#### MONEY POOLING BY POLITICIANS IN THE NAME OF CRCIKET FRANCHISES

#### Raghurama **Complains to DGP** Over Sajjala's **Comments**

- Raghuramakrishna Raju demands action against YSRCP leader
- Complaint cites castediscriminatory and derogatory remarks
- Calls for case under SC/ ST atrocity laws

TPN Correspondent | Amaravati

Andhra Pradesh Deputy Speaker Raghuramakrishna Raju has formally complained to the Director General of Police, urging strict action against YSRCP leader Sajjala Ramakrishna Reddy for making inappropriate and caste-insensitive remarks targeting women in the Amaravati capital region.

In a written complaint, Raghurama condemned Sajjala's comments as deeply hurtful to the sentiments of thousands of Amaravati residents. He requested that a case be registered under the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (SC/ST) Atrocity Act, emphasizing the need to deter such derogatory language in the

Sajjala had reportedly ridiculed women protesting against journalist Krishnam Raju's objectionable remarks on Sakshi Channel, describing the protesters using highly offensive and caste-tinged language. Speaking at the YSRCP office, he said, "Don't even vampires do this? They can't even be called demons. It seems like everyone is a hybrid. It seems like there is a tribe made up of all these. That tribe can do this only if it wants to. It is trying to attack them in a completely coordinated manner. None of this is natural, it is an organized protest."

## PENSION BECAME A TENSION FOR GOVT EMPLOYEES

ONE YEAR COMPLETED, WHAT ABOUT CPS?

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Amaravati: Pension System was changed from 2004 onwards. Though it was in the regime of Dr YS Rajasekhar Reddy, the agreement and acceptance were given to the Union Government by Mr. Chandrababu Naidu only before the implementation. Actually, it was implemented with a concept of avoid the pension burden for the Government. Paying pension years together has become a burden for the Government as per new reforms. Instead of paying pension by the Government, they have planned to take a contribution from the employees and adding contribution of the Government to it and invest it in the market. After that the income gains on that investment will be distributed as pension to the employees. But here the risk is, if market collapses, the pension payment will be at trouble. In this system, the responsibility of the Government will shift to the market, which is volatile.

That is why the Employees have been opposing CPS from the beginning. But the Union Government has bulldozed it just like that. As the Congress and BJP both are pro to it, there is no break for it. Most of the regional parties like TDP, BRS are pro to reforms and no way of opposing BJP in this regard, they have executed CPS in their states respectively. But, West implemented CPS until now and continuing Old Pension System (OPS). Tamilnadu, Kerala and Tri-

pura have reversed CPS to OPS. At the time elections in 2009, Mr. YS Jaganmohan Reddy has promised that he will abolish CPS, but not done. They have introduced GPS and left the issue. At the time of elections in 2024, Mr. Pawan Kalyan has promised that CPS issue will be solved within a year after Alliance coming to the power.





Mr. Surya Narayana, President of AP Government **Employees Association said** that "Actually CPS is not at all constitutional. It is not valid, as its execution was not done in constitutional procedure. I have got the opinion of a famous retired Judge and he has endorsed my argument. Until OPS features will be reversed, we will fight uniting with all the associations".

Bengal is the only state which not Now, that one year was completed, but nobody speaking about it. At the same time, Union Government has renamed CPS as NPS (National Pension System) and now they are transforming it into UPS (Unified Pension System). In CPS 40% of the pension assured, now in the new one, it is 50%. Even DA was also included. Few changes have come in UPS. But there is no assurance to the Government Employees in paying their pension by the Governments. Still the risk of



Mr. Bopparaju Venkateswarlu, President, Amaravati Employees Association said that "GPS was introduced by YSRC with few changes to CPS. Now Union Government has brought UPS, in which many changes happened. But the basic risk is still there. All the employees are asking to go for OPS. We will fight for it".

markets and investing their contribution are there like that only. As per the sources, the Alliance Government is going to adopt UPS as new one. And they are going to announce that CPS problem solved. They are not going to move towards reversal of OPS, as they are partners with BJP and they cannot dare to oppose or question BJP in this regard. But the Employees associations are stating that they will continue their struggle to get OPS features in UPS itself.



#### **Special Office** for MLA in **Constituency** Center

- **Nodal Officer Available**
- CM at the Inauguration of Swarnandhra Vision

TPN Correspondent | Amaravati

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Chief Minister Chandrababu said that a special office is being made available to the MLA in every constituency center in the state, along with a team of officials and experts. On Monday, he inaugurated the offices of Swarnandhra Vision Units set up in 26 districts and 175 constituency centers virtually from the Secretariat. Speaking on the occasion, Chandrababu said, "I have seen politics for 45 years. When an MLA went to his constituency, there was nothing to sit in except the party office and guest houses. As part of the implementation of the Swarnandhra Vision, we are introducing a new system. For the first time, we are setting up an office for the MLA. The nodal officer there will directly communicate with the collector and solve problems. The best educational institution appointed as a knowledge partner will share their ideas. We have appointed an expert to achieve the vision goals. The collector and public representatives are responsible

for working with all of them.



#### Six Arrested in Sri Sathya Sai District for Raping Minor

TPN Correspondent | Anantapur

Sri Sathya Sai district police arrested six men on Monday, June 9, 2025, for the gang rape of a 15-year-old girl in Yedugurrallapalli village, Ramagiri mandal, Superintendent of Police V. Ratna announced during a press briefing at the district police office. The accused, identified as Acchampalli Vardhan (21), Badagorla Nandavardhan Raj alias Nanda (23), Boodida Rajanna (49), Boya Sanjeeva (40), Haryanacheruvu Nagaraju (51), and Talari Murali (25), all residents of Ramagiri mandal, were remanded following their arrest.

The case came to light after the victim lodged a complaint, prompting the police to register a case under various sections of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, and the Information Technology (IT) Act. Special teams, led



by Dharmavaram Deputy Superintendent of Police B. Hemanth Kumar and Ramagiri Circle Inspector V. Sridhar, tracked and apprehended the accused while they attempted to flee the district. SP Ratna revealed that some of the accused were previously involved in coercing families to remain silent about illegal abortions of minor girls, indicating a pattern of criminal behavior. The police are continuing investigations to identify and arrest additional suspects involved in the case. The SP emphasized the department's the Protection of Children from commitment to ensuring justice and preventing crimes against women and children. Dharmavaram Two Town Circle Inspector Reddappa and other police staff were present at the press meet.



#### Kommineni Remanded for 14 Days

TPN Correspondent | Guntur

Sakshi Channel news anchor Kommineni Srinivasa Rao, who was arrested in connection with a case involving obscene comments against women in Amaravati, was produced before the Mangalagiri court in Guntur district on Tuesday, June 10, 2025. The court, after hearing arguments from both sides, issued orders remanding him to judicial custody for 14 days.

It is known that Kommineni Srinivasa Rao was taken into custody by the police in Hyderabad on Monday, June 9, 2025, following widespread outrage over his derogatory remarks. He was subsequently brought to Guntur district and presented before the Mangalagiri court today. Following the court's decision to place him in judicial remand,

#### **NCW Slams Journalist** Krishnam Raju

- NCW takes suo moto cognizance, orders probe
- · Chairperson directs DGP to submit action report within three days

TPN Correspondent | **Amaravati** 

The National Commission for Women (NCW) has taken strong exception to journalist Krishnam Raju's obscene remarks against Amaravati women during a debate on Sakshi Channel. The NCW, acting suo moto, has directed Andhra Pradesh Director General of Police (DGP) Harish Kumar Gupta to initiate immediate action and submit a detailed report on the measures taken within three days. NCW Chairperson Vijaya Rahatkar, in a letter to the DGP, condemned Raju's remarks as derogatory and an affront to women's digni-



ty. The commission emphasized the pivotal role played by women farmers in the Amaravati movement, highlighting the offensive nature of the journalist's comments. Raju's controversial statement, labeling Amaravati as the

"capital of prosti-



## **ANDHRA PRADESH**

#### Kommineni...

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the authorities transferred Kommineni Srinivasa Rao to the Guntur district jail, where he will remain for the duration of his 14-day remand as further legal proceedings continue. The case has sparked significant public and media attention due to the offensive nature of the comments made against the women of Amaravati.

Mangalagiri police have stated in their remand report that Sakshi TV anchor Kommineni Srinivasa Rao made obscene comments against women in Amaravati with malicious intent, as part of a pre-planned conspiracy. The police suspect that the remarks were aimed at creating social unrest and tension in the region. According to the report, the controversial comments occurred during a debate on Sakshi TV, which Kommineni moderated. During the discussion, panelist VVR Krishnamraju made objectionable statements, which Kommineni did not condemn but instead appeared to support indirectly, citing having seen similar news reports. The police believe this encouraged the inflammatory remarks. The report further highlights that Kommineni did not cooperate during the investigation, providing misleading answers that hampered the inquiry. Authorities stressed that a thorough probe is needed to unravel the full conspiracy behind the comments and that additional witnesses must be interrogated.

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has triggered widespread outrage. The NCW's actions were prompted by media reports circulating about the remarks. The commission's suo moto inquiry underscores its commitment to addressing such violations. In a related development, Sakshi TV news anchor Kommineni Srinivasa Rao has been arrested in connection with the case, further intensifying the controversy surrounding the incident.

#### Special...

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A team of five employees taken from the Secretariat will also be available," he said. "The MLA chairman and district officer will be the nodal officers in the constituency for the 9-member Swarnandhra 2047 unit. We have released Rs. 10 lakhs for the creation of infrastructure in the offices," he explained.

#### Work to Achieve Swarnandhra Goals

"A healthy, well-being, and happy society is the goal of Swarnandhra. Everyone in society should have increased income, be healthy, and be happy. Accordingly, the MLAs should formulate an action plan and implement it by 2029. The Swarnandhra unit is not just for solving problems. We have decided on clear indicators. We should work towards achieving the goals," Chandrababu suggested. He said that 40 parameters including air quality, temperature, wind speed, pollution, storm and lightning warnings, flood management, and water levels of reservoirs will be monitored in real-time through the Aware system operating under the auspices of RTGS.

#### P4 Is a Continuous Program

"P4 is a continuous program. MLAs should prepare a network in their area. Along with those who provide financial assistance, knowledge partners should be selected and implemented. So far, up to 80 thousand people have come forward across the state. By August 15, 15 lakh people should be adopted," Chandrababu directed. "MLAs, collectors, administration... We will monitor in real-time how many mentors have joined through whom. We will give awards to those who have participated well," Chandrababu said. "We will salute the mother in two or three days.

## Strict Action Against Ganja, CM Gives Police Full Freedom

- CM calls for complete crackdown on ganja smuggling and use
- Orders speedy investigation and strict punishment in recent crimes
- Emphasizes zero tolerance for crimes against women

TPN Correspondent | Amaravati

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu has called for a decisive end to the ganja trade and use, emphasizing the government's commitment to giving full freedom to the police to take strict action against offenders. Speaking during a review meeting, the CM expressed deep concern over recent violent crimes, including the murder of an intermediate student in Anantapur and the rape of a girl in Eduguralpalli.

Chandrababu directed authorities to ensure a "hundred percent change" in tackling such crimes. He stressed that investigations should be completed promptly, charge sheets filed without delay, and trials concluded swiftly to deliver justice. The CM insisted that special care be taken in collecting evidence meticulously to ensure the harshest possible punishments for the guilty.

Highlighting the need for a strong deterrent, he urged the police department to act firmly, creating



an environment where potential criminals fear the consequences of their actions. He stated that crimes against girls, whether committed in moments of passion, under the influence of marijuana, or through organized plans, must carry the clear message that punishment is inevitable.

Chandrababu criticized the previous government for its failure to

control criminals, pointing out that lawlessness grew unchecked due to a lack of fear of drugs and law enforcement. He noted that despite efforts, some elements still cling to their illegal habits. The review meeting was attended by Chief Secretary Vijayanand and Director General of Police Harish Kumar Gupta, who will oversee the implementation of the CM's directives.



#### Renuka Chowdhury Challenges Jagan to Visit Amaravati

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Amaravati: Rajya Sabha member and senior Congress leader Renuka Chowdhury has issued a bold challenge to YSRCP president Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy, daring him to visit the Amaravati region if he has the courage, amid a raging controversy over obscene remarks made by journalist VVR Krishnam Raju against Amaravati women during a Sakshi TV debate. The comments, aired on the KSR Live show hosted by senior journalist Kommineni Srinivasa Rao on June 6, 2025, have sparked widespread outrage and a series of complaints across Andhra Pradesh against Krishnam Raju, Kommineni, and the ownership of Sakshi TV, controlled by Jagan's wife, Y.S. Bharathi Reddy.

