

It's Not About How Many, But Why: CDS Chauhan on Jet Losses

Understood Tactical Mistakes, Remedied And Rectified

- General Chauhan indirectly confirms jet losses during military clash
- Dismisses Pakistan's claim of downing 6 Indian jets as false
- Says India corrected strategic errors and retaliated effectively

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In a rare and significant revelation, Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) General Anil Chauhan has indirectly confirmed that India lost fighter jets during the recent military clashes with Pakistan. Speaking to Bloomberg TV on the sidelines of the Shangri-La Dialogue in Singapore, General Chauhan dismissed Pakistan's claim of shooting down six Indian jets as "completely untrue," but emphasized that the real issue lies not in the number of aircraft lost, but in the strategic reasons behind it. "It is not important that the fighter



jets were shot down, it is important why they were shot down," said General Chauhan, indicating that India has acknowledged internal errors that led to these losses. While he declined to specify how many aircraft were hit, his remarks marked the first time an Indian official has publicly addressed this aspect of the air conflict that began on May 7. He explained that India was able to

identify and correct the strategic mistakes made during the initial days of the confrontation. "We corrected those mistakes, and two days later, all our aircraft were back in action, striking long-range targets successfully," he added. Responding to questions about the military build-up in Pakistan with weapons sourced from China and other nations, General Chauhan downplayed their impact. "Those weapons didn't work. We managed to strike air bases deep within Pakistan—some 300 kilometers in—with precision, even through their layered air defenses," he asserted. General Chauhan also clarified that while the military clash lasted for four days, it never reached the brink of a nuclear confrontation. "We have set clear boundaries. The ceasefire is holding, and its continuation depends entirely on Pakistan's behavior," he said. His remarks suggest a recalibrated and assertive Indian military posture following the May clashes and offer a glimpse into India's operational readiness and strategic clarity in responding to cross-border threats.

Uttam Demands Transparency in Operation Sindoor

- Calls for timely supply of jets and clarity on Air Force losses
- Seeks details on Rafale jets and Pakistani aircraft during Op Sindoor
- Says CDS's Rafale comment contradicts govt claims

TPN Correspondent | Telangana

Telangana Minister and senior Congress leader Uttam Kumar Reddy has raised serious concerns about the shortage of fighter jets in the Indian Air Force and demanded that the Central Government ensure the timely supply of jets and advanced weaponry. He also urged the Centre to maintain transparency regarding the losses sustained during Operation Sindoor. Addressing the media on Saturday, Uttam stressed that India's defense preparedness cannot be compromised. "The shortage of fighter jets in



the country is not good for our national security. The central government must prioritize strengthening the Indian Air Force with the necessary technology and aircraft," he asserted. Uttam also demanded clarity from

the government regarding Operation Sindoor, asking how many Indian fighter jets were lost during the mission and how many Pakistani jets were brought down. He emphasized that people have the right to know the facts and that transparency in military matters enhances public trust. Raising a pointed question about the comments made by the Chief of Defence Staff (CDS), Uttam said, "When Rahul Gandhi spoke about Rafale jets being shot down, he was branded anti-national. But now the CDS himself has made a similar statement. Who is the CDS, and will he also be labeled anti-national?" He reiterated that the Congress Party is not politicizing the issue but merely seeking facts in the interest of the nation. "It's important that both the achievements and shortcomings of operations

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Thailand's Opal Suchata Wins Miss World 2025 Crown

72nd Miss World title goes to Opal Suchata of Thailand
Miss Poland wins both 1st and 2nd runner-up positions
Contestants from 108 countries participated in the event

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Thailand's Opal Suchata Chuang has won the coveted Miss World 2025 title, bringing pride to her nation by securing the crown in the 72nd edition of the globally celebrated beauty pageant. The grand event saw participation from contestants representing 108 countries. As her name was announced, Opal Suchata became visibly emotional, capturing the hearts of millions around the world. She was crowned by last year's Miss World, Kristina Pizkova, in a traditional handover that marked the highlight of the evening. The competition was particularly notable for Poland, as both the first

and second runner-up titles were claimed by Polish contestants. Miss Martinique secured the third runner-up position, rounding off the final placements of the prestigious event. Born in Phuket, Thailand, Opal Suchata will receive a prize amount of ₹8.5 crore along with the Miss World crown. Her victory has not only brought her international fame but also once again showcased Thailand's growing influence in global pageantry. The crowning of Opal Suchata adds a proud chapter to Thailand's history in the Miss World contest and continues to inspire young women worldwide.

Bandi Sanjay Calls Kavitha Episode a Family Drama

- "Kalvakuntla Arts Creation" staged with Congress support, says Union Minister
- BRS and Congress working together, alleges Bandi Sanjay
- Slams CM Revanth's remarks for hurting army morale

TPN Correspondent | Rajanna Sircilla

Union Minister of State Bandi Sanjay launched a sharp attack on BRS MLC Kalvakuntla Kavitha, branding the recent developments surrounding her as nothing more than a family drama. He mocked it as a production titled "Kalvakuntla Arts Creation", accusing the Congress party of playing the role of producer in this alleged political play. Sanjay alleged that a "Charpatta game" is underway within the BRS and asserted that the BJP has no connection with either BRS or its in-

ternal issues. He claimed that BRS leaders were attempting to shield Kavitha from arrest and were looking for ways to engage with the BJP, but he clarified that the BJP would never align with a corrupt party. The Union Minister reiterated that while the BRS and Congress accuse each other publicly, they have always worked together behind the scenes — both in the past and at present. "BJP and BRS can never unite," he affirmed, accusing both parties of maintaining secret ties for mutual benefit.

Sanjay reacts to Vemulawada cow deaths

Expressing his grief over the death of several heifers in the cowshed of the Sri Rajarajeshwara Swamy temple in

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What Is Revanth Doing If AP Is Diverting Water: Kavitha

- CM Revanth must make a clear statement on water issue
- Kavitha calls KCR the father of Telangana, slams notices as insult to people
- Telangana Jagruti to hold Mahadharna at Indira Park on June 4
- Telangana Jagruti's New Office Inaugurated



diversion of river waters through Banakacharla. Addressing a media conference after inaugurating the new Telangana Jagruti Sanstha office at Banjara Hills, Kavitha expressed concerns over key issues including inter-state river water disputes, alleged political conspiracies against KCR, and the state government's direction. Kavitha demanded to know what Revanth Reddy is doing while the Andhra Pradesh government reportedly diverts river water. She warned that linking of the

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Covid Cases Near 3,395 Across India

Kerala tops the list; seven deaths reported this month

- Cases rise from 1,010 to 2,710 in four days
- Kerala reports highest active cases at 1,347
- 16 active cases in Andhra Pradesh, 3 in Telangana

TPN Correspondent | New Delhi

Covid-19 cases are once again on the rise across India, with the number of active cases rapidly nearing the 3,000 mark. According to data released by the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, the country recorded a sharp jump in infections within a span of just four days—from 1,010 active cases on May 26 to 2,710 on May 30.

Kerala has emerged as the worst-affected state, with 1,147 active cases currently reported. Maharashtra follows with 424 cases, Delhi with 294, and Gujarat with 223. Tamil Nadu and Karnataka each have 148 active cases, while West Bengal stands at 116. Other states with notable numbers include Rajasthan (51), Uttar Pradesh (42),

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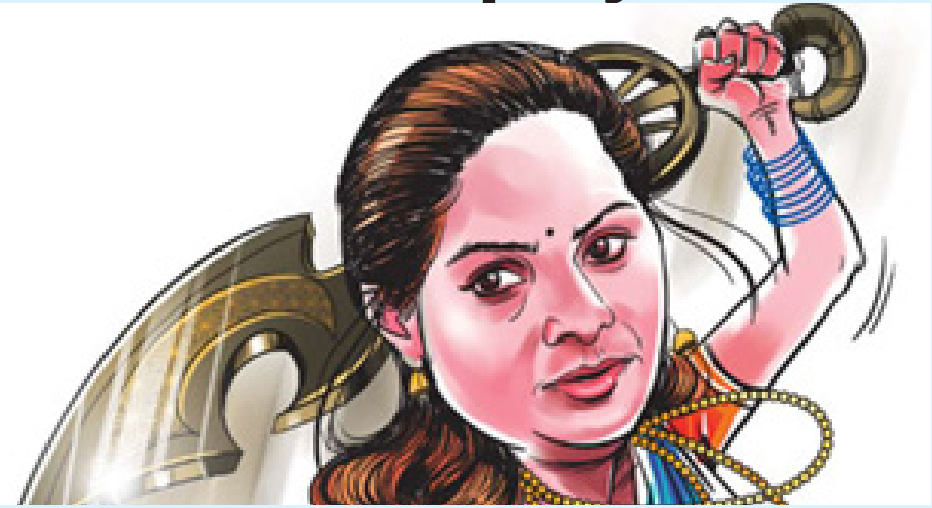


Kavitha’s Bold Political Move Targets KTR Amid KCR Inquiry

- Kavitha launches political activities through her own organization Jagruti
- Dharna at Indira Park against KCR’s Kaleshwaram Commission notice
- Move seen as a challenge to brother KTR’s leadership and influence

V. Krishna Kumar

TPN: Special Desk - Kavitha is making it clear she will no longer hold back in Telangana politics. Asserting her presence strongly, she has taken a series of strategic steps that are seen as directly aimed at her brother, BRS working president K.T. Rama Rao (KTR). While KTR is currently abroad on a foreign tour, Kavitha has openly questioned whether her brother will limit himself to tweets in response to ongoing political challenges. Despite limited support from party leaders, Kavitha has decided to start her political activities through her own organization, Jagruti. She recently inaugurated a new Jagruti headquarters at her home, signaling



her intent to build an independent political base. This move also appears to be a declaration of her ambitions within the party framework. In the backdrop of the Kaleshwaram Commission issuing notices to their father, Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR), for alleged irregularities in the irrigation project, Kavitha has announced plans to hold a dharna at Indira Park on June 4, just a day before KCR’s scheduled inquiry on June 5. This protest is

widely interpreted as an attempt to corner both her father and brother politically. Observers suggest Kavitha’s actions are designed to prove her political capabilities surpass those of KTR, setting the stage for a potential future party announcement following the establishment of her party office. The ongoing power play within the BRS family continues to keep Telangana’s political landscape on edge.

Indira Gandhi first recognized Thandas, empowered Adivasis

- Congress ensured 2.3 lakh tribals got land under ROFR Act
- BRS filed false cases, BJP has no future in Telangana

TPN Correspondent | Khammam:

TPCC President and MLC Mahesh Kumar Goud has reiterated the Congress Party’s unwavering commitment to the rights and welfare of tribal communities. Speaking in Khammam, he emphasized the historic and continued efforts of Congress governments, right from the era of Indira Gandhi, in addressing the socio-economic challenges faced by Adivasis.

He reminded the public that it was former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi who first recognized tribal hamlets (Thandas) and initiated landmark reforms like the Land Ceiling Act to benefit marginalized groups. “The credit for fully implementing the Land Ceiling Act goes to former PM P.V. Narasimha Rao,” Mahesh Kumar Goud added. He noted that successive Congress governments have introduced legal reforms and development programs focused on tribal welfare.

Goud criticized the previous BRS government for its failure to support tribal rights, accusing it of filing false cases against Adivasis who fought for their podu (forest) lands. “The BRS regime not only failed to distribute eligible lands under the ROFR Act, it actively suppressed tribal voices,” he said. In contrast, he noted that the current Congress-led government has granted land ownership to 2.30 lakh tribal farmers, covering 6.69 lakh acres under the Forest Rights Act.

Highlighting the party’s broader social



justice agenda, Goud credited Rahul Gandhi’s Bharat Jodo Yatra with bringing national attention to critical grass-roots issues. He praised Chief Minister Revanth Reddy and the cabinet for successfully completing the caste census, aligning with Rahul Gandhi’s vision.

“The Congress is the only party committed to the slogan ‘Jal, Jungle, Zameen,’” he declared, stating that the party is also focused on the upliftment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes through schemes like Indira Solar-Giri Jal Vikasam, free bus travel for women, and subsidized rice distribution.

Goud also pledged to ensure fair representation for tribal communities within the Pradesh Congress Committee structure, vowing to amplify their voices in all forums. He expressed confidence that the Congress will return to power in Telangana with a clear majority of 90 seats.

Commenting on political rivals, Goud said, “The internal conflicts in BRS, driven by asset disputes, are tearing the party apart. By the next elections, BRS will become politically irrelevant.” He dismissed the BJP’s prospects in Telangana, stating, “The people of Telangana have never supported the BJP, and they never will.”

DGP Jitender Urges Prompt Registration of All Victims’ Complaints

- No complaint should go unregistered at police stations
- Emphasis on timely justice to build public trust
- QR code feedback system to monitor police performance

TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad

Director General of Police Dr. Jitender has called for the prompt registration of all complaints received from victims across Telangana’s police stations. Speaking at a review meeting with Station House Officers (SHOs) on Saturday, the DGP stressed that no complaint should be left unregistered and urged officers to prioritize addressing public grievances effectively. Dr. Jitender clarified that an increase in registered cases should not be a cause for concern, and SHOs must not be questioned simply for recording more cases. He highlighted the critical



need to ensure justice for victims through thorough investigations, reinforcing the principles of the criminal justice system. “Only when victims are denied justice do they seek external recommendations. Timely justice enhances public trust and professional satisfaction,” he said. The DGP emphasized citizen-centric policing and encouraged the Telangana Police to provide responsive and effective services. He

expressed confidence that improved law and order conditions are contributing to Hyderabad’s appeal for foreign investment and overall development. Commending police stations that achieved 100% satisfaction ratings from complainants via QR code feedback, the DGP challenged other stations to replicate this success. He assured continuous monitoring of feedback and advocated for the increased

deployment of women police personnel to enhance policing quality.

Additional DGP (Law & Order) Mahesh M. Bhagwat also addressed the meeting, underscoring the significance of QR code-based feedback in evaluating SHO performance and instructing officers to make complainants aware of this system.

