Large defense spending, export orders from countries like Argentina and Nigeria, and Make in India programs are boosting HAL. Very positive. Analysts expect strong revenue growth due to continued government defense investments and new aircraft projects like LCA Tejas Mk2 and HTT-40 trainer.

Morepen Labs



Moderately stable. Focused on API exports and diagnostics business expansion. Launching new respiratory and cardiac medicines. Cautiously positive. Competition and regulatory approvals will be key. Watch for margin improvement.

Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL)

BPCL stock has been volatile but remains resilient amid global crude fluctuations. Government's privatization plan is on hold, but BPCL is investing heavily in green energy and refinery upgrades. Moderate. Oil price movement and government policy clarity on divestment will heavily influence stock movement. Dividend payouts remain attractive.



Prestige Estates Projects Ltd (PRESTIGE)

Record-high property bookings, expanding aggressively into Mumbai and NCR markets. Reported a 55% YoY rise in booking value for FY25 Q1. Very positive. Real estate cycle is favorable, and luxury housing demand is strong. Analysts expect continued growth in both residential and commercial segments.



Vodafone Idea to launch 5G services in Chandigarh, Patna



Vodafone Idea (VIL) has officially launched its 5G services in Chandigarh and Patna, marking another milestone in its phased rollout across India. The announcement came on Monday, as the telecom company continues to expand its high-speed network following its initial 5G launch in Mumbai earlier this year.

According to a company release, customers in Chandigarh and Patna who own 5G-enabled smartphones can now access Vodafone Idea's 5G services. The telco also confirmed that it will extend its rollout to major metros Delhi and Bengaluru in May.

The expansion into Chandigarh and Patna comes on the heels of encouraging performance metrics from Mumbai, where more than 70% of eligible users are actively using the new 5G network. In Mumbai alone, 5G data now accounts for approximately 20% of Vodafone Idea's total network traffic, indicating strong user adoption and growing demand for faster connectivity.

"As part of its introductory offer, Vodafone Idea customers can enjoy unlimited 5G data on plans starting from Rs 299," the company said. These plans allow users to take full advantage of 5G's capabilities, including ultra-fast streaming, online gaming, HD video conferencing, lightning-speed downloads, and seamless real-time access to cloud services.

The company is positioning its 5G rollout as a key step toward digital transformation, especially in urban areas with high data consumption. With increasing demand for high-speed internet, Vodafone Idea is aiming to bridge the gap with competitors who launched 5G services earlier. The rollout in Patna and Chandigarh reflects VIL's strategy of targeting high-potential Tier-II cities alongside metro markets.

Industry experts view Vodafone Idea's expanding 5G footprint as critical for the company's long-term viability, especially amid fierce competition from rivals like Reliance Jio and Bharti Airtel. The move also signals VIL's intent to recover ground in India's highly competitive telecom sector by focusing on network quality and user experience.

As the rollout progresses, users across more cities can expect access to high-speed 5G connectivity, transforming everyday digital experiences in both personal and professional domains.

Indian Auto Component Makers Face ₹4,500 Crore Revenue Hit Amid U.S. Tariff Impact: ICRA

Indian auto component manufacturers may suffer a revenue loss of up to ₹4,500 crore in the current financial year due to a decline in exports, following the steep hike in U.S. import tariffs. This warning comes from credit rating agency ICRA, which released its latest industry outlook on Monday.

ICRA projects that the overall revenue growth of India's auto component sector—based on a sample of 46 companies with combined annual revenues exceeding ₹3 lakh crore in FY24—will moderate to 6–8% in FY26. This is a downward revision from the earlier projection of 8–10%, assuming a mid-to-high single-digit decline in U.S.-bound exports.

The U.S. government, through an order dated March 26, 2025, imposed a 25% import tariff on critical automotive parts



such as engines, transmissions, powertrains, and electrical components, effective from May 3, 2025. This move is estimated to add an incremental cost burden of nearly ₹9,000 crore across the supply chain. The cost will be shared among U.S. consumers, importers, and Indian exporters. ICRA estimates that about 65% of India's auto component exports to the U.S. fall under the affected categories.

