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# Who Will Be the New Telangana BJP Boss?

**Race intensifies as BJP high command weighs key contenders**

**Buzz around Eatala, Arvind, Bandi, DK Aruna**

**High command likely to decide before end of July**

**Amit Shah's Telangana visit may offer a clue**

**TPN | Srikanth Gurram**  
**Telangana:** Who will get the Telangana BJP chair? That's the question that has taken over political discussions within the BJP and beyond. With the BJP's organizational reshuffle gaining momentum across the country, Telangana remains one of the few key states where the party is yet to name a new state president. The BJP is rolling ahead with structural revamps in various states, but the decision on Telangana's leadership has been hanging for months. With local body elections just three months away, the high command is now reportedly focusing its attention on the leadership issue here. Sources say the party is preparing to hand over the reins to a new leader, replacing the current state president, Union Minister G. Kishan Reddy. The national-level organizational elections are being held in phases. Recently, election officers were appointed for states



like Maharashtra, Uttarakhand, and West Bengal, and notifications have been released for Andhra Pradesh and Tripura. So far, new presidents have been appointed in 14 states. This momentum has led to intense speculation that Telangana's turn is next. Within the state unit, several leaders are said to be in the race — MPs Eatala Rajender, Dharmapuri Arvind, DK Aruna, Raghunandan Rao, and Bandi Sanjay Kumar among the frontrunners. Even though some of them maintain that they are not actively vying for the post, their internal lobbying tells a different story. Among all names, Eatala Rajender seems to be leading the race. His strong BC (OBC)

background fits neatly into the BJP's national strategy of empowering backward communities. With the party keen on expanding its influence in Telangana — a state it believes is within reach — Eatala's grassroots appeal and political experience are seen as major assets. Dharmapuri Arvind, the Nizamabad MP, is also a strong contender. He's a firebrand with a good media presence, deep connections in Delhi, and popularity among youth for his direct, no-nonsense political style. If the leadership wants to energize the base with a more aggressive approach, Arvind could emerge as the preferred choice. Meanwhile, if the party opts for continu-

ity, there's always the option of Kishan Reddy staying on. However, insiders suggest he's not too keen on continuing in the role. The name of Bandi Sanjay, who previously served as the party chief, is also doing rounds. His hardline Hindutva stance and sharp oratory helped boost the party's profile in the past, but internal tensions during his term may work against his reappointment. Others like former MLC Ram Chandra Rao, who has a long association with the party and RSS roots, are also being considered. And if the high command wants to project a woman leader, then DK Aruna becomes a strong candidate.

# BC Quota Sparks Crisis in Telangana

- Govt weighs legal, political paths as 42% reservation plan faces hurdles
- High Court sets 30-day deadline for Panchayat election process
- Reservation bills pending with President since April
- Govt may fall back to 23% quota if no breakthrough

**TPN | Srikanth Gurram**  
**Telangana:** The Telangana government's ambitious promise to implement 42% reservation for Backward Classes (BCs) in local body elections has hit a major roadblock, pushing the administration into a legal and constitutional crisis. Despite passing two bills in the Legislative Assembly and Council, the government is unable to move forward as the President has not yet approved the legislation. The situation has become more critical after the High Court ordered that the reservation process for panchayat elections be completed within 30 days.

This deadline has forced the Congress government to explore all possible legal and administrative options to implement the increased quota. The reservation proposal, which is based on the findings of a caste census conducted soon after the Congress assumed power, faces a major hurdle due to the constitutional cap of 50% total reservation. As the 42% BC quota would take the total beyond this limit, the Governor forwarded the bills to the President, recommending their inclusion in the Ninth Schedule of the Constitution. However, the silence from Rashtrapati Bhavan since April has left the state in a bind. In response, the government is reportedly planning to send an official delegation to Delhi to urge the Centre for speedy approval. Legal experts are also being consulted on whether to directly approach the Supreme Court, citing its earlier observation that the President or Governor must act on bills within three months. Meanwhile, there is growing debate within the government on whether

# Hyderabad Development Will Not Stop: Revanth Reddy

- CM vows to develop Kancha Gachibowli despite obstacles
- 5 lakh jobs planned through new industrial growth
- 3,000 electric buses to be introduced for pollution control



**TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad**  
Chief Minister Revanth Reddy has made it clear that Hyderabad's development will not be halted under any circumstances. He asserted that the development of Kancha Gachibowli will move forward

and announced plans to create 5 lakh jobs through the establishment of new companies. Revanth Reddy praised actor Akkineni Nagarjuna as a "true hero for the city's development" for voluntarily handing over

two acres of land near a lake to the government after the removal of his convention center, setting an example for others. Speaking at a public meeting after inaugurating the PJR flyover on Saturday, the Chief Min-

ister emphasized that even though some obstacles may arise, they are temporary and will be overcome. He reiterated his commitment to developing the Kancha Gachibowli area and making Hyderabad a global city. Recalling the contribution of the late PJR, Revanth Reddy said his efforts in bringing Krishna and Godavari waters to Hyderabad and laying the groundwork for the Hi-Tech City were unforgettable. He added that while Nedurumalli Janardhan Reddy laid the foundation, it was Chandrababu Naidu who took it forward.

# It Will Take Care Of Everything On The Highways From Now On

- AI tech takes over highway surveillance and traffic safety
- Warnings for speed limit violations using real-time data
- Toll gates to act as surveillance hubs with AI

**TPN | V. Krishna Kumar**  
**Hyderabad:** Artificial Intelligence (AI) has now entered a new frontier—national highways. The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has introduced an AI-powered smart traffic management system on the Dwarka Expressway, marking a significant advancement in highway surveillance and accident prevention.







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## Who Will Be the New Telangana BJP Boss?

All eyes are now on Amit Shah’s visit to Telangana today, with party ranks speculating whether a hint or informal announcement could come during his interactions. The national leadership is said to be evaluating not just experience and loyalty but also social equations and voter appeal. According to party sources, a formal announcement on the

new president could come in the last week of July or early August. With the BJP keen on capturing power in Telangana, choosing the right face to lead the charge has become a top priority. Will the BJP high command finally bring this long-running exercise to a close, or will it be delayed once again? That remains to be seen.

## BC Quota Sparks Crisis in Telangana

a Government Order (GO) can be issued temporarily to enforce 42% BC reservation even without Presidential assent. However, several legal advisors have raised concerns about the sustainability of such a move in court. If no legal or constitutional remedy is found within the deadline, the state is likely to revert to the old system of 23% BC reservation for the panchayat elections. Politically, however, the Congress plans to allocate 42% of its own par-

ty tickets to BC candidates to demonstrate that it has honored its promise in spirit, if not through law. In the midst of this uncertainty, the opposition is actively using the issue to corner the government, accusing it of misleading the BC communities. With high stakes involved, the state government is expected to make a final decision within the next five days on the path it will take — legal, political, or both.

## It Will Take Care Of Everything On The Highways From Now On

This new AI system, developed by the Indian Highways Management Company Limited (IHMCL), covers 56.46 kilometers of the Dwarka Expressway in its first phase. The move aligns with the guidelines issued by NHAI in 2023 and is being hailed as a revolutionary step in Indian road safety and traffic regulation. The smart system uses AI algorithms based on machine learning and deep learning to analyze real-time data, recognize traffic violations, and issue instant warnings to motorists who cross speed limits. These AI tools are designed to process information from various sensors, enabling them to monitor traffic patterns, detect rule violations, and assist in real-time enforcement without human intervention. Toll gates will now function as surveillance command centers, with AI cameras keeping

track of traffic across entire stretches. Authorities believe that such systems will significantly reduce road accidents and improve vehicle flow, especially on busy national highways. This initiative is part of a broader shift across India. For instance, the Kerala government has successfully deployed AI cameras to halve accident rates, while Delhi’s Intelligence Traffic Management System (ITMS) is already using 3D radar-based cameras for traffic law enforcement. NHAI has indicated that the Dwarka Expressway project is just the beginning, with plans to extend AI traffic management systems to other major highways in the near future. This marks a paradigm shift in how India’s roads are monitored and managed, potentially transforming road safety standards nationwide.

## Hyderabad Development Will Not Stop: Revanth Reddy

### Competing with World Cities

Revanth expressed his vision to see Hyderabad compete with world-class cities like New York and Tokyo. He said the government is working like a yagna to achieve the ‘Rising Telangana-2047’ goal and vowed not to be deterred by any number of “demons” along the way. He appealed to everyone to work together to reach this goal.

### Future Plans and Pollution Control

The CM said the government has a clear plan for Hyderabad’s future. Learning lessons from the pollution in Delhi, floods in Chennai, and traffic issues in Bengaluru, the government aims to transform Hyderabad. As part of this plan, 3,000 electric buses will be introduced in place of diesel buses to reduce pollution. Tax exemptions are also being given to those who

purchase electric vehicles, he said. He blamed the encroachment of canals and ponds as a key reason behind flooding in the city. Revanth reminded the public that his government freed Bathukammakunta from encroachment by some BRS leaders. He clarified that only illegal structures were demolished through the ‘Hydra’ operation.

### Bharat Future City and Delimitation

Revanth Reddy announced that a new project named Bharat Future City is being developed on 30,000 acres to ease the increasing pressure on Hyderabad. He also stated that during the 2029 delimitation, large constituencies like Serilingampalli may be split into four, ensuring everyone receives a fair share in development.

## Maha News Channel Attacked in Hyderabad!!

- BRS activists allegedly behind violent attack on Maha News office
- Revanth Reddy, Chandrababu Naidu, Pawan Kalyan, and others condemn incident
- Media freedom must be protected, say political leaders

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**Hyderabad:** The headquarters of Maha News Channel in Hyderabad was attacked on Saturday, triggering widespread outrage across political and media circles. The incident, allegedly carried out by BRS party activists, is linked to the channel’s coverage of the phone tapping issue involving BRS leader K.T. Rama Rao (KTR). Protesters stormed the office, damaging studio equipment, shattering glass windows, destroying furniture, and vandalizing vehicles parked outside. Reports also indicate that staff who attempted to intervene were assaulted. The violent attack was met with strong condemnation from top political leaders across party lines. Telangana Chief Minister Revanth Reddy immediately responded and ordered action, while Deputy CM Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka visited the site to assess the damage firsthand and express solidarity with the media personnel. Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu condemned the attack in



the harshest terms. “Such attacks have no place in a democracy. Trying to silence the media with force is a heinous act,” he said, offering full support to the Maha News management, journalists, and staff. He warned that undermining media freedom is a direct blow to democratic values. Andhra Pradesh Deputy CM Pawan Kalyan also reacted strongly. “If anyone has objections to media reports, there are legal and democratic means to address them. Physical attacks are not only condemnable but also anti-democratic,” he said. He demanded that the Telangana government take swift and strict action against the culprits and ensure such at-

tacks are never repeated. With widespread condemnation pouring in, there is growing pressure on the Telangana administration to identify and punish those responsible for the attack. Media organizations, press unions, and civil society groups have described the incident as an alarming threat to press freedom and have urged immediate steps to safeguard journalists from political violence. The attack has added further tension in the ongoing political friction surrounding the phone tapping controversy, and all eyes are now on the Telangana government’s response.

## Union Minister Amit Shah’s Telangana State Tour Schedule!

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Union Home Minister Amit Shah will undertake a brief but significant visit to Telangana on Sunday, June 29. His tour includes high-profile events in Nizamabad, aimed at engaging with the farming community and honoring a senior political figure. Shah will arrive at Begumpet Airport in Hyderabad at 1 PM via a special flight. He will then travel by helicopter to Nizamabad district headquarters, where he is scheduled to inaugurate the National Turmeric Board office at 1:45 PM. This board was recently established to support turmeric farmers, a long-standing



demand in the region. Following this, between 2 PM and 2:30 PM, he will hold a brief meeting with board officials. At 2:35 PM, Shah will un-

veil a statue of veteran leader D. Srinivas at Kanteshwar Cross Road. At 2:45 PM, Shah will participate in a massive public meeting titled ‘Kisan Maha Khaltala Sabha’ at the Polytechnic Ground. He is expected to address farmers and highlight the Centre’s efforts to support agriculture, especially turmeric cultivation. After concluding his engagements, Shah will return to Begumpet Airport by 5 PM and depart for Delhi. The visit is seen as part of BJP’s ongoing outreach to Telangana’s rural and agrarian communities ahead of upcoming political developments.