Speaking on a popular television channel's discussion program, Renuka Chowdhury launched a scathing attack on Jagan, accusing him of endorsing the derogatory remarks by remaining silent. She announced her intention to write to the Press Council of India to investigate Sakshi TV's ownership and demanded the channel's closure for insulting Amaravati women. Chowdhury also offered "free psychological treatment" to Jagan, mocking his leadership and recalling his past actions, including launching a signature campaign for political gain before his father, Y.S. Rajasekhara Reddy's funeral. "Jagan's behavior is like a moon raining on a bull," she remarked, criticizing his thirst for power.

Chowdhury highlighted Jagan's alleged partisanship against Amaravati, accusing him of underestimating women and failing to address derogatory comments while reacting defensively to criticism against his family during his tenure as Chief Minister. She described Amaravati women as wielding "Vishnu chakras" rather than "wearing bangles," emphasizing their strength and resolve.



# Polavaram Project Progressing on Schedule: Minister Nimmala

- Diaphragm wall work advancing rapidly
- Over 80% of head works completed
- Completion targeted by end of 2027

TPN Correspondent | Polavaram

Andhra Pradesh Minister Nimmala Ramanaidu has assured that the Polavaram project is progressing as planned and on schedule. During an inspection of the site alongside officials, the minister highlighted the swift progress in the construction of the diaphragm wall.

Speaking to the media, Nimmala recalled that Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu has visited the Polavaram site three times to review the work firsthand. The government aims to complete the project by the end of 2027, with particular focus on finishing the buttress dam to ensure work can continue even during the rainy season.

The minister stated that more than 80 percent of the Polavaram head works have been completed so far. He dismissed recent false reports about delays, noting that earlier YS-RCP ministers had admitted uncertainty about the project's completion timeline. Nimmala praised the current government's commitment to accelerating progress without compromising on quality.

"The Chief Minister is personally ensuring that the Polavaram project moves forward swiftly and efficiently," he said.



## High Court Denies Bail In APPSC Irregularities Case

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The Andhra Pradesh High Court on Monday rejected the bail applications of senior IPS officer PSR Anjaneyulu and Madhusudhan, director of Camsign Private Limited, both accused in the APPSC Group-1 Mains evaluation irregularities case. Justice Mandava Kiranmayi, presiding over the petitions, underscored that the gravity of the allegations and the nascent stage of the investigation weighed heavily against granting relief. Anjaneyulu, who served as Secretary of the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, is alleged to have overseen manual evaluation at Highland Resorts after Camsign was paid ₹1.14 crore for its services. The prosecution argued that premature release could risk evidence tampering and hinder the ongoing probe by Vijayawada Suryaraopet police. During proceedings, Anjaneyulu's counsel cited his deteriorating health, pointing to a recommendation from doctors at the Vijayawada Government General Hospital (GGH). The bench noted, however, that the officer had been discharged against medical advice and directed him to approach the First Additional First Class Judicial Magistrate Court in Vijayawada for a formal medical bail petition. Accordingly, the High Court permitted Anjaneyulu to file for medical bail and instructed the Vijayawada court to obtain an updated health report from GGH.

## **India's Transformation Shines**

Modi's 11-Year Milestones Celebrated in Vijayawada



TPN Correspondent | Vijayawada

Union Minister G. Kishan Reddy and BJP State President Daggubati Purandeswari celebrated 11 years of the Modi-led NDA government in Vijayawada, highlighting the transformative achievements of the government. The event showcased the Central Government's commitment to India's growth.

The celebrations began with Reddy and Purandeswari planting saplings dedicated to "Amma" (Mother), symbolizing their commitment to environmental care. They later visited an exhibition displaying the government's accomplishments over the past 11 years. Purandeswari, in her opening speech, praised the BJP's efforts in improving lives across India.

In his address, Reddy outlined key victories under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership. He highlighted India's rise as the world's fourth-largest economy and the success of the GST, which streamlined the tax structure and boosted economic growth. Reddy also celebrated the free food grain scheme, benefiting 81 crore people, a global first. He noted the growth of startups, with over 15 lakh new companies, and advancements in digital transactions, enhancing transparency and curbing black money.

Reddy emphasized the government's strong anti-terrorism measures, including surgical strikes and operations like "Sindhoor." He hailed the abrogation of Article 370 as a historic step.

The minister also praised the success of Mission Chandrayaan, showcasing India's space achievements. Reddy highlighted significant reductions in poverty and unemployment under Modi's leadership, alongside railway modernization through the Amrit Bharat program

Reddy stressed that the BJP's policies have empowered citizens and strengthened the nation's global standing. The celebration underscored the government's focus on inclusive development and innovation.

As India strides toward a brighter future, leaders like Reddy and Purandeswari inspire confidence in the BJP's vision for a prosperous, self-reliant nation.

## **Kakani Faces 14- Day Remand in Defamation Case**



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The Guntur CID court on Tuesday, June 10, 2025, remanded former YSRCP minister Kakani Govardhan Reddy to 14 days of judicial custody in connection with a case involving inappropriate social media posts against TDP leader and Sarvepalli MLA Somireddy Chandramohan Reddy. The CID registered the case in Mangalagiri based on a complaint by Mekala Narendra, who alleged that Kakani had posted morphed photos and defamatory content targeting Somireddy on social media platforms. Kakani, already under remand for an illegal quartz mining case, was brought to the Guntur court on a Prisoner on Transit (PT) warrant from Nellore under heavy security.

Following the court's order, CID officials transferred Kakani to Nellore district jail. The former minister's legal troubles stem from multiple allegations, including his involvement in illegal mining activities in Nellore district, which were exposed by Somireddy in 2019. The mining case, involving unauthorized extraction of 61,313 metric tonnes of quartz and a revenue loss of Rs 7.56 crore, led to his arrest near Bengaluru on May 25, 2025, after he evaded authorities for months.



## POLITICS

## **AI-Powered VIP Movement System** Cuts Traffic Delays for CM's Convoy

36 AI cameras installed from Undavalli to Gannavaram Airport 'VIP Movement Monitoring System' leverages IoT and GPS technology Traffic stoppage time reduced from 10 to 5 minutes System to be officially launched post field inspection

#### TPN Correspondent | Vijayawada

The Andhra Pradesh Police Department is implementing an innovative 'VIP Movement Monitoring System' to minimize traffic disruptions during Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu's travel in Vijayawada city. This advanced system, driven by Artificial Intelligence (AI), Internet of Things (IoT),

duce traffic stoppage time from 10 minutes to a maximum of 5 minutes, following direct instructions from CM Naidu to sides of this route, all connectavoid prolonged vehicle halts ed to the Command Control for his convoy.

The system is being deployed along the route from the Chief Minister's residence in Undavalli, Guntur district, through Prakasam Barrage, Vijayawa-

and GPS technology, aims to reda city, and extending to Gannavaram Airport. A total of 36 AI-powered cameras have been strategically installed on both Center in Vijayawada. The first camera, located at the Kondaveeti Vagu Lift Irrigation Scheme, operates using IoT technology. It detects the pilot vehicle of the CM's convoy via GPS and

instantly relays footage and data to the Command Control Center. This triggers alerts to staff at the next three points, providing precise instructions on when and for how long traffic should be stopped. A similar IoT-based camera is installed at Kesarapalli Junction near Gannavaram Airport.

These cameras autonomously calculate traffic stoppage times



at each point and transmit the data to the server, eliminating the need for human intervention. Police officials have been refining this system over the past two months, supported by a specially designed AI program. Pilot studies indicate that the system has successfully halved traffic stoppage durations. Authorities are cur-

rently conducting a comprehensive field inspection to ensure all components function seamlessly. Upon completion of these checks, the 'VIP Movement Monitoring System' will be officially launched, promising significant relief from traffic disruptions for commuters during the Chief Minister's movements.

## Ambedkar Statue Witnesses YSRCP-TDP Showdown Over Women's Safety



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Tensions flared at Lodge Centre in Guntur as heavy police forces were deployed around the Dr. B.R. Ambedkar statue due to simultaneous protests by the YSR Congress Party (YSRCP) and Telugu Desam Party (TDP). Both parties called for rallies at the Ambedkar statue in the lodge center to address concerns over women's safety in Andhra Pradesh.

The YSRCP, led by city president Noori Fatima, staged a dharna at the Ambed-

claiming it has trampled the Constitution drafted by Ambedkar. She praised former Chief Minister Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy for implementing welfare schemes for women during YSRCP's tenure and criticized the current government for "diversion politics" and neglecting welfare programs. Fatima also condemned the TDP for targeting Sakshi channel and its chairman, Bharati, warning that the YSRCP would

calling Amaravati's women "prostitutes." Yadav demanded legal action against the channel's management, including Srinivas and Krishnaraju, for their "heinous journalism." He accused the YSRCP of vendetta politics, alleging that the coalition government's law enforcement acts like TDP workers.

The protests reflect growing political friction in Andhra Pradesh, with both parties leveraging the Ambedkar statue as a symbol of their causes. Police ensured strict bandobast to prevent clashes, maintaining order amidst the charged atmosphere.

#### not tolerate attacks on its women leaders. Simultaneously, the TDP, under Guntur kar statue, protesting alleged attacks on West leader Talla Venkatesh Yadav, orgawomen under the TDP-led NDA govern- nized a rally from Mother Teresa's statue ment. Fatima accused the coalition of to the Ambedkar statue, protesting de- The events underscore the deepening difailing to curb violence against women, rogatory remarks made on a TV channel vide between YSRCP and TDP.

Krishnam Raju Defends Offensive Remarks on

Amaravati Women with Controversial Video



Usually, individuals express remorse after wrongdoing, but journalist Krishnam Raju, who made highly objectionable comments about Amaravati women on Sakshi channel, is not backing down. Instead, he is resorting to more controversial actions to justify his remarks. Recently, he released a video showcasing old news articles as evidence, which has become a hot topic of discussion.

Krishnam Raju compiled old news reports of police raids on brothels and past arrests into an 8-minute-42-second video, uploaded on the YouTube channel "APTV Journalist." Many believe he is attempting to further pro-

**TPN** Correspondent | Andhra voke people through this action. Despite cases already registered against him for his inappropriate comments, he remains steadfast in his stance.

Such incidents, like police raids and arrests related to brothels, occur daily across the country and in every state capital. However, critics are slamming Krishnam Raju for portraying these issues as unique to the Amaravati region, calling it a reflection of his perverse mindset. Many allege his actions are a deliberate attempt to damage Amaravati's reputation. Public outrage is growing, with people condemning his efforts to smear the region while holding a responsible position.

#### Jagan Condemns Attacks on Sakshi Media Offices as Undemocratic

#### TPN Correspondent | Andhra Pradesh

Amaravati: YSR Congress Party (YSRCP) president and former Chief Minister Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy has strongly condemned the systematic attacks on Sakshi media offices across Andhra Pradesh, labeling them as undemocratic and a deliberate assault on democracy. In a fiery statement on X, Jagan also denounced the arrest of senior Sakshi TV anchor Kommineni Srinivasa Rao, accusing Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu of orchestrating a false case against him to suppress dissent.

Kommineni was arrested on Monday, June 9, 2025, by Andhra Pradesh police from his Hyderabad residence and remanded to 14 days of judicial custody by a Guntur court on Tuesday, following allegations of derogatory remarks against Amaravati women during a Sakshi TV debate. Jagan alleged that Naidu distorted statements Kommineni never made to justify an unlawful arrest, claiming it was part of a broader strategy to silence critical voices. "Under the pretext of protecting women's dignity, TDP-led mobs vandalized Sakshi unit offices in several districts as a planned act of political vendetta," Jagan stated on X.

Jagan questioned the moral credibility of Naidu and his brotherin-law, Nandamuri Balakrishna, citing their past controversial remarks. "Naidu once said a daughter-in-law loves her husband, not her mother-in-law, and Balakrishna suggested kissing or patting girls on the stomach. These are your standards for respecting women!" he remarked, challenging TDP's narrative.

The former CM accused the TDP government of failing to ensure safety and justice for women, referencing the brutal murder of Intermediate student Saake Tanmayi in Anantapur, where authorities delayed action, and the case of a 9th-grade girl in Ramagiri mandal, Sri Sathya Sai district, who was allegedly blackmailed and raped by 14 individuals over six months without police intervention. "In just one year of TDP rule, 188 women and girls were raped, 15 of them murdered, with hundreds of harassment cases unpunished," Jagan claimed, highlighting a collapse in law and

Jagan further criticized Naidu for betraying electoral promises like the 'Super Six' and 'Super Seven' schemes, alleging failures in education, healthcare, agriculture, and public safety. He accused the TDP of using "fake news factories" to manipulate media and divert attention from its governance lapses. "Chandrababu Garu, your diversionary politics won't work forever. The people will hold you accountable," Jagan warned, emphasizing that Naidu's power is temporary and public scrutiny inevitable.



