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JUBILEE HILLS BYPOLL CAMPAIGN HITS CRESCENDO

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The campaign for the Jubilee Hills Assembly by-election has reached its peak intensity, with top leaders from the three principal contestants—Congress, BRS, and BJP—making all-out efforts to secure victory just three days before campaigning concludes. The constituency, which has a substantial 4,01,365 voters, is witnessing a high-voltage, three-way contest to fill the seat left vacant by the death of sitting BRS MLA Maganti Gopinath in June. The ruling Congress party's campaign is being personally led by Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, who is holding numerous corner meetings and road shows. He is supported by about a dozen state ministers actively engaged in door-to-door canvassing. CM Reddy is fiercely attacking the opposition, specifically accusing the BRS and BJP of having a "tacit understanding" and claiming the BJP is im-



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licitly backing the BRS candidate. His strategy focuses on highlighting the welfare schemes implemented by the Congress government while criticizing the BRS for the perceived lack of development in Jubilee Hills during their ten-year rule. The Congress has fielded Naveen Ya-

day, a former AIMIM candidate, and has secured the crucial official support of the Asaduddin Owaisi-led AIMIM, an endorsement that significantly boosts their prospects in the constituency's diverse demographic. The BRS campaign is helmed by Working President K. T. Rama Rao, wh-

nkala Deepak Reddy. Both the BRS and the BJP are united in their efforts to target the Congress, focusing on the ruling party's allegedly unfulfilled promises and the perceived lack of development over the last two years.

Adding a celebrity dimension, the former Indian cricket captain and recently inducted state cabinet minister, Mohammed Azharuddin, is actively campaigning for the Congress candidate. Azharuddin, who was the Congress runner-up in the 2023 election, was nominated to the Legislative Council and given the portfolio of minorities welfare and public enterprises, a move widely seen as an effort to pacify him and leverage his popularity. With 58 total candidates in the fray, the election requires four ballot units and one VVPAT in each polling booth. However, the main political battle remains concentrated between the candidates of the Congress, BRS, and BJP.

Telangana directs mass singing of 'Vande Mataram' in govt offices and edu institutions

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The Congress government in Telangana has ordered mass singing of the full version of 'Vande Mataram' in all government offices and educational institutions on Friday to commemorate the 150th anniversary of 'Vande Mataram'. Chief Secretary K. Ramakrishna Rao issued instructions to the District Collectors on

Thursday, November 7, marks the 150th anniversary of the writing of the national song of India by Bankim Chandra Chatterjee. The Chief Secretary directed all district Collectors to organise mass singing of the authorised version of 'Vande Mataram' at 10 a.m. on Friday in the Collectorate and all government offices. District Collectors have also been directed to ensure that all educational institutions (government, local body, aid-

ed and recognised private) conduct similar mass singing programmes at the same time. District Collectors have been asked to issue appropriate communication to all HoDs/officers/educational authorities in the districts. Prime Minister Narendra Modi is scheduled to inaugurate the year-long commemoration marking 150 years of India's national song, 'Vande Mataram', at a ceremony organised by the Culture Ministry on

Friday in New Delhi.

The event will mark the formal launch of nationwide celebrations that will conclude on November 7, 2026. There will be mass singing of the full version of 'Vande Mataram' across public spaces throughout the country, honouring the timeless composition that inspired India's freedom movement and continues to symbolise national pride and unity.

Citizens from all walks of life, including school

and college students, government officials, elected representatives, police personnel, teachers, doctors, drivers, and shopkeepers will join in unison, synchronised with the main event in New Delhi in the presence of the Prime Minister. Composed by Bankim Chandra Chatterjee in 1875, 'Vande Mataram' first appeared in the literary journal Bangadarshan as part of Chatterjee's novel 'Anandamath' and later as a standalone book in 1882.

Drug Overdose Kills 28-Year-Old Technician in Rajendranagar



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A chilling incident involving suspected drug abuse resulted in the death of a 28-year-old man in Hyderabad, police reported on Thurs-

day. The deceased, identified as a mobile phone technician, allegedly succumbed to an excessive consumption of narcotic drugs in a flat located in the Rajendranagar area of the city. The preliminary investigation conducted by police officials indicates

that the tragic event unfolded on Wednesday night. The victim was reportedly consuming the illegal substances in the company of a woman and another individual inside the flat.

The man's death occurred later that night, believed to be a direct consequence of the overdose. The police official confirmed that the initial findings point toward the "excess consumption of the drug" as the cause of death. The case was brought to the attention of the authorities after the man's father filed a formal complaint. Acting on the complaint, the police registered a case to thor-

oughly investigate the circumstances leading to the young man's untimely demise. Police have begun a comprehensive investigation, focusing on identifying the source of the narcotic drugs, the exact type of substance consumed, and the role of the woman and the other individual who were present with the deceased during the time of consumption. The case falls under the purview of drug-related offenses and homicide investigation procedures, given the unexpected death. Authorities are expected to collect forensic evidence and conduct detailed questi-

oning of the associates to piece together the events that transpired in the flat and determine if there was any element of negligence or illegal supply involved. This tragic incident underscores the ongoing battle against narcotic drug abuse and its fatal consequences within the city, prompting renewed concern among officials regarding the supply and consumption of illegal substances in residential areas like Rajendranagar. Further details regarding the type of drug, the identities of the companions, and potential arrests are expected to emerge as the police continue their rigorous investigation.

African Snail Outbreak Triggers Emergency in Secunderabad

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Panic and anxiety have gripped residents of Hyderabad, particularly in the Secunderabad Cantonment area, due to a severe infestation of invasive African Snails (*Achatina fulica*). These large, fast-spreading mollusks, known for their destructive capabilities, were recently discovered in a three-

acre stretch of lush greenery belonging to the military in New Boiguda, Secunderabad Cantonment. Experts are sounding the alarm, warning that the snails are so virulent that they can cause even large trees to collapse by consuming not just leaves, sprouts, stems, flowers, and fruits, but also entire plants and woody structures. Local residents fear that if the snails spread across the city, the few parks and household plants

that exist could be entirely wiped out. The sudden appearance of a species typically found in Kerala has caused considerable astonishment and concern in the region.

The African Snails are notorious for their rapid proliferation. With a life span of five to six years, each snail can lay hundreds of eggs per month, leading to a massive and uncontrollable growth in population. The species has a history of causing

widespread agricultural damage in India; previously, in Andhra Pradesh's Srikakulam district, the snails were reported to have decimated crops like papaya, oil palm, and chili, leaving farmers friendless and helpless. Experts at the time recommended emergency control measures, including the application of salt solution, copper sulfate, and dedicated snail killer pesticides, which were used in spray campaigns to bring the

situation under control. The snails thrive in environments with high atmospheric moisture, leading experts to theorize that they may have been introduced to India via cargo ships from Africa. Given the imminent environmental hazard, the Cantonment authorities responded immediately by implementing emergency pest eradication measures. They authorized the large-scale spraying of chemicals and salt solutions across

BJP Calls It Highly Objectionable Vote Bank Politics

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A significant political storm erupted in Telangana following Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy's statement during a campaign rally that "Congress means Muslims and Muslims means Congress." Telangana BJP president N. Ramchander Rao swiftly condemned the remark on Thursday, labeling it "highly objectionable" and a clear instance of "vote bank politics" designed to secure votes in the upcoming Jubilee Hills Assembly by-election scheduled for November 11. Rao further alleged that the Chief Minister is "frustrated" due to the anticipated loss in the bypoll and is resorting to communal rhetoric, even suggesting the Congress is now speaking the language of the Asaduddin Owaisi-led AIMIM. The controversy stemmed from the CM's defense of the recent induction of former cricketer Mohammed Azharuddin into the Council of Ministers, an appointment that Union Coal Minister G. Kishan Reddy had criticized. Revanth Reddy had countered Kishan Reddy's opposition by asking what the Minister's problem was if a



minority leader was made a minister, adding that the Congress government had always provided numerous opportunities and big posts to the minority community. BJP President Rao, however, argued that this claim was baseless and misleading. Rao asserted that historically, the maximum number of communal riots in the country occurred during Congress rule, questioning how the party could claim to represent Muslims while having a record of communal unrest. He stated that by focusing intensely on the 20% Muslim vote, the Congress party is effectively ignoring the interests of the 80% Hindu population. Rao escalated his attack by claiming that the CM, who was seen wearing a cap during the campaign, had transformed into "Revanth Uddin" merely for electoral

gain. The BJP leader argued that true respect for Muslims is not granted through such communal overtures but by ensuring essential services like education, medical facilities, livelihood opportunities, and housing. He accused both the Congress and the BRS of following similar policies of Muslim appeasement solely for vote-bank politics. The BJP's strong reaction highlights the high stakes in the Jubilee Hills bypoll, which was necessitated by the death of BRS MLA Maganti Gopinath. The BJP has fielded Deepak Reddy, facing competition from Gopinath's widow, Sunitha (BRS), and the Congress candidate, who has secured the crucial support of AIMIM. The BJP's condemnation adds another layer of communal tension to an already volatile political campaign.

Earn Trust, Not Fear: DGP Tells Largest Batch of DSP Trainees



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Director General of Police B. Shivdhar Reddy IPS addressed the largest-ever batch of Probationary Deputy Superintendents of Police (DSPs) at the RB-VRR Telangana State Police Academy, emphasizing their crucial role in maintaining the state's position as the number one police force in the country. The special training commencement ceremony on Thursday welcomed 112 Probationary DSPs, a batch notably including 38 women officers, which the DGP highlighted as a source of pride and a sign of the future of Telangana policing.

DGP Reddy was joined by senior officials, including Police Academy Director Smt. Abhilasha Bisht, ADGP Law and Order Mahesh M. Bhagwat, and Commissioners V.C. Sajjanar (Hyderabad), Sudheer Babu (Rachakonda), and Avinash Mohanty (Cyberabad). DGP Reddy stressed that the intensive ten-month training period at the academy will lay the foundation for their journey in leadership, instilling discipline, punctuality,

and a necessary shift in attitude. He advised the officers that their role extends beyond merely enforcing the law; they must understand its "soul" by embodying virtues such as impartiality, patience, and empathy. He pointed out that the public views them not just as officials but as "representatives of justice." While acknowledging the rigorous nature of the training, the DGP explained that every disciplinary measure, including drill, exercise, and collective effort, serves to build self-control, clarifying that discipline is not punishment but preparedness.

He proudly detailed the state's pioneering efforts in modern policing, citing specialized units like Greyhounds, Octopus, CI Cell, TGC SB, and EagleNet, which have made Telangana a model for the nation. Furthermore, community-focused initiatives such as the Command Control Center, She Teams, Bharosa Centers, and various Community Policing programs are a testament to the department's commitment to engaging with the public. Addressing the 38 women officers, the DGP said the future of the force

rests with them and urged that respect and equality must start within the academy itself. He defined true leadership not by rank, but by an officer's conduct, integrity, empathy, and positive attitude toward colleagues. He reminded the trainees that the enormous confidence the people of Telangana place in their police force is hard-earned, encapsulated by the motto 'Respect through Service.'

DGP Reddy concluded by outlining three core values for the probationary officers: Integrity, Empathy, and Professionalism. He advised them to remain truthful even when unseen, to understand the sentiment of the citizens, and to strive for mastery in their work. He offered a powerful closing statement: the true authority of a police officer comes not from the stars on their uniform, but from the trust reflected in the eyes of the people. The academy Director, Smt. Abhilasha Bisht, confirmed the comprehensive 42-week initial phase of the ten-month training program, aimed at preparing the officers to uphold security, dignity, and justice with professionalism.



but the immediate threat required chemical intervention. The swift action by the Cantonment administration aims to prevent a city-wide spread

that could have devastating and permanent consequences for Hyderabad's limited green cover and local gardens



HC Seeks Clarity on Metro Works In Old City

The Telangana High Court conducted a crucial hearing on Thursday regarding the Public Interest Litigation (PIL) filed by the Act Public Welfare Foundation (APWF), challenging the construction of Phase-II of the Hyderabad Metro Rail in the Old City. The PIL specifically focuses on the Corridor-VI alignment, which runs from MGBS to Chandrayan-gutta, arguing that the development poses a severe threat to the area's rich historical and archaeological monuments.¹ The petitioner's counsel contended that construction activities are proceeding without the necessary statutory approvals, particularly the clearance from the Archaeological Survey

of India (ASI), and that the project alignment violates rules prohibiting work near designated historical structures. They emphasized that the authorities have failed to conduct a mandatory Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) as required by the relevant state and central legislation. The government, represented by Additional Advocate General (AAG) Imran Khan, vigorously defended the project, stating that the Metro Rail is "crucial" for the socio-economic development and improved connectivity of the Old City. The AAG argued that the PIL was filed primarily to obstruct legitimate development works intended to benefit the local population. How-

ever, the Division Bench, led by the Chief Justice, probed the AAG regarding the project's design and the status of construction near sensitive areas. The AAG confirmed that the second phase work is underway. After hearing arguments from both sides, the Court took serious note of the petitioner's concerns regarding the threat to historical sites like the Charminar and Falaknuma precincts. The court demanded that the government provide complete details of the construction works and specifically ordered the submission of a detailed map showing the exact Metro alignment in relation to the designated historical structures. This requirement under-

scores the court's intent to scrutinize the adherence to conservation norms and heritage protection laws. Given the complexity and the need for detailed documentation, the High Court adjourned the matter for further hearing to November 18. The ruling party has previously given assurances to the court that no declared heritage structures would be harmed, but the court's latest directive seeks concrete, official proof of compliance.² The case pits critical urban infrastructure development against the imperative of cultural heritage preservation, making the court's eventual ruling a landmark decision for Hyderabad's future planning



Congress Pitches Welfare Numbers to Woo Jubilee Hills Voters

Congress Minister N. Uttam Kumar Reddy released critical data points for party workers, urging them to integrate these facts into their campaign speeches for the Jubilee Hills by-election. The data serves as concrete evidence of the ruling Congress government's commitment to welfare and its successful implementation of flagship schemes, directly contrasting its performance with that of the previous BRS administration. The three key takeaways focus on the Public Distribution System (PDS) and the quality of essential supplies. First, the Congress government has issued 14,230 new ration cards within the Jubilee Hills constituency since taking office. Second, this issuance has extended free ration rice benefits to an additional 67,354 persons, bringing the total number of beneficiaries receiving subsidized essential goods in Jubilee Hills to a massive 2,39,886 persons. Crucially, each eligible beneficiary is now entitled to 6 kilograms of good quality fine rice, marking a significant improvement over previous standards. Third, and most powerfully, the data highlights a major upgrade in the quality of the distributed rice. Under the BRS government, the ration was comprised of 13,880 metric tonnes of 'doddubiyam' (coarse/thick rice). In stark contrast, the Con-



gress government is now supplying 17,648 metric tonnes of good quality fine rice. This is a massive qualitative and quantitative leap, showing a direct correlation between the new administration and improved living standards for the constituency's poor. Uttam Kumar Reddy's message to the cadre is to emphasize this shift from lower-quality 'doddubiyam' to 'fine rice' as a fulfillment of the party's promise to provide genuine social justice and quality welfare to the citizens. This data is strategi-

cally important as it directly addresses the 'cost of living' and food security, which are vital concerns for the electorate, particularly in low-income bastis and neighborhoods within the Jubilee Hills constituency. By highlighting the increased volume and superior quality of rice, along with the massive expansion of the beneficiary base, the Congress party aims to demonstrate that its welfare guarantees are not mere rhetoric but tangible realities. The campaign workers are instructed to use these hard num-

bers—14,230 new cards, 67,354 additional beneficiaries, and the transition to 17,648 MT of fine rice—to substantiate the claim that the "Praja Palana" (People's Rule) government is actively working for the betterment of the poor and vulnerable sections. This narrative effectively seeks to cement the loyalty of the electorate by linking their immediate daily needs to the electoral outcome, portraying a vote for Congress candidate Naveen Yadav as a vote for continued and enhanced welfare benefits.

