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Police detains BJP workers for protesting against attack on cow vigilante

Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) workers on Thursday were detained by the police in Telangana's Hyderabad for protesting against the attack on a cow vigilante (Gau Rakshak). The BJP members were protesting before the DGP's office in Hyderabad.

TPN Bureau,

Hyderabad, Oct 23: The cow vigilante has been identified as Prashant alias Sonu. He was allegedly shot by a cow smuggling mafia in the Ghatkesar area of Hyderabad on Wednesday. Sonu is currently battling for his life in the hospital with a bullet injury. Telangana BJP president N Ramchander Rao

and other leaders also participated in the protest.

While being detained, Rao demanded that the Cow Protection Act in Telangana and slammed the Revanth Reddy government for protecting those who are attacking BJP workers.

"BJP condemns the attack on 'gaurakshak'. The BJP demands the implementation of the Cow Protection Act in

Telangana. The Revanth Reddy government has become the Revanthuddin government. They are trying to protect MIM workers who are actually attacking the BJP workers, who are actually destroying the temples, who are desecrating the temples and idols of the Hindu temples and the Hindu institutions. Today, the police have arrested BJP workers while giving

demonstrations before the DGP's office. We condemn the act of the government," Rao told reporters.

A cow vigilante, Sonu, was allegedly shot by a cow smuggling mafia in the Ghatkesar area of Hyderabad on Wednesday. Sonu, who's been dedicated to protecting cows for 5-6 years, is currently battling for his life in the hospital with a bullet injury.

Speaking with ANI, his mother, hailing from the Valmiki community, vowed to sacrifice more sons for the cause, demanding the government's arrest of the perpetrators.

"My son is battling for his life. I will sacrifice 10 more sons for the cow vigilante. He called me up and said that he is in Ghatkesar and has been shot.

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KCR Rallies BRS Cadre For Jubilee Hills Bypoll Push

Ensure Huge Margin For Maganti Sunitha In Jubilee Hills, Says BRS Chief



TPN Bureau,

Hyderabad, Oct 23: BRS Chief Kcr Reasserted To Party Leaders That While The People Of Jubilee Hills Have Already Confirmed The Victory Of Maganti Sunitha Gopinath In The By-Election Necessitated By The Demise Of BRS Mla Maganti Gopinath, Party Leaders Must Go To The Public And Create More Awareness About The Congress's Vicious Rule To Secure A Huge Majority.

Kcr Expressed Anguish That The State Has Already Been Ruined By The Corrupt Rule Of The Congress Government, Which

Cheated The People After Gaining Their Trust. He Criticized The Congress Party For Fielding A Candidate From A 'Rowdy-Sheeteer' Family In Jubilee Hills, Which He Said Is A Tough Test For The Prudence Of Hyderabad Residents. He Expressed Confidence That The Prudent People Of Jubilee Hills Would Decisively Defeat The Candidate From The Rowdy-Sheeteer Family And Protect The Honor Of Jubilee Hills And Law And Order In Hyderabad.

The Preparatory Meeting, Focused On Achieving A Huge Majority For Candidate Maganti Sunitha Gopinath,

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BJP Chief Alleges 'Revanthuddin Sarkar' Protecting Cow Slaughter Mafia

Ramchander Rao Demands Cow Slaughter Prohibition Act In Telangana

TPN Bureau,

Hyderabad, Oct 23: N. Ramchander Rao, Bjp Telangana State President, Issued A Press Statement, Alleging That The Government Running In Telangana Is Not The 'Revanth Reddy Sarkar' But The 'Revanthuddin Sarkar'. He Strongly Condemned The False

Propaganda Against Prashanth (Sonu Singh), A Cow Protector, Who Was Shot By The Cow Smuggling Mafia. He Questioned If The Government Is Protecting Those Who Attempted To Murder Prashanth.

He Criticized The Congress Party And The State Government For Defaming The Cow

Protector Instead Of Taking Strict Action Against The Accused. He Questioned If The Cm, Who Promised A New Policy For Cow Protection, Is Now Issuing Gun Licenses To Cow Killers. He Expressed Doubt About The Law And Order Situation In The State And Demanded Strict Action Against The Aimim

Goons Responsible For The Shooting.

Ramchander Rao Strongly Condemned The Police For Arresting Him And Around 100 Bjp Leaders And Activists While They Were Proceeding To Hand Over A Memorandum To The State Dgp Regarding The Firing Incident.

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Three Held For Shooting Gau Rakshak Activist In Hyderabad

Rachakonda Cops Nab Accused Within 12 Hours

TPN Bureau,

Hyderabad, Oct 23: The Rachakonda Police On Thursday Arrested Three Accused For The Attack On Gau Rakshak Dal Activist Bidla Prashanth Kumar Alias Sonu Singh (28) Near Yamnampet, Ghatkesar, On The Outskirts Of Hyderabad. Prashanth Was Injured When Mohammad Ibrahim Qureshi (24), Who Is In The Cattle Transport Business, Opened Fire

On Him On Wednesday Evening.

Ibrahim Qureshi, Kuruva Srinivas (29), And Hassanbin Mosin (22) Were Arrested In The Early Hours Of Thursday At Shamshabad; Another Accused, Mohammad Haneef Qureshi (34), Is Absconding. The Police Seized One Country-Made Pistol, A Car, And Three Cell Phones.

Police Investigation Revealed The Motive Was

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SAM Rizvi Opts For VRS After Clash With Minister

TPN Bureau,

Hyderabad, Oct 23: Senior Telangana Ias Officer Syed Ali Murtaza Rizvi, Principal Secretary, Commercial Tax And Excise, Has Taken Voluntary Retirement (Vrs) Amidst A Tiff With Excise Minister Jupally Krishna Rao Over High-Security

Liquor Hologram Tenders. The Officer, Known For His Integrity, Cited Personal Reasons For Seeking Vrs, Which The State Government Notified, Appointing M. Raghunandan Rao (Commissioner, Commercial Taxes) With Full Additional Charge.

A Letter Written By Minister

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81 Nominations Accepted For Jubilee Hills Bypoll

EC Clears Papers Of BRS, Congress And BJP Nominees

TPN Bureau,

Hyderabad, Oct 23: The Scrutiny Of Nominations For The Jubilee Hills Bye-Election Has Concluded, With The Election Commission Of India Accepting The Nominations Of 81 Candidates. The Official List Of Accepted Nominations Was Released By The Returning Officer, P. Sairam, On Thursday.

Out Of The 321 Nominations Filed By 211 Candidates, 135 Were Found Valid, And Finally, 81 Nominations Were Accepted. The Nominations Of Candidates From Major Parties, Including BRS



Candidate Maganti Sunitha, Congress Candidate V Naveen Yadav, And Bjp Candidate Lankala Deepak Reddy, Were All Accepted. The Field Of Candidates Also Includes 51 Independent Candidates. The Last Date For The Withdrawal Of Nominations Is October 24.

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He was brought to the hospital here...It has been 5-6 years since he has been doing this...I demand that the Govt arrest the perpetrator..." Sonu's mother said.

According to reports, Sonu was lured by a group claiming to have information about cow transportation. When he arrived at the scene, one of the individuals opened fire, leaving him critically injured. The police have since identified and detained suspects, with investigations ongoing.

Reacting to it, the BJP leaders from the state claimed that Sonu was shot while attempting to stop cow transportation, alleging the accused is linked to AIMIM.

BJP leader Madhavi Latha accused AIMIM of involvement, urging swift justice.

"This man (shows a picture) shot a cow vigilante, Prashant (alias Sonu). It has become clear who he is...Those who are protecting cows are protecting the Constitution. If the Police don't arrest the culprit and present them before the Court, it means the Police are helping them...He (accused) is an AIMIM man. I challenge Revanth Reddy to prove that if he has the guts, he will do justice to Prashant...Prashant is battling for his life; he is a brave man...This is an attempt to murder..." Madhavi Latha said.

Union Minister G Kishan Reddy called for an end to mafia activities, alleging police complicity.

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He Stated That Prashanth (Sonu Singh) Was Seriously Injured In The Firing By Aimim Goons When He Intercepted Cow Transportation At Ghatkesar And Is Undergoing Treatment. He Strongly Condemned The Government's False Propaganda That Sonu Singh Was Demanding Money For A Case Settlement While He Is Fighting For His Life In The Hospital.

He Alleged That After The Congress Came To Power, Cow Smugglers And Mafia Have Been Running Rampant, Leading To An Increase In Attacks On Cow Protectors, Culminating In The Attempted Murder Of Prashanth By Ibrahim From The Old City. He Held The State Government Fully Responsible For The Incident, Demanded The Immediate Arrest Of The Perpetrators, And Called For Strict Measures To Prevent Recurrence. He Demanded That The Government Introduce A Cow Slaughter Prohibition Act In Telangana, Warning That The Bjp Would Intensify Its Movement Otherwise.



Sridhar Babu Eyes ₹1 Lakh Crore Life Sciences Boost

TPN Bureau,

Hyderabad, Oct 23: State It And Industries Minister Duddilla Sridhar Babu Announced That A Roadmap Is Being Prepared To Attract ₹1 Lakh Crore In New Investments To The State's Life Sciences Sector And Create 5 Lakh Jobs By 2030. The Minister Delivered A Keynote Address At The Ausbiotech International Conference 2025' In Melbourne, Jointly Organized By The Australian Life Sciences Apex Body (Ausbiotech) And The Victorian Government.

He Highlighted Telangana's Progress, Future Plans, Opportunities, And The State's Favorable Environment For Investment. Despite Ranking 11th Geographically And 12th In Population In India, Telangana's Share Of The Country's Gdp Is Over 5%.

The State's Gsdp Growth Rate Was 8.2% In 2024-2025, Compared To The National Average Of 7.6%. Of The ₹3.2 Lakh Crore In New Investments Received In The Last 20 Months, The Life Sciences Sector Accounted For ₹63,000 Crore. Life Sciences Exports Exceeded ₹26,000 Crore Between April And December Last Year. The Goal Is To Increase Telangana's Life Sciences Economy From The Current \$80 Billion To \$250 Billion By 2030, For Which A "Comprehensive Life Sciences Policy" Will Be Released Soon.

Sridhar Babu Noted That Hyderabad Is The Only City From India To Be Featured Among The World's Best Life Sciences Clusters In The Cbre's 'Global Life Sciences Atlas 2025,' Placing It Alongside Cities Like Boston And Tokyo. Life Sciences Office Leasing Increased Fourfold From 0.6 Million Sq Ft In 2022 To 2.4 Million Sq Ft In 2024. The State Is Committed To Creating A 'Ready To Work Force' For The Upcoming "Bio-Digital" Era In Collaboration With Various International Institutions.

Minister Sridhar Babu Stated The Slogan Is "Invent In Telangana," Not "Made In India," Emphasizing The Favorable "Ecosystem" In Telangana, Including Genome Valley, Medical Devices Park, B-Hub, Progressive Policies, World-Class Infrastructure, And A Single-Window System. He Invited Australian Companies To Invest In Sectors Like Cell And Gene Therapy, Biologics, Diagnostics, Medtech, Ai-Based Digital Health, Api/Bulk Drug Production, And Agri-Biotech, Assuring Full Government Support And Expressing Hope For A "Victoria-Telangana Innovation Corridor."

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Was Held At Kcr's Erravelli Residence, Chaired By The Party Chief. The Meeting Was Attended By Working President Ktr, Senior Leaders, Former Ministers, Mlas Including Harish Rao, Talasani Srinivas Yadav, Mehmood Ali, Singireddy Niranjan Reddy, Srinivas Goud, Sabitha Indra Reddy, G. Jagadish Reddy, Laxma Reddy, Vemula Prashanth Reddy, Chamakura Malla Reddy, Errabelli Dayakar Rao, Along With Maganti Sunitha Gopinath. Cluster In-Charge, Former Corporators, And Other Key Party Leaders From All Divisions Within The Jubilee Hills Constituency Also Participated.

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Krishna Rao To The Chief Secretary Urging The Rejection Of Rizvi's Vrs Application Due To Alleged "Grave Misconduct" Surfaced. The Minister Accused Rizvi Of Deliberately Delaying The Tender Process For The High-Security Holograms, Allowing An Old Vendor To Continue. These Holograms Are Essential For Preventing Illegal Liquor Trade And Excise Tax Evasion. The Minister Claimed He Had Been Writing To The Ias Officer Since August Last Year To Speed Up The Process. Rizvi, However, Proposed Reconstituting The Expert Committee And Removing Himself As Chairman In September, And Sent The File To The Chief Minister, Bypassing The Minister.

Meanwhile, Brs Working President K.T. Rama Rao Alleged That Ias And Ips Officers Are Taking Vrs Due To Harassment By The Congress Government And Refusing To Be A Part Of The Conflict Among Ministers Over Corruption Money. He Criticized Minister Krishna Rao's Anger Towards Rizvi For Not Obeying His Orders, Stating That Officers Are Aware That If They Become Partners In The Anarchy And Irregularities Being Committed By The Congress, They Would Face Jail Time.

