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No World Leader Asked Us to Stop Op Sindoor: PM Modi

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday firmly asserted in the Lok Sabha that no world leader had asked India to halt Operation Sindoor, countering the Opposition's claims and defending the government's response to the recent Pahalgam terror attack. He clarified that the decision to pause the military action came only after Pakistan pleaded for a ceasefire. Responding to the debate on the operation and the terror strike in Kashmir, PM Modi directly addressed concerns raised by the Opposition, especially Leader of the Opposition Rahul Gandhi, who questioned the government's silence on US President Donald Trump's earlier remarks suggesting his role in brokering peace between India and Pakistan. "For the first time, I am sharing these details. From the beginning, we said our action was non-escalatory. No global leader asked us to stop Operation Sindoor," said



the Prime Minister. "On the night of May 9, US Vice President JD Vance tried to contact me for over an hour. I was in a meeting with our forces. When I returned his call, he informed me that Pakistan was preparing a major assault. I told him clearly — if Pakistan attacks, it will pay a heavy price. Ham goli ka jawab gole se denge (We will answer a bullet with a

cannonball)." PM Modi stated, "On May 10, we destroyed Pakistan's military infrastructure. Even Pakistan now realises that India's responses only get bigger and stronger. Operation Sindoor is still ongoing. Let there be no doubt about that." "On May 9 and 10, Indian missiles reached every corner of Pakistan. This brought

them to their knees. After relentless strikes, Pakistan's DGMO called our side pleading: 'Bas karo, bahut maara, zyada maar jhelne ki taakat nahin hai. Please hamla rok do' (Stop this. You've hit us hard. We can't bear more. Please stop the attack). We made it clear on May 7 that our targets were terrorists and their handlers. The decision to pause was made in consultation with our armed forces after these objectives were achieved." In a scathing attack on the Opposition, PM Modi mocked, "Terrorists are crying, their bosses and backers are crying, and seeing them cry, some people here are mourning too." He accused the Congress of trying to malign India globally in the past by propagating the narrative of "saffron terror". PM Modi concluded, "Let me reiterate in this temple of democracy — Operation Sindoor is still on. India will respond in full force to any provocation, and the world knows now that we act, and we mean it."



SIT Intensifies Probe into Dharmasthala Mass-Burial Allegations

TPN | AR Mahesh

Mangalore: A Special Investigation Team (SIT), formed by the Karnataka government on July 19, has intensified its inquiry into disturbing allegations of mass burials and possible murders near the Hindu pilgrimage site in Dharmasthala. The probe was triggered when a former sanitation worker, now a court-protected whistle-blower, came forward in early July claiming he was forced, over nearly two decades (1995–2014), to bury bodies of women and



girls who showed signs of assault and strangulation. He filed a complaint on July 3 and deposited skeletal remains before a magistrate on July 11, stating that he had acted under threats

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CM Revanth Stresses Long-Term Reforms for Hyderabad



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Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy conducted a high-level review meeting with senior officials of the Municipal Administration and Urban Development (MA&UD) Department at the Command Control Center, emphasizing the need for long-term urban planning and pollution control in Hyderabad. Accompanied by CM Advisor Vem Narender Reddy and senior officials including Principal Secretary Jayesh Ranjan, Secretary Manik Raj, HMDA Secretary Ilambarthi, HMDA Commissioner Sarfaraz Ahmed, GHMC Commissioner RV Karnan, Hydra Commissioner Ranganath, FCDA Commissioner K. Shashanka, HMWSSB MD Ashok Reddy, Executive Director Mayank Mittal, MRDCL MD EV Narasimha Reddy,

and JMD Gauthami, the Chief Minister outlined his vision for sustainable urban development. "Hyderabad must be developed keeping in mind the needs of the next 25 years," Revanth Reddy said, urging officials to focus on proactive, future-ready solutions. He stressed the need for comprehensive infrastructure development, particularly underground drainage systems and underground electrical cabling, to ensure both functionality and aesthetic improvement in the city. The Chief Minister directed officials to work on permanent solutions to pollution in the city's core areas and to study the challenges faced by metropolitan cities such as Delhi, Bengaluru, and

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Cong to finalise nominated posts

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Key meetings were held at the Hyderguda MLA Quarters, led by AICC Telangana in-charge Meenakshi Natarajan and TPCC president Mahesh Kumar Goud, along with MLCs and senior Congress leaders from across the state. From 10:30 am to 7:00 pm, detailed discussions took place district-wise with party in-charges of the 10 erstwhile districts, parliament vice-presidents, general secretaries, and DCC presidents. The primary focus of the meetings was the finalisation of names for the organizational structure, including DCC and mandal-level committees, as well as appointments to government-run corporations and boards. Each assembly constituency saw two candi-



dates being recommended for director and member posts in various government institutions. The selection followed guidelines emphasizing social justice and youth representation—prioritising women from SC, ST, BC, and minority communities and giving 60 percent of opportunities to individuals

below 50 years of age. District in-charges, vice-presidents, general secretaries, and DCC presidents submitted their final reports to Meenakshi Natarajan and Mahesh Kumar Goud, based on earlier rounds of consultations. Following the receipt of reports, PCC president Mahesh Kumar Goud and AICC in-charge Meenakshi Natarajan are expected to meet Chief Minister Revanth Reddy either late tonight or tomorrow. Appointments to director and member posts in government bodies are likely to be announced soon after that meeting. Tuesday's deliberations also included broader discussions on the internal structure of the party, upcoming organizational changes, and the coordination strategy for future political activities.



Sagar Registers First July Release in 18 Years

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In a rare and symbolic event, the crest gates of the historic Nagarjuna Sagar Dam were opened in July for the first time in 18 years. Telangana Irrigation Minister Capt. N. Uttam Kumar Reddy, along with Minister Adluri Laxman Kumar and senior officials, performed special prayers before ceremonially opening 14 of the

26 crest gates. The move came in response to heavy upstream inflows due to continuous rainfall in the catchment areas. The dam, one of the largest in India, saw an inflow of 2.28 lakh cusecs and a water level of 587.20 feet—just shy of its full reservoir level of 590 feet. A total

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BP Pandey Takes Charge as GRMB Chief

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BP Pandey has been appointed as the new Chairman of the Godavari River Management Board (GRMB) by the Ministry of Jal Shakti. He replaces AK Pradhan, whose tenure concludes on July 31. Pandey's appointment comes at a critical time when the Polavaram-Banakacherla Link Project (PBLP) proposed by the Andhra Pradesh government faces multiple regulatory hurdles and growing opposition. The PBLP, aimed at diverting 200 TMC of floodwaters from the Godavari to the Krishna basin, has run into trouble with the Central Environmental Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC) for River Valley and Hydroelec-



Appointment comes at a critical time when the Polavaram-Banakacherla Link Project proposed by the AP

tric Projects. The committee recently refused to grant clearance, citing legal and environmental objections. Despite this setback, the Andhra Pradesh government continues to lobby for the project's approval. However,

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supervisors that his family would be harmed if he disobeyed. The allegations mentioned victims including schoolgirls and acid attack survivors. The complaint also cited cases of destitute men murdered nearby in gruesome ways. A week after the FIR was registered on July 4, the SIT leadership initiated the first face-to-face questioning of the whistle-blower, who was examined for two consecutive days under tight security. During this time, he identified 15 specific locations, largely along the banks of the Nethravathi River and nearby forested areas, where bodies were reportedly buried or cremated. Multiple departments including the Anti-Naxal Force (ANF), Forensic Science Labs, and Forest and Revenue authorities are now involved in securing and monitoring these sites under regulated access. On July 28, SIT investigators began exhumation operations at the first of these marked spots, accompanied by forensic teams and video documentation. Additional dig sites are planned as evidence emerges. SIT chief DGP Pronab Mohanty, along with senior officers, personally visited Mangaluru, reviewed progress, visited the SIT office in Belthangady, and coordinated field logistics. The whistle-blower's identity remains concealed for safety. With mounting public pressure and legal scrutiny, organiza-

tions like AIDWA have demanded full autonomy for the SIT and broader re-investigation into unresolved disappearance and rape cases, including the 2003 case of Ananya Bhat. The complainant in that case, the mother of a missing medical student, joined calls for justice and suggested her daughter may have been among the victims. A local lawyer also urged authorities to arrest a pan-chayat vice president who had previously claimed all burials were officially sanctioned,a claim contradicted by the eye-witness-led site identifications.

Meanwhile, a civil court issued an ex-parte gag order requiring removal of nearly 9,000 online articles, posts, and videos covering the allegations, citing reputational harm to the temple trust and its managing family. Affected media outlets are challenging the order, and the Supreme Court has declined to intervene directly, deferring to the Karnataka High Court. As the SIT's forensic work proceeds, broader questions remain about past complaints over decades, including unsolved rape and disappearance cases going back to the 1980s, and alleged institutional cover-ups. The probe now spans multiple dimensions,legal integrity, media freedom, and community trust,and has become one of the most high-stakes investigations in recent Indian history.

BP Pandey Takes Charge as GRMB Chief

Telangana's BRS leadership has firmly opposed the plan, pointing out that it has neither received consent from the GRMB nor obtained mandatory clearance from the Central Water Commission (CWC). The project remains a major flashpoint between the two states, with Telangana accus-

ing Andhra Pradesh of unilaterally moving forward without institutional approvals or addressing environmental concerns. As Pandey steps into his new role, resolving the inter-state water sharing dispute is expected to be among his top challenges.

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Chennai. "We should learn from the issues those cities are facing and ensure such situations do not arise in Hyderabad," he stated. He also called for actionable plans aimed at making Hyderabad a pollution-free city,

encouraging innovation and timely execution of reforms. The review marks a key step in the state government's strategy to modernize urban governance and infrastructure in the capital.

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1.46 lakh cusecs was released downstream after lifting the gates, prompting authorities to issue alerts in low-lying areas and restrict public access near flood-prone zones. Speaking at the site, Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy described the dam as a "modern temple of irrigation," recalling that it was initiated by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru in 1955 and inaugurated by Indira Gandhi in 1967. The dam plays a crucial role in irrigating 22.12 lakh acres—10.38 lakh acres via the left canal (named after Lal Bahadur Shastri) and 11.74 lakh acres through the right canal (named after Nehru). In Telangana alone, it supports farming across Nalgonda and Suryapet districts.

In addition to irrigation, Nagarjuna Sagar contributes 760 MW of hydropower through its main plant and canal-based units. As part of pre-kharif preparations, the government released 3,000 cusecs early to aid sowing, which contributed to Telangana's record paddy production of 281 lakh metric tonnes last year. To improve water delivery efficiency, the state has sanctioned ₹63 crore for canal lining to reduce seepage. Minister Uttam, a six-time MLA from the ayacut region, reaffirmed his commitment to ensuring water supply to even the most distant farms. Gate operations will continue to be adjusted based on inflows, with all safety protocols in place.

Srushti Fertility Fraud Rocks Hyderabad

Police Probe Points to National-Level Racket

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The dark side of the fertility world is now surfacing with disturbing revelations. Srushti Test Tube Baby Center, once considered a legitimate fertility clinic, is now under investigation for allegedly running a racket involving unauthorized sperm and egg collection, illegal surrogacy, and possible child trafficking. Women seeking motherhood were reportedly impregnated with sperm from unidentified donors without their husbands' knowledge. In some cases, babies already in the center's custody were handed over under the guise of successful pregnancies, with lakhs of rupees allegedly involved in each transaction. Acting on a tip-off, the North Zone Task Force of the Hyderabad Commissionerate initiated a detailed probe. Their focus shifted to the Indian Sperm Tech Center, suspected to be aiding Srushti's illegal operations. What followed was shocking. The Indian Sperm Tech Center is alleged to have collected semen from homeless men in



exchange for biryani and beer and procured eggs from poor women for cash. These biological materials were reportedly funneled into unethical fertility procedures carried out at Srushti. In a five-hour raid conducted by police, the Medical and Health Department, and Clues forensic teams at the Indian Sperm Center near Blue Sea, officials seized sperm samples, records, hard disks, and CCTV footage, all of which have been sent for forensic analysis.

Investigations revealed that Srushti staff collected sperm under false pretenses and performed unauthorized surrogacy and egg extractions. Children born through these illegal procedures were then sold to childless couples. The donors were often destitute individuals found near Secunderabad railway station, JBS, and bus stands—used as mere tools in a growing black-market operation. What began as a local investigation has expanded into a suspected nationwide and possibly international racket. Police suspect similar operations are active across multiple states. Hyderabad Commissioner CV Anand lauded the North Zone police for their efforts and ordered deeper probes. Two more special teams have been added. A custody petition has also been filed in Secunderabad court for further interrogation of the accused. As more layers of this fertility mafia are uncovered, the case continues to shock the city and the nation.