## Attack On Media Is Inhumane: Bhatti Vows Strict Action

Govt won’t tolerate attacks on journalists, says Deputy CM

TPN Correspondent | Telangana

Telangana Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka Mallu has strongly condemned the recent attack on the media, describing it as both unfortunate and inhumane. He asserted that the state government would not stay silent on such matters and promised strict action against all those involved. In a strongly worded statement, Bhatti said, “In a democracy, the media must be allowed to operate freely and fairly. If anyone believes that a media report is conspiratorial or misleading, the re-



sponse must be legal and democratic — not violent.” He stressed that peaceful protests and formal complaints through proper government channels remain the rightful

options for addressing any perceived grievances. “Everyone has the right to express dissatisfaction, but that must be done through lawful and peaceful means,” he said. Bhatti assured that the state’s justice mechanisms are well-equipped to handle such issues and reiterated that the government will ensure that those who attack the media are held accountable. He concluded by reaffirming the government’s commitment to protecting press freedom and upholding democratic values.

## New Twist in Anchor Swetcha Suicide Case

Father alleges mental harassment, names live-in partner Purnachandra Rao

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A shocking new development has emerged in the suicide case of Telugu TV anchor Swetcha Votarkar, who was found hanging at her residence in Jawahar Nagar, Hyderabad on Friday night. Her father has made serious allegations against her live-in partner Purnachandra Rao, accusing him of cheating and mentally harassing her under the guise of marriage.

According to the complaint filed by Sukhadu’s father at the Chikkadapalli Police Station, she had been in a relationship with Purnachandra Rao after divorcing her husband five years ago. The couple had been living together along with Swetcha’s daughter. The father claimed that Purnachandra Rao had promised to marry Swetcha, but repeatedly postponed the commitment, leading to frequent fights between them. He said



that this prolonged emotional stress led his daughter to take the extreme step. He revealed a distressing phone call from Swetcha just a day before her death. “She called me on June 26 and said she was upset and couldn’t continue living with him. She said the arguments were unbearable. My daughter was cheated in the name of marriage. He must be punished,” the grieving father told the police. Following the complaint, the police registered a case against Purnachandra Rao and have begun an investigation. The body was shifted to Gandhi Hospital for post-mortem, and officials are now gathering further evidence, including call records and witness statements. As the investigation unfolds, this tragic incident has sparked serious conversations around emotional abuse, live-in relationships, and the mental well-being of those in the media industry.

## 44 DSPs Transferred Across Telangana

DGP Jitender issues major reshuffle orders

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In a significant reshuffle, Telangana DGP Jitender issued transfer orders for 44 Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP)-level officers across the state. The move, aimed at administrative efficiency and better mobility, has impacted several key districts and commissionerates. Among the prominent changes, Y. Nageswara Rao has been posted as ACP, Central Crime Station (CCS), Cyberabad, while Akula Chandrasekhar takes charge as ACP, Maheshwaram Traffic. Additionally,



Sampath Kumar has been appointed as ACP, Command Control Center, Rachakonda. The reshuffle includes postings in both district police units and metropolitan commissionerates, with changes made to streamline operations and bring in fresh oversight in certain zones. The Telangana Police Department has termed this a routine transfer process for administrative convenience and effective policing. More details on the full list of officer transfers are expected to be released by the police department soon.



# BRS Spreading Lies on Jurala, Manjeera Projects: Uttam Kumar Reddy

CM Revanth sanctioned ₹100 Cr for Jurala safety, says Irrigation Minister  
No threat to Jurala project; BRS blamed for 10 years of negligence  
₹300 Cr approved for gantry crane, desiltation and repairs underway

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Telangana Irrigation Minister Capt. N. Uttam Kumar Reddy launched a scathing attack on the Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) for spreading false propaganda about the safety of irrigation projects such as Jurala and Manjeera, calling it a diversionary tactic to cover up their own decade-long failure to maintain them. Speaking to the media on Saturday after inspecting the Jurala dam along with a team of ministers and MLAs, Uttam Kumar Reddy said, “CM Revanth Reddy has personally sanctioned ₹100 crore for the construction of an alternative bridge to ease vehicular pressure on the Jurala structure and to ensure long-term safety.” He stressed that there is no threat to the

dam, and technical teams have confirmed that all 62 gates are operational, with maintenance underway. He dismissed the allegations over damaged gates and ropes as baseless, clarifying that four gates have already had rope replacements and another four are in the process, with the dam to be fully flood-ready by mid-July. Uttam Kumar Reddy accused the previous BRS government of ignoring older projects like Jurala, Kalwakurthy, Manjeera, and Koilsagar in favor of massive, commission-driven ventures like Kaleshwaram. “They spent thousands of crores for new projects and let old projects decay. There was no desiltation or maintenance. Jurala’s capacity dropped by 20–25% due

to silt accumulation alone,” he said. He further announced that ₹300 crore was approved for a second gantry crane at Jurala, Desiltation and vegetation removal will be carried out to restore full storage, Work has begun to store 4 TMC water at Rayalampadu reservoir and Mallammakunta reservoir will be completed soon. Nettampadu project has been approved with revised estimates of ₹2,753 crore for completion by December. He reminded that under the Congress government, over 1,100 engineers and 1,800 laskars have been recruited to strengthen the irrigation workforce and bring scientific, transparent governance to the sector. Planning Board Vice-Chairman Dr. G.



Chinna Reddy, Minister Srihari, MLAs Bandla Krishna Mohan Reddy, Megha Reddy, Parinika Reddy, and AICC Secretary Sampath Kumar accompanied Uttam during the inspection. Srihari stated that monsoon rains had temporarily delayed some repairs, but assured there was no threat to the dam. Taking aim at BRS once more, Uttam Kumar Reddy said, “They are respon-

sible for Kaleshwaram’s failure and now trying to fearmonger over Jurala. They should speak with responsibility, not recklessness.” He concluded by saying the Congress government is committed to restoring Telangana’s irrigation lifelines, especially in the undivided Mahabubnagar district, and reaffirmed that farmers will be the top priority.

## Attack on Maha News Office: Bandi Sanjay Blames BRS Goons

**Calls it an attack on press freedom  
Alleges BRS trying to divert attention from anchor suicide case  
Warns that “truth can’t be stopped by breaking cameras”**

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Union Minister of State Bandi Sanjay Kumar has made sensational comments condemning the attack on the Telugu news channel Maha News office, describing it as a direct attack on press freedom and alleging that BRS party goons were behind it. He demanded that the Congress government take immediate and strict action against those responsible. Bandi Sanjay stated that the attack was not just physical damage to a building but a blow to the freedom of the press. “The BRS party, which often speaks about media values, has now resorted to destroying a media house — this exposes their dual standards,” he criticized. He questioned why there were no retaliatory actions when BRS-affiliated social media supporters defamed others while in power. “Did we attack your homes then?” he asked. He alleged that this act of violence was aimed at diverting public attention from the recent suicide case of a TV anchor, where BRS leaders are facing accusations. He claimed that this was a conspiracy to silence media voices that were raising uncomfortable questions and to suppress the growing criticism against the BRS in the public domain. “You can break cameras, but not the truth. You can silence voices, but not stop questions. You can attack a channel, but you cannot kill journalism,” Bandi Sanjay warned. He called the incident a criminal act under the law and stressed that people are observing everything. He urged the ruling Congress government to respond swiftly and bring the culprits to justice.



## Kodandaram, Priyanka Got Jobs, But Not the Unemployed: Harish Rao



**TPN Correspondent | Telangana**  
BRS senior leader and former minister T. Harish Rao launched a blistering attack on the Congress government, accusing it of cheating the unemployed youth in Telangana by failing to deliver on its promise of two lakh government jobs. He sarcastically remarked that Kodandaram, Akunuri Murali, and Priyanka Gandhi got jobs, but the youth who voted with hope have been left in despair. In a media address on Saturday, Harish Rao said the Congress, which made grand promises before the elections, is now running a “fraudulent calendar” instead of a genuine job calendar. He strongly backed the ‘Chalo Sachivalayam’ protest planned by unemployed groups and declared that BRS would fully support and stand by the youth. “Before the elections, the Congress created huge expectations. The youth trusted their words, believing that job notifications would be issued on time. But not a single notification has come after coming to power. Worse, the Chief Minister is now blaming the protesting youth, saying they don’t want notifications,” Harish said, calling this “cruel misinformation.” He reminded that the BRS government had provided 1.62 lakh jobs during its term and said they would not rest until the Congress fulfilled its commitment of providing 2 lakh government jobs. “We will pursue the issue in the Assembly and outside until the youth get what they were promised,” he affirmed. Further, Harish Rao slammed the government for the delay in fee reimbursement arrears, raising questions about possible corruption motives behind the hold-up. “Are they delaying it to demand commissions?” he asked pointedly. Harish Rao concluded by stating that BRS will remain at the forefront of the unemployed struggle, and expose the Congress’s failures at every platform.

## KTR Fires at Media Outlets, Warns of Legal Action

**BRS leader accuses media of defamation, vows to confront orchestrated attacks**

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BRS Working President K.T. Rama Rao (KTR) has lashed out at sections of the media, accusing them of launching organized, malicious campaigns against him and his party. In a strongly worded statement on Saturday, KTR made it clear that he would pursue legal action against anyone involved in spreading defamatory content under the guise of journalism. “Over the past few months, a few individuals posing as journalists have been deliberately spewing venom against me and the leadership of our party. These are not criticisms — they are calculated personal attacks,” KTR alleged. He said that the relentless defamation campaign has caused mental distress to his family, friends, and party workers. “We’ve endured enough. That’s why I’ve decided to initiate legal proceedings against all those responsible. We know who is orchestrating these attacks — and we will face them in the appropriate forums,” he asserted. KTR clarified that while he is prepared to deal with slander through the legal system, he does not endorse any form of violence. Commenting on the recent attack on the Maha News office allegedly by BRS workers, he firmly stated, “There is no room for physical attacks in a democracy.” The statement comes amid growing criticism of BRS over the assault on journalists in Hyderabad. KTR’s response appears to be aimed at distancing himself and the party from such incidents, even as he prepares for a legal battle over what he calls organized slander. KTR concluded by stating that freedom of the press should not be misused for personal vendetta, and added that the BRS believes in accountability — both from politicians and from the media.



## Attack On Maha News Is Attack On Democracy: Minister Ponnam



**TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad**  
State Civil Supplies and BC Welfare Minister Ponnam Prabhakar on Sunday visited the Maha News channel office in Hyderabad following the violent attack allegedly carried out by BRSV activists. Speaking to reporters after inspecting the damaged premises, the Minister termed the attack “a direct assault on democracy” and assured that those responsible would face strict punishment. Minister Ponnam met with

Maha News Managing Director Vamsi Krishna and took stock of the situation. He condemned the violence, stating that the media, being the fourth pillar of democracy, has a right to expose wrongdoings. “Attacking media houses for reporting is unacceptable and shows a dangerous decline in political values,” he said. Referring to reports that the attack was orchestrated in retaliation to personal tweets and unfavorable news coverage, the Minister said that several assailants

had already been identified through CCTV footage, and arrests have been made. “Those responsible, including those behind the scenes, will be dealt with sternly,” he warned. The Minister added that peace and law and order in Hyderabad would not be allowed to deteriorate. “Our Congress government stands firmly with the media,” he reiterated, confirming that the Chief Minister was informed of the incident and a thorough investigation is underway.



# PJR Flyover Connecting Kondapur–ORR Inaugurated

Revanth Reddy says traffic congestion at Gachibowli will now ease  
1.2 km six-lane flyover formally opened by CM Revanth Reddy  
Smooth access to ORR, Hi-Tech City, and Shamshabad Airport  
Major relief for daily commuters and IT corridor traffic



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**Hyderabad:** Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy on Saturday inaugurated the PJR flyover connecting Kondapur to the Outer Ring Road (ORR), promising a major relief to motorists struggling with traf-

fic snarls in Hyderabad’s rapidly growing IT corridor. Built with modern infrastructure standards, the 1.2 km-long and 24-meter-wide six-lane flyover will provide uninterrupted travel from Kondapur to ORR, bypassing

the congested Gachibowli Junction — one of the busiest inter-sections in the city. The flyover, now open to public use, is expected to significantly reduce travel time for vehicles heading toward Hi-Tech City, Financial District, and the Rajiv Gandhi International Airport (Shamshabad). Commuters from Hafizpet, Kondapur, and neighboring areas will now have faster and smoother access to these major destinations without the usual bottlenecks. “This flyover is a reflection of our commitment to easing urban congestion and ensuring world-class infrastructure in Hyderabad,” CM Revanth Reddy said during the inauguration ceremony. Along with the Chief Minister, Ministers Ponnam Prabhakar, D.