Ahead of the upcoming Bakrid festival, ADGP Bhagwat advised vigilance to prevent illegal transportation of cows and urged proactive legal action under recent criminal laws. He also stressed zero tolerance against spurious seeds, instructing SHOs to apply strict legal provisions, including the Prevention of Damage (PD) Act, and to shut down fake seed centers to protect farmers’ interests.

AIG Ramana Kumar and DSP Satyanarayana were present at the meeting.

Commissioner Karnan Orders Immediate Repair of Malakpet Drainage Leakage

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GHMC Commissioner R.V. Karnan has directed officials to immediately commence repairs on the drainage leakage at Malakpet RUB to prevent flood water stagnation and public inconvenience. On Saturday, Commissioner Karnan, accompanied by Hydra Commissioner Ranganath, inspected the leakage site and stressed urgent action.

The leakage, which persisted since the previous night, prompted the Commissioner to instruct engineering teams to begin repair work without delay to safeguard residents from flooding issues.

In addition to Malakpet, Commissioner Karnan also reviewed various infrastructure projects in Qutubulapur Circle alongside Kukatpally

Zonal Commissioner. The inspection included the Fox Nagar tank, the road widening plan from National Highway 44 to Chintal, and the proposed steel bridge site on the pipeline road. Further, the Commissioner examined ongoing sewage diversion and pipeline extension works from Fox Sagar Lake to Chemical Nala. He emphasized the importance of progressing drainage diversion and road widening projects to improve local infrastructure and prevent future water-logging.

Zonal Commissioner Apurv Chauhan, SNDP CE Koteswara Rao, Zonal SE Chinna Reddy, Lakes EE Narayana, DC, and other officials participated in the inspections alongside Commissioner Karnan.

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Covid Cases Near 3,395 Across India

Puducherry (25), and Haryana (20). In the Telugu states, Andhra Pradesh currently has 16 active Covid cases, while Telangana has 3. Madhya Pradesh has 10 cases, Goa 7, and Odisha, Punjab, and Jammu & Kashmir have 4 each. Arunachal Pradesh and Chandigarh have 3 active cases each, and Mizoram and Assam have two apiece.

Notably, there are no active Covid-19 cases reported in Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Bihar, Sikkim, and Himachal Pradesh at present. Meanwhile, the country recorded

seven Covid-related deaths in May. Maharashtra reported two fatalities, while Delhi, Gujarat, Karnataka, Punjab, and Tamil Nadu reported one death each. Officials noted that except for the fatality in Punjab, all the deceased were elderly individuals with pre-existing health issues. Health officials have urged the public to remain cautious, particularly in states reporting higher caseloads. While there is no immediate alarm, the rising trend has triggered concerns of another potential wave if not kept in check.

Bandi Sanjay Calls Kavitha Episode a Family Drama

Vemulawada, Sanjay said he would soon discuss the issue with the temple’s Executive Officer. He emphasized the need to increase facilities proportionate to the number of animals housed and criticized the previous BRS government for misusing funds meant for the Rajanna temple’s upkeep.

Criticism of Revanth

Reddy’s remarks on army

Sanjay also came down heavily on Chief Minister Revanth Reddy for his recent remarks, claiming they undermined the morale of

the Indian armed forces. “Such statements demotivate our army, which is engaged in a constant battle against terrorism,” he said. He recalled Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s words that India’s fight with Pakistan continues until terrorism is wiped out completely. Sanjay’s comments have added more fuel to the ongoing political friction in Telangana, particularly amid the speculation around Kavitha’s political intentions and the broader dynamics between BRS, Congress, and BJP.

Uttam Demands Transparency in Operation Sindoor

like Sindoor be made public. Secrecy in such matters breeds suspicion,” Uttam said.

The minister urged the Union Government to adopt a transparent approach in defense-related affairs, stating that the credibility of the armed forces and public faith in the government would only grow if both successes and failures were disclosed honestly. He concluded by stressing that ensuring the Air Force is fully equipped must be a top priority for the Centre.

What Is Revanth Doing If AP Is Diverting Water: Kavitha

Godavari and Kaveri rivers poses a serious risk to Telangana’s rightful share of water and demanded that the Chief Minister make a clear public statement on this issue on June 2, Telangana Formation Day. “KCR suggested river linkage at Tupakula Gudem, but the Centre is pushing for Ichchampally. The Chief Minister should speak up,” she asserted, urging for an immediate Apex Council meeting. Recalling the history of Telangana Jagruti, Kavitha emphasized that it

was established 18 years ago inspired by KCR and Professor Jayashankar. “From Ashoknagar to Banjara Hills, our mission remains the same — to serve Telangana’s people and uphold their aspirations,” she said, adding that many sacrificed their lives during the movement. Statues of Ambedkar, Telangana Talli, Jyotiba and Savitribai Phule, and Professor Jayashankar have been installed at the new office to honor this legacy. Kavitha also slammed the Congress government’s symbolic moves. “Re-

vanth Reddy has not even said ‘Jai Telangana’ yet. On June 2, he should at least remember the martyrs and say those words,” she insisted. She took objection to the Congress naming a new scheme as Rajiv Yuva Vikasam, questioning its relevance to Telangana and demanding it be renamed Telangana Yuva Vikasam. Addressing the recent notices issued to KCR by the Kaleshwaram Inquiry Commission, Kavitha called it an insult to the people of Telangana. “KCR is the father of the Telangana state.

Giving notices to him is like giving notices to the entire Telangana population. Is this Congress Commission or a Kaleshwaram Commission?” she asked, expressing outrage over what she described as a conspiracy. She announced that Telangana Jagruti will organize a massive protest (Mahadharna) at Indira Park on June 4 to explain the conspiracy behind the notices issued to KCR. “Telangana Jagruti and BRS are like two eyes for KCR. We will not sit silently,” she declared.

Kavitha also warned the BJP-led Centre that ignoring the BC Bill would provoke a major agitation. Asserting the need for 42% reservation for BCs in local body elections, she said the Jagruti movement will continue fighting for social justice. Kavitha concluded by emphasizing Telangana Jagruti’s ongoing commitment to protecting the interests of the state and reaffirmed support for KCR’s leadership, despite rumors about forming a new party, which she had already denied earlier.

KTR Inaugurates PDSL Knowledge Center at Warwick University

India First, Telangana First is our policy: KTR

PDSL serves global giants like McLaren, Aston Martin

Telangana youth are powering innovation globally: KTR

BRS policies positioned Hyderabad as an auto-tech hub

TPN Correspondent | England

Former Minister and BRS Working President K.T. Rama Rao reiterated his commitment to Telangana's progress, stating that whether in power or not, he would continue striving for the state's development. Speaking at the inauguration of the PDSL (Pragmatic Design Solutions Limited) Knowledge Center at Warwick University in England, KTR emphasized that "India First, Telangana First" remains his core policy. KTR lauded the achievements of Telangana youth and expressed pride that companies from the state are providing research and development services to global automotive giants

such as McLaren, Aston Martin, Jaguar, and Land Rover. He called the Knowledge Center at Warwick University a testament to Telangana's talent reaching global heights. Reflecting on the BRS government's tenure, KTR said Hyderabad emerged as a major automotive and mobility hub, on par with Pune and Chennai. He highlighted how innovative policies during BRS's nine-year rule laid the foundation for Telangana's rise in sectors like IT, life sciences, and automobile manufacturing. KTR also pointed out that Telangana was the first Indian state to host the Formula E Racing Championship. He noted that the government had en-

visioned a Mobility Valley to attract global investments, which played a key role in major companies like Google, Amazon, and Facebook establishing their largest campuses in Hyderabad. "I want investments to flow in and employment opportunities to increase for Telangana's youth. I will use all my strength for this vision, regardless of holding office," he affirmed. He also urged PDSL to consider expanding its operations into Telangana to further bolster the state's tech and automotive ecosystems. During the inauguration, KTR interacted with staff and was briefed by PDSL representatives on their activ-



ities. PDSL Director Kranthi Puppala said that KTR's vision has gone beyond Telangana, making him a global name in innovation and governance. He said it was an honor to have KTR launch their Knowledge Center, rec-

ognizing his role in making Telangana a leader across sectors. KTR concluded by encouraging youth and enterprises to constantly adapt to global shifts and upskill to remain competitive in emerging industries.

Harish Rao Denies secret meetings with Etala

- Slams Mahesh Goud for resorting to petty politics
- Urges Congress to fulfill six guarantees and poll promises

TPN Correspondent | Telangana

BRS senior leader and former minister T Harish Rao has strongly refuted the allegations made by Telangana PCC chief Mahesh Kumar Goud, who claimed that Harish met former BRS leader and now BJP MP Etala Rajender in secrecy. The allegations, which also mentioned Harish Rao's supposed telephonic discussions with former CM K Chandrashekar Rao after the Kaleshwaram Committee issued notices, sparked a political storm in the state.

Responding to the controversy, Harish Rao took to social media platform 'X' to issue a sharp rebuttal, accusing Mahesh Goud of engaging in "chhillara politics" and behaving inappropriately for someone holding the PCC chief post.

"You are following in the footsteps of Revanth Reddy by giving a thumbs up to values. Just by burning a cloth and putting it on, lies do not become truth," Rao posted, hinting at Congress's alleged lack of ethics in political discourse.

He clarified that he has never met any leader who quit BRS for other parties, including Etala Rajender, except in public or ceremonial settings such as weddings or funerals. "I will do politics based on values, and I will not seek to benefit from petty politics like you," Harish asserted.

Taking aim at the Congress government, Harish advised Mahesh Goud to focus on implementing the six guarantees and the "420 promises" made during the elections rather than spreading baseless accusations. "Stop making such allegations and behave in a low-level manner," he said.

The war of words highlights the deepening political tensions between the BRS and Congress in Telangana, particularly amid scrutiny over key projects like Kaleshwaram and growing speculation around shifting political alliances.



Chaotic Rule During BRS Govt, Says Telangana Agri Minister

TPN Correspondent | Suryapet

Telangana Agriculture Minister Thummal Nageswara Rao on Friday, May 30, criticized the decade-long rule of the Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) government, describing it as chaotic. Speaking at a review meeting on grain procurement, agriculture, land acquisition, irrigation, and Indiramma houses held at the Suryapet Collectorate, he highlighted the current government's efforts under Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy to address the state's challenges despite political and economic difficulties.

The minister stated that Telangana has become a leader in grain procurement, unprecedented in its history. He revealed that the government has spent Rs 13,000 crore on farmer insurance schemes and Rs 21,000 crore on waiving farmer loans to support the agricultural community.

Telangana Irrigation Minister N Uttam Kumar Reddy urged officials across departments in the former Nalgonda district to maintain integrity and warned that any officer found involved in corruption or irregularities would face strict action. "Rampant negligence and corruption during the past ten years will no longer be tolerated under the Congress government," he asserted.

Supporting this stance, Roads and Buildings Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy emphasized the critical role of district collectors in efficiently implementing welfare schemes aimed at uplifting the poor. He also pointed out that the Congress government has gained public goodwill by distributing rice to poor families, a move that was not part of the party's election promises but was well received by the public.

Fight against terrorism is India's collective victory, not personal

TPN Correspondent | Telangana

Congress MP Renuka Chowdhury has hit back at Prime Minister Narendra Modi's recent comments on terrorism, saying the fight against terror is not the victory of any one person but a collective triumph of the nation. Responding sharply to the Prime Minister's claim that he would personally dismantle the base of terror masterminds, Renuka advised him not to use such serious matters for political mileage.

"This is not the victory of one individual. This is the collective victory of every Indian," Renuka Chowdhury asserted, emphasizing that the credit for tackling terrorism lies with India's armed forces and its resilient border communities. She further questioned, "How can this assurance be yours alone? Did you know in advance about the Pahalgam attack?" She pointed out that the armed forces

have already responded appropriately and deserve full credit, not politicians seeking limelight. "Despite the ongoing tensions, we should salute the civilians living in the border areas," she added.



Her remarks were in response to Modi's speech in Kanpur on Wednesday, where he declared that India would "hunt down the enemy wherever he is" and warned that the country

does not distinguish between state and non-state actors in the fight against terrorism.

Renuka stressed that terrorism is a national issue and should be dealt with through unity and not politicized for electoral gain. Her comments reflect growing concern within the opposition about the political use of national security issues during ongoing election campaigns.

Congress Has Turned Governance Into Drama: BJP

TPN Correspondent | Telangana

BJP Telangana State General Secretary Dr. Kasam Venkateswarlu launched a scathing attack on the Congress government, calling it the "biggest disaster." Telangana has witnessed in recent times. Addressing a press conference at the BJP state office, he said the Congress party, especially Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, has consistently undermined national and state honor with false propaganda and baseless criticism of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

He accused the Congress leadership of spreading misinformation about critical national issues, including the Indian Army's actions against Pakistan under Operation Sindoor. "Even the Prime Minister of Pakistan and their Army Chief Munir have acknowledged losses due to India's military operations, but our own Congress leaders fail to recognize it," he said.

Dr. Venkateswarlu mocked the Congress's "Jai Hind Yatra", stating it insults India while falsely projecting Rahul Gandhi and Revanth Reddy as national heroes. "Revanth seems to believe criticizing Modi guarantees political growth. This approach shows immaturity and political desperation," he added. He ridiculed the Congress government's unfulfilled promises, stating, "The six guarantees are nowhere in sight. Farmers don't know when their loans will be waived or when any real assurance will come. There is no governance, only childish antics."

The BJP leader also took aim at the Congress's handling of the Miss World event held at Chowmahalla Palace. "Reports suggest two young Congress lead-



ers behaved inappropriately, prompting Miss England to withdraw and many contestants to express displeasure. Why is the Chief Minister hiding the report submitted by the women IPS officers' committee? What are they afraid of?" he questioned.

Dr. Venkateswarlu demanded the immediate public release of the report and action against those responsible. "Why should the reputation of Telangana be tarnished because of a few individuals close to power?"