TPCC Flags Media Bias, Demands Probe into Telangana Daily

The TPCC Election Commission Co-ordination Committee, led by Chairman P. Rajesh Kumar, together with members G. Raghavender, N. Achyutha Yadav, and B. Lingam Yadav, lodged a detailed and formal complaint with the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) of Telangana, C. Sudharshan Reddy (IAS). The complaint specifically targeted the popular Telugu daily, Namaste Telangana, alleging blatant violations of media neutrality and the Model Code of Conduct (MCC) during the high-stakes Jubilee Hills Assembly by-election campaign. The Congress party's core grievance centered on the newspaper's perceived consistently one-sided and biased reporting, which the party argues heavily favors the opposition Bharat Rashtra Sami

thi (BRS). Rajesh Kumar emphasized that in a democratic election, unbiased media coverage is a non-negotiable prerequisite, and the newspaper's actions risk undermining the entire electoral process by providing a distorted view to the voters.

The committee presented the CEO with specific examples, including published dates and clippings of news reports and editorials, detailing instances of disproportionate coverage, highly critical portrayals of the ruling party's candidates and schemes, and unverified, sensationalized claims that allegedly amounted to politically motivated propaganda. They contended that such blatant favoritism not only compromises journalistic ethics but also amounts to

a covert form of campaign finance violation or 'paid news,' which the Election Commission must investigate thoroughly. The delegation urged CEO Sudharshan Reddy to immediately initiate a comprehensive inquiry into the newspaper's editorial practices and use the Commission's authority to issue strict directives, including the threat of punitive action, to compel the publication to adhere to fair and balanced reporting standards for the remainder of the election cycle.

The timing of this complaint is significant, occurring amidst a tight contest where every news report can influence thousands of voters. This situation underscores the intense political environment and the reliance of all parties on the

Election Commission for a fair arbitration of the rules. The Congress delegation specifically highlighted that while the party focuses on people-centric issues and welfare schemes, the biased media narrative distracts from the government's achievements. The complaint serves as a strategic move to neutralize what the Congress views as an unfair media advantage held by the opposition, ensuring that the focus remains on the candidates and their developmental agendas, rather than politically motivated media narratives. The TPCC's action demonstrates a proactive approach to utilizing the electoral machinery to ensure transparency and accountability from all stakeholders, including the press, during this crucial by-poll.

Fee Reimbursement Row: Colleges' Strike Hits Day 4

The indefinite strike initiated by private professional colleges across Telangana, demanding the immediate release of pending fee reimbursement dues, entered its fourth consecutive day on Thursday. Approximately 2,000 professional institutions, encompassing engineering, pharmacy, MBA, MCA, B.Ed, and nursing colleges, remain shut down, severely disrupting academic schedules for thousands of students across the state. The Federation of Associations of Telangana Higher Institutions (FATHI), leading the protest, has intensified its de-

mands and tactics. FATHI is demanding the government release 5,000 crore immediately, representing half of the total 10,000 crore in fee reimbursement arrears owed to the colleges. FATHI has demanded that the remaining balance be cleared in manageable monthly installments of 500 crore over the subsequent ten months. FATHI President Ramesh Babu stated that the non-release of these substantial dues has created an impossible financial strain, forcing management to struggle to pay staff salaries and maintain operations, even though their intent is not

to oppose the government. In a move to escalate the pressure, FATHI announced the boycott of pharmacy exams scheduled under the Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University (JNTU) and demanded their postponement. Although the government has extended an invitation for talks, FATHI has categorically ruled out withdrawing the strike until its primary demand for the immediate release of 50% of the dues is met. Furthermore, while FATHI welcomed the government's formation of a committee to explore a sustainable "Trust Ban

k" model for the fee reimbursement scheme, they firmly rejected the proposed three-month deadline for the committee's report. FATHI insisted that the committee must be directed to submit its recommendations within one month to ensure a swift resolution. To demonstrate the widespread support and seriousness of their agitation, FATHI has scheduled a massive mobilization effort. A large meeting of the colleges' faculty members is set to be held at the LB Stadium in Hyderabad on November 8, with an anticipated at-

tendance of 70,000 teachers. Ramesh Babu issued a stern warning that if the government fails to meet their demands, the association will escalate the protest further by staging a massive demonstration involving 10 lakh students. FATHI leaders also pointed out a failure of promise, noting that the government had committed during September talks to release 1,200 crore before the Diwali festival, but has so far disbursed only 300 crore, further fueling the frustration and mistrust that underpin the ongoing shutdown.





Maganti Family Feud Erupts Over Inheritance as By-election Looms

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The family dispute of former MLA Maganti Gopinath intensified ahead of the Jubilee Hills by-election, focusing on property and inheritance rights. Mahananda Kumari, Gopinath's mother, voiced her distress, stating she was not informed by either the party or Maganti Sunitha, Gopinath's second wife and the BRS candidate, that Sunitha was contesting. Mahananda Kumari emotionally declared that while she is still alive, no one cared for her.

Her main concern is the future of her grandson, Pradyumna Taraka Gopinath, whom she refers to as Gopinath's



successor. She claims an injustice is being done to Pradyumna and

forcefully demanded that he must receive a share in the property.

She asserted that since Gopinath is no longer alive, she wants to sup-

port her grandson, which is why she decided to speak publicly. Mahananda Kumari emphasised that this is not just a political issue but a private family matter.

The emergence of these internal differences over inheritance rights and property claims is being seen as a potential factor that could influence the BRS candidate's electoral prospects. Mahananda Kumari reiterated that her sole intention in approaching the media was to protect Gopinath's legacy and property for her grandson. The BRS party now faces the challenge of managing this highly sensitive family conflict in the midst of a crucial by-election campaign.

BRS Legal Cell Defends Sunitha's Family Claim at MRO Hearing



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Members of the Maganti family appeared before the Serilingampally MRO (Mandal Revenue Officer) regarding the ongoing controversy surrounding the Family Certificate of former MLA Maganti Gopinath's family. Representing BRS candidate Maganti Sunitha were her sec-

ond daughter, Maganti Rishira, and Lalitha Reddy from the BRS Legal Cell.

Lalitha Reddy stated that the dispute over the family members' certificate has been ongoing for two rounds and the case is now adjourned to November 25. She presented evidence confirming that Sunitha's children—Akshara, Rishira, and Vats-

alya—were born to Maganti Gopinath and Sunitha. She highlighted that all official documents, including their Aadhaar cards, Voter IDs, and their children's Voter IDs, unanimously bear the 'Maganti' surname but only 'Kosaraju'. Similarly, she noted that the records for Malini Devi list her as 'Daughter of Venkateshwara

names Maganti Sunitha.

Lalitha Reddy strongly refuted the claims made by the side of the alleged 'first wife', stating that Taraka Pradyumna's records do not contain the 'Maganti' surname but only 'Kosaraju'. Similarly, she noted that the records for Malini Devi list her as 'Daughter of Venkateshwara

Rao,' not 'Wife of Gopinath.' Reddy called the entire matter a deliberate conspiracy, asserting that the opposing party failed to submit any substantial evidence during the Tahsildar's inquiry. She concluded with confidence that this family issue will not cause any hindrance to the upcoming by-election.

BRS Defends KCR's Record, Alleges Congress Playing Caste Card

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A press meet at Telangana Bhavan saw BRS leaders defending the party and KCR's tenure while criticising the Congress strategy.

Nama Nageswara Rao, former MP, argued that people should support Maganti Sunitha as they did her late husband, Gopinath, an NTR fan who was given an opportunity by KCR. He asserted that KCR's 10-year rule brought unprecedented development to Hyderabad and the state. He accused Congress of hypocritically using NTR's name for political gain, contrasting it with BRS, which erected a 60-foot NTR statue in Khammam. He also revealed that KCR personally protected Ramoji Rao from being arrested by plainclothes police, clearly stating, "No one from my state should



be arrested."

Puvvada Ajay Kumar, former Minister, testified to Gopinath's immense loyalty to KCR and condemned the Ministers who mocked Sunitha's tears. He stated that KCR ensured good recogni-

tion for the Kamma community and ensured full state honours for late actor Krishna's last rites.

Thatha Madhu, MLC, accused Congress of sensing defeat and consequently resorting to low-level caste and

religion politics. He criticised Ministers for engaging in caste-based conflicts and specifically targeted Minister Thummala Nageswara Rao for doing 'petty politics' in the by-election despite KCR having revived his career after

a defeat. He reiterated that Sunitha's victory is certain, as she has everyone's blessings. He also pointed out the hypocrisy of Congress leaders who are talking about installing an NTR statue while aligning with leaders who had previously blocked its inauguration.

Nallamothu Bhaskar Rao, former MLA, praised Gopinath's development work across all castes and highlighted KCR's wonderful development of Telangana.

Mandadi Srinivas Rao, Corporator, stated that the Congress government has failed miserably in two years, with CM Revanth also failing as Municipal Minister, evidenced by the dire state of roads and drainage. He urged voters to vote for the Car symbol, as development is only possible with the BRS.

Congress Will Sweep By-poll, Says TPCC's Dayakar; Targets KTR



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Chanagani Dayakar, the TPCC General Secretary, confidently asserted that the Congress party's victory in the Jubilee Hills by-election is certain and unstoppable. He launched a scathing attack on KTR and the opposition, stating that KTR's political future is now questionable. Dayakar alleged a secret understanding between the BJP and BRS, claiming the BJP is internally working for the BRS candidate.

He dismissed the notion of 'fake surveys', arguing they

will not change the public's opinion, and called KTR's alleged conspiracy evident from the sudden appearance of 'survey artists'. In contrast, he highlighted the efforts of the Congress government, noting that three ministers have been actively addressing the issues of residents in every slum and colony for the past three months. He also defended the HYDRA (Hyderabad Disaster Response and Asset Protection Agency), stating it has caused no trouble in Jubilee Hills, while KTR is resorting to irrelevant

propaganda about a 'Bulldozer'.

Dayakar warned that the Jubilee Hills by-election could become a major challenge to KTR's leadership. He framed the contest as an election between "10 years of BRS corruption and 20 months of Praja Palana (People's Rule)". He stressed that the people of Jubilee Hills unequivocally want development. He called on every Congress worker in Telangana to give a strong voice to the slogan: "Vote for Development, Vote for Future" and send this message to every voter.

Gowda Community Rallies Behind Congress Candidate Naveen Yadav



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The Congress party received a massive boost in the Jubilee Hills by-election as the Gowda community held an Athmeeya Sammelanam (Intimate Meeting) in Madhuranagar and unanimously declared their support for party candidate Naveen Yadav. The meeting saw the participation of Minister Ponnamp Prabhakar, actor Suman, and other prominent BC leaders, including Nayanadu Satyanarayana Gowd and Nuti Srikanth Gowd.

Minister Ponnamp Prabhakar conveyed messages from Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, Deputy CM

Bhatti Vikramarka, and PCC Chief Mahesh Kumar Goud, all urging the party to ensure Naveen Yadav's victory. He reminded the audience of the Congress party's victory in the recent Cantonment by-election and called for a similar show of strength. Prabhakar touted the Congress government's commitment to social justice, noting they conducted the first-ever caste survey in the country for backward classes (Gowd, Mudiraj, Yadav, etc.) and passed a resolution for 42% BC reservation, a measure currently being blocked in Parliament by other parties.

Prabhakar emphasised that winning

this by-election would clearly demonstrate the unity of the backward classes. He assured the public that Naveen Yadav, being "one of their own" and aware of the local issues, has the full support of the State Cabinet. He mentioned his efforts to plant 40 lakh palm saplings this year and noted that all local MLAs and ministers in charge of Hyderabad are from backward classes and feel a brotherly affinity toward him. He urged everyone to work together and campaign actively, as "Congress is the champion of social justice," which has provided this opportunity to Naveen Yadav.