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Dual Retaliation: Against Prashanth For Causing An Estimated ₹1 Crore Loss To Ibrahim By Intercepting His Cattle-Transporting Vehicles, And A Potential Conflict Arising From Prashanth's Alleged Demand For ₹5 Lakh To Cease His Activities. Prashanth Was Shot In The Right Side Of His Chest After He Was Confronted For "Exposing" Their Illegal Cattle Transportation Business. Due To Prashanth's Intervention, Five Cases Were Previously Registered Against The Accused Under The Telangana State Prohibition Of Cow Slaughter And Animal Preservation Act.

Meanwhile, Bjp Leaders, Led By The Party's State Unit President, Were Detained By Police When They Staged A Protest Outside The Director General Of Police's Office Against The Attack On The Gau Rakshak Activist. The Police Swiftly Escorted The Bjp Leaders And Workers Away. The Police Commissioner Praised The Swift Action Of The Police In Shifting The Injured To The Hospital And Arresting The Accused Within 12 Hours. A Case Was Registered Under Various Sections, Including The Arms Act.

Etela Rajender Pushes Full Healthcare for Journalists

TPN Bureau,

Hyderabad, Oct 23: Mp Etela Rajender Participated In A Mega Medical Camp Organized For Journalists Under The Auspices Of Tuwj-Iju. During His Speech, Etela Rajender Noted That While Journalists Command Great Respect Outdoors, Many Are In A Situation Where They Lack Money Even For Household Expenses. He Compared Journalists' Lives To The Flashing Lives Seen On The Silver Screen. He Emphasized The Unforgettable Role Of Journalists In Protecting The System.

He Described Journalists As People With A Thirst To Contribute To Society, Relying On Their Pen And Possessing Great Intellectual Capacity, With Many Holding Phds And Mcjs. He Stated That Journalists Are Requesting House Sites, But Governments Are Only Giving Promises And Failing To Deliver. He Recalled That When He Was Finance Minister, Health Cards Were Issued To Journalists, And Funds Were Allocated For Their Welfare, But That Was Short-Lived.

Etela Rajender Demanded That The Government Immediately Take Steps To Ensure Complete Medical Treatment For Journalists, As Their Current Health Cards Are Not Providing Access To Healthcare. He Asserted That Journalists Possess More Information Than The Intelligence System, But They Don't Publish Everything. He Criticized The State Government, Which Has A Budget Of Rs 3 Lakh Crores, For Being Unable To Spend Rs 1,100 Crores For Aarogyasri. He Stated That Journalists Are Being Humiliatingly Driven Out Of Hospitals When They Show Their Health Cards, Warning That It Is Not Good If These Poor Journalists Suffer While Those Who Loot Government Money Are Getting Away. He Demanded That Journalists, The Fourth Estate, Be Provided With An Environment To Work Freely.



Harish Rao Petition Hearing Deferred

TPN Bureau,

Hyderabad, Oct 23: The High Court Adjourned The Hearing On The Petition Filed By Harish Rao To The Next Week. The Court Questioned The Assistant Public Prosecutor (App) On The Failure To File A Counter-Affidavit In The Case. Harish Rao Had Filed A Petition Seeking To Quash The Case Registered Against Him At Bachupally Police Station. The Case Was Registered Against Harish Rao Based On A Complaint Filed By Congress Leader Chakradhar Goud, Who Alleged A Threat To His Life From Harish Rao. Harish Rao's Lawyer Argued That The Police Registered The Case Solely Due To Political Vengeance. The Lawyer Also Noted That The High Court Had Previously Quashed A Phone Tapping Case Registered At Panjagutta Police Station Based On A Complaint From Chakradhar Goud.

Leaders Reviews Pending School Works

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Hyderabad, Oct 23: TPCC Working President Inspected And Reviewed The Pending Works Related To The Government Boys High School And Junior College. A Petition Was Submitted To The Collector Seeking A Total Of Rs 1 Crore 30 Lakhs For The Pending Works. The Requested Funds Included Rs 50 Lakhs For The Construction Of A Compound Wall Between The High School And The College, Rs 50 Lakhs For The Construction Of Additional Classrooms In The College, Rs 20 Lakhs For Gravel For The High School And College Grounds, And Rs 10 Lakhs For Painting The Newly Constructed Building In The High School. The Proposal To Construct A Boundary Wall To Separate The High School And Junior College Came Up Six Months Ago, But Officials Stated That The Work Was Not Completed Due To A Lack Of Budget. Officials Estimated The Cost For The Boundary Wall, Gate Construction, And Other Works To Be Rs 50 Lakhs. They Suggested Submitting A Petition For The Rs 50 Lakhs To The Collector On The Tgiic Chairperson's Letterhead.

The Principal Requested Jagga Reddy To Arrange For Additional Classrooms On The Second Floor Of The Junior College, Along With Safety Walls And Safety Grills. Jagga Reddy Suggested Writing A Letter To The Collector For Another Rs 50 Lakhs For The Additional Classrooms, Safety Walls, And Grills. He Also Advised Informing The Collector About The Need To Demolish The Dilapidated, Unused Buildings In The Junior College And Instructed Officials To Expedite The Demolition Procedure. Students And Teachers Brought To Jagga Reddy's Notice That Water Stagnates In The Junior College And High School Playgrounds When It Rains. He Suggested Submitting A Petition To The Collector For Rs 20 Lakhs To Procure Gravel. Teachers Also Asked Jagga Reddy To Get The Two-Story Building Constructed Under 'Mana Ooru Mana Badi' Scheme In The Boys High School Painted, And He Suggested A Letter For Rs 10 Lakhs For The Painting Work.

Damodar Rajanarsimha Reviews Andole Roads and Bridges

TPN Bureau,

Hyderabad, Oct 23: State Minister For Medical And Health, Damodar Rajanarsimha, Held A Review Meeting At His Residence In Sangareddy With Engineering Officials From The Panchayat Raj And R&B Departments Of Sangareddy And Medak Districts Regarding Road Repairs In The Andole Constituency.

The Minister Directed Officials To Expedite The Construction And Repair Of Roads Under The Panchayat Raj Department In The Andole Constituency, Which Spans Sangareddy And Medak Districts, Particularly Those Damaged By Recent Heavy Rains. The Discussion Focused On Road Construction And Repair Works Being Carried Out Under The Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, The Construction Of New Anganwadi Buildings, And The Construction Of Toilet Blocks In Various Schools. The Minister Specifically Ordered Officials To Quickly Complete The Connecting Roads From Mandal Centers To Villages. Subsequently, He Reviewed The Roads & Buildings (R&B) Department Officials Of Sangareddy District, Discussing The Progress Of The Garlapalli-Ajamarri Bridge Construction.

The Meeting Was Attended By Panchayat Raj Department Engineering Officials, Including Se Jagadeeshwar, Ee Narsimhulu, Dy Ee Prabhakar, Dy Ee Krishna, And Others, As Well As R&B Officials Ee Narsimhulu And De Ravinder.



Ponguleti Says Congress Creating Jobs For Telangana Youth



Minister Hands Over Appointment Orders To New Sub-Registrars, Says 70,000 Jobs Filled In 20 Months

TPN Bureau | Oct 23
Hyderabad: State Minister for Revenue, Housing, and Information & Public Relations, Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy, said

that under Chief Minister Revanth Reddy's leadership, the Congress government is creating employment opportunities for Telangana's youth — the same youth for whom the state was formed on the promise of Neellu, Nidhulu, Niyamakalu (Water, Funds, Jobs).
The minister congratulated 14 newly appointed sub-registrars in the

Stamps and Registration Department, selected through the Group-II examinations conducted by the Public Service Commission. They met him at the State Secretariat on Thursday to express their gratitude. Ponguleti handed over Indian Stamp Act books to them.
He slammed the previous government, alleging that it shattered the

dreams of job aspirants due to negligence in recruitment and exam irregularities. He said the Revanth Reddy-led government has filled over 70,000 posts in 20 months and is also promoting self-employment across departments.
He advised the new officials to serve people with honesty and dedication to uphold the government's image.



KTR Calls Revanth Govt 'Dandupalya Gang', Labels Telangana A 'Mafia State'

BRS Leader Says Congress Turned Telangana Into A Hub Of Corruption And Gun Culture

TPN Bureau | Oct 23
Hyderabad: BRS working president K.T. Rama Rao (KTR) launched a scathing attack on the Congress government,

calling its rule the "darkest era of corruption and lawlessness" and alleging that Telangana has turned into a "mafia state" under the "Dandupalya gang."
KTR called Chief Minister Revanth Reddy the weakest CM ever, accusing him of losing control over his administration. He alleged that IAS and

IPS officers are opting for VRS due to harassment and pressure to act illegally.
He claimed that the state secretariat has turned into a "trading centre for kickbacks" and that corruption is now institutionalized. He further alleged that the CM's residence has become the hub of inter-

nal settlements and that the CM's family and associates have cornered prime lands.
KTR also accused the BJP of remaining silent, calling it a "joint venture administration" between the BJP and Congress. He said the countdown for the Congress government has already begun.

Seethakka Leads Door-To-Door Campaign In Jubilee Hills

Says Naveen Yadav's Win Will Be Turning Point For Area's Development

TPN Bureau | Oct 23
Hyderabad: Minister Seethakka conducted a door-to-door campaign in Borabanda, urging voters to elect Congress candidate Naveen Yadav in the Jubilee Hills by-election. She said Yadav, a local youth, deserves an opportunity to serve his community and that his victory would mark a

new phase of development in the constituency.
She said voters were responding positively and expressed confidence that Naveen Yadav's victory was certain. Seethakka accused the BRS of acting as the BJP's B-team and spreading false propaganda due to fear of defeat.
"She said Congress's 'Praja Palana' model has restored faith in governance and that the people's support will ensure Naveen Yadav's victory.

Youth Leader Salman Khan Joins BRS, Alleges Congress Conspiracy

Says Congress Tried To Buy Him Off, Accuses Party Of Deceiving Muslims

TPN Bureau | Oct 23
Hyderabad: Salman Khan, founder of Hyderabad Youth Courage (HYC), joined the BRS in the presence of working president K.T. Rama Rao. He alleged that Congress leaders conspired to block his nomination in the Jubilee Hills by-election and even attempted to buy him off with offers to meet any demand if he joined Congress.
Salman Khan said he chose the BRS as it

represents "warriors who fought for Telangana." He accused Congress of deceiving Muslims and denying them representation in the Assembly and Cabinet. He said the Congress government has "burned secular values" while KCR and KTR have safeguarded Telangana's Ganga Jamuna Tehzeeb.
He expressed confidence that the BRS would win the Jubilee Hills by-election and return to power in the next general election. He apologized for past remarks against KCR and KTR and vowed to work under KTR's leadership.

TPCC General Secy Hits Back At KTR, Defends Congress Governance



Calls KTR's Remarks 'Mad Outburst', Lists BRS-Era Scams And Failures

TPN Bureau | Oct 23
Hyderabad: TPCC general secretary Chanagani Dayakar hit back at K.T. Rama Rao, saying KTR has "gone mad after losing power." He said KTR's criticism of the state police was unacceptable and defended the Congress's Praja Palana governance as a national model.
Dayakar listed several alleged irregularities under the BRS regime, including the Gurukula secretary's misconduct, land scams worth 500 crore, and the Jubilee Hills rape case. He accused KTR of encouraging drug culture and humiliating IAS officers.
Calling KTR's comments "like ghosts reciting Vedas," Dayakar said the people of Telangana haven't forgotten BRS's corruption over the past decade. He said no amount of "drama or tears" will stop Congress's victory in Jubilee Hills.

Narsaiah Goud Condemns Firing On Gau Rakshak

Says Attacks On Cow Protectors Rising Under Congress Rule, Demands Swift Action

TPN Bureau | Oct 23
Hyderabad: BJP vice president and former MP Dr. Boora Narsaiah Goud strongly condemned the firing on Gau Rakshak Sonu Sin-

gh alias Prashanth, who was shot at Ghatkesar while intercepting an illegal cow transport vehicle. The attacker, Ibrahim from the Old City, fled the spot after firing.
Dr. Narsaiah Goud visited the injured activist at Yashoda Hospital, Secunderabad, and said the bullet caused severe damage to his lungs and liver. He assured the family of full

support and demanded the immediate arrest of the assailant.
He alleged that attacks on cow protectors have increased under the Congress government while illegal cow transporters are being shielded. Citing recent violent incidents and the Nizamabad police officer's murder, he warned that the government's inaction could trigger public outrage statewide.