March to Delhi if No 42% Reservation: Bhatti

TPN Correspondent |Tandur

Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka Mallu, while addressing a massive public meeting in Tandur, issued a sharp warning to the BJP-led central government, demanding immediate approval of the 42% reservation for weaker sections. He stated that the Telangana Cabinet, along with all MLAs and MLCs, would march to Delhi if the Centre continues to delay action on this crucial demand. Bhatti reminded the gathering that the Assembly had already passed the resolution, fulfilling a key promise made by Rahul Gandhi, and stressed that the state government would not stay silent if the rights of the marginalized were ignored. Highlighting the Congress government's welfare commitments, Bhatti said the revived Indiramma housing scheme is progressing swiftly, with 4.5 lakh houses being constructed under a ₹22,500 crore budget. He assured that bills are being cleared weekly based on construction progress and that every eligible person will be covered, with each constituency receiving 3,500 houses. He also highlighted the success of the Gruha Jyothi scheme, which is providing free electricity up to 200 units to 1.57 lakh of



the 2.10 lakh domestic consumers in Vikarabad district, significantly reducing the financial burden on low- and middle-income families. Bhatti also spoke about the launch of Young India Integrated Residential Schools being constructed across 104 Assembly constituencies. These modern schools, being built on 25-acre campuses with ₹200 crore each, aim to offer superior facilities and quality education for children from disadvantaged backgrounds. He said these schools would be better equipped than many private institutions and serve as symbols of educational equity.

In a broader review of the Congress government's agenda, Bhatti listed various flagship welfare schemes including Rythu Bharosa, crop loan waivers, ₹500 gas cylinders, pensions, overseas education scholarships, fee reimbursement, and Aarogyasri health coverage of up to ₹10 lakh per family. He also spoke of the government's commitment to food security, with 95 lakh ration card-holding families receiving 6 kg of fine rice per member every month, free of cost. For women's empowerment, Bhatti said interest-free loans for Self-Help Groups (SHGs) have been reactivated, and the government aims to make one crore women economically self-reliant. Plans include leasing RTC buses to SHGs and encouraging solar installations. On local development, he assured that the government is working on utilizing water from the Kagna River for irrigation and resolving the frequent flooding caused by the Chilakalguda stream in Tandur. Bhatti concluded by strongly criticizing the previous government for failing to address key issues and promised that the Congress-led administration would continue working tirelessly for inclusive, transparent, and welfare-driven governance across Telangana.

Congress Secures Meals for 3.15 Crore

TPN Correspondent |Huzurnagar

Telangana Irrigation and Civil Supplies Minister Capt. N. Uttam Kumar Reddy on Monday said the Congress government is setting new benchmarks in welfare by ensuring food security and social justice for more than 3.15 crore people across the state. Participating in a mass ration card distribution drive in undivided Nalgonda district, Uttam Kumar Reddy said Telangana has become a national model for inclusive and dignified public distribution. He visited Peddavooru, Huzurnagar, Kat-



tangur, Bhudan Pochampally, and Alair, distributing new ration cards to eligible families alongside SC and Minority Welfare Minister Adluri Laxman Kumar and other officials. He said the new cards are part of a larger food justice initiative that began with the launch of the Free

Fine Rice Scheme on Uga-di. "This is not just about rice—it's about restoring identity, access, and dignity to the poor," he said. Since January 26, the Congress government has issued 7.95 lakh new ration cards and added over 11 lakh members to existing cards, covering nearly 34 lakh new individuals. The Fine Rice Scheme now covers 3.15 crore beneficiaries with 6 kg of quality rice per person each month. Uttam said ministers and MLAs are actively visiting mandals and villages to ensure timely delivery of welfare, contrasting it with what he called the BRS's "neglect and indifference."

BRS Hits Out at Cong Over BC Quota

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Senior BRS leaders have strongly criticized the Congress-led Telangana government, accusing it of deceiving Backward Classes (BCs) with hollow promises and political theatrics over the reservation issue. Speaking at a press conference at Telangana Bhavan, leaders like Talasani Srinivas Yadav, Gangu- la Kamalakar, V. Srinivas Goud, Banda Prakash, and K. Madhusudhana Chary slammed the Congress for its failure to act on its BC Declaration. Talasani called the Congress ministers' upcoming visit to Delhi a mere "publicity stunt," saying it was meant to divert



attention from their inaction. He questioned why 42% reservations for BCs in local bodies had not been implemented yet and demanded that elections be held only after ensuring these quotas. Gangu- la Kamalakar pointed out that despite BCs supporting the Congress in the last election, the party failed to give them proper representation in posts and contracts.

Other BRS leaders criticized the Congress for not tabling the BC Commission's report and for leaking selective information to the AICC instead of taking concrete action. The party announced a major rally in Karimnagar on August 8 and plans to submit their demands to the President, urging immediate action to ensure BC rights and representation.

BRS Files Petition Against Govt in NHRC

TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad

Senior BRS leaders have filed a petition with the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) in Hyderabad, accusing the Congress-led Telangana government of widespread human rights violations.

BRS MLC Dr. Sravan Dasoju,

ex-IPS officer Dr. RS Praveen Kumar, former MLA Patnam Narender Reddy, and others alleged the Revanth Reddy government is running a "reign of terror" across the state. The complaint cites police brutality, political vendetta, suppression of dissent, and neglect of marginalized groups including

tribals, Dalits, and students. A key focus was the November 2024 incident at Lagacharla (Vikarabad), where tribals protesting land acquisition for a Pharma Village were allegedly assaulted. The petition also claims misuse of FIRs, surveillance of opposition leaders, and abuse of laws to target so-

cial media users.

It further highlights over 100 student deaths in government hostels and child labor violations.

The BRS demanded an NHRC probe, compensation for victims, reforms in school infrastructure, and action against police and officials involved in



rights abuses. Leaders slammed CM Revanth Reddy, calling the government

an attack on constitutional values and democratic institutions.

Kavitha to Launch 72-Hour Fast Over BC Quota Delay

TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad

BRS MLC and Telangana Jagruthi president K. Kavitha has announced a 72-hour hunger strike in Hyderabad from August 4 to 6, demanding that the Central government clear the long-pending Bills related to increased reservations for Backward Classes (BCs).

Addressing a press conference, Kavitha declared that the protest aims to pressure the Centre and raise public awareness about the importance of the BC reservation Bills. "As a daughter and sister of Telangana, I will sit on a 72-hour fast. I have sought permission from the state government. If they grant it, good. If not, I'll proceed regardless," she said. She questioned the inaction of the Congress-led Telangana government, urging it to take legal action if the Bills passed by the state legislature are being stalled. "When the Tamil Nadu Governor sat on pending Bills, the state approached the courts. Why can't Telangana do the same?" she asked, demanding that the Revanth Reddy government move the Supreme Court.

Slamming both the Centre and the state, Kavitha accused them of turning a blind eye to the aspirations of BC communities. "This isn't a political stunt. It's a fight for justice. The delay in implementing BC quotas based on population is a grave injustice," she said.

Kavitha's announcement has reignited the debate over BC reservation policy and sparked calls for unified action across party lines. Details of the protest site and participation from other groups are expected to be announced soon.



Development Is Our Answer: Ponnamm

TPN Correspondent |Hyderabad

Minister Ponnamm Prabhakar, speaking at a media conference in Jubilee Hills alongside senior Congress leaders Mohammed Azharuddin and Naveen Yadav, highlighted a range of welfare and development programs being implemented by the Congress-led Telangana government. The event served as both a progress report and a political message ahead of the upcoming Jubilee Hills by-election.

Addressing the media, the minister said the government is continuing several pro-people initiatives with a clear focus on inclusivity and accountability. He revealed that over 200 crore free bus rides have been provided to women through the RTC, translating to savings worth ₹6,800 crore.

Highlighting power sector reforms, he said the government is offering 200 units of free electricity to lakhs of families, directly easing financial pressure on low-income households. In the agricultural sector, the administration is extending loan waivers and offering a ₹500 bonus to



Sanna Vadla paddy farmers under the Rythu Bharosa (Farmer Assurance) scheme.

On the housing front, Prabhakar criticized the previous government for constructing housing projects in distant areas like Kolur, making it difficult for the urban workforce to commute. "People's livelihoods are in the city, but the houses were built miles away with no proper access," he noted. He assured that the current government is planning to build homes closer to where people live and work, including options for the landless. He further announced that new ration cards are being distributed across 15 Assembly constituencies in Hyderabad. Over 50,000

applications have been verified, and more than 1.5 lakh new families have been added to the ration database. As many as 2.8 lakh families are now eligible to receive six kilograms of fine rice per unit. "For the first time in ten years, ration cards are being issued based on eligibility—not politics," he asserted. Turning to infrastructure, the minister emphasized the state's commitment to urban development. Projects such as flyovers, underpasses, STPs, drainage systems, and parks are in full swing across Hyderabad. He also called attention to the city's water crisis, remarking that no new water projects had been initiated since Telangana's formation, except

those started during the previous Congress regime. He confirmed that Phase 2 of the Godavari water project is underway to bring in 15 TMC of additional water.

In a push for sustainable urban mobility, the minister said that only EVs and CNG/LPG autos are now permitted within the Ring Road. The government is also converting RTC buses to electric, while encouraging rainwater harvesting to boost groundwater levels. Focusing on the Jubilee Hills by-election, Prabhakar said the Congress party will nominate a local candidate, based on internal surveys and public feedback. "No tickets will be given to outsiders. We will all work together and hoist the Congress flag in Jubilee Hills," he said, emphasizing unity within the party. He concluded with a call to the public to support the Congress government. "We are correcting the neglect of the past decade and delivering real solutions. The Chief Minister, along with ministers and local leaders, is monitoring development firsthand. Let us move forward together."

"Merger talk is a joke" Koppula slams CM Ramesh

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Former Minister Koppula Eshwar has dismissed BJP MP CM Ramesh's recent comments suggesting that the Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) might merge with the BJP, calling them the "joke of the year." Addressing reporters, Koppula emphasized that BRS is deeply rooted in Telangana's ideology, whereas the BJP follows an RSS-based ideology. He firmly stated that BRS has never aligned with BJP in the past and will not consider any alliance in the future. He questioned CM Ramesh's influence within the BJP and pointed to BRS working president K. T. Rama Rao's allegations that Ramesh had played a key role in the controversial Kanche-Gachibowli land case, allegedly helping facilitate loans worth ₹10,000 crore. "Why is CM Ramesh speaking about merger when he hasn't responded to these serious charges? Telangana people want answers," Koppula said. He also asked whether CM Ramesh acted as an intermediary in the land scam. Koppula accused CM Ramesh of acting as a mouthpiece for Telangana Chief Minister Revanth Reddy and attempting to destabilize BRS. He alleged that CM Ramesh, who became a Rajya Sabha MP from the Telugu Desam Party, joined BJP fearing action from



ED and CBI.

He also warned the people of Telangana to be cautious of leaders like CM Ramesh, accusing him of trying to bring caste-based politics from Andhra Pradesh into Telangana. "Do the Kamma and Reddy communities have the same influence today as they did during KCR's tenure?" he asked. He further pointed out that when BRS was in power, many MLAs, MLCs, MPs, and corporation chairpersons from Kamma and Reddy communities held key posts, and that BRS always represented inclusive leadership. Despite the loss in the 2023 elections, Koppula noted that BRS won the majority of seats in Greater Hyderabad, with support from settlers and various communities. He concluded by saying that the people of Telangana continue to back the leadership of KCR and KTR and should ignore politically motivated statements from CM Ramesh.

Raja Singh Hints at BJP Return...

TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad

Goshamahall MLA Raja Singh has made it clear that he has no intention of joining any political party other than the BJP, despite resigning from the party recently. Addressing the media, Singh asserted, "BJP is my home. If they call me back, I will rejoin. I will not be part of any other party." He clarified that his resignation was not linked to his position as MLA and confirmed he would continue in the post for the remaining three years of the term. "I only resigned from the BJP, not from my MLA post," he said. Raja Singh admitted to certain mistakes but also pointed fingers at misinformation campaigns on social media. He alleged that some individuals from his own party falsely accused him of leaking information, which he claims led to his suspension. "Even in the past, I was suspended for 14 months. My enemies are within the party," he remarked. The Goshamahall MLA also took a dig at the Congress government, questioning the fairness of a potential by-election in his constituency. "BRS MLAs joined Congress and there were no by-elections held. So why should there be one in Goshamahall?" he asked. He stated that if senior leaders from BJP call him to Delhi, he would go and explain everything that transpired.

Seethakka Slams BJP



TPN Correspondent | Kamareddy

District in-charge minister Seethakka came down heavily on the BJP while addressing a public meeting in Kamareddy on Tuesday, accusing the party of deliberately stalling the BC reservation bill. Referring to the recent BC declaration made in Kamareddy, she pointed out that the Telangana Assembly had already passed a bill to increase reservations for Backward Classes and amended the Panchayat Raj Act to enable more than 50% reservations in local bodies.