He also reminded people of Revanth Reddy's past controversies, particularly the infamous vote-for-note case, saying, "Today marks the anniversary of when Revanth Reddy was caught with ₹50 lakhs. His political career has always been rooted in dishonesty." Slamming TPCC President Mahesh Kumar Goud, he said, "Seeing dreams at night and declaring them as fact in the morning doesn't fool anyone. Statements about a BRS-BJP alliance are baseless and lack logic." Concluding, he accused the Congress government of attempting to deflect attention from its failures by engaging in anti-national rhetoric and dramatics. "The people of Telangana want governance, not hallucinations presented as fact," he said.

If Kavitha Is Beneficial, Why Object to Her Joining?

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Senior Congress leader and Government Advisor K. Kesava Rao (KK) made sharp remarks on the speculation that BRS MLC Kalvakuntla Kavitha might join the Congress party. Speaking to the media in Hyderabad, KK stated, "If Kavitha's entry is truly beneficial to the party, then there is no reason to oppose it. But I don't believe her joining would bring much gain."

He noted that nobody in the Congress party is giving serious importance to Kavitha's statements. Reiterating his loyalty, Kesava Rao affirmed, "I am in the Congress, and I will breathe my last in this party." He recalled that he had temporarily left the Congress only due to the party's delay in supporting the formation of Telangana,



which led him to join the BRS in the past. On the issue of 'Operation Kagar', KK welcomed the idea of peace talks, saying, "If one side is proposing talks for peace, why shouldn't it be welcomed?" He added that he had earlier raised concerns over Maoist operations in Parliament

itself. Shifting focus to the 'Operation Sindoor', KK demanded a response from the BJP, aligning with Chief Minister Revanth Reddy's recent questions on the issue. He pointed out that political motives seem to be influencing military decisions. "India and Pakistan have already fought six wars. Why is there political interference in military matters? Why talk of a ceasefire using statements from people like former US President Trump, especially when we're claiming we'll teach Pakistan a lesson?" he questioned. Kesava Rao's comments come at a time of rising political speculation in Telangana, and his sharp criticism of both BRS and BJP signals the Congress party's defensive posture amid shifting dynamics.



GHMC Commissioner Inspects Jeedimetla Roadworks

100 feet road expansion and steel bridge inspected
Locals Allege Collusion Between Irrigation Officials and Encroachers at Fox Sagar Tank

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GHMC Commissioner R.V. Karnan recently visited Jeedimetla to inspect ongoing development work, including the expansion of the 100-foot road connecting Ram Reddy Nagar to Suchitra National Highway and the steel bridge on Jeedimetla Pipeline Road. During his visit, locals raised serious concerns about encroachments on the Fox Sagar tank and its nala, which spans approximately 480 acres. Residents informed the Commissioner that the irrigation officials had allegedly colluded with farmers encroaching upon the tank area. They expressed frustration, stating they had repeatedly reported these illegal activities, but no effective action was taken. The locals urged Commissioner Karnan to take strict measures to protect the water body and its surroundings.

Irrigation Officials Accused of Misbehaving with Media
Tensions escalated when the Commissioner was questioned about alleged corruption among irrigation officials. Several media personnel covering the issue faced harsh treatment from irrigation officials, who reportedly snatched and threw away their cell phones. When confronted about this behavior, the officials lost their temper and continued to abuse the media representatives. The incident has sparked public outcry, with many demanding a thorough investigation by higher authorities into the irregularities and misconduct of the irrigation officials. Calls for accountability and transparency are growing louder as the matter gains attention. Residents and activists hope the GHMC Commissioner's visit marks the beginning of decisive action to resolve the encroachment issues and restore faith in local governance.



Mephentermine Injections Seized in Bandlaguda, One Held

South-East Zone Task Force busts illegal drug racket

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The South-East Zone Task Force, along with the Bandlaguda Police, apprehended a man involved in the illegal possession and sale of Mephentermine Sulphate injections on May 30. Acting on credible information, the team arrested Abdul Jibran Ansari, a 30-year-old welder from Mohammad Nagar, and seized 19 Mephentermine Sulphate injection vials, a Honda Activa two-wheeler, and an Oppo mobile phone, all valued at approximately ₹1.25 lakh. According to officials, Abdul Jibran had been sourcing the stimulant injections from a person named Sahendra Prasad residing in Gurugram, Haryana, through transport services. He was allegedly selling the vials to individuals in need at higher prices in the Bandlaguda area. The accused was intercepted while in possession of the contraband on his vehicle. Authorities cautioned that Mephentermine, a powerful stimulant, poses serious health risks when consumed without medical supervision. Its misuse can lead to cardiac arrest, high blood pressure, and other severe cardiovascular issues. The police advised the general public, particularly youth, to stay away from such drugs. The operation was carried out under the supervision of Sri S. Saidababu, Inspector of Police, South-East Zone Task Force. Sub-Inspectors Sk. Kaviuddin, P. Sairam, M. Madhu, PC T. Prashanth, and other staff of the Task Force and Bandlaguda Police Station participated in the operation. Further investigation is underway to trace the supply chain and other possible links involved in the drug distribution network.



Miss India Nandini Gupta Exits Miss World 2025 at Top-8 Stage

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The much-anticipated Miss World 2025 pageant, currently underway at the Hitex Exhibition Center in Hyderabad, witnessed the exit of India's representative Nandini Gupta at the top-8 stage. Competing against beauties from across the globe, Nandini was unable to secure a place among the final eight contestants. The top-8 finalists hail from Martinique, Brazil, Ethiopia, Namibia, Poland, Ukraine, the Philippines, and Thailand. The organizers selected one contestant from each conti-

nent to ensure diverse representation. Following the initial selection, the judges shortlisted the top two contestants from each continent: Martinique from America and the Caribbean, Ethiopia from Africa, Poland from Europe, and Thailand from Asia. The judges then posed questions to these four finalists to determine the ultimate winner. While Nandini Gupta's journey ended before the final round, the event continues to draw global attention, showcasing beauty and talent on an international stage in Hyderabad.



DGP Lauds Akshaya Vidya Foundation's Role in Uplifting Slum Students

Slum children felicitated for securing admission into Gurukul schools
DGP urges students to set goals and work with dedication
Police Department supports such community service efforts



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Director General of Police Dr. Jitender on Saturday praised the efforts of Akshaya Vidya Foundation for its continued dedication to educating underprivileged students living in Hyderabad's slum areas. In a felicitation ceremony held at the DGP Office, students who secured admission into Gurukul schools were honored for their achievement.

Dr. Jitender, speaking at the event, commended the foundation's impactful service and said, "Every person in a high position today has reached there through hard work and determination. Let them be your inspiration." He encouraged the children to set meaningful goals early in life and pursue them with determination and discipline. The DGP also highlighted India's emergence as the world's fourth-largest economy and Telangana's development as examples of how consistent effort brings success. He urged students to utilize the free educational support extended by Akshaya

Vidya Foundation and grow into responsible and morally upright citizens. He further noted that the Police Department stands in support of community-oriented programs like these and acknowledged the active role played by Inspector General of Police M. Ramesh in the foundation's activities. Dr. Jitender congratulated all the students who secured seats in Gurukul schools and wished their families a bright future. The event was attended by IGPs M. Ramesh and Smt. G. Arundhati Reddy, along with Akshaya Vidya Foundation founders Sri S. Janardhan and Sri T. Varaprasad.

Cyberabad Police Honor Retiring Officers for Dedicated Service

Six police personnel felicitated by CP Avinash Mohanty

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The Cyberabad Police held a formal send-off ceremony today, May 31, 2025, to honor six retiring police officers for their exemplary service. Cyberabad Police Commissioner Avinash Mohanty, IPS, and Joint Commissioner of Police (Traffic) Dr. Gajarao Bhupal, IPS, led the felicitation ceremony held at the Cyberabad Commissioner's Office. Commissioner Mohanty presented the retirees with their pension papers and commended their decades of dedicated service in upholding law and order. He emphasized the critical roles they played in maintaining public safety and contributing to the strength of the department. Addressing the gathering, the CP urged the retired personnel to

continue being active members of society by sharing their experiences and mentoring the younger generation. He also advised them to focus on their health, enjoy their personal lives, and pursue hobbies or community service in retirement. **The following officers were felicitated on the occasion:**

Name	Rank	Place of Working
M. Ravinder Reddy	SIP	KPHB Traffic Police Station
G. Kumara Swamy	SIP	Suraram Police Station
M. Maqbool Pasha	SIP	Miyapur Traffic Police Stati
G. Pratap Reddy	ARSI	CAR Headquarters MT Sec
B. Venkata Satyanarayana	HC	CAR Headquarters SR Sect
B. Venkanna	HC	VRS



The event saw the participation of several senior officers includ-

ing CAR Headquarters DCP Sanjeev, Admin ADCP Ravichandan Reddy, CAR Hqrts ADCP Shameer, CAO Accounts Venkat Reddy, and Admin AO Rasheeda Begam. Family members of the retiring officers also attended the function and shared emotional moments as their loved ones were honored for their decades of service. The Cyberabad Police expressed gratitude to the retirees and wished them a peaceful, healthy, and joyful life ahead.

Drugs Seized in Multiple Raids by Excise STF in Hyderabad

Raids conducted in Ameerpet, Kacheguda, and Quthbullapur areas
LSD and MDMA worth ₹4.36 lakh seized from peddlers and users

TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad
The Prohibition and Excise State Task Force (STF) teams cracked down on drug trafficking across Hyderabad, seizing LSD and MDMA in three separate cases during raids conducted in the limits of Ameerpet, Kacheguda, and Quthbullapur excise stations. The combined value of the seized drugs is estimated at ₹4.36 lakh. According to STF officials, 113 LSD blots and 16 grams of OG Kush were seized from Kanishk Kevin, a former IIIT Delhi student who reportedly became addicted to drugs during his studies. After his academic progress was affected by substance abuse, he moved to Hyderabad to pursue hotel management but continued drug con-

sumption and allegedly began peddling LSD sourced from Delhi. Kevin was caught by the STF A team at DD Nagar, and a case has been registered against him and his associates M. Deepak Ku-



mar, Mohammed Siraj, and Jethin. The seized drugs were handed over to the Kacheguda excise station. In a separate incident, STF officials apprehended Nerugonda Sai near Renuka Yellamma and Pochamma temples in Quthbullapur. He was found in possession of 9 LSD blots. STF A team leader Anji Reddy confirmed that a case was registered and Sai was handed over to the Quthbullapur excise station. In the third case, 4.69 grams of MDMA were seized from a man named Desik at Banjara Hills Road No. 3. The accused, who had reportedly come from Bengaluru,



told STF B team SI Balraj that he had purchased the MDMA from a Nigerian national in Bengaluru and was selling it in Hyderabad. He was caught red-handed and the drugs were handed over at the Ameerpet excise station. STF teams continue to monitor drug-related activities across Hyderabad and have warned of stringent legal action against drug users and peddlers.

Deputy CM slams BRS for neglecting sub-plan funds

- ₹17,169 Cr allocated to tribals; unspent ₹1,296 Cr carried forward
- ₹1,000 Cr fund for tribal youth under Rajiv Yuva Vikasam
- ₹12,500 Cr solar scheme to cultivate 6.7 lakh acres

TPN Correspondent | Palvancha
Telangana Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka Mallu strongly criticized the previous BRS government for failing to spend sub-plan funds meant for tribal welfare. Speaking at the Telangana Adivasi Congress workers' meeting in Palvancha, he detailed the Congress government's renewed efforts to restore justice and self-respect to tribal communities across the state. "For ten years, the TRS government did not spend the tribal sub-plan funds. In contrast, our Congress government is transparently implementing welfare through the public government system. We've allocated ₹17,169

crore to tribals under the sub-plan and carried forward ₹1,296 crore of unspent funds from earlier," Bhatti stated. He said that Congress envisions a society of equality and dignity, and is executing schemes accordingly. "We will soon distribute full details on which schemes are reaching which households and how much the government is spending on each," he said, urging party leaders to actively campaign and ensure eligible families receive these benefits. Bhatti recalled how the Congress stood by tribals when assigned lands were being usurped through the Dharani portal under BRS rule. "We promised to

throw Dharani into the Bay of Bengal—and we did. We brought the Bhu Bharati Act to secure land rights," he emphasized. Highlighting welfare initiatives, Bhatti mentioned the Rajiv Yuva Vikasam Self-Employment Scheme, which includes a record-breaking ₹1,000 crore fund dedicated exclusively to tribal youth. "This is the first time in the history of the country that tribals have been granted such a fund," he noted. He also unveiled the Indira Solar Tribal Development Scheme, aimed at promoting self-respect among forest-dwelling children. "We will invest ₹12,500 crore to cultivate 6.70 lakh acres of land

under this initiative," he announced. Bhatti emphasized the importance of inclusive governance, stating that tribal leaders were consulted, and training programs were organized through AICC to tailor schemes based on the community's real needs. "The Nallamala Declaration is another example—brought in to protect the rights and dignity of tribals," he added. He concluded by urging Congress workers to become ambassadors of these schemes and ensure that tribal households receive their rightful benefits, reinforcing the party's vision of equitable development for all.



Devotees throng into Bhadrachalam to witness divine rituals

TPN Correspondent | Bhadrachalam
The daily Kalyanam of Sri Sita Ramachandra Swamy was celebrated with traditional grandeur today at the historic Bhadrachalam Rama Temple in Kothagudem district. The priests of the Devasthanam performed the divine rituals with devotion and meticulous adherence to Agama traditions. As part of the ceremonial proceedings, the coronation (Pattabishekam) of Lord Rama was also conducted, drawing spiritual fervor among the visiting devotees. The Kalyanam began with the auspicious Vishwakshena Puja, followed by Kumkuma Archana, Deepa Dhupa Seva, and the sacred Mangalyadharana rituals. Hundreds of devotees gathered to witness the divine ceremony and the symbolic

coronation of the Lord. The devotees were filled with spiritual joy as they participated in the rituals and received Tirtha Prasadam after the completion of the puja. The temple premises reverberated with Vedic chants and the sound of traditional instruments, creating a spiritually charged atmosphere. The devotees expressed their contentment and gratitude for being able to attend the sacred occasion. Temple authorities ensured smooth arrangements for the devotees and maintained cleanliness and order throughout the event. The Kalyanam and Pattabisheka at the Bhadrachalam temple continue to attract devotees from across the state every day, further reinforcing the spiritual prominence of this revered shrine.



