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India Secures Oil Reserves Deal with UAE

New Delhi, May 17 | TPN Bureau

In a major boost to India's energy security, the United Arab Emirates has agreed to store nearly 30 million barrels of crude oil in India's strategic petroleum reserves...

The agreement has been signed with the Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC), which will store the crude oil in India's underground storage facilities...

Officials said the arrangement is highly advantageous for India, as the entire cost of storing the crude oil will be borne by the UAE...



crucial buffer during situations such as geopolitical conflicts, supply chain disruptions, or blockades in the Strait of Hormuz...

India's preparedness against volatility in global oil markets, including fluctuations caused by tensions in the Middle East...

In addition to crude oil storage, both countries are understood to be exploring further cooperation in strategic gas reserves...



Rare Twin Elephant Birth Delights Wildlife Experts

Nainital, May 17 | TPN Bureau

A rare wildlife event has brought excitement to conservationists and tourists after a female elephant gave birth to twin calves in Uttarakhand's Corbett National Park...

Authorities said special monitoring measures have been put in place to ensure the safety of the mother elephant and her calves while minimizing human disturbance in the area...

The rare sight first came to public attention after wildlife enthusiast Sanjay Chhimwal captured visuals of the elephant family during a jungle safari earlier this week...

landscape supports the largest elephant population in Uttarakhand, with more than 1,200 elephants living across the region...

Officials explained that elephants have a gestation period lasting between 22 and 24 months, and twin births are extremely uncommon because elephants usually give birth to a single calf...

The news has attracted considerable public interest, with tourists flocking to the Garjiya tourism zone hoping to catch a glimpse of the elephant family...

PM Modi Receives Sweden's Prestigious Royal Honor

Stockholm/Gothenburg, May 17 | TPN Bureau

Prime Minister Narendra Modi was conferred Sweden's prestigious "Royal Order of the Polar Star, Commander Grand Cross" during his official visit to the Scandinavian nation...

The Prime Minister arrived in Gothenburg on Sunday for a two-day visit to Sweden. He was warmly received at the airport by Swedish Prime Minister Ulf Kristersson...

Following the ceremonial welcome, both leaders held extensive delegation-level talks focusing on strengthening bilateral relations between India and Sweden...



operation, and strategic partnerships.

The two countries emphasized the need to build resilient supply chains and deepen collaboration in emerging areas such as artificial intelligence,

space research, green technology, startups, and defense manufacturing. Economic cooperation remained a major focus...

edly reached nearly USD 7.75 billion in 2025.

Ahead of the meetings, Prime Minister Modi shared a message on social media expressing his intention to further strengthen India-Sweden

ties in investment, innovation, defense, and commerce. This marks Modi's second major visit to Sweden...

Apart from official engagements, the visit also included cultural interactions with members of the Indian diaspora in Gothenburg...

Among the highlights was a rendition of the devotional hymn "Vaishnava Jana To" by Swedish opera singer Charlotta Huldt...

Prime Minister Modi appreciated the performances and remarked that Bengali culture enjoys global popularity, including in Sweden...



Telangana Under Orange Alert as Heatwave Intensifies

Hyderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau

The India Meteorological Department has issued an orange alert across Telangana as severe heatwave conditions are expected to continue until May 20...

According to meteorological officials, dry and extremely hot weather conditions are expected to prevail throughout Telangana...

In response to the worsening weather conditions, the Director of Public Health issued a detailed heatwave advisory urging people to avoid unnecessary outdoor activities during the hottest parts of the day...

cooling beverages to prevent dehydration. Officials also emphasized the importance of avoiding strenuous physical activity...

Medical experts cautioned that symptoms such as dizziness, weakness, nausea, headaches, excessive sweating, or fainting should not be ignored...

The Health Department further appealed to the public to regularly check on children, senior citizens, and individuals living alone...

The ongoing heatwave has already started affecting daily routines and outdoor activities in several parts of the state, prompting officials to remain on alert for any heat-related emergencies.

Bandi Sanjay Says Family Will Fight Case Legally

Hyderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau

Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Bandi Sanjay Kumar issued an emotional statement after what he described as a difficult and painful week for his family following the investigation involving his son...

In a message posted on social media platform X, the Union Minister thanked supporters across the country for standing by his family during the crisis...

Despite the challenges, Bandi Sanjay maintained that neither he nor his family had committed any wrongdoing. He said his family has complete



faith in the judicial system and expressed confidence that the truth would emerge through legal proceedings. He stressed that the matter should be viewed as a personal family issue...

to party workers and supporters not to become emotionally distracted by the controversy. He urged BJP cadres in Telangana to remain focused on strengthening the party...

In his statement, Sanjay expressed gratitude for the support extended by lakhs of people, saying the encouragement from well-wishers gave him strength during a difficult phase...

Concluding his message with the Sanskrit phrase "Yato Dharmastato Jayah," meaning "Where there is righteousness, there is victory," the Union Minister said justice may take time but would ultimately prevail...



Kondagattu Temple Registers Record Revenue Growth

Karimnagar, May 17 | TPN Bureau

The famous Sri Anjaneya Swamy Temple has recorded a revenue of nearly 21.98 crore during the 2025-26 financial year, according to temple authorities...

na, following the renowned temples at Yadagirigutta Temple, Sri Raja Rajeshwara Swamy Temple, and Sri Sita Ramachandra Swamy Temple...

New Weekly Express Train Launched

Hyderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau

In a major boost to railway connectivity for passengers and pilgrims traveling between Telangana and Andhra Pradesh, Union Minister G. Kishan Reddy announced the introduction of a new weekly express train service between Charlapalli and Tiruchanur (Tirupati). The Ministry of Railways approved the service after considering the growing demand from devotees visiting Tirumala and passengers from various districts across the two Telugu states. The newly sanctioned train service officially commenced operations on Sunday, May 17, 2026. Union Minister Kishan Reddy flagged off the inaugural service at Charlapalli Railway Station in the presence of railway officials, public representatives, and passengers. According to the railway schedule, Train No. 17059 operating from Charlapalli to Tiruchanur will depart every Sunday at 9:30 pm and reach Tiruchanur at 12:30 pm on Monday. On the return journey, Train No. 17060 will leave Tiruchanur every Monday at 4:00 pm and ar-



rive at Charlapalli at 8:00 am on Tuesday. The weekly express train will pass through several important stations across Telangana and Andhra Pradesh, offering improved accessibility to passengers from both regions. In Telangana, the train will halt at

Malkajgiri, Kachiguda, Shadnagar, Mahabubnagar, Wanaparthy Road, and Gadwal stations. In Andhra Pradesh's Rayalaseema region, the train will stop at Kurunool City, Dhone, Gooty, Tadipatri, Yerraguntla, Kadapa, Rajampet, and Renigunta Junction stations before reaching Tiru-

chanur. Railway authorities stated that the train has been equipped with 20 modern coaches to ensure a comfortable and convenient journey for passengers. The rake includes Second AC, Third AC, Sleeper Class, and General compartments, catering to travelers from different eco-

conomic backgrounds. Officials believe the new service will greatly benefit residents of the rapidly developing Charlapalli Terminal region and surrounding areas of Secunderabad. In addition, passengers from districts across Telangana and Rayalaseema are expected to gain easier and more direct access to Tirupati and Tirumala through the new train connectivity. Speaking on the occasion, Kishan Reddy thanked the Union Railway Ministry and South Central Railway officials for approving the service. He noted that the train was introduced keeping in mind the heavy flow of pilgrims traveling regularly to seek darshan of Lord Sri Venkateswara Swamy at Tirumala.

The Union Minister appealed to devotees, passengers, and tourists to make extensive use of the newly launched weekly express train service. He expressed confidence that the train would provide affordable, comfortable, and reliable transportation while easing travel difficulties faced by pilgrims and railway passengers from both Telangana and Andhra Pradesh.



Minister Assures Support to Farmers and Shepherd

Kollapur, May 17 | TPN Bureau

A tragic lightning strike near Enabetla village in Kollapur Mandal claimed the lives of 30 sheep on Saturday, while the shepherd managing the flock narrowly escaped unharmed. Upon receiving information about the incident, Minister Jupally Krishna Rao immediately visited the affected shepherd, expressed sympathy, and enquired about the incident in detail. As a gesture of immediate support, the Minister handed over Rs 50,000 in financial assistance and assured the victim that the government would stand by him during this difficult time.

Later, the Minister visited the Agricultural Market Yard in Kollapur, where he inspected paddy and maize stocks damaged by recent untimely rains. He interacted with farmers and listened to their concerns regarding the rain-soaked produce and transportation issues. Jupally Krishna Rao reassured farmers that even wet grain would be procured and shifted safely

to storage facilities under the supervision of district officials.

The Minister stated that Chief Minister Revanth Reddy is personally monitoring the grain procurement process across the state. He explained that due to unexpectedly high maize production, existing warehouses have become insufficient. To manage the increased stock, the government is utilizing cotton storage units, private warehouses, and even function halls for temporary storage. He also said officials are ensuring adequate transport arrangements so that farmers do not face inconvenience. Criticizing the Centre for failing to effectively procure grain despite announcing Minimum Support Prices, the Minister said the State Government is purchasing maize at better prices to protect farmers from losses. He reiterated that despite challenges such as storage shortages, financial burdens, and labour constraints, the government remains committed to purchasing every grain produced by farmers.



MP, MLA Review Grain Procurement

Nakirekal, May 17 | TPN Bureau

Bhuvanagiri MP Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy and Government Whip as well as Nakirekal MLA Vemula Veeresham visited the grain procurement centre at Aithipamula village in Kattangur Mandal to review procurement operations and address farmers' concerns.

During the inspection, the leaders examined the process of grain collection, weighing procedures, storage arrangements, and transportation facilities at the procurement centre. They interacted directly with farmers and listened to the problems being faced during procurement activities. Farmers reportedly raised concerns regarding delays in transportation and the availability of essential materials at the centre.

Responding immediately, the MP and MLA contacted the District Collector over the phone and instructed officials to ensure quick transportation of procured grain to warehouses. They also directed authorities to prevent any shortage of lorries and make sufficient gunny bags available to farmers without delay.

Addressing the gathering, Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy and Vemula Veeresham assured farmers that the State Government remains fully committed to supporting them and would procure every grain produced by farmers. They stated that farmers should not worry about procurement issues, as the government is taking all necessary measures to protect their interests.

The leaders instructed officials from the Agriculture and Civil Supplies departments to work in coordination and ensure smooth procurement operations without inconvenience to farmers. They also ordered the immediate provision of basic facilities at procurement centres, including drinking water, shade, tarpaulins, and resting areas for farmers waiting at the yards.

MP Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy stated that the government is closely monitoring the procurement process and making efforts to ensure that payments are credited directly into farmers' bank accounts within 48 hours.

Local public representatives, Market Committee members, officials, and farmers participated in the programme.

Education Key to Bright Future: Collector

Nalgonda, May 17 | TPN Bureau

District Collector B. Chandrasekhar stated that education plays a vital role in shaping a successful future and urged students to pursue higher studies with dedication and clear goals. He was speaking at the "Vidya Vijayotsavam" programme held at the Nalgonda Collectorate conference hall as part of the "Education Week" celebrations under the 99-day "Praja Palana Pragathi Pranali" action plan.

During the event, the Collector congratulated students who excelled in the Class 10 examinations. Cash awards of 10,000 each were presented to 13 students from government schools

who secured top ranks. Additional prizes were distributed to five students from KGBV and Model Schools, four students from the Sports School, and three students from Junior Colleges in recognition of their academic achievements.