Shamsher Dewan, Senior Vice President and Head of Corporate Ratings at ICRA, noted that while most suppliers expect to pass on the added costs, the extent of cost absorption will depend on several factors—such as the competitiveness of the exporter, product differentiation, and the strength of buyer-supplier relationships. ICRA

estimates that if Indian suppliers absorb 30–50% of the tariff-related costs, it could reduce their earnings by ₹2,700–4,500 crore. This would translate into a 3–6% hit on the industry's operating profits and a 10–15% impact on the profits of exporters specifically.

Despite the challenge, the domestic market remains the mainstay for Indian component makers, contributing over 70% of total revenues. The U.S., though significant, accounted for only about 8% of the industry's total revenues in FY24. Nevertheless, exports to the U.S. had grown at a CAGR of 15% between FY20 and FY24.

A reciprocal tariff of 26% on Indian exports to the U.S. has been temporarily paused for 90 days, though a 10% ad valorem duty still applies.

Sensex Crosses 80,000 as Reliance, FIIs Fuel Market Rally Despite Border Tensions

The benchmark BSE Sensex surged over 1,000 points on Monday, April 28, 2025, to close above the 80,000 mark, reversing two days of losses amid geopolitical tensions at the India-Pakistan border. Buoyed by a sharp rally in Reliance Industries, private banking stocks, and strong foreign institutional investor (FII) inflows, investor sentiment was significantly uplifted.

The 30-share Sensex rose 1,005.84 points or 1.27%, ending at 80,218.37, with intraday gains peaking at 1,109.35 points. The broader NSE Nifty also rallied 289.15 points, or 1.20%, closing at 24,328.50. Reliance Industries emerged as the top performer, jumping 5.27% after it posted a better-than-expected 2.4% rise in net profit for the March quarter.



The gains in Reliance contributed significantly to the index's climb. Mahindra & Mahindra added 2.29% after announcing a ₹555-crore acquisition of SML Isuzu, which it described as a strategic fit. However, SML Isuzu shares plunged 10% following the announcement. Other major gainers included Sun Pharma, Tata Steel, ICICI

Bank, Axis Bank, Tata Motors, and Larsen & Toubro. On the losing side were HCL Tech, UltraTech Cement, Nestle, and Hindustan Unilever. Foreign investors played a crucial role in the recovery, injecting ₹2,952.33 crore into equities on Friday alone. Over the previous week, FIIs had poured in a total of ₹17,425 crore, buoyed by

a weaker U.S. dollar and easing inflation concerns. Vinod Nair, Head of Research at Geojit Financial Services, noted that investor optimism was driven by strong corporate earnings and sustained foreign inflows. "The market rebound came despite regional tensions, as global cues remained favorable," he said. In global markets, Asian indices posted mixed results with gains in South Korea and Japan, while Shanghai and Hong Kong ended lower. European bourses traded positively, while U.S. markets had closed higher on Friday. Meanwhile, Brent crude edged down 0.19% to \$66.74 a barrel. This rebound comes after the Sensex had fallen by nearly 600 points on Friday, indicating strong resilience in the face of geopolitical uncertainty.

World’s First AI Mazu Statue Unveiled

The Tianhou Temple in Jorhor, Malaysia, has unveiled the world’s first AI-powered statue of Mazu, the revered Chinese sea goddess. Developed by Malaysian tech firm Aimazin, the digital deity was launched on April 20 to commemorate Mazu’s 1,065th birthday.

This innovative statue allows devotees to interact with Mazu by asking for blessings, guidance, and advice. The AI technology brings a new dimension to religious devotion, blending centuries-old tradition with

modern innovation. During the launch, Aimazin’s founder, Shin Kong, demonstrated the AI’s capabilities by seeking advice on improving his luck. The AI Mazu gently suggested he stay at home for better fortune. In another interaction, when an influencer asked for help with insomnia, the AI goddess recommended drinking warm water before bed.