However, she expressed concern that both the bill and ordinance are now pending approval with the Centre. "The BJP government at the Centre must immediately clear the bill. What is stopping them?" she questioned.

Seethakka said that Telangana BJP MPs must act responsibly and work towards getting the bill passed in Parliament. "If BJP truly supports BC welfare, it can approve even more than the proposed 42% reservations. But instead, their MPs are wasting time with false assurances," she said, alleging that BJP MPs were not even sincere enough to participate in the caste census.

She added, "BC brothers will give a strong warning to the BJP. If they continue to ignore our demands, we will unite all parties and stall Parliament until the BC reservation bill is passed."

Taking her criticism a step further, Seethakka declared, "If BJP does not come to power in Delhi next term, we will see them roaming the streets. The people will not forgive those who stand against the rights of BCs."

Meenakshi Natarajan's Padayatra Should Be a Grand Success

TPN Correspondent | Sangareddy

Telangana Minister for Medical and Health, Damodar Rajanarasimha, has called upon Congress leaders and key activists in the Andol constituency to ensure the resounding success of AICC Telangana in-charge Meenakshi Natarajan's padayatra and related programs on August 1 and 2. Speaking at a coordination meeting held at his residence in Sangareddy, the Minister emphasized the need for widespread public mobilization and said the development and welfare schemes implemented by the Congress government should be



effectively conveyed to the people. The Minister stated, "Meenakshi Natarajan's visit is significant. Our responsibility is to make the padayatra a success with voluntary participation from thousands of party activists. This is

an opportunity to showcase our unity and commitment to the public welfare agenda of our government."

The padayatra will be held at 5 PM on August 1 in Andol constituency, followed by a Shramadanam (voluntary labor program) and

meetings with grassroots-level Congress party activists on August 2. Minister Damodar said that such programs reflect the Congress party's focus on engaging with people directly and listening to their concerns on the ground.

Leaders and representatives from nine mandals, including District Library Chairman Anjaiah, Atma Committee Presidents, Market Committee Chairpersons, former ZPTCs, MPPs, Sarpanchs, MPTCs, Municipal Councilors, village-level presidents, youth leaders, and other key functionaries of the Congress Party participated in the coordination meeting.

Devotees Clash With Police at Banjara Hills Temple

TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad

High tension prevailed at MLA Colony, Road No. 12 in Banjara Hills on Tuesday after devotees clashed with police while attempting to enter the Ammavaru temple located on disputed land. The police detained several individuals and set up pickets to prevent further unrest. The conflict stems from recent actions by the Shaikpet Tahsildar and his team, who allegedly damaged parts of the temple



structure and locked its entrance, claiming the premises as government property. This triggered outrage among local residents and devotees, who accused authorities of disre-

specting religious sentiments. large crowds, including many women, gathered at the site to offer bonam, a traditional religious ritual. Anticipating the protest, police had barricaded the area. Tensions escalated when protestors tried to breach the barricades and enter the temple, leading to a scuffle with the police. In the process, a temporary boundary

wall made of asbestos sheets was damaged by the crowd. The police responded by taking several protestors into custody and dispersing the gathering. Those detained were shifted to various police stations. To maintain law and order, additional police forces were deployed in the area. Officials stated that the situation is under control, but residents continue to demand restoration of access to the temple and an inquiry into the alleged damage.

Woman Killed After Being Hit by Water Tanker

TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad

A tragic accident took place in the Rayadurgam police station limits, claiming the life of a woman near Sundar Garden in the Manikonda area. The victim, identified as Shalini, a resident of Manikonda, was reportedly returning home after dropping her children at school when a speeding water tanker struck her. According to eyewitnesses, the vehicle hit her leg, leading to critical injuries. Rayadurgam police reached the spot shortly after the incident and have registered a case. An investigation is underway to determine the exact cause of the accident and whether there was any negligence involved on the part of the driver.



Park Freed from Encroachments in Moosapet



TPN Correspondent | Hyderabad

In a significant step towards reclaiming public spaces, Hydra authorities on Tuesday removed encroachments from 2,000 square yards of park land in Anjaneya Nagar, Moosapet. The encroachments were reportedly obstructing the development of a designated public park under the HUDA layout. According to official records, the land

had been earmarked for park development. However, a local businessman named Yasin, who operates a tent goods shop across the road, had extended his commercial activities into the park land. The area was being used to store tent materials, sound systems, and generator repair equipment. Despite the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) earlier sanctioning ₹50 lakhs for the park's development and even laying a foundation stone for a boundary wall, Yasin and his associates allegedly obstructed the work. Local residents have been consistently raising complaints, reporting the encroachment to both the GHMC and the police, as well as through the Hydra Prajavani grievance platform. Following a detailed investigation, Hydra authorities confirmed that the entire 2,000-yard area was allocated for the park. Acting on this verification, the encroachments were finally cleared on Tuesday.

Talwars Drawn in City Street Figh

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A financial dispute between friends took a violent turn in Wahed Colony, located in the Patabasti area under the jurisdiction of Madannapet police station. The clash, which occurred late Monday evening, left one youth injured and sent shockwaves through the local community. According to initial reports, a disagreement between two individuals, Latif and Pasha, escalated into a heated argument. Both were reportedly close friends until recently, but

tensions rose during a financial transaction. The disagreement quickly turned physical, leading to both sides forming separate groups. Eyewitnesses reported that members of both groups began attacking each other with talwars (swords), causing chaos in the narrow lanes of Wahed Colony. In the violent altercation, Latif sustained injuries, though the extent of those injuries has not yet been disclosed by authorities. Local residents, alarmed by the sudden violence, alerted the police. Teams from Madanna-

pet police station reached the spot promptly, bringing the situation under control before it escalated further. The police dispersed the crowd and shifted the injured to a nearby hospital for treatment. Speaking to the media, police officials confirmed that a case has been registered, and they are currently investigating the matter. "We have identified the individuals involved, and preliminary questioning is underway. Further legal action will be taken once the inquiry is complete," said a senior officer from Madannapet PS.

The incident has raised concerns about the easy access to weapons like talwars in residential areas and the growing trend of minor disputes turning into violent public brawls. Authorities are also looking into the background of the individuals involved to determine if there are any prior criminal records. Residents of Wahed Colony have urged police to increase patrolling in the area and take swift action to prevent such incidents from recurring. As investigations continue, the community awaits justice and a return to normalcy.

White Tiger Adopted on International Tiger Day



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International Tiger Day was celebrated on a grand scale at Nehru Zoological Park, Hyderabad, on July 29, 2025. The event featured a plantation drive, awareness programs, a student rally, and the adoption of a white tiger by a city-based school. Deputy Curator Sri M. Barno-



ba led the celebrations with a tree plantation program, planting saplings of Juvvi, Marri, and Raavi alongside zoo staff. Various educational and awareness initiatives were held to emphasize the importance of tiger conservation. A massive rally was organized from the zoo's main entrance to the tiger enclosure, with over 500 students, 20 staff mem-

bers, principals, and managing directors from participating schools. Students and teachers actively chanted conservation slogans throughout the march. Under the supervision of Zoo Education Officer Sri Ch. M. Deepak Tarun, a special 'Keeper Talk' session was conducted at the tiger enclosure. The session attracted nearly 1,000 participants, includ-

ing visitors and students. A key highlight of the day was the adoption of the majestic white tiger "Dhruva" by VIPs International School. Under the guidance of Public Relations Officer Sri H.M. Hanifulla, the school presented a cheque for ₹3,00,000 (Three Lakh Rupees Only) to Deputy Curator Sri M. Barnoba towards the feeding and upkeep of Dhruva for one year. Dr. Mujtaba Khan, Managing Director of VIPs Educational Society, along with branch in-charges and around 500 students from various VIPs branches, visited the zoo and took part in the ceremony.

Protest at Film Chamber Over Telangana Icons

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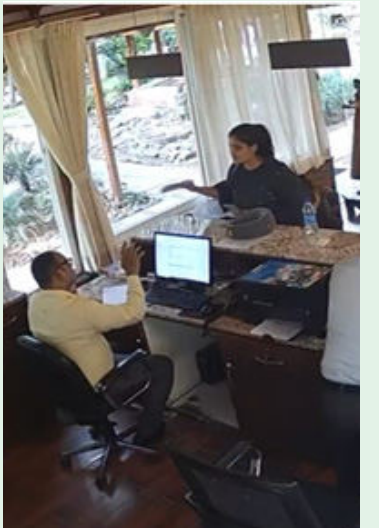
Tension prevailed at the Telugu Film Chamber of Commerce in Film Nagar on Tuesday after a group of Telangana activists staged a protest, alleging the neglect of iconic personalities from Telangana in the chamber's photo gallery. Led by senior journalist and activist Pasham Yadagiri, the protesters barged into the Chamber office, raising slogans like "Andhra Go Back," and confronted Chamber secretary Prasanna Kumar over the lack of representation of legendary Telangana figures. The activists were particularly angered by the absence of a photo of Padma Vibhushan awardee Dr. C. Narayana Reddy, an eminent poet, lyricist, playwright, and former Vice Chancellor of Telugu University. Despite his vast contributions to Telugu literature and cinema, the protestors claimed his legacy was being ignored in favor of Andhra-based personalities. A heated argument broke out between the protestors and the Chamber officials. On being alerted, local police rushed to the spot and brought the situation under control. Speaking to the media, Yadagiri said, "This is not just about one person. Telangana's cultural icons have been systematically sidelined in key institutions even after state formation." No case was registered at the time of reporting, but police officials confirmed that they are keeping a close watch to prevent further escalation.



Actress Kalpika Creates Chaos at Hyderabad Resort

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Actress Kalpika has once again landed in controversy, following an alleged incident of unruly behavior at Brown Town Resort, located in Kanakamamidi, Moinabad. The incident reportedly occurred when the actress arrived alone at the resort in a cab. According to resort staff, Kalpika allegedly created a scene soon after entering the reception area. Sources claim that she misbehaved with the manager, Krishna, throwing the menu card and room keys in his face, while reportedly shouting vulgar stories and demanding cigarettes in an aggressive tone. Staff members stated that she continued her disruptive behavior for nearly 40 minutes, leaving them confused and alarmed. "We were shocked. We couldn't understand why she was behaving like that," one of the resort employees said, on the condition of anonymity. In what appears to be a fictional or exaggerated response circulating online, Kalpika allegedly claimed she was dissatisfied with the resort's services. "There is no cab facility, no WiFi, and when I asked for cigarettes, the staff refused to bring them.



I had to raise my voice after they ignored my repeated requests," she reportedly said. She also alleged that the resort staff were rude to her, and claimed she had chosen the location to avoid police attention in connection with various legal cases. These claims, however, have not been independently verified. As of now, no official police complaint has been filed by either party. The resort management has remained tight-lipped about whether they intend to pursue legal action. The incident has sparked fresh debate on celebrity behavior and the accountability of service providers, while netizens remain divided over the details and truth behind the altercation.

City on Clean-Up Mode - 10 Day Drive Begins

TPN Correspondent |Hyderabad

With a clear focus on public health and safety during the ongoing monsoon season, the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) has launched a 10-day special sanitation drive across all 150 wards of the city. GHMC Commissioner R.V. Karnan, who personally conducted inspections in several areas under the Charminar and LB Nagar zones, said the drive aims to eliminate garbage accumulation, clean sewers, and prevent water stagnation. He stressed that the campaign must be made successful with

full public participation. During the inspections, sanitation teams were seen working from 5:30 am to 1:30 pm, clearing roads, drains, and open spaces. Entomology teams were deployed to carry out fogging and anti-larvae operations to curb mosquito breeding. Commissioner Karnan urged citizens to cooperate by disposing of garbage in designated bins and handing it over to door-to-door collection autos. "Sanitation is a shared responsibility," he said, appealing to local welfare associations and public representatives



to take part in the effort. The Commissioner directed sanitation officers to ensure adequate deployment of vehicles to swiftly re-

move collected waste. He instructed the Additional Commissioner of Sanitation to take strict action against agencies that fail to provide necessary vehicles, especially for transporting construction and demolition (C&D) waste. In Charminar, Commissioner Karnan was accompanied by MLA Zulfikar Ali,

MLC Rahmat Baig, Corporators Mohammad Mustafa Ali and Syed Sohail Qadri, and Charminar Zonal Commissioner Venkanna. They reviewed ongoing civic works and discussed the preservation of heritage structures in the historic zone. Karnan emphasized that while modern amenities must be provided quickly, Charminar's cultural and historical identity must be preserved. The sanitation drive will cover around 30 wards every 2-3 days and will run till August 8. Officials expressed confidence that the drive would significantly reduce monsoon-related health risks in the city--Issued by the CPRO, GHMC Office

BJP Will Rise in Khammam says Ramchandra Rao

TPN Correspondent | Khammam

BJP Telangana President Ramchandra Rao addressed party workers in an intimate gathering during his tour of Khammam district, declaring that the BJP is rapidly gaining strength in what was once a communist stronghold. He claimed that many communist workers are now leaning toward the BJP and welcomed their support. "Just as it happened in West Bengal, Khammam too will see a political



shift," he stated. Rao attacked the Congress government for misleading Backward Classes (BCs) over the

promise of 42% reservations. "What Congress brought is not a BC reservation bill, it's a Muslim reservation bill," he alleged, adding that despite the BJP's unconditional support, the Congress is blaming the Centre to cover up its legal loopholes. He questioned why Congress hasn't publicly shared details of the ordinance on BC reservations. "Even after 19 months in power, Congress has failed to implement promises made to BCs," he said. Rao also criticized the state's

agriculture minister, Tummala Nageswara Rao, over the ongoing fertilizer shortage. Citing detailed figures, he said Telangana required 9.80 lakh metric tons of urea for the Rabi season, while the Centre supplied 12.02 lakh metric tons—more than the demand. "The actual cost of a 45 kg urea bag is ₹1690. Farmers pay only ₹266.50, the rest is borne by the Centre through a ₹1.94 lakh crore subsidy," he said. "If my facts are wrong, I will resign. Will Tummala do the same?"