Harish Kumar Gupta Takes Charge as Full-Fledged AP DGP

To serve full two-year term irrespective of retirement

Harish Kumar Gupta assumes charge as Andhra Pradesh DGP

Continues as DG, Vigilance & Enforcement alongside DGP duties

TPN Correspondent | Amaravati
Shri Harish Kumar Gupta IPS officially took charge as the Director General of Police (DGP) of Andhra Pradesh on Saturday. A formal ceremony was held at the Police Headquarters in Mangalagiri, where he assumed responsibilities as the state's top police officer. A 1992 batch IPS officer, Harish Kumar Gupta has also been serving as the Director General of the Vigilance & Enforcement Department and held the post of in-charge DGP for the past four months. The Andhra Pradesh government has now confirmed his appointment as full-fledged DGP, granting him a full two-year term starting from May 31, 2025, regardless of his retirement date. Gupta took over the interim charge on February 1, 2025, following the retirement of former DGP Dwaraka



Tirumala Rao in January. His tenure as in-charge DGP was marked by decisive leadership and administrative efficiency, earning him recognition within the police ranks. Upon taking charge, several

senior police officers met and congratulated Shri Harish Kumar Gupta at the headquarters, expressing confidence in his leadership for the coming term.

Tribals Need Political Awareness: MLA Tellam Venkat Rao

TPN Correspondent | Bhadradri Kothagudem
As part of the "Jai Bapu, Jai Bheem, Jai Samvidhan" program, Bhadrachalam MLA Tellam Venkat Rao emphasized the urgent need for political awareness among tribal communities. Addressing a tribal training camp at the Kinnerasani Tribal Boys' Gurukul Hostel, he stated that only with proper political consciousness can tribals secure their rightful place in state administration. The program witnessed the participation of several senior Congress leaders, including State AICC Affairs In-charge Meenakshi Natarajan, TPCC President B Mahesh Kumar Goud, State Ministers Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy, Khammam MP Ramasahayam Raghuram Reddy, Mahabubabad MP Porika Balaram Nayak, Pinapaka MLA Payam Venkateswarlu, Bhadradri Kothagudem District Congress President and State FDC Chairman Podem Veeraiah, Vaira MLA Maloth Ramdas Nayak, and Sathupalli MLA Smt. Matta Ragamayi. Before the camp, leaders participated in a Shramadanam (voluntary cleanliness drive) around the hostel premises to promote a clean and healthy environment for the students. The symbolic gesture was part of the Congress party's efforts to connect with grassroots issues and encourage civic responsibility.



ity. Speaking at the tribal leaders' training camp organized by the Joint Khammam District Level Tribal Congress, MLA Tellam Venkat Rao reiterated that these programs are being held across the region to instill a sense of democratic participation and self-confidence among tribal youth and leaders. "Our goal is to ensure that tribals have an equal voice and representation in policy-making and governance," he said. He added that the Congress party remains committed to the upliftment of tribal communities and is actively conducting these awareness initiatives to empower them socially and politically.

Sridhar Babu Hails Officers for Saraswati Pushkaralu Success

Lauds flawless execution, vows grander Godavari

Pushkaralu in 2027

TPN Correspondent | Telangana
Telangana Minister for IT and Legislative Affairs, Sridhar Babu, praised officials and staff involved in the successful organization of the recently concluded Saraswati Pushkaralu, calling it a collective victory of dedication, teamwork, and coordination. Speaking at the "Saraswati Pushkaralu – Day of Thanks" event, the Minister acknowledged the relentless efforts of over 33 departments and hailed the flawless execution of arrangements that served nearly 30 lakh devotees. With the Godavari Pushkaralu on the horizon, Sridhar Babu said the government took the Saraswati Pushkaralu as a significant challenge and allocated ₹40 crore to ensure the festival's grandeur. Despite constraints due to the model code of conduct, the event was successfully held, thanks to the officers' commitment. "Even a small mistake could have had serious consequences. But your teamwork ensured not a single issue was left unattended," he noted. The Minister highlighted the successful management of key services—security, sanitation, food, water, medical aid, and power. Special appreciation was given to the priests from Kashi whose performance of the "Saraswati Navaratna Mala Harathi" became a spiritual highlight, a first for Telangana. He also acknowledged the financial suc-

cess of the event, pointing out that the TSRTC generated nearly ₹10 crore in revenue and facilitated free travel for lakhs of women devotees. "You made this possible through careful planning and flawless execution," he told the officials. Sridhar Babu didn't shy away from addressing criticism either. "Some tried to sabotage our efforts by amplifying minor shortcomings. But we stayed focused," he said, reinforcing the government's commitment to serve people with dignity and efficiency. The Minister thanked the media for playing a crucial role in disseminating information and praised the support of voluntary organizations. "This is just the beginning," he declared, promising that the 2027 Godavari Pushkaralu will be organized on a much grander scale. He urged officials to identify and correct shortcomings from this year and assured them of full government support going forward. Plans were also announced to upgrade the national highway to Kaleshwaram into a four-lane road and build new bus depots in Kaleshwaram and other strategic points. Emphasizing the dual focus of the Revanth Reddy-led government on development and welfare, Sridhar Babu cited flagship schemes like Rajiv Yuva Vikasam, Indiramma Illu, and Bhoobharati as reflections of this vision.

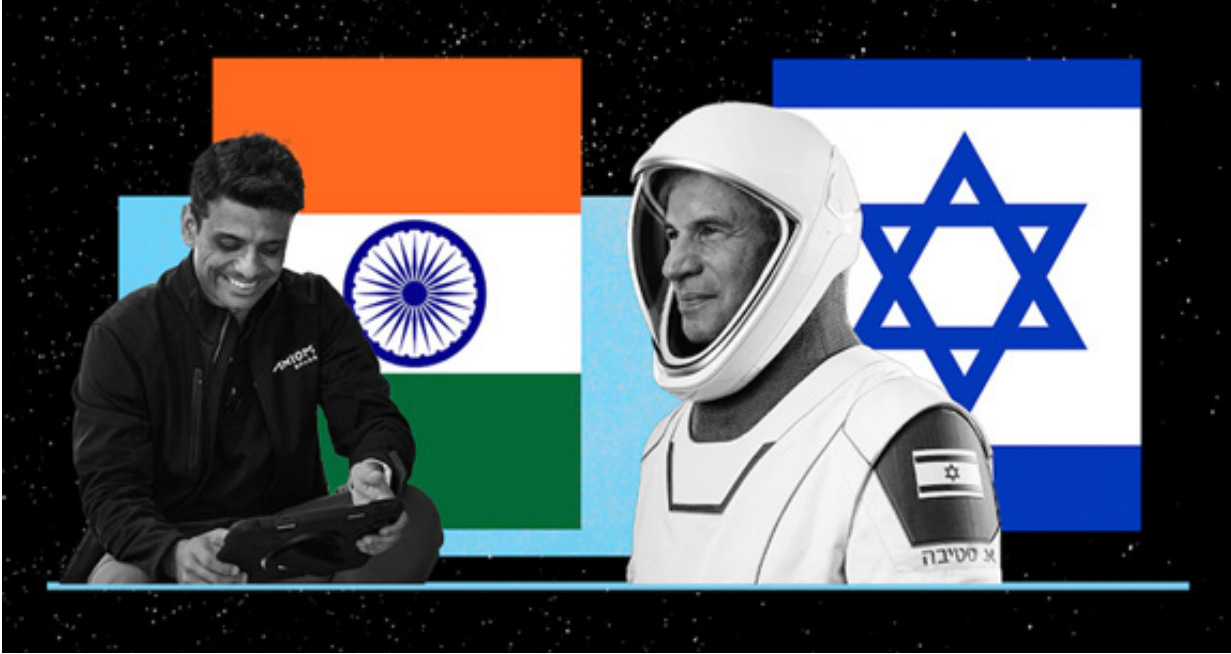
ACB arrest government officer for demanding 80K bribe

TPN Correspondent | Rajanna-Sircilla
The Telangana Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) arrested Mandal surveyor Malloji Nagaraju from Yellareddy-pet Mandal in Rajanna-Sircilla district on Saturday, May 31, for demanding an Rs 80,000 bribe. Nagaraju was caught red-handed while accepting Rs 15,000 as part of the bribe for issuing a survey report (Panchanama) for a land parcel in Venkatraopet village. The officer had already collected Rs 22,000 from the complainant to conduct the land survey. The accused officer will be produced before the special ACB court in Karimnagar for further legal proceedings. Telangana ACB urges citizens to report corruption cases via the toll-free number 1064, WhatsApp at 9440446106, Facebook page Telangana ACB, or through their official website acb.telangana.gov.in.

From Tel Aviv to Lucknow: How Space Is Strengthening India-Israel Ties

As India prepares to send Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla to the International Space Station (ISS) on the Axiom 4 mission, an inspiring collaboration between India and Israel is unfolding beyond borders and cultures. Israeli astronaut Eytan Stibbe, who flew on the Axiom 1 mission in 2022, is extending a hand of friendship to India by helping bring the excitement of space exploration to schoolchildren in Lucknow — Shukla’s hometown.

The initiative centers around the City Montessori School (CMS) in Lucknow, where Group Captain Shukla studied. Inspired by a meeting with Stibbe at an astronaut gathering in Houston, the two astro-



nauts envisioned a program to connect Indian students with the real-time experience of

space travel.

Eytan Stibbe’s journey to space

was unique: Israel’s second astronaut, he flew a self-funded mission that combined

science, education, and art. His goal was to reignite public interest in space after the tragic loss of Ilan Ramon, Israel’s first astronaut, who died aboard the Columbia shuttle in 2003 alongside Indian-American astronaut Kalpana Chawla.

“My mission aimed to open the excitement and curiosity about space,” said Stibbe. “Space is endless and unknown, but we are just a small part of it.”

Stibbe’s outreach in Israel engaged thousands of children, and now he hopes to replicate this success in India. The CMS plans to create a “mission control” experience for students to follow Shukla’s journey aboard the ISS, watch live

camera feeds, and participate in interactive educational activities. “We want children to ask questions and be curious,” Stibbe said.

This collaboration symbolizes the growing ties between India and Israel. “We can learn a lot from each other — from education, missions, and science,” Stibbe noted. With strong friendship between Prime Ministers Narendra Modi and Benjamin Netanyahu, the initiative could gain support at the highest levels.

For Stibbe, the mission is deeply personal. “Seeing Earth from space changes you. It reminds us how fragile our planet is, and inspires us to care for it and future generations.”

Inside America’s Spiritual Marketplace: From IMAX Churches to TikTok Prophets

Beneath America’s polished surface lies a complex spiritual landscape unlike any other—a vast “faith bazaar” where religion merges with spectacle, politics, and social media. Here, belief is not just private but public performance, with megachurches boasting IMAX-like experiences and fiery pastors livestreaming apocalyptic prophecies to hundreds of thousands. One striking example was the 2021 gathering in Dallas, where thousands awaited the miraculous return of JFK, guided by Michael Protzman, aka “Negative 48,” a QAnon influencer and self-styled prophet. When the prophecy failed, followers didn’t abandon their faith; instead, they adapted—showing how flexible and performative belief has become. America’s spiritual scene ranges

from Pentecostal miracle healings at places like Bethel Church in California, where prayers for healing flood social media, to the rising interest in Russian Orthodoxy. Many young white American men, seeking order and tradition, are drawn to its incense-filled rituals and moral clarity, sometimes embracing political narratives tied to Vladimir Putin and his framing of the Ukraine war as a battle for Christian civilization. Meanwhile, movements like the New Apostolic Reformation push a political-religious agenda, seeing Donald Trump as a divinely chosen figure. Charismatic leaders such as Pastor Greg Locke and prophetess Julie Green mix conspiracy theories with faith, influencing followers on YouTube and Christian TV, and fueling political unrest.

Social media has become a pulpit and stage, with TikTok prophets warning of doom, casting out demons, and speaking in tongues—all attracting millions of viewers. This fusion of entertainment, politics, and religion reflects America’s hunger for meaning amid cultural confusion. The American faith bazaar isn’t limited to Christianity—it includes psychedelic churches, UFO cults, and wellness gurus blending Eastern mysticism with Western trends. This pluralism allows people to mix and match beliefs in a constantly evolving spiritual marketplace. Despite the spectacle, at its core lies a profound human longing for permanence, meaning, and hope in a fast-changing world—a quest that continues to shape the ever-shifting American spiritual landscape.



India Surpassing Japan in GDP: Reality, Misconceptions, and the Importance of Data Integrity



Recently, BVR Subrahmanyam, CEO of NITI Aayog, claimed that India has overtaken Japan in current dollar GDP. However, a closer look at the data reveals a more nuanced reality. According to the IMF’s World Economic Outlook (WEO) database, for the fiscal year 2024-25, Japan’s GDP stands at \$4.0 trillion, slightly ahead of India’s \$3.9 trillion. The forecast for fiscal year 2025-26 shows India’s GDP at \$4.187 trillion narrowly surpassing Japan’s \$4.186 trillion, suggesting the crossover will occur around that period—not before.

This timing aligns roughly with the midpoint of the fiscal year (September), meaning the claim that India has already overtaken Japan was premature by about a year. Exchange rates also add complexity. For instance, India’s GDP in Q1 2025, converted at the prevailing exchange rate, is around \$4.13 trillion, while Japan’s GDP for the same quarter is about \$4.38 trillion—still significantly higher. Given India’s nominal GDP growth rate of roughly 10% per year and Japan’s more modest 3.4%, the crossover is expected near March 2026, assuming exchange

rates remain stable.

Fluctuations in currency values can delay or accelerate this milestone. A stronger yen against the dollar would push back Japan’s relative position, while a weaker yen could hasten India’s rise.

This episode underscores several lessons. First, hasty conclusions can mislead public understanding. Second, headline GDP figures matter less than what truly affects everyday life—such as per capita income, which still places India decades behind Japan. Third and most importantly, reliable and transparent data is crucial for sound policymaking. The continued delay in releasing crucial household expenditure data from 2017-18 has eroded confidence in official statistics, inviting skepticism both domestically and internationally.