Hyderabad Cops Crack Instagram-Linked Drug Network

Hyderabad | Nov 6, 2025, DCP Yogesh Gautam of Rajendra Nagar reported a successful joint operation conducted by the Rajendra Nagar SOT (Special Operations Team) and local police, leading to the arrest of several individuals involved in drug trafficking and consumption. The operation revealed an inter-state drug network originating from Bengaluru and extending its supply chain into the city of Hyderabad. The arrested traffickers were identified as Santosh, Sandeep, and Shiva Kumar, who were responsible for procuring the narcotics from Bengaluru and selling them in Hyderabad. The police also apprehended three buyers: Sai Babu, Vishal Reddy, and Sameer. A critical aspect of the investigation uncovered that the accused were primarily using the so-



cial media platform Instagram to operate their illegal supply network, leveraging the app's wide reach and discreet communication features to connect with both suppliers and customers across the region. Further investigation into the origin of the seized drugs pointed towards an international connection, with the narcotics being traced back to Nigeria. However, police are currently facing challenges in locating and apprehending the Nigerian nationals responsible for the international supply. DCP Gautam stated that the location of these foreign drug suppliers has not yet been traced, but special teams are dedicated to tracking them down. The case is being investigated from multiple angles, including scrutinising digital footprints, transaction history, and call data records, to dismantle the entire chain of suppliers and dealers.

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Authorities seized a significant quantity of illegal substances during the raid, including 18 grams of MDMA (Methylenedioxymethamphetamine), estimated to be worth 2 lakh on the black market, and 130 grams of Ganja (marijuana). Additionally, five mobile phones used for coordinating the drug transactions were confiscated. DCP Gautam assured the public and the media that the police are working diligently and expect to apprehend the remaining accused persons soon, reaffirming the police department's commitment to combating drug menace in the city and ensuring the safety of its youth. This crackdown is part of the ongoing efforts to make Hyderabad a drug-free city, focusing on both local peddlers and international suppliers.

96 Grams of Hashish Oil Seized, One Arrested

Hyderabad | Nov 6, 2025 In another successful anti-narcotics operation, the Secunderabad DTF (Drug Task Force) team intercepted a drug smuggler, leading to the seizure of 96 grams of Hashish Oil and the arrest of one individual along with his vehicle. The operation was conducted on Thursday morning at Boinpally Cross Road, based on credible intelligence that a person was transporting the narcotic substance from Boinpally towards Suchitra



ms. According to AES Srinivas Rao, the estimated street value of the seized Hashish Oil is approximately 50,000.

and other dedicated staff. The arrested accused and the confiscated Hashish Oil were subsequently handed over to the Secun-

is expected to yield more clues regarding the larger network of suppliers operating in the region.

ACB Conducts Raids on Quthbullapur Sub-Registrar Office Over Corruption Allegations



Hyderabad | Nov 6, 2025, The Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) conducted surprise raids and inspections at the Quthbullapur Sub-Registration Office on November 6, following mounting allegations of corruption and inefficiency. The raid was initiated based on confidential information indicating that officials at the office were allegedly demanding and accepting excessive bribes for registration services and were deliberately delay-

ing the processing of work, causing significant inconvenience to the public.

The ACB team, led by DSP Srinivas Reddy, arrived at the registration office unannounced to conduct the sudden search. Upon the arrival of the ACB officials, the office had a large number of documentary writers present, who serve as middlemen for the registration process. All the documentary writers were immediate-

ly detained and questioned extensively as part of the initial investigation to ascertain the extent of corrupt practices and the network of individuals involved.

During the course of the inspection and questioning, 10,000 in cash was reportedly found with one witness. ACB officials are currently investigating the financial transactions and background of this particular individual to determine the source and

purpose of the cash, and whether it was part of a bribe.

DSP Srinivas Reddy later addressed the media, confirming the ongoing investigation. He stated that while the documentary writers were being questioned and the witness's transactions were under scrutiny, no significant cash has been found with any of the key registration officials so far. Furthermore, he assured the public that despite the ongoing inspection, the registration process was being allowed to continue so as not to cause further disruption to citizens seeking to register their property. The ACB raid signals a stern warning against corruption and bureaucratic delays in government offices, particularly those handling public services like land registration, and the investigation is expected to continue to unearth any deep-rooted nexus of corruption.



Transgender Rape Dispute Led to Rowdy Sheeter's Murder

Hyderabad | Nov 6, 2025, Jagadgirigutta police successfully solved the sensational murder case of a rowdy sheeter who was brutally stabbed to death in broad daylight near the Jagadgirigutta Bus Stand on Wednesday evening. The investigation led to the identification and apprehension of the assailants: fellow rowdy sheeter Balashaw Reddy and his associates, Adil and Mohammed.

The victim, identified as Roshan Singh (25), was stabbed multiple times with knives and rushed to Gandhi Hospital, where he succumbed to his severe injuries. The police investigation, which included analysing social media visuals of the incident, revealed the shocking motive. The feud originated from an alleged gang-rape of a transgender person by Roshan Singh and six of his friends about 15 days prior in a secluded area. A dispute arose among the friends regarding the payment of money to the victim. The transgender person subsequently filed a police complaint at Balanagar Police Station, which was allegedly

instigated by Balashaw Reddy. Angered by the complaint, Roshan Singh reportedly threatened his friends, saying he would kill Balashaw Reddy. When this threat reached Balashaw Reddy, he swore revenge, saying, "How dare he kill me? I will kill him first." This vendetta led Balashaw Reddy and his friends to the bus stand on Wednesday. During the confrontation, Mohammed held Roshan Singh from behind while Balashaw Reddy stabbed him fatally before fleeing on a Bullet motorcycle. Medchal DCP Koti

Reddy confirmed the arrests of the three accused and stated that both the deceased and the arrested individuals have multiple prior criminal cases registered against them. Cases have been filed against Balashaw Reddy, Adil, and Mohammed, and they are being remanded to judicial custody. The press conference saw the attendance of DCP (SOT) P. Shoban Kumar, Addl DCP (SOT) A. Vishwa Prasad, Balanagar Division ACP P. Naresh Reddy, Jagadgirigutta Police Inspector B. Venkatesham, and other police officials.

Excise Department Seizes 3.230 kg of Ganja, Arrests Three Suspects

Hyderabad | Nov 6, 2025, The Excise Department's DTF (Drug Task Force) unit successfully cracked down on a drug-peddling operation, resulting in the seizure of 3.230 kilograms of Ganja and the arrest of three individuals. The operation was executed near the Muthyalamma Temple in Bolaram, following specific intelligence regarding the ongoing sale of cannabis in the vicinity. Based on the information, DTF CI Soujanya

and her team laid a trap and apprehended the suspects. The seized contraband was valued at approximately 1.60 lakh in the illegal market.

The suspects and the quantities of Ganja seized from them were detailed as follows:

- 1. Bharath Kappa and Umesh were found in possession of 2.080 kilograms of Ganja.
- 2. Shashikanth was apprehended with 1.150 kilograms of Ganja.
- The total quantity of Ganja confiscated from

the three individuals amounted to 3.230 kilograms. Following the completion of the necessary legal procedures, the arrested individuals and the seized Ganja were officially handed over to the Secunderabad Excise Station for further investigation and prosecution under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act. The successful operation was met with commendation from the senior leadership of the

Enforcement Department. Enforcement Director Shanawaz Qasim and ES Panchakshari personally congratulated CI Soujanya and her staff for their alertness, professional conduct, and successful operation, which contributed significantly to curbing the illegal drug trade in the city. The excise team remains committed to carrying out more such operations to ensure the city's safety and eradicate the use and sale of illegal narcotics.

500 Students Hit Streets to Promote Cyber Safety

Hyderabad | Nov 6, 2025, In observance of the statewide Cyber Safety Day, a large-scale awareness program was organised in the Quthbullapur area, specifically in Chintal, under the jurisdiction of the Jeedimetla Police Station. The event featured a public rally and an interactive awareness session dedicated to educating students and residents about the increasing threats of cyber crime. Approximately 500 students from the Sri Vidya Junior College enthusiastically participated in the rally. Holding placards bearing slogans and vital information, the students marched through the streets, successfully drawing the attention of the general

public and imparting crucial awareness regarding various forms of cyber offences. The rally aimed to visually communicate the need for digital caution and to make the public cyber-savvy. Following the rally, an extensive awareness session was held at the local MPR Convention centre for the 500 participating students. Balanagar ACP P.

Naresh Reddy attended the session as the Chief Guest. ACP Reddy addressed the students and provided them and the public with essential guidelines and tips on how to safeguard themselves from falling victim to online fraud, phishing scams, hacking, and other digital crimes.

The session was highly interactive, with students and college staff actively engaging the ACP and police personnel by asking detailed questions about specific cyber threats and preventive measures. The officers responded comprehensively, clarifying doubts and providing practical solutions. To ensure a thorough understanding of the subject matter, the police delivered a detailed PowerPoint presentation covering key aspects of cyber security, case studies, and legal recourse available to victims. The program was a collective effort, with the participation of Jeedimetla Station Officer Gaddam Mallesh, and other dedicated police staff.

HYDRAA Hailed For Flood Relief Efforts

Hyderabad | Nov 6, 2025, Residents of multiple colonies in Hyderabad took to the streets to express their profound gratitude to HYDRA (Hyderabad Disaster Response and Asset Protection Agency) for successfully averting flood crises in their respective areas, despite recent spells of heavy rainfall. The citizens organised rallies and formed human chains to commend the agency's performance. In the Ameerpet area, representatives from colonies like Srinivasa Nagar, Gayatri Nagar, Krishna Nagar, and Ambedkar Nagar gathered near Maitrivanam, displaying placards to show solidarity with HYDRA. They recalled

that their colonies used to be devastated by waist-deep water after even a mere 5 cm of rain. However, after HYDRA's intervention, which involved thorough desilting of underground pipelines, the areas remained flood-free even after a heavy 15 cm of recent rainfall. Residents of Ambedkar Nagar specifically noted that a long-standing issue where sewage spilled onto the roads due to clogged drains was finally solved thanks to HYDRA's action. They thanked Chief Minister Revanth Reddy for establishing the system and Commissioner A.V. Ranganath for his consistent monitoring.



Similarly, residents in the Patny area expressed their thanks to HYDRA for protecting seven to eight colonies (including Paiga Colony, Patny Colony, Viman Nagar, BHEL Colony, and Indiramma Nagar) by fixing the long-standing Patny nala issue. They recalled that past

rains caused them significant financial losses, with their cars being submerged and household items damaged. The decades-old problem was attributed to the Patny nala, which was originally 70 feet wide, being illegally constricted to just 15 to 18 feet. HYDRA's imme-

diated response to their complaint involved restoring the nala to its original width, thereby successfully mitigating the flood risk this year. The residents expressed great relief that a problem that plagued them for 30 years was finally resolved by the swift action of the new agency.

Communities Unite Behind Congress' Naveen Yadav in Jubilee Hills Bypolls

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Hyderabad: In a major boost to the Congress campaign in the Jubilee Hills by-election, several influential communities — including Kamma, Kapu, and Goud groups — have pledged their full support to the party's candidate, Naveen Yadav.

Minister for Transport and In-charge of the Jubilee Hills constituency, Ponnam Prabhakar, led a series of intensive meetings and door-to-door campaigns across the constituency, particularly in the Yusufguda division. With just three days left for campaigning, he intensified outreach among different community associations to consolidate support for the Congress candidate.

Speaking at one of the gatherings, Minister Prabhakar said, "The development of Jubilee Hills can only be achieved through the Congress Party, which has always been a champion of social justice. The party has shown its commitment once again by offering a ticket to a youth from a weaker section. I appeal to all citizens to bless and elect Naveen Yadav for a progressive Jubilee Hills."

In Krishna Nagar, a special meeting was held with the Kapu community, which has a strong presence in Hyderabad after migrating from Karmnagar years ago. The



community members, in the presence of Minister Prabhakar, unanimously resolved to support Naveen Yadav, calling him an educated, grounded local leader. The Minister assured them that as the in-charge of the constituency, he would ensure constant support and push for further infrastructure and welfare projects in the area.

Highlighting the Congress government's commitment to inclusivity, Prabhakar noted that the state had enacted a law implementing 42% reservations for Backward Classes, reinforcing its identity as a party that stands for the rights of the underprivileged.

The Minister and his team also conducted door-to-door visits across

colonies in Jubilee Hills, explaining the development works undertaken — including road construction, drainage upgrades, and welfare schemes reaching every household under the Prajapalana governance model. Later, in Madhuranaagar, Minister Prabhakar addressed a gathering of Goud associations in support of Naveen Yadav. Emphasizing social unity, he said, "Yadavs and Gouds share the same roots — both belong to hardworking communities that deserve representation. Let's stand together and ensure Naveen Yadav's victory."

He urged Congress workers and local leaders to approach every household and commu-

nity leader to seek votes for Yadav, adding, "Wherever we go in Jubilee Hills, the public sentiment clearly favors Naveen Yadav. Let's amplify that spirit across every street."

Adding star power to the campaign, actor Suman joined the outreach drive, stating that the film fraternity stands firmly behind Naveen Yadav. "The services rendered by industry veterans Uttam Kumar Reddy and Ponnam Prabhakar: Federation president Bodduravi Shankar Rao announced that all 60 Kamma associations across Telangana have unanimously decided to back the Congress candidate. "Naveen Yadav has dedicated years to helping the poor through social welfare programs," Ravi Shankar Rao said. "There are about 40,000 Kamma votes in Jubilee Hills, and they will all go to the Congress." He appealed to Dalits, minorities, and other weaker sections to come together in solidarity and ensure Yadav's victory, saying this would reaffirm the Congress Party's image as a true representative of every community.

At the Yusufguda Congress office, another meeting was held with Telangana Kamma Sangham Federation leaders in the presence of Minis-

ters Uttam Kumar Reddy and Ponnam Prabhakar: Federation president Bodduravi Shankar Rao announced that all 60 Kamma associations across Telangana have unanimously decided to back the Congress candidate. "Naveen Yadav has dedicated years to helping the poor through social welfare programs," Ravi Shankar Rao said. "There are about 40,000 Kamma votes in Jubilee Hills, and they will all go to the Congress." He appealed to Dalits, minorities, and other weaker sections to come together in solidarity and ensure Yadav's victory, saying this would reaffirm the Congress Party's image as a true representative of every community.

60 Community Groups Declare Support for Congress Candidate



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Hyderabad: In a significant development ahead of the Jubilee Hills by-election, the Telangana Kamma Sangham Federation, representing 60 community associations across the state, officially declared their unanimous support for Congress Party candidate Naveen Yadav.