Addressing the gathering, the Collector encouraged students to continue their education beyond the 10th standard, stressing that better career opportunities in today's competitive environment require higher qualifications, including graduation and post-graduation. He remarked that education has the power to transform lives and advised students to pursue their ambitions with

determination.

He also called upon teachers and Mandal Educational Officers to guide and motivate students towards higher education, including Intermediate and Polytechnic courses. The Collector highlighted the importance of proper counselling and mentorship for students taking the next step in their academic journey.

As part of the programme, essential kits were also distributed to persons with mental disabilities. District Intermediate Education Officer Dasru Naik, District Education Officer Bikshapathi, MEOs, teachers, parents, and students attended the event.



Telangana Movement Activists Recognition Committee Holds First Meeting

Hyderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau

The first meeting of the Committee for the Recognition of Telangana Movement Activists was held under the chairmanship of K. Keshava Rao on Sunday. Several prominent leaders and committee members attended the meeting, including Minister Ponnampati Prabhakar, MLC M. Kodandaram, MLC Addanki Dayakar, former MLC Ramulu Naik, and former MLC Mothe Shobhan Reddy.

During the meeting, the committee expressed gratitude to Chief Minister Revanth Reddy for constituting a dedicated committee to identify and recognize those who participated



in the Telangana movement.

The committee decided to establish its office beneath the Amaraveerula Jyothi memorial premises. Members also resolved to conduct an all-party meeting soon to seek sugges-

tions regarding the recognition of Telangana martyrs and activists.

It was decided that proposals would be invited from various organizations and groups associated with the Telangana

movement, including Telangana Movement JACs, activists from the 1969 movement, employee unions, artists' organizations, caste associations, lawyers' groups, and district-level movement bodies.

The committee further resolved to undertake district tours and hold extensive public consultations to gather opinions and recommendations from activists and civil society members. Four categories were proposed for recognizing movement participants. The first category would include those who lost their lives during the Telangana movement. The second category would recognize those injured during protests and agitations. The third category would consist of individu-

als who faced arrests, imprisonment, or legal cases related to the movement. The fourth category would include grassroots activists who actively participated in the agitation across different regions.

The committee suggested using newspaper reports and documented records to identify activists under the fourth category. It also decided to consult activists associated with the 1969, 1972, and 1996 Telangana movements before finalizing recommendations.

Committee members stated that the recognition process would be conducted transparently and beyond political affiliations to uphold the true spirit of the Telangana movement.

HYDRAA Issues Fresh Warning to Encroachers

Hyderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau

Officials of HYDRAA have once again warned residents living in temporary huts within the Full Tank Level (FTL) limits of Muskin Cheruvu, severely affecting the lake's natural condition and water spread area. Authorities also observed that waste collected from nearby residential areas was being burnt inside the lake zone, contributing to pollution and environmental damage. HYDRAA had first inspected the site on April 29 and initially provided a 10-day deadline for occupants to vacate. Later, the deadline was extended by another week. Officials clarified that the identified land falls within the officially designated FTL limits of Muskin Cheruvu, where construction activity is prohibited.

weaker families as a shield to continue illegal encroachments on lake land. They noted that large quantities of construction debris, soil, and garbage had been dumped into Muskin Cheruvu, severely affecting the lake's natural condition and water spread area.

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Kishan Reddy Targets State Government Over Fuel Tax and Farmers' Issues

Hyderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau
 Union Minister G. Kishan Reddy on Sunday criticized the Telangana government over fuel taxation, paddy procurement, and farmer welfare, accusing the administration led by Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy of failing to address public concerns effectively. Addressing the media at the BJP state office in Nampally, Kishan Reddy alleged that Telangana currently imposes the highest Value Added Tax (VAT) on fuel in the country at 35.20 percent. He demanded that the state government reduce fuel taxes to provide relief to consumers facing rising expenses. The Union Minister stated that fluctuations in global crude oil prices were mainly responsible for fuel price increases and clarified that the Central Government had reduced excise duty when international prices declined. However, he claimed that the Telangana government did not reduce its share of taxes, thereby placing an additional burden on the public. Turning to agricultural issues, Kishan Reddy accused the state government of mishandling paddy procurement and unfairly shifting responsibility onto the Centre. He said farmers in several districts were staging protests and road blockades demanding immediate procurement of their

produce. He further alleged that the Congress government had failed to fully implement its promise of providing a 500 bonus per quintal to farmers. According to him, incomplete loan waiver schemes had also pushed many farmers into becoming bank defaulters. Defending the policies of the Central Government under Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Kishan Reddy highlighted the increase in the Minimum Support Price (MSP) for paddy from around 1,300 during the UPA government to 2,360 at present. He also stated that the Centre was spending heavily on food security programs, including the free distribution of rice to nearly 830 million people. The Union Minister pointed out that the Centre was subsidizing fertilizers despite rising global prices, noting that a 45-kg urea bag was being sold to farmers at 242 while the actual cost was significantly higher. Kishan Reddy urged state ministers to visit villages and procurement centers directly instead of remaining confined to offices. He accused the Congress government of making promises without proper implementation and claimed that farmers across Telangana were continuing to face hardships despite repeated assurances from the state administration.

Kishan Reddy Accuses Congress, BRS of Politicising Voter Revision Process

Hyderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau
 Union Minister G. Kishan Reddy criticized the Congress and BRS parties for allegedly politicizing the Summary Revision (SR) process of electoral rolls in Telangana. Addressing the media at the BJP state headquarters in Hyderabad on Sunday, he said the voter list revision exercise is a routine democratic process aimed at ensuring that every citizen has only one valid voter registered at a single location. Kishan Reddy stated that due to printing and technical errors, some names were reportedly appearing at multiple locations, and such mistakes must be corrected through the revision process. He clarified that the BJP was not personalizing the process, but rather ensuring an accurate voter list is a collective responsibility. He noted that Booth Level Officers visit households multiple times during the revision process to verify voter details. The Union Minister alleged that Chief Minister Revanth Reddy was creating unnecessary controversies instead of trusting government employees handling the process. He said both Cen-



tral and State government staff are involved in the SR exercise, not BJP workers, and challenged Congress and BRS leaders to provide evidence if they believed any conspiracy was taking place. Kishan Reddy also advised opposition leaders to visit polling stations and observe the process rather than making allegations against the Election Commission. He called for identifying and removing the names of illegal immigrants such as Rohingyas and Bangladeshis from electoral rolls and questioned objections being raised over such verification drives. Turning to farmer-related is-

ssues, the BJP leader accused the Congress government in Telangana of failing farmers despite promises made during elections. He alleged that crop loan waivers were inadequate and claimed many farmers had become defaulters in banks. He further criticized the state government over delays in grain procurement despite the Centre increasing Minimum Support Prices and providing financial support. Kishan Reddy also questioned the Congress government over its promise of a 500 bonus for fine-variety paddy, asking why the full amount was not being provided to farmers.

Congress Leaders Welcome Rajiv Gandhi Jyoti Yatra

Adilabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau
 Congress leaders in Adilabad extended a warm welcome to the "Rajiv Gandhi Jyoti Yatra," which is traveling from Sriperumbudur in Tamil Nadu to Veerbhoomi in Delhi, the memorial of former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi. The yatra is being conducted in remembrance of Rajiv Gandhi, who was assassinated on May 21, 1991. The yatra reached the District Congress Committee (DCC) office in Adilabad, where local Congress leaders and party workers received it with enthusiasm. Prominent leaders who participated in the reception included Market Committee Chairman B. Srikanth Reddy, Assembly constituency in-charge K. Srinivas Reddy, and former Market Committee Chairman Sanjeev Reddy. During the programme, party leaders paid tribute to Rajiv Gandhi and highlighted his contributions to the nation's development. They particularly recalled his role in

promoting modernization and laying the foundation for India's information technology sector, which later contributed significantly to the country's economic growth. Leaders also appreciated Samuel Diraviam, the organizer of the yatra, for undertaking the journey to honor the legacy and vision of the former Prime Minister. They stated that the yatra reflects the enduring respect and admiration many people continue to hold for Rajiv Gandhi's leadership and contributions. Several Congress activists and local leaders attended the event, including Adilabad Town Congress President Kizar Pasah, former TTD Board member Bejjanki Anil Kumar, and party leaders Motiram, Sanjay, and others. The gathering concluded with tributes to Rajiv Gandhi and reaffirmation of the party's commitment to carrying forward his ideals and vision for the country.



Congress Leader Defends Government's Stand on Minor Girl Case

Hyderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau
 TPCC General Secretary Chanagani Dayakar praised the police for their handling of the recent case involving a minor girl and stated that the actions taken by law enforcement reflected the government's commitment to justice. Speaking to the media, Dayakar said Chief Minister Revanth Reddy has demonstrated that the law applies equally to everyone, regardless of status or political background. He emphasized that the Congress government is firmly focused on ensuring justice for the minor girl and protecting the interests of the public. Criticizing BRS working president K.T. Rama Rao (KTR), Dayakar alleged that it was unfortunate to politicize a sensitive issue involving a minor. He further claimed that

during the 2022 Jubilee Hills minor assault case, attempts were made by the previous administration to suppress the matter. The Congress leader asserted that the current government has given top priority to women's safety and security. He advised KTR to avoid making what he termed unnecessary political remarks and instead engage in self-reflection. Dayakar also stated that the government has maintained a neutral stand and acted in the interest of justice rather than supporting any individual. Highlighting police efforts against narcotics, he said the law enforcement system has been successful in cracking down on drugs, cocaine, and marijuana-related activities. He added that accused Bandi Bhagirath had been arrested and sent to jail as part of the investigation.

BJP Condemns Cases Against Gau Rakshaks

Hyderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau
 BJP Telangana President N. Ramchander Rao criticized the alleged harassment of Gau Rakshaks and voluntary Gau Sevaks by the police ahead of Bakrid celebrations and demanded immediate withdrawal of what he described as false cases filed against them. Referring to the recent incident at Attapur, Ramchander Rao alleged that police authorities were acting under pressure from the AIMM and targeting individuals involved in cow protection activities. He expressed disappointment over what he called selective action by the police instead of maintaining law and order in a fair and neutral manner. In a press statement issued on Saturday, the BJP leader said India is a nation where all religions have the constitutional right to practice their faith freely and with dignity. At the same time, he stressed that the beliefs and sentiments of every community should be respected equally. He stated that cows hold immense religious, cultural, and emotional impor-



ance for Hindus and any action hurting those sentiments would create unrest among people. Ramchander Rao alleged that Gau Rakshaks and volunteers working to protect cattle were being unnecessarily treated like criminals. He urged the government and police department to ensure that illegal activities are prevented while also safeguarding the sentiments of Hindus. The BJP Telangana chief demanded that police immediate-

ly stop registering cases against Gau Rakshaks and voluntary workers without proper grounds. He further called upon law enforcement agencies to act impartially and maintain communal harmony without bias toward any political party or community. Reiterating the party's stand, Ramchander Rao said the BJP would continue to support Gau Rakshaks, Gau Sevaks, and efforts aimed at protecting Hindu sentiments and traditions.

Large-Scale Inductions into Telangana Rakshana Sena

Hyderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau
 Several leaders and activists from different political parties joined the Telangana Rakshana Sena (TRS) during a programme held at the party headquarters in Banjara Hills on Sunday. Party chief Kalvakuntla Kavitha welcomed the new members by presenting them with shawls and formally inducting them into the organization. A major group of over 200 leaders and workers joined the party under the leadership of former Boath MLA Rathod Bapurao.

In the Amberpet constituency, Muslim women entered the party under the guidance of senior leader Matin. From Khairatabad constituency, Narasimha along with his supporters joined the Telangana Rakshana Sena. Several youths from the Narsapur constituency also became part of the party during the induction programme. Speaking on the occasion, party leaders expressed confidence that the new inductions would further strengthen the organization across different constituencies in Telangana.