As India aspires to global economic leadership, maintaining data integrity and patience in interpreting statistics remain vital. Premature claims may thrill headlines but do little for informed decision-making or national progress.

Musk-Durov AI Deal Sparks Tech Drama, Raises Concerns Over Telegram's Future

In a collision of ideology, ambition, and controversy, Elon Musk and Pavel Durov—two of tech’s most libertarian-minded billionaires—have entered what appears to be a turbulent partnership. Durov recently announced a one-year deal with Musk’s AI startup, xAI, worth \$300 million in cash and equity. The goal: integrate xAI’s chatbot, Grok, into Telegram, a messaging platform with nearly 1 billion users.

But the deal quickly hit turbulence. Hours after Durov’s announcement, Musk publicly disputed the claim, tersely stating, “No deal has been signed.” The public contradic-

tion added fuel to what may be a high-stakes power play—particularly as Musk, fresh from stepping down from a government post, returns to his business ventures with renewed urgency.

For Musk, the Telegram partnership could significantly expand Grok’s reach beyond X (formerly Twitter), which has a much smaller user base. More Grok users means more potential subscription revenue—currently ranging from \$3 to \$40 monthly. It also mirrors past successful distribution deals like Microsoft’s with Dell or Google’s with Apple.

However, there’s a data dilemma. Grok’s power depends on vast training data. While X offers plenty, Telegram could be a goldmine. But Durov appears unwilling to open the vault. He publicly emphasized that user privacy is “paramount” and said Grok would only access messages users send directly to the bot. This stance may explain why Durov revealed the deal prematurely—possibly to pressure Musk into publicly accepting the terms.

If implemented, Grok’s integration would mark one of the most advanced uses of AI in a Western messaging platform. Unlike X or WhatsApp, Tele-

gram users could use Grok to rewrite or refine messages in real time—blurring the lines between human expression and machine influence.

However, deeper AI integration on Telegram raises red flags. Known for lax moderation, the platform has hosted extremist content and conspiracy groups. Grok, which has been jailbroken to produce hateful content before, could amplify disinformation or hate speech at scale.

Musk and Durov may have initiated a groundbreaking tech alliance—but the real drama could soon erupt across Telegram itself.





FM Sitharaman Responds to Viral Allegation of Corruption in GST Registration Process

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Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has addressed a viral LinkedIn post alleging corruption in the Goods and Services Tax (GST) registration process, emphasizing the need for honesty and transparency in public service. Her response follows a widely shared post by Vinod Gupta, founder and director of VG Learning Destination, who claimed he was being forced to pay a bribe to secure a GST registration number.

In his post, Gupta alleged that despite applying for a GST registration 20 days prior for a firm involving his wife and daughter, he had not received approval. He wrote, “Tomorrow I will commit a crime. Giving and taking bribery: both are crimes. But I have no choice.” The post quickly drew public attention, sparking discussions across social media platforms.

Responding to this, Sitharaman said, “It is our responsibility to serve taxpayers. But while doing that, we must be honest and transparent, because that’s how we earn their trust.” She added that she trusts GST Board officials will remain prompt and diligent in resolving taxpayer concerns.

Tax compliance expert Abhishek Raja Ram also weighed in, tagging the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) and accusing GST officials of systemic corruption. He called for senior officers to take direct control of GST registrations, warning of the long-term impact of such practices on governance and public confidence.

The CBIC promptly issued a clarification. It stated that Gupta’s application, submitted on May 26, was under the Delhi State GST jurisdiction—not the Central GST. The board explained that the application was processed swiftly but a query had been raised regarding the lack of designation on the submitted rent agreement. The applicant had been informed, but no rectification was received from his side.

In response to Raja Ram’s post, CBIC urged social media users not to spread misinformation without verifying facts, and emphasized that transparency remains a priority.

This incident highlights ongoing public concerns about bureaucratic efficiency and corruption, even as officials call for responsible communication and due diligence before raising alarms online.

PM Modi in Bhopal: ‘Operation Sindoor a Symbol of Naari Shakti’

Top 7 Quotes from Empowerment Address

TPN Correspondent | Alipurduar

Prime Minister Narendra Modi, while addressing the ‘Devi Ahilyabai Mahila Sashaktikaran Maha Sammelan’ in Bhopal on the 300th birth anniversary of Ahilyabai Holkar, praised the role of women in shaping India’s future—from the borders to space missions. He also inaugurated key infrastructure projects and reaffirmed his government’s commitment to women’s empowerment through schemes and defence inclusivity.

Here are 7 key quotes from PM Modi’s address: On Terror and Culture

“In Pahalgam, terrorists not only shed the blood of Indians, but attacked our culture. They tried to divide society. But their challenge to India’s women has become their nightmare.”

On Operation Sindoor

“Operation Sindoor is India’s biggest and most successful counter-terrorism operation. Our forces eliminated hideouts even Pakistan’s army hadn’t imagined. It sent a clear message: proxy terrorism will no longer be tolerated—India will strike deep and punish not just terrorists, but their sponsors too.”

On BSF’s Women Warriors

“Operation Sindoor is now a symbol of Naari Shakti. Brave BSF



daughters held the frontlines from Jammu to Gujarat. They replied fiercely to cross-border firing and played crucial roles from command centres to direct combat. Their valour is unmatched.”

On Women in Armed Forces

“Girls are now being admitted to Sainik Schools. Before 2014, only 25% of NCC cadets were girls—now it’s nearing 50%. The first batch of women cadets has graduated from NDA. They’re flying fighter jets, and serving on INS Vikrant. Our daughters are defending the nation with honour.”

On NaMo Drone Didi and Technology

“We’re promoting women in modern technology. The NaMo Drone Didi initiative is transforming agriculture. Rural women are gaining confidence and income by

embracing the drone revolution.”

On Science and Space Missions

“A large number of daughters are now doctors, engineers, scientists. In Chandrayaan-3, over 100 women scientists and engineers contributed. Our mothers and sisters are vital in space research and innovation.”

On Ahilyabai Holkar’s Legacy

“Just hearing her name fills one with reverence. In a time of slavery, she achieved feats that echo through generations. Ahilyabai Holkar is proof that determination and people’s will can transform history.” PM Modi’s speech highlighted women’s central role in defence, science, and rural innovation—positioning gender inclusivity as a national strength.

UP MLA Abbas Ansari Sentenced to Two Years in Jail Over Hate Speech, Faces Disqualification

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Uttar Pradesh MLA Abbas Ansari was sentenced to two years in prison on Saturday by a court in connection with a hate speech delivered during the 2022 Assembly elections. The three-year-old case relates to a controversial public statement in which Abbas allegedly threatened government officials. The verdict now puts his legislative position in jeopardy, as he faces possible disqualification from the Uttar Pradesh Assembly.

Abbas Ansari, who represents the Mau Sadar constituency, was elected on a Suheldev Bharatiya Samaj Party (SBSP) ticket. He is the son of the late Mukhtar Ansari, a former MLA and convicted gangster-politician who passed away in 2024 while serving his sentence in Banda jail. The incident that led to Abbas’s conviction occurred



during a public meeting amid the 2022 Assembly election campaign. According to the prosecution, Abbas made inflammatory remarks implying retribution against administrative and police officials once his party came to power. The speech sparked outrage and was widely condemned as a threat to the democratic and bureaucratic fabric of governance.

Following the speech, a case was registered under various sections

of the Indian Penal Code and the Representation of the People Act, which deals with corrupt practices during elections. The trial concluded with the court holding Abbas guilty of delivering a provocative and threatening speech intended to incite hostility and fear among public servants.

This is not Abbas Ansari’s first brush with the law. In 2022, the Enforcement Directorate arrested him in a separate money laundering case. His conviction in the hate speech case could lead to his disqualification as per the provisions of the Representation of the People Act, which bars convicted lawmakers from holding office if sentenced to imprisonment of two years or more.

The SBSP has not issued an official statement regarding Abbas’s conviction.



‘Lot Of Space Before Nuclear Threshold Is Crossed’: General Chauhan

TPN Correspondent | Delhi

India secured a decisive upper hand over Pakistan during this month’s intense three-day military conflict, following a strategic shift in response to early aerial losses, Chief of Defence Staff General Anil Chauhan revealed on Saturday.

Speaking on the sidelines of the Shangri-La Dialogue security forum in Singapore, General Chauhan provided insights into the short but fierce confrontation between the two nuclear-armed neighbours. The hostilities were triggered by a deadly terror attack on April 22 in Pahalgam, Jammu and Kashmir, which claimed 26 lives, including many tourists.

India launched airstrikes on terror camps across the border on May 7. In the initial phase, Pakistan claimed to have downed Indian aircraft. General Chauhan acknowledged that India suffered aerial losses early on but refrained from disclosing specifics.

“What was important is why those losses occurred and what we did after that,” he stated. Following these setbacks, India altered its air tactics and launched successive, large-scale air raids on May 7, 8, and 10, successfully penetrating deep into Pakistani territory and executing precision strikes.

On May 10, the Indian Air Force deployed a full range of aircraft, using various types of ordnance to hit at least eight Pakistani airbases, including one near Islamabad. Air Marshal AK Bharti had earlier confirmed that Indian forces had also shot down Pakistani jets, reiterating that “losses are a part of combat.”

General Chauhan emphasized that India’s strikes, including some near Pakistan’s nuclear facilities, were executed with pinpoint accuracy, often within a metre of the intended impact point. However, nuclear assets were not targeted, and both Indian and Pakistani military leaderships agreed that nuclear weapons were never on the table during the crisis.

“There is ample space for conventional military operations before any nuclear threshold is crossed,” Chauhan said, praising the rational conduct on both sides during the conflict.

He also noted there was no evidence of direct Chinese involvement in the conflict, despite Pakistan’s alliance with China. India observed no unusual military activity along its northern borders.

India has since warned of precise and swift retaliation in the event of future terror attacks, underlining the armed forces’ readiness around the clock.

India's Active COVID-19 Cases Surge to 3,395; Kerala Leads with Over 1,300 Infections

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Active COVID-19 cases in India have seen a notable rise, crossing the 3,000 mark, with Kerala emerging as the worst-hit state, according to the Union Health Ministry’s latest data released on Saturday, May 31. The country now has 3,395 active cases, with Kerala alone accounting for 1,336, followed by Maharashtra with 467 and Delhi with 375 cases.

This surge is a sharp increase from just 257 active cases reported on May 22. Within four days, by May

26, the figure had jumped to 1,010, and it has more than tripled since then. In the last 24 hours alone, 685 new infections and four deaths — one each in Delhi, Kerala, Karnataka, and Uttar Pradesh — have been recorded.

Despite the sudden increase in cases, health authorities have stated that the situation remains under control. Most infections are mild and are being managed through home isolation. Official sources have urged the public to stay vigilant but not to panic, emphasizing that there is no immediate cause

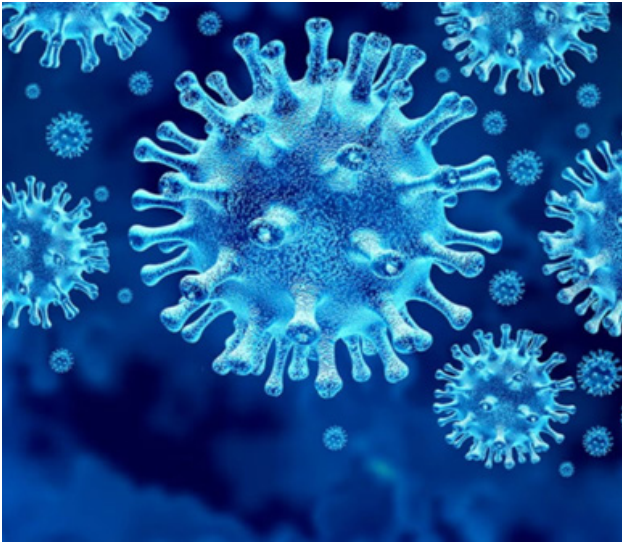
for concern.

Dr. Rajiv Behl, Director General of the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), provided additional insights into the current rise in cases. He said genome sequencing of samples from affected regions in the western and southern parts of India has identified four Omicron subvariants — LF.7, XFG, JN.1, and NB.1.8.1 — as the primary drivers behind the recent spike. Of these, LF.7, XFG, and JN.1 are more prevalent.

Dr. Behl stressed that the detected

variants are not severe and do not present a significant risk of hospitalization. “We have been closely monitoring the situation. At this moment, overall, we should monitor, be vigilant but there is no cause to worry,” he added.

Other states witnessing rising numbers include Gujarat (265), Karnataka (234), West Bengal (205), Tamil Nadu (185), and Uttar Pradesh (117). The Health Ministry continues to track developments, and authorities are advising citizens to follow basic precautions, especially in high-case zones.



US to Double Steel and Aluminium Tariffs to 50%, Escalating Trade Tensions

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US President Donald Trump announced on May 30, 2025, plans to double tariffs on imported steel and aluminium from 25% to 50%, intensifying the ongoing global trade conflict. Speaking at a rally in West Mifflin, Pennsylvania, Trump said the increased tariffs aim to “further secure the steel industry in the United States” and protect American jobs. The announcement coincided with the unveiling of a \$14.9 billion deal between Nippon Steel and US Steel, which Trump hailed as a boost for domestic steelworkers. He later confirmed on social media that the 50% tariff hike would also apply to aluminium products, taking effect on June 4. Following the news, shares of steel-maker Cleveland-Cliffs Inc soared 26%, reflecting investor optimism that the higher levies will enhance profitability. However, the tariff increase has drawn sharp criticism internationally. Canada’s Chamber of Commerce condemned the move as “antithetical to North American economic security,” warning that disrupting integrated cross-border steel and aluminium supply chains would harm both economies. Candace Laing, chamber president, emphasized the costs of unwinding these efficient networks. Australia’s centre-left government



also denounced the tariff hike, calling it “unjustified and not the act of a friend.” Trade Minister Don Farrell labeled the decision “economic self-harm” that will negatively affect consumers and businesses dependent on free and fair trade, promising continued advocacy for tariff removal. The tariffs, initially imposed in March 2025 under Section 232 national security provisions, cover raw metals and related products, including household and industrial goods such as stainless steel sinks, frying pans, and air conditioner coils. In 2024, imports of these

items were valued at \$147.3 billion, split roughly two-thirds aluminium and one-third steel. The US remains the world’s largest steel importer outside the European Union, bringing in 26.2 million tons in 2024. The tariff hike is expected to push steel prices higher, impacting a wide range of industries and consumers. This move follows Trump’s broader trade battles, including previous tariffs on Chinese industrial goods totaling \$50 billion annually in 2018, marking another escalation in global trade tensions.