Sridhar Babu, Hyderabad Mayor Gadwal Vijayalakshmi, Serilingampally MLA Arikepudi Gandhi, and several GHMC officials and engineers attended the opening event. The new flyover is part of the broader push by the Telangana government to enhance urban mobility and improve road connectivity in the capital’s high-density zones. It is also expected to benefit thousands of IT employees and airport-bound passengers, who often face peak-hour gridlock along this stretch. Officials say the infrastructure will not only reduce congestion but also contribute to safer, faster and more fuel-efficient commutes across Hyderabad’s western corridor.



## Eatala Rajender pays tribute to PV Narasimha Rao at PV Ghat

**TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad**  
BJP MP from Malkajgiri, Eatala Rajender, paid floral tributes to former Prime Minister PV Narasimha Rao on his 104th birth anniversary at PV Ghat on Tank Bund in Hyderabad. Speaking on the occasion, he recalled the deep connection PV had with Telangana and Huzurabad, his native place. “PV Narasimha Rao garu belonged to our Huzurabad. From humble beginnings, he rose to the position of Prime Minister of India. It is a proud moment for all of us. Today, his 104th Jayanti is being celebrated across Telangana with great reverence,” Etala said. He recalled that PV played a crucial role in the Telangana Armed Peasant Movement and, as Chief Minister, established residential schools like Sarvelu which produced many top IAS and IPS officers. “During his tenure as HRD Minister, he also established Navodaya schools across the country. As Prime Minister, he introduced liberalization and globalization reforms at a time when India was facing an economic crisis,” he noted. Etala credited PV for laying the foundation of India’s modern economic path and strengthening the country’s foreign policy on the world stage. “His life is an inspiration and a great message to our political system and leadership today,” he concluded.

# CM Revanth Reddy Holds Key Review on Industries

Focus on Future City, data centers, and mega projects  
Land acquisition for Future City, NIMZ to be expedited  
Push for more Global Capability Centers in Telangana

**TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad**  
Chief Minister Revanth Reddy conducted a high-level review meeting on the functioning and progress of the Industries Department at his residence in Jubilee Hills. The meeting was attended by Minister for Industries D. Sridhar Babu, CM Advisor V. Narendar Reddy, Special Secretary to the CM Ajith Reddy, Special Chief Secretary Sanjay Kumar, Director of Industries Nikhil Chakravarthy, and TGICC Vice Chairman Shashanka. During the meeting, the Chief Minister issued a series of key directives aimed at fast-tracking industrial development and boosting investor confidence in the state. Revanth Reddy emphasized the

immediate need to complete land acquisition for the proposed “Future City” project, urging officials to prioritize this task and engage with farmers to resolve any pending issues amicably. He said data centers must be given special attention, and directed officials to allocate dedicated space and infrastructure to facilitate their growth. Highlighting Telangana’s emerging role as a global business hub, the CM said no industrialist or investor coming to the state should go back disappointed. He stressed the importance of completing pending land acquisition in the NIMZ (National Investment and Manufacturing Zone), instructing officials to convince farmers and fast-track clearances.



In a forward-looking move, the Chief Minister announced plans for an integrated international sports complex to be set up within Future City. He called for the appointment of renowned international sports architects and suggested the facility accommodate multiple sports like cricket, football, and golf. To monitor and guide mega industrial projects, Revanth Reddy directed that the cabinet sub-committee on mega

projects should meet once every 15 days. He also pointed out that Telangana had already established 25 Global Capability Centers (GCCs) in 2025, building on momentum from 2024, and asked the department to work proactively to bring in more. The Chief Minister instructed officials to prepare a 100-day action plan to implement the outlined priorities and ensure timely execution.

## DGP Jitender Urges SHOs to Uphold Commitment for Telangana Police to Retain Top Spot

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The Director General of Police, Telangana State, Dr. Jitender IPS, emphasized the crucial role of Station House Officers (SHOs) in maintaining Telangana Police’s position as one of the top-performing forces in the country. Addressing a meeting of SHOs from across various districts at the DGP Office on Saturday, he highlighted the need for grassroots-level commitment and people-centric policing to sustain and enhance the department’s achievements. “SHOs are the backbone of the police system. Their honesty, dedication, and sensitivity towards public welfare are key to effective policing,” said Dr. Jitender. He assured the officers that the government is fully supportive of the police force and is committed to providing all the required infrastructure and resources to ensure public safety and well-being. Stressing the importance of aligning with evolving public expectations, the DGP said, “Policing that fails to reflect the aspirations of the people cannot command trust and respect.” He called upon the officers to focus on raising awareness among staff, ensure proper FIR registration, act strictly in accordance with the law, and work to improve the conviction rate as a deterrent to crime. Dr. Jitender underlined that public satisfaction is now a critical performance indicator, measured through tools such as QR code-based feedback systems. “Every SHO should aim for 100% satisfaction,” he urged. Highlighting reforms, the DGP cited the success of cashless traffic enforcement in curbing corruption and called for continued systemic improvements. He also pointed to the national recognition Telangana Police has received in the India Justice Report and through awards from the Ministry of Home Affairs for the best police stations. “These accolades should be a shared objective and are achievable through integrity and sustained effort,” he asserted. Additional Director General of Police (Law & Order), Sri Mahesh M. Bhagwat IPS, also addressed the gathering, with a specific focus on protecting farmers during the agricultural season. He warned SHOs to be vigilant against the sale of spurious seeds and recommended invoking the Preventive Detention (PD) Act against offenders if required. Other senior officials present at the meeting included AIG (Law & Order) Sri Ramana Kumar, DSP Sri Satyanarayana, and several district-level officers.



## Main Accused Held in OLX Fraud Case

Man cheats buyer of ₹2.3 lakh through fake ad

**TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad**

The Hyderabad Cyber Crime Police have arrested a 30-year-old man for cheating a private employee of ₹2.3 lakh through a fake advertisement on OLX. The accused, Peketi Veerababu, a native of Kakinada, was residing at SR Nagar, Hyderabad and working as a private employee. According to the police, the victim saw an advertisement on OLX for a sewing embroidery machine priced at ₹2.3 lakh. Believing the offer, he contacted the seller through social media and transferred the amount in multiple transactions via PhonePe. After receiving the money, the accused stopped responding. Police said Veerababu was collecting money through mule bank accounts and gaming wallets. Once the money was received, he would block the victim and disappear. A mobile phone and a Union Bank debit card were seized from his possession. The case was cracked under the supervision of ACP R.G. Siva Maruthi, by a team led by Inspector K. Satish Reddy. Cyber police have warned the public to avoid making payments without proper verification when dealing with online ads. Victims of cyber fraud are urged to call 1930 or report at [www.cybercrime.gov.in](http://www.cybercrime.gov.in).



## Task Force Busts E-Cigarette Racket in Abids



**TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad**

The Commissioner’s Task Force, South-East Zone Team, in coordination with Abids Police, apprehended three individuals involved in the illegal sale of banned Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS), including e-cigarettes of various flavors. The bust occurred on June 27 under the limits of Abids Police Station following credible information. The accused have been identified as Mohd Sulthan Khan alias Sulthan (38), a resident

of Kattal Mandi, Abids, Mohd Kabir Hussain alias Kabir (22), student, resident of Fateh Darwaza, Shalibanda and Mohd Moid Pasha alias Moid (23), student, resident of Fateh Darwaza, Shalibanda. The police recovered 190 banned electronic cigarettes (Elfbar – 30K Puffs of various flavors), 2 two-wheelers, 3 Apple iPhones and Cash of ₹13,500. The total value of the seized property is estimated to be around ₹10 lakh. According to police, Mohd Sulthan Khan

was the main operator, sourcing banned e-cigarettes through a contact named Sami via an intermediary Asif. He was selling them at inflated prices with the help of Kabir and Moid, who worked on a commission basis. These banned devices, containing harmful nicotine, were being circulated openly despite being outlawed. The arrest and seizure were carried out under the supervision of Inspector S. Saidababu, with Sub-Inspectors K. Rama Rao, M. Madhu, and PC Syed Aziz Mohammed, along with the staff of Commissioner’s Task Force and Abids Police Station. Additional DCP Ande Srinivasa Rao of the Commissioner’s Task Force Hyderabad City confirmed the operation and reiterated the department’s commitment to curbing illegal activities that endanger public health.



# Palm Oil Cultivation a Priority in Telangana

Call to farmers to grow high-profit crops with govt support  
Telangana suitable for palm oil in all 31 districts: Tummala  
Government offers ₹50,900 per acre subsidy for palm oil cultivation  
Intercropping with cocoa, sorghum, and groundnut yields higher income

**TPN Correspondent | Rangareddy**  
Telangana Agriculture and Handloom Minister Tumma- la Nageswara Rao emphasized that the state government is giving top priority to palm oil cultivation across the state. He appealed to farmers to adopt profitable crops like palm oil along with suitable intercrop- ping practices to increase in- come.  
Speaking at Devuni Erravalli village in Chevella, Rangareddy district, on Saturday, Minister Tummala planted 1,050 palm

oil saplings in a 20-acre farm- land belonging to Pollution Control Board member Chim- pula Satyanarayana Reddy. He noted that all 31 districts of Tel- angana are agro-climatically ideal for palm oil, and stressed the need for more farmers to adopt the crop.  
Minister Tummala shared in- sights from a recent study tour to Malaysia, where he and his team travelled 900 kilometers daily for three days to under- stand modern palm oil culti- vation techniques. “We studied seed gardens, oil refineries,

and interacted with Malaysian experts who expressed interest in setting up palm oil process- ing infrastructure in Telanga- na,” he revealed.  
He encouraged intercropping with cocoa, sorghum, and myrtle, along with palm oil cultivation, stating that such combinations offer higher re- turns than traditional crops like maize or cotton. With mar- ket demand high for ground- nut, he suggested that farmers also grow groundnut alongside palm oil.  
“Even in our neighboring states

like Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh, especially in Anan- tapur, such models are being successfully implemented,” he said. Drawing comparisons with Australia, where similar crops fetch ₹4,000 for 10 kg, he stressed the income potential for Telangana farmers.  
Highlighting the irregular rainfall in Telangana and the shortage of clean water even in urban areas like Gachibow- li and Madhapur, the Minister said the government is provid- ing ₹50,900 per acre in subsidy for palm oil plantations. This



covers planting and mainte- nance, ensuring minimal risk to farmers. “We do not lack natural resources—we only need to choose the right crops,” he added. He urged farmers to take full advantage of govern- ment support and adopt palm

oil cultivation to make Telan- gana a green and prosperous state. Telangana State Geddang Chairman Rayala Nageswara Rao, officials from the Telan- gana Farmers’ Conference, and local Congress leaders were also present at the event.

## Don't Take My Comments Seriously: Konda Murali



**TPN Correspondent | Warangal**  
Senior Congress leader Konda Murali appeared before the Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) Disciplinary Committee on Saturday to clarify his controversial remarks made against some party leaders. His comments had trig- gered complaints from various public representatives, partic- ularly from the joint Warangal district.  
Murali, who arrived at Gandhi Bhavan in Hyderabad along with a large group of supporters, met with committee chair- man Mallu Ravi and presented his explanation. He also sub- mitted a six-page written statement outlining the reasons be- hind his remarks.  
Addressing the media after the hearing, Konda Murali stated, “I have explained everything to Mallu Ravi garu. I hold great respect for Congress leaders. My comments should not be taken seriously—they were made with genuine concern for hardworking party workers.”  
Murali emphasized that his intention was never to insult or target any individual. He said he had always worked to bring strength to the party and was committed to the Congress cause. “We want Congress to come to power again in Telan- gana and at the Centre. I have fought for BC welfare for four decades. It is our collective wish that Revanth Reddy becomes Chief Minister again and Rahul Gandhi becomes Prime Min- ister,” he added.  
Committee chairman Mallu Ravi confirmed that Murali had responded to the show-cause notice and provided a detailed explanation. “He gave his clarification both verbally and in writing. We will forward this to the party high command for further review,” he said.  
The Congress high command is expected to examine Murali’s reply before deciding on whether any disciplinary action is necessary.