He also took a swipe at the Congress leadership, pointing to internal divisions and the inability of the Chief Minister to lead a padayatra. "Now their in-charge Meenakshi Natarajan has to take the lead," he quipped. The BJP leader reaffirmed that the Modi government had granted four national highways and allocated ₹450 crore for Khammam's development, contrasting it with what he called "Congress's empty promises and poor governance."

Kaushik Reddy demands Congress to fulfill its six-guarantees



TPN Correspondent | Huzurabad

Huzurabad MLA Padi Kaushik Reddy has demanded that the Congress government immediately provide the Tulam (one tola) gold promised as part of the six guarantees, along with the Kalyana Lakshmi and Shaadi Mubarak cheques. He raised this issue during the distribution of Kalyana Lakshmi and CM Relief Fund cheques held at the Huzurabad MLA camp office on Tuesday. Speaking at the event, Kaushik Reddy recalled that the Kalyana Lakshmi scheme introduced by former CM K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR) had provided significant support to many poor families for their daughters' weddings. He pointed out that while the Congress had made an election promise of giving ₹1 lakh along with Tulam gold under the six guarantees, the beneficiaries have so far only received the cash component. "Thousands of marriages have taken place since the Congress government came to power. When will the Tulam gold be given?" he questioned. As part of the program, cheques were distributed to beneficiaries from different parts of the constituency — 34 in Illantakunta, 19 in Huzurabad Town, and 49 in Kamalapur — amounting to ₹12 lakh in total. Kaushik Reddy was joined by local TRS leaders, municipal councillors, and government officials during the event. He also called on the Congress to keep up its pre-election assurances without delay, saying that delaying the gold component was unjust to the poor families who planned weddings based on these promises.

BJP Begins Door-to-Door activists Campaign



TPN Correspondent | Karimnagar

BJP District President Gangadi Krishna Reddy has called on party leaders and activists to prepare intensively for the upcoming local body elections. Speaking at a key leaders' meeting held in Ganeruvaram Mandal on Tuesday, he urged BJP workers to reach every doorstep through the 'Palle Palle Ku BJP' campaign scheduled for August. He emphasized the need to expand the party's base in rural areas and called for collective efforts to strengthen BJP's presence in local governance. "We must take the party to every village and ensure the BJP flag flies high in all local bodies," he stated. He said the people are increasingly disillusioned with both the Congress and BRS, and added that the future belongs to the BJP. Reddy criticized the Congress government, accusing it of following the same path as the previous BRS regime — prioritizing publicity over performance. He said people

feel betrayed by empty promises made by the Congress, and that the current administration is indulging in "political theatrics" to gain votes in the local elections. He said the Congress party, despite holding power, has failed to bring real change and is now trying to mislead the public again. He also dismissed the BRS as an outdated party with no relevance in the current political scenario. Highlighting the Modi government's developmental initiatives, Reddy expressed confidence that people across Telangana are looking to the BJP for strong and stable leadership. The meeting saw participation from several senior BJP functionaries, including Kisan Morcha State Secretary Kariveda Maipal Reddy, OBC Morcha State Executive Committee members Adicharla Raju, District General Secretary Mada Venkat Reddy, District Vice Presidents Gurralla Venkat Reddy and Ranga Bhaskarachari, and other prominent local leaders and activists.

Liquor Smuggling Foiled Ahead of Sarpanch Polls

TPN Correspondent | Sangareddy

With Sarpanch elections around the corner, authorities have intensified surveillance to curb illegal activities, including liquor smuggling aimed at influencing voters. In a recent raid, excise officials seized 162 liquor bottles smuggled from Goa into Telangana at the Zaheerabad Chiragpally checkpost. The operation was carried out after DTF SS Hanmantu Simbandi received credible intelligence about a family

returning to Pedda AdisePALi in Nalgonda district with a large liquor haul. The family had traveled to Goa, and on their return journey, they attempted to transport 112 liquor bottles and 50 bottles of 330 ml beer—amounting to a total value of ₹1.5 lakh. Excise teams from DTP Sangareddy, Zaheerabad Excise Station, and Zaheerabad Check Post coordinated the seizure. Both the liquor and the vehicle used for transportation were confiscated during the raid. Senior offi-



cials, including Enforcement Director Shanwaz Qasim, Medak Deputy Commissioner J. Hari Kiran, and Excise Superintendent Naveen Chand,

appreciated the swift action of the enforcement teams in intercepting the smuggled liquor ahead of the upcoming local body elections.

CPM Demands Ban on Sand Lorries

TPN Correspondent | Dum-mugudem

The Communist Party of India (Marxist) staged a protest in Turubaka village under Dum-mugudem Mandal, demanding an immediate halt to the movement of sand lorries passing from Venkatapuram via Bhadrachalam. Organized by the CPM Mandal Committee, the dharna saw participation from local leaders and residents who raised concerns over the worsening condition of roads and frequent accidents involving sand-carrying vehicles. CPM Mandal Secretary Karam Pullaiah, who led the protest, accused the government of



negligence and indifference to public safety. Later, the leaders inspected the ongoing construction of the Turubaka bridge. Speaking to the media, Pullaiah said that the roads in the region had become severely damaged with dangerous potholes, making travel haz-

ardous for passengers. "People are losing lives due to these neglected roads. The situation has been repeatedly brought to the government's attention, but no permanent solution has been provided so far," he stated. He alleged that although officials routinely visit for in-

spection, no real work is being done to repair or maintain the roads. He also demanded that the sand lorries be immediately stopped, citing their role in worsening traffic congestion and causing numerous road accidents. "Even emergency services like 108 ambulances are getting stuck in traffic due to the lorry convoys," he added. Pullaiah issued a warning to the state government, local public representatives, and officials, stating that if corrective action is not taken soon, the CPM will intensify its agitation and organize large-scale protests in the coming days.

Medchal Hit by Second Factory Explosion in 30 Days

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A massive explosion rocked the SRH Rubber Company in the Medchal Industrial Estate, triggering panic among workers and residents. The blast occurred during a pipe manufacturing process when the safety wall of the vulcanizing unit reportedly failed, leading to a powerful explosion inside the facility. Terrified workers fled the premises as a section of the factory roof was blown off. Shockingly, shattered machine parts were flung over 150 meters, partially damaging nearby structures. Eyewitnesses said it was sheer luck that no one was seriously injured, as workers had just stepped away from the blast zone. This near-disaster has sparked outrage among locals and workers, who accuse the factory management of gross negligence. They allege the company has been operating without proper safety protocols, putting workers' lives at constant risk. The incident marks the second explosion in the Medchal Industrial Estate within a month, raising serious questions about safety oversight and regulatory enforcement in the area. Workers are demanding immediate intervention from authorities to prevent a potential tragedy in the future.



CPI Calls for Action Across All Sectors

TPN Correspondent |Bhadradi Kothagudem

CPI District Secretary Sabir Pasha, speaking at a press conference held at Seshagiri Bhavan in Kothagudem, put forth a series of demands addressing the pressing issues of irrigation, education, employment, and welfare in Bhadradi Kothagudem district. He urged the government to ensure that every acre in the district receives irrigation facilities using Godavari river waters through the Sitarama project. He also called for fair compensation to farmers who lost land under the project, based on current market values.Highlighting the importance of coal sector jobs, Sabir Pasha demanded immediate commencement of the pending VK-7 and JK-5 open cast mining projects in Singareni. Criticizing the new education policy, the CPI leader demanded its withdrawal, implementation of the Fee Control Act in private and corporate educational institutions, and enforcement of the Right to Education Act. He called for 10% of the central budget and 30% of the state budget to be allocated to the education sector. He also urged the state government to release the pending amounts under the fee reimbursement and scholarship schemes. Sabir Pasha demanded that land rights be granted to poor Dal-its cultivating land in agency areas. He said over 3 lakh acres of fallow land under cultivation by the poor must be regularized, and the 1.49 lakh acres of pending land allocations be addressed immediately. He further pressed for job security and fair wages for Anganwadi, ASHA, and ANM workers, in line with provident fund and pension guidelines.The CPI leader called for the revival of cooperative societies in agency areas, dissolved since 2000. He demanded that the National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (NREGS) be expanded, with 200 working days and daily wages of ₹600. He also sought inclusion of newly formed municipalities and corporations under the scheme.In the industrial sector, he proposed setting up fertilizer factories around Palvancha, restoring production at NMDC, and establishing an 800 MW power unit at KTPS.Sabir Pasha condemned the central government's move to consolidate 44 labor laws into 4 labor codes, calling it anti-labor. He also opposed the Telangana government's decision to extend the workday from 8 to 10 hours, urging its immediate rollback. Finally, he demanded that the government itself procure all agricultural produce at Minimum Support Prices recommended by the Swaminathan Commission to ensure farmer welfare.

Between Promise and Paralysis

Cracks in Andhra Pradesh’s Battle Against Human Trafficking

As the world marks the ‘World Day Against Trafficking in Persons’ on July 30, the grim reality of human trafficking in Andhra Pradesh remains an indictment of our law enforcement and justice system. Despite a strong legal framework and the existence of Anti-Human Trafficking Units (AHTUs), the state continues to struggle with fragmented implementation, poor conviction rates, and inadequate survivor support.

According to the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), between 2016 and 2022, Andhra Pradesh registered 1,396 cases under IPC provisions, leading to the rescue of 2,119 victims. Under the Immoral Traffic Prevention Act (ITPA), another 594 cases were filed, rescuing 771 individuals. Yet justice rarely follows. Out of the total cases, 887 ended in acquittals, with only 109 convictions, leaving the conviction rate at a dismal 8%.

While India has mandated every state to establish AHTUs, only 13 of Andhra Pradesh’s 26 districts have officially notified these specialized units. Even where they exist, AHTUs function under Women Police Stations without independent authority, dedicated personnel, or proper infrastructure. A field study across four districts paints a disturbing picture — understaffed teams, lack of vehicles, poor internet connectivity, and absence of basic office facilities severely limit their ability to act promptly.

Adding to the crisis is the stark fact that none of the state’s AHTUs have registered a single FIR to date, despite having police station status. Guidelines from the Ministry of Home Affairs clearly state that all trafficking cases within an AHTU’s jurisdiction must be transferred to it for investigation, charge-sheet filing, and court



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Immediate steps must include:

- **Granting AHTUs full authority to register and investigate trafficking cases**
- **Ensuring dedicated staff, vehicles, and digital infrastructure for all units.**
- **Providing specialized, survivor-focused training to officers.**
- **Streamlining victim compensation schemes for timely relief.**
- **Building a statewide digital platform for real-time case tracking and inter-district coordination.**

While the Crime Investigation Department (CID) monitors AHTUs through a Management Information System (MIS) portal and periodic reviews, utilization of central funds (₹1.6 crore allocated in FY 2020–21 and 2021–22) for strengthening these units remains unclear, raising concerns about accountability and political will.

Human trafficking is not a routine crime; it is a gross violation of human rights, targeting the most vulnerable and destroying lives. If Andhra Pradesh is serious about combating this organized crime, half measures won’t suffice.

Every rescued victim deserves more than a hollow promise of justice. Empowering AHTUs is not a procedural necessity, it is a moral imperative. If the state continues to falter, it risks not just failing survivors but eroding the very foundation of justice it claims to uphold.

According to NCRB data

Category (2016–2022)	Cases Registered	Victims Rescued	Convictions	Acquittals
IPC (Trafficking-related)	1,396	2,119	109	887
Immoral Traffic Prevention Act	594	771	Data NA	Data NA

follow-up. In practice, local police stations retain control, sidelining AHTUs and undermining their very purpose.

The systemic gaps extend further:

Jurisdictional ambiguity: AHTUs are often unaware of trafficking cases in their districts, missing critical rescue operations and follow-up.