Old Moosarambagh Bridge Demolished After Flood Damage

Tpn bureau, hyd, oct 23rd
Ghmc Officials Have Demolished The Old Bridge Over The Musi River At Moosarambagh, Hyderabad. The Bridge Had Been Closed To Traffic For The Past Few Days As It Was Severely Damaged And Unfit For Transportation Due To The Recent Musi Floods.

The Ghmc Engineering Department Officials Inspected The Bridge, Which Was In A Dangerous State With Cracks, Peeling Railings, And Exposed Iron Rods Due To The Flooding, And Consequently Closed It.

Traffic Police Also Stopped Vehicle Movement On The Bridge. The Demolition Was Carried Out To Prevent Any Accidents.

The Ghmc Engineering Department Is Preparing Proposals For The Construction Of A New Bridge In Place Of The Old One. Vehicles Heading Towards Amberpet Are Currently Being Diverted Via The Golnaka Bridge. Pedestrians Are Facing Difficulties Due To The Demolition And Are Requesting That The Old Bridge Should Have Been Removed Only After The Completion Of The New Bridge.



HMT Set for Comeback, Raghunandan Promises Revival

Tpn bureau, hyd, oct 23rd
HMT Industry In Chintal, Quthbullapur Constituency, Was Once The Pride Of The Nation, But Is Currently In A Deplorable State, Said Medak MP Raghunandan Rao, Chief Patron Of The Hmt Telangana Employees' Union. He Stated That Efforts Are Underway To Restore The Industry's Former Glory, And He Has Already Discussed The Issue With Union Minister For Heavy Industries And Steel, Hd Kumaraswamy.

Mp Raghunandan Rao Visited The HMT Factory In Chintal On Thursday. He Praised The Industry, Which Was Established In Bangalore In 1953, For Its Excellent Product Manufacturing And Expansion Into Six Branches Across The

Country, Providing Employment To Many. However, He Noted That The Industry Is Now Silent And Nearing Closure, Causing Hardship To Workers And Their Families Due To Subpar Production Across All Its Branches.

He Acknowledged The Efforts Of Some Employees And Staff To Revive The Industry And Find Solutions To Its Problems. He Mentioned That Authorities Are Taking Reports And Conducting Field Studies For HMT's Restructuring, Which Will Take Some Time. Discussions Are Also Underway To Integrate HMT With Other Existing Central Public Sector Undertakings Or International-Level Industries.

Regarding Encroachments On HMT

Lands, He Stated That Discussions Were Held For Their Protection, And Instructions Were Given To Security Personnel. He Said That Fencing Would Soon Be Erected In Coordination With Revenue And Ghmc Officials, Noting That Some Land Disputes Are Under Court Jurisdiction. He Confirmed That The Industry's Land, Which Started With 888 Acres In Chintal In 1964, Is Being Protected Based On Recent Digital Survey Records, Despite Some Land Being Leased To Other Public Sector Undertakings.

He Assured That Pending Labor Issues Of HMT Workers, Including Arrears Of Various Kinds Due Since 1992, As Well As PF And EI Payments, Will Be Resolved Immediately.

Over 900 Kg Ganja Seized in Hyderabad, 3 Arrested

Tpn bureau, hyd, oct 23rd
An Interstate Drug Peddling Racket, Involved In Transporting Ganja From Malkangiri Of Odisha To Maharashtra Via Hyderabad, Was Busted. Hyderabad Police Seized 908.41 Kg Of The Contraband, Valued At Rs 2.7 Crore, And Arrested Three Persons.

Police Teams Intercepted A Lorry At Bandlaguda, Hy-

derabad, On October 22, And Took The Vehicle Driver And His Two Friends Into Custody. During Interrogation, The Trio Confessed To Being Associates Of A Main Transporter. They Admitted To Going To Kalimela In Odisha And Getting The Ganja Loaded As Per Instructions, With The Intention Of Delivering It To A Receiver At Nashik In Maharashtra, Said Deputy Com-

missioner Of Police (South-East Zone) S Chaitanya Kumar.

The Seized Ganja, Sourced From The Remote Forest Areas Of Kalimela, Was Intended For Distribution Across Various Locations In Maharashtra. Further Investigation Is Underway To Identify And Trace Absconding Additional Members Of The Syndicate From Odisha, Andhra Pradesh, And Maharashtra.

Banjara Hills Sex Racket Busted, 8 Held

Tpn bureau, hyd, oct 23rd
The Sleuths Of The Commissioner's Task Force, West Zone, Along With Banjara Hills Police Station Staff, Conducted A Raid On "R-Inn Hotel" At Road No. 12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad, For Illegally Running A Prostitution Racket In Rooms No. 111 And 112. The Police Apprehended One Organizer And Seven Customers (All Natives Of Karnataka), Along With One Hotel Receptionist.

They Successfully Rescued Three Female Workers, Including One Worker From Uzbekistan. The Organizer Was Identified As Md Shareef (36 Years, Business-Style Maker Saloon, R/o Royal Kunj Apartment, Hyderabad). His Modus Operandi Involved Hiring Unemployed Women From Hyderabad By Offering Good Salaries And Commissions In The Guise Of Prostitution, Leveraging His Previous Business

Connections.

The Police Seized Net Cash Of Rs 5,950/-, 12 Unused Condoms, And 13 Mobile Phones. The Arrested Accused Persons, The Seized Property, And The Rescued Victims Were Handed Over To The SHO, Banjara Hills PS, For Further Action. The Operation Was Conducted Under The Supervision Of M. Iqbal Siddiqui, Addl. Dy. Commissioner Of Police, Commissioner's Task Force, West Zone.

Child Rights Panel Reviews Schools in Hyderabad Districts

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The Telangana State Child Rights Commission Held A Review Meeting With The Deos And Meos Of Rangareddy, Hyderabad, And Medchal-Malkajgiri Districts At The Plaza (Telangana Tourism Bhavan) In Begumpet, Hyderabad. The Meeting Was Attended By Chairperson Smt. Kottakota Seetha Dayakar Reddy And Other Commission Members.

The Agenda Focused On Several Critical Issues Within The School Education Department:

- Student-Teacher Ratio And Dropouts: Discussing The Student-Teacher Ratio, Student Dropout Rate (2024-2025 Data), And Handling Of Reported Cases Related To Corporal Punishment.
- Private School Supervision: Reviewing Permissions, Recognition, Fee Regulation Of Private Schools, And The Role Of Authorities In Regulating Cbse And Icse Schools.
- Learning Outcomes: Examining The Ssc Re-

sults For The 2024-2025 Academic Year In Both Government And Private Schools.

Grievance Management: Tracking Data On Child Marriages (Including Success Stories Of Children Re-Enrolled In School After Prevention), Cases Of Attacks On Children (2024-2025 Data), And Awareness Programs On Child Laws, Good Touch/Bad Touch, And Child Helpline 1098.



Best Available Schooling Scheme (Bass) Sop: Addressing The Recent Removal Of 25,000 Sc/St Students From Private Schools Due To Pending Fee Arrears Under Bass, Despite Dy Cm's Assurances For Continuation Of Education.

Integrated Education: Data On The Enrollment And Disabilities Of Children With Special Needs In Government And Private Schools.

Smc/Child Helpline: Status Of The Formation Of School Management Committees (Smc) And Girls' Literacy Rates

(2024-2025 Data).

Infrastructure Availability: Reviewing Funds Allocated For Infrastructure Development, Availability Of Toilets Relative To Student Numbers, Clean Drinking Water, Sanitation, Compound Walls, And Ventilation.

Mid-Day Meals Scheme: Discussing Agencies, Cases Of Food Poisoning, And Measures To Maintain Food Quality.

School Health Program: Reviewing Health Camps, Overall Health Check-Ups, Eye Exams,

And Vaccination Programs.

25% Quota Implementation: Status Of The Implementation Of The 25% Quota For Local Children In Private Schools For The Current Academic Year.

Career Guidance: Vocational Training And Counseling Systems In Schools.

Bal Bhavan Status: Children's Participation In Cultural Programs At Jawahar Bal Bhavan On November 14 (Children's Day), Status Of Primary/Private School Li-

braries, And Teacher Availability.

Migrant Children Enrollment: Addressing Issues Faced By Children Of Migrant Workers (Construction, Industries, Brick Kiln Workers), Including Problems With Enrollment In Government Schools Due To Lack Of Aadhaar Cards, And Measures Taken For Their Enrollment.

Pending Atrs: Reviewing Action Taken Reports (Atrs) Pending With The School Education Department From The Three Districts.

Miyapur Cops Nab Cab Drivers for Wire Theft

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The Staff Of Miyapur Police Station Successfully Apprehended Two Offenders Involved In The Theft Of Electrical Wire Bundles From Three Under-Construction Buildings. The Accused Were Identified As Kancharla Dilip Kumar (35, Cab Driver, R/o Suraram, Jeedimetla) And Nishal Karelkar (28, Cab Driver, R/o Premnagar, Hafeezpet).

The Case Began On October 18, 2025, Following A Complaint From A Petitioner Regarding The Theft Of 25 Electrical Wire Bundles From His Under-Construction Building In Nagarjuna Enclave, Miyapur. The Complainant's Watchman Noticed That The Locks Of The Rooms On The Ground And First Floors Had Been Broken. The Accused, Dilip And Nishal, Who Have Been Involved In Similar Offenses Since 2021 In The Limits Of Miyapur And Gachibowli Police Stations, Targeted Unsecured Under-Construction Sites On A Motorbike Or



Rented Car. Their Modus Operandi Involved Trespassing, Using An Iron Rod To Break Locks, Stealing The Wire Bundles, And Selling The Stolen Property At Scrap Shops In Madinaguda And Sec'bad For Easy Money. The Accused Have Previously Committed

Eight Offenses In Miyapur And Gachibowli And Are Now Involved In Three New Offenses In Miyapur Ps Limits.

The Police Seized A Maruti Swift Car, A Bajaj Pulsar Motor Cycle, And 81 Finolex Electrical Wire Bundles. The Successful Operation Was Carried

Out By The Crime Staff Of Miyapur Police Station Under The Supervision Of Senior Officials. Builders Are Advised To Install Cctv Surveillance, Motion-Activated Cameras & Lights, And Arrange Sufficient Security To Prevent Such Thefts.

Election Observers Inspect GHMC Control Rooms

Tpn bureau, hyd, oct 23rd
In View Of The Jubilee Hills Assembly Constituency By-Election, The General Observer Ranjit Kumar Singh, Police Observer Om

Prakash Tripathi, And Expenditure Observer Sanjeev Kumar Lal Conducted A Surprise Inspection Of The Media Certification And Monitoring Centre (Mcmc),

Model Code Of Conduct (Mcc) Cell, And The 24x7 Control Room Set Up At The Ghmc Head Office.

District Election Officer (Deo) And Ghmc Commissioner R.v. Kar-

nan Explained The Functioning Of The Mcmc, Mcc, And The Control Room. The Election Observers Expressed Satisfaction With The Work Being Done By The Mcmc, Mcc, And The 24x7 Control Room.

General Observer Ranjit Kumar Singh Instructed Election Officials To Respond Immediately To Election-Related Complaints And Ensure That Elec-

tion Campaign Expenditures Are Strictly Recorded. He Emphasized That Election Officials Must Work Towards Holding The Election In A Free, Transparent, And Fair Environment. Deo R.v. Karnan Stated That 10 Cases Of Model Code Of Conduct Violations Have Been Registered So Far, And Confirmed That The By-Election Will Be Conducted Through Evms.

Cotton Farmers Must Update Mobile Numbers for Online Slot Booking

Tpn Bureau, Hyd, Oct 23rd

State Director for Agriculture and Animal Husbandry, B. Gopi, emphasized the urgent need for cotton farmers to update their mobile numbers for online slot booking. On Thursday, he visited the Varamahalakshmi Ginning Mill at Chowdampally, Narketpally Mandal, Nalgonda District, along with District Collector Ila Tripathi.

Before the visit, he reviewed Kharif cotton production, ginning mill operations, and sales in Nalgonda District with district agriculture officials. He stated that there are 23 lakh cotton farmers statewide, with around 2.77 lakh farmers in Nalgonda District alone.

He instructed all ginning mills to maintain a

daily dashboard that records the arrival of farmers with cotton and the expected arrivals for the next seven days. He explained that the CCI software automatically updates farmers' Aadhaar and bank account details once the mobile number is updated, making this step critical.

Additionally, he directed the appointment of agricultural officers at every ginning mill to assist farmers if cotton is not purchased on the day of arrival, allowing them to sell on subsequent days. During his visit, he interacted with farmers, examining the moisture content and quality of the cotton. He urged farmers to adhere to the quality standards prescribed by the Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) and consult officials whenever necessary.



Turmeric Board Secretary Meets Minister, Discusses Cultivation and Marketing Strategies



Tpn Bureau, Hyd, Oct 23rd

Smt. N. Bhavani Sri, Secretary of the newly established Turmeric Board, paid a courtesy visit to Minister Tummal Nageswara Rao at the Secretariat. She briefed him on the activities undertaken by the board over the past six months, highlighting efforts to support turmeric farmers and promote better marketing strategies.