Kondagattu Temple Registers Record Revenue Growth

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 Pradesh, Maharashtra, and Karnataka, visit the temple regularly to seek blessings. With the increasing influx of devotees every year, temple authorities have initiated several measures to strengthen infrastructure and improve pilgrim facilities. Officials said efforts are underway to enhance queue management systems, expand accommodation facilities, and improve overall arrangements to ensure a smoother and more comfortable experience for visitors. The growing popularity of the Kondagattu temple is being viewed as a significant development for religious tourism in the region. Authorities expressed confidence that improved facilities and better management would further boost pilgrim turnout and contribute to the temple's continued growth in the coming years.

hundi collections, special pujas, ritual offerings, and paid religious services have significantly contributed to the temple's earnings. The temple experiences particularly heavy crowds on Tuesdays and Saturdays, which are considered auspicious days for worshipping Lord Hanuman. During major religious occasions such as Chinna Hanuman Jayanthi and Pedda Hanuman Jayanthi, the number of pilgrims visiting the temple rises substantially. Authorities said a major portion of the revenue is generated through vehicle pujas, hair toning services, prasadam sales, and offerings made by devotees in fulfillment of vows and prayers. Pilgrims from different parts of Telangana, as well as neighboring states including Andhra



KTR Demands Removal of Bandi Sanjay Over POCSSO Case

Hyderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau
 BRS Working President K. T. Rama Rao demanded that Prime Minister Narendra Modi remove Union Minister Bandi Sanjay Kumar from the Union Cabinet to ensure a fair investigation into the POCSSO case involving his son, Bandi Bhagirath. Addressing party workers at the "Na Booth... Na Bhavishyat" programme held in LB Nagar on Sunday, KTR said justice would not be served if slogans such as "Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao" remained limited to speeches. He remarked that it was unprecedented for a lookout notice to be issued against the son of a Union Minister and alleged that the investigation could not proceed impartially while Bandi Sanjay continued in office. KTR accused the Union Minister of attempting to shield his son for several days after the case surfaced. He stated that allowing Sanjay to remain in the Cabinet despite the serious allegations would send the wrong message across the



country. He also alleged that pressure and intimidation were exerted on the family of the minor girl involved in the case. The BRS leader further claimed that Chief Minister Revanth Reddy had failed to handle the matter properly and accused both the state and central leadership of attempting to dilute the issue. He alleged that efforts were made to suppress media coverage by portraying the case as a "honey trap." KTR praised the victim's mother for standing firmly by

her daughter despite alleged pressure and threats. He also appreciated the efforts of the BRS women's wing and party leader R. S. Praveen Kumar for supporting the victim and raising the issue publicly. Reiterating his demand, KTR said Bandi Sanjay should immediately step down or be removed from the Union Cabinet to ensure public confidence in the investigation and encourage women to come forward in similar cases without fear.

YSRCP Flays Coalition Over Alleged Attacks

Kadapa, May 17 | TPN Bureau
 YSR Congress Party MLC Rama Subba Reddy has criticized the coalition government, alleging that YSRCP cadre are being attacked for questioning the utilisation of Gram Panchayat funds. Speaking to the media on Sunday, he said that when YSRCP members sought details on the expenditure of Chilamkurupanchayat funds under Yerraguntla through the Right to Information (RTI) Act, they were allegedly attacked by coalition supporters. He stated that there is no provision to disclose the identity of individuals seeking information under the RTI Act. However, he alleged that officials colluded with coalition cadre, leading to attacks on those who requested the information. Rama Subba Reddy said the incident reflects a deteriorating law and order situation in



the State and accused the government of misusing official machinery. He demanded strict action against the officials involved and warned that such actions would have consequences in the future. He expressed confidence that Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy would return to power. He also alleged that Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu has failed on all fronts and accused him of betraying the public by not fulfilling election promises. He added that people from all sections are dissatisfied with the current governance.



Rare Pelvic Tumor Successfully Removed

Hyderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau

Doctors at Pure Ortho Hospitals in Sainikpuri successfully performed a rare and complex surgery on a 32-year-old man suffering from a massive pelvic tumor for nearly a decade. The operation significantly improved the patient's recovery prospects and relieved him from prolonged pain and discomfort.

According to hospital doctors, the patient was diagnosed with a giant osteochondroma in the pelvic region measuring nearly 20 cm by 30 cm. Medical experts noted that the tumor displayed suspicious signs indicating possible transformation into chondrosarcoma, a type of bone cancer. Due to the tumor's critical location and the risks involved in surgery, several hospitals had reportedly declined to take up the case. After learning about the expertise of orthopedic oncologist V. S. Abhilash Kumar in handling complicated musculoskeletal tumor surgeries, the patient approached Pure Ortho Hospitals for treatment. Following detailed medical evaluation and review by a multidisciplinary tumor board, doctors finalized a comprehensive treatment plan.

The surgery was performed through a Wide Local Excision procedure with the goal of removing the entire tumor along with safe surgical margins to reduce the chances of recurrence. The operation was led by Dr. Abhilash Kumar with support from doctors Uday Shekhar Reddy, Manoj Pudari, Sai Karthikeya Badri, and Sai Krishna C. S.

Hospital authorities stated that despite the highly complicated nature of the procedure, the treatment was provided at an affordable cost, reducing the financial burden on the patient's family. The anesthesiology and critical care team led by Dr. Lakshmi Kumar Jasti managed intraoperative care, while Dr. Gautam Reddy supervised post-operative ICU treatment. Doctors also highlighted that an early rehabilitation programme under the supervision of Dr. Sri Ram L helped the patient regain mobility and begin recovery soon after surgery.



CM Invited to Yadagirigutta Vedic School Foundation Ceremony

Hyderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau

Minister Konda Surekha, along with priests from the Yadagirigutta Temple, met Chief Minister Revanth Reddy to invite him to the groundbreaking ceremony of the Sri Lakshmi Narasimha Swamy Vedic School.

The foundation stone-laying ceremony for the Vedic school, along with several developmental works related to the

temple complex, is scheduled to be held at Yadagirigutta on the 23rd of this month.

During the meeting, the delegation formally invited the Chief Minister to attend the programme and sought his blessings and support for the initiatives being undertaken at the temple. Several public representatives and officials accompanied the delegation, including MPs Vem Narender Reddy and Chamala Kiran Ku-

mar Reddy, Government Whip Beerla Ilaiah, Endowments Department Principal Secretary Sailaja Rama Iyer, Commissioner Hanumantha Rao, Yadagirigutta Temple Executive Officer Bhavani Shankar, and temple priests. Officials stated that the proposed Vedic school aims to promote traditional education and preserve Vedic learning while also supporting developmental activities around the temple premises.



Cyberabad Police Book 300

Drunk Driving Offenders

Hyderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau

The Cyberabad Traffic Police carried out a special weekend drive against drunk driving and caught 300 motorists for driving under the influence of alcohol. Officials said strict action would be taken against all violators as part of efforts to improve road safety and prevent accidents.

Among the offenders, 253 were riding motorcycles, while nine were operating three-wheelers and 38 were driving four-wheelers. Police categorized the offenders based on their Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) levels. According to traffic officials, 232 individuals recorded BAC levels between 36 mg/100 ml and 200 mg/100 ml. Another 35 offenders registered BAC levels ranging from 201 mg/100 ml to 300 mg/100 ml, while 33 motorists were found with extremely high alcohol levels between 301 mg/100 ml and 550 mg/100 ml.

Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police (Traffic-1) G

nanmantha Rao stated that all those booked during the drive would be produced before the concerned courts for legal proceedings.

The Cyberabad Traffic Police reiterated that drunk driving is a serious offence and warned motorists against driving after consuming alcohol. Police officials said that if a person driving in an intoxicated condition causes a fatal road accident, they would be booked under Section 105 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), 2023, relating to culpable homicide not amounting to murder. The offence carries a punishment of up to 10 years imprisonment along with a monetary penalty.

Police also revealed that between May 11 and May 16, courts disposed of 96 drunk driving cases. Among them, seven offenders received both fines and jail terms, two were sentenced to fines along with community service, and 87 individuals were penalized with fines only.

Fire Breaks Out at Scrap Shop

Hyderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau

A major fire broke out at a scrap shop in the Bolakpur area of Hyderabad, triggering panic among residents in the surrounding locality. Thick smoke and flames were seen rising from the premises, causing alarm in the area.

After receiving information about the incident, police personnel and fire department teams rushed to the spot and immediately launched firefighting operations. Several fire engines were pressed into service to control the blaze and prevent it from spreading to nearby structures. Officials said the intensity of the fire increased due to the large quantity of scrap material stored at the shop. Firefighters contin-

ued efforts for several hours to bring the situation under control. Police have registered a case and initiated an investigation into the incident. Preliminary suspicion points to a possible electrical short circuit as the cause of the fire, though the exact reason is yet to be confirmed.

Authorities stated that details regarding injuries or the extent of property damage are still being assessed. Police and fire department officials are conducting a detailed inquiry to determine the circumstances that led to the accident.

Local residents gathered near the site as emergency teams carried out rescue and firefighting operations. Further details are awaited from officials.

Cases Registered Over Social Media Posts in POCSCO Matter

Hyderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau

Police have registered multiple cases in connection with objectionable social media posts linked to the POCSCO case involving Bandi Bhagirath, son of Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Bandi Sanjay Kumar. Authorities initiated action after alleged derogatory remarks were circulated online against Justice Madhavi Devi, who was hearing petitions related to the case.

According to officials, social media users allegedly posted comments claiming that if anticipatory bail were granted to Bandi Bhagirath, the judge's husband would receive a political or professional appointment. The matter reportedly came up during court proceedings, and concerns were raised over attempts to influence public perception regarding the judiciary.

Following the circulation of these comments, the Registrar of the Telangana High Court lodged a formal complaint with the Charminar police, stating that such posts could damage public confidence in the judicial system. Based on the complaint and supporting evidence, police registered a case and began an investigation into the individuals responsible for spreading the content online.



Earlier, Bandi Bhagirath had approached the High Court seeking anticipatory bail and protection from arrest in the POCSCO case. However, the court dismissed his petitions.

Meanwhile, police also initiated separate cases against individuals and social media channels accused of circulating photographs and videos of the victim girl and her family. Officials stated that the content violated the victim's privacy by revealing personal details prohibited under law.

The complaint regarding circulation of the visuals was reportedly filed by the Chairperson of the Child Welfare Committee of Medchal-Malkajgiri district. Police said several Instagram and Facebook accounts involved in sharing the material have already been identified, and their details have been forwarded for further action.

Senior police officials warned that strict legal measures would be taken against anyone disclosing the identity or private information of the victim or her family, including those sharing such posts on social media platforms.

Clash Erupts Over Suspicious Truck

Hyderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau

Tension gripped the Asif Nagar area on Saturday night after a dispute between two groups over a truck suspected of transporting cows illegally escalated into violence, police said.

According to officials, the incident began when one group intercepted a truck, alleging that it was being used for illegal transportation of cattle. However, members of the other group claimed that the vehicle was carrying plywood and denied the allegations. The argument between the groups soon intensified, leading to physical clashes in the locality.

Police said both sides allegedly attacked each other and resorted to stone pelting, creating panic in the area. As the situation worsened, a large contingent of police personnel rushed to the spot to control

the unrest. Authorities conducted a lathi charge to disperse the crowd and restore order in the locality.

An AIMIM MLA also visited the area following the incident and reviewed the situation. Senior police officials monitored developments closely to prevent further escalation.