The announcement was made at the Yusufguda Congress office in the presence of senior Congress leaders and Ministers Ponnam Prabhakar and Uttam Kumar Reddy.

Federation president Bodduravi Shankar Rao said that the Kamma community had evaluated the performance and public service record of all ca-

ndidates before choosing to back Naveen Yadav. "Naveen is not just a candidate — he is a man of the people. For several years, he has selflessly helped the poor and needy, conducting numerous welfare activities without expecting anything in return," he said.

He added that there are nearly 40,000 Kamma votes in the Jubilee Hills constituency, and all of them would go to the Congress Party this time. "We are convinced that the Congress alone can deliver inclusive growth and equitable development. The party has demonstrated its commitment by implementing 42% reservations for Backward Classes, a move that

strengthened social justice in Telangana," he stated. Appealing to voters from all sections of society — including Dalits, minorities, and economically weaker communities — Ravi Shankar Rao said, "This election is not about one candidate; it is about safeguarding social representation. The Congress Party stands with every section of society, and we urge everyone to support Naveen Yadav's victory for a more just and balanced Telangana."

The declaration was met with enthusiastic applause from the assembled leaders and party workers, who hailed it as a "turning point" in the by-election campaign.

Kodanda Reddy Donates 4 Crore Land for Agriculture Development



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Hyderabad: Fulfilling a promise he made earlier, Telangana State Farmers' Commission Chairman Kodanda Reddy has officially registered land worth 4 crore to the State Agriculture Department, marking a rare gesture of personal commitment to the farming community.

At the Ibrahimpatnam Sub-Registrar's office, Kodanda Reddy completed the registration of his 2,000-square-yard property, including a building located in his native Yacharam village, to the Agriculture Department in the presence of officials.

Two months ago, Kodanda Reddy had announced that he would gift the land for agricultural use to serve as a storage and training facility for farmers in the Yacharam mandal area. The facility will enable local farmers to store produce, agricultural equipment, and other tools, helping them re-

duce post-harvest losses and improve operational efficiency.

Speaking about his decision, he said, "As someone who has spent my life working for farmers, I wanted my land to be of permanent benefit to the community. I am happy that the government will now use it to strengthen rural agriculture infrastructure."

He had earlier discussed the plan personally with Agriculture Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao, who appreciated the gesture and assured full government support.

The registration process was completed under the supervision of Sub-Registrar Harshan, with district agriculture officer Usha, ADA Sujatha, AEO Ravinaath, and Commission official Harivenkata Prasad in attendance. The officials praised Kodanda Reddy's noble act, calling it a shining example of "leadership by service."

Tummala Reviews Fertiliser Supplies for Yasangi Season

TPN Bureau | Nov 6
Hyderabad: Agriculture Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao on Thursday held a detailed review meeting with department officials on the supply and distribution of fertilisers for the upcoming Yasangi (Rabi) season. The meeting focused on ensuring adequate availability and preventing shortages during the peak cultivation period.

Agriculture Director Gopi briefed the Minister that the Centre has allocated 10.40 lakh metric tonnes (LMT) of urea, 1.45 LMT of DAP, 7 LMT of complex fertilisers, 0.65 LMT of MOP, and 0.60 LMT of SSP to Telangana for the season. He said the state



had requested that 6 LMT of urea be supplied over three months — October, November, and December — at 2 LMT per month, to ensure smooth availability to farmers.

Minister Tummala

expressed concern that during the previous season, fertilisers were not supplied as per schedule despite early requests from the state government. He urged the Centre to deliver at least 60–70% of the total

allocation in advance this season, to avoid any disruption to the Yasangi crops, especially paddy and maize.

Currently, Telangana holds 1.43 LMT of urea, 58,000 tonnes of DAP, and 2.09 LMT of com-

plex fertilisers as buffer stock, which the Minister said would be sufficient if replenished regularly.

He also raised concern over the Railways' decision to shut down the Warangal rake point, shifting handling to Chintalapalli. "Such sudden closure could affect fertiliser supply in the entire erstwhile Warangal district," he warned, writing to the Union Railway Minister to continue operations at Warangal for another 4–5 months until Chintalapalli becomes fully functional.

For November, the Centre has sanctioned 2 LMT of urea, including 1.29 LMT of imported urea and 0.71 LMT from

domestic sources. However, there is still a shortfall of 37,000 tonnes of imported urea from October allocations. The Minister urged the Union Chemicals and Fertilisers Ministry to allocate an additional 0.50 LMT of imported urea immediately and expedite transportation through CLIL to prevent any crisis in December when fertiliser demand peaks.

"The goal," the Minister said, "is to ensure that not a single farmer faces difficulty in obtaining fertilisers. If we maintain 70% advance stock and continuous supply, we can serve farmers as efficiently as we did in the last two crop seasons."

Telangana: Woman dies by suicide over fear of ants

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Hyderabad: Police said a 25-year-old woman allegedly died by suicide at her home in Sangareddy district, due to a fear of ants (myrmecophobia), on Thursday. The incident took place on November 4. The woman, who was married in 2022 and had a three-year-old daughter, was found hanging from a ceiling fan with a sari, police said.

Police said they were informed that the woman had been afraid of ants since childhood and had previously received counselling at a hospital in her native Mancherial town. Earlier that day, the woman had dropped her daughter off at a relative's house, telling them she would pick her up after cleaning their home.

Her husband, who



had gone to work in the morning, returned in the evening to find the main door locked from the inside. With help from neighbours, he broke open the door and found his wife hanging from the ceiling fan, police added.

A suicide note recovered from the scene read: "Sri, I am sorry, I cannot live with these ants. Take care of

(daughter). Be careful. Annaram, Tirupati Rs 1,116... don't forget Yellamma vadi biyyam." (rice offering).

"It appears she might have noticed ants while cleaning and, out of fear, took the extreme step," police said. A case has been registered at Ameenpur police station, and further investigation is underway.

Farmers Hail Best 2751 Maize Variety at Awareness Meet in Hemadi

Tpn Bureau | Nov 6
Rangareddy: An awareness seminar on the Best 2751 maize hybrid was organized by Best Agri Science Pvt. Ltd. at Hemadi village in Rangareddy district on Thursday. The event, led by company representative V. Srinu, focused on educating farmers about the advantages of adopting this high-yield maize variety.

Addressing the gathering, Srinu explained that Best 2751 has shown remarkable resilience to heavy rainfall and has consistently delivered superior yields compared to traditional varieties. He also highlighted the company's commitment to helping farmers increase productivity through innovative and climate-resilient seeds.

Farmers from several nearby villages partici-



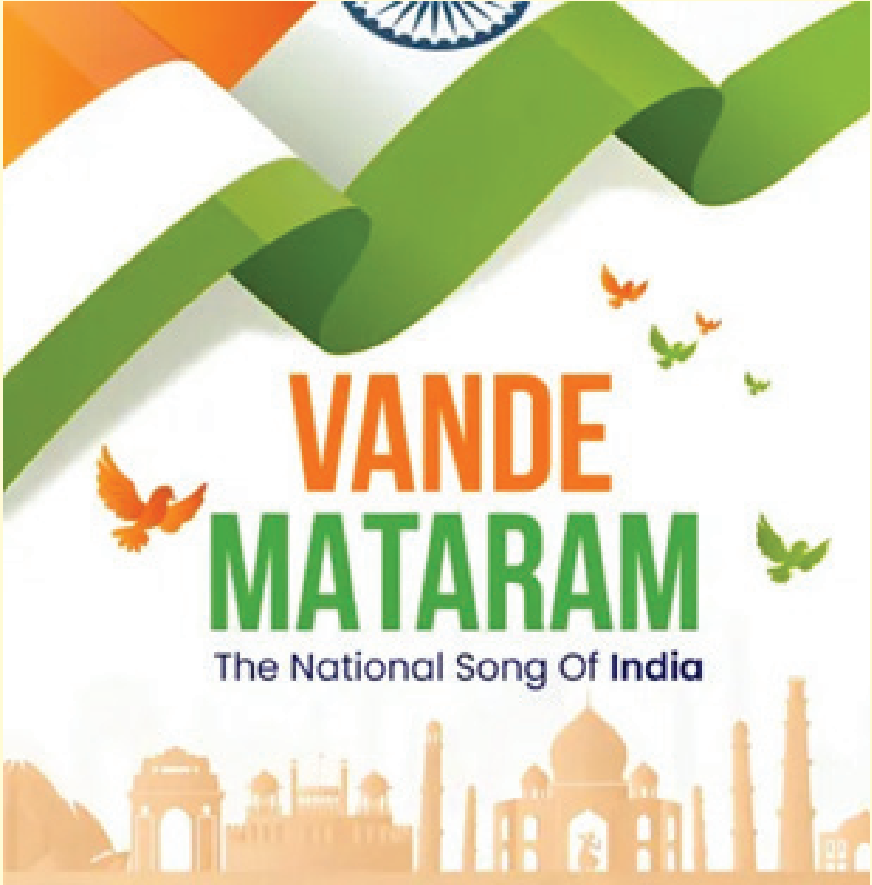
pated in the meet, showing keen interest in the new hybrid. Local agri dealers — Sri Lakshmi Narasimha Seeds and Pesticides, Fertilizers, and sub-dealer Sri Tirumala Fertilizers (Narsimhulu) — also attended and contributed to the success of the programme.

During the interactive session, a few farmers

shared their positive experiences, stating that they have been cultivating the Best 2751 maize variety for its strong growth and profitable returns.

The awareness meet concluded with a message emphasizing the importance of adopting modern seed technology for sustainable agricultural progress.

VANDE MATARAM – The Electrifying National Song



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The power of that immortal song, which electrified and unified Bharat, is once again evident as it celebrates its post-centenary golden jubilee year. Its spirit was palpable during the final match when the Indian women's team defeated South Africa to win the One Day International World Cup at the New

Mumbai Stadium in the first week of November. The galleries, filled with young and old alike, reverberated with the songs "Vande Mataram" and "Maa Tuihe Salaam," paying homage to and glorifying Bharat Mata. This was the song penned by the great revolutionary poet and novelist Shri Bankim Chandra

Chatterjee in 1875 in his widely acclaimed and inspiring novel Anandamath. It carried a powerful message of freedom from colonial rule. The song, first recited by Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore in 1896, inspired countless youths to defy British authority. Many sacrificed their lives on the gallows chanting

Vande Mataram. For every British police lathi that struck the bodies of protesters, the pitch of Vande Mataram grew louder and louder. During the partition of Bengal, Indians responded to British oppression with unified chants of Vande Mataram. There was no part of Akhand Bharat untouched by the

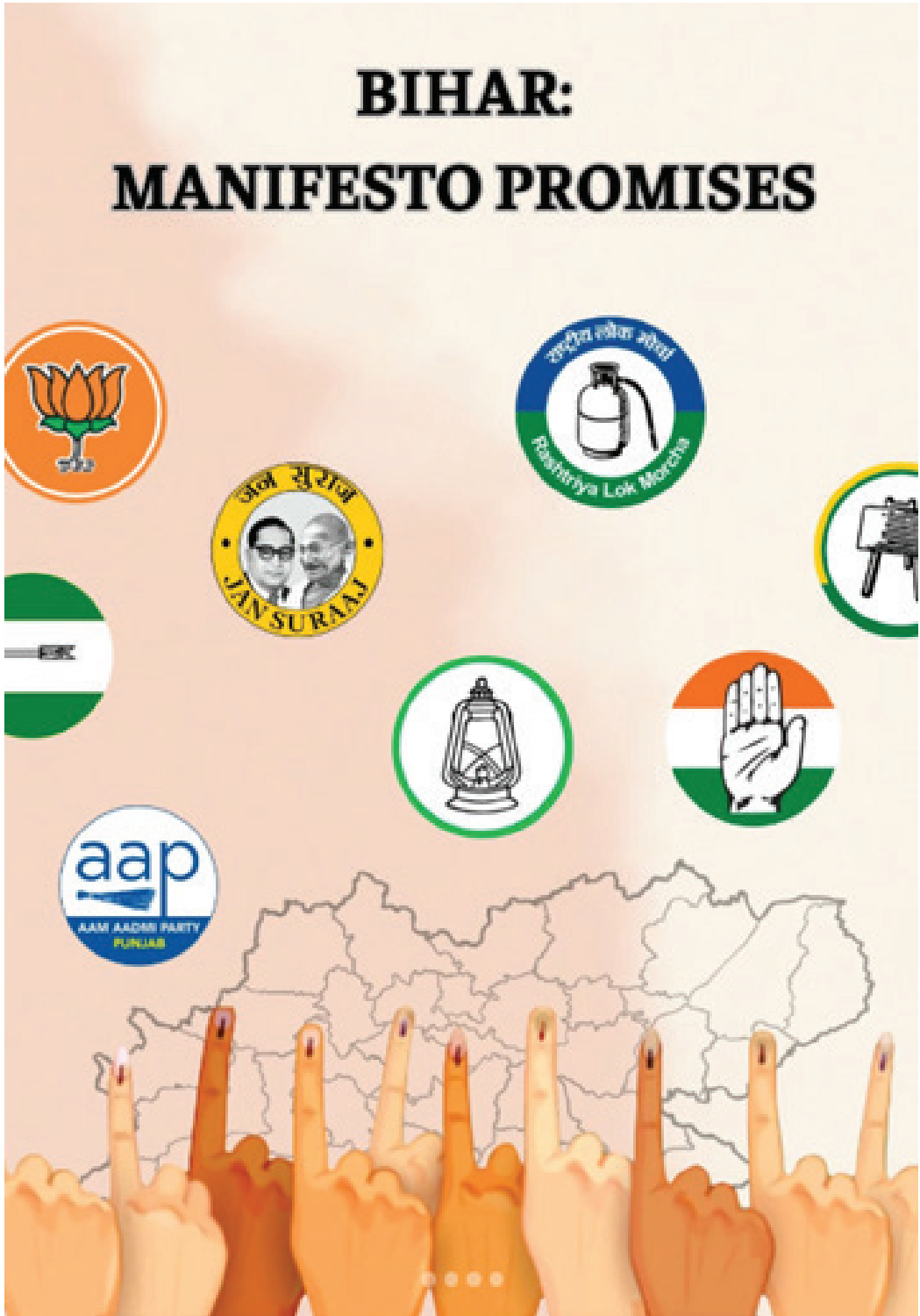
resonance of that song in the first two decades of the 20th century. It became a symbol of resistance and unity, making every Indian visualize Bharat Mata in all her divine grandeur, as we now see in paintings and photographs. Lala Lajpat Rai, Bal Gangadhar Tilak, Bhagat Singh, and Subhas Chan-