Mazu, whose original name was Lin Mo, was born in 960 on Meizhou Island in Fujian, China. According to legend, she



died while trying to save sailors from a shipwreck and was later deified as a protector of

seafarers. Today, she is deeply venerated by Chinese communities across the world, particularly in countries like Malaysia, Singapore, and Indonesia.

The AI-powered statue reflects a growing trend of using technology to keep ancient traditions alive and relevant to modern worshippers. By enabling two-way interaction, it offers a more personal spiritual experience, especially for younger generations more attuned to digital communication.

The launch has garnered widespread attention, with many

praising it as a groundbreaking blend of faith and technology. Tianhou Temple’s initiative not only honors Mazu’s legacy but also sets a precedent for how cultural and religious traditions can evolve with the times.

As temples and religious institutions explore new ways to engage their followers, the AI Mazu statue stands as a symbol of innovation, bridging the ancient past with the digital future.

Chandigarh Woman, 62, Follows Street Food Dream



Age is just a number when it comes to pursuing one’s passion — and a 62-year-old woman from Chandigarh has proven exactly that. Two months ago, she took a bold step and opened her own street food stall, delighting customers with a range of beloved Indian snacks.

Her menu features popular favorites like dahi bhallu, golgappa, aloo tikki, and chole bhature. Having spent over 50 years mastering the art of cooking as a housewife, she finally turned her lifelong love for food into a public venture. Her inspiring journey caught wider attention when a food vlogger visited her bustling stall and shared a heartwarming video on social media.

In the video, the woman is seen preparing a plate of dahi puri with a bright smile. When asked about her menu, she proudly listed the items she serves. Speaking about her decision, she shared, “Before this, I used to be a housewife. I was always passionate about food,

so I thought I should just do this. Why should I focus on my age? You can take up any hobby at any age.” She added, “I have been cooking food for the past 50 years.”

The video resonated with viewers, quickly going viral and garnering nearly three lakh views. The comments were filled with admiration, blessings, and praises for her courage and determination. Many users left heartfelt messages, calling her an inspiration and showering her with love through red heart and clapping emojis.

Comments like “Massive respect for aunty ji, may God bless her” and “Wow, those chutneys look really good” echoed the overwhelming support she received. Another admirer wrote, “Congratulations on the new start-up, aunty ji. See you soon!”

Her story joins a growing list of inspiring tales, like that of a 108-year-old vegetable vendor in Punjab, proving that dreams and resilience know no age limits.

Simple Hindi Question Leaves Internet Stumped

A seemingly simple question has left social media users scratching their heads. Vishi, a popular content creator from Jaipur, recently posed a question on Instagram: “What is the Hindi name for police?” — and the responses sparked a viral sensation.

Despite the word ‘police’ being a common term used in daily life, many found themselves unsure about its actual Hindi equivalent. Vishi, known for her engaging and quirky content, posted a video where she approached people and asked them for the answer. The variety of responses she received highlighted the widespread confusion.

Answers ranged from ‘thana’ (station head) to ‘chowkidar’ (watchman) and even ‘prashasan’ (administration), with some respondents admitting they had no idea. The humorous video captured people’s puzzled expressions and creative guesses, resonating widely with viewers and quickly going viral.



The clip not only entertained but also raised an interesting point about how deeply English words like “police” are entrenched in

everyday Hindi conversations, blurring the lines between local and borrowed vocabulary. In reality, the Hindi term officially used for police is “पुलिस” (police) itself, adopted directly into the language without a separate traditional Hindi equivalent. Vishi’s light-hearted social experiment earned praise for its originality and relatability. Users filled the comment section with laughing emojis, jokes about their own confusion, and appreciation for the creator’s creativity.