Minister Tummal suggested exploring the possibility of cultivating turmeric as an intercrop with oil palm plantations. He also advised the board to promote the cultivation of high-curcumin tur-

meric varieties instead of the currently cultivated types and to focus on marketing opportunities in the pharma and Ayurveda sectors.

The Secretary informed the minister that the board is supplying post-harvest equipment such as boiling machines, polishers, and grinders to farmers. The board is also identifying turmeric Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) and providing them with subsidies of up to Rs 23 lakh for post-harvest tools and machinery. Farmers are being assisted with Integrated Pest Man-

agement (IPM) techniques and organic certification.

Currently, turmeric powder is being supplied to companies like ITC and Patanjali. Additionally, a leading company that exports to East and Middle Eastern countries has proposed setting up a processing unit in Nizamabad on a 10-acre plot.

Minister Tummal assured full government support for the board, emphasizing the need to reduce pesticide use, explore new cultivation methods, and establish strong marketing linkages to benefit farmers.

Govt teacher suspended, booked for sexually harassing students

Tpn Bureau, Khammam, Oct 23rd

Khammam: A secondary grade teacher (SGT) in the district was suspended from services for allegedly sexually harassing girl students.

The teacher, G Veeraiiah, working at Mandal Parishad Upper Primary School at Narasimhulagudem in Kusumanchi mandal was accused of touching girl students inappropriately and threatening them not to reveal his acts to anyone.

The students took the

matter to the attention of their parents, who lodged complaints with the school authorities and the police. In an inquiry conducted by the mandal education officer, the allegations against the teacher were found true.

Following this, Additional Collector (Local Bodies) and DEO Dr P Srija issued orders suspending Veeraiiah. A case under Section 75 of BNS and Section 7 read with Section 8 of POCSO Act was registered against him at Kusumanchi police station.



Women Commission Organizes Awareness Program for Girls



Tpn Bureau, Hyd, Oct 23rd The Telangana State Commission for Women organized an awareness program titled "Empowering Girls for Unleashing Tomorrow's Leaders" at the Girls' High School, Bolaram, Medchal District. The event focused on key issues such as cyber security, menstrual hygiene, and personality development.

Smt. Nerella Sharada, Chairperson of the Tel-

angana State Commission for Women, attended as the chief guest and addressed the students. She encouraged them to aspire to leadership positions, stressing the importance of self-confidence, knowledge, and equal opportunities in today's society. She also highlighted the significance of being aware of cyber security, personal development, and health protection.

Organic sanitary pads

were distributed to all participating students. The program was attended by local dignitaries, including Raj Jitender (133 Division Corporator), Bobbili Surender Reddy (133 Division President), Vishnu Rao (VVR Groups Chairman), Cine Actress Geetha Bhaskar, Commission Secretary Padmaja Ramana, and Hiteshi from Suhartha Foundation, along with school staff and students.



BJP Extends Full Support to Private Schools' Strike

Tpn Bureau, Hyd, Oct 23rd

NV Subhash, BJP State Chief Official Spokesperson and Media In-Charge, released a statement highlighting the concerns of private educational institutions. The institutions have announced an indefinite strike starting November 3 due to the state government's failure to pay fee reimbursement arrears as promised.

Representatives of the private institutions met BJP State President N. Ramchander Rao to seek the party's support. Ramchander Rao strongly criticized the government for delay-

ing Rs 900 crore in dues, which has caused severe financial difficulties for institutions, leaving them unable to pay staff salaries and threatening the academic progress of students.

He noted that earlier promises to clear arrears before Dussehra and Diwali were not fulfilled, forcing institutions to resume their strike. He stated that the BJP fully supports the strike and will continue to fight until the just demands of students, teachers, and school managements are met, urging the government to act promptly.

Immigration and the Politics of Fear: From Border Control to Cultural Panic

At the United Nations General Assembly last month, U.S. President Donald Trump reignited global debate on immigration with a fiery attack on Europe's open-border policies. Declaring that "it's time to end the failed experiment of open borders," Trump warned European leaders that their nations were "going to hell" — a statement that laid bare his intent to export his brand of anti-immigrant populism to the very continent his Scottish-born mother once left behind.

In the United Kingdom, immigration has long been a politically charged issue. Historical flash-points such as Enoch Powell's infamous 'Rivers of Blood' speech in 1968, the National Front's activism during the 1970s, and the Brexit-era 'Take Back Control' rhetoric of the mid-2010s have all shaped the country's relationship with migration. What makes the current moment distinct, however, is a shift



in focus — from condemning illegal or irregular immigration to denouncing legal migration itself. The evolution of the discourse reflects a deeper nativist anxiety about identity, culture, and belonging. Where earlier debates centered on the state's capacity to manage and integrate migrants, today's narratives increasingly hinge on protecting "heritage" and "way of life." These concerns are often cloaked in the language of integration and national security, yet they resonate most strongly with populist movements seeking to mobilize fear of demographic and cultural change.

The growing prominence of far-right demonstrations — such as the recent "Unite the Kingdom" march led by English Defence League founder Tommy Robinson in London — underscores how mainstream the politics of exclusion

has become. Images from the rally, including that of a demonstrator perched defiantly atop the South Bank lion near Westminster Bridge, have come to symbolize the intersection of nationalism and spectacle in the U.K.'s political landscape.

Analysts warn that the shift from policy-based migration debates to identity-based panic risks normalizing xenophobia in public discourse. What was once a question of economic management has morphed into a cultural battlefield, where even legal immigrants find themselves under suspicion.

As global migration continues amid conflict, inequality, and climate change, the U.K. and much of the West face a defining question: whether to be guided by fear and exclusion, or by inclusion and shared humanity — a choice that will shape not just immigration policy, but the moral fabric of nations.

Bengaluru Auto Fare Chaos: Permanent Fix Needed to End Passenger Woes

As Bengaluru grapples with mounting commuter frustration over autorickshaw fares, the government's ongoing fare verification drive, slated for completion by October 31, appears unrealistic and unfair — both to drivers struggling with delayed verifications and to passengers forced to pay arbitrary fares.

The Transport Department had revised auto fares in August, fixing rates at ₹36 for the first two kilometres and ₹18 for every additional kilometre. However, compliance has been patchy at best. Many drivers continue to charge unregulated amounts, often without displaying fare charts or recalibrated meters. Passengers, left to negotiate or argue mid-ride, are bearing the brunt of administrative lapses.

The verification process has been chaotic. Several drivers reported being turned away from verification centres or told to return after October 25, due to a manpower crunch in the Legal Metrology Department, whose staff have been deputised for the Karnataka Social and Educational Survey. With poor coordination and communication, the recalibration exercise—meant to restore order—has instead



deepened confusion and emboldened fare violations.

Experts and commuter groups have urged the government to extend the deadline and, in the meantime, mandate that all autorickshaws display printed fare charts. This would protect commuters from overcharging and enhance transparency while the recalibration drive continues.

Yet, the fare crisis extends beyond street-hailing autos. Ride aggregator platforms, despite adopting the revised fare structure in August, face growing criticism for exorbitant pricing and surge fares. Commuters routinely report fares 20–30% higher than government-fixed rates, with additional opaque charges. In some cases, cab rides through the same apps are cheaper than autos, prompting questions about fairness and oversight.

Critics say that while authorities crack down on independent drivers, aggregators face little scrutiny. The government, they argue, must enforce uniform fare monitoring and curb profiteering practices under the guise of "digital convenience."

Additionally, passenger safety remains a major concern. Authorities have been urged to launch a comprehensive verification drive to check driver credentials, permits, and vehicle documents—especially vital for single women and senior citizens who depend on autos for daily commutes.

Ultimately, experts agree that fare tinkering and enforcement drives are only temporary fixes. The sustainable solution lies in strengthening Bengaluru's public transport system, ensuring that autorickshaws serve primarily as last-mile connectors, not as substitutes for the city's inadequate mass transit network.

The Long wait For A Resolution..!



The prolonged legal tussle over the Munambam land dispute has entered yet another complicated phase, following a recent order by the Kerala High Court that has added layers to an already tangled issue. Instead of providing finality, the judgment has further muddled the waters, leaving the matter open for continued legal scrutiny.

In its latest ruling, a Division Bench of the High Court declared that the disputed Munambam holding does not qualify as Waqf property. However, the court simultaneously refrained from annulling the previous actions taken by the Kerala Waqf Board concerning the same property, despite terming those actions as bad in law. This nuanced decision effectively transfers the responsibility for a conclusive resolution back to the Waqf Tribunal, which is already hearing related petitions on the issue.

The judgment, while significant, has not delivered the clarity many stakeholders had hoped for. By directing the matter back to the Tribunal, the court has reignited debates around jurisdiction, ownership rights, and the procedural correctness of the Waqf Board's earlier interventions. Legal experts note that this move could prolong the dispute, as the Tribunal must now re-examine aspects that the High Court has left open-ended.

The Munambam property, located in Ernakulam district, has long been the subject of contention between private claimants and the Waqf Board. Questions regarding its legal status and ownership have persisted for years, with both sides presenting competing claims of historical rights and religious endowments.

The High Court's decision, observers say, highlights the complexities inherent in property cases involving Waqf land, where questions of faith, community interest, and statutory interpretation intersect. The ruling may also have wider implications for similar disputes across the State, where Waqf land holdings have frequently been challenged on grounds of title and management.

For now, the case remains far from resolved. With the Waqf Tribunal tasked once again with reassessing the matter, the Munambam dispute appears destined to continue its long and winding journey through the corridors of justice — offering, at least for the moment, no clear end in sight.

Pakistan-Afghanistan Conflict Escalates After Cross-Border Strikes

The fragile peace between Pakistan and Afghanistan has collapsed into a near-war situation following what is believed to be Pakistan's first-ever aerial bombing of Afghanistan earlier this month. The drone strikes on Kabul and Paktia on October 9, coinciding with Taliban Acting Foreign Minister Amir Khan Muttaqi's visit to Delhi, marked a dramatic escalation in tensions after decades of insurgency and state-sponsored militancy in the region.

The cross-border attacks, allegedly targeting Tehrik-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) camps, resulted in civilian casualties, including the deaths of members of a local cricket team in Urgan district. In retaliation, Afghanistan pulled out of a tri-na-

tion cricket series and responded with multiple strikes on Pakistani border areas. The violence intensified soon after a 48-hour truce expired, with Pakistan claiming its actions were provoked by a TTP suicide bombing that killed 17 soldiers.

Reports from Pakistan's Centre for Research and Security Studies show a 46% rise in violence this year, with the first three quarters already surpassing last year's toll. Analysts attribute this surge to Pakistan's counterterrorism missteps and the resurgence of militant factions like the Islamic State of Khorasan (IS-K), which has expanded its activities across Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Observers allege that Paki-



stan's security establishment may be using IS-K as a proxy against Baloch and Pashtun leaders, such as Meh-rang Baloch and Manzoor Pashteen, who lead peaceful rights movements.

A Qatar-mediated ceasefire on October 19, supported by Turkey, brought temporary relief, but tensions remain high. The agreement faced backlash in Afghanistan for referring to a "border," a term Kabul rejects. Afghan officials warned that if their Supreme Leader declared Pakistan an "invader" by religious decree, it would justify large-scale retaliation.

Meanwhile, Pakistan's leadership continues its rhetoric of escalation, with Defence Minister Khwaja Asif accusing Kabul of aligning with India and Army Chief Field Marshal Asim Munir issuing nuclear threats toward New Delhi. Experts believe Islamabad's strategy aims to draw the U.S. back into the region, seeking both strategic leverage and financial aid.

As violence spirals, calls for peace from within Pakistan—such as Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Chief Minister So-hail Afridi's plea for a 'grand jirga'—go unheeded. For now, both nations appear trapped in a cycle of vengeance, with Pakistan's military determined to escalate, even at the cost of national stability.