Lack of structured training: Officers rarely receive specialized instruction on survivor-centred investigations or trauma-sensitive approaches. Most victims, young women aged 15–25 lured by false promises of jobs or marriage, face inadequate emotional, medical, and legal support.

Neglected victim compensation: Though the state offers up to ₹1 lakh

under its compensation scheme, very few survivors access it due to poor awareness and procedural delays. Interim relief during investigations is almost never provided.

Poor coordination: No centralized database exists to track cases or share intelligence between districts and across state borders, leaving traffickers free to exploit jurisdictional loopholes.

India’s Census Crisis

Identity, a Political Weapon



India, the world’s most populous nation, doesn’t actually know how many people it has. With the last census conducted in 2011 and no nationwide update since, the government lacks accurate data on its population’s size, distribution, and even citizenship. This absence of demographic clarity has become a critical political issue, especially in Bihar—home to 130 million people and plagued by historical underdevelopment and poor record-keeping. In June 2025, the Election Commission of India announced it would revise Bihar’s voter rolls ahead of the state elections. This triggered immediate backlash from opposition parties, who warned that as many as 30 million voters—primarily from marginalized communities—could be disenfranchised. They argue the revision could tilt the electoral balance unfairly in favor of the ruling Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), which has maintained strong support in Bihar despite slipping in other key states like Uttar Pradesh. Bihar’s weak administrative infrastructure exacerbates the issue. For decades, birth and death registrations remained minimal. For instance, only 3.7% of births in Bihar were officially recorded around the year 2000. Such gaps have made it

nearly impossible for many citizens—especially migrants and the rural poor—to access valid documents. During the COVID-19 lockdown, the government was caught off-guard by the number of internal migrants, many of whom returned home to Bihar on foot, highlighting the administration’s demographic blindness. Now, stringent documentation requirements—such as needing birth certificates or proving parental Indian birth—pose further hurdles, particularly for those without formal paperwork. The concern is not just about voting rights but about existence itself. Without proof of identity, many Indians risk being excluded from welfare, employment, and recognition. The BJP defends the voter verification as a way to remove “infiltrators.” The opposition fears it’s a targeted attempt to suppress Muslim and underprivileged voters. Comparisons are drawn to U.S. voter ID laws, which critics say disproportionately affect minority groups. India’s leaders must acknowledge the consequences of not conducting a census. Instead of exploiting the void, they must urgently work to fix it—starting by ensuring every citizen’s right to vote is protected.

Draw Feels Like Victory

India’s Grit Shines at Old Trafford



In Test cricket, not all draws are equal—and Team India’s remarkable escape at Old Trafford against England proves just that. Despite technically ending in a draw, the fourth Test felt like a monumental win for India, and a stinging blow to England. With Brendon McCullum’s aggressive ‘Bazball’ era yielding only two draws in 40 Tests—both at Old Trafford—this match was a rare occasion when England failed to push through.

India were staring at a crushing defeat after conceding a 311-run lead in the first innings and slipping to 0/2 early in their second. But what followed was nothing short of a miracle. With England fielding a fierce attack led by Jofra Archer and Chris Woakes, India’s resistance was led by KL Rahul, Shubman Gill, Ravindra Jadeja, and Washington Sundar. Batting through pressure, pace, and hostile conditions, they forced England to settle for the handshake.

KL Rahul, whose transformation as a Test opener has been one of the series’ biggest sto-

ries, anchored India with poise and adaptability. With over 500 runs in the series so far—including two centuries—Rahul seems to have truly found his groove. Shubman Gill, the young captain, continues to shine with the bat and shows maturity beyond his years in juggling leadership and form.

Ravindra Jadeja, often underappreciated, was brilliant with the bat, scoring his second century of the tour and underlining his value as an all-rounder, even when his bowling returns were modest. Washington Sundar also proved his growing stature, playing with patience and composure to notch up his maiden Test ton.

This gritty fightback showed India’s bench strength and mental resilience in the post-Kohli, Rohit, and Pujara era. With the series finale starting July 31, India now carries priceless momentum. While the scoreboard says “draw,” the psychological win at Old Trafford might just be the turning point of the series. Ask Ben Stokes—it hurt more than a loss.

Sonia Gandhi slams PM Modi for ‘shameful silence’ over Gaza crisis

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Congress parliamentary party chairperson Sonia Gandhi sharply condemned Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his government on July 29, 2025, for what she described as a “shameful silence” over the ongoing humanitarian catastrophe in Gaza. In a detailed article published in the Hindi daily Dainik Jagran, Gandhi accused the Modi government of being a “mute spectator” to what she called an “affront to humanity” and a “cowardly betrayal” of India’s constitutional values.

Gandhi labeled Israel’s military actions in Gaza as a “genocide” and denounced the devastating aerial bombardments that have destroyed most residential buildings, hospitals, and essential infrastructure, leading to immense civilian casualties—including over 55,000 Palestinians killed, among them 17,000 children since October 2023. She also highlighted the Israeli military blockade that has cut off vital supplies of food, fuel, and medicine, calling the resultant starvation a “crime against humanity.”

While Gandhi condemned Hamas’ brutal attacks on Israeli civilians and the ongoing hostage situation, she emphasized that these actions cannot justify Israel’s disproportionate military response, which



she described as criminal and ethnically cleansing the Gaza Strip.

Pointing to international bodies, Gandhi lamented the failure of the United Nations Security Council and the International Court of Justice to enforce resolutions calling for a ceasefire and humanitarian aid. She praised countries like South Africa, Brazil, France, Britain, and Canada for their decisive actions against Israel’s aggression and noted growing protests within Israel itself.

Sonia Gandhi urged PM Modi to break his

silence and uphold India’s proud legacy as a global advocate for justice, peace, and anti-colonialism. She reminded that India historically recognized the Palestine Liberation Organisation in 1974 and the State of Palestine in 1988.

“The Global South is looking to India for leadership on this grave humanitarian issue,” Gandhi asserted, calling on the government to speak “clearly, boldly and forthrightly” and live up to the nation’s constitutional and moral obligations amid one of the worst crises of our time.



Govt Clueless About What Deterrence Means: Rahul Gandhi

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Leader of the Opposition Rahul Gandhi launched a scathing attack on the central government in the Lok Sabha on Tuesday, criticising its handling of Operation Sindoor—India’s military response to the Pahalgam terror attack. He accused the Centre of lacking political will and compromising the armed forces’ operational freedom.

Gandhi said the government had tied the hands of the military by instructing them not to target Pakistani military infrastructure, leading to operational setbacks. He cited Defence Minister Rajnath Singh’s own statement that the government informed Pakistan at 1.35 am on May 7 that only non-military targets had been hit and that India did not want escalation.

“You told Pakistan you had no political will to fight. It’s like saying: ‘We slapped you once, but won’t do it again,’” Gandhi remarked, adding that this undermined India’s deterrence. He claimed India’s own defence attaché in Indonesia confirmed that aircraft losses occurred because pilots were restricted from neutralising Pakistan’s air defences.

Gandhi also took issue with Singh’s comparison of Operation Sindoor to the 1971 war, stressing that the political leadership during Indira Gandhi’s era showed far more resolve. He questioned why PM Modi had not publicly countered US President Donald Trump’s repeated claims of brokering a ceasefire.

Highlighting diplomatic concerns, Gandhi said no country condemned Pakistan after the Pahalgam attack and criticised the government for empowering terrorists by declaring every terror act as an act of war. “This government is clueless about what deterrence means,” he concluded.

PRALAY Missile Tests Successful



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India’s defence capabilities received a boost as the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) successfully conducted two consecutive flight tests of the indigenously developed ‘Pralay’ missile from Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Island off the Odisha coast on July 28 and 29, 2025.

The trials were aimed at validating the missile’s maximum and minimum range. Both tests achieved pinpoint accuracy and met all objectives, with sub-

systems performing as expected. Pralay is a solid-propellant, quasi-ballistic missile equipped with state-of-the-art navigation and capable of carrying multiple warheads against various targets. It was developed by DRDO’s Research Centre Imarat along with other labs and industry partners like Bharat Dynamics Limited and Bharat Electronics Limited. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh congratulated the teams, calling it a technological boost for the Armed Forces. DRDO Chairman Dr Samir V Kamat said the tests pave the way for its induction.

Nimisha Priya’s Death Sentence Stands, MEA Denies Reprieve Reports



TPN Correspondent | Delhi

The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) on July 29, 2025, officially denied reports claiming that the death sentence of Indian nurse Nimisha Priya in Yemen had been revoked. These reports emerged after the office of the Indian Grand Mufti alleged that her death sentence, which had been temporarily suspended, was completely canceled following a high-level meeting in Sanaa.

Nimisha Priya, a 38-year-old nurse from Palakkad district in Kerala, moved to Yemen in 2008 seeking better opportunities. She entered into a business partnership with a Yemeni citizen, Talal Abdo Mahdi, with whom she jointly ran a clinic in the capital, Sanaa. However, the relationship deteriorated after Mahdi claimed to be her husband and subjected her to repeated abuse, confiscating her passport to prevent her from returning to India.

In a desperate attempt to escape, Nimisha Priya tried to sedate Mahdi in 2017. Unfortunately, Mahdi died of a suspected drug overdose. Nimisha was arrested in 2018 and later sentenced to death by a Yemeni court in 2020.

Her execution, initially scheduled for July 16, 2025, was postponed following intervention by the Indian Grand Mufti, Kanthapuram AP Aboobacker Musliyar. The Grand Mufti sought help from Sufi leader Sheikh Habib Umar bin Hafiz, who negotiated with Mahdi’s family regarding the blood money and a possible pardon.

Despite these efforts, the MEA has clarified that no official reprieve has been granted, and Nimisha Priya’s death sentence remains in place as the legal and diplomatic efforts continue.



US Team to Visit India On August 25 for Trade Talks

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A high-level delegation from the United States is set to visit India on August 25 for the sixth round of negotiations on the proposed bilateral trade agreement, a senior official confirmed on Tuesday. The visit comes as both sides race against time to secure an interim trade deal before the critical August 1 deadline. Last week, the fifth round of talks concluded in Washington, with deliberations led by India’s chief negotiator and Special Secretary in the Department of Commerce Rajesh Agrawal and Assistant US Trade Representative for South and Central Asia Brendan Lynch. The discussions are viewed as crucial, given that August 1 marks the end of the temporary suspension of tariffs imposed by former US President Donald Trump.

These tariffs — including a 26% levy on several Indian products — were initially suspended for 90 days starting April 2, and later extended until August 1 to allow room for trade negotiations with multiple countries, including India.

The US delegation’s upcoming visit aims to iron out outstanding issues, particularly those related to tariffs and market access. India is pressing for the removal of the 26% additional tariff and wants relaxation of duties on key sectors like steel, aluminium (50%), and automobiles (25%). In return, India is pushing for concessions for its labour-intensive sectors such as textiles, gems and jewellery, leather goods, plastics, chemicals, and agricultural exports like shrimp, oil seeds, grapes, and bananas.

However, contentious issues remain. The US has been demanding duty cuts on certain industrial goods, electric vehicles, wines, petrochemicals, and agricultural products including apples, tree nuts, dairy, and genetically modified crops. India has strongly resisted any duty concessions in the dairy sector, which would be a first if granted, citing domestic sensitivities and opposition from farmer associations.

Meanwhile, trade between the two nations continues to grow. India’s merchandise exports to the US surged 22.8% to USD 25.51 billion in the April–June quarter of the current financial year, while imports from the US rose 11.68% to USD 12.86 billion — underscoring the importance of a stable and mutually beneficial trade pact.

Trump Not Seeking Summit With Xi but May Visit China on Invitation

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U.S. President Donald Trump announced on July 29, 2025, that he is not actively seeking a summit with Chinese President Xi Jinping but is open to visiting China if formally invited by Xi. Speaking on Truth Social, Trump said, "I may go to China, but it would only be at the invitation of President Xi, which has been extended. Otherwise, no interest!"

According to sources previously speaking to Reuters, aides to both leaders have discussed a possible meeting during Trump's planned trip to Asia later this year. Such a visit would mark the first in-person encounter between Trump and Xi since Trump's second term as U.S. president. The meeting would occur amid ongoing trade



and security tensions between the two global powers.

Although no final decision has been made, discussions include the possibility of Trump stopping in China around the time

of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) summit, scheduled to be held in South Korea, or engaging in talks on the sidelines of the summit from October 30 to November 1.

Meanwhile, the third round of U.S.-China trade negotiations taking place this week in Stockholm is viewed by analysts as a potential stepping stone toward a future leaders' summit in the autumn. These talks come at a critical time when both sides are weighing the economic and geopolitical costs of escalating tariffs and export controls.

Experts warn that any renewed trade hostilities could further destabilize the already fragile relationship between the U.S. and China, with wide-ranging implications for global markets and international diplomacy.