In a world where serious content often dominates social media, this simple, relatable question reminded people of the small linguistic quirks that connect — and sometimes confuse — us all.

Government Warns Against Public Wi-Fi Risks

In an era where the internet is an essential part of daily life, the central government has issued a crucial warning: avoid conducting financial transactions or sensitive activities over public Wi-Fi networks.

While connecting to free Wi-Fi at airports, coffee shops, or public spaces may seem convenient, the Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In), under the Ministry of Electronics and IT, has stressed the serious risks involved. Many public networks lack proper security, making them easy targets for hackers and cybercriminals.

The government advisory urges citizens to think twice before using public Wi-Fi for online banking, shopping, or accessing personal accounts. Even simple actions like checking emails or logging into



social media could expose users to data theft if precautions aren’t taken. Hackers can easily intercept information on unsecured networks, potentially leading to identity theft or financial loss.

CERT-In emphasized that cybercriminals

often exploit these vulnerabilities, making it essential for individuals to stay vigilant. To enhance safety, CERT-In also issued a set of precautionary tips for internet users. These include avoiding clicking on suspicious links or attachments, using long and complex passwords, and regularly backing up important files to external drives.

The advisory further highlights that public Wi-Fi networks, though seemingly harmless, can pose a severe threat if users are unaware of the lurking dangers. Instead of risking

As India continues to move towards a more digital society, ensuring cybersecurity awareness remains critical. Following these simple yet vital steps can protect users from falling victim to online fraud and cybercrimes.

Top Reasons Audi Q3 Dominates Segment

If you’re planning to enter the luxury SUV market, choosing the right vehicle can be challenging with so many attractive options. However, the Audi Q3 continues to stand out as a reliable and stylish choice, combining high performance, modern technology, and luxurious comfort.



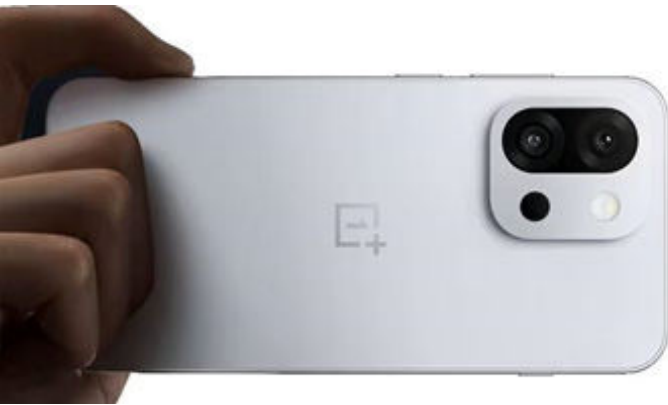
Priced between Rs 44.99 lakh and Rs 55.64 lakh (ex-showroom), the Audi Q3 is available in four variants, offering customers multiple choices based on their preferences and needs. To add to its appeal, the SUV comes in five vibrant exterior colour options, ensuring that buyers can match their style effortlessly.

One of the key reasons behind the Q3’s popularity is its balanced offering of sporty design and premium features. The model exudes a bold yet refined look, appealing to those who want both elegance and an athletic stance. Under the hood, the Q3 promises impressive performance, thanks to its powerful 40 TFSI engine, which ensures smooth and respon-

sive driving experiences.

Inside, the Audi Q3 impresses with a plush, feature-packed cabin that emphasizes comfort and convenience. From the virtual cockpit to a high-end infotainment system, the SUV boasts cutting-edge technology designed to elevate the driving experience. Features such as ambient lighting, wireless charging, and advanced driver-assistance systems further enhance the luxury quotient. In a competitive segment where every brand promises excellence, the Audi Q3 manages to deliver a compelling blend of design, performance, and comfort, solidifying its position as a leader in the luxury SUV space.