**YS Sharmila** Slams Sajjala for 'Foolish' Remarks Against **Amaravati** Women



TPN Correspondent | Rayachoti

Andhra Pradesh Congress Committee (APCC) President YS Sharmila on Tuesday, June 10, 2025, sharply condemned YSRCP leader Sajjala Ramakrishna Reddy for his derogatory remarks against the women of Amaravati. Addressing the media in Rayachoti, Annamayya district, Sharmila expressed outrage, stating that Sajjala "spoke like a fool" by insulting women and criticized the YSRCP for repeatedly making such mis-

Sharmila accused Sajjala's son, Bhargav, of blocking her on social media and spreading false narratives against her, disregarding her identity as a woman and the daughter of the late YS Rajasekhara Reddy. "Jagan Mohan Reddy calls everyone his sisters, but his own sister is shown no respect. How can he claim to respect the women of the state?" she questioned, highlighting the contradiction in YSRCP's stance.

Expressing frustration with certain party members, Sharmila described the Congress as a "vast ocean" with both positive and negative elements. She warned that those engaging in anti-party activities, such as spreading negative propaganda, would face consequences. "The party has a disciplinary committee, and we will take action against such individuals. Spreading bad news about your own party will not go unpunished," she asserted.

## **VIJAYAWADA**

#### **MONEY POOLING BY** POLITICIANS IN THE NAME **OF CRCIKET FRANCHISES**

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Vijayawada: The association is the same and the bank account remains same. But, process of franchises started newly. Why because, new persons came into power wants their share allegedly. Andhra Cricket Association has planned to run APL in the state. For that they have called bids for franchise. Six franchise have paid almost Rs.25 Crores and got franchises like Vizag Warriors, Bezawada Tigers, Coastal Riders and etc. This was done before 2024 elections. After the elections, the power centres were changed. Vijayawada MP Kesineni Chinni and Rajyasabha MP Mr. Sana Satish have got control over it. They have been elected through elections only, but obviously with the influence of new Government.

Now, they have hatched a plan to call bids for franchises without consulting and finalizing the status of present franchises. Knowing that they have gone to High Court and the court has stayed the process of calling new bids. Even after that Mr. Kesineni Nani and Sana Satish have briefed press that they are going to get new bids for franchises and their intention is to develop the cricket in the state through APL.

Allegedly, all this is only to get their share and new people are ready to bid for new franchises in big amounts. We can estimate how the leaders will mint money through, alleged a franchise owner. Because they have paid share to people who were leaders for the association earlier, means under YSRC. So now the turn is of Alliance Government MPs allegedly.

The more worrying point is that MP Kesineni Chinni has stated that they are going to take care of new world class stadium, which is going to construct in Capital Amaravati. It means, in the construction of Stadium also, they are going to mint, alleged by a politician.



## Swinging Back to Glory: Silambam's Epic Revival in Andhra Pradesh

TPN | Sumanth

Vijayawada: Silambam, an ancient Indian martial art born in the Tamil heartlands over 5,000 years ago is staging a remarkable comeback in Andhra Pradesh. silambam was once a vital skill for warriors in the Chola, and Pandya dynasties. Taught by the great sage Agastya, it blended physical prowess with mental discipline, using weapons like the staff, sword and metal whip. But colonial bans by the British, pushed Silambam into the shadows, and in Andhra Pradesh, known locally as karra saamu, it nearly faded

In recent decades, Andhra Pradesh saw Silambam's presence dwindle. Kids were drawn to flashier martial arts like karate and boxing, which boasted global appeal and structured competitions. Without recognition from the Indian government, Silambam struggled to hold ground. Many in Andhra Pradesh forgot its flowing footwork and powerful strikes, leaving it at risk of becoming a forgotten tradition. But hope emerged in 2020 when the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports recognized Silambam under the Khelo India program, giving it a much-needed boost as a legitimate sport.

Enter the Ancient Indian Silambam Federation, an org founded by GRAND MAS-TER MASTER DANDHA VIDHYA PRAVEENA Madamanchi rama krishna Siva Rama Krishna and Rishi Raja Varma, who've become the torchbearers of Silambam's revival in Andhra Pradesh. Their mission To bring this cultural gem back to life. The federation has been relentless, organizing training camps, workshops, and vibrant performances in schools and colleges across the state. From bustling cities like Vijayawada to rural corners, they've made Silambam accessible, especially to young students and women,



teaching them not just combat but confidence and discipline. Their efforts have paid off—over 3,500 students in Andhra Pradesh now train in Silambam, swinging bamboo staffs with pride

The Ancient Indian Silambam Federation doesn't just teach moves; it's building a community. By bringing silambam trainers under one roof, they've streamlined efforts to promote Silambam, ensuring consistent training and wider reach. Their performances at festivals like Pongal or college events showcase Silambam's grace—think spinning staffs and precise footwork that captivate crowds. They've also worked to modernize Silambam, blending its traditional roots with the structure of modern martial arts. It's not just about fighting anymore; it's a full-body workout that sharpens focus and builds strength.

The federation's founders are passionate about saving this piece of heritage. Siva Rama Krishna and Rishi Raja Varma urge students to see Silambam as more than a sport—it's a link to Andhra Pradesh's and India's past. "This is our tradition, our identity," they say, encouraging kids to pick up the staff and keep the legacy alive.

Silambam in Andhra Pradesh is no longer fading—it's flourishing.

## Minister Gottipati Inaugurates Urban Health Center in Addanki

TPN Correspondent | Addanki

Andhra Pradesh Energy Minister Gottipati Ravi Kumar emphasized the coalition government's commitment to prioritizing healthcare for the poor during the inauguration of multiple development projects in Addanki constituency, Bapatla district, on Tuesday, June 10, 2025. Accompanied by District Collector Venkata Murali, the minister launched an urban primary health center in Addanki town, constructed at a cost of Rs. 1.50 crore, marking a significant step toward improving local healthcare access.

Addressing the media, Minister Gottipati highlighted that the coalition government, led by Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu, has approved five health centers for the constituency, with four more set to be operational by the end of June 2025. Responding to local demands, he announced plans for a dialysis center in Medarametla. The minister noted that over 50,000 people statewide, including 700 from Addanki, have received financial assistance from the Chief Minister's Relief Fund (CMRF) in the past year, underscoring the government's focus on supporting the underprivileged.

Beyond healthcare, Gottipati inaugurated a newly constructed tar road from Naam Road to Gowada village in Addanki Mandal, built at a cost of Rs. 1.20 crore. He revealed



that Rs. 6 crore worth of roads have been laid in the first phase, with an additional Rs. 7.5 crore allocated for the second phase. The minister also launched a safe drinking water project under the Jal Jeevan Mission in Kotikalapudi Panchayat and Parvathipuram village, engaging cordially with locals to address their concerns.

Criticizing the previous YSRCP government for misusing central funds and neglecting food schemes, Gottipati praised the coalition's efforts to restore infrastructure development across all 175 constituencies. He highlighted the reopening of Anna Canteens

and the Shining Stars program to encourage talented government school students. The minister assured that stalled development works from the previous regime are being revived and completed.

Known for his accessibility and dedication, Gottipati has earned widespread admiration in the Palnadu region for prioritizing public welfare and spearheading development projects worth crores. His hands-on approach and commitment to addressing local needs continue to win the hearts of the people, solidifying his reputation as a beloved leader.

#### Thieves Arrested in Kanchikacharla for **Robbing Missionaries**



TPN Correspondent | NTR District

In a swift operation, the Kanchikacharla police in NTR district arrested five thieves on Tuesday, June 10, 2025, for robbing missionaries valued at approximately ₹1 lakh from an organic industry in Keesara village. The suspects, hailing from Keesara, Pendyala, and Kondapalli villages, were apprehended while attempting to transport the stolen missionaries in two autorickshaws.

Acting on a tip-off, police intercepted the autos and recovered the stolen goods, which were intended for sale in nearby markets. The theft, targeting a local organic industry, had raised concerns among residents due to increasing petty crimes in the area. Authorities have registered a case under relevant sections of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) and are investigating further to determine if the suspects are linked to other thefts in the region.

Police officials confirmed that the arrested individuals are being interrogated to uncover potential accomplices and additional details about their operations. The prompt action has been praised by locals, who urged for continued vigilance to curb such incidents in NTR district.

#### Bapatla Collector Inaugurates Black Barley **Tobacco Purchase Center to Support Farmers**

TPN Correspondent | Perala

Bapatla District Collector J. Venkata Murali, alongside Chirala MLA M. Mala Kondaiah, inaugurated a black barley tobacco purchase center at the AP Mark Fed Warehouse Housing Corporation in Perala, Chirala mandal, on Tuesday, June 10, 2025, by cutting the ribbon. The initiative, launched by the Andhra Pradesh Marketing Federation (AP Mark Fed), aims to support farmers in Guntur, Prakasam, Bapatla, and Palnadu districts who have faced losses due to companies.

Collector Murali announced that the government has stepped in to address the plight of farmers who cultivated black barley tobacco based on misleading assurances from companies, only to be cheated. He revealed that farmers in the region hold 7.48 lakh quintals of set a target to procure 1.48 lakh quintals starting from June 16, 2025. Two purchase centers have been established in Chira-

plans to open three more to ensure accessibility. The tobacco will be processed and stored for up to a year using Warehousing Corporation facilities.

To prevent future distress, Murali outlined plans to promote alternative crops like maize, peanuts, and groundnuts, based on soil fertility assesstobacco, and AP Mark Fed has ments by the agriculture department. He also confirmed that irrigation water from the Krishna West Delta and Nagarjuna Sagar Project (NSP) will

unfulfilled promises by private la and Parchuru mandals, with be released in July 2025 to support crop diversification. "We will raise awareness to ensure farmers cultivate market-demand crops and avoid such hardships," he stated.

Chirala MLA M. Mala Kondaiah emphasized the government's commitment to supporting tobacco farmers, noting that the price of black barley tobacco has plummeted from Rs. 17,000 per quintal last year to Rs. 7,000 due to overproduction encouraged by companies. "The government has mobilized AP

Mark Fed to procure tobacco as per the set target, ensuring farmers are not left in distress," he said, adding that processing machinery is ready to facilitate pur-

chases. The event was attended by AP Mark Fed General Manager Karunasri, Revenue Divisional Officer Chandrasekhar, Te-

hsildar Gopikrishna, and other officials, marking a significant step toward addressing the



economic challenges faced by tobacco farmers in the region.



## **Anantapur Inter Murder** Case Accused Naresh Arrested, Police Officer Suspended

TPN Correspondent | Anantapur

District Superintendent of Police (SP) Jagadish announced on Tuesday, June 10, 2025, that Naresh, the prime accused in the sensational murder case of Intermediate student Saake Tanmayi, has been arrested. The brutal killing of Tanmayi, a resident of Ramakrishna Colony in Anantapur city, shocked Andhra Pradesh and sparked widespread outrage. Addressing the media in Kamalanagar, Anantapur, SP

Jagadish detailed the circumstances of the crime. On June 3, 2025, Naresh, who had met Tanmayi three months prior and developed a relationship with her over the past month, took her on a bike and brutally murdered her. The SP revealed that Naresh, already a married man, faced pressure from Tanmayi to marry her. Unwilling to enter another marriage, Naresh killed her in a heinous act near Manipal School, under the jurisdiction

of Kuderu Police Station. The victim's body, found with severe head injuries and burn marks, was identified by her parents based on specific marks and clothing after a missing complaint was filed on June 4 at the One Town Police Station. The SP further disclosed that Circle Inspector Rajendranath Yadav, who exhibited negligence in handling the case, has been suspended. Emphasizing the state government's serious stance on such crimes, SP



Jagadish stated that Naresh will face strict punishment under the law. Additionally, the authorities plan to attach the accused's family properties and deny them access to government

welfare schemes. The case, registered under relevant sections of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, continues to be investigated to ensure justice for Tanmayi and her family.

#### Minister Narayana Studies Waste-to-Energy Plants in Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh for Andhra Model

TPN Correspondent | UP

Amaravati: Andhra Pradesh Municipal Administration and Urban Development Minister P. Narayana, accompanied by Swachh Andhra Corporation Managing Director Anil Kumar Reddy and other officials, visited the Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation's waste-to-energy (WTE) plant in Maharashtra on June 9, 2025, as part of a study tour to identify the best WTE models for replication in Andhra Pradesh. The visit is part of the state's initiative to establish two new WTE plants to enhance waste management and clean energy production.

The Pimpri Chinchwad plant, which processes around 1,200 tonnes of waste daily, generates 14 megawatts of electricity and produces biogas, contributing to sustainable energy solutions. Corporation officials briefed Minister Narayana on the plant's operational efficiency, electricity consumption, and maintenance practices, providing insights into its success. The minister's tour underscores Andhra Pradesh's commitment to adopting advanced waste management systems.

Continuing his inspection, Minister Narayana is scheduled to visit waste-to-energy facilities and waste management systems in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, on June 10, 2025. The Andhra Pradesh government aims to implement the most effective models observed during these visits to address waste management challenges and promote sustainable energy in the state.