While Trump's openness to a visit signals a possible thaw, the details remain uncertain as both administrations continue to navigate complex issues surrounding trade, security, and diplomatic engagement.



Netherlands Bans Israeli Ministers Over Gaza War as EU Considers Sanctions

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The Netherlands has become the first European country to ban two far-right Israeli ministers from entering its territory, citing their support for the ongoing Gaza conflict. The ban targets National Security Minister Itamar Ben-Gvir and Finance Minister Bezalel Smotrich, both key members of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's coalition, known for their backing of Jewish settlements and hardline policies towards Gaza.

Dutch Foreign Minister Caspar Veldkamp informed lawmakers of the decision in a letter on Monday, emphasizing the urgency of halting the war in Gaza. This move comes amid rising international concern over the worsening humanitarian crisis in the region.

While the Netherlands leads with an entry ban, other countries have already imposed financial sanctions on Ben-Gvir and Smotrich. The UK, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, and Norway took similar measures last month, targeting the ministers for their controversial roles and statements, including support for the so-called "voluntary emigration" of Palestinians from Gaza.

In response, Israel's Foreign Ministry summoned the Dutch ambassador to protest the ban, labeling it "unacceptable." The diplomatic tension underscores growing friction between Israel and parts of the international community over Gaza.

Meanwhile, the European Union is contemplating additional punitive measures. The European Commission has proposed partially suspending Israel's participation in a €900 million science and technology program, especially limiting access to its €200 million annual investment arm, which supports projects in cybersecurity, drones, and artificial intelligence.

Officials stressed that the suspension would be "targeted and reversible," sparing projects with purely civilian applications. The Commission justified the move by stating Israel's military actions in Gaza breached the terms of a bilateral agreement with the EU.

As international pressure mounts, these developments signal increasing European willingness to hold Israeli officials accountable over the Gaza war.

Russia's Aeroflot cancels over 100 flights after cyberattack cripples IT systems

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Russia's national airline Aeroflot was forced to cancel more than 100 flights and delay several others after a major cyberattack crippled its IT infrastructure on Monday, the country's Prosecutor's Office confirmed. The incident caused chaos at Moscow's Sheremetyevo Airport, Aeroflot's primary hub, leaving hundreds of passengers stranded. The cyberattack also affected Aeroflot's subsidiaries Rossiya and Pobeda, with disruptions extending to both domestic and limited international flights, including services to Belarus, Armenia, and Uzbekistan.



for large public service companies in Russia.

Ukrainian hacker group Silent Crow and Belarusian activist group Belarus Cyber-Partisans claimed responsibility for the attack. Both groups, known for targeting pro-government infrastructure, alleged they had maintained unauthorized access to Aeroflot's network for over a year.

The hackers claimed to have stolen sensitive internal data, including audio recordings of calls, employee surveillance footage, and intercepted communications. They asserted that the systems had been destroyed beyond quick

recovery and that restoring the damage could cost Aeroflot tens of millions of dollars.

Screenshots purportedly showing Aeroflot's internal systems were shared by the Silent Crow group on Telegram. The group warned that leaked data could be released in the coming days and made a provocative statement: "The personal data of all Russians who have ever flown with Aeroflot have now also gone on a trip – albeit without luggage." This attack comes amid ongoing aviation disruptions in Russia, where airports have also faced drone-related security concerns throughout the summer.

Netanyahu and Putin Discuss Iran Amid Rising Tensions Over Nuclear Talks

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Tel Aviv, July 29, 2025 (ANI): Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu held a crucial phone conversation with Russian President Vladimir Putin to discuss Iran, amid escalating regional tensions surrounding Iran's nuclear ambitions and violence in Syria, the Israeli Prime Minister's Office confirmed on Tuesday.

In a post on social media platform X, the Prime Minister's official handle stated, "Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu spoke with Russian President Vladimir Putin. The conversation between the two leaders was on the issue of Iran."



According to The Times of Israel, the call also addressed wider developments in West Asia, with particular focus on Iran's nuclear program and the recent sectarian violence in Syria. The Kremlin later emphasized Putin's call for maintaining Syria's sovereignty and territorial integrity, referencing recent Israeli airstrikes in Sweida and Damascus. These attacks followed deadly unrest in the Druze-majority Sweida province, where clashes erupted between Druze fighters and Sunni Bedouin tribes on July 13.

The Syrian Observatory for Human Rights reported over 1,400 people—mostly Druze—were killed in the violence, and more than 250 civilians were summarily executed by Syrian government forces, which had intervened on the side of the Bedouin.

Putin urged political stability through the protection of all ethnic and religious groups and reiterated Russia's ongoing military involvement in Syria, despite its war in Ukraine. Russia continues to back Syria's Assad regime, which collapsed in December 2024, leading to Bashar al-Assad's relocation to Moscow.

The Russian President reportedly offered to mediate stalled talks on Iran's nuclear program. This follows a recent 12-day conflict sparked by Israeli strikes on Iranian military and nuclear sites. While aligned with Tehran, Moscow has maintained neutrality during Israeli and U.S. strikes, possibly to preserve its diplomatic ties with Israel.

Over 1.5 million Afghans returned from Iran, Pakistan in 2025: UN

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More than 1.5 million Afghan migrants have returned to Afghanistan since the beginning of 2025, according to a report by the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), as reported by Tolo News. The data shows a massive surge in returns from neighboring countries, particularly Iran and Pakistan.

As of July 19, OCHA reported that 1,541,000 Afghans had returned this year — with 1,201,000 coming from Iran and 340,000 from Pakistan. While the number of returnees from Iran remained high, the daily deportation rate appeared to be declining in mid-July, down to around 9,000 per day. OCHA attributed this decrease to ongoing diplomatic talks between Afghan authorities and the Iranian government.

Despite the drop, the scale of returns remains staggering. On July 22 alone, 11,605 individuals returned to Afghanistan, according to the Islamic Emirate's Ministry of Refugees and Repatriation. Of these, 1,811 were successfully relocated to their home provinces. Over the previous two days, 19,002 migrants had arrived from both Iran and Pakistan — through a mix of voluntary returns and forced deportations.

Ali Reza Karimi, a migrants' rights advocate, raised concerns about the humanitarian impact of mass deportations. "Between 10,000 to 20,000 Afghans are being forcibly deported from Iran daily. The Afghan gov-



ernment must establish reception centers, offer emergency aid, and create short-term jobs to support these returnees," he urged.

Many deportees shared stories of hardship. "We have no shelter in Afghanistan," said Abdul Wadood, recently deported from Iran. "We need support from the Islamic Emirate."

A young returnee named Jalal appealed for help with education: "My wish is to go to school. I ask the government to help me study."

In response, the UN High Commissioner for Refugees has called for an end to forced deportations and proposed a trilateral meeting involving Iran, Afghanistan, and UNHCR to address the crisis.

Domestic Markets Rebound Strongly Despite US-India Trade Deal Uncertainty

The series of losses has come to an end. The domestic stock markets were buoyed on Tuesday by positive signals from Asian markets. Benchmark and sectoral indices gained heavily. It is noteworthy that the indices rose despite the ongoing uncertainty over the US-India trade deal. Investors' preference for value investing in already down stocks contributed to this. Overall, the Nifty gained 140 points and the Sensex gained 446 points.

The BSE Sensex, which closed at 80,891 in the previous session, opened at 80,620 on Tuesday. It touched an intraday low of 80,575. It reached an intraday high of 81,429. It finally closed at 81,337 with a gain of 446 points. The NSE Nifty, which opened at 24,609, touched a low of 24,598 and a high of 24,847. It closed at 24,821, up 140 points. The Nifty Bank rose 137 points to settle at 56,222.

In the Nifty50, 36 companies gained and 14 lost. Jio Finance, Larsen & Turbo, Reliance Industries, Asian Paints, Eicher Motors were the top gainers. SBI Life Insurance, Axis Bank, TCS, HDFC Life Insurance, Titan, ITC were the biggest losers. Today, realty, pharma, healthcare, infra, energy, oil, metal, manufacturing, auto, media, PSE indices rose. The defense index rose slightly.

Market breadth favored buyers on the NSE today. Out of a total of 3050 stocks traded, 1934 gained and 1025 lost. 50 stocks touched their 52-week highs and 56 touched their 52-week lows. The upper circuit was 77 and the lower circuit was 71.

The rupee weakened by 17 paise to settle at 86.82 against the dollar. Green Ply Industries' Q1 profit fell 14.2% to Rs. 28.5 crore from Rs. 33.2 crore. Heidelberg Cement's net profit rose 20.5% to Rs. 40 crore from Rs. 48.2 crore. CLSA has given an Outperform rating to BEL with a target price of Rs 400. Deepak Fertilizer's net profit increased by 24.4% to Rs 243 crore from Rs 195 crore. J Kumar Infra Projects' net profit increased by 18.74% to Rs 103 crore from Rs 87 crore. Welspun Corp's net profit increased by 41% to Rs 350 crore from Rs 248 crore. NSE's net profit increased



by 10% and revenue by 7%. Shanti Gold International IPO received a response of 43.39 times by noon on the third day. Citi maintained a Sell rating on IndusInd Bank with a target price of Rs 765. Asian Paints' net profit decreased by 6% to Rs 1100 crore. 80 lakh shares changed hands in a block deal in Canara Bank. Torrent Pharma has been given a buy rating by Citi, raising its target to Rs 4380 crore.

Stock Recommendations

Coromandel: These shares are consolidating at the highest levels. The trend is bullish. Momentum and relative strength are increasing. Investors should take positions above Rs. 2450 in this counter, which closed at Rs. 2495 on Monday.



Jio Financial: These shares, which have been in an uptrend for three months, are currently in the consolidation phase. Relative strength is very good. These shares, which closed at Rs. 321 on Monday, should be bought above Rs. 310. Hold up to Rs. 365.



Aurobindo Pharma: This stock has been in a downtrend for a few months. There is a possibility of reversals now. Investors should take positions at Rs. 1140 with a target price of Rs. 1250/1280 in this counter, which closed at Rs. 1158 on Monday.

Gland Pharma: These shares have been in an uptrend for a few months. They have now reached a key resistance level. Relative strength and momentum are gradually increasing. Investors should buy in this counter, which closed at Rs. 2102 on Monday, in the Rs. 2080/2050 range using the buy on dips method.



Motilal Oswal Finance: These shares have been in an uptrend for a few months. They have now pulled back at a key level. Relative strength and momentum are gradually increasing. Investors should buy in this counter, which closed at Rs. 937 on Monday, in the Rs. 910 range with a target price of Rs. 1150.

New UPI Rules from Aug 1: Balance Check, Auto-Pay Limits



Starting August 1, 2025, the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) will enforce new guidelines for all UPI users to enhance security, reduce system load, and streamline digital payments.

One of the key updates is a cap on balance enquiries. UPI users will now be limited to 50 balance checks per day per app, within a rolling 24-hour period. However, this is per application, meaning users can still check balances on other UPI apps separately. These balance checks must be user-initiated—apps can no longer request them automatically. Additionally, banks must display the available balance after every successful UPI transaction.

Auto-pay transactions, which include recurring payments, will also see changes. To avoid congestion during high-traffic hours, NPCI has defined new processing windows: before 10 a.m., between 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., and after 9:30 p.m. Auto-pay will not be executed during peak UPI usage hours: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Other restrictions include:

Viewing linked bank accounts: Limited to 25 times per day.

Checking status of pending transactions: Only 3 times, with a 90-second gap between each.

Payment reversal requests: Capped at 10 per month, and only 5 allowed per sender.

To prevent fraud, UPI apps will now display the recipient's bank name before a transaction is completed, allowing users to confirm they are sending money to the correct person or business.

NPCI has warned that banks or apps that fail to comply with these rules may face penalties, suspension of new user onboarding, or even restricted API access for UPI services.

Centre Eyes ₹5.91 Lakh Cr from Cess, Surcharge in FY26, Up 9.4%

The Central Government has projected a significant increase in its cess and surcharge collections for the financial year 2025–26 (FY26), budgeting ₹5.91 lakh crore—marking a 9.43% rise over FY25 figures. This includes ₹4.18 lakh crore from cess and ₹1.72 lakh crore from surcharge, according to data presented in Parliament on July 29, 2025.

In FY25, cess collections stood at ₹3.87 lakh crore, while surcharges brought in ₹1.53 lakh crore. The figures were shared in a written reply by Minister of State for Finance Pankaj Chaudhary in the Rajya Sabha.



Mr. Chaudhary explained that cess and surcharge are levied under Article 271 of the Constitution to fund specific central needs, such as Centrally Sponsored Schemes. While these expenditures benefit states indirectly, the funds raised from these levies are not included in the divisible tax pool shared with the states.

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman also responded to a separate query, revealing that the Centre collected ₹83,071 crore in FY25 from health and education cess alone, while expenditures from the same fund totaled ₹87,199 crore. In previous years, collections were ₹69,891 crore (FY24) and ₹60,616 crore (FY23), with similar spending

levels.