Compact Flagship Phones Set To Rise



Over the past few years, smartphone screens have grown bigger, catering to users who enjoy gaming and media consumption. But now, the trend seems to be reversing. According to a recent study in India, more than 65% of users are willing to buy compact phones — as long as they pack flagship-level performance. The sweet spot, according to the survey, lies between 6 to 6.5 inches for screen size — offering a perfect balance between usability and power.

The era of small yet powerful smartphones is making a strong comeback. After Apple’s attempt to revive compact devices with its iPhone Mini series met with lukewarm demand, it seemed the market had moved past smaller phones. However, 2025 is set to change that, with brands like Vivo, OnePlus, Xiaomi, and even Samsung gearing up to release compact flagship models that could reshape the smartphone landscape.

Unlike before, these compact devices won’t be limited to select regions like China. This time, the global market, including India, is expected to see a surge in compact flagship offerings. Xiaomi has already revealed its plans with the Xiaomi 15 series, while Vivo and OnePlus are rumoured to follow soon.

The industry has already seen examples of compact premium phones like the Asus Zenfone series, Sony Xperia compact models, and now Samsung’s Galaxy S25 and Google’s Pixel 9. These devices promise top-tier specifications without the bulk of oversized phones.

The coming months are expected to be even more exciting as multiple brands prepare to enter the compact flagship segment. Rumors around OnePlus and Vivo’s upcoming devices suggest they will feature top-end processors like Snapdragon 8 Elite or Dimensity 9000 series, bringing premium features at more accessible prices. The OnePlus 13T, already launched, hints at the broader strategy these brands are likely to adopt through 2025 and beyond.

14-Year-Old Suryavanshi Breaks T20 World, IPL Records in Style

Fourteen-year-old sensation Vaibhav Suryavanshi created history on Monday, producing a stunning 35-ball century for Rajasthan Royals against Gujarat Titans in the Indian Premier League (IPL). With this knock, Suryavanshi shattered multiple records, announcing his arrival on the grand stage in unforgettable fashion. Suryavanshi became the fastest Indian to score an IPL century, breaking Yusuf Pathan's long-standing record of a 37-ball ton. Not just that, he is now the youngest centurion in IPL history at just 14 years and 32 days, eclipsing the previous mark held by Manish Pandey, who scored his first IPL century at 19 years and 253 days. The young southpaw from Bihar also achieved a world record, becoming the youngest player ever to score a T20 century. He broke the record previously held by Maharashtra's Vijay Zol, who scored a ton at the age of 18 years

and 118 days during a Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy match in 2013. During Rajasthan's chase, Suryavanshi displayed fearless stroke play, taking veteran pacer Ishant Sharma apart for 28 runs in an over and hammering debutant Karim Janat for 30 runs in the 10th over. His dazzling innings of 101 off just 38 balls eventually ended with Prasad Krishna claiming his wicket, but by then, he had already etched his name into cricketing folklore. Adding to his feats, Suryavanshi also became the youngest batter to score a fifty in T20 cricket, surpassing Hassan Eisakhil, who held the record at 15 years and 360 days in Afghanistan's Shpageeza League. Vaibhav Suryavanshi's explosive innings has not only lifted the spirits of Rajasthan Royals but also electrified the cricketing world, setting a new benchmark for young talents in the sport.



Pietersen hits back over Natarajan's Absence

Delhi Capitals (DC) mentor Kevin Pietersen offered a sharp response when questioned about the absence of left-arm pacer T Natarajan, following DC's loss to Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) on Sunday. Despite being bought for a hefty ₹10.75 crore, Natarajan is yet to feature in a single match this season. Responding to a reporter's query, Pietersen said, "We can only play 12 players, one being an impact player. And if you can tell me where he fits in at the moment, you would help us. If you can help us play 13-14, it would help us." He further praised Natarajan's professionalism, saying he is doing everything expected of him and remains ready for when his chance comes. Pietersen emphasized that while selection is competitive, the players not in the XI have maintained a positive attitude. "What's been so impressive about our set-up is how good the guys are that are not playing. They know their chance is just around the corner," he said. Hinting at an imminent return, Pietersen added that Natarajan has been bowling im-