## PV Narasimha Rao Jayanti Celebrated in Maheshwaram

Youth Congress holds padyatra to honor former PM PV Narasimha Rao

**TPN Correspondent | Rangareddy**  
Former Prime Minister PV Narasimha Rao’s birth anni- versary was celebrated with great reverence in the Mahesh- waram constituency. Youth Congress leaders under the RK Puram division, led by Chiluka Upender Reddy, organized a padyatra from RK Puram Park to PV Narasimha Rao Circle in Alkapur. The leaders garland- ed the statue of the former Prime Minister, honoring him as “Telugu Tejam Bahu Bhasha Kovidudu” and celebrated the Jayanti with enthusiasm.  
TPCC representative Deepa Bhaskar Reddy, who attended

as the chief guest, paid rich trib- utes to the late leader and ad- dressed the media. She said, “PV Narasimha Rao was a visionary statesman who brought sweep- ing economic reforms both as the Chief Minister of undivid- ed Andhra Pradesh and as the Prime Minister of India. It is a moment of pride for Telangana that a son of the soil rose to the highest office in the country.” She expressed disappointment that PV Narasimha Rao is not given the due recognition he deserves even today and urged the Union Government to con- fer the Bharat Ratna on him. “This is the first time we are celebrating his Jayanti in Tel-



angana after the Congress gov- ernment came to power. We request Union Home Minis- ter Amit Shah and Telangana CM Revanth Reddy to initiate the process of awarding him Bharat Ratna,” she added.  
The event witnessed the par- ticipation of Congress workers, local leaders, women activists and others, who remembered PV Narasimha Rao’s legacy and contributions to Indian polity and governance.

## Indira Gandhi turned India into a prison during Emergency

- Criticizes Congress for forgetting sacrifices of freedom fighters
- Calls on youth to take charge for a developed India by 2047

**TPN Correspondent | Medchal-Malkajgiri**  
In a fiery address at a Mock Parliament program organized by the BJP Yuva Mor- cha at DPS School on June 28, Malkajgiri MP Etala Rajender lashed out at former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, calling her the “evil woman who turned India into a prison” during the Emergency period. Marking 50 years since the Emergency, he accused the Congress of trampling constitutional rights and suppressing freedoms.  
“Indira Gandhi forgot that she came to power through people’s votes. She brought dark days in the name of Emergency. Con- stitutional rights were crushed, and many were killed or disappeared,” Etala declared. He said the Emergency was a time of fear, oppression, and inhumane acts like forced sterilizations.  
He reminded students and youth about In-

dia’s hard-won independence, built on the blood and sacrifice of revolutionaries like Bhagat Singh, Rajguru, and Sukhdev. “Free- dom that comes without a fight is mean- ingless,” he said, quoting Bhagat Singh’s courage on the gallows and emphasizing the value of liberty.  
Etala accused Congress of hypocrisy, say- ing the same party that once mocked the Constitution now carries it in Parliament for political gains. He also targeted Rahul Gandhi for tarnishing India’s image abroad, contrasting him with Prime Minister Modi, under whose leadership he claimed India had become a global economic power and a source of national pride.  
Praising Modi’s vision of making India the number one country in the world, Eta- la said youth are central to that dream. “Startups are flourishing, opportunities are



growing, and the youth must lead the way to a developed India by 2047,” he said.  
Encouraging students to enter politics to bring change, Etala concluded: “Politicians are social scientists. If a doctor fails, one life is lost. But if a politician fails, society collapses. Quality youth must take respon- sibility.”  
He congratulated the BJP Yuva Morcha for organizing the event and urged the public to remember the dark legacy of the Em- ergency and the Congress party’s role in it.

## Harish Rao ruled for 10 years, now provoking youth



**TPN Correspondent | Telangana**  
Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) General Secretary Chanagani Dayakar launched a scathing counterattack on BRS leader Harish Rao, accusing him of playing cheap political games by inciting the unemployed youth. Responding to Harish Rao’s recent criticism of the Congress government, Dayakar said it was shameful that someone who ruled for a decade without filling jobs is now lecturing others.  
“Harish Rao should first apologize to the unem- ployed for betraying them while in power for 10 years. What moral right does he have to speak about jobs now?” Dayakar questioned.  
He said that under Chief Minister Revanth Red- dy’s leadership, Telangana has set a record by filling over 60,000 government jobs within just 18 months. “If Harish Rao has the courage, let him prove that these jobs were not given. We are ready for a public debate,” Dayakar challenged.  
He also reminded that the Congress government

cleared DSC results within 56 days, resulting in 1,56,000 admissions in government schools. “Back when BRS was in power, schools were falling apart. Now, even the children of government staff are studying in government schools,” he said.  
Dayakar lambasted BRS for its role in youth sui- cides caused by joblessness and corruption during their rule. “Why did Harish Rao not release fee reimbursement for students all these years?” he asked.  
Calling Harish Rao a master at deceiving and pro- voking the unemployed, Dayakar said the Con- gress government is acting with commitment and has released a job calendar to ensure employment opportunities. He also demanded that Harish Rao respond on Group 1 paper leak issues during the BRS tenure.  
“BRS should hang its head in shame. We will not tolerate any more conspiracies to mislead youth. Telangana youth are smart and will reject those who cheated them for a decade,” he concluded.



# Uniting Humanity Through Space: India’s Journey from Rakesh Sharma to Shubanshu Shukla”



India took its first historic step into space in 1984 when Rakesh Sharma flew aboard the Soviet Soyuz T-11 mission. Decades later, Indian Air Force Group Commander Shubanshu Shukla has followed in those footsteps,

marking another milestone in India’s journey into space. His mission is not just a national achievement but a beacon of hope for global cooperation in the peaceful exploration of space.

Commander Shukla’s entry into space demonstrates how space knowledge can bring humanity closer. Space holds many mysteries, and though early space research was often viewed with skepticism or even disbelief, modern exploration has revealed profound insights, many of which reaffirm a sense of divine creation. In this sense, space knowledge becomes a way of revealing the work of the universe and, metaphorically, the hand of God.

When I had the honor of meeting Rakesh Sharma in 2015 in Chennai, I was deeply moved. He inspired me to understand that while our thoughts must soar to the sky, our feet must remain grounded. This philosophy should guide our daily lives.

Despite divisions among nations, languages, governance, ideologies, and conflicts, space exploration represents cooperation and unity. The International Space Station (ISS) is a living symbol of how countries like the USA, Poland, Hungary, and now India can work together. Even though the astronauts aboard may differ in culture and language, they are united in their mission and humanity.

Such cooperation is crucial on Earth, where the threat of war, especially nuclear conflict, endangers the future of humanity. Instead of division, we must build friendships and unity, values that the ISS embodies.

Rakesh Sharma, as part of the 1984

Soviet Soyuz T-11 mission, spent seven days aboard the Salyut T-7 space station. Soviet cosmonaut Yuri Malyshev piloted the mission. Similarly, Commander Shubanshu Shukla, during his mission in 2025, expressed heartfelt gratitude to his family, friends, and especially his wife, just as Yuri Gagarin, the first man in space, did decades ago. These gestures of gratitude highlight the emotional depth of space explorers and their awareness of the support they receive from loved ones.

Shukla’s message to the youth is powerful, space research and knowledge must be pursued with enthusiasm, teamwork, and curiosity. Young people must work together and support each other in science, exploration, and discovery.

We were also fortunate to meet Dangeti Jahnavi, a young Telugu girl from Andhra Pradesh, who trained at NASA and is now eligible for a space mission scheduled in 2029. Her journey is a matter of immense pride for the people of India, especially the Telugu community. When she visited our home recently, we honored her with a shawl and a memento. Her achievements are an inspiration to countless students, especially girls aspiring to careers in space science.

Commander Shubanshu Shukla’s journey began in the City Montessori School in Lucknow, where he was an ordinary student. Encouraged by a friend, he applied to the National



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Defence Academy (NDA) at the age of 16 and was selected on June 17, 2006. While continuing his training, he pursued aerospace engineering at the Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru.

India has always aspired to be a peaceful nation committed to unity. In 1984, Rakesh Sharma went into space from Russian soil. In 2025, Shubanshu Shukla launched from the United States. And in 2027, India hopes to send its own astronauts from its own soil, fulfilling the dreams of generations. Let us continue to inspire, educate, and support our youth to explore the final frontier, together.



## Headingley Test: A Loss on Paper, But a Step Forward for Team India

Despite the scoreboard reflecting a convincing defeat, India’s performance in the Headingley Test against England offered encouraging glimpses of a team in transition with growing self-belief. The match wasn’t without its disappointments—most notably in bowling and fielding—but the overall takeaway suggests that this Indian side under new leadership has more reasons to look ahead with optimism than despair.

Shubman Gill, leading the side in his first major assignment as captain, had plenty to prove. Having been dropped in the previous series, his promotion was seen as bold. While his captaincy remains a work in progress—his game reading and field placements under scrutiny—Gill the batsman made a strong statement by embracing the crucial No. 4 position with confidence. His public declaration of aiming to be the highest scorer in the series reflects ambition, not arrogance.

KL Rahul, the batting veteran, brought stability and technical mastery, hinting that he could emerge as the key guiding force in India’s top order. His flexible role between No. 3 and 6 was executed with maturity, offering both resilience and intent. Yashasvi Jaiswal, though guilty of dropping crucial catches that cost the team 166 runs, continues to show signs of being a future batting stalwart.

Among the most promising developments was the debut of Sai Sudharsan. Despite a nervous first innings and tough introduction to England’s conditions, his composed 30 in the second innings revealed glimpses of class and preparation. With his IPL dominance and disciplined approach off the field, Sudharsan is one to watch.

The return of Karun Nair was another highlight. Though his scores weren’t substantial, his mental

strength—especially after six years in the wilderness—was evident. He deserves more time and a stable role, particularly after showing intent in the second innings.

India’s real concern was their bowling unit. While Jasprit Bumrah and Mohammed Siraj showed patches of brilliance, third and fourth seamers like Prasidh Krishna leaked runs heavily, and Shardul Thakur failed in his dual role as a batting all-rounder. The side would benefit from bleeding in sharper swing bowlers like Arshdeep Singh and a more attacking spinner like Kuldeep Yadav.

Yes, the team lost. But with five centuries, promising new faces, and growing leadership under Gill, India seems to be building a new core. The Headingley loss, while painful, might just be a vital stepping stone in shaping a more balanced, aggressive, and future-ready Test side.

## The Hidden Bias in Online Reviews: Why You Should Think Twice Before Trusting Them

In today’s digital age, online reviews are often treated as gospel. From buying a smartphone to booking a vacation or choosing a doctor, consumers heavily rely on these ratings to make decisions. But what if the very reviews we trust are deeply flawed? There’s a silent bias at play—one few talk about—and it can lead to seriously misleading impressions.

Think of online reviews like a tunnel. At the end of that tunnel, there might be treasure—or a trap. One by one, people enter the tunnel, each holding a candle. Some candles are dim, barely revealing anything. Others, by luck or strong opinion, shine brighter and shape the view for everyone who follows. These brighter candles represent the loudest voices in online feedback—typically the extremely satisfied or deeply disappointed customers. The vast majority, who might have had an average or mildly positive experience, often remain silent. This creates a “participation bias” in the review ecosystem. Only a small fraction of customers leave reviews, and they tend to represent either end of the emotional spectrum. That’s why you often see products with a mix of glowing five-star ratings and scathing one-star rants, with little in between. The result? A skewed perception that fails to reflect

the true average experience.

Moreover, fake reviews—both positive and negative—have become increasingly sophisticated. Some businesses pay for glowing testimonials to boost their rankings, while competitors might plant negative reviews to sabotage reputations. Even when reviews are genuine, they are subject to personal biases, unreasonable expectations, or one-off incidents that may not apply to most consumers.

The real-world implications are significant. A poor rating could unfairly doom a decent product, or an inflated score might lead you to waste money on something subpar. For consumers, this means approaching reviews with a healthy dose of skepticism. Be wary of patterns: if feedback is overly enthusiastic without details or extremely negative without context, dig deeper. Look for verified purchases, balanced reviews, and recent trends rather than isolated praise or complaints.

In the end, online reviews should be one of many tools in your decision-making toolbox—not the final word. By understanding the hidden biases in online feedback, you can make more informed, rational, and fair choices.