Zelensky’s Book Choice at Kyiv Fair Sparks Interest: ‘To Kill A Tyrant’



TPN Correspondent | Balah

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky and his wife, Olena, made a notable visit to a literary fair in Kyiv on Friday, where they picked up several books, including one that has drawn significant attention — To Kill A Tyrant. The book, by Italian academic Aldo Andrea Cassi, was chosen in its Ukrainian-language edition. Zelensky, who has led Ukraine through a relentless three-year war with Russia, has frequently referred to Russian

President Vladimir Putin as a dictator. Though he did not explicitly state any message behind selecting the book, the choice has naturally sparked curiosity given the ongoing conflict between the two countries. A photo shared by Zelensky on his Telegram account showed Olena thumbing through To Kill A Tyrant while Zelensky stood beside her. The president noted that the book was just one among several titles they selected during the fair. Published originally in Italian in 2022,

To Kill A Tyrant; A History Of Tyrannicide From Caesar To Gaddafi explores the controversial subject of tyrannicide — the killing of a tyrant. The book traces historical cases from Julius Caesar’s assassination to the fall of Libya’s Muammar Gaddafi. It poses challenging ethical questions, asking: “Is it right or wrong to kill a tyrant? And if it is, who decides?” The selection comes amid Zelensky’s persistent portrayal of Putin as a tyrannical leader threatening Ukraine’s sovereignty. Although the book’s choice may be symbolic, Zelensky did not comment on whether it was intended as a direct signal to the Kremlin. The visit and book pick underscore Zelensky’s continued engagement with cultural and intellectual spaces amid the war. The choice of To Kill A Tyrant also resonates deeply with Ukraine’s struggle against perceived autocracy and raises broader questions about resistance and justice in the face of dictatorship. As the war continues, Zelensky’s literary interests offer a glimpse into the themes and ideas shaping his leadership and Ukraine’s fight for freedom.

India Accuses Pakistan of Violating Indus Water Treaty

TPN Correspondent | Geniva

At the first United Nations Conference on Glaciers in Dushanbe, Tajikistan, India strongly criticized Pakistan for its repeated violations of the Indus Waters Treaty, accusing it of using cross-border terrorism to undermine the agreement’s implementation. Speaking during the plenary session on Friday, India’s Minister of State for Environment, Kirti Vardhan Singh, said that Pakistan should stop blaming India for the breach of the treaty and instead acknowledge its own role in violating it through unrelenting terrorist activities.



of 26 people. This suspension was part of a broader set of punitive measures taken by India against Pakistan. Singh noted that there have been “fundamental changes in circumstances” since the treaty was signed, including demographic shifts, technological advancements, climate change, and ongoing threats of terrorism. He emphasized that the treaty, which

was signed in the spirit of goodwill and friendship, requires both parties to honor it in good faith—something India claims Pakistan has repeatedly failed to do. “We are appalled at Pakistan’s attempt to misuse this international platform to raise irrelevant issues,” Singh said. “Pakistan itself is in violation of the treaty and should stop shifting the blame to India.”



Iran’s Uranium Enrichment Surges to Near Weapons-Grade Levels

IAEA Report Raises Global Concerns

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In a confidential report released by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), it has been revealed that Iran has significantly increased its stockpile of uranium enriched to near weapons-grade levels, escalating concerns amid renewed nuclear negotiations. As of May 17, Iran’s uranium enriched to 60% purity has reached 408.6 kilograms—a sharp increase of 133.8 kilograms since the agency’s last assessment in February.

This level of enrichment is just a technical step away from weapons-grade uranium, typically enriched to around 90%. The IAEA has highlighted that Iran is the only non-nuclear weapon state currently enriching uranium to such a high level. IAEA Director-General Rafael Mariano Grossi has reiterated calls for Iran to fully cooperate with inspectors and restore transparency to its nuclear activities.

The timing of the report is particularly sensitive, as backchannel diplomacy between Tehran and Washington continues over a possible revival of the 2015 nuclear agreement. That deal, known formally as the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA), collapsed after former US President Donald Trump unilaterally withdrew from it in 2018, reimposing severe sanctions on Iran. In response to the latest IAEA findings, senior Iranian officials have downplayed the possibility of an imminent breakthrough with the United States. They insist that any agreement must include a complete lifting of sanctions and recognition of Iran’s right to continue its peaceful nuclear program.

Despite Iran’s firm stance, former President Trump expressed cautious optimism on Friday, suggesting that a diplomatic resolution may still be within reach. “They don’t want to be blown up,” he said, referring to Iran. “They would rather make a deal... That would be a great thing—achieving peace without bombs being dropped all over the Middle East.” Trump also issued a pointed warning to Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, urging restraint and advising against any preemptive military action on Iran’s nuclear facilities while negotiations remain underway. The latest IAEA report adds urgency to the fragile diplomatic landscape, with stakeholders now weighing their next steps as nuclear tensions resurface on the global stage.



UN Warns Gaza Becoming ‘Hungriest Place on Earth’ Amid Aid Blockade by Israel

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UN Warns Gaza Becoming ‘Hungriest Place on Earth’ Amid Aid Blockade by Israel The United Nations has raised alarm over the severe humanitarian crisis unfolding in Gaza, warning that the region is on the brink of famine due to Israel’s blockade on aid deliveries. Jens Laerke, spokesperson for the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), revealed that only a fraction of the humanitarian aid trucks authorized to enter Gaza have actually made it to Israel’s border. Out of 900 aid trucks requested, just 600 have been approved to reach the border, but bureaucratic and security hurdles are severely limiting their passage into Gaza itself. “What we have been able to bring in is flour,” Laerke said during a press briefing. “That’s not ready to eat, right? It needs to be cooked... 100% of the population of Gaza is at risk of famine.” The dire situation is exacerbated by the fact that the food being allowed in requires preparation, but with fuel shortages and infrastructure damage, many residents lack the means to cook. This has left Gaza’s entire population vulnerable to extreme hunger, prompting the UN to describe the enclave as “the hungriest place on earth.” Adding to the crisis, Tommaso della Longa, spokesperson for the International Committee of the Red Cross and Red Crescent, reported that approximately half of the medical facilities in Gaza are non-functional due to shortages of fuel and medical supplies. This collapse of healthcare services further endangers the lives of civilians caught in the ongoing conflict. The situation highlights the profound humanitarian consequences of the blockade and restricted aid flow amid escalating violence. The UN and international humanitarian agencies continue to call for urgent action to facilitate the safe and sustained delivery of food, medical supplies, and fuel to Gaza to prevent a full-scale humanitarian disaster. With millions of lives at stake, the world watches closely as efforts to break the aid bottleneck continue amid complex political and security challenges. The ongoing blockade risks pushing Gaza’s population deeper into hunger and desperation unless immediate and sustained relief measures are implemented.

Modison Ltd: A Small Cap Powerhouse with Robust Fundamentals, Strong Growth, and Undervalued Potential

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This week we are discussing a small cap company with very strong fundamentals. The name of the Company is MODISON LTD which is engaged in manufacture of electrical equipment used in Switch Gear industry.

BASIC DATA :

Face Value Rs.1
Market Cap of Rs.538 Crores
Market Price on 30-05-25 Rs.165.71
All time high Rs.233
Industry PE - 73

LATEST FINANCIALS :

The Company declared results for 31-03-2025 on 27-05-205. The results are excellent. The quarterly Revenue jumped from Rs.121 Crores to Rs.130 Crores. The Yearly Revenue jumped from Rs.409 Crores to Rs.490 Crores.

The quarterly Net Profit jumped from

Rs.5.80 Crores to Rs.9.53 Crores. Yearly Net Profit jumped from Rs.21.34 Crores to Rs.24.68 Crores.

The quarterly EPS is 2.94 and Annual EPS is 7.61. All this performance against a tiny Capital of Rs.3.24 Crores. The return on Equity (Capital plus reserves Rs.216 Crores) is 11.39 much above the benchmark i.e FDR interest of 7%. The debt equity Ratio is just 0.34 against the benchmark of 1.

PLUS POINTS :

1. The Net Profit of Rs.24.55 Crores achieved for the full year 31-03-205 is the highest in the last ten years.
2. The share price reached a high of Rs.233 in September, 2024 . Now it is available at Rs.165.71.
3. Share is available at a PE of 22 against industry PE of 73.
4. It has marquee clients like Areva,

L&T, ABB, Crompton Greaves, ABB etc.

5. Its investment in Fixed Assets (land, building and machinery) has gone up from Rs.57 Crores to Rs.92 Crores from 2015 to 2025 confirming the growth trajectory.
6. It has been regularly paying Dividends.

MINUS POINTS :

1. A small cap. It is its strength and it is its weakness.
2. Its raw materials are silver and copper prices of which are subject to fluctuations. Any adverse development in the prices of these raw materials can affect the fortunes of the Company.

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India's Q4 GDP Growth Hits Four-Quarter High at 7.4%

But FY25 Growth Slows to Four-Year Low



India's economy showed a sequential improvement in the January-March quarter of 2025, with GDP growth accelerating to 7.4%, marking the strongest quarterly performance in a year. This uptick was driven largely by robust industrial activity, particularly in manufacturing, construction, and mining sectors. However, despite the healthy end to the fiscal year, the overall growth for FY25 slowed significantly to 6.5%, the lowest in four years, according to data released by the National Statistics Office (NSO). The Q4 figure reflects a rebound from the previous quarter, which was revised slightly upward to 6.4% from an earlier estimate of 6.2%. While industrial sectors showed strength, consumption demand—the engine of India's growth—appeared to lose momentum, indicating some softness in consumer spending as the fiscal year closed. Comparing these numbers with the previous fiscal year underscores the moderation in economic momentum. FY24 saw a strong 9.2% growth, with the last quarter of that year registering 8.4%. The

slowdown to 6.5% in FY25 signals a significant easing, highlighting challenges that the economy faces as it seeks to sustain its expansion amid global uncertainties and domestic constraints. This slowdown comes amid other notable economic developments, including recent claims by NITI Aayog CEO BVR Subrahmanyam that India has overtaken Japan as the world's fourth-largest economy. While such milestones reflect India's growing economic stature, the slowing growth rate reminds policymakers of the importance of addressing underlying structural issues to maintain momentum. The latest GDP data suggests a mixed picture for India's economic outlook. The strong industrial performance in Q4 is encouraging and may provide a foundation for future growth. However, the dip in overall yearly growth calls for cautious optimism and highlights the need for sustained efforts to boost consumption and investment. As India navigates this complex phase, maintaining balanced growth will be key to ensuring long-term economic resilience and prosperity.

India's Forex Reserves Surge by Nearly \$7 Billion to \$692.7 Billion



India's foreign exchange reserves witnessed a significant jump of \$6.992 billion, reaching \$692.721 billion during the week ending May 23, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) reported on Friday. This rebound comes after the previous week ended May 16, when the reserves had declined by \$4.888 billion to \$685.729 billion. India's forex reserves had previously hit an all-time high of \$704.885 billion at the end of September 2024. Breaking down the components, foreign currency assets (FCA)—which form the largest portion of the reserves—increased by \$4.516 billion to \$586.167 billion during the week. These assets reflect the value of India's holdings in major global currencies such as the US dollar, euro, British pound, and Japanese yen. The dollar value of these assets fluctuates with changes in exchange rates, as the non-US currency units can appreciate or depreciate against the dollar. Gold reserves also contributed substantially to the overall increase, rising by \$2.366 billion to reach \$83.582 billion. Gold has traditionally been a key part of India's reserve portfolio, providing stability and serving as a hedge against currency risks.

Additionally, India's Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) rose modestly by \$81 million to \$18.571 billion. SDRs are international reserve assets created by the IMF to supplement member countries' official reserves. The country's reserve position with the IMF also saw an increase during the same period, adding to the overall strength of India's external buffer. The surge in forex reserves underscores India's strong external position amid ongoing global economic uncertainties. A robust forex buffer provides the country with greater flexibility to manage currency volatility, support imports, and maintain investor confidence. It also strengthens India's ability to deal with external shocks and stabilize the economy in turbulent times. Despite recent fluctuations, India's forex reserves remain among the highest globally, reflecting continued foreign investment inflows and steady export performance. The RBI's management of reserves will be closely watched as the global economic environment evolves.

Gold Prices Decline for Fifth Consecutive Day; Check Rates Across Major Cities

Gold prices in India continued their downward trend for the fifth straight day on May 30, 2025. In Mumbai, 22-carat gold was priced at Rs 89,340 per 10 grams, while 24-carat gold stood at Rs 97,030 per 10 grams. Silver prices also fell by Rs 100 per kilogram to Rs 99,800 in Mumbai.

On the Multi Commodity Exchange (MCX), gold futures were trading lower by 0.76%, at Rs 95,722 per 10 grams, while silver dropped 0.75% to Rs 97,091 per kilogram during morning trade. The decline in gold prices is attributed to a slight rise in the US dollar, as investors await an important US inflation report that could influence the Federal Reserve's policy decisions.

24-carat gold, known for its unparalleled

purity, continues to attract buyers looking for premium quality bullion. Meanwhile, 22-carat gold remains popular among jewelry enthusiasts due to its balance of durability and elegance. According to Brian Lan, Managing Director at GoldSilver Central in Singapore, gold prices are consolidating within a slightly wider range due to strong confidence in the US dollar.

Gold prices in India are influenced by factors such as international market trends, import duties, taxes, and exchange rate fluctuations. As gold remains a vital cultural and financial asset in India, especially during festivals and weddings, investors closely watch price movements to make informed decisions.