pressively in the nets and is "chomping at the bit" for an opportunity. He cited instances of players needing to step up at short notice due to sudden illnesses, reinforcing that all squad members must stay prepared. "You have a look at Donovan the other night, he turned up and faced a couple of balls against GT. It didn't work out, but he was ready. Phil Salt went down with a viral infection before a game. So, Natsu is ready too," Pietersen explained. DC missed a golden chance to go top of the table after their defeat to RCB. With the win, RCB now lead the 10-team points table with 14 points from 10 matches.

FA Cup win won't save City's season: Guardiola

Pep says Premier League failure defines troubled campaign

Pep Guardiola has admitted that winning the FA Cup will not be enough to salvage Manchester City's disappointing season after his side booked their place in the final with a 2-0 victory over Nottingham Forest.

City, who had won the Premier League title for the past four seasons, surrendered their crown to Liverpool following a campaign marked by inconsistent form. Liverpool sealed their record-equalling 20th English top-flight title with a dominant 5-1 win over Tottenham, almost coinciding with the full-time whistle at Wembley where City advanced to the FA Cup final. Rico Lewis gave City an early lead after just 109 seconds, and Josko Gvardiol doubled the advantage in the second half, setting up a final clash against Crystal Palace on May 17 — City's third successive appearance in the FA Cup final. Despite reaching another domestic final and being on course to secure Champions League qualification through a top-five Premier League finish, Guardiola insisted the season remains a failure by City's high standards. "No, and I have said that many times," Guardiola responded when asked if FA Cup success and Champions League qualification would constitute a successful campaign. "This season has not



been good. We are a thousand million points behind Liverpool, so come on, this season has not been good." Highlighting City's struggles in Europe, he added, "Look at the Champions League. How many games did we win? One or two? And we have always been a machine in that." Currently sitting fourth in the Premier League, City are just one point ahead of Chelsea and Nottingham Forest, who both have a game in hand, in the race for the Champions League spots.

While Guardiola praised his team's achievement of reaching another final, he made it clear that Premier League performance is the true barometer of success. "The season is defined by the Premier League and being consistent, and this season that couldn't happen," he said. "The most important thing now is qualification for the Champions League and we have to be calm and recover." City, who recently routed Palace 5-2 at the Etihad Stadium, will be favourites for the FA Cup final. However, Guardiola warned against complacency, pointing to Palace's impressive 3-0 semi-final win over Aston Villa. "We have four finals to play, and then an unbelievable game against Palace, and we saw yesterday how good they are," Guardiola concluded.

Rahul's Ex-Teammate Defends LSG Owner Goenka

says Goenka never spoke harshly to players

KL Rahul has been in brilliant form for Delhi Capitals (DC) in IPL 2025, scoring 364 runs in eight matches at an average of 60.67 and a strike rate of 146.18, including three half-centuries. Rahul, who captained Lucknow Super Giants (LSG) till last season, left the franchise seeking more freedom. Speculation suggested that a viral post-match meeting with LSG owner Sanjiv Goenka after a loss to SunRisers Hyderabad triggered his exit.

However, former LSG teammate Amit Mishra has now shed new light on Goenka's role in the team environment. Speaking on Cricbuzz, Mishra said, "I spoke to the coach last season, and he told me KL Rahul was doing all the work — making the IIs, planning, and making changes. This year, with Zaheer Khan coming in, I see a lot more communication between the coaching staff and players." Defending Goenka, Mishra clarified, "If you talk about the owner, I never felt he was too involved. Of course, he wanted the team to win. But after defeats, he never spoke loudly or said anything wrong. I feel the media showed a little too much negativity."