dra Bose—all drew inspiration from Vande Mataram. It became the roaring anthem of the common people—rural and urban, educated and uneducated alike. When the Indian Constitution was adopted, Vande Mataram was declared the National Song as desired by the Constituent Assembly. However,

the intentional truncation of the song by then Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru remains an unpardonable act. It was not the first time Nehru placed national interests aside to appease the Muslim community. This appeasement became the official policy of the Congress Party, beginning with Mahatma Gandhi's support for the Khilafat Movement, which had little to do with India's freedom struggle. By subordinating national interests to religious considerations, the Gandhi-Nehru-Congress combine caused great harm—effects of which are still felt by the nation today. Starting from the 1923 Kakinada Session of the Congress, when party president Maulana Mohammad Ali objected to Vande Mataram being sung as the prayer song by Pandit Vishnu Digambar Paluskar, the Gandhi-Nehru leadership failed to reprimand him for his anti-national stance. Instead, they meekly allowed that fanatic Maulana to walk out of the meeting. He was later seen puffing a cigarette outside, in full view of the session's delegates. If only the Congress stalwarts of that time had shown the courage to stand up to such religious

rigidity and uphold the majority's respected traditions, this issue would have been settled long ago. But by allowing Vande Mataram to be disrespected, the Congress laid the foundation of its Muslim appeasement policy. Shamelessly, the Congress continued this policy—first by mutilating Vande Mataram at its 1937 session, then by truncating it in 1950, followed by granting exemptions to those who refused to sing or respect it. No nation in the world allows its citizens to show disrespect to national symbols. Yet, under successive Congress regimes—both at the Centre and in the states—Indian nationalism was deliberately diluted for electoral gains. Now, on the 150th anniversary of Vande Mataram, it is time to correct those historical wrongs. Let us raise awareness among the youth of India, engage with those who refuse to chant it, and help them understand the sanctity of our national song—not through coercion, but through education and awakening. Let every Indian feel proud to say, with reverence and conviction: **"Vande Mataram!"**

First Phase of 2025 Assembly Elections Underway



The first phase of the 2025 Bihar Assembly Elections began today, with polling taking place across 121 constituencies and the fate of 1,314 candidates hanging in the balance. Voters are deciding whether the NDA will return

to power or if the state will opt for a change under the Mahagathbandhan, which has declared Tejashwi Yadav as its chief ministerial candidate. Political eyes are also on Deputy CM Samrat Choudhary, who is attempting the

transition from MLC to MLA, and Maithili Thakur, a debutante candidate in Aliganj, to see if she can make a strong impression on the electorate. Another key question is whether Prashant Kishor's Jan Suraj Party will manage

to break through in the voter landscape. Early reports from the ground suggest a tense start to polling. By 3:20 PM, the RJD had posted video clips on its X account alleging voter obstruction in multiple constituencies. In Mohiuddinagar, they claim police personnel beat and threatened voters, while in Danapur, administration restrictions on boat services reportedly prevented thousands from reaching their polling booths. In Raghopur, the RJD alleges that the Vaishali district administration has stopped both boat and vehicle operations, leaving hundreds unable to cast their votes, despite showing voter ID cards. Party officials have raised the issue with the Chief Electoral Officer of Bihar and the Election Commission's SVEEP division, questioning the authority behind these actions. The election campaign has been characterized by ambitious promises from both sides. The NDA and the Mahagathbandhan have pledged development initiatives including jobs, expressways, and welfare schemes for farmers, women, and students, with each party presenting a competing vision for Bihar's future. Polling has also witnessed sporadic incidents of unrest. By 2:30 PM, the RJD reported that a worker was attacked by local BJP affiliates in Maricha Chowk, Sarai, while at 2:20 PM, RJD supporters allegedly surrounded Deputy CM and BJP candidate Vijay Kumar Sinha's car in Lakhisarai, pelting stones and blocking his entry into Khorari village amid slogans of protest. As Bihar casts its votes, political observers note that the first phase could set the tone for the remaining rounds of polling. With key constituencies like Raghopur, Lakhisarai, and Aliganj under close watch, today's results will be critical in determining the trajectory of the 2025 Bihar Assembly Elections. Live updates continue to track developments across the state.

Tango For Three



As the United States gradually retreats from its global policing role, the resulting geopolitical vacuum presents both challenges and opportunities for nations like India. Recent policy shifts from Washington—marked by punitive tariffs and transactional diplomacy—have signaled a move away from expansionism toward a Monroe Doctrine-style withdrawal focused on the Americas. This retrenchment, coupled with reduced internal and external spending, is reshaping global power dynamics. With Asia increasingly left to its own devices, India and China—together home to 35% of the world's population—are emerging as key actors. China's growing economic and military strength, bolstered by a strong currency, vast gold reserves, and re-

gional assertiveness, positions it as an inevitable global powerhouse. However, China faces long-term demographic challenges that could affect its labor force by 2050. This creates potential openings for India's younger, expanding workforce. India's foreign policy will require careful calibration. Relations with the US have seen ups and downs, but India can leverage its longstanding ties with Washington and also deepen its strategic engagement with Russia, which is gaining importance amid America's declining European presence. Meanwhile, India-China relations, historically strained due to border disputes and mutual distrust, could evolve strategically. Chinese companies may increasingly look to India for manufacturing partnerships,

particularly in pharmaceuticals and automotive sectors, helping diversify India's economy and reduce dependency on the US market. Experts suggest that India's rise in this shifting global order will depend on a pragmatic and shrewd approach—balancing engagement with major powers while fostering domestic economic strength. By leveraging its demographic advantage, growing market, and strategic diplomacy, India could not only fill the regional power vacuum left by the US but also emerge as a stabilizing force in a rapidly evolving multipolar world. The coming decade may thus redefine India's role on the global stage, with strategic partnerships and economic foresight shaping its trajectory in an era of uncertainty.

PM Modi Accuses RJD-Congress of Vote-Bank Politics, Soft on Infiltrators



TPN Correspondent | Patna

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday accused the opposition RJD-Congress combine in Bihar of indulging in vote-bank politics, showing leniency toward infiltrators, and harboring “dislike” for Lord Ram

and Chhathi Maiya. He made the remarks while addressing a rally in Araria district ahead of the Bihar Assembly elections. Modi alleged that opposition leaders’ reluctance to visit Ayodhya to pay obeisance at shrines dedi-

cated to Nishad Raj, Mata Shabri, and Maharshi Valmiki reflected their contempt for Dalits and backward classes. “I understand their dislike for Lord Ram. But they can at least pay obeisance at the shrines dedicated to Nishad Raj, Shabri Mata,

and Maharshi Valmiki. Their reluctance indicates their hatred for Dalits and backward classes,” he said. The PM highlighted the NDA government’s development record under Chief Minister Nitish Kumar, contrasting it with

what he described as 15 years of stagnation under “jungle raj” when Bihar saw little infrastructure growth. “Today, Bihar has multiple expressways, bridges over rivers, four central universities, and other centres of higher learning. Only the NDA can ensure uninterrupted progress,” Modi said. On the issue of infiltration, Modi claimed the NDA was committed to driving out infiltrators, while the opposition allegedly protected them and conducted political yatras in their favor. “Whenever the RJD-Congress achieve power, they try to give back-door entry to infiltrators because of vote-bank politics. But this affects the people of the country,” he said. The PM also pointed to alleged infighting within the opposition alliance, claiming that Congress and RJD leaders were at odds even on key issues. “The fight between RJD and Congress has reached such a level that now their deputy CM candidate is speaking against ‘jungle raj’. After elections, all these alliance partners will be seen breaking each other’s heads,” he added.

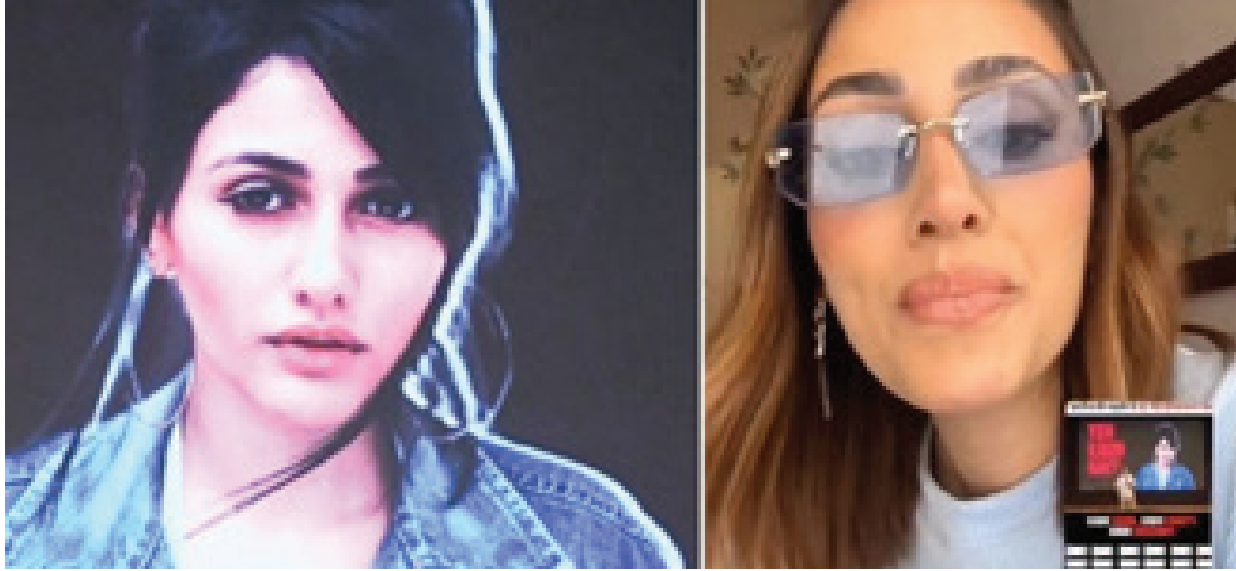
Brazilian Model Shocked as Photo Used in Rahul Gandhi’s Press Conference

TPN Correspondent | Delhi

Brazilian model and influencer Larissa Nery expressed disbelief after discovering that her photograph was being circulated in Indian political circles and even shown during a press conference by Congress leader Rahul Gandhi.

In a video posted online and translated from Portuguese, Larissa reacted with shock and amusement upon learning that an old image of hers was being used to represent an Indian voter. “Guys, I can’t believe this gossip. They’re using an old photo of mine; I must have been about 18 or 20 in that picture. They’re portraying me as Indian to scam people. What madness! What craziness is this, what world do we live in?” she said.

The incident came to light after Indian fact-checker Mohammed Zubair shared a video highlighting that the photograph shown during



Gandhi’s press briefing did not belong to an Indian citizen. The revelation quickly went viral, sparking widespread discussion online, with social media users mocking the mix-up and questioning how the image became linked to Indian voter identification records. Larissa later addressed

the situation in a lighthearted video, confirming that the viral photo was indeed hers. She revealed that she had started receiving calls from journalists soon after the incident gained attention. “A reporter even called the salon where I work, trying to talk to me for an interview. Then he found my

Instagram and tried to contact me there. Oh my God, what craziness!” she said. Friends from other cities also sent her screenshots of the viral images, expressing disbelief at the story’s reach. The original photograph of Larissa was taken by Brazilian photographer Matheus

Ferrero, known for his fashion and portrait work, and is available on platforms like Unsplash. The incident has since gone viral, with screenshots of Larissa’s reaction and social media posts circulating widely, highlighting how quickly misinformation can spread in the digital age.

Congress Slams Govt After Trump Repeats ‘India-Pakistan Peace’ Claim



TPN Correspondent | Delhi

The Congress on Thursday took a swipe at the Modi government after U.S. President Donald Trump again claimed that India and Pakistan “made peace” following threats of trade sanctions. Congress leader Jairam Ramesh highlighted that this marked the 58th time Trump had referenced the

claim since May 10, 2025. Addressing the issue, Ramesh questioned the government’s handling of international diplomacy, rhetorically asking what connects Washington DC, Riyadh, Doha, London, The Hague, Sharm-el-Sheikh, Tokyo, Air Force One, and now Miami, where the U.S. President reportedly reiterated the

statement. “This makes it 58 times since the evening of May 10th that President Trump has declared he used trade and tariffs to stop Operation Sindoor,” Ramesh said, referring to the claimed peace initiative. The Congress leader suggested that repeated public statements by the U.S. President, spanning multiple global

locations, raised questions about India’s foreign policy credibility and the government’s ability to manage international narratives. “If the highest office in the United States is making these claims repeatedly, it is imperative for the government to clarify facts and assert India’s position clearly,” he added.

The remarks come amid growing political attention in India over international perceptions of the country’s diplomatic initiatives, with opposition parties seeking to hold the government accountable for what they describe as “mismanaged messaging.” The Congress’s criticism reflects broader concerns in political circles regarding external assertions influencing India’s image globally and domestic political discourse. The party called on the government to publicly respond to Trump’s repeated claims and ensure accurate representation of India’s role in regional peace efforts. As the controversy gains traction online, both national and international observers are monitoring developments closely, particularly the response of the Indian government to repeated foreign statements about bilateral matters.