Currently, the government levies eight different cesses, including those on agriculture infrastructure, crude oil, exports, GST compensation, health and education, national calamity, and infrastructure. Surcharges are imposed on corporate income tax, personal income tax, and via social welfare surcharges under Customs.

Opposition-led states have repeatedly demanded that cess and surcharge collections be included in the divisible pool of taxes, from which the Centre currently devolves 41% to states. However, these levies remain outside the revenue-sharing framework.

SEBI Bans Four for Two Years in TV Stock Tips Case

The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has barred four entities from participating in the securities market for two years in connection with an insider trading case involving stock recommendations aired on a popular business television channel. The final order, released on July 28, 2025, reveals that the entities exploited non-public information to earn unlawful gains of ₹7.4 crore.

The barred entities include Partha Sarathi Dhar, SAAR Commodities Private Limited, Manan Sharecom Private Limited, and Kanhya Trading Company.

SEBI's investigation uncovered a coordinated scheme in which guest experts on the TV show shared their stock tips and broadcast timings in advance with the noticees, namely Nirmal Kumar Soni and Partha Sarathi Dhar. These individuals would then take positions in the recommended stocks before the recommendations aired, and square them off immediately after the broadcast to profit from the anticipated price movements.

SEBI noted, "The noticees devised a scheme to take advantage of advance possession of non-public information about the recommendations given by guest experts."

The guest experts involved were identified as



Kiran Jadhav, Ashish Kelkar, Himanshu Gupta, Mudit Goyal, and Simi Bhaumik. While they were not banned, they played a role in the tip-sharing process.

Out of 15 individuals and entities named in the interim order dated February 8, 2024, ten settled with SEBI, leading to the disposal of charges against them. However, the remaining four failed to substantiate their denials and were debarred.

SEBI also imposed a joint penalty of ₹4 crore, with SAAR Commodities Private Limited facing the highest individual fine of ₹2 crore. All debarred parties are required to deposit the unlawful gains in an escrow account as directed.

Meta Smartwatch Project Revived, May Launch with Cameras and AI in September 2025



Meta Platforms appears to be reviving its long-stalled smartwatch initiative, with a potential launch now eyed for September 2025. According to a new report from DigiTimes, the company is working toward unveiling the wearable device during its annual Meta Connect event, scheduled for September 17–18. The upcoming smartwatch may feature built-in cameras and artificial intelligence (AI) capabilities, potentially pairing with Meta’s AI-powered smart glasses to enhance user interaction.

This development marks Meta’s second serious attempt to break into the competitive smartwatch market. The original project, codenamed “Milan,” surfaced in 2021 with ambitious features, including a curved-edge display, a physical button, and a front-facing camera. A subsequent 2022 prototype included two cameras—a 5MP front sensor and a 10MP rear sensor—in a gold-colored frame. However, technical difficulties, particularly interference between the second camera and neural signal processing technology, led to the project’s cancellation in mid-2022.

The latest iteration is reportedly being developed in collaboration with Chinese manufacturer Huaqin Technology. While the company has not confirmed the specs or release date, the timing aligns with Meta’s strategic goal of expanding its hardware ecosystem.

If launched, the Meta smartwatch would signal the company’s formal entry into a market currently dominated by Apple and Samsung. Unique selling points could include camera-based features and deeper AI integration, distinguishing it from existing products that primarily focus on health tracking and notifications.

Still, skepticism remains. The report emphasizes that the smartwatch might not debut publicly at Meta Connect, reflecting lingering uncertainty around its readiness. Nevertheless, its reappearance in development pipelines suggests Meta is determined to stake its claim in the wearables space, combining social connectivity, AI, and augmented reality into one ecosystem.

Kaziranga Ranks Third Globally in Tiger Density with 18.65 Tigers per 100 sq km

Assam’s Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve (KNPTR), globally renowned for its population of one-horned rhinoceroses, has now earned another distinction—it ranks third in the world for highest tiger density. According to a recent survey, Kaziranga has recorded a tiger density of 18.65 tigers per 100 square kilometers, reflecting a thriving and expanding big cat population.

The latest tiger census conducted in 2024 reported 148 individual adult tigers across Kaziranga, including 83 females, 55 males, and 10 of unknown gender. This figure includes 27 tigers from the newly incorporated Biswanath Wildlife Division, counted for the first time in this survey.

Dr. Sonali Ghosh, Director of KNPTR, highlighted that the core Eastern Assam Wildlife Division showed growth, with the number of tigers rising from 104 in 2022 to 115 in 2024. Meanwhile, the Nagaon Wildlife Division maintained a steady count of 6 tigers.

The tiger survey was a comprehensive exercise conducted under Phase IV monitoring protocols of the National Tiger Con-



servation Authority (NTCA). It involved deploying 293 camera traps over a 1,307 sq km area and spanned 103 days. The monitoring generated over 1.3 million images, of which 4,011 captured tigers, aiding in individual identification.

Kaziranga’s remarkable conservation success has been credited to effective anti-poaching strategies, focused habitat restoration, and robust community involvement. “Kaziranga’s growing ti-

ger numbers reaffirm the impact of sustained protection and collaborative conservation. The challenge now is to secure corridors and buffer zones against anthropogenic pressures,” said Dr. Ghosh.

As tiger populations continue to face threats from human encroachment and habitat fragmentation across India, Kaziranga stands as a model for effective wildlife management and cross-sector conservation partnerships.

‘Cannibal’ Robot That Grows and Heals by Consuming Other Bots

Developed by Columbia Scientists

In a breakthrough that blurs the line between science fiction and reality, researchers at Columbia University have unveiled a robot capable of growing, healing, and enhancing itself by consuming other robots. Dubbed the “cannibal” robot, it operates using a process termed “robot metabolism,” marking a major leap toward the development of self-sustaining, adaptive machines.

According to the study published in Science Advances, this innovative system allows robots to physically evolve by scavenging materials from their surroundings — including parts from other robots — to replace damaged components or upgrade their abilities. Rather than being built for a single, fixed purpose, these robots can now reconfigure themselves in response to their environment.

At the heart of this development is the



“Truss Link,” a modular magnetic stick inspired by Geomag toys. These components can self-assemble into two-dimensional shapes and later transform into more complex three-dimensional structures. As robots made from Truss Links encounter inactive or obsolete parts in their vicinity, they can incorporate them, effectively “growing” into more advanced

forms. “True autonomy requires not just independent thinking, but also the physical ability to maintain and evolve,” said lead researcher Philippe Martin Wyder. “These machines mimic life — they absorb, adapt, repair, and improve using resources from their surroundings.” While still in early stages, the technology opens up possibilities for future robots capable of long-term missions in remote or hazardous environments where repair and replacement would be difficult or impossible.

The announcement, however, has sparked concern online. Some social media users expressed unease, drawing comparisons to sci-fi dystopias. One commenter wrote, “Science fiction was a warning, not an instruction manual.” Despite mixed reactions, this milestone in robotic evolution could redefine autonomy and resilience in artificial intelligence.

What Is FAFO? The Viral Parenting Trend Embracing Tough Love and Real Consequences

Around and Find Out, is the latest parenting trend gaining attention online—and it’s all about letting children face the natural consequences of their actions. This approach emphasizes independence, responsibility, and resilience, steering away from the “gentle parenting” style that dominated recent years.

Inspired by comedian Russell Peters’ famous line, “Somebody’s gonna get hurt real bad,” FAFO parenting adopts a firmer tone, where parents set clear boundaries but allow kids to experience the outcomes of their choices. If a child refuses to bring a raincoat, they get wet. If they don’t eat dinner, they go hungry until the next meal. It’s a practical, no-nonsense method that encourages kids to learn from experience rather than being shielded from every discomfort.

This style appeals to many parents frustrated by permissive approaches they feel may have contributed to some challenges faced by Gen Z, including struggles with workplace relationships, anxiety, and depression. By balancing care with discipline, FAFO aims to prepare children better for adult life, fostering accountability without harshness.



The term FAFO has roots in biker slang and African American vernacular, becoming widely popular through memes and social media in the late 2010s. It gained political relevance during the 2024 US presidential election, used by figures like Philadelphia District Attorney Larry Krasner and congressman Bakari Sellers as a warning against risky behavior.

Today, FAFO has become a cultural catchphrase, used not only in parenting but also to set boundaries and express frustration in everyday life. Its rise signals a shift toward accepting that actions have consequences—and sometimes, the best lessons come from “finding out” firsthand.

Japan’s Toll System Crashes for 38 Hours, Yet 24,000 Drivers Still Pay Voluntarily

In a remarkable display of civic responsibility, 24,000 drivers in Japan voluntarily paid their toll fees after the country’s electronic toll collection (ETC) system crashed for approximately 38 hours earlier this year. The malfunction affected busy highways such as the Tomei and Chuo Expressways, forcing toll gates to remain open to keep traffic flowing smoothly.



The incident occurred on April 8 and continued into April 9, disrupting the automated system that normally reads drivers’ ETC cards and raises gates to allow passage without stopping. With 106 toll booths across Tokyo and several prefectures unable to process payments, the expressway operator, Central Nippon Expressway Co (NEXCO Central), decided to open all gates temporarily to avoid traffic jams on some of Japan’s busiest roads.

Despite the free passage, about 24,000 drivers later offered to pay the tolls online, reflecting the high level of trust and integrity typical of Japanese society. While an estimated 920,000 ETC-equipped vehicles were on the roads during the outage, it is unclear how many passed through the affected gates.

In May, NEXCO Central announced it would waive toll fees for all vehicles that traveled through the affected areas during the outage period. For those who had already paid, full refunds were issued through the ETC mileage program or similar means.

The incident and the public’s response have been widely praised on social media, with many highlighting Japan’s culture of respect and honesty. One user remarked, “Japan is a high trust society,” while another said, “I’d pay too if I was getting services like in Japan.” A third commented on the efficiency of the ETC system, noting that “You didn’t even have to stop at the toll gates.”

This episode underscores how strong social norms and collective responsibility can maintain order, even when technology fails.

India vs West Indies Champions Begins – Spotlight on Chris Gayle

The final league match of the World Championship of Legends (WCL) 2025 is underway as India Champions face off against the West Indies Champions in a crucial encounter. The stakes are high for both teams, with a place in the play-offs hanging in the balance.

India Champions' captain Yuvraj Singh won the toss and chose to bowl first, putting the spotlight on the explosive West Indies opening duo, Chris Gayle and Lendl Simmons, who have taken the crease.

The India Champions come into this fixture under pressure, having lost all three of their league matches so far. Their chances of qualifying for the playoffs now depend not only on winning but doing so with a massive margin to improve their net run rate. The team will be hoping for a spirited performance from senior players like Suresh Raina, Irfan Pathan, and Harbhajan Singh, alongside their skipper Yuvraj Singh, to turn things around.

On the other side, Chris Gayle's West Indies Cham-



pions are also in a must-win situation. With two points from their previous matches, a victory today would help them secure a spot in the last four of the tournament. Gayle, known for his power hitting, is expected to be the game-changer at the top of the order.

This clash between two iconic teams of veteran legends is not just about qualification — it's also about pride, redemption, and thrilling cricketing moments.

Fans can expect fireworks on the field as the battle of legends unfolds, with every over potentially deciding the fate of the playoffs race in the inaugural WCL 2025 season.

Satwik-Chirag Cruise Into Second Round of Macau Open 2025

India's top men's doubles pair, Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty, began their Macau Open Super 300 campaign in dominant fashion, storming into the second round with a straight-game win on Tuesday. The reigning Asian Games champions, who also reclaimed their place in the BWF world top 10 this week, outclassed Malaysia's Low Hang Yee and Ng Eng Cheong 21-13, 21-15 in just 36 minutes.



Chen Yu Fei of China, while Anmol will take on Thailand's second seed Busanan Ongbamrungphan.

However, in a setback for India, top-seeded women's doubles pair Treesa Jolly and Gayatri Gopichand exited in the first round, losing a close match to Chinese Taipei's Lin Xiao Min and Peng Yu Wei 21-16, 20-22, 15-21.

Meanwhile, Indian men's doubles pair Dingku Singh Konthoujam and Amaan Mohammad progressed to the main draw and will face compatriots Pruthvi Roy and Sai Pratheek next. In mixed doubles, Than-drangini Hema and Priya Konjengbam also entered the main draw.

India's Meiraba Luwang Maisnam, however, failed to make it through, losing in the men's singles qualifiers.

Genie Bouchard Extends Tennis Career With Montreal Win; Raducanu, Osaka Also Advance

Genie Bouchard marked an emotional return to the WTA Tour with a hard-fought victory on Monday, defeating Colombia's Emiliana Arango 6-4, 2-6, 6-2 in the opening round of the National Bank Open in Montreal. The match not only marked her first tour-level win since 2023 but also the 300th of her career — and possibly delayed her retirement plans.