Donald Trump TACO Meme: Why It’s Taking Over the Internet

The internet is buzzing with memes of Donald Trump plastered onto tacos — and no, it’s not just another random trend. The now-viral “TACO” meme stems from a political acronym that’s both a jab at Trump’s trade policies and a viral social media sensation.

“TACO” stands for “Trump Always Chickens Out,” a phrase that began circulating after a press conference on Wednesday, where President Trump was questioned about what’s now being called “TACO trade.” The term critiques Trump’s frequent pattern of making bold trade threats — like imposing heavy tariffs — only to later walk them back.

The moment the term was mentioned



at the press event, Trump appeared visibly frustrated, calling it “the nastiest question” he had ever been asked. That reaction, paired with the acronym’s punchy humor, instantly caught the attention of social me-

dia users. In true internet fashion, it didn’t take long for memes to explode across platforms like X (formerly Twitter), TikTok, and Instagram.

The most popular format features Trump’s face edited onto images of tacos, often with captions mocking his trade reversals. Others add layers of satire, portraying him as a taco shell folding under pressure — a metaphor for what critics see as his inability to follow through on aggressive trade threats.

The term and its accompanying memes are not just for laughs. They also reflect public frustration and criticism over the unpredictability of Trump’s economic policies. Markets have reacted nervously in the past to

sudden tariff announcements, only to see those plans retracted, contributing to economic uncertainty.

The TACO meme has gained so much traction that even financial analysts and political commentators have started using the acronym in serious discussions. The journalist who coined or popularized the phrase, Megan Cassella, has also been thrust into the spotlight for sparking the viral moment.

Whether viewed as political satire or just a clever meme, the TACO trend is another example of how internet culture merges humor with real-world issues — especially when it involves someone as polarizing as Donald Trump.

‘Where Are The Wheels?’ Taiwan’s Ultra-Low ‘Banana Peel’ Car Stuns the Internet

In a world where car designs are constantly evolving, Taiwan has managed to grab global attention with a bizarre yet fascinating innovation — the “Banana Peel” car. Built by Stance Garage Taiwan (SGT) and led by designer Lan Dong, this ultra-low vehicle is turning heads across the internet. With a body just millimetres off the ground, the Banana Peel has earned its name by appearing to “melt” into the road like an overripe banana skin.



Surprisingly, the car is not just for show — it’s fully functional. The base vehicle is a heavily modified 1990s Honda Civic, a model known for its modding potential. But SGT has taken customization to the extreme, creating a ride that appears completely seatless and almost wheel-less. The illusion is so convincing that many social media users have expressed disbelief. “Where does the driver sit?” one user asked. Another quipped, “I thought the car was buried in concrete!” while others simply wondered, “Where are the wheels?”

The car’s sleek, banana-yellow exterior hugs the ground so closely that it seems more like a futuristic art piece than a mode

of transport. Still, this wild design is more than just internet eye candy. It’s a testament to the bold experimentation and craftsmanship that continues to emerge from niche car communities around the world. According to Lan Dong, the intent was to “defy expectations and stretch the limits of what people think a car should be.”

Photos and videos of the Banana Peel have gone viral on Instagram and TikTok, with car lovers and casual viewers alike sharing their amazement. Though it’s unlikely to hit mainstream roads anytime soon, the Banana Peel is already a cult favorite online.

In the end, whether it’s a glimpse into the future of car aesthetics or just a brilliant exercise in automotive creativity, the Banana Peel proves that sometimes, going low is the best way to stand out.

‘Skip India’ Trend: Why AI Startups Are Turning Away from Local Clients

A growing number of Indian AI startup founders are adopting a new approach — avoiding Indian enterprise clients altogether. This rising trend, now widely known as the “Skip India” movement, is driven by increasing frustration over how domestic businesses treat early-stage tech ventures.

While the issue may appear to be about money at first glance, it runs much deeper. According to several founders and industry voices, the problem lies in the approach and mindset of many Indian enterprises. A viral LinkedIn post by finance professional Shubham Garg recently shed light on the issue, sparking fresh conversations in the startup ecosystem. Garg noted that companies often demand free proof of concepts (PoCs), expecting startups to invest significant time and resources into custom-built pilots without offering any commitment or payment in return.

These pilot projects can take weeks to complete, only for startups to be ghosted afterward or subjected to prolonged delays in decision-making. Founders also report vague communication, excessive negotiation over already modest pricing, and general reluctance to invest in innovative solutions unless they come from large, well-known players.

As a result, more founders are choosing to bypass Indian clients entirely and focus their energy on in-



ternational markets where there’s a greater willingness to pay for innovation and a more professional procurement process. The “Skip India” trend is not about rejecting Indian roots — rather, it reflects a strategic decision to survive and scale in more supportive environments.

Industry insiders worry that this shift could hurt the domestic ecosystem in the long run. If Indian businesses continue to undervalue local innovation, they may miss out on cutting-edge technologies being developed right at home. Moreover, it could push more talent and intellectual property out of the country.

The message from startup founders is clear: unless attitudes shift toward valuing time, expertise, and fair compensation, India risks alienating its own innovators — and losing out on the AI revolution being built within its borders.

US Man Reclaims Guinness Record for Balancing Chair on Chin with Incredible Feat

David Rush, a serial Guinness World Records holder from the United States, has once again etched his name into the record books—this time by reclaiming a title he once lost. Known for his extraordinary physical feats, Rush has successfully set a new world record for the longest time balancing a chair on his chin, clocking in at an astonishing 1 hour, 20 minutes, and 30 seconds.



posture to keep the chair steady. As the time ticked past Rodriguez’s record, Rush raised his fists in victory—carefully, so as not to lose his balance—and completed the attempt with unmatched precision.

The feat is yet another addition to Rush’s growing list of bizarre and impressive world records, many of which he uses to inspire youth and promote STEM education through perseverance and goal-set-

The record-breaking attempt took place at the West Boise YMCA in Boise, Idaho. Rush, an author, public speaker, and STEM education advocate, already holds more than 180 Guinness World Records. However, this particular record held sentimental value, as he was determined to take it back after Spain’s Christian Roberto Lopez Rodriguez broke it with a time of 1 hour, 19 minutes, and 17 seconds.

Rush meticulously trained for the feat, focusing on endurance,

neck strength, and balance. The chair used in the attempt was a tan Adams low-back patio chair, purchased from Lowe’s hardware store. It stood 31.5 inches tall and weighed 4 pounds and 3.5 ounces. During the attempt, he balanced the chair upside down, resting its top backrest against his chin while keeping his posture aligned and his gaze skyward.

Throughout the event, Rush remained composed and focused, subtly adjusting his balance and

ting.

His latest accomplishment has not only entertained fans across the globe but also sparked admiration for his commitment to pushing physical and mental limits. With this record now back in his possession, David Rush continues to prove that determination, focus, and a little creativity can lead to extraordinary achievements—even if it means standing still with a chair on your chin for over an hour.

“Chai Comes First”: Hilarious Titanic Video Resonates With Indians Everywhere

For most Indians, chai isn’t just a beverage—it’s an emotion. It soothes, energizes, and brings people together in moments of joy, stress, and even crisis. This deep cultural love for tea was perfectly captured in a viral video that’s now taking over the internet.

Posted by popular content creator Andy Evans, widely known as Aussie Bhai, the video titled “Indian People on Titanic” was shared on Instagram on May 26 and has already racked up over 9.7 million views. The short but hilarious clip imagines how an Indian might have reacted during the sinking of the Titanic—not with panic, but with a steaming cup of chai in hand.

In the video, the man is seen calmly sipping his tea while standing in neck-deep water, unfazed by the chaos that presumably surrounds him. It’s a scene that instantly struck a chord with Indian viewers worldwide, who flooded the comment section with laughter and admiration for the relatable humor.

“This is exactly how my dad would react,” wrote one user, while another joked, “As long as there’s chai, we’ll survive anything—even the Titanic!”

The brilliance of the video lies not just in



its comedic timing but in its cultural accuracy. In India, chai is a non-negotiable part of daily life. It’s the first thing people reach for in the morning and the go-to solution for everything from headaches to heartbreaks. The idea of prioritizing chai—even in a life-or-death situation—might be exaggerated, but it cleverly captures the beverage’s sacred place in Indian households.

While the video is clearly meant for laughs, it also highlights the comforting role of rituals like chai in uncertain times. Whether it’s traffic jams, power cuts, or even a sinking ship (theoretically), a cup of tea is always part of the picture.

With millions sharing and tagging friends, “Indian People on Titanic” has not only gone viral but also cemented one universal truth: no matter the crisis, chai comes first.

Carlos Alcaraz Battles Past Dzumhur to Reach French Open Last 16

Reigning French Open champion Carlos Alcaraz had to dig deep on Friday to secure his place in the last 16 at Roland Garros, overcoming a spirited challenge from Bosnia's Damir Dzumhur. The second seed eventually triumphed 6-1, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4 in a match that tested his resilience and stamina far more than expected.

Alcaraz looked to be cruising early on, breaking Dzumhur twice in each of the opening two sets to build a commanding lead. However, the Bosnian world number 69, who had not advanced past French Open qualifying in his last four attempts, refused to back down. He fought back to take the third set, capitalizing on a noticeable dip in Alcaraz's energy levels and concentration.

The momentum shifted further in the fourth set when Dzumhur broke serve right at the start, sending a clear message that he wasn't ready to exit quietly. Alcaraz's frustration became visible as three break points slipped through his fingers in the following game. But the Spaniard regrouped and managed to level the set at 3-3 before securing another crucial break that put



him back in control.

Despite his early dominance, Alcaraz admitted the match was far from enjoyable. "Today I honestly didn't enjoy it that much. I suffered quite a lot," he said in his post-match interview. "That's why doing a really good result in a Grand Slam is really difficult — you have to maintain a really high level for three to four hours."

The 21-year-old also confessed to struggling with motivation midway through the match. "It was really difficult for me to

boost myself. I had to give everything I had inside me. In the end, I'm just proud about getting the win."

With this victory, Alcaraz has now won 18 of his last 19 matches on clay. He advances to face US 13th seed Ben Shelton in the fourth round. Shelton, an Australian Open semi-finalist, reached this stage after defeating Italian qualifier Matteo Gigante in straight sets following a second-round walkover. Shelton is one of four American men still alive in the tournament, setting the stage for an exciting showdown.

PSG vs Inter Milan: European Glory on the Line in Champions League Final

The stage is set in Munich for one of the most anticipated matches in European football as Paris Saint-Germain and Inter Milan face off in the UEFA Champions League final on Saturday, May 31, 2025. With both clubs eager to claim continental supremacy, this clash promises high drama and history in the making.

For PSG, this is another shot at the elusive title that has long evaded them despite years of heavy investment and superstar signings. After falling short in the 2020 final against Bayern Munich, the French giants return with a new-look squad under coach Luis Enrique. The likes of Neymar, Kylian Mbappé, and Lionel Messi have moved on, but Enrique has built an exciting team with players like Ousmane Dembélé, Desire Doué, and Khvicha Kvaratskhelia stepping up to lead the charge.

"The motivation for me is to win the Champions League title for the first time for PSG," said Enrique, who previously won the competition with Barcelona in 2015. A second title would place him among an elite group of coaches who have lifted the trophy with two different clubs.

Meanwhile, Inter Milan enters the final hoping to bounce back from domestic disappointment. The Italian giants narrowly missed out on the Serie A title and were eliminated in the Coppa



Italia semifinals, leaving the Champions League as their only remaining shot at silverware this season.

Coach Simone Inzaghi, who led Inter to the final in 2023 where they lost to Manchester City, is seeking redemption. "I dreamed of playing the Champions League final. I didn't do it as a player, but thanks to this group of players, I've been in two finals as a head coach," said Inzaghi. "We are proud to be Inter."

Inter has won the European Cup three times in its history, with the last triumph coming in 2010. PSG, in contrast, is still seeking its first.

With legacy, redemption, and history on the line, this final could be a defining chapter for both clubs — and for European football.

Asian Athletics Championships: Sachin Bags Silver, Kujur and Ramraj Win Bronze for India



India added three more medals to its tally on the final day of the 26th Asian Athletics Championships in Gumi, South Korea, with standout performances from javelin thrower Sachin Yadav, sprinter Animesh Kujur, and hurdler Vithya Ramraj on Saturday, May 31, 2025.

Sachin Yadav stole the spotlight in the men's javelin throw by clinching a silver medal with a personal best effort of 85.16 meters. The 25-year-old athlete from Khekra village near Baghpat, Uttar Pradesh, showcased remarkable form, surpassing his previous best of 84.39 meters. He finished just behind reigning Olympic champion Arshad Nadeem of Pakistan, who secured the gold with a throw of 86.40 meters.

India's other javelin contender, Yashvir Singh, also impressed with a personal best of 82.57 meters, earning him a fifth-place finish in a highly competitive field.

Earlier in the day, Animesh Kujur gave India its first medal of the day in the men's 200m final. The 21-year-old sprinter clocked an impressive 20.32 seconds, setting a new national record

and winning the bronze. Kujur's performance eclipsed his own previous best of 20.40 seconds, recorded earlier this year. Japan's Towa Uzawa claimed the gold in 20.12 seconds, while Saudi Arabia's Abdulaziz Abdu I Atafi narrowly edged out Kujur for silver with a time of 20.31 seconds.

In the women's 400m hurdles, Asian Games medallist Vithya Ramraj delivered a strong performance to win bronze. The 26-year-old from Tamil Nadu finished in 56.46 seconds. China's Mo Jiadie captured the gold in 55.31 seconds, closely followed by Bahrain's Oluwakemi Adekoya, who secured silver in 55.32 seconds. Fellow Indian athlete Anu Raghavan finished seventh with a time of 57.46 seconds.

In the women's 200m final, Jyoti Yarraji, already a gold medalist in the 100m hurdles earlier in the week, finished fifth with a time of 23.47 seconds. Nithya Gandhe took seventh place, clocking 23.90 seconds.

India's strong finish in the championships highlighted both emerging and consistent talent across disciplines.