Bihar Phase 1 Voting Sees 54% Turnout Amid Political Tensions



TPN Correspondent | Bihar

Voting continued across 121 Assembly constituencies in Bihar on Thursday (November 6, 2025) for the first phase of the state elections, with 53.77% of 3.75 crore eligible voters casting their ballots by 3 p.m. This round is crucial for both the ruling NDA and opposition INDIA bloc, as over 1,000 candidates vie for power. The first phase has several high-profile leaders in the fray, including RJD chief ministerial candidate Tejashwi Yadav, NDA Deputy Chief Ministers Samrat Choudhary and Vijay Kumar Sinha, and multiple ministers from the Nitish Kumar government. Union Minister Nityanand Rai was also seen casting his

vote in Hajipur. The voting phase has been marked by heightened political tensions. Deputy CM Vijay Kumar Sinha alleged that his convoy in Lakhisarai was attacked by RJD supporters attempting to intimidate voters, particularly from extremely backward classes. Meanwhile, RJD president Lalu Prasad called for a “change of guard” in the state and posted a symbolic message on social media highlighting his party’s vision for Bihar’s future. This round is also critical for smaller parties. CPI(ML) is contesting ten seats in this phase, holding six, while the Lok Janshakti Party (Ramvilas) contests ten NDA seats, with only

one previously held. Discontent among NDA allies, particularly the JD(U), has arisen over seat-sharing allocations. Voter turnout has been steady despite sporadic reports of incidents. Political analysts note that the results of this first phase will set the tone for subsequent rounds and could significantly influence the alliances’ prospects. With high stakes and key leaders directly involved, the eyes of both parties and voters remain focused on the polling process across the state. Results for this phase are expected in the coming days, which will provide a clear picture of Bihar’s political landscape for 2025.

ED Attaches Rs 11.14 Crore Assets of Dhawan, Raina in Betting Case



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The Enforcement Directorate (ED) on Thursday attached assets worth Rs 11.14 crore belonging to former Indian cricketers Shikhar Dhawan and Suresh Raina in connection with a money-laundering investigation linked to an alleged illegal online betting platform, official sources said. A provisional order under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) has been issued to attach Dhawan’s immovable property valued at Rs 4.5 crore and Raina’s mutual fund holdings worth Rs 6.64 crore. The action is part of the ongoing probe into the operations of the online betting site 1xBet. The ED’s investiga-

tion has revealed that both cricketers “knowingly” entered into endorsement agreements with foreign entities promoting 1xBet and its affiliated platforms. The agency is examining the financial flows and contractual arrangements to determine the extent of involvement in the alleged illegal activities. In addition to Dhawan and Raina, the ED has questioned other former cricketers including Yuvraj Singh and Robin Uthappa, as well as actors Sonu Sood, Urvashi Rautela, Mimi Chakraborty—a former Trinamool Congress MP—and Bengali actor Ankush Hazra. Authorities are scrutinising their connections to promotions or endorsements of the betting platform.

1xBet, registered in Curacao, describes itself as a globally-recognised bookmaker with 18 years of experience in the betting industry. The federal agency’s probe focuses on the alleged facilitation of illegal betting through online channels and the role of prominent individuals in promoting the platform in India. The ED’s latest move underscores its efforts to clamp down on financial crimes linked to illegal gambling operations and holds high-profile personalities accountable under the PMLA. Further developments are expected as the agency continues to examine documents, bank transactions, and contractual agreements linked to the case.

Jensen Huang Predicts China Will Win AI Race



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Nvidia CEO Jensen Huang has predicted that China is poised to surpass the United States in the global race for artificial intelligence dominance. Speaking to the Financial Times on the sidelines of the Future of AI Summit, Huang emphasized that China's advancements in AI could outpace Western progress in the near future.

"China is going to win the AI race," Huang told the newspaper, highlighting the nation's rapid technological growth and government-backed initiatives in the AI sector. He pointed to China's vast pool of talent, significant data resources, and aggressive investments in AI research and infrastructure as key advantages.

Huang's remarks come amid rising competition between the U.S. and China in artificial intelligence, with both nations aiming to lead in next-generation technologies, including machine learning, generative AI, and advanced computing. While the U.S. has been home to leading AI companies like Nvidia, Google, and OpenAI, China has invested heavily in AI startups,

research institutions, and semiconductor manufacturing, aiming to reduce reliance on Western technology.

The Nvidia CEO, whose company produces high-performance GPUs critical for AI training, stressed that global AI leadership will hinge on talent, computational power, and strategic investments. He also warned that countries lagging in AI innovation could face economic and technological disadvantages in the coming decade.

Huang's comments add to ongoing debates about the future of AI, including its ethical use, regulatory frameworks, and international competitiveness. Analysts note that while China has made remarkable strides in AI, the U.S. continues to maintain strengths in software innovation, research, and AI-driven entrepreneurship.

As AI technologies increasingly shape economies, national security, and global industries, Huang's prediction underscores the urgency for governments and companies worldwide to accelerate their AI capabilities or risk falling behind in a transformative technological race.

Putin Orders Plans for Possible Nuclear Tests



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Russian President Vladimir Putin has instructed government officials to prepare proposals for potentially resuming nuclear weapons tests, following recent remarks by U.S. President Donald Trump that hinted Washington may restart its own atomic testing. The announcement came during a meeting of Russia's Security Council on November 5.

Putin reiterated that Moscow will only consider resuming nuclear tests if the United States initiates them first. However, he directed Russia's defense and foreign ministries, along with other relevant agencies, to carefully study Washington's intentions and develop concrete proposals for restarting tests if necessary.

The Russian president's move underscores escalating tensions between the world's two largest nuclear powers. Trump's comments last week, suggesting a possible U.S. return to nuclear testing, have been seen as a provocative signal in the ongoing strategic arms debate. Putin's response appears calculated to ensure Russia is prepared for any shift in the nuclear

posture of the United States.

Experts note that while Russia has observed a long-standing moratorium on nuclear tests, the Kremlin has maintained the technical capability to resume them. Analysts say Putin's directive is likely a precautionary measure aimed at maintaining strategic parity and deterring any U.S. actions that could destabilize global security.

The developments come amid broader concerns over nuclear arms control agreements, with both nations reassessing policies on modernization and deployment of strategic weapons. Observers caution that even talk of resuming nuclear tests can heighten geopolitical tensions and trigger international criticism, particularly from non-nuclear states and disarmament advocates.

As the situation unfolds, the international community will be closely watching Moscow's response to U.S. policy signals. Putin's order for contingency planning signals that Russia intends to remain strategically vigilant while leaving the door open for future actions depending on U.S. decisions.

Trump Says He Will Skip G20 Summit in South Africa

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U.S. President Donald Trump announced on November 5 that he will not attend the upcoming G20 Summit in South Africa, scheduled for November 22-23 in Johannesburg. This marks the first time the G20 meeting will be held on African soil.

Speaking at the America Business Forum in Miami, Trump criticized South Africa's inclusion in the G20, saying, "I am not going. We have a G20 meeting in South Africa. South Africa shouldn't even be in the Gs anymore because what's happened there is bad. I told them I'm not going, I'm not going to represent our country there. It shouldn't be there."

Trump's remarks signal a sharp departure from traditional U.S. engagement in multilateral forums. The G20, which brings together the world's largest economies to discuss global financial and economic issues, has



historically included South Africa as the sole African representative,

reflecting efforts to broaden representation beyond the G7 nations.

While Trump has often questioned the value of international alliances

and summits, his refusal to attend the G20 could have diplomatic and eco-

nom ic implications. Analysts note that the president's absence may reduce U.S. influence on key discussions regarding global trade, climate policy, and economic stability, while potentially strengthening the voices of other participating nations.

The South African government has emphasized its readiness to host the summit and promote dialogue on global challenges. Officials have expressed hope that all leaders will engage constructively, despite individual disagreements or policy differences.

Trump's decision comes amid ongoing debates over U.S. foreign policy priorities and the administration's approach to multilateral engagement. With the summit only weeks away, attention is now focused on how his absence may affect negotiations and the broader perception of U.S. leadership on the world stage.

Japan Reaffirms Support for Ukraine in First Talks with Zelenskyy

TPN Correspondent | Florida

Japanese Prime Minister Sanae Takaichi on Wednesday reaffirmed Japan's continued support for Ukraine during her first phone conversation with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy since taking office last month. The 30-minute call, reported by Kyodo News, highlighted Japan's commitment to aiding Ukraine's recovery and reconstruction amid Russia's ongoing invasion.

During the discussion, Takaichi emphasized Japan's backing for Ukraine's efforts to achieve a "just and lasting peace as soon as possible." Zelenskyy expressed gratitude for Japan's contributions so far. The leaders also touched on security and development cooperation, with Ukraine's presidential office noting that both nations recognize the global risks posed by Russia's war and are committed to maintaining close collaboration.

Japan has been a steadfast supporter of Ukraine



since Russia launched its full-scale invasion in February 2022. Viewing European and Indo-Pacific security as interconnected,

Japan has joined the United States and other G7 members in imposing economic sanctions on Russia, including asset freez-



es. Takaichi, who assumed office on October 21, previously participated in a virtual summit with over 20 countries, including Brit-

ain and France, further underscoring Japan's commitment to supporting Kyiv and sustaining pressure on Moscow.

Kyodo News reported that Japan recently announced measures to help Ukraine deal with landmine impacts, including training demining personnel and improving medical and welfare services for victims. During the call, Zelenskyy also welcomed Japan's readiness to supply equipment to support Ukraine's energy sector, crucial for communities facing harsh winter conditions.

Following the Ukraine call, Takaichi held her first talks with Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni, aiming to strengthen bilateral ties and enhance cooperation on security and economic issues. Both leaders agreed to deepen collaboration among like-minded nations to uphold a "free, open, and stable international order."

This call marks Japan's proactive diplomatic engagement under Takai-chi's leadership and reinforces its ongoing support for Ukraine amidst the international crisis.

Mexican President Presses for Nationwide Anti-Harassment Law

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Mexican President Claudia Sheinbaum has called for sexual harassment to be recognized as a crime nationwide, following an incident in which she was groped on the street. The attack, which occurred while Sheinbaum was greeting supporters near the presidential palace in Mexico City on November 4, highlighted the persistent dangers women face in Latin America.

At 63, Sheinbaum was walking to a public event when the assault took place. Speaking on Wednesday, she emphasized that such behavior "should be considered a criminal offense" and pushed for stricter legal measures to protect women across Mexico.

Currently, Mexico City defines sexual harassment as "conduct of a sexual nature that is undesirable to the person who receives it," punishable by one to three years in prison. However, not all Mexican states classify sexual harassment as a criminal act, resulting in inconsistent legal protections for victims



nationwide. Sheinbaum's call aims to unify the country's approach and strengthen penalties for perpetrators.

The president's statement drew attention to the broader issue of gender-

based violence in Mexico, where women frequently face harassment in public spaces. Experts say the country has some of the highest rates of sexual harassment and assault in Latin America, making le-

gal reform a pressing concern. Sheinbaum's public response has sparked debate across social media and political circles, with many supporting her push for nationwide legislation to hold offenders account-

able. The incident also underscores the personal risks female leaders face while performing public duties in regions with widespread gender-based violence. As Mexico grapples with implementing uniform protections, Sheinbaum's advocacy could mark a significant step toward stronger enforcement against sexual harassment and greater safety for women in the country.

India’s Solar Waste Could Create Rs 3,700 Crore Recycling Market by 2047

India’s booming solar energy sector could give rise to a Rs 3,700 crore market for solar panel recycling by 2047, according to two new independent studies released by the Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW) on November 6.

The studies highlight the potential to recover valuable materials such as silicon, copper, aluminium, and silver from discarded solar panels. If fully leveraged, recycling could supply up to 38% of the solar sector’s manufacturing inputs in 2047 while preventing 37 million tonnes of carbon emissions by replacing virgin resources with recycled ones.

Currently, India’s solar module recycling market is at a nascent stage, with only a handful of commercial recyclers operating. The CEEW studies provide the country’s first comprehensive blueprint for developing a domestic solar recycling ecosystem that promotes both clean energy and manufacturing self-reliance.

By 2047, India’s installed solar capacity is projected to generate over 11 million tonnes of solar waste, predominantly from crystalline-silicon modules. Managing this waste would require nearly 300 recycling plants across the country and an estimated investment of Rs 4,200 crore.



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Rishabh Jain, fellow at CEEW, said, “India’s solar revolution can power a new green industrial opportunity. By embedding circularity into our clean energy systems, we can

recover critical minerals, strengthen supply chains, and create green jobs—while turning potential waste into lasting value. Building this circular economy is most important for India’s resilient and responsible growth.”

The study also points out

that solar recycling in a formal setup is currently financially unviable, with recyclers facing losses of Rs 10,000–12,000 per tonne. Experts emphasize that supportive policies, investments, and technological innovation will be key to unlocking the long-term potential of India’s solar recycling market.

With global markets expected to remain volatile, forex traders are closely watching U.S. economic data, crude oil prices, and domestic fund flows to gauge the currency’s trajectory in the coming weeks.

India’s Services Growth Slows to 5-Month Low in October



India’s services sector recorded its slowest growth in five months in October, impacted by competitive pressures and heavy rainfall in parts of the country, according to the latest PMI survey released on November 6.

The seasonally adjusted HSBC

India Services PMI Business Activity Index dropped to 58.9 in October from 60.9 in September, signaling a moderation in the pace of expansion. Despite the slowdown, a reading above 50 still indicates continued growth in the sector.

Industry experts attributed the softer expansion to a combination of domestic challenges and external competition. Heavy rains disrupted business activities in several regions, slowing the pace of output growth. At the same time, rising competitive

pressures within the services industry limited pricing power and affected new business inflows.

However, the survey also highlighted a positive trend in international demand. External sales continued to rise, suggesting

that Indian service providers are increasingly benefiting from global clients and cross-border business opportunities. Many companies reported stable or improving demand from overseas markets, which helped offset some of the domestic headwinds.

Employment in the services sector remained resilient, with firms continuing to expand their workforce to meet rising business requirements, albeit at a slightly slower pace than in previous months. Input cost pressures were reported to be elevated, reflecting inflationary trends in certain service segments, though companies largely maintained output prices to remain competitive.

Analysts noted that while the October slowdown indicates temporary softness in domestic demand, the sector’s long-term growth prospects remain strong due to increasing digitalization, IT exports, and rising international engagement. Continued investment and policy support are expected to help the services industry navigate short-term challenges while sustaining robust growth in the coming months.