# “India Looks Very Grand, Very Big From Space”: Shubhanshu Shukla To PM Modi

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Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla, the first Indian astronaut to reach the International Space Station (ISS), spoke with Prime Minister Narendra Modi in a heartfelt 18-minute conversation filled with science, emotion, and national pride.

Shukla, the first Indian in space since Rakesh Sharma in 1984, described his mission not just as a personal achievement but as a symbolic step forward for India. “This is not only my journey from Earth to 400 km above — it’s our country’s journey,” he told PM Modi.

PM Modi congratulated Shukla and said that though he was far from India, he was closest to the hearts of 140 crore Indians. Shukla shared how his



childhood dream turned into reality under current leadership, and how space offers a united view of Earth — with no borders visible.

The astronaut described how India looked from orbit: “India appears far grander than on a map,” he said, recalling Rakesh Sharma’s famous 1984 words, “Saare Jahan Se Achha.”



Shukla also shared lighter moments — bringing Indian delicacies like carrot halwa and mango juice for international crewmates, which they

loved. He detailed life in microgravity, where even simple tasks like sleeping or drinking water become difficult.

On the scientific front, Shukla revealed that he is conducting seven Indian experiments aboard the ISS, including studies on stem cells and microalgae. He credited meditation for helping maintain focus and calm in space.

PM Modi praised Shukla’s efforts and gave him “homework” to document his mission for India’s future programs like Gaganyaan and the Indian space station.

Ending with “Bharat Mata ki Jai,” Shukla dedicated his mission to the nation, urging youth to dream big: “The sky is never the limit.”

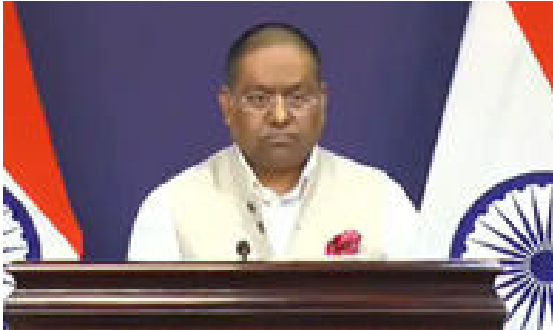
## Looking At Strengthening Partnership With Canada: India

TPN Correspondent | New Delhi

Days after Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s visit to Canada and his meeting with newly elected Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney, India signaled its intent to strengthen bilateral ties with Ottawa across key sectors such as trade, energy, mobility, and education.

Addressing the media on Thursday, External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal stated, “We are looking forward to strengthening our partnership with Canada in several respects—on the economic side, trade side, energy side, mobility, and student exchange.”

The remarks follow a recent high-level interaction between PM Modi and PM Carney on the sidelines of the G7 summit held in Kananaskis, Canada. Jaiswal described the meeting as “very productive and positive,”



with both leaders agreeing to take “constructive and balanced” steps to restore normalcy in relations.

Tensions between India and Canada had reached a low point in 2023 after then-Prime Minister Justin Trudeau publicly alleged Indian involvement in the killing of pro-Khalistan separatist Hardeep Singh Nijjar. The fallout led to reciprocal expulsions of

diplomats and a halt in several bilateral engagements.

Responding to a question on the Nijjar case and whether ties with Canada were improving, Jaiswal emphasized that the matter remains under judicial consideration and refrained from further comment, stating, “It is a legal issue. That particular matter is under judicial process right now.”

Despite past strains, both sides appear committed to a reset. The two prime ministers agreed to the early return of ambassadors to each other’s capitals and emphasized the importance of resuming senior ministerial and working-level discussions across key sectors to rebuild trust.

Mark Carney’s election victory in April, as leader of Canada’s Liberal Party, has sparked optimism about renewed diplomatic engagement and more stable India-Canada relations.

## Don’t Be Surprised If India Repeats Action Upon Provocation: Shashi Tharoor

TPN Correspondent | Delhi

Congress MP Shashi Tharoor stated on Saturday that India clearly conveyed to foreign governments during post-Operation Sindoor diplomatic outreach that any future provocation would be met with a similar response. Speaking at the Ahmedabad Management Association, Tharoor emphasized that Indian delegations, including the one he led, explained India’s restrained and targeted action against terrorist camps in Pakistan.

Tharoor said the global community was largely understanding of India’s position. Even countries like Colombia, which initially expressed condolences for casualties in Pakistan, later withdrew their statements. “Many leaders respected India’s right to self-defence and appreciated the restraint shown. We made it clear that if such attacks happen again, India would not hesitate to respond similarly,” he said.



Tharoor underlined that India never intended to escalate the situation into a full-scale war. “Our aim was retribution against terrorist bases only. We didn’t target civilians or military installations,” he explained, adding that India had always been willing to stop once Pakistan ceased hostilities.

He also noted that while India acted inde-

pendently, Pakistan might have needed external persuasion to de-escalate. “If they stopped because of American influence, that’s fine by us,” he remarked.

Tharoor, who led one of seven Indian delegations to 33 global capitals, said his group’s role was to reinforce the government’s message on Pakistan’s involvement in terrorism.

On the 50th anniversary of the Emergency, he urged all political leaders to recommit to the Constitution and democratic values rather than politicizing the moment. Acknowledging the Emergency as a difficult period, he said even Indira Gandhi accepted the people’s verdict when elections were called.

Reflecting on his recent Russia visit, Tharoor called it a valuable opportunity to engage with Russian leaders, including his longtime friend, Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov.

## L-G Manoj Sinha Reviews Amarnath Yatra Preparations, Secures Stakeholder Support



TPN Correspondent | Delhi

Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir, Manoj Sinha, on Saturday reviewed preparations for the upcoming Amarnath Yatra, meeting with a wide range of stakeholders in Srinagar to ensure smooth conduct of the annual pilgrimage. The meeting, held at the Sher-i-Kashmir International Conference Centre (SKICC), included civil society members, religious leaders, District Development Council (DDC) chairpersons, trade association representatives, political leaders, and sitting MLAs.

Among the key attendees was former Chief Minister and National Conference leader Omar Abdullah. Addressing the gathering, L-G Sinha emphasized the government’s commitment to providing enhanced facilities and robust security for pilgrims, despite challenging weather and terrain.

“Significant improvements have been made to ensure better comfort and safety for yatrias. Local residents, especially those involved in the yatra, have always served with dedication,” said Mr. Sinha.

Following the interaction, L-G Sinha told reporters that leaders from all major political parties had assured their cooperation for the peaceful and successful conduct of both the Amarnath Yatra and the upcoming Muharram observances. He noted that this inclusive dialogue with stakeholders has been part of a consistent effort over the last four years to foster community support and coordination.

Mr. Sinha highlighted that all participants agreed the Amarnath Yatra should be seen as a people’s pilgrimage rather than just an administrative or shrine board event. He expressed confidence in its smooth execution with the collective support of the public and administrative bodies.

“With the blessings of Baba Amarnath, I am confident the yatra will be peaceful and successful,” he concluded.

## India Imposes Land and Sea Port Restrictions on Jute Imports from Bangladesh

In a significant move, India has restricted the entry of jute and related products from Bangladesh through its land and most seaports, effective immediately. The decision, announced by the Directorate General of Foreign Trade on June 27, 2025, allows imports of jute only through the Nhava Sheva seaport in Mumbai.

This latest restriction comes just weeks after India halted apparel imports from Bangladesh via land ports on May 17. The new measure is aimed at curbing the impact of what Indian authorities describe as “dumped and subsidised” jute imports from Bangladesh that have been harming the domestic jute industry for years.

“Jute from Bangladesh has enjoyed duty-free access to India under existing trade arrangements. However, persistent dumping and



heavy government subsidies from Bangladesh have undermined Indian producers,” said an official familiar with the matter. The official added that although anti-dumping duties (ADD) were previously imposed on jute imports from Bangladesh, they failed to stem the influx of cheap jute goods due to continued financial support from the Bangladesh government.

The restrictions apply to a wide range of jute and allied fibre products, including raw jute, yarn, and jute bags—items that form a large part of Bangladesh’s export basket to India. Indian jute manufacturers have long voiced concerns about being unable to compete with low-cost, subsidised imports that have flooded the market.

The move is expected to have significant trade implications for Bangladesh, which relies heavily on India as a key market for its jute sector. At the same time, it signals a shift in India’s approach to trade with its neighbour, focusing more on safeguarding domestic industries.

The situation may further strain bilateral trade relations, already under pressure from earlier import restrictions. Talks between the two nations may be required to resolve the growing friction over trade policies.



# Trump Reflects on Assassination Threats Amid Court Victory and Rising Political Tensions

TPN Correspondent | Washington

U.S. President Donald Trump, during an impromptu White House press conference on Friday, spoke candidly about threats to his life while celebrating a major Supreme Court victory that bolsters his administration's power. The Court's ruling significantly limits the ability of federal judges to impose nationwide injunctions, a move seen as a green light for Trump's ambitious policy agenda.

When asked about ongoing threats, Trump reflected on the July 13, 2024 incident in Pennsylvania where he was grazed by a bullet during a campaign rally. "I get that throbbing feeling every once in a while," Trump said. "But you know what? That's okay. This is a dangerous business."

The president described the role as riskier than many perilous professions. "Race car drivers, 1/10 of 1% die. Bull riders, same. But when you're president, it's about 5%. If someone had told me that, maybe I wouldn't have run," he remarked.

Trump has faced multiple threats during his presidency. On September 15, 2024, he survived another assassination attempt while golfing in West Palm Beach, Florida. The suspect in that case is currently facing five federal charges and has pleaded not guilty.

The suspect behind the Pennsylvania rally shooting was killed by Secret Service agents. That incident left one attendee dead and two others injured. Additionally, U.S. officials have accused Iran's Islamic Revolu-

tionary Guard Corps of plotting to assassinate Trump—a charge Tehran denies, especially in the wake of recent U.S. strikes on Iranian nuclear facilities.

Serving his second term, Trump has expanded presidential powers, often clashing with opponents and promising retribution. The U.S. continues to experience heightened political violence, with Reuters documenting over 300 politically motivated violent incidents since the Capitol riot on January 6, 2021.



# Tibetan Americans, U.S. Congress Mark Tibet Lobby Day and Dalai Lama's 90th Birthday with Unity and Advocacy

TPN Correspondent | Washington

Washington D.C. witnessed a powerful show of solidarity this week as over 200 Tibetan Americans and supporters from 25 U.S. states and the District of Columbia gathered at the Capitol for Tibet Lobby Day. The event, held in the lead-up to His Holiness the Dalai Lama's 90th birthday on July 6, 2025, aimed to bring attention to Tibet's struggle for freedom and advocate for stronger U.S. support.

Organized by the International Campaign for Tibet (ICT), the Office of Tibet, and the Capitol Area Tibetan Association, the two-day initiative saw participants visiting more than 100 Congressional offices. It concluded with a celebratory event hosted by Congressmen Michael McCaul and Jim McGovern, and attended by key leaders including Speaker Emerita Nancy Pelosi, Congresswoman Nicole Malliotakis, and Congressman Michael Baumgartner. Actor and activist Richard Gere, Chairman of ICT, participated virtually.

Congressman McCaul recounted a touching conversation with the Dalai Lama: "I asked him if he held resentment toward the Chinese. He said, 'I cannot let negative emotions overwhelm my spirit.'" McCaul



praised the Dalai Lama's resilience and emphasized, "They may take your land, but they cannot erase your spirit."

Congressman McGovern expressed deep admiration for the Dalai Lama, saying, "He inspires millions through his messages of peace, tolerance, and human dignity. Let's celebrate his next birthday together in Lhasa, Tibet."

Tencho Gyatso, President of ICT, thanked supporters, stating, "This success is a result of passionate individuals and lawmakers standing for those facing oppression in Tibet." The efforts paid off, with four new Senate co-sponsors and six in the House signing onto the pro-Tibet resolution during Lobby Day.

As part of ICT's Compassion Rising campaign and the CTA's Year of Compassion, the event underscored the ongoing global advocacy for Tibetan rights and celebrated the enduring legacy of the Dalai Lama.