Speaking about the incident, Asif Nagar police stated that the clash occurred late at night and was brought under control after police intervention. Officials confirmed that a case has been registered and an investigation is currently underway to determine the exact sequence of events and identify those involved in the violence. Police have increased security and surveillance in the area as a precautionary measure to maintain law and order. Authorities appealed to the public not to spread rumours and to cooperate with the investigation.

Residents Seek Roads and Streetlights

Quthbullapur, May 17 | TPN Bureau

Residents of Bourampet village under Dundigal Circle submitted a representation to Quthbullapur MLA K. P. Vivekananda sought immediate action to resolve several civic problems affecting Simhapuri Colony and nearby areas.

During a meeting with the MLA, residents explained that the stretch from Simhapuri Colony near the My Space-2 building to the Bourampet Bodrai junction lacks proper streetlighting, causing severe inconvenience during nighttime. They stated that the road remains in complete darkness after sunset, increasing the chances of accidents and creating safety concerns for pedestrians and motorists. The residents appealed for urgent installation of functioning streetlights along the route.

Locals also highlighted the poor condition of the road connecting My Space-2 and the Bourampet Bodrai junction. According to residents, the road has developed numerous potholes, making travel diffi-



cult and posing risks to commuters. They requested authorities to undertake immediate repair works and restore the road for safe public use.

Another major concern raised during the meeting was the flow of sewage water from nearby colonies into the village pond known as Rama C Kunta. Residents complained that the sewage discharge has resulted in foul smell and increased mosquito infestation, causing health concerns in the locality. They urged the author-

ities to divert the sewage water and take up development works around the pond area.

Residents also proposed the development of a park and walking track near the pond to improve the surroundings and provide recreational space for the community. PACS Chairman Middela Bal Reddy, senior leaders S.V. Surender Reddy, Dharma Reddy, Vishnu Vardhan Reddy, and other local representatives participated in the programme and supported the residents' demands for immediate civic improvements.

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Kishore Reddy Promises Civic Improvements

Quthbullapur, May 17 | TPN Bureau

Telangana State Protocol and Coordination Committee Vice Chairman Bongunuri Kishore Reddy visited Green Hills Housing Colony in Bahadurpally under Dundigal Circle on Sunday and interacted with residents to understand their civic problems firsthand. Emphasizing that development should be visible in people's daily lives and not remain limited to announcements, he conducted a morning walk across the colony along with Colony President Amarnath.

During the visit, residents highlighted several long-pending infrastructure issues, including incomplete underground drainage works, unfinished CC roads, lack of sufficient streetlight poles, and unsafe electrical wiring conditions. They explained that rainwater stagnates in many parts of the colony during monsoon showers, causing inconvenience and poor sanitation for residents.

Kishore Reddy personally inspected the affected areas and acknowledged the need for



urgent action to improve infrastructure facilities in the colony. He assured residents that he would discuss the matter with the concerned departments and ensure that pending civic works are completed at the earliest. He stated that resolving public grievances and improving basic amenities would remain a priority. Residents welcomed the vis-

it and appreciated the effort of leaders coming directly into colonies to understand local issues instead of relying only on office meetings. They appealed for immediate measures to address drainage, roads, and lighting problems to improve living conditions in the area. Congress leaders A.R. Sadhu Yadav and Venu Kumar, along with colony representa-

tives including Amarnath, Damodar, Rajireddy, Beera Yadav, Venkatesh Goud, Veeranna, Chandrayya, Viswanath Reddy, Venkat Reddy, Srinivas, Anantha Ramulu, Ravinder, Rajasekhar, Raghupathi Reddy, Sai, and Praveen Mudiraj, participated in the programme along with local residents.



Women's Commission Members Meet Deputy CM Bhatti Vikramarka

Hyderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau

State Women's Commission Chairperson Gadwal Vijayalakshmi, along with Commission members Chityala Swetha, Uzma Zakir, Nunavath Radha, Shashikala, and Yadava Reddy, paid a courtesy visit to Telangana Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka Mallu at Praja Bhavan on Sunday evening.

During the meeting, the Commission members greeted the Deputy Chief Minister and presented him with a floral bouquet as a mark of respect. They also felicitated him with a traditional shawl and conveyed their gratitude on behalf of the Commission.

The interaction took place in a cordial atmosphere, with discussions reportedly focusing



on issues concerning women's welfare and the functioning of the State Women's Commission. The members appreciated the support extended by the state government toward ini-

tiatives aimed at women's empowerment and protection.

Officials and representatives accompanying the delegation also participated in the meeting held at Praja Bhavan.

Farmers Donate 65 Tractor Loads of Fodder to Goshala

Karimnagar, May 17 | TPN Bureau

Farmers and tractor owners from Peddapalli district donated 65 tractor loads of dry fodder to the Thippapuram Goshala operated by the Sri Raja Rajeshwara Swamy Devasthanam in Vemulawada of Rajanna Sircilla district on Sunday.

The donation was made by members of the Janakiram Tractor Owner-Driver Association representing Kanukula, Maruti Nagar, Ramunipalli, and Thogarrai villages. The fodder was formally handed over to Deputy Executive Officer Bhaskara Sharma in the presence of temple authorities, staff members, and representatives of the association.

Association members said they have been supporting the goshala continuously for the past five years. They noted that their contribution has steadily increased over time, beginning with 10 tractor loads during the first year, rising to 45 loads

last year, and reaching 65 tractor loads this year.

Temple authorities appreciated the gesture and arranged special darshan for the visiting farmers and donors. Prasadam was also distributed to them after the donation programme. Temple Executive Officer L. Ramadevi thanked the farmers, devotees, and tractor owners for extending support to the goshala through fodder and other essential supplies. She said serving and protecting cows is considered a sacred activity in Indian tradition and encouraged devotees visiting Vemulawada to contribute towards the maintenance of the shelter. The donation is expected to help meet fodder requirements for cows housed at the goshala during the coming months. Temple authorities said support from devotees and farming communities has played an important role in maintaining the facility and ensuring proper care for the animals.

Residents Protest Over Pollution in Lake

Quthbullapur, May 17 | TPN Bureau

Serious concerns are being raised by residents over increasing pollution in the 43-acre Bhairava Lake, also known as Pedda Cheruvu, located in Bachupally under the Nizampet Circle limits. Locals alleged that untreated sewage has been continuously entering the freshwater lake since October last year due to the collapse of eight drainage manholes connected to upstream sewer lines. They expressed distress that the once-clean lake is rapidly turning into a sewage-filled water body. Residents from nearby colonies said the foul smell from the polluted lake has become unbearable, affecting daily life in the surrounding areas. They also pointed out that the lake water has changed colour and that sewage water is now flowing into the SNDP canal, creating further environmental and public health concerns. Locals warned that if immediate action is not taken, future restoration efforts would require huge public expenditure. According to residents, several complaints were submitted earlier to the Deputy Commissioner and Municipal Corporation Commissioner, but authorities allegedly



failed to respond. In protest against the inaction, local residents led by Akula Satish staged a dharna near the point where sewage water enters the lake. Addressing the protest, Akula Satish demanded urgent repair of the damaged manholes and installation of a proper pipeline system to divert sewage. He also

called for removal of garbage and weeds from the lake and measures to stop sewage contamination in the SNDP drainage channel. He warned that if restoration work does not begin within a month, protesters would intensify their agitation by laying siege to the Nizampet Circle Office.

Mother and Daughter Murdered Over Suspected Land Dispute

Nalgonda, May 17 | TPN Bureau

A woman and her daughter were allegedly murdered by unidentified persons at a Mosambi farm in Ibrahimpet village of Anumula mandal in Nalgonda district, police said on Sunday. The victims were identified as 40-year-old Rudraksha Sumalatha and her 20-year-old daughter Rudraksha Lavanya, both residents of Ibrahimpet.

According to police, the incident took place around 9.30 am when the mother and daughter had gone to their farm located on the outskirts of the village to collect fruit.

Preliminary investigation revealed that the attackers allegedly threw red chilli powder into the victims' eyes before strangling them using a dupatta. Miryalaguda Deputy Superintendent of Police K. Rajashekar Raju stated that initial findings point towards a possible land dispute involving close relatives of the victims. However, police are yet to determine whether the relatives themselves carried out the murders or if they hired others to commit the crime. Police said Sumalatha's husband, Yadaiah, had passed away a few years ago. Before his death, he reportedly registered five acres of

land in the name of their daughter Lavanya. Investigators suspect that the ownership of the land may have triggered tensions within the family. Following the incident, the Nalgonda CLUES team visited the crime scene and collected forensic evidence. A dog squad was also deployed as part of the investigation. Police registered a case at Anumula Police Station and launched a detailed probe to identify and apprehend those responsible for the double murder. The incident created panic and tension in the village, with local residents demanding swift action against the culprits.

Leaders Attend Krishna Cricket Tournament

Serilingampally, May 17 | TPN Bureau

Minister for Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development, Fisheries, Youth Services and Sports Vakkiri Srihari attended the Krishna Cricket Tournament held at Nallagandla in Serilingampally. State Sports Authority Chairman Shivsena Reddy, Mudiraj Corporation

Chairman B. Gnaneshwar, constituency in-charge Jagadeeshwar Goud, and Mudiraj Association youth leader Balaraju Mudiraj also took part in the event. The leaders encouraged young players and highlighted the importance of promoting sports activities among youth in the region.



Manoj Kumar Appointed As Congress President

Secunderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau

Trikala Manoj Kumar has been appointed as the Congress Party President for the Ramgopalpet division. Expressing gratitude over his appointment, Manoj Kumar thanked PCC Vice President and Sanath Nagar constituency in-charge Kota Neelima and Secunderabad DCC President Deepak John for entrusting him with the responsibility.

Speaking on the occasion, Manoj Kumar said he was happy that his dedication and commitment to the party had been recognized. He assured party leadership that he would work sincerely to justify the confidence placed in him and carry out his responsibilities with commitment and discipline.

He stated that the Congress Party would grow stronger in the Sanath Nagar constituency under the leadership of Dr. Kota Neelima and praised her efforts in addressing public concerns. He particularly appreciated her focus on women's empowerment, youth encour-

agement, and public service, describing her leadership as inspirational for party workers. Manoj Kumar said he considered it a privilege to work under such leadership and pledged to strengthen the party at the grassroots level in the Ramgopalpet division. He assured party workers that he would stand by them and work collectively to resolve issues affecting local residents. He further stated that he would strive to take the Congress Party's ideology and welfare initiatives to every household through close coordination with party activists and supporters. He emphasized the importance of connecting more effectively with the public and expanding the party's reach across the division.

Thanking senior leaders, party workers, and supporters for their encouragement, Manoj Kumar said he would continue working with dedication to fulfill the vision of the party leadership and contribute to the Congress Party's success in the future.



Dr. M. Rajiv's Birthday Marked with Service Activities

Secunderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau

The birthday celebrations of Dr. M. Rajiv, State Chairman of the Telangana Congress Medical and Health Wing, were observed on Sunday with social service activities in Secunderabad.

The programme was organized under the leadership of Dr. K.V. Sindhuja, Chairperson of the Secunderabad District Congress Medical and Health Wing, along with her husband Dr. Karthik. A cake-cutting ceremony was conducted at the "Home for the Disabled" in Bansilalpet, where members and supporters conveyed birthday wishes to Dr. M. Rajiv.

As part of the celebrations, a food distribution programme was organized for nearly 400 differently-abled individuals residing at the facility. Organ-

izers stated that the initiative was aimed at combining celebrations with community service and extending support to people in need.

Speaking on the occasion, the organizers expressed happiness over serving the differently-abled community and said such humanitarian activities would continue in the future on a larger scale. They emphasized the importance of social responsibility and helping vulnerable sections of society through meaningful service programmes.