PM Modi to Virtually Attend 47th ASEAN Summit, Talks with Malaysian PM



TPN Bureau | Patna
Prime Minister Narendra Modi will participate virtually in the upcoming 47th ASEAN Summit scheduled to be held in Kuala Lumpur later this month, Malaysian Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim announced on Thursday, October 23, 2025.
Anwar shared the up-

date on X (formerly Twitter), mentioning a recent phone conversation with a close aide of PM Modi. The discussion focused on deepening the bilateral relationship between Malaysia and India to a more strategic and comprehensive level.
“Last night, I received a phone call from a col-

league of Prime Minister Narendra Modi to discuss efforts aimed at strengthening Malaysia-India bilateral relations,” Anwar said. He highlighted that India remains a vital partner for Malaysia across several sectors, including trade, investment, technology, education, and regional security

cooperation.
The Malaysian PM also mentioned the upcoming ASEAN Summit, adding that Modi would attend virtually due to India’s ongoing Deepavali celebrations at that time. He extended his warm festival greetings to PM Modi and the people of India.
Anwar reiterated Ma-

aysia’s commitment to enhancing ties with India and strengthening ASEAN-India cooperation to promote a more peaceful and prosperous region. The two leaders discussed opportunities to expand collaboration in key areas, reaffirming the importance of their strategic partnership amid growing regional and global challenges.
This virtual participation underscores the significance India places on its ties with ASEAN nations and the importance of regional multilateral platforms like the ASEAN Summit to foster cooperation.
The 47th ASEAN Summit will focus on addressing regional security, economic recovery, and collaborative growth, with India playing a key role as a dialogue partner.
PM Modi’s virtual presence highlights India’s ongoing engagement with Southeast Asia while balancing domestic festivities and diplomatic priorities.

Gaganyaan Mission: 90% Development Work Completed, Says ISRO Chief



TPN Correspondent | Patna
The Gaganyaan mission, India’s first human spaceflight project, is progressing steadily with about 90 percent of the development work now complete, ISRO Chairman V. Narayanan announced on Thursday.

Speaking to reporters during the promotional activities for the upcoming Emerging Science, Technology, and Innovation Conclave (ESTIC-2025) in New Delhi, Narayanan detailed the extensive technological advancements involved in the mission. “A lot of technology development has to take place — the rocket has to be human-rated, the orbital module developed, along with the environmental control and safety systems,” he said.
Narayanan highlight-

ed the importance of the crew escape system, parachute deployment system, and human-centric products critical for the mission’s success. “Now, three uncrewed missions have to be accomplished before going for the crewed mission, and we are working towards that. In the first uncrewed mission, Vyomitra, the humanoid robot, will fly,” he added, setting a target for the crewed mission by early 2027.
On August 24, 2025, ISRO successfully conducted its first integrated air drop test for the Gaganyaan program at the Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota. The test validated the parachute-based deceleration system for the crew module, a crucial safety component ensuring a

Bihar Battle:Tejashwi Yadav Named CM Candidate, Mukesh Sahni Deputy

TPN Correspondent | Delhi
The Opposition INDIA bloc on Thursday officially announced Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) leader and former Deputy Chief Minister Tejashwi Yadav as its Chief Ministerial candidate for the forthcoming Bihar Assembly elections. The announcement was made at a joint press conference held in Patna, attended by representatives of all alliance partners.
Senior Congress leader Ashok Gehlot, who is also the senior observer for the Bihar polls, declared the decision. “I have talked to everyone, and we have agreed to make Tejashwi Yadav the CM face,” Gehlot said, expressing confidence in Tejashwi’s political future. “He has a long political career ahead of him, and he will get the approval of the people,” he added.
Alongside Tejashwi’s nomination, Gehlot announced that Mukesh Sahni, founder of the Vikassheel Insaan Party (VIP), would be one of the two Deputy Chief Ministers of the alliance. The identity of the second Deputy Chief Minister will be



declared later.
The announcement comes amid growing political activity as parties gear up for the critical Bihar polls, a key battleground in Indian politics. The INDIA bloc’s move aims to consolidate opposition votes and challenge

the ruling coalition.
Meanwhile, within the Congress ranks, murmurs of discontent surfaced over the absence of Rahul Gandhi’s photo on the alliance’s election poster, which featured only Tejashwi Yadav. The omission sparked discussions

about internal dynamics and representation in the coalition campaign.
The INDIA bloc alliance comprises several regional parties united in their effort to counter the ruling NDA alliance in Bihar. The naming of Tejashwi as the CM candidate marks a sig-

nificant step in the alliance’s strategy to rally voters under a common leadership.
As the campaign intensifies, all eyes will be on how the INDIA bloc’s choices influence voter sentiment in Bihar’s politically charged atmosphere.

Rifts Emerge Between Congress and National Conference Ahead of J&K Rajya Sabha Poll

TPN Correspondent | Srinagar
Tensions have surfaced between the Congress and National Conference (NC) in Jammu and Kashmir ahead of the upcoming Rajya Sabha elections, with the Congress accusing the NC of “betrayal” and refusing to participate in a joint legislative party meeting called by NC leader Farooq Abdullah. The meeting took place ahead of the Assembly session starting Thursday and the voting for four Rajya Sabha seats scheduled for Friday.
The Congress has kept the NC waiting on its role in the Rajya Sabha elections after opting out of the Upper House race as well as a bye-election for Jammu’s Nagrota Assembly seat. In both instances, the Congress declined the NC’s offers to collaborate.
The rift deepened when the NC announced three candidates for the Rajya Sabha polls, leaving only one seat for the Congress. However, Congress leaders labeled the fourth seat as “unsafe” — indicating



that, given the current distribution of seats within the alliance, the victory was not assured. Consequently, Congress chose not to field a candidate for that seat.
Senior Congress leaders accused the NC of reneging on a promise made to Sonia Gandhi to ensure

Congress would secure a “safe seat.” This perceived breach of trust has heightened tensions between the allies.
These developments come at the start of a crucial Assembly session and present a political challenge for Chief Minister Omar Abdullah. Abdullah

has appealed to both his ally, the NC, and rival party People’s Democratic Party (PDP), led by former Chief Minister Mehbooba Mufti, to unite and vote against the Bharatiya Janata Party’s (BJP) Rajya Sabha candidate.
Currently, the NC holds 41 MLAs, Congress has

six, and six independents support the government. The BJP commands 28 MLAs, while the PDP holds three.
The widening rift within the alliance adds complexity to the political dynamics of Jammu and Kashmir as the Rajya Sabha elections approach.

Delhi Lifts Ban on Chhath Puja at Yamuna, Over 1,000 Ghats to Be Set Up



TPN Correspondent | New Delhi
In a significant move ahead of Chhath Puja, Delhi Chief Minister Rekha Gupta announced on Wednesday that the long-standing ban on organising the festival on the banks of the Yamuna river has been lifted. This marks a major shift in the capital’s festive preparations and religious policy.
Speaking at a press briefing, CM Gupta stated, “For years, the government had banned Chhath Puja on the Yamuna. This time, after our government came to power, we have lifted the ban and are providing all necessary arrangements for devotees.”

To facilitate smooth celebrations, the Delhi government will construct over 1,000 Chhath ghats across the city, with at least one model ghat in every district and sub-district. Seventeen of these model ghats will be built along the Yamuna itself. Each site will be equipped with tents, lighting, sanitation, drinking water, and mobile toilets to ensure a safe and clean environment.
The Chief Minister also said that grand welcome gates will be installed at major locations across the capital to greet devotees. “Last year, Chhath was celebrated at 929 locations. As of today, we’ve received over 1,000 appli-

cations from committees for organising Chhath Puja this year,” she added.
The decision has been widely welcomed by the Purvanchali community in Delhi, for whom Chhath Puja is a significant religious occasion.
The lifting of the ban reflects a more inclusive approach by the current administration and a focus on better management of religious events in the city. It also places a renewed emphasis on cultural and religious traditions while ensuring public safety and environmental care.
Preparations are already underway, with the festival scheduled to begin in the first week of November.

'Spoke to PM Modi'-Trump Claims India to Stop Buying Russian Oil by Year-End

TPN Bureau | United States

US President Donald Trump has reiterated that India will “stop” buying oil from Russia and reduce imports to “almost nothing” by the end of 2025. Speaking to reporters at the White House on October 22, Trump said the process would take time but expressed confidence following a recent conversation with Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

“India, as you know, has told me they are going to stop (buying Russian oil)... It’s a process. You can’t just stop... By the end of the year, they’ll be down to almost nothing, almost 40 percent of the oil,” Trump said, praising India for being “absolutely great” on the issue.

China and India re-

main the two largest buyers of Russian crude oil, and Trump also said he would try to persuade China to follow a similar path. He claimed that under previous US administrations, China and Russia were “forced together” but expressed hope their relationship would not remain close.

The announcement comes amid escalating US sanctions targeting Russia’s oil industry, aimed at cutting off Moscow’s financial resources amid its ongoing war in Ukraine. The US has accused India of helping Russia finance the conflict through its oil purchases.

However, the US-India relationship has been strained recently, especially after the US doubled tariffs on Indian

goods to 50%, including a 25% additional duty on Russian crude oil imports. India criticized these measures as “unfair, unjustified and unreasonable.”

Trump also defended his tariff policies, asserting they strengthened the US economy and helped avoid conflicts. He claimed to have helped settle recent military tensions between India and Pakistan by threatening tariffs, a claim India has consistently denied, attributing the ceasefire to direct military talks.

Trump is scheduled to meet Chinese President Xi Jinping later this month at the APEC summit in South Korea, where he plans to discuss ways to end the Russia-Ukraine war.



US Vice President Vance Visits Israel, Says Gaza Ceasefire Progress Better Than Expected



TPN Correspondent | US

US Vice President JD Vance arrived in Israel, expressing cautious optimism about the fragile ceasefire in Gaza that began on October 10, 2025. Speaking during a visit to a civilian and military cooperation center, Vance said the ceasefire is going “better than I expected” after two years of intense conflict between Israel and Hamas.

Benjamin Netanyahu and other officials. On Tuesday, Netanyahu dismissed his national security adviser Tzachi Hanegbi, reportedly due to disagreements over military strategies in Gaza.

Amid Israeli frustration over Hamas’ slow return of hostages, Vance urged patience, noting many hostages remain buried under rubble or their whereabouts are unknown. Hamas announced it had recovered the remains of two more hostages, planning to hand them over soon.

Vance’s visit, his first as vice president, comes amid ongoing questions about the future of Gaza, including Hamas’ disarmament, the deployment of an international security force, and governance after the war. While emphasizing that his trip was not an urgent attempt to shore up the ceasefire, Vance warned that Hamas risks being “obliterated” if it fails to cooperate.

Trump administration Middle East envoy Steve Witkoff also highlighted progress, stating, “we are exceeding where we thought we would be at this time.” Jared Kushner, a key architect of the ceasefire, described the complex transition from intense warfare to a peacetime posture for both sides.

Vance will remain in the region until Thursday, meeting Israeli Prime Minister

The ceasefire, despite occasional flare-ups and accusations, holds as both sides reaffirm commitment. Israel awaits the return of 15 remaining hostages’ bodies from Hamas, having received 13 so far. Israel is releasing Palestinian bodies in exchange, with over 165 transferred recently.

Vance confirmed that around 200 US troops recently deployed to Israel would not enter Gaza but indicated discussions on an international security force including countries like Turkey, Indonesia, Jordan, Germany, Britain, and Denmark are underway. The focus remains on security, rebuilding, and humanitarian aid before addressing long-term governance in Gaza.

Canada to Reduce U.S. Reliance, Cut Spending in New Budget

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Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney announced on October 22, 2025, that his government’s first budget will focus on reducing Canada’s economic and security dependence on the United States while cutting wasteful spending. Speaking in Ottawa ahead of the 2025 budget release, Carney declared an end to the decades-long trend of ever-closer economic integration with the U.S.

Carney, who took office in April, emphasized that the upcoming budget will strike a balance between austerity measures and significant investments aimed at strengthening Canada’s economy. The goal is to shield the nation from growing risks linked to U.S. protectionist policies, which Carney de-



scribed as a looming crisis.

“This budget is about safeguarding our economic sovereignty,” Carney said. “We will invest wisely but also eliminate wasteful expenditures to ensure long-term stability.”

The Canadian prime minister highlighted the need for diversifying

trade partnerships and building domestic capabilities to lessen vulnerabilities stemming from heavy reliance on the U.S. market and security frameworks. This shift reflects growing concerns over unpredictable U.S. trade policies and political tensions that have affected cross-border cooperation.

Analysts say Carney’s approach signals a new era for Canada’s economic strategy, seeking more self-reliance and resilience amid global uncertainties. The budget is expected to include measures to boost innovation, infrastructure, and domestic manufacturing, alongside targeted spending cuts.

Canada and the U.S. have historically enjoyed one of the world’s closest economic relationships, but rising protectionism in the U.S. and geopolitical shifts have pushed Canada to reconsider its dependency.

The budget will be closely watched as a test of Carney’s ability to balance fiscal discipline with the need for strategic investments, aiming to chart a more independent and sustainable economic future for Canada.



Indian-Origin Historian Sunil Amrith Wins British Academy Book Prize

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Indian-origin historian Sunil Amrith has won the prestigious British Academy Book Prize for his latest work, *The Burning Earth: An Environmental History of the Last 500 Years*. The award, worth £25,000, was presented at a ceremony at the British Academy in London on October 22, 2025.

Amrith, a Yale University history professor born in Kenya to South Indian parents, grew up in Singapore and studied at the University of Cambridge. His book offers a sweeping global history that links human events with environmental change, shedding light on the roots of today’s climate crisis.