Mishra also recalled that after heavy defeats in Kolkata and Hyderabad last season, Goenka came into the dressing room to motivate the players without raising his voice. "He only said: fight and lose, that's acceptable. But fight," Mishra emphasized. Meanwhile, Rahul and Goenka faced each other again on the cricket field during the IPL 2025 season when DC clashed with LSG. After Rahul's match-winning unbeaten 57, an awkward moment was witnessed during a brief handshake between the two. Rahul barely made eye contact as Goenka appeared to say something that Rahul did not acknowledge.

Sanjana Slams Trolls For Targeting Son Angad

Supporting Jasprit Bumrah during Mumbai Indians' win over Lucknow Super Giants on Sunday, Sanjana Ganesan and their son Angad were present at the Wankhede Stadium. Bumrah made the match memorable with a stunning 4-wicket haul, but a brief glimpse of their son Angad in the stands unexpectedly became a topic of discussion on social media. Reacting strongly to the trolls and online comments, Sanjana took to Instagram to defend her son and slam the negativity. "Our son is NOT a topic for your entertainment," she wrote in a powerful statement.

Sanjana explained that both she and Bumrah have been consciously keeping Angad away from social media because of the toxic environment online. "We have no interest in our son being viral Internet content or national news," she asserted, criticizing people for forming baseless opinions based on just three seconds of footage. Highlighting the disturbing nature of some comments, she added, "Throwing around words like trauma and depression in reference to a baby says so much about who we're becoming as a community and it's honestly really sad."



Sanjana further urged people to show more empathy. "You know NOTHING about our son, nothing about our lives, and I request you to keep your opinions online true to that. A little honesty and a little kindness goes a long way in today's world," she wrote. The incident once again brings into focus the harsh scrutiny public figures and their families face, even when their appearances are purely personal and supportive.



Balakrishna Receives Padma Bhushan Honour



Nandamuri Balakrishna's journey continues to soar both in politics and cinema. After winning the hearts of Hindupur voters by being elected MLA multiple times and achieving consistent success in films, Balakrishna reached a new milestone today.

He was awarded the prestigious Padma Bhushan, India's third-highest civilian honour, for his outstanding contributions to cinema and his public service as

a politician. President Droupadi Murmu presented the award at a ceremony in Delhi.

Balakrishna added a touch of tradition to the event by wearing a classic Telugu Pattu Panche, reminiscent of his father, the legendary NTR, who popularized the attire. His recognition marks a crowning moment in a career spanning over five decades, showcasing his influence both on and off the screen.

Baahubali Returns: Re-Release Plans Unveiled

It's been eight years since SS Rajamouli's magnum opus Baahubali 2: The Conclusion broke records with a staggering Rs. 1,700 crore worldwide collection. Now, to celebrate a decade of the Baahubali saga, the makers are planning a grand re-release of Baahubali: The Beginning in October 2025.

Producer Shobu Yarlagadda announced that the re-release will be both in India and internationally, promising a year-long celebration with surprises, nostalgic moments, and exciting reveals for fans.

The epic, starring Prabhas, Rana Daggubati, Anushka Shetty, Tamannaah Bhatia, Sathyaraj, and others, crafted by Arka Media Works and with music by MM Keeravaani, continues to enthrall audiences. More details on the release date and special activities will be shared soon.