#### Mandapeta Postal Department Celebrates **Business Development Achievements for 2024-25**

TPN Correspondent | Mandapeta

The Mandapeta Postal Department, part of the Rajahmundry Division, AP Circle, proudly announced its Business Development Awards for the fiscal year 2024-2025. The ceremony recognized outstanding contributions by individuals who significantly boosted various postal services and schemes.

Shri K. Suryanarayana of Mandapeta was honored with the Top 1st Place Award in Postal Life Insurance Divisional Business. This achievement highlights his exceptional efforts in promoting and securing life insurance policies. Smt. Sarada Ratna, Branch Postmaster of Valluru Branch Office (BO), received the award for Top SB Accounts Opening, acknowledging her success in expanding the customer base for savings bank accounts.

Smt. S. Durga Devi was recognized for securing the Top 1st Place for SBPRM account linking to Aadhaar seeding, a crucial initiative for modernizing postal services.

The award for Top GAG Policies went to Mr. Sparjan Raju, Branch Postmaster of Konkuduru BO, showcasing his dedication to increasing



#### Urundur High School Shines with 11 **Students Selected for NMMS Scholarship**

TPN | C Shekar

Tirupati: In a remarkable achievement, 11 Class VIII students from Urundur High School have been selected for the National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship (NMMS) in the 2024 examination conducted by the Central Government. The school, located in a rural area, made history by securing the highest number of selections at both the Mandal and District levels, earning widespread praise for its outstanding performance.

Typically, schools see four or five students qualify for the prestigious scholarship, but Urundur High School's record of 11 selections has set a new benchmark for rural institutions. During a special ceremony organized to celebrate this milestone, Principal Rajakumari felicitated the successful Class VIII students and the dedicated teachers who guided them to this achievement.

Each of the selected students will receive an annual

scholarship of Rs. 15,000 from the Central Government for four years, supporting their education and recognizing their academic excellence. The accomplishment has brought pride to the Urundur community, highlighting the school's commitment to nurturing talent in rural



#### Nara Lokesh Pays Tribute to Late TDP Leader Palla Simhachalam

TPN Correspondent | Visakhapatnam

Andhra Pradesh Minister for IT and Human Resource Development, Nara Lokesh, visited the residence of TDP state president and Gajuwaka MLA Palla Srinivasa Rao in Seethampet, Visakhapatnam, on Tuesday, June 10, 2025, to pay tribute to the late former MLA Palla Simhachalam. Simhachalam, Srinivasa Rao's father, passed away on June 7, 2025, at the age of 93 while undergoing treatment for age-related ailments in a private hospital in Visakhapatnam. During the visit, Minister Lokesh garlanded a portrait of Palla Simhachalam and offered his respects, joined by other TDP leaders, including former minister Ch. Ayyanna Patrudu. Expressing his grief, Lokesh shared a post on X, describing Simhachalam as a revered fig-

ure known for his integrity and

significant contributions to the

development of the Visakhapa-

tnam-2 constituency, where he



"I am deeply saddened by the demise of Palla Simhachalam garu. His services to the TDP and Visakhapatnam will always be remembered," Lokesh wrote, sharing photos of the tribute. Lokesh also met with Palla Srinivasa Rao and other family members to convey his deepest condolences,

acknowledging

served as MLA from 1994 to 1999. Simhachalam's legacy as a loyalist to TDP founder N.T. Rama Rao and his enduring impact on Andhra Pradesh politics. The visit followed Lokesh's participation in other engagements in Visakhapatnam, including a review meeting on the Yogandhra program at the Collector's office and receiving public grievances at the TDP office.

#### Mega Job Mela Kicks Off in Naidupeta...

Inaugurated by Sullurpet MLA Dr. Nelavala Vijayasree



TPN | C Shekar

Naidupeta: A Mega Job Mela commenced with grandeur on Tuesday, June 10, 2025, at the Naidupeta Government Degree College, organized under the auspices of the Andhra Pradesh State Skill Development Corporation (APSSDC). The event was inaugurated by Sullurpet MLA Dr. Nelavala Vijayasree, who emphasized the state government's commitment to empowering youth through skill development and employment opportunities. Addressing the gathering, MLA

Vijayasree highlighted Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu's vision to provide modern technical training through skill development centers. "Efforts are being made to ensure job opportunities for local youth. I have directed organizers to prioritize locals for jobs in companies within the constituency," she stated, underscoring the focus on regional employment. The job mela aligns with the state's broader initiative to bridge the skill gap and boost employability, particularly in industrial hubs

like the Naidupeta SEZ. Government Degree College Principal Madhusudhan Verma expressed pride in hosting the large-scale event. "I am delighted to be part of this initiative. It's heartening to see our college students gaining access to valuable job opportunities," he remarked. The mela featured participation from reputed companies, offering roles such as CNC machine operators, graduate trainees, and trainee supervisors, with qualifications ranging from 10th pass to B.Sc. and M.Sc. degrees, as seen in similar APSSDC job melas. The event saw enthusiastic participation from students, alongside Municipal Vice Chairperson 786 Rafi and faculty members of the Government Degree College. The job mela is expected to provide a significant boost to employment prospects for the youth of Naidupeta, aligning with APSSDC's mission to foster skill development and economic growth in Andhra Pradesh.

## **Rivalry: The Fuel Behind Greatness in Sport and Beyond**



Power, precision, relentless court coverage, and a winning mindset these are the essentials to become a Grand Slam champion. Jannik Sinner and Carlos Alcaraz showcased all these qualities during the epic French Open final on June 8 at Court Philippe Chatrier. But to win on this iconic clay, bearing Rafael Nadal's legacy, requires more than skill—it demands perseverance, as echoed by Napoleon Bonaparte's words engraved around the court: "Victory belongs to the most persevering.'

Alcaraz, like his mentor Nadal, demonstrated that even when down two sets and facing championship points, mental strength and determination can turn the tide. Their five-set duel wasn't just a thrilling tennis match; it highlighted how great competitors elevate their performance through rivalry. Greatness rarely emerges in isolation. Whether in sports or

business, intense rivalries push individuals and teams to transcend limits. Historical rivalries like Messi vs. Ronaldo and Nadal vs. Federer not only thrilled fans but also acted as catalysts for excellence. Studies reveal that athletes perform better when competing against formidable rivals, driving innovation and focus.

Messi and Ronaldo's decade-long battle redefined football standards, with each responding to the other's achievements by pushing harder. Similarly, the three-way rivalry among Nadal, Federer, and Djokovic resulted in a staggering 66 Grand Slam titles, each player's rise spurring the others to greater heights.

This principle extends beyond sports. Business giants such as Coca-Cola vs. Pepsi and Nike vs. Adidas have thrived on competition, spurring innovation and raising industry benchmarks. Companies like Toyota and Amazon institutionalize continuous improvement driven by the need to outperform competitors, delivering superior value through innovation and efficiency.

Research identifies four core elements fueled by rivalry: heightmotivation, creativity, continuous improvement, and sharpened focus. These factors underpin the extraordinary achievements witnessed in stadiums and boardrooms alike.

Ultimately, rivalry is not a zero-sum game but a powerful symbiotic relationship where competitors push each other to greatness. The epic match between Alcaraz and Sinner offered living proof of this timeless truth—rivals don't just compete; they inspire each other to reach unprecedented heights.



#### **Delayed Elections and Secret Talks: Muhammad Yunus's Controversial Bid to Hold Power in Bangladesh**

advisor to the caretaker government, is facing severe criticism for allegedly manipulating political processes to extend his hold on power. The Nobel laureate, once admired globally, is now accused of compromising Bangladesh's security and sovereignty, engaging in secret negotiations, and aligning with Islamist groups to delay elections indefinitely.

Yunus's controversial tactics include striking deals with radical groups like Jamaat-i-Islami and Hizbut Tahrir, releasing hardened terrorists, and presiding over violence against political opponents and minorities. His latest move is pushing the general elections from December 2025 to April 2026, a date coinciding with the Islamic holy month of Ramzan—widely seen as a strategic ploy to further postpone the polls.

Rumors in Dhaka suggest clandestine meetings in Doha involving Yunus's National Security Advisor, Khalil-ur Rahman, and US officials, alongside talks with Jamaat's Emir, Shafiqur Rahman. The subject reportedly included handing over control of the strategic Chittagong corridor, a move that critics say jeopardizes Bangladesh's sovereignty and security.

Muhammad Yunus, Bangladesh's chief Yunus's broader plan seems aimed at uniting Jamaat and the student-led Islamist party NCP to stall elections and keep major political parties like the BNP and Awami League out of power. This maneuvering raises serious constitutional concerns. While Article 123(3)(b) mandates elections within 90 days of Parliament dissolution, the caretaker government has no clear constitutional authority to indefinitely extend its tenure or implement major reforms without democratic legitimacy.

> The implications are grave: Islamist factions could infiltrate institutions, pushing for extensive Islamization under the guise of reforms. This unaccountable power grab risks political instability and societal unrest.

> However, Yunus faces growing resistance. The Bangladesh Army and major political parties have sensed danger, and the BNP is expected to initiate mass protests against Yunus's extension of power. Legal challenges may also hinder his plans.

> As Bangladesh confronts a potentially volatile summer and monsoon, the country's political future hangs in the balance amid Yunus's contentious attempts to cling to power.

#### **AI and Entry-Level Jobs: College Graduates Navigate Uncertainty in the Age of Automation**



#### ChatGPT said:

Artificial Intelligence is reshaping the workplace, particularly impacting entry-level jobs traditionally held by recent college graduates. Tasks like document analysis, drafting briefing notes, creating presentations, and handling customer service queries are increasingly automated by AI tools such as ChatGPT. While this technology boosts efficiency, it also leaves many young professionals struggling to find meaningful employment and opportunities to develop critical skills.

could eliminate up to half of all entry-level white-collar jobs. Companies often treat AI like an intern, delegating grunt work to machines instead of human trainees. As a result, graduates face a painful transition, pushed out of foundational roles without than passive reliance. Similar to how active clear alternatives for skill development or career growth.

For example, consulting giant KPMG assigns their judgment. new graduates tax work usually reserved for experienced staff. At PricewaterhouseCoopers, junior employees are now pitching to clients, while hedge funds like Man Group leverage AI to free analysts from routine research so they can focus on higher-level tasks. Though these shifts can create more strategic roles, there

is concern that early-career professionals are missing out on essential learning experiences. Relying on AI for summaries and analysis risks eroding their ability to detect subtle issues or develop deep industry insights.

Recruitment firms report a decline in demand for true entry-level talent, with companies increasingly preferring candidates who already have experience. This "experience paradox" means junior roles are often filled by senior workers, effectively breaking the traditional career ladder.

Some industry leaders predict that AI However, some young professionals remain optimistic. Many Gen Z workers are fluent in AI tools, seeing their ability to harness such technology as a key workplace advantage. Experts suggest businesses should encourage active, critical engagement with AI rather social media use avoids mental health risks compared to passive scrolling, employees should use AI to complement—not replace—

> Ultimately, companies must rethink training strategies to nurture AI-native talent and ensure young workers gain real business understanding. Without this, AI's promise risks becoming a barrier rather than a boost to the next generation's career growth.

#### How Rajiv Gandhi's Visit Transformed Vizhinjam From a Fishing Village to a Deepwater Port



The transformation of Vizhinjam, a sleepy fishing village in Vizhinjam's significance lies Kerala, into India's pioneering deepwater port is a story that traces back to a significant visit by then Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi in 1985. This port, now hosting some of the world's largest container vessels, marks a milestone in India's maritime ambitions and blue economy.

Located just 75 km from Kanyakumari, Vizhinjam's journey from a quiet coastal village to a strategic transshipment hub deepwater port here dates back to the Travancore State under British rule but only gained momentum after Rajiv Gandhi's visit. During his trip, Gandhi came to inaugurate fishermen's houses but was struck by the local tensions and the underutilization of the housing project. His frustration with the Pinarayi Vijayan. The develsituation spurred renewed attention to the area's potential beyond fishing.

in its natural advantages—a 20-meter deep natural harbor, situated within 10 nautical miles of a major international shipping lane. Before Vizhinjam, India lacked a deepwater port capable of docking Ultra-Large Container Vessels (ULCVs). This forced the country to rely on foreign ports like Colombo in Sri Lanka for transshipment, resulting in an estimated annual revenue loss of \$220 million. The natural depth spans decades. The idea of a of Vizhinjam means minimal dredging is required, benefitting both operational costs and the environment.

> The port project was championed by Kerala's leaders over the years, including Congress's Karunakaran in the 1990s and later by CPI(M) Chief Minister opment, managed by Adani Vizhinjam Port Private Ltd, started in 2015 and was com-

pleted in 2025, officially inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

With the recent docking of MSC Irina, the world's largest container vessel carrying over 24,300 TEUs (twenty-foot equivalent units), Vizhinjam has joined the ranks of major international ports like Singapore and Jebel Ali. Its strategic position on the East-West shipping corridor connects it to Europe, the Persian Gulf, and the Far East, revolutionizing India's maritime trade capabilities.