Judges praised *The Burning Earth* as “important reading” amid ongoing climate concerns. The chair of the judging panel, UK historian Professor Rebecca Earle, called the book a “magisterial account” vividly detailing how colonization, industrialization, and shifts in human settlement have shaped the modern world while also driving environmental damage.

Speaking via live

video from the US, Amrith said the book is not meant to be bleak but hopeful, highlighting “paths not taken” and sustainable ideas from history that could inspire a better future. “Perhaps we can find seeds of inspiration for a more hopeful and less violent way of living together on this planet,” he noted.

The British Academy lauded Amrith’s decades of research that spans continents and centuries, from the Americas’ conquest to British gold mining in South Africa, and from the Black Death to World War II, presenting a fresh perspective on humanity’s intertwined fate with the environment.

The prize celebrates non-fiction works that deepen understanding of the humanities and social sciences. Other shortlisted authors included William Dalrymple and Sophie Harman.

Professor Susan J Smith, President of the British Academy, emphasized that Amrith’s book combines rigorous research with engaging prose, making it a worthy winner of the international prize.

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US Sanctions Russia’s Top Oil Firms, Oil Prices Surge; India Faces Import Dilemma

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The United States imposed sanctions on Russia’s two largest oil companies, Rosneft and Lukoil, marking a sharp policy shift by President Donald Trump amid the ongoing war in Ukraine. The move, announced by the US Treasury on October 23, 2025, led to a 3% jump in global oil prices and has raised concerns in India about its continued imports of discounted Russian crude.

The sanctions aim to curtail Moscow’s ability to fund its military campaign in Ukraine, now entering its fourth year. US Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent stressed that these measures target Russia’s main financial sources fueling the conflict and urged allies to join in adhering to the restrictions.



This decision comes just days after Trump cancelled a planned summit with Russian President Vladimir Putin in Budapest, citing skepticism about achieving meaningful progress. The cancellation underscores the unpredictability of US-Russia relations in the current geopolitical climate.

While oil and gas revenues, accounting for about a quarter of Russia’s budget, have already fallen 21% year-on-year, the sanctions focus on export companies rather than direct

state revenue sources like output taxes. Analysts predict Russia might deepen discounts on oil exports to offset risks from secondary sanctions, though rising global oil prices could partially cushion the financial blow.

Indian refiners, major buyers of discounted Russian oil following Western sanctions, are reportedly preparing to sharply reduce imports to comply with the new US sanctions. The Treasury has allowed a grace period until November 21 for

companies to wind down dealings with the sanctioned firms.

Meanwhile, the geopolitical tensions persist with Trump reversing his stance to demand an immediate ceasefire in Ukraine—an outcome supported by Kyiv but rejected by Moscow. Russia continues to oppose a ceasefire, favoring a negotiated peace settlement that Kyiv views as tantamount to surrender. The conflict’s resolution remains uncertain as global powers weigh sanctions and diplomatic efforts.

HUL Q2 Profit Rises 3.8% to 2,694 Crore

FMCG giant Hindustan Unilever Ltd (HUL) reported a 3.8% rise in its consolidated net profit for the second quarter ending September 2025. The company's net profit climbed to 2,694 crore, up from 2,595 crore during the same quarter last year, according to a regulatory filing released on October 23.

HUL's revenue for the quarter also saw growth, increasing by 2.1% to 16,034 crore compared to the year-ago period. The modest rise in revenue and profit reflects steady performance amid a competitive and inflationary market environment.

The company's board approved an interim dividend of 19 per share for the fiscal year 2025-26, underscoring HUL's commitment to rewarding shareholders amid consistent earnings growth.

HUL, one of India's leading fast-moving



consumer goods companies, operates across diverse product categories including personal care, home care, and foods. Its steady quarterly results suggest resilience in the face of fluctuating raw material costs and changing consumer demand.

The company continues to focus on innovation and market expansion to drive sustainable growth. HUL's performance in Q2 also signals confidence in navigating macroeconomic

challenges, maintaining market share, and tapping into evolving consumer trends.

Industry experts view HUL's steady profit and revenue growth as a positive sign for the FMCG sector, indicating underlying demand strength despite economic uncertainties.

With its robust portfolio and strategic initiatives, HUL remains well-positioned to capitalize on long-term growth opportunities in India's vast consumer market.

The company is expected to maintain focus on cost efficiencies and digital transformation as it gears up for the remainder of the fiscal year.

HUL's second-quarter results come at a time when FMCG companies are adapting to shifting consumer preferences and inflationary pressures, making these figures a closely watched indicator for the sector.



Sensex Jumps Over 700 Points, Nifty Regains 26,000 Level in Early Trade

Mumbai: The Indian stock markets opened strong on Thursday, with the benchmark indices Sensex and Nifty posting significant gains in early trade. The Sensex surged over 700 points, while the Nifty reclaimed the psychologically important 26,000 mark, reflecting renewed investor optimism.

The upbeat sentiment was largely driven by positive developments around the U.S.-India trade negotiations, which have sparked hopes of a potential deal that could boost bilateral economic ties. This optimism encouraged fresh

foreign fund inflows into the Indian markets, providing additional momentum.

Information Technology (IT) stocks led the rally, with robust buying interest propelling gains in the sector. Investors are optimistic about the growth prospects of IT companies amid improving global demand and increasing digital transformation initiatives worldwide.

Market analysts noted that foreign institutional investors (FIIs) played a crucial role in the early surge, channeling funds into Indian equities,

which helped boost liquidity and confidence. The renewed foreign inflows come at a time when global markets are cautiously watching geopolitical and economic developments.

Broader indices also followed the positive trend, with mid-cap and small-cap stocks witnessing buying interest. Market participants remained hopeful that the trade deal and strong corporate earnings could sustain the upward momentum in the near term.

The early session gains reflected a shift in market sentiment after

recent volatility, with investors focusing on favorable policy cues and potential easing of trade tensions. The move above the 26,000 level on the Nifty is seen as a key technical milestone that could pave the way for further upside.

Overall, Thursday's early trade suggested a bullish start for Indian equities, supported by strong foreign participation and sectoral buying, particularly in IT stocks. Investors will be closely watching developments on the trade front and upcoming economic data for further direction.

Rupee Strengthens by 13 Paise to 87.80 Against US Dollar in Early Trade



The Indian rupee appreciated by 13 paise to trade at 87.80 against the U.S. dollar in early trade on Thursday, October 23, 2025. Market participants attributed the gain to positive developments surrounding the U.S.-India trade deal, coupled with strong foreign fund inflows and upbeat domestic equity markets.

Forex traders highlighted that increased foreign investment inflows into Indian markets, alongside a broader risk-on sentiment globally, helped boost investor confidence and supported the rupee's upward momentum. The ongoing optimism around trade relations between the U.S. and India has played a key role in improving market sentiment and strengthening

the local currency.

In addition to the trade deal, domestic equities saw positive trends during the initial trade session, with benchmark indices like Sensex and Nifty rising sharply, further encouraging foreign portfolio investors to pour money into Indian assets. This inflow of foreign capital is a critical factor that has underpinned the rupee's gains in recent sessions.

The rupee's appreciation is also seen as part of a global risk-on environment, where investors are willing to take on more risk amid hopes for easing geopolitical tensions and improved economic prospects. This positive risk appetite has benefited emerging market currencies,

including the Indian rupee.

Currency analysts note that while the rupee remains influenced by multiple external factors such as crude oil prices, U.S. dollar strength, and global economic conditions, the current positive trajectory reflects growing confidence in India's economic outlook and trade diplomacy.

Overall, the early trade session's gain in the rupee marks a continuation of cautious optimism in the financial markets, supported by improving bilateral ties and steady foreign investments.

Traders will continue to watch global cues and domestic developments closely to gauge the rupee's trajectory in the coming days.

Reliance Industries Recalibrates Russian Oil Imports to Follow India's Guidelines



Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL), one of India's largest importers of crude oil from Russia, has announced that it will recalibrate its Russian oil imports to comply with the Government of India's latest guidelines. This move comes in the wake of fresh sanctions imposed by the United States and European countries targeting Russian oil firms amid the ongoing conflict in Ukraine.

A company official confirmed that Reliance is adjusting its procurement strategy to align with the directives issued by Indian authorities, ensuring compliance with evolving international and domestic regulatory frameworks. The recalibration aims to balance Reliance's operational requirements with India's broader geopolitical and economic considerations.

The U.S. and European sanctions, which target Russia's major oil producers, including Rosneft and Lukoil, have led to increased scrutiny and pressure on companies globally to reduce their exposure to Russian oil. India, being one of the largest buyers of discounted Russian crude since the onset of the Ukraine conflict in 2022, has

faced significant diplomatic and economic challenges due to these sanctions.

Reliance Industries' decision to adjust its imports reflects the broader impact of these international sanctions on India's energy sector and highlights the government's efforts to navigate the complex geopolitical landscape while ensuring energy security. The recalibration also indicates India's intent to maintain a balanced approach in its trade relations amid the intensifying global focus on Russia's energy exports.

Industry sources suggest that while India continues to rely on Russian oil due to cost advantages, companies like Reliance are taking measured steps to align with international expectations and avoid secondary sanctions risks. The recalibration is expected to be a phased process, with companies closely monitoring the evolving situation to adapt their import strategies accordingly.

Reliance's move underscores the dynamic nature of the global oil market and the challenges faced by major importers in managing geopolitical risks while securing their energy needs.

Infosys Promoters to Skip 18,000 Crore Share Buyback

Infosys Ltd announced that its promoters and promoter group will not participate in the company's 18,000 crore share buyback program, the largest buyback the tech giant has undertaken to date. The company revealed this in a stock market filing on Wednesday, October 22, 2025. Infosys plans to buy back 10 crore shares at an average price of 1,800 per share, marking its fifth buyback in the last decade. This significant move reflects the company's strong cash position and confidence in its long-term prospects.

However, the promot-



ers — including Sudha Gopalakrishnan, wife of co-founder Kris Gopalakrishnan, who holds the largest pro-

motor stake with 9,53,57,000 shares — have chosen not to participate in this buyback exercise. The company

clarified that promoter-held shares were excluded when calculating the entitlement ratio for the buyback.

This decision means that only non-promoter shareholders are eligible to tender their shares in the buyback, potentially increasing the percentage of shares bought back from the public and institutional investors.

Share buybacks are a common way for companies to return capital to shareholders, often signaling confidence in the firm's future performance and improving key financial metrics like earnings per share (EPS).

Infosys' buyback comes amid a phase of robust business performance and growth in the IT sector, with the

company continuously expanding its global client base and digital services portfolio.

Market analysts view the buyback positively, suggesting it could provide support to Infosys' stock price while delivering direct returns to shareholders.

Investors will closely watch the buyback process and its impact on the stock, as well as any further corporate actions from Infosys in the near term.

The company's announcement underscores its commitment to prudent capital management while maintaining flexibility for future investments.

Ultraviolette X-47 Crossover Deliveries Begin in India



Ultraviolette, the Indian electric two-wheeler manufacturer, has started delivering its much-anticipated X-47 Crossover model across India. Launched in September 2025, the X-47 Crossover received an overwhelming response with over 3,000 bookings within the first 24 hours, reflecting strong consumer interest in performance electric mobility.

Priced from Rs 2.49 lakh (ex-showroom), the X-47 Crossover is a high-performance electric motorcycle designed for both urban and adventure riding. It is powered by a 10.7 kWh battery pack, delivering an impressive IDC-certified range of 323 kilometers on a single charge. The electric motor produces 40 horsepower and 610 Nm of torque at the wheel, allowing the bike to accelerate from 0 to 100 km/h in just 8.1 seconds. The top speed is electronically limited to 145 km/h.

One of the standout features of the X-47 Crossover is its advanced driver-assis-

tance system (ADAS) called UV Hypersense. This radar-based technology offers a 150-degree front view, 68-degree rear vertical view, and up to 200 meters of tracking distance. The system provides crucial safety alerts such as rear collision warnings, lane change assist, and overtake alerts, setting a new benchmark in the electric two-wheeler segment.

Safety and control are further enhanced by dual-channel ABS, four levels of traction control, and nine levels of regenerative braking, making the ride both safe and efficient.

Ultraviolette's launch of the X-47 Crossover marks a significant milestone in India's growing electric mobility market, combining cutting-edge technology with strong performance credentials. As deliveries commence, Ultraviolette aims to solidify its position as a leader in the premium electric motorcycle segment, driving the future of sustainable transportation in the country.

YouTube Adds Daily Timer to 'Shorts' to Combat Doomscrolling



YouTube has introduced a new daily timer feature for its popular 'Shorts' video format, aiming to help users manage and reduce excessive screen time. The feature is designed to address the growing concern of doomscrolling—endless, often compulsive consumption of short-form videos—which can negatively impact mental health and productivity.