Congress leaders, members of the Medical and Health Wing, party workers, and supporters participated in the event and appreciated the initiative. The programme concluded with interaction with residents of the home and distribution of meals to all beneficiaries.

Medical Shop Owners Call for Nationwide Bandh Against Online Drug Sales

Secunderabad, May 17 | TPN Bureau

The Greater Hyderabad Retail Medical Shops Association (GHRMSA) has announced support for an All-India Chemists and Medical Shops Bandh scheduled for the 20th of this month, protesting against the Central Government's policies on online medicine sales.

Addressing a media conference held at Taj Mahal Hotel in Secunderabad, GHRMSA President Ravinder Gupta demanded the immediate withdrawal of online medi-

cine sales being carried out under the provisions of GSR 817 issued on August 28, 2018. He stated that retail medical shop owners across the country are facing severe financial difficulties due to the rapid expansion of online pharmaceutical platforms. Gupta expressed concern that uncontrolled online sales could increase the circulation of counterfeit and substandard medicines, posing serious risks to public health. He alleged that many online platforms are attracting middle-class consumers through heavy discounts while compromising on safe-

ty and quality standards. He further stated that lakhs of small and medium medical shop owners depend on the pharmacy sector for their livelihood, and the growing dominance of online medicine suppliers is threatening their businesses and employment opportunities. According to him, the issue has become a major concern for retail chemists nationwide.

Calling upon all medical shop owners and traders to participate in the bandh, Gupta urged members of the pharmaceutical retail sector to unite in support of their de-

mands. He warned that if the Central Government fails to address their concerns, the associations would intensify their agitation with larger protests in the future.

Association General Secretary Kishan Murari Shetty, Treasurer Vanamala Lakshman, and members S.R. Krishnakumar, Satish Goud, Mukesh Sharma, Arvind Sharma, Muralikrishna, Ghouse Mohinuddin, M.D. Shakeel, Vinod, and several others attended the press conference and extended support to the proposed nationwide bandh.



Write, and the Language Lives, Read, and the World Begins to Speak

Poetry is not merely the emotional outpouring of feelings stirred within the heart. It is something far deeper, you know it is a fusion of meaning, sound, rhythm, and emotion. The literary devices that breathe life into poetry are countless, they stand as the very artistic instruments through which a poem acquires vitality. But in fact poetry without literary craft resembles a body without a soul. Through these devices, a poet creates music, imagery, emotional depth, and atmosphere, transporting the reader into an entirely new world.

Literary devices in poetry are the artistic techniques poets employ to express their emotions with intensity and aesthetic beauty. Through rhythm and alliteration, poetry acquires musicality through imagery and metaphor, it creates vivid visual landscapes through symbolism and personification, it transforms ordinary language into profound artistic expression. These devices enable poets to compress vast meanings into very few words.

Whatever the poet may write, poetry must simultaneously resonate with sound, meaning, and emotion. A fine poem should allow the reader to hear music, see images, and experience thoughts that touch the depths of the heart. Only when poetry succeeds in achieving all these dimensions does it attain artistic excellence. Great poets employ literary devices to create ambience and atmosphere to lend sweetness through sound, to unfold magnificent imagery, to deepen emotional intensity and to layer mean-

ing with subtle complexity.

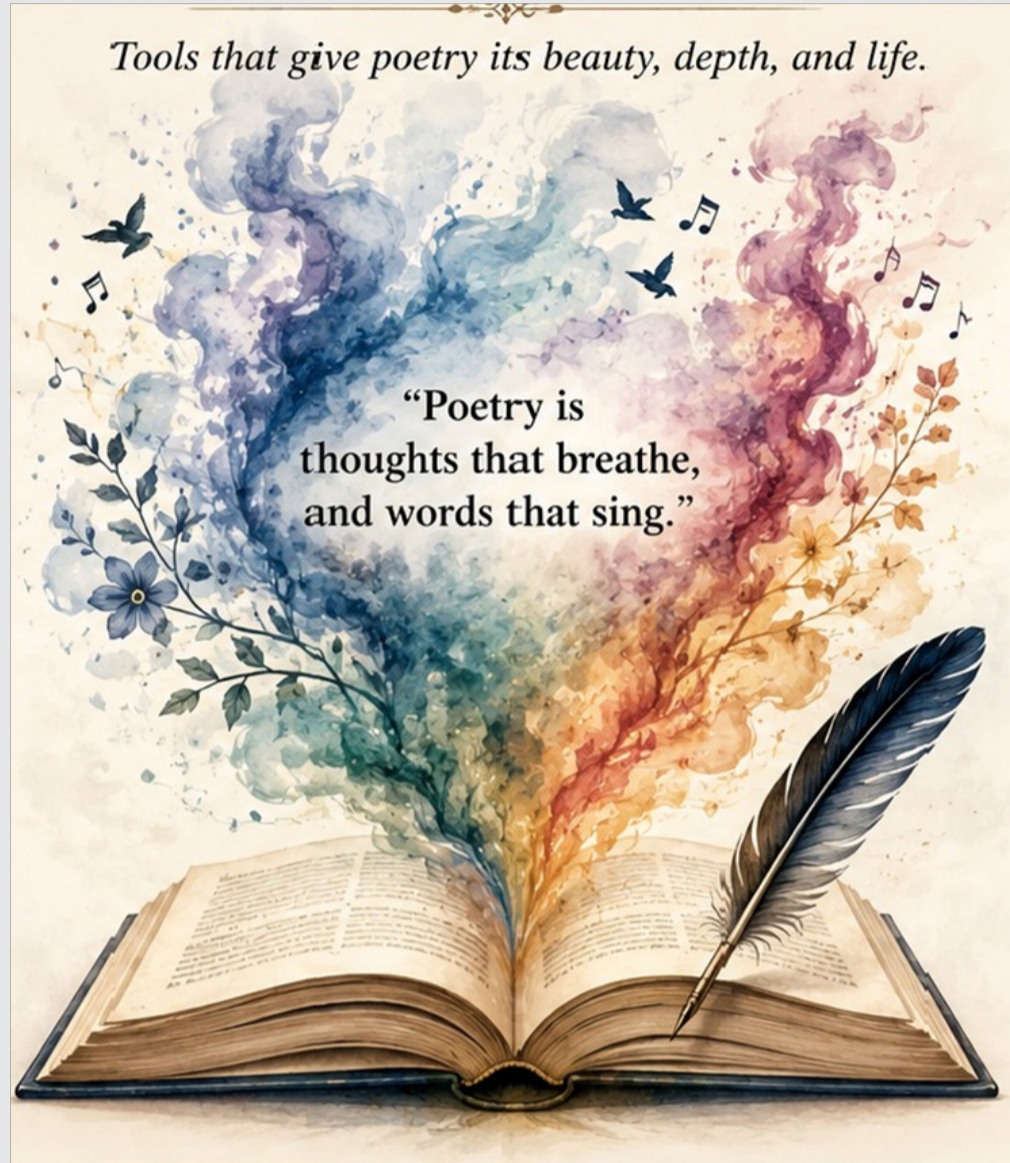
Among the many literary devices found in poetry, poets frequently and often unconsciously employ several major techniques. These artistic elements flow naturally beneath the surface of their writing, shaping the poem's inner rhythm and resonance. One of the most important among them is imagery, which creates sensory pictures that delight the reader's imagination as in the line: "The sky drips like honey"

A simile creates comparison through words such as "like" or "as" while a metaphor makes a direct comparison without such connectors.

Personification gives human qualities to inanimate objects, allowing lifeless things to breathe with emotional presence. Alliteration repeats similar consonant sounds at the beginnings of words, whereas assonance involves the repetition of vowel sounds in consonance repeats consonant sounds within or at the end of words.

Rhyme creates harmony through the repetition of similar sounds at the end of each line. Rhythm or meter establishes the pulse and cadence of poetry. Enjambment occurs when a poetic thought flows uninterrupted from one line into the next, while an end-stopped line concludes with a pause or punctuation. Repetition reinforces emotion and emphasis by recurring words or phrases.

Among all poetic techniques symbolism occupies a unique and special place. Through an ordinary object, the poet communicates profound emotional or philo-



sophical truths. Irony expresses one thing while suggesting it's opposite often creating humor, satire or unexpected meaning. Closely related is onomatopoeia, the use of words that imitate natural sounds, enabling readers

not only to hear but also to emotionally experience the sound itself.

Hyperbole deliberately exaggerates reality in order to intensify feeling and create dramatic impact on reader. A paradox appears contradic-

tory on the surface yet reveals a deeper truth upon reflection. An oxymoron combines opposing ideas side by side creating striking poetic tension. Parallelism employs repeated structural patterns in words, phrases, or ideas, lend-

ing balance and rhythm to language.

A caesura is a natural pause within a poetic line not a flaw but an intentional stylistic break that strengthens emotional effect and musical rhythm of the poem. Ambiguity allows a word, phrase, image to possess multiple meanings simultaneously, enriching interpretive possibilities. Direct address occurs when a poet speaks directly to a person, object, or idea while apostrophe addresses an absent, dead, or non-human presence as though it were alive and listening. A refrain repeats a phrase or line throughout a poem or song reinforcing emotional memory and lyrical flow.

Another fascinating poetic device is synaesthesia where one sensory experience is expressed through another hearing sweetness in a voice, seeing fragrance, tasting a sound. Such imaginative crossings of the senses enrich poetic language with extraordinary emotional texture.

These literary devices are immensely valuable for poetic creation. Anyone wishing to practice poetry should begin by experimenting with individual techniques through small poems. Devices such as repetition, simile, metaphor, and alliteration can be combined creatively. Old metaphors used by earlier poets may be reinvented in fresh ways. Poetry must also be read aloud, so that one can absorb its sound, rhythm, and emotional movement. Only then does the path toward powerful poetic expression begin to unfold.

The artistic devices of poetry give it strength, beauty, and life. They transform a poem from a mere arrangement of words into a profound journey of human experience. True poetry must make us hear sound, see images, and feel emotion and the secret that unites these three dimensions lies hidden within these literary techniques.

In essence, poetry is not merely an art form it is a discipline, a way of life, and a powerful mode of human expression. By learning and experimenting with these literary devices poets can sharpen and illuminate their creative voice, refining clarity and depth in their writing. For poetry to gain strength and enduring resonance, literary artistry becomes its guiding force.

Write, and the language lives, read and the world begins to speak.



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Beyond Politics: The Gendered Burden of Women Leaders in India

Indian democracy proudly celebrates itself as the world's largest democracy, yet its treatment of women in politics often reveals a deeper social discomfort. Women politicians in India are rarely judged only by their governance, ideology, or political performance. Instead, they are subjected to relentless scrutiny over their appearance, emotions, personality, voice, relationships, and even their mannerisms. While male politicians are often evaluated through the lens of power and leadership, women in public life are frequently reduced to symbols, stereotypes, or spectacles.

This pattern cuts across political parties, regions, and ideologies. Whether a woman belongs to the ruling party or the opposition, whether she is liberal, conservative, regional, or national, the nature of public discourse surrounding her often carries an unmistakable undertone of sexism. The criticism directed at women leaders regularly shifts from policy debates to personal attacks, revealing how deeply patriarchy continues to shape India's political culture.

India's political history offers several examples of this contradiction. The country elected a woman Prime Minister, Indira Gandhi, decades before many Western democracies accepted women in top leadership roles. Yet, despite her authority and political dominance, public reactions to her leadership were often deeply gendered. Critics and supporters alike described her using masculine metaphors, famously calling her "the only man in the cabinet." The phrase itself reflected the belief that decisiveness, strength, and authority were essentially male qualities. Instead of simply being recognized as a powerful leader, her leadership was interpreted through gendered assumptions.