Though road and rail connectivity are still being enhanced, Vizhinjam's rise heralds a new era for India's blue economy, reducing dependence on foreign transshipment hubs and boosting national maritime strength. What started with a concerned prime minister's visit to a fishing village has now become a beacon of India's maritime aspirations.





#### "Like Cat Guarding Milk": India Criticises **UN Over Pak's Anti-Terror Panel Role**

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Defence Minister Rajnath Singh sharply criticised the United Nations on June 10 for allowing Pakistan to hold a significant position on the global anti-terrorism stage, calling it "like making a cat guard the milk." Speaking at a public event in Dehradun focused on dismantling Pakistan's terror infrastructure, Singh highlighted the controversial appointment of Pakistan as Vice-Chair of the UN Security Council's Counter-Terrorism Committee, formed after the 9/11 attacks.

Singh pointed out the irony of Pakistan's role given that the country had sheltered the mastermind of the 9/11 attacks, saying, "It is not hidden from anyone that Pakistan had sheltered the mastermind of that attack." This, he suggested, exposed the flaws in the UN's decision-making on counter-terrorism efforts. Since Prime Minister Narendra Modi came to power, Singh said, India has adopted a new approach toward national security, shifting from passive diplomacy to decisive action. He cited Operation Sindoor as the "biggest action against terrorism in Indian history," underscoring India's firm stance.

The Defence Minister labelled Pakistan the "Father of Terrorism," accusing it of providing sanctuary, training, and financial support to terrorist groups operating from its soil. He emphasised the importance of exposing nations that fund and shelter terrorism worldwide to effectively dismantle terror networks.

Singh also noted that a significant portion of Pakistan's financial aid is funneled into terrorist activities, a reality the global community is beginning to recognise. However, he stressed that for the fight against terrorism to be effective, the United Nations — which bears a major responsibility must align itself consistently against terrorism and avoid contradictory decisions. His remarks come amid growing international scrutiny of Pakistan's role in regional and global terrorism and calls for more robust global measures against terror funding and safe havens.

## **PM Modi Meets All-Party Delegations to Discuss Global Outreach Against Terrorism**

TPN Correspondent | Delhi

On the evening of June 10, 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi hosted members of all-party delegations at 7, Lok Kalyan Marg. These delegations had recently traveled abroad to convey India's strong stance against Pakistan-linked terrorism in the aftermath of Operation Sindoor.

During the meeting, delegation members shared their experiences and insights from meetings held with various foreign officials and leaders. The groups, which included MPs from across political parties, former parliamentarians, and distinguished diplomats, highlighted India's unwavering commitment to combating terrorism and promoting global peace.

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar, who had previously met with the delegations, praised their efforts for effectively representing India's position on the international stage, particularly emphasizing the threat of Pakistan-sponsored terrorism.

The delegations were composed of four groups led by members of



the ruling alliance—two from the NCP (SP)'s Supriya Sule. BJP, one from JD(U), and one from Shiv Sena—and three delegations The government's strategy behind led by opposition party MPs from Congress, DMK, and NCP (SP). Key leaders heading these delegations included BJP's Ravi Shankar Prasad and Baijyant Panda, Congress's Shashi Tharoor, JD(U)'s Sanjay Jha, Shiv Sena's Shrikant Shinde, DMK's Kanimozhi, and

sending these multi-party delegations was to present a united front on the issue of terrorism, showcasing national unity despite political differences. This approach also saw cooperation from unlikely allies, such as Congress MP Shashi Tharoor and AIMIM MP Asaduddin Owaisi, working alongside ruling party members to champion India's cause internationally.

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Prominent former parliamentarians like ex-Union ministers Ghulam Nabi Azad and Salman Khurshid were also part of these delegations, adding their experience and weight to India's diplomatic efforts abroad.

#### Kharge to PM: Initiate process to elect LS Deputy Speaker



TPN Correspondent | Delhi

Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge has formally urged Prime Minister Narendra Modi to begin the process for electing the Deputy Speaker of the Lok Sabha. In a letter dated June 10, 2025, Kharge highlighted that, for the first time since India's independence, the post of Deputy Speaker has remained vacant for two consecutive Lok Sabha terms — a significant departure from parliamentary tradition.

Kharge reminded the Prime Min-Deputy Speaker of the House of of the Lok Sabha Rules of Proce-cers.

the People (Lok Sabha). He em- dure and Conduct of Business. phasized that the Deputy Speaker holds the position of the second-highest presiding officer in the House, immediately after the Speaker.

According to Kharge, the Constitution clearly states that the House should elect the Speaker and Deputy Speaker "as soon as may be." Furthermore, whenever the position becomes vacant, the House is required to choose a replacement. The election procedure for the Deputy Speaker closely mirrors that of the Speaker, with the key ister that Article 93 of the Indian difference being that the Speak-Constitution mandates the elec- er fixes the date for the Deputy tion of both the Speaker and the Speaker's election under Rule 8(1)

Historically, from the 1st to the 16th Lok Sabha, every term had a Deputy Speaker, and it has been customary to appoint the Deputy Speaker from the principal opposition party. However, Kharge pointed out that neither the 17th nor the current 18th Lok Sabha has seen an elected Deputy Speaker, setting a concerning precedent.

He called on the Prime Minister to uphold constitutional conventions and parliamentary norms by initiating the election process promptly, thereby ensuring that the Lok Sabha functions with full leadership in its presiding offi-

#### **India Warns of Deep Strikes Into Pakistan if Terror Attacks Continue, Says Jaishankar**



TPN Correspondent | Delhi

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar issued a strong warning on June 10, 2025, stating that India would launch deep strikes into Pakistan if provoked by terrorist attacks. Speaking during an interaction with the Indian community in Europe, Jaishankar emphasized that India will not tolerate barbaric acts such as the recent Pahalgam terror attack and vowed retribution against terrorist groups and their leaders, regardless of their location.

The warning comes a month after India launched Operation Sindoor, a military response to the Pahalgam attack, which caused significant casualties. Jaishankar highlighted Pakistan's role in training and supporting thousands of terrorists openly, who are then unleashed on Indian soil. "We are not going to live with it," he said firmly.

Jaishankar's remarks underline India's determination to counter terrorism aggressively, sending a clear message that any future provocations

will be met with force beyond the border. "If they continue to do the kind of barbaric acts which they did in April, then there is going to be retribution, and that retribution will be against the terrorist organizations and the terrorist leadership," he stated in an interview with Politico.

He further clarified that India's military response will not be limited to border areas. "We don't care where they are. If they are deep in Pakistan, we will go deep into Pakistan," Jaishankar asserted, signaling a readiness to take decisive action wherever terrorist threats emerge.

The recent four-day escalation of hostilities between India and Pakistan ended with talks between their military leaders on May 10, agreeing to cease military actions. However, tensions remain high as both sides continue to grapple with cross-border terrorism and security concerns. Jaishankar's firm stance highlights India's resolve to safeguard its citizens and respond strongly to any threats emanating from Pakistan-based terrorist groups.

#### **Lucknow Offers Prayers for Success** of Shubhanshu Shukla's Historic **Axiom-4 Space Mission**

TPN Correspondent | Delhi

Lucknow witnessed heartfelt prayers and celebrations on June 10 as the city rallied behind Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla ahead of his highly anticipated Axiom-4 space mission. Originally scheduled for May 29, the launch was postponed twice—to June 8 and June 10 and finally set for June 11. Shukla, a 39-yearold Indian Air Force officer and native of Lucknow, is set to become the first Indian to visit the International Space Station (ISS) on board SpaceX's Falcon-9 rocket.

The mission marks a significant milestone in India's space exploration history, being the country's first human spaceflight after Rakesh Sharma's iconic journey in 1984. Shukla is also

part of India's ambitious Gaganyaan project, the nation's first indigenous manned space mission, scheduled for 2027.

Special prayers coincided with the final day of Lucknow's traditional 'Bada Mangal' festival. At the City Montessori School's Aliganj branch—Shukla's alma mater—a 'yagna' ceremony was held to bless the astronaut and his mission. Attendees included school officials, Shukla's parents Asha and Shambhu Shukla, his sisters Shuchi and Nishi Mishra, teachers, and numerous inspired students dreaming of space.

Dr. Geeta Gandhi Kingdon, CMS manager, expressed the pride and hope the school felt, saying, "The space odyssey of one of our brightest alumni is a moment of great significance for the country." The city is festooned with large cutouts and hoardings of Shukla in his astronaut suit, celebrating his journey.

Shukla's family shared their emotional support, with his mother saying, "He has accomplished everything he set his mind to, so I am



relaxed ahead of his flight." Meanwhile, Lucknow prepared for a grand launch celebration featuring space-themed events, installations, and a live music festival to cheer their local hero as he embarks on this historic 14-day mission alongside international crew members.



## **GLOBAL**

## **Trump Claims Los Angeles 'Would Be Burning' Without Troop Deployment Amid Protests**

TPN Correspondent | Washington

US President Donald Trump asserted on June 10, 2025, that if he had not deployed Marines and other military forces to Los Angeles, the city "would be burning to the ground right now." Trump made the statement on his social media platform Truth Social, emphasizing that sending troops was necessary to prevent chaos amid ongoing protests.

Currently, around 700 Marines and 4,000 National Guard troops have been mobilized in Los Angeles to manage unrest triggered by federal immigration raids. However, the American military traditionally does not have a domestic law enforcement role, with such deployments rare—most recently occurring during Hurricane Ka-



trina in 2005.

California Governor Gavin Newsom strongly opposed Trump's decision, condemning it as the act of a "dictatorial president." The state has filed a lawsuit against the federal government for sending troops without gu-

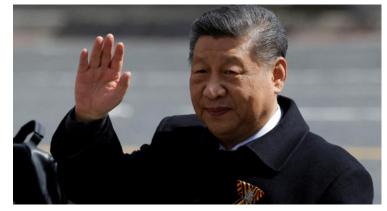
bernatorial approval. Notably, the last time a president deployed National Guard forces to a US city without a governor's consent was in 1965.

District Attorney Nathan Hochman weighed in, calling the troop deployment "unnecessary," stating that only a small fraction of the population was protesting, and an even smaller number had broken laws. Despite this, protests have continued for four days, fueled by fears within immigrant communities over immigration enforcement tactics.

Trump's Border Czar, Tom Homan, escalated tensions further by threatening potential arrests of elected officials interfering with immigration enforcement. "We're going to keep enforcing law every day in L.A.," Homan said. "You cross that line, it's a felony to knowingly harbor or conceal an illegal alien or to impede law enforcement doing their job."

This unfolding conflict highlights sharp divides over immigration policies, federal authority, and state rights in managing law and order.

#### **Xi Jinping Urges Respect** and Stability in First Call with South Korea's New **President Lee Jae-myung**



TPN Correspondent | Beijing

In their first official conversation since Lee Jae-myung's inauguration as South Korea's president, Chinese President Xi Jinping emphasized the need for mutual respect and stronger cooperation between the two nations. According to Chinese state media, the leaders spoke on Tuesday to discuss the future of bilateral ties amid growing regional and global uncertainty.

Xi called for the two countries to respect each other's core interests and major concerns, ensuring that the relationship remains on what he described as the "right track." He emphasized that a healthy, stable, and deepening China-South Korea relationship is vital for promoting peace and stability in both the region and the world.

During the phone call, Xi highlighted the importance of strengthening exchanges and maintaining the spirit of "friendly neighbours." He also urged collaboration in protecting regional and global industrial and supply chains, amid ongoing geopolitical tensions and economic disruptions.

China remains South Korea's largest trading partner, and diplomatic relations between the two have shown signs of improvement following tensions that arose in 2017 over Seoul's deployment of a U.S. missile defence system, which Beijing strongly opposed.

Xi expressed that deepening the strategic cooperative partnership would not only benefit both countries but also "inject more certainty into the chaotic regional and international situation."

President Lee's recent election victory has ushered in a new political era for Asia's fourth-largest economy, but he faces significant challenges. Among them are rebuilding national unity following political turmoil under his predecessor, and navigating the complex dynamics between two major powers—the U.S. and China—both critical to South Korea's economy and security.

The call marks an important step in reaffirming diplomatic ties as both nations seek greater regional stability and eco-

#### "Tarred And Feathered": US Speaker Calls For California Governor's Torture

TPN Correspondent | Brussels

In a fiery political exchange, US House Speaker Mike Johnson shocked the nation by calling for California Governor Gavin Newsom to be publicly tortured—specifically, "tarred and feathered." Speaking at a House Republican leadership press conference on June 10, 2025, Johnson stopped short of saying whether Newsom should be arrested, stating that question was "not in my lane."