With this new update, users will be able to set a daily time limit for watching Shorts. Once the allotted time is reached, a reminder will appear on the screen, encouraging users to take a break and pause their viewing session. However, users retain the option to dismiss the reminder and continue watching if they choose.

This feature is part of YouTube's broader commitment to promoting digital wellbeing and responsible usage of its platform. Short-form video content has exploded in popularity, with millions of users worldwide spending significant time scrolling through Shorts, which

can sometimes lead to unintentional binge-watching and time loss.

By introducing the timer, YouTube hopes to encourage more mindful viewing habits, helping users stay in control of their time and reduce the chances of falling into endless content loops. The reminder acts as a gentle nudge rather than a strict lockout, giving users the autonomy to decide how they engage with the platform.

The move aligns with similar steps taken by other social media platforms like Instagram and TikTok, which have implemented tools to track and limit usage, reflecting a growing industry focus on combating digital fatigue and encouraging healthier online behavior.

YouTube's daily timer for Shorts is currently rolling out and will be available to users globally in the coming weeks. The feature is expected to be welcomed by those looking to balance entertainment with productivity and mental wellness.

Apple to Launch iPhone 20 and iPhone 18e in Early 2027 for 20th Anniversary

Apple is gearing up to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the iPhone with the launch of two new models in the first half of 2027: the iPhone 20 and the iPhone 18e. This move marks a significant shift in Apple's naming strategy, skipping the iPhone 19 to honor two decades since the original iPhone's debut in January 2007.

According to industry analyst Heo Moo-yeol, Apple will release the iPhone 20 alongside the iPhone 18e, a model expected to be separate from the flagship lineup. This early 2027 launch will break from the company's traditional September release schedule, which it has followed since the iPhone 5 in 2012.

The rest of the iPhone 20 series — including the Air, Pro, and Pro Max versions — are



anticipated to arrive in the second half of 2027. Additionally, Apple plans to introduce the second-generation iPhone Fold, following the expected debut of its first foldable iPhone in 2026.

Interestingly, Apple may discontinue the standard iPhone 18 model next year, focusing instead on the iPhone 18 Pro, Pro Max, and a new iPhone Air successor, alongside the foldable iPhone. This shift could reduce panel demand by about 20 million units compared to previous years.

The iPhone Fold is projected to see strong sales, with Apple aiming to ship over 8 million units in its first year. Overall, Apple's 2027 lineup promises innovation and commemorates a milestone for one of the world's most influential tech products.

Amazon Plans to Replace 500,000 Employees with Robots by 2033



Amazon Inc., the global e-commerce giant, is set to transform its workforce by automating a significant portion of its operations, aiming to replace approximately 500,000 employ-

ees with robots by 2033. According to a report by The New York Times, this move highlights Amazon's aggressive push towards robotics and automation within its sprawling fulfillment

network. Amazon's robotics team is targeting automation for up to 75% of its operations. If successful, this shift could allow the company to avoid hiring an

estimated 160,000 additional employees by 2027 alone. The initiative is part of Amazon's broader strategy to streamline its supply chain and reduce reliance on human labor, espe-

cially for repetitive and physically demanding tasks in warehouses.

The company has already invested heavily in robotic technology, using machines to handle sorting, packing, and transporting goods within fulfillment centers. This next phase would significantly scale up these efforts, with robots performing more complex tasks and improving overall efficiency.

While automation promises faster delivery times and cost savings, it also raises concerns about job displacement. Labor advocates warn that large-scale replacement of workers with robots could impact thousands of families reliant on Amazon's workforce for their livelihoods.

Amazon has not officially confirmed the exact numbers but has consistently emphasized that automation helps employees focus on higher-value activities. The company also points out that technological advancements have historically created new jobs even as some roles become obsolete.

This move comes amid growing competition in the e-commerce space, pushing Amazon to leverage technology to maintain its market dominance. The coming years will reveal how successfully Amazon balances automation with workforce management in one of the world's largest employment ecosystems.

As automation reshapes the future of work, Amazon's plans are a significant marker of the broader trends affecting industries globally.

Meta Boosts Safety Tools to Protect Older Adults from Online Scams on Messenger

Meta, the parent company of Facebook and Messenger, has announced new safety measures aimed at protecting older adults from online scams. The company is rolling out advanced scam detection features on its Messenger platform, designed to warn users when they receive messages that may be potentially fraudulent.

As part of its ongoing commitment to user safety, Meta is currently testing these enhanced scam detection tools that analyze incoming chats for suspicious content. When a message is flagged as "potentially scammy," users will receive an alert warning them before engaging further. This new feature is especially targeted at older adults, who are often more vulnerable to online fraud.

In addition to the technical upgrades, Meta is launching awareness campaigns to educate users about common online scams and how to recognize them. The initiatives include informational

prompts and tips to help users stay vigilant and avoid falling prey to deceptive messages.

Online scams have been on the rise globally, with fraudsters increasingly exploiting messaging apps to trick people into sharing personal information, sending money, or clicking on malicious links. Older adults are often targeted because of their relatively lower familiarity with digital security risks.

Meta's new safety tools come as part of a broader effort by technology companies to strengthen user protection on social platforms. By combining artificial intelligence with user education, Meta hopes to reduce scam incidents and build trust among its growing user base.

The company has not yet disclosed when the full rollout will occur, but early tests indicate promising results in detecting scam attempts before they cause harm. Users are encouraged to update their apps and stay alert for any



new safety features as Meta continues refining its tools. With these steps, Meta

aims to create a safer digital environment where users, especially older adults, can

communicate confidently without fear of falling victim to online scams.

Sri Lanka Seeks Big Win Over Pakistan in Women’s ODI

Sri Lanka is gearing up for a crucial clash against Pakistan in the Women’s ODI World Cup, aiming for a comprehensive victory to keep their semifinal hopes alive. Although mathematically still in contention, the Sri Lankan team must win big and rely on favourable results from other matches to advance.

Currently sixth on the points table with four points and a negative net run rate of -1.035, Sri Lanka needs a strong win against Pakistan, who have already been eliminated. Additionally, Sri Lanka will be hoping for India to lose both of their remaining matches against New Zealand and Bangladesh. A win for England over fifth-placed New Zealand would also help Sri Lanka’s cause.

The island nation’s campaign has been a mix of highs and lows, with one win, three losses, and two no-results due to rain disruptions. Their lone victory came against Bangladesh in their last game, a tight contest won by seven runs.



Key to Sri Lanka’s success has been batter Hasini Perera, who has scored 182 runs in five matches, including a match-winning fifty against Bangladesh. Skipper Chamari Athapaththu, while not at her best with the bat recently, played a vital role with the ball in the last game, taking three wickets in the final over to secure the win.

Weather remains a major concern, as persistent rains have affected the tournament schedule and could impact Sri Lanka’s chances of completing their matches.

On the other side, Pakistan enters the game with pride to fight for, despite being winless after six matches and sitting last on the table with just two points from rain-affected games. Led by Fatima Sana, Pakistan will look to end their campaign on a high note by spoiling Sri Lanka’s qualification hopes.

Both teams will field their best squads, with Sri Lanka’s lineup led by Chamari Athapaththu and Pakistan captained by Fatima Sana, setting the stage for a high-stakes encounter.

Liverpool Thrashes Frankfurt 5-1; Chelsea and Bayern Win Big in Champions League



Liverpool bounced back emphatically from a difficult run by thumping Eintracht Frankfurt 5-1 in their Champions League clash on Wednesday. The victory ended a four-game losing streak, including recent defeats to Manchester United and

Galatasaray. Frankfurt took the lead through Rasmus Kristensen in the 26th minute, but Liverpool quickly equalized with a goal from former Frankfurt player Hugo Ekitike, who showed sportsmanship by not celebrating. Virgil van Dijk and Ibrahima Konaté then headed in goals from corners to give Liverpool a strong halftime lead. The team continued its dominance in the second half with goals from Cody Gakpo and Dominik Szoboszlai, both assisted by Florian Wirtz.

Meanwhile, Chelsea secured a commanding 5-1 win over 10-man Ajax at Stamford Bridge. The match featured five goals, a red card, and three penalties in a chaotic first half. Teenagers Marc Guiu, Estêvão, and Tyrique George starred for Chelsea, with Guiu and Estêvão becoming the club’s youngest Champions League scorers.

Bayern Munich also recorded a comfortable 4-0 victory over Club Brugge, highlighted by 17-year-old Lennart Karl, who became Bayern’s youngest Champions League goalscorer. Harry Kane, Luis Díaz, and Nicolas Jackson also found the net for the German giants.

Real Madrid maintained their perfect start with a narrow 1-0 win against Juventus, thanks to Jude Bellingham’s goal, assisted by Vinicius Júnior’s skillful play. Madrid now joins Bayern and other top teams with nine points from three matches.

Athletic Bilbao secured their first points of the season with a 3-1 comeback win over Qarabag, fueled by a stunning goal from substitute Roberto Navarro.

Other notable results include Galatasaray’s 3-1 win over Bodø/Glimt, Sporting Lisbon’s comeback 2-1 win against 10-man Marseille, and goalless draws between Tottenham and Monaco, and Atlanta and Slavia Prague.

The Champions League action continues to thrill as teams jostle for top spots in their groups.

South Africa Levels Series with 8-Wicket Win Over Pakistan

South Africa delivered a commanding performance to thrash Pakistan by eight wickets in the second Test at Rawalpindi on October 23, 2025, leveling the two-match series at 1-1. The Proteas chased down a modest target of 68 runs comfortably, finishing at 73 for 2 in just 12.3 overs.

The victory was largely shaped by South Africa’s off-spinner Simon Harmer, who was the standout bowler with a match-winning six-wicket haul. Harmer’s brilliant spell of 6 for 50 on Day 4 dismantled Pakistan’s batting lineup, restricting them to a total of 138 in their second innings.

Pakistan had started the series on a strong note, winning the first Test inside four days by 93 runs in Lahore. However, the tables turned in Rawalpindi, where Harmer expertly exploited the spinning pitch to put South Africa in a commanding position.

The match saw solid contributions from South African batsmen as they eased through the target with minimal fuss, demonstrating composure and



clinical finishing to avoid any late drama. The win ensures that the series is now evenly poised heading into the final stages, promising a thrilling contest between the two teams.

Pakistan’s batting struggles on the spinning wicket were evident as they failed to build significant partnerships in their second innings, ultimately falling short of setting a challenging target for the visitors.

South Africa’s balanced bowling attack, led by Harmer, proved decisive, underscoring their ability to adapt and respond under pressure after their loss in the opening Test.

As the series moves forward, both teams will be keen to capitalize on momentum. South Africa’s performance in Rawalpindi sends a strong message, while Pakistan will look to regroup and make a statement in the remaining matches.

The contest between Pakistan and South Africa continues to highlight high-quality Test cricket, with fans eagerly awaiting the next chapter in this gripping series.

Neeraj Chopra Honoured with Lieutenant Colonel Rank



Star javelin thrower and two-time Olympic medallist Neeraj Chopra was conferred the honorary rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the Territorial Army on October 22, 2025. The ceremony took place in New Delhi, with Defence Minister Rajnath Singh presenting the insignia in a formal pipping event held at South Block. The occasion was also graced by Army Chief General Upendra Dwivedi and other senior military officials.

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh praised Neeraj Chopra as an “epitome” of perseverance and a symbol of national pride. The honour recognises Chopra’s exceptional contributions to Indian sports and his role in bringing glory to the country on the global stage.

Neeraj Chopra has been a beacon of excellence in athletics, especially in the javelin throw event, where he clinched gold at the Tokyo Olympics and has continued to maintain his stature as one of India’s finest sports personalities. His success has inspired millions and brought renewed focus to athletics in the country.

The honorary rank in the Territorial Army highlights the synergy between sports and the armed forces, showcasing the commitment of athletes like Chopra who also serve as role models of discipline, dedication, and patriotism.

The ceremony marked a proud moment not only for Chopra but also for the Indian Army and the nation, reinforcing the importance of recognising sporting talent as part of India’s broader achievements.

As Lieutenant Colonel, Neeraj Chopra will continue to inspire young athletes and citizens alike, symbolising the blend of sporting excellence and national service. The award is a testament to his hard work, resilience, and his ability to represent India with distinction both on the field and beyond.

This prestigious honour adds another milestone to Neeraj Chopra’s illustrious career and cements his legacy as one of India’s most celebrated sports icons.

Rohit Finds Form with 73 as India Post 264/9 Against Australia in 2nd ODI



Rohit Sharma showcased resilience and skill as he scored a vital 73 runs off 97 balls, helping India reach a competitive total of 264 for 9 against Australia in the second ODI at Adelaide on October 23, 2025. His innings was crucial on a challenging pitch that tested the batsmen throughout the game.