# Netanyahu Rejects Report Alleging Israeli Troops Ordered to Shoot at Gazans Seeking Aid



TPN Correspondent | Moscow

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Defence Minister Israel Katz have strongly denied a report by the Israeli daily Haaretz, which alleged that Israeli soldiers had received orders to shoot at Palestinians approaching aid distribution sites in Gaza. The leaders condemned the report on Friday (June 27, 2025), calling it a collection of "malicious falsehoods designed to defame the Israeli military."

The controversial Haaretz article claimed that specific military units were instructed to fire at Palestinians near humanitarian aid locations, prompting outrage and renewed scrutiny of the Israeli military's conduct amid the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Gaza.

In response, Netanyahu and Katz stressed the Israeli Defense Forces (IDF) adhere to strict operational protocols and international law. They argued that the report undermines the legitimacy of Israel's security forces and misrepresents the complexities of operating in a war zone where Hamas and other militant groups allegedly use civilians

as human shields.

Despite the Israeli leadership's denials, the Gaza Health Ministry reported that over 500 Palestinians have been killed and hundreds more injured while trying to obtain food since the Gaza Humanitarian Foundation (GHF) began aid distribution roughly a month ago. Many of the victims, according to Gaza officials, were unarmed civilians in desperate need of food and essential supplies.

The rising death toll has raised international concern, with humanitarian agencies calling for safer and more transparent distribution mechanisms and accountability for violence against civilians.

As conditions in Gaza continue to worsen, the allegations—whether substantiated or not—highlight the increasingly fragile state of humanitarian access in the region. With both sides presenting conflicting narratives, pressure is mounting on international observers to investigate the claims independently and ensure aid reaches those most in need without violence or interference.

# 13 Pakistani Soldiers Killed, 24 Injured in Deadly Suicide Bombing in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

TPN Correspondent | Islamabad

In a devastating attack early Saturday morning, at least 13 Pakistani security personnel were killed and 24 others injured, including 14 civilians, when a suicide bomber targeted a military convoy in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa's North Waziristan district.

According to security sources, the suicide bomber drove an explosives-laden vehicle directly into a Mine-Resistant Ambush Protected (MRAP) vehicle belonging to the Bomb Disposal Unit. The incident occurred in the Khaddi area while a curfew was in place due to ongoing military operations in the region.

The explosion resulted in a high number

of casualties, including women and children among the injured civilians. Several of them are reportedly in critical condition, raising fears of a higher death toll. Rescue operations were swiftly launched by security forces following the powerful blast.

The militant group Usud al-Harb, a sub-faction of the Hafiz Gul Bahadur group, has claimed responsibility for the attack. The Hafiz Gul Bahadur faction, long active in the tribal belt near the Afghan border, has previously been involved in a series of assaults targeting security forces.

This latest suicide bombing is being described as one of the deadliest attacks in North Waziristan in recent months, raising alarm over the deteriorating security conditions in the area. The attack also highlights the persistent threat posed by militant outfits operating along the porous border regions of Pakistan.

Authorities have increased security in the region, and an investigation is underway to assess how the attacker breached security layers despite ongoing military operations. The government and military are expected to respond with heightened counterterrorism measures in the wake of the tragic incident.



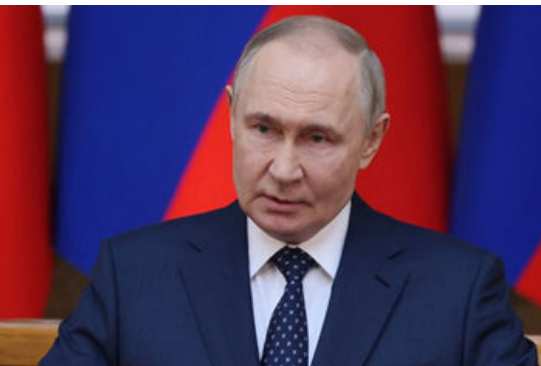
# 'Everything is fine, as long as it is against Russia': Putin accuses West of encouraging separatism

TPN Correspondent | UN

Russian President Vladimir Putin has sharply criticized Western nations, accusing them of encouraging separatist movements and ignoring terrorist activities as long as they are directed against Russia. Speaking in Minsk, the capital of Belarus, on Friday, Putin alleged that the West has adopted a double standard when it comes to issues of security and terrorism, particularly concerning Russia.

"No one has wished to pay attention to the Islamic State, as long as it operates against Russia. Explosions in Moscow, and all that. This is still happening today. No one wants to pay attention to this. Everything is fine, as long as it is against Russia," Putin remarked, expressing frustration at what he sees as the West's selective outrage.

Putin also claimed that the so-called "collective West" had historically supported



separatist tendencies within Russia, weaponizing them as part of a broader strategy to destabilize the country. "The same happened when the collective West encouraged separatism in our country, and such an instrument of the fight against Russia as terrorism," he added.

The Russian leader's remarks come amid ongoing tensions between Moscow and Western powers, primarily stemming from the conflict in Ukraine, which began

with Russia's 2022 invasion. Since then, Russia has faced a wide range of international sanctions, diplomatic isolation from the West, and intensified NATO cooperation with Ukraine and other neighboring states.

Putin's comments are consistent with Russia's longstanding narrative that Western countries, particularly the United States and its European allies, use global conflicts and regional unrest as tools to weaken Russian influence and power. The accusation regarding Western indifference to terrorist threats inside Russia is also part of a broader strategy to rally domestic support and position Russia as a victim of international hypocrisy.

As global geopolitical alignments continue to shift, Putin's remarks signal a continued hardening of rhetoric and a deepening divide between Russia and the Western world.





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“Genus Power: Dominant Smart Meter Player with Explosive Growth and a ₹30,000 Cr Order Book – A Powerhouse in the Making”



This week we are discussing GENUS POWER an important player in Electricity Metering Solutions Industry. Smart Meters are digital devices that provide accurate and live consumption data Today we are living in a world where technology touches every aspect of our life. Solar Energy, Smart Meters, Electricity Vehicles etc etc. As a pioneer in Smart Meter Sector, Genus Power established itself as a strong player in Smart Meter Sector with 27% share.

BASIC DATA :

Market Cap : Rs.11356 Crores.  
Capital Rs.27.63 Crores  
Face Value Rs.1  
MP on 27-06-2025 - Rs.373.70  
52 Week High Rs.485  
PE - 33  
Sector PE - 81

LATEST FINANCIALS :

	31-03-24	31-03-25 (Rupees in Crores)
Revenue/Sales	1200	2442

Net Profit	87	311
EPS (in rupees)	3.61	11.27
Return on Equity (in %)	5.51	16.67

Revenue has more than doubled. Net Profit has jumped more than three times. EPS jumped more than 2 times. Return on Equity at 16.67% is far above the Benchmark of 7%. Benchmark is the interest on Bank Deposit at 7%. This is a fantastic growth by any standard.

FUTURE OF THE COMPANY :

- Government has an ambitious target of installing 250 Million smart meters by March, 2026. But upto April, 2025 only 2.50 millions smart meters were installed. There is a huge gap to be filled and growth opportunity ia very huge.
- At present major part of business is confined to Bihar and Assam States. If Central Government is aggressive and sincere in implementation and majority of the States wake up to the benefits of smart meters, a new

world of opportunities will open up for the Smart meter sector.

- It has an order book of Rs.30000 Crores which assures business for coming years.
- GIC a Sovereign Wealth Fund of Singapore took a 15% stake in the Company - which indictes the prospects for Smat Metering Space.

RISKS :

- Operating Cash Flow has been negative for the company for continuousoy two years indicating the problem in the area of receivables.
- Debt Equity Ratio is high at 0.73 which is a matter of concern.
- There is no clarity on the matter of pledge of shares.

FINAL WORDS :

Emkay Global Financial Services has given price target of Rs.450.

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BSE Shares Slip as SEBI Imposes ₹25 Lakh Fine for Regulatory Violations



Shares of the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) declined over 1% on Thursday after the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) imposed a ₹25 lakh penalty for breaching regulatory norms related to data dissemination and trading compliance.

The stock fell 1.47% to ₹2,748 on the National Stock Exchange (NSE) following a weak opening, reacting to the regulatory action stemming from an inspection carried out between February 2021 and September 2022.

In a detailed 45-page order issued on Wednesday, SEBI highlighted serious lapses in BSE's system architecture. It found that certain corporate announcements were made accessible to BSE's paid clients and its internal Listing Compliance Monitoring (LCM) team before the information was published on the public website. This created an unfair advantage, violating the principle of equal access to market information.

The regulator concluded that BSE failed to comply with Regulation 39(3) of the SECC Regulations, 2018, which mandates fair and transparent access to all stakeholders. SEBI also criticized BSE for not having a proper real-time information feed like an RSS (Really Simple Syndication) system, which could have prevented the information disparity.

Additionally, SEBI identified deficiencies in how BSE monitored client code modifications. The stock exchange did not take disciplinary action against brokers frequently altering trade codes and failed to properly oversee 'error accounts'—raising concerns over potential misuse and insufficient due diligence, particularly in trades between unrelated institutional clients.

While BSE eventually introduced corrective measures, SEBI noted that these actions came only after the inspection exposed the shortcomings. The regulator's penalty underlines the need for tighter oversight and a more transparent framework to uphold market integrity.

JSW Paints to Acquire Akzo Nobel India for ₹12,915 Crore, Becomes 4th Largest Player in Paint Industry

JSW Paints, part of Sajjan Jindal's JSW Group, announced on Friday its acquisition of Dutch multinational Akzo Nobel's India unit in a landmark ₹12,915 crore deal. This acquisition will propel JSW Paints to the position of the fourth-largest player in the Indian paint industry.

As per the agreement, JSW Paints will acquire a 74.76% stake in Akzo Nobel India Ltd (ANIL) from its Dutch parent Akzo Nobel NV and affiliated entities for ₹8,986 crore. Following this, JSW, along with its group companies JTPM Metal Traders and JSW EduInfra, will make an open offer to acquire the remaining 25.24% stake from public shareholders for up to ₹3,929 crore.

The acquisition is based on an enter-



prise value of around €1.4 billion (approximately ₹12,915 crore), reflecting an EV/EBITDA multiple of 22x. The deal includes Akzo Nobel's liquid paints and coatings business in India, particularly the well-known Dulux brand.

However, the India Powder Coatings division and the International Research Centre currently under ANIL will remain with Akzo Nobel NV. This move marks the Dutch firm's exit

from the Indian decorative paints segment, a market that has seen intensified competition with new entrants like the Aditya Birla Group investing over ₹10,000 crore.

According to Akzo Nobel NV, the deal will yield net cash proceeds of approximately €900 million, with €500 million allocated to debt reduction. The company also plans a €400 million share buyback post-deal closure.

The acquisition is subject to regulatory clearances, including approval from the Competition Commission of India (CCI), and the successful completion of the mandatory open offer. Once finalized, this deal positions JSW Paints as a significant force in India's rapidly evolving paint and coatings sector.

India's Oil Imports from US Surge Over 270% in Early 2025 Amid Trade Deal Talks

India's crude oil imports from the United States witnessed a sharp spike of over 270% in the first four months of 2025, highlighting the country's strategic push to diversify energy sources while reinforcing economic ties with Washington. From January to April, India imported 6.31 million tonnes of US crude, compared to just 1.69 million tonnes during the same period in 2024, according to official trade data.

This dramatic rise aligns closely with ongoing negotiations between New Delhi and Washington for an interim trade agreement, which both sides aim to finalize by July 9. The talks, now in their final phase, are expected to address key



trade imbalances and facilitate smoother access to critical commodities, including energy products.

Energy experts see this development as a dual-pronged move by India — not only to reduce dependency on traditional oil suppliers from the Middle East but also to strengthen its geopolitical alignment with the US amid global uncertainties, including tensions in the Red Sea and fluctuating oil prices.

The surge in US oil imports also reflects a broader trend in India's energy strategy, where price stability, reliability of supply, and long-term partnerships are increasingly prioritized. US crude, particularly light sweet crude, is seen as a cost-effective and environmentally favorable option for Indian refiners.

The deepening energy partnership between the two nations also complements broader diplomatic efforts, including growing cooperation in technology, defense, and supply chains. The trade deal under negotiation could further incentivize energy transactions, with lower tariffs or simplified regulatory processes for US crude exporters.

As India continues to expand its energy basket and strengthen bilateral trade partnerships, the steep rise in oil imports from the US signals not only a shift in trade patterns but also India's readiness to recalibrate its foreign economic policy in a rapidly changing global order.