Rupee Gains 8 Paise to 88.62 Against U.S. Dollar



The Indian rupee strengthened by 8 paise to 88.62 against the U.S. dollar in early trade on Thursday, November 6, 2025, supported by a weaker American currency and softer global crude oil prices.

At the interbank foreign exchange, the rupee opened at 88.51 and briefly touched 88.49 before settling at 88.62 in early deals, marking a modest appreciation from its previous closing level. Forex traders attributed the gain to positive market sentiment in both domestic and global markets, although gains were capped due to selling pressure from foreign investors.

The domestic equity market mirrored the upbeat sentiment, with benchmark indices showing early gains. The BSE Sensex climbed 321.81 points, or 0.39%, to 83,780.96, while the NSE Nifty rose 57.05 points, or 0.22%, to 25,654.70. Analysts noted that positive investor sentiment in

equities often lends support to the rupee by encouraging capital inflows and stabilizing demand for the currency.

Global cues also influenced the rupee’s movement. A softer U.S. dollar against other major currencies and easing crude oil prices overseas helped limit import costs and reduced demand for foreign currency, providing room for the rupee to strengthen.

However, forex dealers cautioned that the rupee’s gains remained restrained due to continuous selling by foreign institutional investors in equities and debt markets, which exerted pressure on the currency.

Overall, the rupee’s early gains reflect a combination of favorable global factors, domestic equity optimism, and manageable crude oil prices, though sustained appreciation may depend on continued foreign inflows and stability in global markets.

SBI Q2 Net Profit Jumps 10% to ₹20,160 Crore



State Bank of India (SBI) reported a 10% year-on-year rise in net profit for the second quarter ended September 30, 2025, at ₹20,160 crore, driven by improved asset quality and gains from strategic investments.

A key contributor to the robust performance was the sale of a 13.18% stake in Yes Bank, which generated a profit of ₹4,593 crore. This exceptional gain significantly boosted the bank’s overall net earnings for the quarter.

The bank’s performance also reflects strengthened asset quality across its lending portfolio, which helped offset pressures from other operational costs. Analysts note that SBI’s proactive approach in managing non-performing assets and strategic stake sales is reinforcing its financial position.

“This quarter’s results highlight SBI’s ability to generate exceptional returns through smart investment decisions while maintaining healthy

lending practices,” said an industry expert.

SBI, India’s largest public sector lender, continues to leverage its wide branch network and digital banking footprint to drive growth, while balancing risk management and capital allocation. The gains from the Yes Bank stake sale underscore the bank’s focus on unlocking value from strategic investments.

With robust capital buffers and improved asset quality, SBI is well-positioned to maintain steady growth in the coming quarters, even as the broader banking sector faces challenges from fluctuating interest rates and evolving credit demand.

The bank’s strong quarterly performance also strengthens investor confidence, reflecting its continued dominance in India’s banking landscape and its capacity to capitalize on both operational and strategic opportunities.

Indian Stock Markets Bounce Back on Global Rally, Blue-Chip Buying

Indian equity markets rebounded in early trade on Thursday, November 6, 2025, led by a rally in global markets and renewed buying interest in blue-chip stocks.

The BSE Sensex gained 376.89 points to 83,836.04, while the NSE Nifty rose 81.5 points to 25,679.15 in early trading hours. Analysts said the positive momentum reflected optimism among investors following strong cues from Asian markets and improved risk sentiment globally.

Asian indices also traded in positive territory, with South Korea’s Kospi, Japan’s Nikkei 225, Shanghai’s SSE Composite, and Hong Kong’s Hang Seng all posting gains. The broader rally across the region supported domestic investors’ confidence, prompting fresh buying in leading Indian stocks.

Sectoral trends showed robust performance in technology, financial services, and energy stocks, which drew the bulk of investor interest. Market participants noted that heavyweights in these sectors played a key role in driving the early gains.



According to analysts, the market rebound is a reflection of cautious optimism, with investors keeping an eye on global economic developments, corporate earnings, and domestic policy measures. Foreign institutional investors’ (FII) activity

also influenced early trading sentiment, though some caution persisted due to intermittent selling pressure in select segments.

Market observers highlighted that while the early gains are encouraging, sustaining momen-

tum will depend on continued positive global cues and domestic economic indicators. Investors are advised to monitor macroeconomic developments, crude oil prices, and global equity trends, which could influence trading in the coming

sessions.

Overall, Thursday’s early trade marked a strong recovery for Indian markets, suggesting renewed investor confidence amid supportive global trends and selective stock-specific buying in key sectors.

Antarctica in -62°C Looks Like “Another World,” Viral Video Shows



A viral video has given the internet a chilling glimpse of Antarctica at -62 degrees Celsius, leaving viewers stunned at the icy, otherworldly landscape. Posted on Reddit, the clip shows a person opening a door to reveal a vast snow-covered terrain, with pale sunlight casting an eerie glow over the frozen expanse. The post quickly went viral, amassing over 52,000 upvotes and thousands of comments, with many calling it “like another world.”

While the exact date of the video remains unverified, experts note that such extreme temperatures in Antarctica create an unforgiving and harsh environment. At -62°C, the air is bitterly cold, and the landscape is dominated by snow and ice stretching as far as the eye can see. Even routine outdoor activity becomes a formidable challenge in such conditions.

Social media users were awestruck by the visual, with one commenting, “Videos like this just don’t even

seem real. It’s like another world.” Another remarked, “Some places on Earth, like the Sahara or Antarctica, Mother Nature is telling us, ‘Stay away,’ yet here we are.” Others shared anecdotes from life on Antarctic bases, including one story of a blizzard freezing an airlock for several days after an outer door was left open.

The video also prompted comparisons to space exploration, with users highlighting Antarctica as a testing ground for self-sustaining technology. One user remarked, “To everyone dreaming of colonies outside Earth, try surviving five years self-sufficiently in Antarctica first. See how it goes.”

The clip offers a rare, visually striking reminder of the extreme conditions humans face in remote parts of the planet. As temperatures drop, Antarctica remains one of the few places on Earth that feels truly alien, challenging both the body and imagination of anyone who ventures there.

Neil deGrasse Tyson Warns About Deepfake Danger



Astrophysicist Neil deGrasse Tyson recently shared a video that has left many questioning what is real in the age of artificial intelligence. The clip begins with a seemingly genuine Tyson claiming that the Earth is flat, a shocking statement that immediately grabbed attention. Moments later, the real Tyson appears, revealing that the earlier segment was an AI-generated deepfake, created to show how easily digital content can blur the line between truth and fiction.

The video, titled “It’s Getting Harder to Know What’s Real,” serves as a warning about the growing sophistication of deepfake technology. Tyson explained that while deepfakes can be entertaining when clearly parodying someone, they become dangerous when viewers cannot distinguish them from reality. “The early stuff is fine if it’s parody, and if it is obvious it’s parody. But when you do this and the viewer does not know it’s a parody, then you are crossing a line,” he said.

Tyson also highlighted that he is not

alone in being targeted; many public figures have been deepfaked in ways that misrepresent their words and harm their credibility. The rapid advancement of AI tools has made creating realistic videos, images, and audio easier than ever, raising concerns about misinformation and the manipulation of public opinion.

The video sparked a strong reaction on social media. Users admitted being fooled by the deepfake, with one commenting, “Deepfakes are becoming too good. It’s getting harder to tell.” Others expressed concern over the broader implications, questioning how society can verify authenticity in the digital age. Suggestions such as using blockchain to track content authenticity were also proposed as potential solutions.

Tyson’s video is a timely reminder that while AI can create impressive and entertaining content, it also poses a serious challenge to truth and trust online, making media literacy and skepticism more important than ever.

Why Some Airports Have Unique Shapes: Mumbai’s X-Shaped Terminal

Airports around the world are not just hubs for travel—they are architectural feats designed for efficiency, passenger comfort, and operational needs. While the primary functions of an airport include runways for take-offs and landings, and terminals for check-ins, security, and boarding, the layout and design of terminals play a critical role in shaping the travel experience.

Mumbai Airport, for example, is X-shaped, a design chosen to optimize passenger movement and aircraft operations in a limited space. The X-shaped terminal allows for multiple gates in all directions, reducing taxiing time for planes and providing passengers with easy access to different sections. This layout helps manage large volumes of travelers efficiently while minimizing congestion.

The shape of an airport is influenced by several factors, including available land, expected passenger traffic, and flight operations. Some



terminals are linear, stretching along a single axis, which works well for narrow plots of land. Others are circular or semicircular, allowing passengers to reach gates quickly from a central hub. Hub airports often have pier or satellite designs, with multiple wings extending from a

central terminal to accommodate more gates and streamline boarding.

Beyond functionality, airport design also focuses on passenger comfort. Modern airports aim to be welcoming spaces, with lounges, dining, shopping, and resting areas. Governments and airport authorities often invest in aesthetics and architecture to make terminals visually appealing while ensuring smooth flow of passengers and baggage.

In essence, the unique shapes of airports worldwide reflect a balance between operational efficiency and traveler experience. Whether it’s Mumbai’s X-shaped terminal, the linear design of Heathrow, or the circular layout of Beijing Capital Airport, each design is tailored to meet the airport’s specific demands, ensuring that millions of passengers can move safely and comfortably every day.

Palitana Becomes World’s First City to Ban Non-Vegetarian Food

Palitana, a town in Gujarat’s Bhavnagar district, has become the world’s first city to officially ban non-vegetarian food, making it a unique example of how faith and tradition can shape daily life. Known as the City of Temples, Palitana is home to over 800 intricately carved Jain temples built over the last 900 years, making it one of the holiest Jain pilgrimage sites in India.

In Palitana, selling, purchasing, or consuming meat, fish, and eggs is strictly prohibited. This policy is not merely cultural; it is deeply rooted in the Jain principle of Ahimsa, or non-violence, which emphasizes compassion for all living beings. Residents and visitors alike are expected to adhere to a strict vegetarian lifestyle, reflecting the city’s commitment to these long-standing religious values.

The ban on non-vegetarian food traces back to 2014, when nearly 200 Jain monks went on



a hunger strike demanding an end to animal slaughter and the sale of meat in the city. Following this peaceful protest, the local government implemented a comprehensive prohibition on

all non-vegetarian food items, including eggs and seafood.

Since then, Palitana has maintained its vegetarian-only status, creating a distinctive environment for pilgrims and tourists. The city’s streets, markets, and restaurants now strictly follow vegetarian norms, making it a rare destination where food practices are legally tied to religious beliefs.

Palitana’s approach has drawn attention from across India and the world, highlighting how religion, ethics, and law can intersect to influence everyday life. While some see it as an extreme measure, for the Jain community, it is a reaffirmation of their commitment to non-violence and spiritual purity.

Visitors to Palitana not only experience its architectural beauty but also witness a society organized around compassion and faith, making it a truly unique destination in India and the world.

Nagpur’s Diamond Crossing: India’s Unique Railway Marvel

Nagpur Railway Station in Maharashtra is home to India’s only Diamond Crossing, a rare railway junction where trains from four different directions intersect safely and seamlessly. This engineering marvel highlights the precision and efficiency of Indian Railways, ensuring smooth operations at one of the country’s busiest rail hubs.

The crossing earns its name from the diamond shape formed by intersecting tracks when viewed from above. Despite handling heavy daily rail traffic, the meticulous management by signal operators and railway staff ensures there are no accidents, showcasing the high level of coordination involved in managing train movements at this complex junction.

The Diamond Crossing connects four major rail routes, allowing trains to travel from all sides without disruption. Its strategic location at Nagpur, a key city in central India, makes it crucial for passenger and freight movement across the country. This junction not only enhances operational efficiency but also demonstrates the engineering prowess and traffic management skills of Indian Railways.

Safety at the crossing is maintained through continuous monitoring of train movements, with signal operators coordinating each train’s entry



and exit. This system minimizes delays and eliminates potential collisions, making it a model of railway precision and control.

For visitors and train enthusiasts, the Diamond Crossing is more than just a functional railway point—it is a spectacle of engineering brilliance. From the air, the intersecting tracks resemble a perfect diamond, reflecting the careful planning and foresight that went into its design.

Nagpur’s Diamond Crossing stands as a symbol of India’s railway heritage and operational excellence, illustrating how innovation and meticulous management can handle complex traffic with remarkable efficiency. It continues to impress both travelers and professionals, offering a glimpse into the intricate workings of one of the world’s largest rail networks.

Hanuman Tattoo to Fitness Goals: PM Modi Lauds Victorious Indian Women’s Cricket Team

Prime Minister Narendra Modi met the victorious Indian women’s cricket team at his residence on Wednesday (November 5, 2025), following their historic ICC Women’s Cricket World Cup triumph. The meeting was marked by warmth, encouragement, and admiration as the Prime Minister congratulated the players for their extraordinary resilience and determination.

Addressing the team, PM Modi praised the cricketers for their “remarkable comeback” after enduring a difficult start in the tournament, which saw three consecutive defeats. He acknowledged the online trolling the players faced and commended their mental strength in rising above criticism to script one of Indian cricket’s proudest moments.

The interaction saw the Prime Minister engaging in light-hearted and inspiring conversations with several players. He admired their discipline, team spirit, and fitness levels, encouraging them to continue being role models for young athletes across the



country. PM Modi particularly noted one player’s Hanuman tattoo, symbolizing strength and devotion, calling it an emblem of the team’s fighting spirit.

During the interaction, the players shared their experiences from the World Cup campaign, including crucial turning points, training routines, and emotional highs. Modi emphasized the importance of fitness, perseverance, and faith, highlighting how sports unite the nation beyond boundaries of language or region.

The Prime Minister also posed for photographs with the entire squad, holding the glittering World Cup trophy, a moment that captured the pride of the nation. His words of encouragement resonated deeply with the team, who described the meeting as a “motivational and unforgettable” experience.

The Indian women’s team’s World Cup victory has been hailed as a milestone for women’s sports in India, inspiring a new generation to chase their dreams with confidence and courage.