Johnson sharply criticized Newsom for obstructing federal immigration law enforcement, accusing him of "applauding the bad guys" and labeling him "a participant, an accomplice." The controversial remarks come amid ongoing protests sparked by federal immigration raids in president" and called it "an un- Trump's Border Czar, Tom Ho- and federal-state relations in Los Angeles.



The tension escalated after President Donald Trump deployed thousands of additional troops to Los Angeles to support immigration enforcement efforts. Governor Newsom condemned this move as fulfilling "the deranged fantasy of a dictatorial mistakable step toward authorman, further raised the stakes the United States today.

itarianism," accusing Trump of "stroking a dangerous president's ego." California has even filed a lawsuit against the federal government for deploying troops without the governor's permission.

by warning that elected officials interfering with immigration agents could face arrest, calling such actions felony offenses. Newsom responded defiantly, daring authorities to arrest him, saying, "Come after me, arrest me, let's just get it over with, tough guy. I don't give a damn."

To quell mounting unrest, around 700 Marines and 4,000 National Guard troops have been deployed in Los Angeles. It's notable that while the U.S. military traditionally has no domestic law enforcement role, Marines were last deployed domestically during Hurricane Katrina in 2005 and the 26/11 attacks.

This escalating confrontation highlights the deep divisions over immigration enforcement

#### "Arrest People In Masks": Trump's **New Mandate As LA Burns**

Protests Escalate in Los Angeles Following Trump's **Deployment of National Guard** 

Tensions surged in Los Angeles as protests intensified for the third consecutive day against President Donald Trump's immigration crackdown, which included the deployment of around 300 National Guard troops. Thousands of demonstrators blocked the 101 Freeway, set several self-driving cars on fire, and clashed with law enforcement using tear gas, rubber bullets, and flash bangs to control the unrest.

Protesters gathered near the Metropolitan Detention Centre, where Guard troops and police in riot gear formed a line to protect federal facilities. Some demonstrators hurled rocks, concrete chunks, fireworks, and electric scooters at officers, who took cover under an overpass. Police declared the protests an unlawful assembly, dispersing many, but some remained, using chairs as barriers and continuing to

confront law enforcement.

Governor Gavin Newsom called the deployment a "serious breach of state sovereignty" and requested Trump remove the Guard troops. Mayor Karen Bass criticized the administration, calling the situation "chaos provoked by the administration," emphasizing that it was not about public safety. The White House, however, rejected these claims, accusing Newsom of downplaying problems in Los Angeles prior to federal involvement.



The Guard deployment is a rare move, reportedly the first in decades without a governor's approval, and followed days of protests sparked by immigration raids in downtown LA, Paramount, and Compton. Over 100 immigrants have been arrested, along with protesters, including union leaders.

Trump defended the deployment, citing a legal provision to counter "a rebellion or danger of a rebellion" and vowed a strong law and order approach. He stated troops would be "everywhere" to prevent further unrest, comparing the current situation unfavorably to the Biden administration.

Former Vice President Kamala Harris condemned the arrests and troop deployment as a "cruel, calculated agenda" designed to spread fear and division, expressing support for those protesting to protect fundamental

#### Russia Unleashes Largest Drone Strike in Ukraine Amid Push for Buffer Zone



TPN Correspondent | Kyiv

In what Ukraine's air force described as the largest drone assault since the start of the war, Russia launched nearly 500 drones and 20 missiles in a massive overnight strike on Sunday. The unprecedented barrage comes as the Kremlin intensifies its summer offensive, seeking to carve out a "buffer zone" in contested regions.

According to the Ukrainian air force, 479 drones were deployed across central and western parts of Ukraine, along with 20 missiles of various types. Ukrainian defences reportedly intercepted 277 drones and 19 missiles, with only 10 projectiles reaching their targets. One civilian was reported injured. These claims have not been independently verified.

The latest escalation coincides with Russia's renewed ground offensive, particularly in the eastern and northeastern sectors of the 1,000-kilometre front line. Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy acknowledged the worsening situation in these areas, describing it as "very difficult" without disclosing specific details.

Ukraine continues to struggle with personnel and equipment shortages as it faces a better-resourced Russian military. The country is heavily reliant on Western military aid, especially for air defence systems. However, uncertainty surrounding U.S. support has raised concerns about Kyiv's future capabilities.

Despite the challenges, Ukraine has delivered notable counter-attacks, including a sophisticated drone strike on remote Russian air bases, which experts hailed as a tactical leap.

Meanwhile, NATO Secretary-General Jens Stoltenberg is expected to urge alliance members to increase air and missile defences by 400% to counter Russia's growing aerial threat. A NATO summit in the Netherlands is likely to approve increased defence spending.

Separately, Russian President Vladimir Putin has endorsed a new naval doctrine aimed at restoring Russia's maritime dominance. According to the Kremlin, the plan underscores ambitions to solidify Russia's status as a top global naval power despite recent wartime setbacks.



#### **Indian Markets Flat Amid Mixed Global** Cues; Pharma, IT & Defense See Gains.

 $D_{ ext{closed flat on Tuesday. In-}}^{ ext{omestic}}$ vestors were cautious as global markets received mixed signals. The reasons for this are that valuations are still high despite positive micro and macro economic indicators. Pharma and IT shares showed strength today as the dollar is currently stable. On the other hand, defense shares rose. Overall, the Sensex closed down 53 points and the Nifty

gained one point.

The BSE Sensex, which vious session, opened at 82,643 on Tuesday. It touched an intraday low of 82,240. It reached an intraday high of 82,680. It finally closed at 82,391, down 53 points. The NSE Nifty, which opened at 25,196, touched a low of 25,055 and a high of 25,199. It closed at 25,104, up one point. The Nifty Bank fell 210 points to settle at 56,629.

In the Nifty50, 27 companies gained and 23 lost. Grasim, Tech Mahindra, Dr Reddy's, Tata Motors, Adani Enterprises were the top gainers. Trent, Maruti, Bajaj Finance, Tata Steel, Bajaj Finserv were the biggest losers. Today, IT, media, pharma, commodities, AWL (Adani Wilmar Ltd.) energy, consumer durables, healthcare, metal, PSE, CPSE indices rose. Realty, PSU Bank, Finance, Bank, Consumption, Private Bank and Oil indices rose.

Market breadth turned in favor of buyers on NSE today. Out of a total of 2991 stocks traded, 1609 gained and 1302 lost. 105 shares reached their 52-week high and 14 shares reached their 52-week low. 116 shares touched the upper cir-



gan Stanley has given an overweight rating

closed at 82,445 in the pre- to Grasim Industries with a target price of Rs 3500. ITD Cementation has received an order worth Rs 893 crore in Odisha. Realty stocks fell for the second consecutive day on Bluestar's stock price has profit-taking. Ratan India, Reliance Power, Alok Industries, Adani Power and Jaiprakash Power recovered from intraday losses to intraday highs. Promoter to sell 2% stake in Vidal Corporation. Protein Egov Technologies bagged an order worth Rs 100 crore. Morgan Stanley has given an overweight rating to Ultratech Cement with a target price of Rs 14,000. Swiggy and Eternal shares fell for the second consecutive day.

AWL Agri Business Ltd.'s share price has wilmar seen some fluctua-

tions recently. On June 10, 2025, it experienced a minor slump but generally showed signs of increased investor interest, with some intraday gains. The stock is currently trading around ₹277-278. cuit and 49 shares touched the EBITDA margins (2.93% over 5 over the past 3 years (13.67%). ect to evacuate power from a Rupee settled flat at 85.62 especially in Q4. Strategic ini- Motors is undergoing stra- are also involved in green hyagainst the dollar. India Vicks tiatives focusing on sustain- tegic developments, includ- drogen production.

and demand for new launches are positive factors for the passenger vehicle segment.

Improved vehicle availability

Tech Mahindra

#### Tech Mahindra

Tech Mahindra's share price saw a significant rise following its Q4 FY25 results. Over the last 5 years, it has given approximately 180% returns. Consolidated net profit jumped 76.51% YoY to ₹1,167 crores. Revenue increased by 3.98% YoY to ₹13,384 crores. EBIT margin expanded to 10.5%. New deal wins (TCV) were strong at \$798 million. Tech Mahindra appears to be on a transformation journey, with strategic investments in people, leadership, and capabilities. Despite some headsignificant long-term growth winds in specific segments like Hi-tech and Communications, signs of stability are returning, particularly in Europe and Asia Pacific.

ventory and demand. Despite Torrent Power



Torrent Power's stock closed higher following its Q4 FY25 results, showing significant growth over recent years (378.86% in the last 5 years). On June 10, 2025, it was trading around ₹1,434. Torrent Power is well-poised for growth with an under-construction pipeline of over 3 GW of renewable projects and 3 GW of pumped storage hydro power projects. They have also secured a 2,000 MW/16,000 MWh pumped hydro storage power (PSP) project with MSEDCL and were past 3 years (5.65%) and low shown poor revenue growth awarded a transmission projyears). The edible oil industry Analyst ratings are a mix 4.5 GW renewable energy projhas also faced weak demand, of Hold, Buy, and Sell. Tata ect in Khavda, Gujarat. They

**Copper Wire and Tube Imports Soar in FY25** as Cathode Shipments **Decline Sharply** 



India witnessed a significant caused a temporary disrup-**■**shift in its copper imports during the fiscal year 2024-25 (FY25), with copper wire and tube imports hitting multiyear highs, while copper cathode shipments plunged 34% year-on-year. This marked decline in cathode imports was primarily driven by a three-month supply disruption caused by a government-imposed quality control order (QCO).

Copper, classified as a critical mineral in India due to limited domestic production and increasing demand across conventional industries and emerging technologies, plays a vital role in the country's industrial growth. Despite the drop in copper cathode imports, the demand for downstream copper products surged sharply, indicating a shift in import patterns.

Data for FY25 reveals that while cathode imports fell steeply, imports of copper wire increased by 17% yearon-year. Similarly, copper tubes and pipes saw a 30% rise, and plates, sheets, and strips experienced a substantial 49% growth compared to the previous fiscal year.

the QCO, which aimed to en- stability to sustain the counsure quality standards in try's industrial momentum. imported copper products,

tion in the supply of cathodes, forcing manufacturers to rely more heavily on downstream copper imports to meet demand. The downstream products, being more processed, filled the gap created by the shortage of raw cathode material during this period.

The surge in copper wire and tube imports also reflects growing demand in sectors such as electrical, construction, and renewable energy, where copper is indispensable. With India pushing ahead on infrastructure projects and the transition to green technologies, the appetite for high-quality copper products is expected to remain strong.

As the supply chain stabilizes post-QCO disruptions, attention now turns to reviving copper cathode imports. However, the trend toward importing more processed copper products may continue, driven by evolving industrial needs and efforts to optimize supply chain efficiency.

Overall, FY25 has underscored the dynamic nature of India's copper market, highlighting the importance of balancing Industry experts suggest that quality control with supply

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Tata Motors has seen mixed performance recently, with a slight negative return over 1 month but positive returns over 3 months and significant long-term gains (544.34% over 5 years). On June 10, 2025, the stock was trading around Poor revenue growth over the ₹729.45.The company has fell 4.56% to 14.02 today. Morability and operational effining major investment plans.

#### **Indian Stock Market Opens Strong**; **IT and PSU Banks Lead Gains**

Mumbai: The Indian stock market opened on a positive note on Monday, buoyed by favorable global cues and strong buying 🚮 🎒 interest in the IT, PSU banking, and automobile sectors. Early trade showed the Sensex rising by 379.01 points (0.46%) to 82,568, while the Nifty gained 116.15 points (0.46%) to reach 25,119.20 at 9:26 am.

Sectoral indices also reflected optimism, with the Nifty Bank index climbing 273.35 points (0.48%)

to 56,851.75. The Nifty Midcap 100 and Nifty Smallcap 100 indices recorded gains of 0.67% and 0.70%, respectively, supported by strong investor appetite in mid and small-cap stocks.

Market analysts attributed the upbeat opening to the Reserve Bank of India's recent monetary stimulus, which has injected fresh momentum into the markets. However, experts caution that this stimulus alone may not be sufficient to sustain the rally in the long term.

"Q4 earnings results show encouraging growth for midcap companies, but FY26 earnings are unlikely to reach the mid-teens growth rate necessary for sustained market resilience," said Dr VK Vijayakumar, Chief Investment Strategist at Geojit Investments Ltd.

Among the Sensex constituents, Bajaj Finance, Axis Bank, IndusInd Bank, Kotak Mahindra Bank, and Infosys were the top gainers, while Titan, Tata Steel, and Eternal lagged behind.

Technical analysts indicated that Nifty could



find support near the 25,000 level, with immediate resistance around 25,100, followed by 25,200 and 25,300. Investors are advised to exercise caution given ongoing global uncertain-

"Traders should maintain disciplined strategies, avoid large overnight positions, and focus on short-term opportunities with strict stop-losses and risk management," advised Hardik Matalia of Choice Broking.