Rohit’s steady knock formed the backbone of the innings, supported by a valuable 118-run partnership for the third wicket with Shreyas Iyer, who contributed 61 runs off 77 balls. Early setbacks saw skipper Shubman Gill dismissed for 9 and Virat Kohli out for a duck in quick succession, putting India under pressure.

Axar Patel’s gritty 44 off 41 balls was reminiscent of Ravindra Jadeja’s dependable lower-order contributions in Tests. His 39-run stand with the resilient Washington Sundar (12) helped India add crucial runs in the late stages. The tailenders Harshit Rana (24*) and Arshdeep Singh (13) also chipped in with a steady 37-run partnership to push the total beyond 260.

On the bowling front, Australia’s Adam Zampa impressed with figures of 4 for 60, capitalizing on the batsmen’s attempts to attack him. Xavier Bartlett also stood out, taking three wickets including the prized scalp of Kohli and delivering a maiden over.

Rohit’s innings was a blend of grit and calculated aggression, especially after a cautious start against Josh Hazlewood’s probing bowling. He initially played 17 consecutive dot balls but gradually found his rhythm with classic pulls and well-timed boundaries.

Kohli, however, struggled with the movement on offer and was dismissed early by Bartlett. Rohit’s knock showed that despite criticism, he still has the ability to anchor India’s innings and inspire confidence ahead of upcoming challenges.

India now looks to their bowlers to defend this total as the series progresses.

Fauzi FL: Prabhas's Epic Saga of Rebellion and Valor Unveiled



The excitement surrounding Rebel Star Prabhas's upcoming Pan-India film has soared to new heights with the grand revelation of its official title — Fauzi. Directed by acclaimed filmmaker Hanu Raghavapudi, the film marks one of the most anticipated collaborations in Indian cinema. The title and first look were unveiled today, coinciding with Prabhas's birthday, sending fans into a frenzy across social media platforms.

Set against the intense backdrop of the 1940s, during the turbulent years preceding India's Independence, Fauzi promises a gripping narrative of patriotism, sacrifice, and inner conflict. The word Fauzi, meaning "soldier," perfectly encapsulates the film's spirit — a story of a lone warrior who stands, walks, and fights for a cause larger than himself.

The title reveal poster has already become a talking point. A visually arresting design, it features a burning British

flag, symbolizing rebellion and resistance, while Sanskrit verses and cryptic symbols embedded within the artwork add layers of intrigue. These hints suggest a deeper, mythological connection — possibly drawing parallels between the film's protagonist and Karna from the Mahabharata, known for his valor, loyalty, and tragic fate.

Director Hanu Raghavapudi, known for his rich storytelling in Sita Ramam, seems poised to deliver another emotionally charged period drama with Fauzi. With its blend of historical context, nationalistic fervor, and mythological undertones, the film is expected to offer a cinematic experience of grand scale and emotional depth.

Fans now eagerly await further updates on the cast, music, and release timeline — but one thing is certain: Fauzi is shaping up to be one of Prabhas's most powerful and defining roles yet.

Chiranjeevi Wins Court Order Protecting His Name and Image Rights

Tollywood megastar Chiranjeevi has secured a significant legal victory in the Hyderabad City Civil Court, which has ruled in his favor over the unauthorized commercial use of his name, photos, and titles. The court issued an interim injunction restraining individuals, companies, and digital platforms from using Chiranjeevi's identity for business or promotional purposes without his explicit consent.



Judge S. Shashidhar Reddy delivered the order, recognizing Chiranjeevi's "personality and publicity rights" and emphasizing that any misuse of his image, name, or voice could cause irreparable damage to his reputation. The temporary ban applies to all online entities, including clothing brands, digital media platforms, and YouTube channels that have been using the actor's identity for commercial gain.

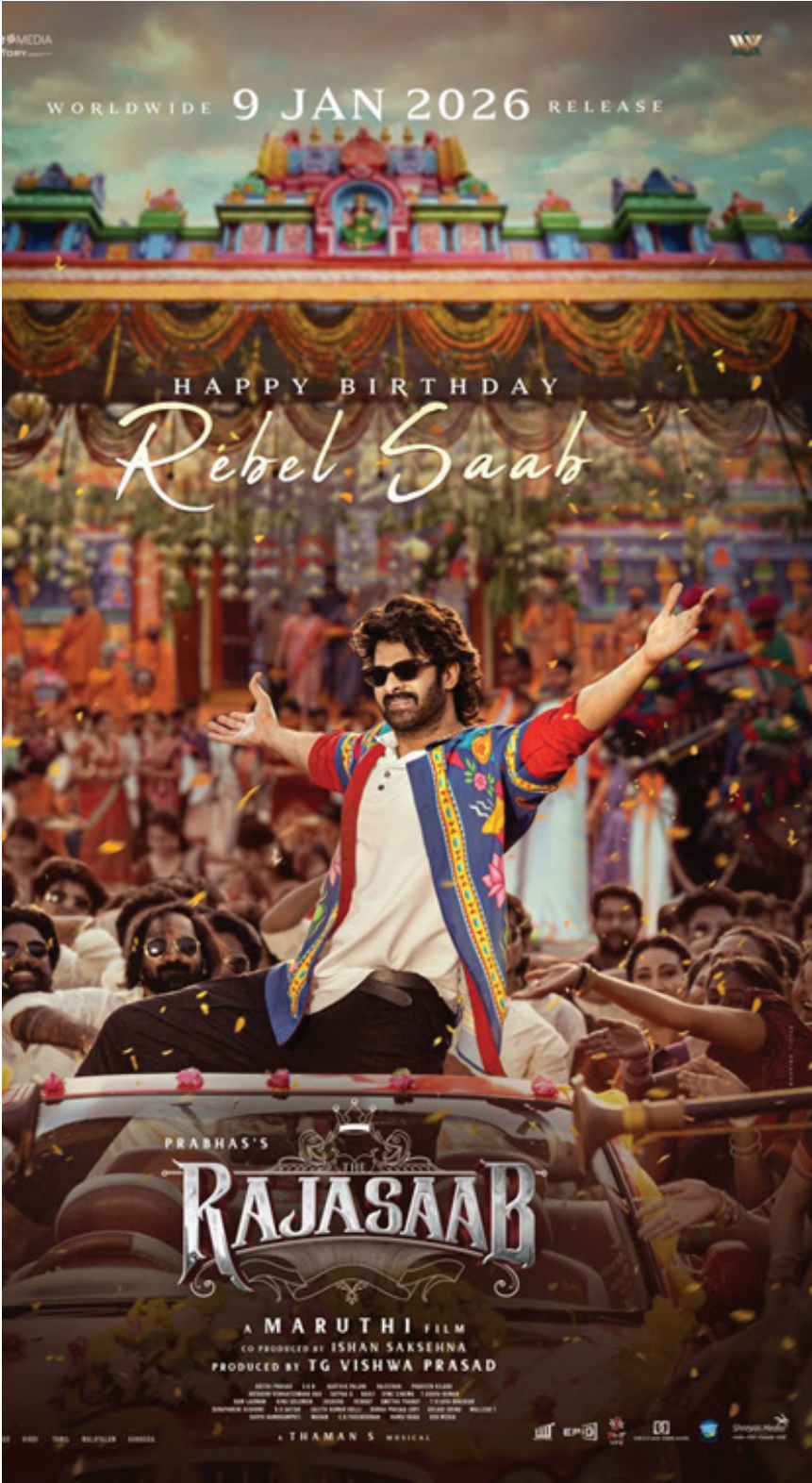
In his petition, Chiranjeevi stated that several organizations were using his name, photos, and even popular titles like "Megastar" and "Chiru" to attract customers and earn profits without authorization. He argued that such actions not only harmed his personal image but also resulted in financial loss.

The court found merit in his argument and observed that unauthorized use of a celebrity's persona for commercial benefit violates their right to privacy and reputation. Consequently, it issued an immediate injunction prohibiting such acts until further notice.

The next hearing in the case is scheduled for October 27.

This development comes amid a growing trend of Indian film stars approaching courts to safeguard their personality rights. Similar judgments in the past have favored legendary actors such as Amitabh Bachchan, Rajinikanth, and Nagarjuna, reinforcing the legal recognition of celebrities' rights to control the commercial use of their identities.

Chiranjeevi's latest victory marks a crucial precedent in protecting celebrity image rights in the digital era.



Prabhas Stuns in Festive Birthday Poster from The Raja Saab

Rebel Star Prabhas continues to dominate headlines, and his fans have yet another reason to celebrate. Following the impressive response to the recently released theatrical trailer of his upcoming romantic horror comedy The Raja Saab, the makers have now unveiled a brand-new birthday poster — and it's nothing short of spectacular.

The latest poster radiates festive energy, seemingly drawn from a grand celebration sequence in the film. Prabhas exudes effortless charm and charisma, dressed in a chic ensemble and stylishly seated on a car, surrounded by vibrant

colors and celebratory decor. The look perfectly captures the festive spirit and reinforces the film's cheerful, entertaining tone.

Directed by Maruthi, The Raja Saab promises to be a refreshing mix of romance, horror, and comedy, offering audiences a completely new avatar of Prabhas. The trailer has already ignited excitement among fans, with many claiming that the theatrical version delivers a stronger impact than its digital release, packed with moments designed to give goosebumps.

The film stars Malavika Mohanan, Nidhhi Agerwal, and Ridhhi Kumar as the leading

ladies, while veteran actors Sanjay Dutt and Boman Irani take on pivotal supporting roles. Produced by TG Vishwa Prasad and Krithi Prasad under the People Media Factory banner, the big-budget entertainer features a musical score by Thaman, whose work is eagerly anticipated by fans.

The Raja Saab is slated for a grand theatrical release on January 9, 2026, perfectly timed for the festive Sankranti season. With its vibrant visuals, star-studded cast, and Prabhas's magnetic screen presence, the film is shaping up to be a must-watch celebration at the box office.

Pradeep Ranganathan Scores a Hat-Trick with Dude Crossing ₹100 Crore Mark



Rising Tamil star Pradeep Ranganathan continues his golden run at the box office with his latest release, Dude, roaring past the ₹100 crore gross mark worldwide. The romantic comedy-drama, produced by Mythri Movie Makers, has become the first Diwali release this year to achieve this milestone, reaffirming Pradeep's growing stardom in Kollywood.

Directed by debutant Keerthiswaran, Dude stars Pradeep Ranganathan alongside Mamitha Baiju in lead roles. The film blends humor, emotion, and youthful energy, which has resonated strongly with audiences across all age groups. Despite a packed festival lineup, the movie continues to draw large crowds, proving its solid word-of-mouth appeal.

With Dude, Pradeep achieves an extraordinary feat — three consecutive ₹100 crore grossers, following the massive successes of Love Today and Dragon. Such consistency is rare, especially for

a mid-range hero, making this achievement all the more remarkable. Industry analysts hail Pradeep's streak as a sign of a new-age superstar in the making, one who connects seamlessly with the youth while also appealing to family audiences.

The supporting cast includes Neha Sshetty, Sarathkumar, Rohini, Hridhu Haroon, and Satya, all of whom contribute significantly to the film's emotional and comic balance. The vibrant music by Sai Abhyankkar has also played a key role in amplifying the film's popularity, with several songs trending across streaming platforms.

As Dude continues its strong theatrical run, trade experts predict further box office growth in the coming weeks. With this triumph, Pradeep Ranganathan cements his position as one of Kollywood's most bankable young stars, and Dude stands as yet another testament to his crowd-pulling power and storytelling charm.

Mega Family Grows: Ram Charan and Upasana Expecting Their Second Child

The Mega family has yet another reason to celebrate, as beloved star couple Ram Charan and Upasana Kamineni Konidela are reportedly expecting their second child. The news has sent waves of joy across Tollywood and among fans, marking yet another heartwarming chapter in the Mega family legacy.

Ram Charan and Upasana, who welcomed their first daughter Klin Kaara in 2023, are now preparing to expand their family once again. The couple's journey into parenthood has been cherished by fans, with Upasana frequently sharing glimpses of their happy moments on social media. The news of baby number two has quickly gone viral, with well-wishers flooding timelines with congratulatory messages and blessings.

Sources close to the family reveal that both Charan and



Upasana are overjoyed about the pregnancy. Though the couple has yet to make an official announcement, the buzz has already sparked widespread excitement across the

Telugu film industry and among Mega fans worldwide.

On the professional front, Ram Charan is currently immersed in his upcoming film Pedddi, one of the most awaited projects of 2025. Despite his busy shooting schedule, the actor is said to be spending as much time as possible with his family during this special phase.

The Mega family, known for its strong bonds and grand celebrations, is reportedly planning a private gathering to mark the joyous occasion. With another little one on the way, happiness and anticipation fill the Konidela household, as fans eagerly await official confirmation and perhaps the first glimpses of the growing family.

Indeed, it's a moment of double delight for Mega fans — celebrating Charan's cinematic success and his growing family.