HIT 3 and Raid 2: A Similar Journey

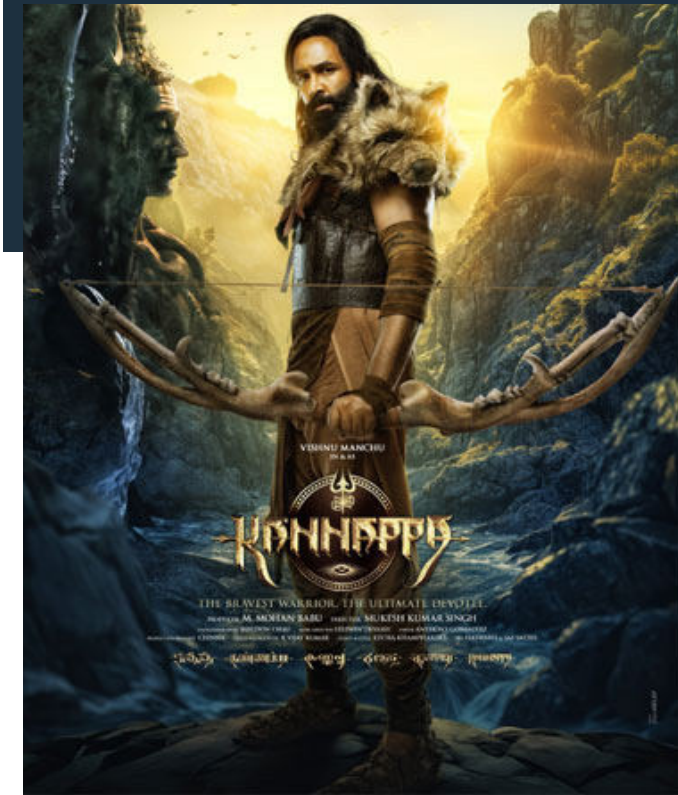
This week, HIT 3 and Raid 2 are set to captivate audiences in both Telugu and Hindi markets. Both films, despite being highly anticipated, had no plans for sequels during the making of their predecessors. Nani, during HIT 3 promotions, revealed that he only had a cameo in HIT 2 to give the film a strong ending. It wasn't until months later that the team developed a compelling story for HIT 3. Similarly, Raid 2 director Raj Kumar Gupta shared that no sequel was planned while making Raid. The idea for Raid 2 came after the first film's success, and a year and a half was



spent developing the screenplay.

With limited successful releases this year, the box office success of both films is highly awaited.

Vishnu Manchu's Kannappa USA Promotional Tour



Tollywood actor Vishnu Manchu is gearing up for the global release of his highly anticipated mythological epic, Kannappa, scheduled for June 27, 2025. Featuring a stellar cast including Prabhas, Mohanlal, Akshay Kumar, Kajal Aggarwal, and others, the film is in its final post-production phase.

To promote the film, Vishnu Manchu will embark on a promotional tour in the United States, starting on May 8,

2025. The tour will kick off with a roadshow in New Jersey and will travel to major cities like Dallas and Los Angeles. During these events, Vishnu will engage with Telugu NRIs, offering them exclusive behind-the-scenes footage, music sessions, and sneak peeks of the film.

Directed by Mukesh Kumar Singh, Kannappa features music by Manisharma and Stephen Devassy.

Strong Start for Suriya's Retro in Tamil Nadu



Retro, led by Suriya and directed by RKarthik Subbaraj, has made a strong debut in Tamil Nadu, despite the setback of Kanguva. The romantic action entertainer, featuring Pooja Hegde as the female lead, has garnered significant interest from the audience. With bookings opening recently, the film has already crossed Rs. 3 crore in advance sales for its opening day, and over 100K tickets have been sold on Book My Show, indicating high demand. Retro could potentially become Suriya's highest opener worldwide if the film receives positive reviews. The film is also set to clash with Nani's HIT 3 in Telugu markets. Produced by Jyotika and Suriya under 2D Entertainment, Retro also stars Jayaram, Joju George, Prakash Raj, and others in supporting roles.

Tripti Dimri became a sensation after her portrayal of Zoya in Animal, earning her recognition as a Bollywood star. However, despite the massive success of Animal, she has struggled to maintain the same level of visibility in the industry. While she starred in films like Bad Newz, Vicky Vidya Ka Woh Wala Video, and Bhool Bhulaiyaa 3, none of them matched the impact of her performance in Animal. Despite having 6 million followers on social media, her recent projects haven't been able to replicate the fame she gained from that breakthrough role. Nonetheless, her stunning beach shots continue to captivate fans, showcasing her ability to hold onto the public's attention even amidst the challenges in her acting career.



Tripti Dimri's Beach Shots Amid Struggles