Foreign institutional investors (FIIs) showed confidence by purchasing equities worth Rs 1,009.71 crore on June 6, while domestic institutional investors (DIIs) continued their buying streak for the 14th consecutive day, investing Rs 9,342.48 crore.

Asian markets also reflected positive momentum, with Hong Kong, Bangkok, China, Seoul, and Japan trading in the green. The US markets ended the previous session strongly, with the Dow Jones up 1.05%, S&P 500 gaining 1.03%, and Nasdaq rising 1.20%.

#### SBI Pays Record Rs 8,076.84 Crore Dividend to **Government for FY25**

🗨 tate Bank of India (SBI), the country's larg-**J**est lender, has paid a dividend of Rs 8,076.84 crore to the government for the financial year 2024-25, reflecting a significant rise from last year's dividend of Rs 6,959.29 crore. This increase is backed by SBI's impressive record net profit of Rs 70,901 crore during the fiscal year.

On Monday, SBI Chairman C S Setty formally handed over the dividend cheque to Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman in a ceremony attended by Financial Services Secretary M Nagaraju and Finance Secretary Ajay Seth. The handover was officially confirmed through a post by the Finance Ministry on X (formerly Twitter), highlighting the milestone achievement.

The enhanced dividend payout underlines SBI's robust financial performance and continued growth in profitability. With the bank posting a record net profit, the government, as the largest shareholder, has benefited from a higher dividend return. This payment is a key contributor to the government's non-tax revenue, strengthening its fiscal position.

Chairman C S Setty expressed optimism about SBI's performance and its commitment to supporting India's economic growth through sustainable banking practices and continued focus This year's dividend payout not only rewards on profitability. The bank's strong financial results were driven by growth in advances, improved asset quality, and operational efficiencies.

The increased dividend also reflects the govern-



ment's significant stake in SBI, which plays a critical role in India's banking sector and economy. The payout marks another step in the government's efforts to leverage public sector undertakings for fiscal benefits.

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman welcomed the dividend cheque and acknowledged SBI's contribution to the government's revenue. The government continues to rely on such dividends to meet its expenditure requirements without increasing tax burdens.

government ownership but also highlights SBI's position as a financial powerhouse with a positive outlook for the coming years. The bank's consistent profits and dividend payments reinforce confidence among stakeholders and investors alike.



## Chinese Paraglider's 8,000-Meter Ascent Video Likely AI-Generated: Investigation Reveals Aviral video that claimed to show a AChinese paraglider accidentally soar-

#### Will AI Lead to **Humanity's Decline? Indian-Origin Expert Issues Stark Warning**



↑ s artificial intelligence rapidly integrates into everyday life, concerns about its longterm impact on humanity are mounting. Indian-origin computer science professor Subhash Kak, based at Oklahoma State University, has issued a dire warning about the future, predicting that AI could eventually "replace everything" — from jobs to decision-making roles — potentially leading to societal collapse.

In an interview with The Sun, Professor Kak predicted a dystopian future where AI renders much of human labor obsolete. He warned that as machines become capable of doing nearly everything humans currently do, birth rates could plummet. "Raising children will seem impractical in a world where jobs are scarce," he said. If current trends continue, Kak forecasts that by the year 2300 or 2380, the global population could shrink to just 100 million — down from today's 8 billion — turning once-bustling cities like London and New York into ghost towns. Kak emphasized that while AI will not become conscious, it will still be able to perform most tasks currently done by humans, including complex office work and decision-making. This transformation, he believes, will be socially devastating and could lead to widespread unemployment and a sense of purposelessness.

This projection aligns with earlier warnings from tech figures like Elon Musk, who has expressed concern over declining birth rates and humanity's reliance on AI. Musk has even suggested that establishing colonies beyond Earth could serve as a safeguard against global catastrophe.

Professor Kak's conclusions draw from his recent book The Age of Artificial Intelligence, in which he analyzes how emerging AI tools are already reshaping industries and personal lives. While some, like Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the recent AI Action Summit in Paris, remain optimistic arguing that technology creates new jobs even as it eliminates old ones — Kak's perspective offers a sobering counterpoint. As the world grapples with AI's rise, voices like Kak's raise critical questions about whether society is prepared for the profound changes ahead.

#### Chinese Paraglider's 8,000-Meter Ascent Video Likely AI-Generated: **Investigation Reveals** Aviral video that claimed to show a

Chinese paraglider accidentally soaring to over 8,000 meters has come under scrutiny, with evidence now suggesting the footage was at least partially generated using artificial intelligence. The

incident, initially believed to be an extraordinary real-life survival story, is now being questioned after digital forensics indicated synthetic manipulation. The video in question features Peng Yujiang, a 55-year-old paraglider, allegedly being lifted from 3,000 to nearly 8,000 meters due to unusual wind conditions. According to initial reports, Peng braved freezing temperatures of -40°C and dangerously low oxygen levels, fighting off hypoxia and frostbite to land safely. The remarkable feat quickly captured global attention, with many applauding his resilience and composure under extreme circumstances.

However, a deeper investigation by NBC News and AI-verification firm GetReal Labs revealed inconsistencies. A version of the video uploaded to Facebook on May 25 contained a watermark from Doubao AI — a content generation tool owned by ByteDance — raising suspicions about its authenticity. The first five seconds of the video, showing Peng gliding at high altitude with his legs dangling, were identified as likely AI-generated.



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which had distributed the clip without the AI watermark, has since removed it. Other outlets followed suit, with some stating they are working to eliminate the footage from circulation due to AI concerns.

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"Our Inspect platform analyzed extracted frames and confirmed that certain images are synthetic," said GetReal Labs, noting that the first few seconds differed significantly in quality and content from the rest of the footage.

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#### PhD Required for Canteen Manager Job at Top Chinese University Sparks Debate

A leading Chinese university has stirred online buzz after listing a job opening for a canteen office manager — with an unusual requirement: applicants must hold a PhD.

Southeast University, a top-tier institution based in Nanjing, Jiangsu province, posted the vacancy on its official website on May 22. While the position itself seems typical — managing food services, overseeing contractors, ensuring food safety, and handling administrative duties — the qualifications listed go far beyond expectations for such a role.

Applicants are required to possess a doctoral degree, be proficient in English and office software, and ideally have relevant experience. Preference will also be given to candidates who are members of the Communist Party of China.

This hiring choice has spotlighted a growing issue in China's job market — credential inflation. In recent years, job postings across the country increasingly demand higher academic qualifications for positions that previously required only undergraduate degrees. What was once a bachelor-level job now often requires a master's or even a PhD.

Southeast University is part of China's elite "985" and "211" projects — a group of the nation's top 39 universities, which a symptom of a larger issue: China pro-



includes institutions like Tsinghua and duces millions of graduates annually, but Peking. These universities are seen as the job market is failing to create enough breeding grounds for China's academic high-skilled roles to accommodate them. elite and offer prestigious, secure career As a result, many postgraduates are setpaths often referred to as the "golden rice

A study in Humanities and Social Sciences Communications noted that Chinese universities have raised the bar for new faculty hires, demanding more advanced degrees and academic achievements. Similarly, research in Nature highlighted a marked rise in educational qualifications, especially at elite institutions.

This surge in overqualified candidates is

tling for positions well below their qualifications, leading to underemployment.

A BBC report described the resulting tension — young professionals stuck in a market mismatch, chasing job security in an economy that doesn't match their academic investment.

This PhD-for-canteen-manager requirement may be extreme, but it reflects a larger trend reshaping China's workforce.

## Tinder's New Height Preference Filter **Sparks Controversy Among Users**

Tinder is testing a new fea-L ture that's causing quite a stir — a height preference filter that allows users to set their desired height range for potential matches. While still in the testing phase, the feature is being rolled out to a limited group of Tinder Gold and Platinum subscribers, according to a report by Tech-Crunch.

The update was first spotted by a Reddit user, who found the height option under the app's Discovery Settings. While the concept seems simple, it's already sparked debate across social media about the implications of filtering matches based on physical traits particularly height.

Tinder's Vice President of Communications, Phil Price Fry, addressed the move, saying it was part of the app's broader goal to help users "connect



more intentionally." He emphasized that the feature isn't designed to work as a "hard filter," meaning it won't completely exclude users outside of a person's set preference. and focus." Instead, it's intended to help surface matches that align more closely with a user's in-

"We're always listening to

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what matters most to our Tinder users," Fry said. "Testing the paid height preference is a great example of how we're building with urgency, clarity,

Despite Tinder's reassurances, the feature has received mixed reactions online. Critics argue that it encourages superficiality and could reinforce unrealistic dating standards, particularly for men, who often face pressure over their height in online dating scenarios. Others defend the update, saying preferences are a natural part of dating and that similar filters for age, distance, and lifestyle habits already exist.

"This is part of a broader effort to enhance intentional dating," Fry added. "Not every test becomes a permanent feature, but each one teaches us how to deliver smarter, more personalized experiences."

Tinder has not confirmed whether the height preference setting will roll out globally or remain exclusive to premium users. For now, the test reflects the app's ongoing effort to evolve based on user feedback — even if that means courting a little controversy along the way.



### Nations League Glory: Portugal Defeats Spain in Penalty **Shootout to Lift Title**

 $\mathbf{P}_{\text{Nations}}^{\text{ortugal clinched their second UEFA}}$ fashion, edging out defending champions Spain 5-3 in a penalty shootout after a pulsating 2-2 draw in extra time at the Allianz Arena on Sunday.

Captain Cristiano Ronaldo led from the front, netting his 138th international goal and later breaking down in tears as teammate Ruben Neves converted the decisive penalty to seal victory for the Seleção. The miss from Spain's Álvaro Morata in the shootout proved costly, handing Portugal the

"Winning for Portugal is always special," said an emotional Ronaldo. "I've



won many titles with clubs, but nothing compares to this. These are tears of pride, joy, and fulfillment."

Spain had entered the final on the back of a thrilling 5-4 win over France in the semi-finals, riding a 27-match unbeaten streak that began in March 2023. Their confidence showed early as Martín Zubimendi opened the scoring in the 21st minute, netting his second goal for the national team.

However, Portugal equalized swiftly. A brilliant attacking move, initiated by Ronaldo, allowed Nuno Mendes to surge into the box and calmly slot the ball past the Spanish keeper.

Spain regained the lead before halftime, thanks to a superb assist from elite footballing nations.

Spain Start Strong, Portugal Strike Pedri, setting up Mikel Oyarzabal hero of the Euro 2024 final—to make

#### Ronaldo Leads the Comeback

As the clock ticked into the second half, Portugal continued to press. Their persistence paid off when Ronaldo fired home the equalizer, taking the match into extra time and eventually penalties.

With composure and clinical execution, Portugal converted all their spot kicks. When Morata faltered for Spain, Neves stepped up to deliver the title-clinching blow.

This triumph further cements Ronaldo's legendary status, while reaffirming Portugal's place among Europe's

#### **Alcaraz Stuns Sinner in Historic** French Open Comeback to Claim Fifth Grand Slam Title

Alcaraz upulled off one of the greatest comebacks in French Open history on Sunday, rallying from two sets down and saving three championship points to defeat world No. 1 Jannik Sinner in a five-set classic: 4-6, 6-7 (4), 6-4, 7-6 (3), 7-6 (10-2).

The match lasted a record-breaking 5 hours and 29 minutes, making it the longest final ever at

Roland-Garros in the Open Era. Incredibly, Sinner won 193 points to Alcaraz's 192 — a testament to the razor-thin margins of the epic duel.

Sinner had appeared moments from victory. Leading two sets to love and holding three match points at 5-3 in the fourth set, the 23-year-old Italian was on the brink of his maiden French Open title. But Alcaraz, unshaken and fueled by resilience, saved all three and turned the tide.

From there, the Spaniard mounted a stunning charge, winning key points with aggressive shot-making, especially in the tiebreaks. He clinched the match with a trademark forehand pass and collapsed in joy before celebrating with his team.

"I'm just proud and really happy," Alcaraz said.



"It's a privilege to share the court with you, Jannik. You're going to be a champion many, many times."

This victory marks Alcaraz's fifth Grand Slam title in as many finals and his second consecutive French Open crown. It's also his third major won after coming from behind, continuing his remarkable trend of turning adversity into triumph.

For Sinner, it was his first Grand Slam final loss and a heartbreaking one at that. "It hurts," he said, "but I'm proud of how we've worked to get

While Sinner may have left Paris empty-handed, the battle he shared with Alcaraz will be remembered as a new classic in tennis history.

#### Nicholas Pooran Stuns Cricket World with Retirement at 29



Nicholas Pooran has announced his retirement an abrupt end to a career that left a lasting imprescricketing landscape.