The same trend continued with other influential women leaders. Mamata Banerjee, one of India's most recognizable political figures, has often faced criticism that quickly turns intensely personal. Political disagreements sur-

rounding her governance frequently evolve into mockery of her behavior, speech, appearance, or temperament. During moments of political defeat or controversy, social media and television debates often move beyond democratic criticism into open ridicule. The hostility directed toward her frequently appears less about policy and more about discomfort with a woman exercising power unapologetically.

Jayalithaa's political journey reflected a similar reality. During her lifetime, she faced endless commentary about her appearance, personal life, and relationships. Her achievements as a strategist and administrator were often overshadowed by sensational discussions unrelated to governance. Yet after her death, public memory transformed her into an almost sacred figure, affectionately remembered as "Ammamma." This dramatic shift demonstrates how society often struggles to accept powerful women while they are active participants in politics, only offering reverence once they are no longer perceived as threatening figures.

For some women leaders, gender bias intersects with caste and class prejudice. Mayawati's experience in Indian politics highlights this layered discrimination. As a Dalit woman rising to become Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh, she challenged multiple hierarchies simultaneously. The ridicule directed at her frequently carried traces of caste prejudice, misogyny, and elitism. Her authority unsettled many who found it difficult to accept a woman from a marginalized background occupying such a position of power. Instead of evaluating her solely as a political leader, public discourse often treated her rise as something unusual or undeserved.

Sonia Gandhi also endured years of questioning that went far beyond ordinary political criticism. Her nationality, accent, and personal background became constant subjects of debate, as though her very presence in Indian politics re-



quired justification. Unlike many male politicians who inherit political legacies without similar scrutiny, Sonia Gandhi's identity was repeatedly dissected in public discussions. Her silence, restraint, and style of functioning were often interpreted as weaknesses rather than strategic political choices.

Even women leaders who enjoy broad public respect are not free from gendered expectations. Sushma Swaraj, admired across party lines for her effectiveness as External Affairs Minister, was often praised using language associated with nurturing and emotional warmth. Her compassion and accessibility became central to her public image. While such admiration was

genuine, it also reflected society's tendency to feel more comfortable with powerful women when their authority appears soft, maternal, or emotionally reassuring.

In contrast, women perceived as aggressive or assertive frequently face harsher treatment. Smriti Irani, known for her confrontational debating style and strong political positions, has often been subjected to personal ridicule about her appearance, body, and personality. Similarly, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman frequently finds her speeches transformed into internet memes where her tone and expressions receive more attention than the economic policies she discusses. Male politicians with similarly

forceful styles are often described as confident or authoritative, while women are labelled emotional, arrogant, or dramatic.

This pattern is not limited to one party or ideology. Across election campaigns, women politicians from different parties have faced openly sexist remarks from rivals and sometimes even from colleagues within their own parties. Public debate often objectifies them or reduces their identities to physical appearance and gender roles rather than political capability.

The roots of this problem lie in the larger structure of Indian society. Politics remains heavily male-dominated, and women continue to be underrepresented in positions of

power. Even when women achieve leadership roles, they are often expected to balance contradictory standards — strong but not intimidating, emotional but not weak, ambitious but not threatening. Society appears more willing to accept women as symbols of sacrifice or compassion than as ordinary political actors exercising authority.

This does not mean women politicians should be protected from criticism. In a democracy, every leader must face scrutiny and accountability. However, there is a crucial difference between criticizing policies and reducing women leaders to caricatures shaped by sexism. Democratic criticism focuses on governance, decisions, and ideology. Misogyny

focuses on appearance, personality, and stereotypes.

The challenge before India is not merely increasing the number of women in politics but changing the way society perceives women in power. Until women leaders are allowed to exist simply as politicians — without being burdened by gendered expectations and relentless personal judgment — true political equality will remain incomplete. The success of Indian democracy depends not only on who gets elected, but also on whether the public can evaluate leaders without prejudice. Women politicians should not have to fight two battles simultaneously: one against political opponents and another against deeply rooted societal bias.

India And Netherlands Strengthen Strategic Ties With 17 New Agreements

India and the Netherlands have taken a major step toward deepening bilateral relations by signing 17 agreements aimed at expanding cooperation across key sectors including trade, energy, technology, water management, and innovation. The development reflects growing strategic ties between the two countries as they seek stronger economic and diplomatic collaboration.

The agreements were finalized during high-level discussions involving Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Dutch leaders, including senior minister Rob Jetten. Both sides emphasized the importance of strengthening partnerships in areas that are increasingly critical for global economic growth and sustainability.

One of the major focus areas of the agreements is clean energy and climate cooperation. India and the Netherlands

are expected to work closely on renewable energy projects, green hydrogen initiatives, sustainable mobility, and carbon reduction technologies. Both countries highlighted the need for international cooperation to address climate challenges while supporting economic growth.

Technology and innovation also formed a key part of the discussions. The agreements aim to encourage collaboration between startups, research institutions, and industries in fields such as artificial intelligence, semiconductors, digital infrastructure, and advanced manufacturing. Officials believe such partnerships could create new business opportunities and boost investment flows between the two nations.

Water management remains another important area of cooperation, given the

Netherlands' global expertise in flood control, water conservation, and sustainable urban planning. India is expected to benefit from Dutch technical knowledge in managing water resources, improving irrigation systems, and addressing climate-related environmental risks.

Trade and investment ties between India and the Netherlands have grown steadily in recent years. The Netherlands is among the largest foreign investors in India, with several Dutch companies operating across sectors including logistics, agriculture, healthcare, technology, and energy. The new agreements are expected to further encourage business collaboration and strengthen supply chain partnerships.

During the discussions, both countries also stressed the importance of maintaining a free, open, and stable international economic environment.

Officials highlighted the need for resilient global supply chains and stronger international cooperation amid geopolitical uncertainty and economic disruptions worldwide.

The partnership is also strategically important because Europe is becoming an increasingly significant economic and diplomatic partner for India. As global geopolitical dynamics continue to shift, India has been expanding engagement with European nations in areas such as technology, trade, defence cooperation, and clean energy.

Analysts believe the agreements reflect India's broader strategy of building long-term partnerships with technologically advanced countries that can support infrastructure development, industrial growth, and sustainability goals. The Netherlands, meanwhile, views India as one of the world's



fastest-growing major economies and an important partner in the Indo-Pacific region. Dutch leaders have repeatedly expressed interest in increasing investment and

business cooperation with India across emerging industries. The signing of 17 agreements marks another milestone in the evolving relationship between the two

countries. Both governments expressed confidence that the expanded cooperation would create mutual economic benefits and strengthen strategic ties in the coming years.

Jairam Ramesh Raises Environmental Concerns Over Great Nicobar Mega Project

Senior Congress leader Jairam Ramesh has written to Defence Minister Rajnath Singh expressing serious concerns over the proposed mega infrastructure project in Great Nicobar Island. The project, which is considered strategically important for India, has sparked intense debate over its potential environmental and ecological impact.

The ambitious development plan includes the construction of a transshipment port, an international airport, a power plant, and a new township in the Great Nicobar region. The government views the project as a major step toward strengthening India's maritime presence, improving trade connectivity, and enhancing strategic infrastructure in the Indian Ocean region.

However, environmentalists and experts have repeatedly warned that the large-scale development could cause irreversible damage to one of India's most ecologically sensitive zones. Great Nicobar Island is home to dense tropical forests, unique biodiversity, endangered wildlife species, and indigenous tribal communities.

In his letter, Jairam Ramesh reportedly urged the government to reconsider aspects of the project and ensure that environmental safeguards are not ignored in the pursuit of development. He raised concerns about deforestation, destruction of natural habitats, and the long-term ecological consequences of large-scale construction activities in the area. One of the key issues highlighted by critics is the impact on the island's fragile ecosystem. Great Nicobar hosts several rare animal and bird species, including the giant



leatherback turtle, which depends on the region's coastal environment for nesting. Environmental groups fear that major infrastructure projects could severely disrupt these habitats.

The project has also generated concern regarding indigenous communities living on the island, particularly the Shompen tribe. Activists argue that rapid development and increased outside activity could affect the traditional lifestyle and social environment of tribal populations.

Supporters of the project, however, emphasize its strategic and economic importance. The government believes the transshipment port could strengthen India's position in international shipping routes and reduce dependence on foreign ports for cargo movement. Officials also see the project as vital for national security and regional connectivity. The debate reflects a broader national challenge of balancing economic development with environmental conservation. Large

infrastructure projects often generate controversy when they are proposed in ecologically sensitive regions, especially areas rich in biodiversity and tribal heritage.

Experts say the Great Nicobar project could significantly transform the island's landscape and economy, making environmental assessments and sustainable planning extremely important. Several scientists and environmental organizations have called for transparent studies and careful review of long-term ecological risks.

The issue has now become a politically sensitive topic, with opposition leaders questioning whether adequate environmental scrutiny has been carried out before granting approvals. Meanwhile, supporters argue that strategic infrastructure development is essential for India's future growth and security interests.

As discussions continue, the Great Nicobar project remains one of the most closely watched infrastructure and environmental debates in the country.

CBI Arrests Pune Teacher In Expanding NEET-UG 2026 Paper Leak Case

The NEET-UG 2026 paper leak investigation has taken another dramatic turn after the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) arrested a Pune-based Botany teacher accused of playing a key role in leaking Biology questions ahead of the national medical entrance exam. The arrest has intensified concerns over the integrity and security of one of India's most competitive examinations.

According to investigators, the arrested teacher, Manisha GurunathMandhare, was associated with the National Testing Agency (NTA) as an expert involved in the examination process. The CBI alleges that she had direct access to Botany and Zoology question papers and used that access to leak confidential material before the exam was conducted.

Officials claim that special coaching sessions were allegedly organized at her Pune residence during April 2026, where selected students were reportedly taught questions that later appeared in the actual NEET examination held on May 3. Investigators say many of the questions discussed during those sessions closely matched the final exam paper.



The arrest came just a day after the CBI detained another Pune-based academic, retired chemistry lecturer P V Kulkarni, who is also accused of being deeply involved in the paper leak operation. The agency believes the accused were part of a wider network that included middlemen, coaching operators, and intermediaries who allegedly collected large sums of money from students seeking access to leaked questions. The case has shocked students and parents across the country because NEET is the primary entrance examination for admission into undergraduate medical colleges in India. Lakhs of students spend years preparing for the highly com-

petitive exam, making allegations of paper leaks extremely sensitive and controversial.

Investigators have reportedly conducted raids at multiple locations across India and seized laptops, mobile phones, bank documents, and other electronic evidence. Officials are now analysing digital records and financial transactions to identify how the leaked papers were circulated and who benefited from the operation.

Reports suggest that the CBI is also examining the role of individuals connected to the exam preparation process within the NTA system. Authorities are reportedly scanning communication records

and identifying potential links between the accused and other members involved in paper-setting procedures.

The scandal has once again triggered debate about the security of major competitive examinations in India. In recent years, several recruitment and entrance exams have faced allegations of paper leaks, malpractice, and organised cheating networks, leading to growing public distrust.

Students and education experts have demanded stricter safeguards, better digital monitoring, and stronger accountability mechanisms to prevent future examination fraud. Many fear that repeated controversies could damage the credibility of national-level entrance tests.

The NEET-UG 2026 examination has already been cancelled following the leak allegations, with authorities planning a fresh examination for affected candidates. Meanwhile, political reactions and student protests continue to intensify as investigations expand.

The latest arrests indicate that the probe is far from over, and investigators believe more individuals connected to the leak network could face action in the coming days.