## Would You Try It? Chinese Café Serves Pork Intestine Broth Latte



In the ever-evolving world of experimental food trends, a café in China has taken innovation to a whole new level — by serving lattes infused with pork intestine broth. Located in the southwestern province of Sichuan, the café has introduced this unusual combination that has quickly become a local sensation.

The drink, called the “pork intestine latte,” features a mix of regular coffee with a dash of cooked pork intestine liquid and chitterlings. Surprisingly, it has seen massive popularity since its launch, with nearly 80% of customers opting to try the bizarre blend.

Zhang Yuchi, the café’s owner, said he was inspired by Ji-angyou’s traditional cuisine, where red-braised pork intestines are a local favorite. “I wanted to combine our city’s iconic flavor with coffee to promote both our local food and my café,” he explained.

Each cup contains exactly 6 grams of pork intestine broth

— a carefully tested amount that adds a noticeable taste without overpowering the coffee. The result is a latte that’s salty, slightly sweet, and has a flavor profile that some say resembles salty cheese.

Priced at 32 yuan (approximately ₹385), the drink comes in three strength levels: entrance, mid, and high — depending on how bold you want the intestine flavor to be.

Yuchi sources the broth from a well-known local eatery and adds it fresh to every cup. “We want people to enjoy the delicacy of intestines while still tasting real coffee,” he said, hoping adventurous drinkers will embrace the unique blend.

China is no stranger to unconventional coffee trends. Just last year, a café in Jiangxi province made headlines for launching a latte infused with red chillies and hot pepper.

Would you dare to sip this porky brew?

## ‘Reads Mails, Owns A Clock’: Pepperfry’s Savage Job Ad Aimed at Gen Z Goes Viral

In a sea of formal and predictable job listings, furniture brand Pepperfry has stood out by dropping a hilariously blunt and brutally honest job posting — and it’s taking the internet by storm. The listing, aimed at hiring a Social Media and Video Production intern who does not show up at 11:47 AM clutching a matcha tea, who at least reads the emails, and ideally refrains from using words like “SUS” and “NO CAP” in Emails. Someone who remembers to come back after the lunch break, doesn’t expect a gold star for completing basic tasks, and doesn’t behave like showing up to work is a personal favour to the company.

### WANTED

We’re looking for a Social Media and Video Production intern who **does not show up at 11:47 AM** clutching a matcha tea, who at least reads the emails, and ideally refrains from using words like “SUS” and “NO CAP” in Emails. Someone who remembers to come back after the lunch break, doesn’t expect a gold star for completing basic tasks, and doesn’t behave like showing up to work is a personal favour to the company.

P.S. Has an alarm clock. That actually works.

to work is a personal favour to the company.”

And the punchline? “PS: Has an alarm clock. That actually works.”

While some found the listing hilarious and brutally relatable, others debated whether the tone bordered on unprofessional. Regardless, it’s captured widespread attention — striking a chord with managers tired of workplace slack and candidates who appreciate transparency over corporate sugarcoating.

The ad has also sparked conversations about generational work ethics, the evolving office culture, and whether companies are adapting or pushing back against modern-day workplace trends.

One thing’s for sure — Pepperfry knows how to get people talking, and this job listing is proof.

## Squid Game 3 Finale Review: Deadlier Games, Emotional Closure & A Meme Fest That United the Internet

The global phenomenon that shook streaming platforms in 2021 has finally come to an end. Squid Game 3, the third and final season of Netflix’s dystopian South Korean thriller, dropped on June 27, 2025, and fans across the world are buzzing with reactions, emotions—and a flood of memes.

Created by Hwang Dong-hyuk, the series has consistently tackled themes like economic disparity, desperation, human morality, and the price of survival. The finale takes these concepts to their peak, bringing back the series’ protagonist Seong Gi-hun—now not just a former winner but a man on a mission to destroy the very game that made him rich and broken at the same time.

Season 3 doesn’t hold back. It amps up the stakes with more brutal games, unpredictable players, and a final arc that challenges the very foundation of the deadly contest. Gi-hun’s return to the arena is emotionally charged as he attempts to dismantle the corrupt system from within. His character arc—full of internal conflict, guilt, and moral reckoning—adds a powerful layer to the already intense storyline.



While critics are divided on whether the finale offered a satisfying closure or left too many threads hanging, one thing is certain: fans are united in their passion. Social media exploded with memes, fan theories, and reactions ranging from tears to cheers. Some praised the show’s bold ending, while others were devastated by the unexpected twists.

From symbolic red-light-green-light

callbacks to emotional sacrifices, Squid Game 3 stayed true to its tone till the very end. And even as the credits rolled, fans weren’t just saying goodbye to a show—they were bidding farewell to a cultural milestone.

The verdict? Squid Game 3 ends not just with a bang, but with a global emotional wave—and plenty of meme-worthy moments.

## AI-Generated Monkey’s Kedarnath Vlog Goes Viral, Sparks Buzz on Social Media

In a bizarre yet heartwarming twist, an AI-generated video featuring a talking monkey embarking on a spiritual journey to Kedarnath has taken the internet by storm. Curated with remarkable visual effects and storytelling, the video showcases a monkey taking a holy dip in the Ganges at Haridwar, emotionally narrating its desire to seek blessings from Kedarnath Baba. Despite being entirely AI-generated, the video has stirred up both amusement and deep reflection among viewers.



In the viral clip, the animated monkey says, “I have come to Haridwar to bathe, and then I will visit Kedarnath Baba.” The video continues to show the monkey performing traditional Hindu rituals, bathing in the Ganga, and later trekking through mountainous paths, symbolizing the tough yet divine journey to the Kedarnath shrine.

Shared widely on Instagram, YouTube, and Facebook, the video has garnered millions of views, leaving many initially fooled into thinking it was real. Others were deeply moved by the emo-

tional tone and spiritual message. While the monkey’s expressions and voiceover have been lauded for their realism and humor, the video has also ignited conversations about the ethical implications and rising influence of AI in digital storytelling.

Though many are enjoying the light-hearted and creative aspect of this AI-generated vlog, experts warn of the potential for misinformation and manipulation using similar technologies. Viewers and content platforms

are now urged to ensure transparency and proper labeling of AI-generated content to avoid confusion.

Regardless of the debate, the video stands as a testament to the growing power of AI in entertainment, blending technology, tradition, and emotion in unexpected ways. “Babloo the Monkey,” as netizens affectionately call him, has now become an internet sensation and a curious symbol of modern spirituality.

## Labubu Dolls Steal the Show at Tsinghua University’s Graduation Ceremony

In a delightful and quirky twist to a formal occasion, Labubu dolls made a surprising appearance at Tsinghua University’s graduation ceremony in China, leaving the internet both amused and amazed. A now-viral video shows two Chinese students carrying their beloved Labubu dolls, fully dressed in miniature graduation caps and gowns, as they walked up to receive their graduation certificates.

The video, shared by Phoenix TV English on Instagram, captures a humorous moment when a faculty member, clearly entertained, even adjusts the doll’s tassel before handing over the degree and posing for pictures. The scene, though unconventional, resonated with many viewers who found it to be a blend of fun, sentimentality, and modern youth culture.

Labubu dolls, created by Hong Kong-based artist Kasing Lung, originally appeared in a picture book and have since become a global sensation through Pop Mart’s blind box collectibles. The dolls have now taken over social media, wardrobes, and even celebrity cir-



cles—spotted alongside stars like Lisa of BLACKPINK, Rihanna, and Dua Lipa.

This heartwarming display at one of China’s most prestigious universities sparked a variety of reactions online. While some viewers found the moment “adorable” and “wholesome,” others criticized it as crossing the line of tradition. One comment read, “I love Labubus, but this is a bit too much,” while another enthusiastically shared, “I’m graduating this year and I’ll bring my Labubu too!”

Despite the divided opinions, the incident clearly struck a cultural chord. The mix of formality and playful personalization showcased how new generations are blending tradition with individuality, even in conservative academic settings. As one user put it best, “The faculty passed the vibe check.”

Labubu’s charm shows no signs of fading—and now, it has a graduation degree too!



## Neeraj Chopra Reclaims World No. 1 Rank in Javelin Throw, Nadeem at Fourth

India's star javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra has once again claimed the world number one ranking in men's javelin, according to the latest World Athletics rankings. With 1445 points, Neeraj has overtaken Grenadian athlete Anderson Peters, who is now second with 1431 points.

Neeraj had lost the top spot in September 2024, shortly after the Paris Olympics, where he secured a silver medal, adding to his historic gold from the Tokyo Games. At the time, he had been struggling with a persistent injury. However, 2025 has marked a strong comeback for the reigning world champion, who now appears fully fit and in top form.



Neeraj began his 2025 season with a win at the Potch Invitational in South Africa in April. He followed this with a remarkable performance at the Doha Diamond League in May, where he set a new national record of 90.23 meters—finally entering the prestigious 90m club. Although he finished second in that event behind Germany's Julian Weber, who threw 91.06m, Neeraj's consistency has helped him climb back to the top.

Later, at the Janusz Kusocinski Memorial in Poland, Neeraj secured another second-place finish. But he bounced back at the Paris Diamond League in June with a winning throw of 88.16m and then added another ti-

tle at the Ostrava Golden Spike meet. In all of these competitions, Neeraj finished ahead of Peters.

Germany's Julian Weber is ranked third globally, while Pakistan's Olympic champion Arshad Nadeem stands fourth with 1370 points. Czech thrower Jakub Vadlejch rounds out the top five.

Neeraj's resurgence comes just ahead of the inaugural NC Classic on July 5, a tournament he's spearheading to boost javelin's popularity in India. His much-anticipated clash with Arshad Nadeem could take place at the World Championships in September.

## Australia Thrash West Indies by 159 Runs to Take 1-0 Lead in Barbados Test

Australia delivered a commanding performance to crush West Indies by 159 runs in the opening Test at Kensington Oval, Bridgetown, Barbados, taking a 1-0 lead in the series. The match, which concluded on June 27, 2025, saw Australia's bowling unit dominate on a pitch that increasingly favored bowlers as the game progressed.

Chasing a daunting target of 301 runs, the West Indies batting line-up collapsed under pressure, folding for just 141 in their second innings. The star of the show was Josh Hazlewood, whose brilliant five-wicket haul dismantled the West Indies' top and middle order. His precision and control turned the tide decisively in Australia's favor, earning him accolades and raising the ball in celebration after claiming his fifth scalp—Jomel Warrican.

Veteran spinner Nathan Lyon mopped up the tail in style, finishing with two wickets in two balls. He brought an end to Shamar Joseph's brief but explosive innings of 44 off just 22 balls, a knock that briefly entertained the crowd but couldn't shift the match's outcome. Lyon's quick finish ensured Australia completed the victory within three days, showcasing their dominance and preparedness.



The Test match, though short-lived, was packed with action and highlighted Australia's potent bowling attack and tactical superiority. The win not only boosts team morale but also sets the tone for the rest of the series.

With this emphatic win, Australia asserted their position as a top Test side, while West Indies are left to regroup and reflect on their fragile batting display. As both teams look ahead to the next match, the spotlight will remain on Hazlewood and Lyon, who reminded the cricketing world of their class and consistency on challenging surfaces.

## WI vs AUS First Test: West Indies Holds Slim Lead Amid Controversial Decisions

### Travis Head Anchors Australia's Fightback

The first Test between West Indies and Australia at Kensington Oval is shaping up to be a gripping contest, despite early disruptions and two disputed TV umpire decisions. After West Indies posted 190 in their first innings, they took a narrow 10-run lead when Australia was bowled out for 180. Australia then showed resilience on day two, fighting back from 65-4 to 92-4 by stumps, with Travis Head leading the charge. Head, who scored the only half-century so far in the match, was determined to keep Australia in the game. Battling both the swing-friendly pitch and relentless West Indies pace attack, Head was 13 not out off 37 balls at stumps, supported by Beau Webster on 19 not out. Despite taking a blow to his left glove from Alzarri Joseph, Head's stubbornness is Australia's key to survival. Day two saw 10 wickets fall on a pitch still offering seam movement. West Indies' bowlers continued to trouble Australia's top order, with Hazlewood claiming the crucial wicket of debutant Brandon King, who had



earlier been dropped. West Indies' Shai Hope and Roston Chase fought back with a 67-run partnership, but Chase was controversially given out lbw after a review showed minor bat spikes, which the umpire ruled insignificant.