Pooran, a key player for Despite stepping away the Lucknow Super Giants in the IPL and one of West Indies' most explosive white-ball talents, made the announcement via social media, citing "much thought and reflection" behind the decision, but offered no specific reason. "This game we love has given and will continue to give so much - joy, purpose, unforgettable memories," Pooran wrote. "To have led the team as captain is a privilege I will

Pooran retires as West left an indelible mark on Indies' most capped T20I West Indies cricket." cricketer with 106 match- Pooran concluded his es and their highest message with gratitude run-scorer in the format, to fans, family, and teamamassing 2,275 runs at mates: "Though this ina strike rate of 136.39. In ternational chapter ends, ODIs, he featured in 61 my love for West Indies games, scoring 1,983 runs Cricket will never fade." at an average of 39.66.

In a surprising move, Though he never played • West Indies star batter Test cricket, his influence in the limited-overs arena was immense. His last from international cricket international appearance at the age of 29, bringing was in December 2024 against Bangladesh. He had recently opted out of sion on the Caribbean the T20I series against England.

> from the international scene, Pooran remains a high-demand player in franchise cricket, with commitments in Major League Cricket, The Hundred, Caribbean Premier League, ILT20, and the IPL, where he ended the 2025 season with 524 runs at a blistering strike rate of 196.25.

Cricket West Indies (CWI) praised Pooran's contribution, stating, "A worldclass player and a game always hold close to my changer... his influence on and off the field has

#### **India Fall Short in 3-2 Thriller Against Netherlands in FIH Hockey Pro League**

The Indian Men's Hockey Team suffered a narrow 2-3 defeat to the Netherlands in a thrilling FIH Hockey Pro League 2024/25 encounter at the Wagener Hockey Stadium on Sunday.

Abhishek (20') and Jugraj Singh (54') scored for India, while goals from Thijs van Dam (24'), Tjep Hoedemakers (33'), and Jip Janssen (57') sealed the win for the Dutch side.

India started strong, dominating possession and creating early chances, with Abhishek nearly scoring in the sixth minute. Despite the fast pace, the first quarter ended goalless.

In the second quarter, Abhishek, playing his 100th international match, broke the deadlock with a clinical finish after a setup by Shilanand Lakra. However, the Netherlands equalized within minutes as captain Thierry Brinkman set up Thijs van Dam to level the score at 1-1.

The Dutch took the lead in the third quarter when Tjep Hoedemakers netted from a cross by Floris Wortelboer. Despite India's switch to counter-attacking play and multiple penalty corners, they couldn't convert.

India's persistence paid off in the final quarter, as Jugraj Singh made it 2-2 with a powerful drag-flick from a penalty corner. Moments later, Lalit Kumar Upadhyay had a golden opportunity to take the lead but was denied by Dutch goalkeeper Maurits Visser.



With just minutes remaining, the Netherlands won a penalty corner, and Jip Janssen capitalized to make it 3-2. Despite India's late surge, the Dutch defence held firm.

The match marked a personal milestone for Abhishek, who has been pivotal in India's recent successes, including medals at the Olympics, Asian Games, and Commonwealth Games.

India remain fourth in the league standings with 15 points from 10 matches and will next face Argentina on June 11.

#### **Harry Brook Leads England to T20 Series Victory Over West Indies**

#### Clinches Second Series Win in 11 Days

 $\mathbf{B}^{\mathrm{ristol}}$ , June 9, 2025 — England captain Harry Brook celebrated his second series triumph in just 11 days as England defeated the West Indies by four wickets in the second T20 international, taking an unbeatable 2-0 lead in the three-match se-

Chasing a stiff target of 196, England managed to reach 199/6 in just 18.3 overs, thanks to collective contributions from the top-order and a late blitz by Jacob Bethell and Tom Banton. Brook, who recently succeeded Jos Buttler as captain, has now won five consecutive matches against the West Indies, including a 3-0 ODI series sweep prior to the T20s.

Despite a strong start by the West Indies, who posted 196 after losing the toss, England's chase became tense at times, especially when the required run rate exceeded 11 per over. However, the team showed remarkable composure and unity.

"The strength of this team is the unity we share — we're not just teammates, we're a group of mates fighting for each other," Brook said after the match, praising his squad's spirit and resil-

England's innings was anchored by another solid performance from Jos Buttler, who top-scored with 47 off 36 balls, continuing his impressive



form after scoring 96 in the opening match on Friday. Key contributions also came from the top five batters, keeping the chase on track.

The finishing touch, however, came from Jacob Bethell (26) and Tom Banton (30 not out), who added a quickfire 56 runs off just 21 balls, sealing the match in style and breaking West Indian resistance.

With this win, England secured their second series victory over the Caribbean side in under two weeks, further cementing Brook's successful start as the team's new captain and boosting their momentum ahead of future tours.

## **SCREEN**

#### **Tamil Horror Comedy 'Devil's Double Next Level' Sets OTT Premiere on June 13**

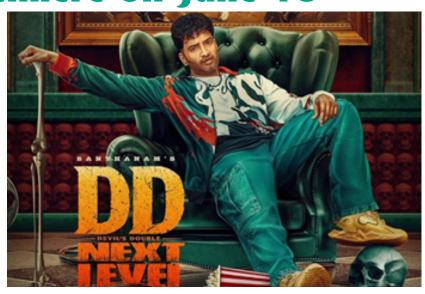
The fourth install-**I** ment of the popular horror-comedy franchise Dhilluku Dhuddu, titled Devil's Double Next Level, is set to make its digital debut. The film will begin streaming on ZEE5/Z5 from June 13, 2025, just four weeks after its theatrical release.

Headlined by comedy star Santhanam, the Dhilluku Dhuddu series has enjoyed considerable box office success with its previous en-

2, and DD Returns. While the earlier films garnered a loyal fanbase and commercial acclaim, the latest chapter opened strong in cinemas but quickly lost momentum due to lukewarm reviews and weak content.

Despite its theatrical underperformance, Devil's Double Next Level is expected to reach a broader audience through its digital release. In addition to Tamil, the film will also stream in Telugu, Malayalam, and Kannada, increasing its accessibility across South India.

The film brings together an ensemble cast fifth installment remains to be seen, but for featuring Selvaraghavan, Gautam Vasudev Menon, Geethika Tiwary, Nizhalgal Ravi, Yashika Aanand, Rajendran, and Redin King-



tries—Dhilluku Dhuddu, Dhilluku Dhuddu sley. The movie blends elements of horror, comedy, and action—hallmarks of the Dhilluku Dhuddu series—though this time, audiences and critics alike found the content less compelling.

> Devil's Double Next Level is jointly produced by Arya and Venkat Boyanapalli, continuing the tradition of genre mashups with a comedic twist. With its OTT release around the corner, the film may find renewed interest among fans of horror-comedy who missed its theatrical run.

> Whether the franchise will continue with a now, fans can mark June 13 on their calendars for a spooky yet funny movie night from the comfort of their homes.

#### Pawan Kalyan's 'Ustaad Bhagat Singh' **Begins Shooting in Hyderabad**

 $T^{ ext{he}}$  wait is finally over for fans of Power Star Pawan Kalyan, as his much-anticipated film Ustaad Bhagat Singh has officially gone on floors. Directed by Harish Shankar, the film began shooting today, June 10, 2025, at the Aluminium Factory in Hyderabad, marking the start of an exciting new schedule.

This project has generated immense buzz ever since it was announced, given the successful collaboration between Pawan Kalyan and Harish Shankar in the 2012 blockbuster Gab-

bar Singh. With expectations running high, the director had recently confirmed that filming would commence in the second week of June and he's delivered as promised.

According to production sources, this schedule will span approximately a month, during which a significant portion of Pawan Kalyan's scenes will be completed. The team is reportedly focusing on high-octane sequences and crucial narrative blocks that will define the tone of this mass entertainer.

Actress Sreeleela plays the female lead, adding youthful energy and glamour to the film. The cast also features several prominent actors in pivotal roles, though their names are being kept

under wraps for now.

Backed by Mythri Movie Makers, Ustaad Bhagat Singh boasts music by Devi Sri Prasad, whose past collaborations with both the director and lead actor have yielded memorable soundtracks. With this powerhouse combination of talent, the film is already being viewed as one of the biggest Telugu releases to look forward to.

Slated for a 2026 theatrical release, Ustaad Bhagat Singh is expected to offer a high-energy, crowd-pleasing experience tailored for fans of commercial cinema. As the cameras roll, all eyes are now on Harish Shankar's vision and how he reinvents Pawan Kalyan's larger-thanlife image for a new generation.



#### Naveen Chandra's Crime Thriller 'Eleven' Sets OTT Release Date

Actor Naveen Chandra returns to the spotlight with his latest crime thriller Eleven, where he takes on the intense role of a determined police officer. Directed by Lokkesh Ajls, this bilingual film—shot in both Tamil and Telugu—is now gearing up for its digital premiere.

Streaming platform Aha has officially confirmed that Eleven will be available to stream starting June 13, 2025. The announcement currently pertains to the Tamil version, but industry buzz suggests that the Telugu version is also expected to drop on







eo, aiming to expand its reach to a broader audience base.

Eleven is a gritty, suspense-filled narrative centered on a gripping investigation led by Naveen Chandra's character. The film promises a tense, layered storyline that dives deep into crime, justice, and human morality.

Reyaa Hari stars as the female lead, bringing both emotional depth and strong screen presence. The ensem-

The film is produced by AR Entertainment, with music composed by D. Imman, whose score is expected to enhance the mood of this dark, investigative drama. Known for his emotionally stirring compositions, Imman's work is likely to be a high-

With its compelling theme and strong performances, Eleven is set to be a notable addition to the growing ble cast includes Shashank, Abhira- list of regional thrillers finding sucmi, Dileepan, Riythvika, Aadukalam cess on OTT platforms. Crime drama Naren, Ravi Varma, and Kireeti Dam- enthusiasts can mark their calendars araju, each playing key roles that add for June 13 to catch this intense thriller from the comfort of their homes.

#### Aadhi Pinisetty's Intense **Transformation in** 'Akhanda 2' Creates Buzz

Director Boyapati Srinu, known for crafting high-octane mass entertainers, is all set to raise the stakes in 'Akhanda 2', the much-anticipated sequel to the Balakrishna starrer Akhanda. Known for his knack in presenting both heroes and villains with equal intensity, Boyapati is once again teaming up with actor Aadhi Pinisetty, and his fierce look from the film's teaser is already setting social media abuzz.

menacing and mysterious.

Aadhi previously collabo-Sarrainodu, where he played a typical egoistic antagonist. However, in Akhanda 2, the actor has undergone a complete transformation, stepping into a role that's far more this on-screen clash.

In the teaser, Aadhi is seen in a spine-chilling on September 25th, 2025, and the teaser has avatar resembling an Aghora, complete with a rugged appearance and spiritual markings. Notably, he seems to have lost one eye, adding a haunting dimension to his character. This unconventional look is already drawing comparisons to mythic and spiritual archetypes, hinting at a deeper, darker character arc than usual.

Fans are especially thrilled about the upcoming faceoff between Balakrishna and Aadhi rollercoaster.

rated with Boyapati in the 2016 blockbuster Pinisetty, which promises to be a major highlight of the film. Given Boyapati's flair for stylized action sequences and grand confrontations, expectations are sky-high for

> Akhanda 2 is slated for a theatrical release only amplified the excitement among fans of mass cinema. With Aadhi's look gaining viral attention, and Balakrishna reprising his powerful role, the film is shaping up to be another explosive action saga from the Boyapati-Balakrishna combo.

> The wait is now on to see how Aadhi's terrifying transformation translates on screen in what promises to be a visual and emotional

#### Nora Fatehi Stuns in Smoky Glam Look, Sets the Bar High for Elegance

known for her electrifying dance numbers and stunning fashion choices, has once again set the internet on fire with her latest jaw-dropping appear-

In her newest photoconfidence and charisma in a body-hugging sheer gown, intricately adorned with subtle sparkles that shimmer under the lights. The outfit strikes a perfect balance between boldness and sophistication. The sheer detailing, offering a glimpse of a well-styled bra underneath, adds a touch of daring sensuality without overpowering the elegance of the overall look.

Nora's hair is styled in voluminous waves that cascade effortlessly, framing her face old-Hollywood charm. Her makeup is sharp and defined, with smoky eyes that draw all the attention, paired with sculpted cheeks and glossy nude lips that complete

Nora Fatehi, the evher sultry and poler-glamorous diva ished vibe. The entire look drips with smoky glamour, showcasing Nora's evolving fashion sense and her knack for making bold statements with grace.

Known for captivating audiences across industries—be it Telugu, shoot, Nora exudes Tamil, or Hindi cinema—Nora has carved a niche for herself with chart-topping special numbers and global music hits like Snake. Her sense of style continues to be as impactful as her performances, making her a true trendsetter in the entertainment world.

> Looking ahead, Nora is gearing up for her next big screen appearance in 'Kanchana 4', where she will be seen alongside Raghava Lawrence. The horror-comedy franchise is known for its blend of thrills entertainment, and Nora's inclusion adds extra excitement for fans.

With her latest appearance making waves, Nora Fatehi proves once again why she's a force of glamour.