Delhi to Face Severe Heatwave, Temperatures May Touch 45°C

Delhi is expected to experience a severe heatwave in the coming days, with temperatures likely to rise sharply across the national capital and surrounding regions. Weather experts have warned that daytime temperatures may reach extreme levels, making conditions harsh for residents. The heatwave is part of a broader spell of intense summer weather affecting several parts of northern and central India.

According to the India Meteorological Department (IMD), maximum temperatures in Delhi could fluctuate between 42°C and 45°C, which is significantly above normal for this time of year. The situation is being driven by persistent dry northwesterly winds, clear skies, and a high-pressure system trapping hot air over the



region. These conditions reduce cooling and allow heat to build up during the day, increasing the risk of heatwave classification in multiple districts.

The extreme heat is expected to impact daily life significantly, with increased risk of dehydration, heat exhaustion, and other heat-related illnesses.

Authorities are likely to issue advisories urging people to avoid outdoor activities during peak afternoon hours, stay hydrated, and use protective measures. Rising temperatures may also increase electricity demand due to higher use of cooling systems, putting additional pressure on power supply.

Some forecasts suggest that there may be temporary relief if a western disturbance or thundershower activity develops over northwest India, which could bring brief rainfall and a slight dip in temperatures. However, overall conditions are expected to remain hot, and heatwave alerts may continue in several states over the next few days.

Overall, the article highlights a concerning rise in temperatures across Delhi and surrounding regions, signaling an intense phase of summer heat. Residents are advised to take precautions as the city braces for potentially record-level heat conditions approaching 45°C in some areas. Authorities continue monitoring conditions for updates and safety advisories issued daily alerts.

Census 2027 Door-to-Door Survey Begins Across Several States

India has officially started the first phase of Census 2027, with door-to-door household survey operations beginning in multiple states and Union Territories including Delhi, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Jharkhand, and Meghalaya.

This phase marks the House-listing and Housing Census, where trained enumerators visit homes to collect detailed information about housing conditions, household assets, amenities, and population data. Before this, a self-enumeration option allowed citizens to submit details online, and now field verification and data collection are underway.

The census is being conducted in a fully digital manner, with enumerators using mobile applications instead of traditional paper forms. This shift is expected to improve accuracy, speed, and efficiency in data collection. Officials have also assured that all collected information will remain strictly confidential and used only for planning and statistical purposes.



Thousands of census workers have been deployed across the country, and the fieldwork is expected to continue for several weeks. Large urban areas like Delhi alone will see tens of thousands of enumerators covering millions of households.

Census 2027 is part of a broader effort to modernize India's population data system by combining digital tools with

traditional door-to-door surveying. The data collected will play a key role in shaping government policies, welfare schemes, infrastructure planning, and resource allocation for the coming years.

Overall, this census represents a significant step toward a more efficient, technology-driven national data collection system.

CNG Price Hike in Delhi-NCR

CNG prices in Delhi and the National Capital Region (NCR) have been increased again by 1 per kg, marking the second hike in just two days. This latest revision has pushed the price in Delhi to around 80.09 per kg, while in areas like Noida and Ghaziabad it has risen to about 88.70 per kg.

The hike follows an earlier increase of around 2 per kg on May 15, meaning overall CNG prices have gone up by nearly 3 per kg within 48 hours. The rapid back-to-back increases are mainly attributed to rising global energy costs, especially fluctuations in natural gas



prices due to ongoing international supply pressures. This sudden increase is expected to directly affect daily

commuters, auto-rickshaw drivers, cab operators, and delivery services, all of whom heavily depend on CNG as a

cheaper fuel alternative. With fuel costs rising, there is also concern that transport fares may increase in the coming days to balance operational expenses. Officials have linked the price adjustments to broader trends in global crude oil and natural gas markets, which have been volatile in recent weeks. However, no additional relief or rollback has been announced so far.

Overall, the repeated hikes highlight the ongoing pressure on fuel prices in the Delhi-NCR region, adding further strain on household and transport budgets.

Trump's "Calm Before The Storm" Warning Sparks Fresh Iran Tensions

US President Donald Trump has triggered fresh global concern after posting a cryptic "calm before the storm" message amid reports that the United States may be considering renewed military action against Iran. The statement, shared along with an AI-generated image on social media, quickly went viral and intensified speculation about possible escalation in the Middle East.

The image reportedly showed Trump wearing a "Make America Great Again" cap while standing beside a US Navy admiral on a military vessel surrounded by dark skies, lightning, and warships. The dramatic visuals, combined with the phrase "It was the calm before the storm," were widely interpreted as a warning directed toward Iran.

The post came at a time when tensions between the US and Iran remain extremely fragile despite a ceasefire announced earlier this year. Concerns over the Strait of Hormuz — one of the world's most important oil shipping routes — continue to dominate international discussions, with fears that any military escalation could disrupt global energy supplies and financial markets.

Reports from international media outlets suggest that senior US officials and military advisers are discussing contingency plans in case diplomatic negotiations with Iran collapse. Some reports claim preparations for possible renewed air strikes or military operations are being reviewed amid growing regional instability.

The situation has already

increased nervousness across global markets. Oil prices remain sensitive to developments in the Middle East because a significant percentage of global crude shipments pass through the Strait of Hormuz. Any disruption in the region could impact fuel prices, inflation, and international trade.

Trump's statement also triggered intense reactions on social media, where supporters viewed the message as a show of strength while critics accused him of escalating tensions through provocative rhetoric. International observers noted that the dramatic imagery and language added to fears of another major confrontation in the region.

Meanwhile, Iran has continued warning against external military pressure and

has reportedly maintained a strong defensive posture in response to increasing US naval presence in the Gulf region. Diplomatic channels between the two countries remain strained, with both sides accusing each other of worsening instability.

Global leaders are now closely watching developments, fearing that even limited military action could trigger wider regional consequences involving allied groups and neighbouring countries. Analysts say the current situation remains unpredictable, with diplomacy and military preparedness happening simultaneously.

Although no official announcement regarding immediate military action has been made by the White House, Trump's latest message has significantly in-



Increased speculation about Washington's next move. For now, the phrase "calm before the storm" has become the centre of global attention as the world watches for signs of whether tensions between the US and Iran will escalate further.

Bangladesh Links Future India Ties To New Ganges Water Treaty

Bangladesh has signalled that its future relationship with India will depend heavily on the renewal of the Ganges Water Sharing Treaty, which is set to expire in December 2026. The development has added fresh importance to water diplomacy between the two neighbouring countries as negotiations over the future agreement gain momentum.



The existing treaty was signed in 1996 between India and Bangladesh to regulate the sharing of Ganges river water during the dry season. The agreement established a formula for distributing water flow from the Farakka Barrage, especially during periods when river levels fall. The Ganges, known as the Padma in Bangladesh, plays a crucial role in agriculture, irrigation, transport, and livelihoods for millions of people in both countries.

Recent statements from Bangladesh's political leadership made it clear that Dhaka wants discussions on a fresh treaty to begin immediately. Leaders emphasized that the renewal should reflect Bangladesh's current needs and future challenges instead of simply extending the old arrangement. They also indicated that stable and positive bilateral relations with India would largely depend on successfully reaching a new agreement.

One major issue driving the debate is growing concern over water shortages during the dry season. Bangladesh has repeat-

edly expressed worries about declining water flow in the Padma river, saying reduced water levels are affecting irrigation, river navigation, farming, fisheries, and daily life in several regions. Climate change, rising populations, and increasing agricultural demands have further intensified pressure on river resources.

At the same time, India also faces rising domestic water demands in states such as West Bengal, Bihar, and Uttar Pradesh. The Farakka Barrage remains important for maintaining navigability around Kolkata port and managing river silt. Reports suggest India may seek adjustments in future water-sharing arrangements to meet its own growing requirements.

The negotiations are becoming even more sensitive because of broader political tensions between the two countries in recent years. Experts believe the success of the treaty renewal may depend not only on technical water-sharing calculations but also on the overall political relationship between New Delhi and

Dhaka.

Another important factor is Bangladesh's recently approved Padma Barrage Project, aimed at improving water storage and river management in the country's southwest region. The project reflects Dhaka's growing urgency to secure long-term water stability amid concerns about future river flow patterns.

The discussions have also revived attention on other unresolved river-sharing issues between India and Bangladesh, especially the long-pending Teesta water agreement. Analysts say the outcome of the Ganges treaty negotiations could influence the future direction of broader regional water cooperation.

Despite the tensions, both countries have already begun technical-level discussions and joint water measurements ahead of the treaty's expiry. Observers believe both sides recognize the importance of avoiding a major water dispute because the river system remains essential for economic stability, agriculture, and regional cooperation.

WHO Warns Of Rising Ebola Threat After New Outbreak In Congo And Uganda

The World Health Organization (WHO) has raised fresh concerns over a growing Ebola threat following new outbreaks reported in parts of Congo and Uganda. Health authorities are closely monitoring the situation as cases linked to the dangerous Bundibugyo strain of the Ebola virus continue to emerge, increasing fears of wider regional spread.

According to health officials, the latest outbreak has already resulted in multiple infections and deaths, prompting emergency response measures in affected regions. Medical teams have been deployed to trace contacts, isolate suspected cases, and strengthen surveillance systems to prevent the virus from spreading further.

The Bundibugyo strain is one of several known forms of the Ebola virus. Although it is generally considered less deadly than some other Ebola variants, health experts warn that it can still cause severe illness and fatalities if not contained quickly. Symptoms typically include fever, weakness, vomiting, diarrhoea, and internal bleeding in serious cases.

WHO officials have expressed concern about cross-border movement between Congo and Uganda, saying population mobility could complicate efforts to control the outbreak. The two countries share active trade and transport

routes, increasing the risk of transmission if infected individuals travel before being identified.

Health authorities in both countries have intensified screening measures at border checkpoints and hospitals. Emergency teams are also conducting awareness campaigns to educate communities about symptoms, hygiene practices, and the importance of early medical reporting.

One of the major challenges during Ebola outbreaks is public fear and misinformation. In previous outbreaks, rumours, mistrust of health workers, and resistance to medical interventions slowed containment efforts. Officials are now working with local leaders and community organizations to build public trust and encourage cooperation.

The WHO has also warned that limited healthcare infrastructure in some affected areas could make containment more difficult. Rural regions often struggle with shortages of medical staff, protective equipment, testing facilities, and isolation centres.

Uganda and Congo have faced multiple Ebola outbreaks over the past decade, giving health authorities valuable experience in responding quickly to the disease. Experts say lessons learned from earlier outbreaks have improved prepar-

edness, surveillance systems, and emergency coordination.

Vaccination strategies may also play an important role if the outbreak expands. However, scientists note that vaccine effectiveness can vary depending on the Ebola strain involved, making rapid identification and monitoring essential.

International health agencies are closely observing the situation to prevent the outbreak from escalating into a larger regional emergency. Global concern around Ebola remains high because of the virus's potential to spread rapidly and cause severe humanitarian crises if containment measures fail.

Despite the growing concern, health experts emphasize that early intervention, public awareness, and coordinated international support can significantly reduce the risk of widespread transmission. Authorities continue urging people in affected areas to remain cautious and immediately report symptoms to medical officials.

The latest outbreak serves as another reminder of how quickly infectious diseases can emerge and threaten vulnerable healthcare systems, particularly in regions facing economic and logistical challenges.

Massive Drone Attack Targets Moscow Region Amid Escalating Russia-Ukraine War

The Russia-Ukraine war witnessed another major escalation after a large drone attack targeted the Moscow region, resulting in deaths, injuries, and damage to infrastructure. Russian authorities claimed that several drones were intercepted overnight, but some reportedly managed to strike populated areas and industrial facilities, including an oil refinery.