Hope's gritty 48 was cut short by a contentious caught-behind decision where replays suggested the ball touched the ground, but the catch stood. His dismissal left West Indies at 162-8, just short of Australia's total. Australia's second innings started poorly, losing early wickets, but Head and Webster steadied the innings to reduce pressure. With the match potentially ending within three days, both teams are battling hard for control in this intense Test encounter.

## IND vs ENG Women's 1st T20I: India Eyes Strong Start in England Ahead of World Cup

India Women begin a crucial five-match T20I series against England on Saturday, June 28, at Trent Bridge, Nottingham. With the 2026 ICC Women's World Cup set to be hosted in England, this tour offers the Women in Blue a valuable opportunity to adapt to local conditions and build team synergy ahead of the global event.

Following last year's disappointing group-stage exit in the T20 World Cup, India is looking to reset and rebuild. The return of explosive opener Shafali Verma is a major boost. She is expected to partner vice-captain Smriti Mandhana at the top. With this being India's first T20 assignment of the year, all eyes will also be on seasoned performers like captain Harmanpreet Kaur, Jemimah Rodrigues, and Richa Ghosh.

India has introduced some fresh faces into the squad, including Kranti Gaud, Shree Charani, and Sayali Satghare, signaling a focus on future talent. The return of all-rounders Sneha Rana and Amanjot Kaur adds further depth. However, the absence of experienced pacers Renuka Singh and Pooja Vastrakar due to injury may test the bowling unit.

England, led by the ever-reliable Nat Sciv-



er-Brunt, will present a formidable challenge. The host squad features a blend of seasoned players like Tammy Beaumont, Danni Wyatt-Hodge, and Sophie Ecclestone alongside promising talents such as Issy Wong, Alice Capsey, and Sophia Dunkley.

After losing both their warm-up matches to the ECB Development Squad, India knows they must lift their game. Strong performances from the top order and contributions from the lower-middle order will be key. For India, this series is not just about wins but setting the tone for a successful World Cup campaign in English conditions.

## Praggnanandhaa Clinches UzChess Cup Masters, Becomes Top-Ranked Indian Chess Player

Grandmaster R. Praggnanandhaa has made history once again, this time by winning the prestigious UzChess Cup Masters 2025 held in Tashkent on June 27, 2025. With this emphatic victory, the 18-year-old chess prodigy has soared to the top of the Indian chess rankings in the live rating list and climbed to World No. 4, achieving the highest ranking of his career.

Praggnanandhaa's performance throughout the tournament was marked by maturity, sharp preparation, and clinical execution. His triumph in Tashkent lifted his live Elo rating to an impressive 2778.3, overtaking veteran Indian chess legends like Viswanathan Anand and setting a new benchmark for the next generation of Indian players.

The UzChess Cup Masters is a premier international tournament, attracting elite global talent. Praggnanandhaa's consistency against top-ranked opponents throughout the rounds highlighted his evolution from a rising star to a world-class con-

tender. His composed play under pressure and tactical depth earned him several crucial wins that ultimately secured the title.

This milestone continues an extraordinary trajectory for Praggnanandhaa, who had already turned heads by reaching the FIDE World Cup final in 2023 and leading India in international team events. With this win, he not only cements his place among the world's elite but also strengthens India's position on the global chess stage.

Indian fans and the chess community have hailed his victory as a watershed moment. Analysts believe Praggnanandhaa is now firmly in contention for the World Championship cycle, and this win marks a major step in that journey.

With youth, talent, and momentum on his side, Praggnanandhaa is not just India's top-ranked player today—he's also its brightest hope for a World Champion tomorrow.







# Nani Begins Shooting for ‘The Paradise’, Release Date Locked Amidst High Expectations

Natural Star Nani has officially stepped into the world of *The Paradise*, reuniting with director Srikanth Odela after their blockbuster collaboration in *Dasara*. The buzz surrounding this film is palpable, and the excitement only intensified after Srikanth took to social media platform X with the phrase “Thagad Aagaya,” signaling Nani’s arrival on the sets.

The regular shoot commenced on June 21, beginning with sequences from the protagonist’s childhood. Nani has now joined the production, and pivotal scenes are currently being filmed on an elaborate set in Hyderabad.

Amid speculation that *The Paradise* might shift its release date to avoid clashing with Ram Charan’s *Peddi*, the filmmakers have put all rumors to rest. They’ve reconfirmed the original release date — March 27, 2026, coinciding with Ram Charan’s birthday, and made it clear there will be no changes.

Excitement for the film is already high, especially with reports that veteran actor Mohan Babu may feature in a key role. This was hinted at when Srikanth Odela shared a Kannappa-themed post featuring Mohan Babu, leading fans to speculate his involvement in *The Paradise*.

Produced by Sudhakar Cherukuri, who also backed *Dasara*, the film has music composed by the much-in-demand Anirudh Ravichander. Moreover, the makers are aiming for a pan-global reach by releasing the film in Telugu, Hindi, Tamil, Kannada, Malayalam, Bengali, Spanish, and English.

Meanwhile, Nani is enjoying a career high with the success of *Hit 3*. In the film’s climax, Karthi made



a surprise appearance as ACP Veerappan, revealing himself as the lead of *Hit 4*. With strong industry friendships, Nani is also expected to make a cameo in Karthi’s upcoming film. He’s juggling multiple projects, including *Sardaar 2*, *Khaidi 2*, and an intriguing pirate-themed film based on real events, where he’s playing a special role.

Clearly, Natural Star Nani is striking the perfect balance between lead roles and exciting cameos, much to the delight of his fans.

## Nithiin’s ‘Tammudu’ Gets ‘A’ Certificate Ahead of July 4 Release

Tollywood actor Nithiin’s much-awaited action drama *Tammudu* is gearing up for a grand release on July 4, 2025. Directed by Venu Sri-ram, known for his work in *Vakeel Saab*, the film is generating solid buzz among audiences, especially after the release of its intense and impactful trailer.

The film has now successfully completed its censorship formalities, with the Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) awarding it an ‘A’ certificate, indicating content suitable only for adult audiences. The film unit shared this update on social media, and fans are now even more curious about the intense themes and action sequences that warranted such a rating.

*Tammudu* stars Kannada actress Sapthami Gowda as the female lead opposite Nithiin. The casting of Sapthami, who rose to fame with her impressive performance in *Kantara*, adds freshness to the film. Supporting roles are played by Laya, Swasika, Varsha Bollamma, and Saurabh Sachdeva, each of whom is expected to bring depth and variation to the storyline.

Produced by Dil Raju under the prestigious Sri Venkateswara Creations banner, *Tammudu* also boasts a powerful technical team. The film’s music is composed by Ajaneesh Loknath, whose background scores have already raised expectations among fans after the trailer’s release.



With high-octane action, emotional depth, and socially relevant themes hinted at in the promotional content, *Tammudu* is set to be a gripping cinematic experience. The makers are actively participating in promotional events to build anticipation ahead of release.

All eyes are now on July 4, as fans eagerly await to see Nithiin in a bold new avatar in *Tammudu*, a film that promises drama, action, and intense storytelling.

# Kajol’s ‘Maa’ Review – A Lackluster Horror Tale with a Strong Lead Performance

Released on June 27, 2025, Kajol’s *Maa* attempts to blend horror and emotional drama but falls short of delivering an engaging cinematic experience. Directed by Vishal Furia and produced by Ajay Devgn and Jyoti Deshpande, the film stars Kajol, Indraneil Sengupta, Ronit Roy, and Kherin Sharma in key roles.

**Story Overview:**  
The film is set against the backdrop of Chandrapur, West Bengal, where an ancient and disturbing superstition dictates that female children born into specific families must be sacrificed. Shubankar (Indraneil Sengupta), who escaped this fate, lives with his wife Ambika (Kajol) and daughter Shweta. Upon his father’s death, he returns to his native village only to die mysteriously. Ambika and her daughter travel to Chandrapur to deal with the family’s ancestral home, un-

knowingly stepping into a web of dark secrets. As events unfold, the film tries to question whether the superstition is real or if something even more sinister lurks in the shadows.

**What Works:**  
Kajol is the undeniable strength of *Maa*. Her emotional range, especially as a mother fighting against supernatural odds, adds weight to an otherwise underwhelming story. Her character transformation from a calm mother to a fierce protector is portrayed effectively. The final act, especially the pre-climax and climax, offers some emotional and thrilling moments. The film also incorporates elements of folklore and local myths, which adds a layer of intrigue, though not explored deeply enough.

**What Doesn’t Work:**  
The biggest drawback of *Maa* is its predictable

and outdated narrative. The first half is painfully slow, with very few engaging moments. Despite some interesting developments in the latter part, the inconsistent pacing and unnecessary scenes disrupt the overall flow. Director Vishal Furia seems more focused on atmospheric horror and visual effects than on building a gripping story. Unfortunately, this causes the film to lose direction. The cinematography and editing do little to elevate the experience, though the background score stands out as a rare highlight.

**Final Verdict:**  
*Maa* attempts to deliver a haunting and emotional experience but stumbles due to weak storytelling and sluggish execution. While Kajol’s powerful performance and the film’s ending deserve praise, the lack of originality and tedious pacing make it a disappointing watch for



horror fans.  
**Rating:** 2/5

## Ileana D’Cruz Welcomes Her Second Son, Keanu Rafe Dolan: “Our Hearts Are So Full”

Popular actress Ileana D’Cruz has put an end to week-long speculation by officially announcing the birth of her second child. Taking to Instagram on the morning of June 28, 2025, the actress shared an adorable first glimpse of her newborn son. Ileana revealed that her baby boy, named Keanu Rafe Dolan, was born on June 19, 2025. Along with the picture, she wrote a heartfelt caption: “Our hearts are so full.” This joyful announcement marks another beautiful chapter in Ileana’s life with her husband, Michael Dolan. The couple, who tied the knot in 2023, welcomed their first son, Koa Phoenix Dolan, on August 1, 2023. While Ileana has remained largely private about her personal life, she occasionally treats her followers to sweet glimpses of motherhood.

In October 2024, the *Barfi* and *Pokiri* actress announced her second pregnancy, and since then, fans have eagerly awaited the arrival of her baby. The couple’s newest bundle of joy has received warm wishes from fans, friends, and celebrities alike. Among the many congratulatory messages was one from Priyanka Chopra Jonas, Ileana’s co-star from *Barfi*, who



joined thousands in welcoming baby Keanu into the world. On the work front, Ileana was last seen in the critically acclaimed Bollywood romantic comedy *Do Aur Do Pyaar*, where she starred alongside Vidya Balan and Pratik Gandhi. Though she’s been keeping a low profile in recent years, her fans continue to admire her elegance and talent. As Ileana and Michael embark on their journey as parents of two, warm wishes continue to pour in from across the globe. Congratulations to the happy couple on the arrival of little Keanu!

## “The Family Man Season 3 Teaser Out: Manoj Bajpayee Returns With a New Mission in North East India”

The much-anticipated teaser of *The Family Man* Season 3 has finally been unveiled, creating a buzz among OTT enthusiasts. This gripping spy thriller, led by powerhouse actors Manoj Bajpayee and Priyamani, has already captivated audiences with its previous two seasons on Amazon Prime Video. Directed by the talented duo Raj & DK, *The Family Man* has set a new benchmark for Indian web series with its gripping storyline, powerful performances, and high production value. Season 3 promises to raise the stakes even higher. The teaser, recently released by the makers, offers a sneak peek into the upcoming drama. In a surprising twist, Manoj Bajpayee is seen introducing himself as a “relationship manager,” a disguise that adds intrigue to his character’s next mission. As always, Bajpayee reprises his iconic role as Srikant Tiwari, the ever-conflicted spy balancing his chaotic personal life with national duty. Adding to the excitement is the inclusion of Paatal Lok fame Jaideep Ahlawat, who is set to play the primary antagonist this season. His intense screen presence is expected to add a fresh dynamic to the series. The backdrop of Season 3 shifts to North



East India, hinting at a new set of geopolitical conflicts and regional narratives that promise edge-of-the-seat suspense and action. The series has already completed its shooting and is currently in the post-production stage. While the official release date hasn’t been revealed yet, the creators have confirmed that it will be announced soon. Fans can expect another high-octane season packed with thrills, emotion, and the signature dark humor that *The Family Man* is known for. Stay tuned as Srikant Tiwari returns for another mission that could change everything.