PM Modi’s Encouragement Inspires Athletes: PV Sindhu Shares Heartwarming Moments



Ace shuttler PV Sindhu recently shared her heartfelt experiences with Prime Minister Narendra Modi, highlighting his constant encouragement and empathy toward Indian athletes. Recalling several interactions, Sindhu said

PM Modi’s support extends beyond victories, appreciating the spirit and effort of every sportsperson who represents the nation.

“When I got the bronze, of course I felt sad for missing gold, but he always told us that winning

a medal itself is a big thing,” Sindhu said in a video. She added that even when an athlete narrowly misses a win, the Prime Minister values their effort and discipline.

Sindhu fondly remembered PM Modi’s meeting

with the women’s hockey team after the Tokyo 2021 Olympics, when the team finished fourth. “Everybody was upset, but he told them, ‘It doesn’t matter, you have done really well.’ He appreciated them as if they had won

gold,” she recalled.

The badminton star emphasized that PM Modi never views athletes as having “lost” anything. “He always tells us, ‘You have done so much for the country, and we are proud of you.’ That genuine appreciation means a lot,” Sindhu said, noting that his positivity lifts the entire contingent’s morale.

In September, on PM Modi’s 75th birthday, Sindhu reflected on their journey, sharing that when Modi became Prime Minister, her own winning streak began. “It feels as if my journey and his leadership were running side by side,” she wrote on X, calling it a poetic coincidence.

For many athletes like Sindhu, PM Modi’s warmth and recognition serve as a powerful motivation, proving that true leadership celebrates not only medals but also the dedication and spirit behind every Indian athlete’s performance.

Barcelona Fight Back to Earn 3-3 Draw Against Club Brugge in Six-Goal Thriller

Barcelona were forced to come from behind three times to secure a dramatic 3-3 draw against Club Brugge in a thrilling Champions League encounter on Wednesday in Belgium. Teenage sensation Lamine Yamal shone for Hansi Flick’s side, ensuring the Spanish giants escaped with a valuable point despite a shaky defensive display.

Club Brugge started brightly at the Jan Breydel Stadium, taking an early lead through Nicolo Tresoldi, set up by the electric Carlos Forbs. Barcelona quickly responded as Ferran Torres converted after good work from Fermin Lopez. However, Forbs was unstoppable, restoring Brugge’s lead with a stunning finish before halftime.

Barça hit the woodwork three times through Lopez, Jules Kounde, and Eric Garcia, reflecting their frustration in front of goal. The Catalans finally found an equaliser when Yamal combined superbly with Lopez, flicking the ball past goalkeeper Nordin Jackers to make it 2-2.

Forbs struck again soon after, delicately chipping



over Wojciech Szczesny to put Brugge 3-2 up and complete his brace. But Barcelona’s persistence paid off when Yamal’s curling shot deflected off Christos Tzolis for an own goal, sealing the

3-3 scoreline.

Brugge thought they had stolen victory in stoppage time after Romeo Vermant capitalised on a Szczesny error, but VAR ruled it out for a foul.

Post-match, midfielder Frenkie de Jong admitted, “If you let in three goals, it’s difficult to win. We have to do better.” Coach Hansi Flick insisted he would stick to Barcelona’s attack-

ing DNA despite defensive lapses.

The result leaves Barcelona still searching for consistency, while Brugge earned admiration for their fearless attacking football.

Santner’s Heroics in Vain as West Indies Edge New Zealand by 7 Runs



The West Indies produced a disciplined bowling display to defend a modest total of 164 and beat New Zealand by seven runs in the first T20I at Auckland on Wednesday, November 5, 2025.

After being sent in to bat on a tricky, two-paced surface, West Indies skipper Shai Hope anchored the innings with a composed 53 off 39 balls, featuring five fours and two sixes. Despite early struggles against seam movement, the visitors built momentum through contributions from Rovman Powell (32 off 21) and Nicholas Pooran (27 off 18) to post 164-6 in their 20 overs.

New Zealand’s chase got off to a rocky start as the West Indies pace attack, led by Alzarri Joseph and Romario Shepherd, struck early to remove key top-order batters. The hosts were reduced to 45-3 inside the powerplay before Mitchell Santner mounted a spirited counterattack.

Santner’s unbeaten 62 off 35 balls, laced with four sixes and three boundaries, kept New Zealand in contention till the final over. However, the West Indies bowlers held their nerve, with Joseph (3/28) and Shepherd (2/30) delivering tight spells at the death to seal victory.

Despite Santner’s late surge, New Zealand finished at 157-7, falling just short of the target. The result handed the West Indies an early lead in the five-match series, boosting their confidence ahead of the next encounter.

Speaking after the match, Hope praised his bowlers for their composure under pressure. “It was a challenging pitch, but the boys showed great fight with both bat and ball,” he said.

The second T20I will be played at Hamilton on Friday, with New Zealand aiming to bounce back and level the series.

Pakistan Edge South Africa by 2 Wickets in Thrilling ODI Series Opener



Pakistan held their nerve to clinch a tense two-wicket victory over a spirited South Africa in the opening One-Day International at Faisalabad on Tuesday, marking the return of international cricket to the city after 17 years.

Chasing 264 for victory, Pakistan’s lower order held firm in the final overs to take the team home at 264-8, despite a late South African surge that saw four wickets fall in the last five overs. The result gave Pakistan a 1-0 lead in the three-match series.

Earlier, South Africa — who lost their sixth consecutive toss of the tour — posted 263 all out in 49.1 overs. Debutant Lhuan-dré Pretorius impressed with a fluent 57, while veteran Quinton de Kock struck 63 at the top of the order. However, Pakistan’s bowlers fought back strongly, led by Shaheen Shah Afridi (3/47) and Mohammad Wasim Jr.

(2/45), to restrict the visitors in the closing stages.

In reply, Imam-ul-Haq (68) and Babar Azam (54) built a steady platform, but South Africa clawed back through tight bowling from Corbin Bosch (3/49) and Bjorn Fortuin (2/42). With the game hanging in the balance, Shadab Khan (31 off 29) and Shaheen Afridi (18 not out) guided Pakistan home with just two balls to spare.

The packed Faisalabad crowd witnessed a nail-biting finish as Pakistan’s tailenders showed resilience under pressure to seal victory in dramatic fashion.

Speaking after the win, skipper Babar Azam praised his team’s composure, saying, “It was a tough chase, but the boys showed great character. Winning in front of home fans after so long makes it special.”

The second ODI will be played in Lahore on Friday, with South Africa eager to bounce back.

Jatadhara Release
Trailer: Hits Like a Divine Storm



The makers of Jatadhara, starring Sudheer Babu and Sonakshi Sinha, have dropped the much-awaited release trailer just two days before the film's grand theatrical debut on November 7th. Following the tremendous response to its earlier promos, the new trailer amplifies expectations with its intensity, scale, and emotional depth.

In Jatadhara, Sudheer Babu plays a fearless ghost hunter on a perilous mission to destroy Dhana Pisachi—a terrifying entity born from the darkness of human greed. As he battles this supernatural evil, he confronts his inner demons, even choosing to sacrifice himself to prevent humanity's downfall. When chaos reaches its peak, Lord Shiva himself intervenes to restore cosmic balance, leading to a spectacular confrontation between divine and demonic forces.

The release trailer strikes like a "divine storm," blending mythological grandeur with

spine-chilling visuals and a haunting score. Each frame pulsates with raw power—fiery battles, spiritual symbolism, and deep emotional moments that promise a cinematic experience unlike any other.

Sudheer Babu impresses with his intense screen presence and physical transformation, embodying the ghost hunter's resolve with conviction. Sonakshi Sinha, making a striking impact in her Telugu debut, delivers a commanding performance as the menacing yet tragic Dhana Pisachi, showcasing both ferocity and emotional depth.

Directed with a blend of mysticism and high-voltage action, Jatadhara looks poised to be a visual spectacle rooted in spirituality and human emotion. With its grand scale, powerful performances, and gripping narrative, the film is all set to storm theatres on November 7th, promising audiences an unforgettable mythological thriller.

Horror Hungama Again: 'Kanchana 4' Rights Sold for Record Price



Raghava Lawrence, the man who redefined horror comedy in Indian cinema, is returning with the next installment of his blockbuster franchise — Kanchana 4. Known for blending scares with laughs, Lawrence is set to take the series to the next level with a massive pan-India production.

After delivering three successful films starting from Muni to Kanchana 3, the actor-director is now crafting Kanchana 4 on a grander scale with a budget of around ₹100 crores. The movie promises to raise the bar in terms of visual effects, production design, and storytelling. Pooja Hegde joins the cast as the female lead, while Bollywood star Nora Fatehi makes her Tamil debut in a significant role, adding glamour and freshness to the franchise.

The buzz around the film has already turned into big business. According to reports, the digital rights of Kanchana 4 have been sold for a whopping ₹60 crores, while satellite

rights fetched ₹50 crores. Renowned OTT platform Sun NXT has reportedly acquired both, ensuring the producers recover almost the entire budget even before the film's theatrical release.

Sources reveal that Kanchana 4 will premiere on OTT eight weeks after its theatrical run. The makers are also planning a wide release across Hindi-speaking regions, signaling the franchise's growing national appeal.

Although the story is being kept under wraps, insiders hint that this installment will feature even more intense horror, rib-tickling comedy, and emotional depth. Lawrence has also announced that he plans to use his remuneration from the film to convert his first house into a school — a gesture reflecting his philanthropic spirit.

With sky-high expectations and record-breaking pre-release deals, Kanchana 4 is poised to reignite the horror comedy magic once again.

Kaantha Trailer Unveils a Story of Dreams, Ego, and Art

The trailer of Dulquer Salmaan's much-awaited period drama Kaantha has been unveiled, generating strong buzz ahead of its release on November 14. The trailer was launched by Rebel Star Prabhas, adding to the excitement surrounding the film.

Kaantha explores the intense bond between a rising actor and his mentor, charting their journey through the highs and lows of creative ambition. What begins as a partnership built on trust and admiration slowly transforms into a battle of egos and artistic control. Their relationship fractures when both become emotionally invested in a shared dream project, Shaantha, leading to a gripping conflict between loyalty, fame, and artistic identity.

Director Selvamani Selvaraj appears to have crafted a layered and emotionally charged narrative that examines the fragile balance between personal ambition and artistic integrity. The trailer showcases stunning visuals, powerful dialogues, and an evoca-



tive musical score that hint at a deeply human story beneath the period setting.

Alongside Dulquer, the film stars Rana Daggubati and Bhagyashree in pivotal roles, adding further depth to the ensemble. The chemistry and tension between Dulquer and Rana, as glimpsed in the trailer, promise a compelling on-screen dynamic that delves into mentorship, rivalry, and betrayal.

Produced on a grand scale, Kaantha blends drama, emotion, and visual splendor, promising to be one of the year's most ambitious cinematic ventures. With its exploration of art, fame, and the cost of ambition, the film is poised to strike a chord with audiences across languages.

Kaantha releases in theatres on November 14, and all eyes are now on how this intense artistic saga unfolds on the big screen.

Dies Irae Crosses ₹50 Crore Ahead of Telugu Release



Mollywood star Pranav Mohanlal has struck gold with his latest film Dies Irae, a gripping horror thriller directed by Rahul Sadasivan. Released last Friday, the Malayalam film has earned widespread acclaim for its chilling narrative, haunting visuals, and immersive storytelling.

Within just a week of release, Dies Irae has achieved a remarkable milestone, grossing over ₹50 crore worldwide. This impressive performance is particularly notable for a horror film, a genre that often faces limitations at the box office. The film's strong word of mouth and repeat viewership have fueled its steady climb in

collections.

The story's atmospheric tension and emotional depth, coupled with Pranav Mohanlal's powerful performance, have been major talking points among audiences and critics alike. Director Rahul Sadasivan, known for his earlier horror hit Bhoothakaalam, has once again proven his mastery in crafting psychological and supernatural thrillers that connect with a wide audience.

Produced by Chakravarthy Ramachandra and S. Sashikanth under Night Shift Studios and YNOT Studios, the film also features Sushmita Bhat in a pivotal role. The ee-

rie and evocative background score by Christo Xavier further elevates the film's haunting atmosphere.

With the Telugu version set to release tomorrow, trade analysts predict that Dies Irae could sustain its momentum and potentially cross the ₹100 crore mark if it performs well in new markets. The film's success marks a significant step for Malayalam cinema, highlighting its growing pan-Indian appeal and the audience's appetite for well-crafted horror thrillers.

Dies Irae continues to draw viewers to theatres, cementing its status as one of the biggest genre hits of the year.



Om Shanti Shanti Shantihi Makers Unveil Charming Birthday Poster for Tharun Bhascker

The makers of Om Shanti Shanti Shantihi have unveiled a delightful birthday poster to celebrate actor-director Tharun Bhascker. The multi-talented filmmaker, known for his work across acting, writing, and direction, takes on the lead role in this Telugu adaptation of the 2022 Malayalam blockbuster Jaya Jaya Jaya Hey.

Marking the special occasion, the film's team released a vibrant poster captioned "Happy Birthday to Ambati Omkar Naidu," introducing Tharun's on-screen character. The poster features a playful moment between the lead pair, with Esha Rebba—who plays the female lead—adorably twirling Tharun's moustache and wishing him "Happy birthday, hubby." The image exudes charm and hints at a light-hearted, relationship-driven narrative at the heart of the film.

Om Shanti Shanti Shantihi marks the directorial debut

of A. R. Sajeer, who is set to bring a fresh perspective to the Telugu remake. Originally planned for an August 1, 2025 release, the team recently announced a postponement, assuring fans that a new release date will be revealed soon.

Produced by Srujan Yarabolu under the S Originals banner, the film is a collaborative venture with Movie Verse Studios, headed by Aditya Pittie, Vivek Krishnani, Anup Chandrasekaran, Sadhik Shaik, and Naveen Sanivaram. Kishore Jaladi and Bala Sowmitri serve as co-producers, ensuring a strong production lineup for the much-anticipated project.

With its engaging premise, talented cast, and vibrant promotional material, Om Shanti Shanti Shantihi promises to bring a refreshing mix of humor, emotion, and social commentary to Telugu cinema. Fans eagerly await further updates on its release.