I got four fifties but wish I had more: Rohit Sharma, after big knock against GT

Veteran batter Rohit Sharma delivered a vintage performance on Friday, May 30, 2025, leading Mumbai Indians (MI) to a crucial 20-run victory over Gujarat Titans (GT) in the IPL Eliminator in Chandigarh. His blistering 81 off 50 balls laid the foundation for MI's total of 228/5, securing their place in Qualifier 2 against Punjab Kings on June 1 in Ahmedabad. Despite his match-winning knock, Rohit expressed a touch of regret over his overall season performance. "I've got only four fifties this IPL. I would've liked more," he admitted during the post-match presentation. Still, with 410 runs this season, he stands as MI's second-highest run-scorer, behind the prolific Suryakumar Yadav (673 runs). Rohit acknowledged the role of luck in his innings, having been dropped twice. "Today, the luck went my way. I had



to make the most of it, and I'm glad I did," he said. He also highlighted the challenge of batting under dew, which made conditions tricky for both sides. Rohit was full of praise for opening partner Jonny Bairstow, who gave MI a fiery start. "We've seen what Bairstow can do. He took his chances, and it paid off. We always want that kind of start,"

he said. MI skipper Hardik Pandya echoed the sentiment, lauding both openers for setting the tone early. Hardik also credited Jasprit Bumrah's impact, calling him a "luxury" in high-pressure moments. "Whenever the game gets out of hand, you just bring in Bumrah. He's like Mumbai housing prices — that valuable!" joked Pandya. Gujarat Titans' captain Shubman Gill, meanwhile, rued the missed opportunities in the field. "We dropped three sitters during the powerplay. That made a big difference," he said. Gill acknowledged that the final overs slipped away, especially with Pandya's late cameo (22 off 9 balls).

Despite the defeat, Gill praised his side's fight, especially the 84-run partnership between Sai Sudharsan and Washington Sundar. "There are a lot of positives to take forward," he added, concluding that a score of 210 would have been par on this pitch.

Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty Bow Out in Singapore Open Semifinals After Fierce Battle

India's top men's doubles duo, Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty, wrapped up their spirited campaign at the Singapore Open Super 750 with a hard-fought semifinal finish on Saturday. In a gripping three-game contest, the Indian pair went down 21-19, 10-21, 18-21 to Malaysia's Aaron Chia and Soh Wooi Yik in a match that lasted 64 minutes.



Satwik and Chirag, former world No. 1s, came into the semifinal eager to make a mark after a challenging season marked by injuries and inconsistent form. Currently ranked 27th in the world, the duo began the match confidently, using their trademark aggressive play and sharp net work to take the opening game 21-19. Their strong start seemed to indicate they had found their rhythm against a familiar rival.

However, the momentum quickly shifted in the second game. Struggling to ad-

just to the court's tricky drift, the Indian pair appeared out of sync as the Malaysian team surged ahead, dominating the game 21-10. The deciding third game was a rollercoaster, with Satwik and Chirag initially leading before Chia and Soh mounted a determined comeback.

Despite falling behind, the Indian pair refused to give in. They showed im-

mense grit, saving seven match points in an intense final stretch. But in the end, the Malaysians held their nerve to close out the match, ending India's hopes of reaching the final.

This semifinal finish marks a promising step forward for Satwik and Chirag as they work to regain their top form ahead of the Paris Olympics. Although their Olympic qualification campaign was cut short by earlier setbacks—including a previous defeat to the same Malaysian duo—they demonstrated they remain a formidable force on the international stage.

The Indian team can take heart from their performance in Singapore, where they battled hard and showed glimpses of their peak prowess. With continued focus on fitness and consistency, Satwik and Chirag will aim to reclaim their place among the world's elite in the months ahead.

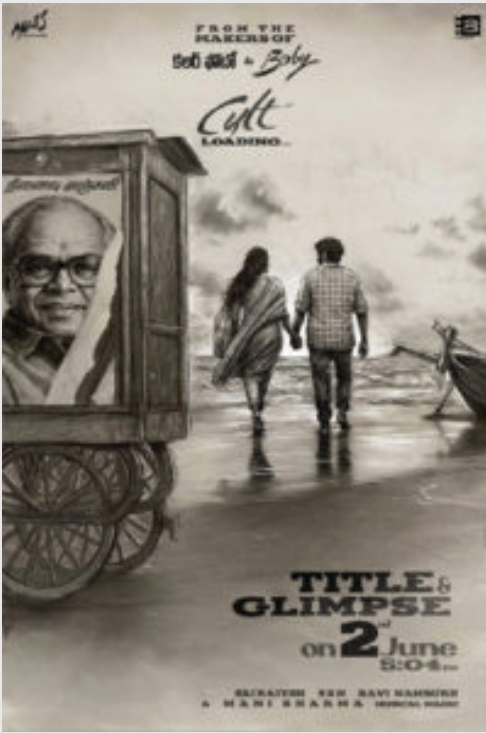


‘Colour Photo’ and ‘Baby’ Makers to Reveal Title Glimpse of New Film on June 2

Tollywood’s acclaimed filmmaker duo SKN and Sai Rajesh, known for delivering emotionally powerful and memorable films like Colour Photo and Baby, are back with a brand-new project. The producers have announced that the title and a glimpse of their upcoming film will be officially unveiled on June 2 at 5:04 PM.

The announcement was made with much anticipation, with a promotional post stating: “They gave us Colour Photo. They stunned us with Baby. Now... From the same creators, ANOTHER CULT is on the way.” This has already sparked curiosity among fans and industry insiders about what the duo has planned next.

Colour Photo, released in 2020, received wide acclaim and went on to win the National Award for Best Regional Film, along with the Gaddar Award for Second Best Film that year. The film was praised for its raw storytelling and emotional depth. Following that, Baby emerged as a massive box office success, cementing SKN and Sai Rajesh’s reputation as creators of impactful, youth-centric cinema.



Their new project remains untitled for now, but it’s already creating buzz, especially with the announcement that legendary composer Mani Sharma will be handling the music. Known for his rich and timeless compositions, Sharma’s involvement adds a layer of excitement to the film.

This upcoming film will feature a fresh cast, with young actors taking on the lead roles. While the identities of the cast and full crew are still under wraps, more details are expected to be revealed during the official glimpse re-

lease.

The film is a joint production under SKN’s Mass Movie Makers and Sai Rajesh’s Amrutha Productions. Given the success and cult following of their previous works, expectations are running high for what could be another emotionally resonant and culturally significant film.

Fans and movie lovers are eagerly waiting for June 2, hoping to catch a first look at what could be yet another gem in the duo’s growing legacy of modern Telugu cinema classics.

Lakshmi Manchu Joins Karan Johar’s ‘The Traitors’: A Bold Step Towards Bollywood

Actor and filmmaker Lakshmi Manchu is stepping into the Bollywood spotlight with a surprising and bold move — her participation in Karan Johar’s upcoming reality show The Traitors. After a relatively quiet few years in Tollywood, Lakshmi is now making headlines in the Hindi entertainment circuit. The trailer for The Traitors dropped recently, and fans were quick to notice her among the star-studded ensemble.



Set against the opulent backdrop of Rajasthan’s Suryagarh Palace, The Traitors promises a high-stakes game of deception, strategy, and survival. The show, hosted by Bollywood heavyweight Karan Johar, is slated to premiere on Amazon Prime Video on June 12. Lakshmi’s presence in the trailer — alongside popular names from Bollywood and the influencer world — signals a fresh start and a possible new phase in her career.

Lakshmi Manchu, who was last seen in Yakshini (2024) on Disney+ Hotstar and Pitta Kathalu (2021) on Netflix, has been relatively inactive in the Telugu film industry recently. Since relocating to Mumbai in 2024, she has kept a low profile in Tollywood circles, fueling speculation about a shift in her professional focus. Her casting in The Traitors seems to confirm this pivot toward the Hindi entertainment space.

The show also features an eclectic mix of celebrities, including Purav Jha, Karan Kundrra, Harsh Gujral, Ashish Vidyarthi, Uorfi Javed, Raftaar, Jasmine Bhasin, Anshula Kapoor, Raj Kundra, Maheep Kapoor, Jannat Zubair, Mukesh Chhabra, and Sudhanshu Pandey, among others. With such a diverse cast, The Traitors is poised to be a major reality event on OTT this year.

If the show strikes the right chord with viewers, Lakshmi Manchu could very well find herself with a new fanbase and opportunities in Bollywood. With her unique charm and multilingual appeal, she may finally bridge the gap between her South Indian roots and the Hindi mainstream.

All eyes are now on June 12, as Lakshmi gears up for what could be a defining moment in her career.

Kamal Haasan’s ‘Thug Life’ Registers Strong Advance Bookings Ahead of Release

Thug Life, the much-awaited gangster action drama starring Ulaganayagan Kamal Haasan and directed by the legendary Mani Ratnam, is gearing up for a grand worldwide release on June 5, 2025. With a stellar cast and a powerhouse creative team, the film is already making waves with impressive advance bookings, especially in international markets.

The film reunites Kamal Haasan and Mani Ratnam after decades, fueling massive excitement among fans and cinema

enthusiasts. Also featuring Simbu in a pivotal role, Thug Life has captured attention with its gritty teasers, intense character reveals, and striking visuals. The production team is aggressively promoting the film across platforms to maintain the momentum.

Advance ticket sales have taken off to a remarkable start overseas. In North America alone, the film has already crossed the \$250K mark in premiere bookings, and it’s on track to become Kamal Haasan’s highest-grossing premiere in the



region, surpassing his previous blockbuster Vikram. Industry sources report similar

strong trends in other international territories, indicating solid global anticipation.

Meanwhile, advance bookings in India are set to begin shortly. Given the film’s hype and fanfare, domestic pre-sales are also expected to reflect strong numbers. Trade analysts are optimistic about the film’s box office performance, citing the combined draw of Kamal Haasan, Mani Ratnam, and the ensemble cast.

In addition to Kamal and Simbu, Thug Life boasts an impressive lineup including Trisha, Ashok Selvan, Sanja Malhotra, Pankaj Tripathi, Nassar, and Abhirami in key

roles. The movie is being jointly produced by Raaj Kamal Films International, Madras Talkies, and Red Giant Movies, with Kamal Haasan, Mani Ratnam, R. Mahendran, and Siva Ananth backing the project.

With a gripping plot, cinematic grandeur, and a legendary team both in front of and behind the camera, Thug Life is one of the most anticipated Indian films of the year. As June 5 approaches, all eyes are on the box office to see just how big this action-packed saga will open.

Sreeleela’s Viral ‘Engagement’ Photos Spark Rumors - Here’s the Truth

Actress Sreeleela, who rose to fame with her hit Kannada and Telugu films, recently stirred a buzz on social media with some surprising photos, leading fans to speculate about a possible engagement or wedding. The young actress, now also working in Bollywood alongside stars like Kartik Aaryan, shared a series of pictures on her Instagram Stories that left many wondering about her relationship status.



In the photos, Sreeleela is seen dressed in a stunning saree, styled like a traditional bride. Another set shows her wearing a pink outfit with family and friends applying haldi (turmeric) on her cheeks, a common ritual in Indian pre-wedding ceremonies. A sindoor-like mark on her forehead added to the bridal vibe. She captioned the posts, “Big Day for me... Coming Soon,” which fueled fan theories that she might be secretly engaged or married.

Fans quickly took to social media, asking if the actress was tying the knot, with many convinced the photos were from an engagement ceremony. Others speculated that it could be a film shoot or an advertisement, given the elaborate traditional setup.

However, the real story is quite different. The pictures were not from a wedding or engagement but were actually part of Sreeleela’s birthday celebrations according to the Telugu lunar

calendar (tithi). While her official birthday is on June 14, her family observes the occasion based on traditional customs, which explains the festive and ritualistic atmosphere.

Adding to the intrigue are ongoing rumors linking Sreeleela with Bollywood actor Kartik Aaryan. The duo is currently working together on a new film and have been spotted spending time off-screen, sparking dating rumors. In a lighthearted moment, Kartik’s mother once expressed she hopes for a doctor as a daughter-in-law — a fun coincidence since Sreeleela herself is pursuing medical studies.

For now, fans can rest easy knowing Sreeleela’s “big day” was a cultural birthday celebration, not an engagement. But the buzz around her personal life and career continues to keep her in the spotlight.

Sekhar Kammula Marks 25 Years in Cinema with Chiranjeevi’s Blessings

Renowned Telugu filmmaker Sekhar Kammula recently celebrated a major milestone—25 years in the film industry—and he chose none other than Megastar Chiranjeevi to mark the occasion. The director, known for his unique storytelling and heartwarming films, shared glimpses of the celebration on his official X (formerly Twitter) account, including memorable pictures with Chiranjeevi.



Kammula’s journey began with Dollar Dreams, a modest debut that introduced his sensitive, realistic style of filmmaking. He truly rose to prominence with Anand, a sleeper hit that released alongside Chiranjeevi’s Shankar Dada MBBS and still made a strong impact at the box office. From there, he delivered several acclaimed films including Godavari, Happy Days, Leader, Fidaa, and Love Story, each adding to his reputation for creating emotionally resonant cinema.

The director expressed that celebrating this special milestone with Chiranjeevi was deeply meaningful. He regards the Megastar as a source of inspiration not only for him but for countless aspiring artists from the Telugu states. Chiranjeevi, who carved his path from humble beginnings to become a towering figure in Indian cinema, graciously accepted Kammula’s request and attended the celebration, visibly pleased to be a part of the occasion.

As he steps into the next phase of his career, Kammula is currently working on Kuberaa, a highly anticipated film starring Dhanush, Nagarjuna Akkineni, and Rashmika Mandanna. Set for release on June 20, the film promises to be a grand cinematic venture, aligning with the significance of the director’s silver jubilee in the industry. Given the ensemble cast and the expectations surrounding the project, many are hopeful that Kuberaa will not only be a commercial success but also join the ranks of Kammula’s cult classics.

With humility and consistency, Sekhar Kammula has carved out a space for himself in Telugu cinema, and this celebration with Chiranjeevi serves as a reminder of his inspirational journey—and the paths yet to be taken.