The 31-year-old Canadian had earlier announced that this tournament in her hometown would be her farewell to professional tennis. But after the win, Bouchard playfully hinted she may reconsider. "I told my family that if I won, I would come out of retirement," she told the Montreal crowd, adding, "I felt like the old Genie out there."

Bouchard, once ranked No. 5 in the world after a breakout 2014 season that included a Wimbledon final and two other Grand Slam semifinals, has seen her tennis activity dwindle in recent years, even shifting focus to playing pickleball. She had played just one match in 2025 before being granted a wild card into this tournament.

After splitting the first two sets, Bouchard regained control in the third. She broke Arango twice to take a commanding 5-1 lead. Though



Arango broke back, Bouchard quickly regrouped and sealed the win when Arango sent a backhand wide on match point. The crowd erupted as Bouchard waved and blew kisses, savoring what could have been her final home-court appearance.

Elsewhere, Britain's Emma Raducanu continued her strong form, defeating Romania's Elena-Gabriela Ruse 6-2, 6-4. Just two days earlier, Raducanu had reached the semifinals in Washington. Meanwhile, Naomi Osaka made a confident return, dispatching Canada's Ariana Arsenault 6-4, 6-2 in her first match since parting ways with coach Patrick Mouratoglou.

Gautam Gambhir In Heated Spat with Oval Curator

A video of Team India head coach Gautam Gambhir engaging in a fiery argument with The Oval's chief pitch curator Lee Fortis has gone viral ahead of the crucial fifth Test against England. The incident unfolded on Tuesday during India's training session and has sparked strong reactions online. According to reports, the spat began when Fortis objected to the Indian team practising too close to one of the pitches. Eyewitnesses said Fortis instructed the visitors to maintain a distance of 2.5 metres from the playing surface and reportedly asked them to "go outside the rope" to view the wicket — a demand that visibly irked Gambhir.

Gambhir can be seen pointing fingers at Fortis, repeatedly saying, "You don't tell us what to do. You can't tell any of us what to do. You are just a groundstaff." Batting coach Sitanshu Kotak and other members of the Indian support staff, including Morne Morkel and Ryan ten Doeschate, were present during the altercation. Kotak later explained the sequence of events to the media, stating that while the request from the ground staff was unusual, the Indian team would not file any complaint. "One of the ground staff said to stand 2.5 metres from the wicket and view it from outside the rope. I



have never seen anything like that," Kotak said. He added that Indian players were wearing joggers, not spikes, so there was no risk of damage to the pitch.

"We already had an idea that the curator wouldn't be easy to deal with. Being possessive is fine, but not to this extent," Kotak remarked. The situation escalated when Fortis warned he would "report" the matter. Gambhir snapped back: "You go and report whatever you want to report." Kotak then calmly intervened, pulling Fortis aside to assure him, "We won't damage anything." Though the Oval groundstaff is reportedly considering lodging a formal complaint, the Indian camp has indicated it will let the matter rest — for now.

Australia Completes Perfect 8-0 Sweep in Caribbean Cricket Tour

Australia capped off its Caribbean cricket tour with a flawless 8-0 record after defeating West Indies by three wickets in the fifth and final Twenty20 international on July 28, 2025, at Warner Park Sporting Complex in Saint Kitts.

The Australians entered the last match riding a seven-game winning streak, having already swept the Test series 3-0 and won the first four T20 internationals. Winning the toss for the eighth consecutive time, Australia chose to field first, sending West Indies to bat. The hosts managed a modest total of 170 runs, fall-



ing just two balls short of completing their allotted 20 overs.

West Indies' innings was bolstered by Shimron Hetmyer's

aggressive 52 off 31 balls and Sherfane Rutherford's 35 from 17 deliveries. However, the total wasn't enough to exert serious pressure on Australia's

batting lineup. Ben Dwarshuis led the Australian bowling attack with figures of 3-41, supported by Nathan Ellis (2-32) and spinner Adam Zampa,

who celebrated his 100th T20 international with a wicket and economical bowling, finishing 1-20.

Australia's chase began shakily as Jason Holder and Alzarri Joseph made early breakthroughs, dismissing Glenn Maxwell and Josh Inglis quickly. Despite slipping to 29-3, the innings was steadied by a powerful fifth-wicket partnership between Mitchell Owen (37 off 17) and Cameron Green (32 off 18). Their 63-run stand included

a barrage of sixes, with Owen even sending one onto the pavilion roof.

Akeal Hosein's introduction as a left-arm spinner shifted momentum for the Windies, as he claimed three wickets for 17 runs, breaking up the partnership by removing Owen, Green, and Dwarshuis. Nonetheless, Aaron Hardie's unbeaten 28 guided Australia home comfortably with 18 balls to spare.

This dominant display across formats underlines Australia's superiority on this tour, leaving West Indies searching for answers after a comprehensive series defeat.



First Romantic Still from War 2 Featuring Hrithik and Kiara Advani Unveiled

The anticipation surrounding War 2 just reached a new high, as the makers unveiled the first romantic still featuring Hrithik Roshan and Kiara Advani. This marks a refreshing departure from the high-octane action posters released earlier, which focused on Hrithik and Jr NTR in intense, combat-ready avatars. The still captures a softer, more intimate side of the film, giving fans a glimpse of the romantic angle between Hrithik's suave spy and Kiara's character.



Directed by Ayan Mukerji, War 2 is the next chapter in Yash Raj Films' ambitious Spy Universe, which already includes blockbusters like Ek Tha Tiger, War, and Pathaan. The film brings together two of the biggest stars from Indian cinema—Hrithik Roshan and Jr NTR—in what promises to be an explosive clash of ideologies and missions. Kiara Advani joins the spy franchise as the female lead, adding both glamour and depth to the story.

In a double treat for fans, the film's first single, titled "Aavan Jaavan," is set to drop on

July 31, 2025, in celebration of Kiara Advani's birthday. The romantic track has been composed by Pritam, with vocals by Arijit Singh and lyrics penned by Amitabh Bhattacharya. The song is expected to showcase the chemistry between Hrithik and Kiara while offering a musical break from the film's otherwise action-packed narrative.

War 2 is scheduled for a grand Independence Day weekend release on August 14, 2025. The film will hit theatres in Hindi, Telugu, and Tamil, and expectations are sky-high. With Ayan Mukerji at the helm and a star-studded cast, War 2 is poised to be one of the biggest cinematic events of the year.

Sanjay Dutt's Regal First Look from The Raja Saab Unveiled on His Birthday

On the occasion of Sanjay Dutt's birthday, fans were treated to a special surprise as the makers of The Raja Saab unveiled the veteran actor's first look from the film. Dutt, who plays the role of Prabhas's grandfather in this upcoming horror comedy, appears in a majestic avatar—aged, with long flowing hair, a thick moustache, and a commanding presence. The look has already created a stir online, adding to the excitement surrounding the film.

The Raja Saab, starring pan-India superstar Prabhas in the lead role, is directed by Maruthi and promises a unique blend of horror, comedy, and family drama. The film also features a strong female cast, including Nidhhi Agerwal, Malavika Mohanan, and Riddhi Kumar, who will be seen in pivotal roles.

Adding further depth to the film's ensemble, actors like Prabhas Sreenu, Boman Irani, VTV Ganesh, Sapthagiri, and Samuthirakani play supporting roles. Sanjay Dutt's inclusion brings additional star power and a sense of legacy to the narrative, especially given his character's significance as the protagonist's grandfather.

Produced on a lavish scale by People Media Factory, The Raja Saab is shaping up to be a major theatrical release. The film is slated to hit screens on December 5, 2025, and will release in multiple Indian languages to cater to Prabhas's vast and diverse fan base across the country.

The music for the film is being composed by Tha-



man, known for his chart-topping tracks and energetic soundtracks, which are expected to elevate the film's mood, especially given its horror-comedy genre.

With Sanjay Dutt's powerful first look now out, The Raja Saab has officially entered the spotlight as one of the most awaited films of the year.

Ustaad Bhagat Singh Climax Wrapped Up; Powerful New Still Unveiled

Power Star Pawan Kalyan continues to keep fans on the edge of their seats with multiple high-profile projects. While Hari Hara Veera Malu (HHVM) is currently in theatres, the actor has simultaneously been working on his next action-packed venture, Ustaad Bhagat Singh (UBS), directed by Harish Shankar.

As part of recent promotional interviews for HHVM, Pawan Kalyan had revealed that his portions in UBS would be completed by the end of July. Staying true to his word, the makers have now officially confirmed that the film's intense climax shoot has been wrapped up. To mark the occasion, a striking new still featuring Pawan Kalyan has been released, showcasing his commanding screen presence.



The high-voltage climax was shot under the direction of renowned stunt choreographer Naba Kanta, with promises of a mix of raw emotion and adrenaline-fueled action. The sequence is said to be a major highlight of the film and a treat for fans awaiting the return of vintage Pawan Kalyan.

Ustaad Bhagat Singh features Sreeleela as the female lead, and the recently confirmed addition of Raashii Khanna to the cast has only heightened excitement around the project. Backed by the successful banner Mythri Mov-

ie Makers, the film is being mounted on a lavish scale to match the grandeur and mass appeal expected from a Pawan Kalyan film. Adding to the buzz is the soundtrack by Rockstar Devi Sri Prasad, whose collaboration with Pawan Kalyan and Harish Shankar in Gabbar Singh still remains iconic. With the climax wrapped and final touches underway, Ustaad Bhagat Singh is fast heading toward completion and is expected to hit screens later this year.

Fans can look forward to more updates soon, as the makers gear up for an action-packed release.

Sathi Leelavathi Teaser – A fun take on marriage

The teaser for the upcoming Telugu comedy Sathi Leelavathi is finally out, giving audiences a fun and quirky glimpse into married life. Starring Lavanya Tripathi Konidela and Dev Mohan in the lead roles, the film is directed by Tatineni Satya and produced by Naa-ga Mohan under the Durga Devi Pictures banner, with presentation by Anandi Art Creations.



The teaser opens on a sweet note, showing a seemingly perfect married couple, but it quickly takes a hilarious turn. Lavanya's character is soon seen tying up and beating her husband, played by Dev Mohan, setting the tone for a comedy filled with domestic chaos. What follows is a series of lighthearted moments, misunderstandings, and playful arguments, capturing the ups and downs of modern relationships in a humorous way.

Veteran actors like V.K. Naresh, VTV Ganesh, and Sapthagiri join the ensemble, adding layers of comedy and experience to the mix. Their interactions with the lead couple further enhance the film's humorous take on the trials and tribulations of married life.

The film boasts a talented crew, with music composed by Mickey J. Meyer, known for his catchy and soulful tunes, and visuals captured by cinematographer Binendra Menon. Together, they promise a vibrant and entertaining cinematic experience.

With its shoot wrapped up and post-production in full swing, Sathi Leelavathi is gearing up for a theatrical release soon. The teaser has already sparked interest for its refreshing, feel-good vibe, and it looks set to appeal to a wide range of audiences—especially those looking for a comedy rooted in relatable family dynamics and everyday humor.

Stay tuned for more updates on this charming family entertainer.

Spirit Shoot in Limbo? Prabhas' Packed Schedule Raises Doubts Over September Start

Avatar Fire and Ash Trailer Unleashes a Darker, Fiercer Pandora

The much-awaited trailer for Avatar: Fire and Ash, the third chapter in James Cameron's epic saga, has finally been released online after its exclusive theatrical debut with Fantastic Four: First Steps. Set to hit theatres worldwide on December 19, 2025—including a Telugu version—the trailer offers a visually stunning and emotionally heavy preview of what lies ahead on Pandora.

This time, the conflict shifts inward. Instead of an external human invasion, the Na'vi now face a devastating threat from within their own

world. The trailer introduces the Ash People, a fiery and fearsome Na'vi tribe that rejects the spiritual teachings of Eywa. Led by the intense and mysterious Varang (played by Oona Chaplin), the Ash People represent chaos, destruction, and a stark departure from the peaceful ways of the Omaticaya and Metkayina clans.

Meanwhile, Jake Sully and Neytiri are grappling with the emotional aftermath of losing their son, Neteyam. The grief has taken a toll—Neytiri is shown struggling emotionally, while Jake appears more withdrawn and protective than ever.

Their once-unshakable bond is clearly under strain, adding a deeply human element to the sci-fi spectacle.

Visually, Cameron once again delivers a cinematic marvel. The trailer showcases glowing lava flows, dangerous volcanic landscapes, high-flying aerial battles, and exotic new creatures. Familiar faces like Kiri, Spider, and Colonel Quaritch make their return, and a glimpse of a new Na'vi tribe, the Wind Traders, hints at even more expansive world-building.



With darker themes, richer emotional depth, and an internal Na'vi conflict at its core, Avatar: Fire and Ash is shaping up to be the most intense and personal entry in the franchise. For fans, this trailer reignites the spark and reminds us why Pandora still matters.