According to officials, the attack caused casualties in parts of the Moscow region and triggered fires at multiple locations. Emergency services were deployed immediately as residents reported loud explosions, smoke, and panic during the early hours of the attack.

Russian authorities blamed Ukraine for launching the drone strikes, describing them as one of the most significant attacks near Moscow in recent months. Ukraine has not officially confirmed responsibility, although similar drone operations targeting Russian territory have increased during the ongoing conflict.

The incident highlights how drone warfare has become a major feature of the Russia-Ukraine war: Both sides have increasingly relied on unmanned aerial attacks to target military infrastructure, fuel depots, industrial sites, and strategic facilities far from the battlefield.

One of the major targets in the latest attack was reportedly an oil refinery, raising concerns

about energy infrastructure security inside Russia. Fires and damage at fuel facilities have become increasingly sensitive issues because they can disrupt supply chains and create economic pressure.

Residents in affected areas described scenes of fear and confusion as air defence systems attempted to intercept incoming drones. Videos circulating on social media showed flashes in the sky, loud blasts, and emergency crews responding to damaged buildings.

Russian officials said air defence systems successfully destroyed many drones before they reached central Moscow, but debris and direct impacts still caused destruction in surrounding regions. Airports in and around Moscow reportedly faced temporary restrictions due to se-

curity concerns.

The attack comes amid intensifying military activity between Russia and Ukraine, with both countries continuing large-scale operations on multiple fronts. Drone strikes deep inside Russian territory have become more frequent over the past year, demonstrating the growing reach and sophistication of long-range attacks.

Military analysts believe such operations aim not only to damage infrastructure but also to create psychological pressure and force Russia to strengthen domestic air defence systems. Repeated attacks near Moscow have challenged the perception that Russia's capital remains insulated from the conflict.

At the same time, Russia has continued launching missile and drone strikes against Ukrainian

cities and infrastructure, leading to ongoing destruction and civilian casualties across Ukraine. The war has increasingly evolved into a prolonged battle involving attrition, long-range attacks, and infrastructure targeting.

Global leaders continue calling for de-escalation, but diplomatic progress remains limited. The conflict has already caused massive humanitarian and economic consequences, affecting global energy markets, food supplies, and geopolitical stability. The latest drone strike near Moscow once again demonstrates how the war is expanding beyond traditional frontline areas. As both sides intensify aerial attacks, concerns are growing that the conflict could become even more unpredictable and destructive in the months ahead.

Palestinians Forced To Demolish Their Own Homes In East Jerusalem Amid Park Project

Several Palestinian families in East Jerusalem are reportedly being forced to demolish their own homes as Israeli authorities move forward with plans linked to the controversial "King's Garden" tourist and archaeological park project. The situation has sparked fresh tensions and drawn criticism from human rights groups and international observers.

The demolitions are taking place in the Silwan neighbourhood, an area located near Jerusalem's Old City and considered highly sensitive because of its religious, historical, and political significance. Israeli authorities argue that many of the homes were built without official permits and stand in areas designated for tourism and public development projects.

Under Israeli law, homeowners are often instructed to carry out the demolitions themselves. If they refuse, authorities may demolish the structures and charge families heavy demolition fees. As a result, many residents choose to destroy their own homes to avoid additional financial penalties.

For affected Palestinian families, the experience has been emotionally devastating. Residents say they are losing homes built over decades, leaving families uncertain about their future housing and stability.



Many argue that obtaining building permits in East Jerusalem is extremely difficult for Palestinians, forcing people to construct homes without official approval.

The King's Garden project has remained controversial for years. Israeli officials describe it as an effort to develop a historic and tourist-friendly area connected to ancient Jerusalem. Critics, however, argue that the project could lead to displacement of Palestinian residents and alter the demographic balance in East Jerusalem.

Human rights organizations have repeatedly criticized home demolitions in Palestinian neighbourhoods, saying such actions contribute to displacement, insecurity, and rising tensions. They argue that

Palestinian communities face significant restrictions in urban planning and construction compared to Israeli settlements and neighbourhoods.

The issue of East Jerusalem remains one of the most sensitive aspects of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Palestinians view East Jerusalem as the future capital of a potential independent Palestinian state, while Israel considers the entire city its undivided capital.

International reactions to the demolitions have been mixed, with several global organizations expressing concern over forced displacement and humanitarian consequences. Critics warn that such actions may further complicate already fragile peace efforts in the region. Residents of Silwan have staged protests and public

campaigns against the demolitions, saying they are being unfairly targeted. Videos and photographs from the area have shown families removing belongings from homes before demolition work begins, creating emotional scenes that have spread widely online.

The controversy also highlights the broader struggle over land, identity, and control in Jerusalem, where development projects often carry political and symbolic significance beyond urban planning alone.

As tensions continue in the region, the demolitions in Silwan have once again brought international attention to the difficult living conditions and legal battles faced by many Palestinian families in East Jerusalem.

Fuel Price Hike Concerns Keep Markets Range-Bound, Say Analysts

Indian stock markets are expected to remain cautious and largely range-bound in the near term as investors react to the possibility of more fuel price hikes and persistent global uncertainties. Market analysts believe that rising fuel costs could increase inflationary pressure and affect overall market sentiment, especially in sectors sensitive to higher transportation and energy expenses.

Recent fuel price increases have already sparked concerns among investors and economists. Analysts suggest that this may only be the beginning, with the possibility of additional hikes in the coming weeks depending on international crude oil prices and global economic conditions. Higher fuel prices often lead to increased costs across industries, impacting both businesses and consumers.

Experts believe inflation worries are once again becoming a major factor influencing market movement. When fuel prices rise, transportation, manufacturing, and logistics costs usually increase as well. This can eventually push up prices of goods and services, reducing consumer spending power and affecting corporate profitability.

Because of these concerns, market participants are expected to remain cautious rather than aggressively investing.



Analysts say benchmark indices may continue moving within a limited range unless a strong positive trigger emerges, such as improved global cues, easing inflation, or stronger corporate earnings.

Global factors are also adding pressure to investor sentiment. Ongoing geopolitical tensions, uncertain interest rate outlooks in major economies, and fluctuating crude oil

prices are creating volatility across international markets. Since Indian markets are closely linked to global investor behaviour, any major international development can quickly influence domestic trading patterns.

Despite the cautious mood, analysts believe certain sectors may still perform relatively well. Energy companies, select banking stocks, and firms with strong domestic demand

could continue attracting investor interest. However, sectors heavily dependent on fuel and transportation costs may face pressure if crude oil prices continue to rise.

Foreign institutional investor activity is another key factor being closely monitored. Market experts note that global investors often become more selective during periods of inflation and uncertainty. Any significant inflow or outflow of

foreign investment could influence market direction in the coming sessions.

At the same time, some analysts remain optimistic about the long-term outlook for Indian markets. They argue that strong economic fundamentals, infrastructure growth, and stable domestic demand continue to support the broader economy despite short-term volatility.

Retail investors are being advised to remain patient and avoid panic-driven decisions during periods of uncertainty. Financial experts suggest focusing on fundamentally strong companies and maintaining a long-term investment approach instead of reacting to temporary market fluctuations.

The current market environment reflects a balance between optimism about India's economic growth and concerns over rising costs and global instability. While fuel price hikes may create short-term pressure, analysts believe markets could regain momentum once inflation fears begin to ease and investor confidence improves. For now, traders and investors are expected to closely watch crude oil trends, inflation data, central bank signals, and corporate earnings reports for clearer direction on where the markets may head next.



Franklin Templeton Limits Investments In Two Overseas Funds Amid SEBI Overseas Cap

Franklin Templeton Mutual Fund has announced restrictions on fresh investments in two of its international mutual fund schemes due to regulatory limits on overseas investments set by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI). The changes will come into effect from May 18 and are aimed at ensuring the fund house stays within the industry-wide overseas investment ceiling.

According to the announcement, the restrictions will apply to the Franklin India Feeder - Franklin U.S. Opportunities Fund and the Franklin India Feeder - Franklin European Fund. Investors will still be allowed to continue systematic investment plans (SIPs), systematic transfer plans (STPs), and existing commitments, but lump-sum investments beyond the specified limits may face restrictions.

The move comes as mutual fund companies across India closely monitor the overseas investment limits imposed by SEBI and the Reserve Bank of India (RBI). Indian mutual funds collectively have a fixed cap for investing in international markets, and many fund houses have already approached or exhausted these limits due to strong investor interest in global equity exposure.

Franklin Templeton stated that the temporary restrictions are necessary to manage inflows carefully and maintain compliance with regulatory guidelines. The company clarified that the measures are precautionary and linked to industry-wide limits rather than concerns related to the performance of the schemes.

Over the past few years, international mutual funds have become increasingly popular among Indian investors seeking geographical diversification and exposure to global companies, particularly in the United States and Europe. Many investors have shown in-

terest in sectors such as technology, artificial intelligence, healthcare, and global consumer brands that are less accessible through domestic markets alone.

However, the growing demand for overseas funds has repeatedly pushed the industry closer to regulatory investment ceilings. As a result, several mutual fund houses have previously paused subscriptions, limited fresh inflows, or temporarily stopped accepting lump-sum investments into international schemes.

Market experts believe such restrictions may continue intermittently until regulators revise the overseas investment limits or market conditions change. Analysts say the current cap system is designed to maintain balanced foreign exchange outflows and ensure stability in overseas investment exposure.

Financial advisors have suggested that existing investors should not panic because the restrictions mainly affect fresh investments and do not change the underlying investment strategy of the schemes. Investors holding units in these funds can continue their investments through permitted routes such as SIPs if allowed under the revised guidelines.

Experts also recommend that investors looking for international diversification explore alternative options, including domestic funds with global exposure, exchange-traded funds (ETFs), or waiting for regulatory limits to expand in the future.

The development once again highlights the rising appetite among Indian investors for global assets and the increasing role international diversification is playing in modern investment portfolios. While the restrictions may temporarily slow inflows into certain overseas funds, investor interest in global markets is expected to remain strong in the long run.

Investors Advised To Look Beyond AI Stocks And Focus On Hidden Commodity Opportunities

The global artificial intelligence boom has created massive excitement in stock markets, with investors rushing toward technology companies, semiconductor makers, and AI-related businesses. However, market experts now believe that some of the biggest long-term opportunities may actually lie outside traditional tech stocks. Analysts say investors should pay attention to the hidden "commodity play" supporting the rapid growth of AI infrastructure worldwide.

While most people associate AI with chatbots, software platforms, and advanced chips, experts point out that artificial intelligence depends heavily on industrial infrastructure and raw materials. AI systems require enormous data centres, powerful servers, cooling systems, electricity networks, and advanced hardware to function. As AI adoption grows, demand for these supporting industries is increasing rapidly.



One of the key commodities attracting attention is copper. Often considered the backbone of electrification and digital infrastructure, copper is widely used in power grids, data centres, networking systems, transformers, and cooling technologies. Analysts believe that the expansion of AI infrastructure could significantly increase global copper demand in the coming years.

Energy is another major factor linked to the AI boom.

Modern AI data centres consume huge amounts of electricity, sometimes comparable to the energy usage of small towns. This rising energy demand has increased investor interest in power companies, utilities, gas producers, and energy infrastructure businesses. Experts believe that as AI technology expands, reliable energy supply will become even more important.

Market strategists argue that many investors are currently too focused on high-profile technology companies while ignoring the industries that make AI possible behind the scenes. They believe sectors such as industrial metals, power generation, electrical equipment, and infrastructure development could become major long-term beneficiaries of the AI revolution. Some analysts compare the current AI trend to earlier industrial revolutions, where infrastructure providers often gained lasting advantages. While consumer-facing technologies can change quickly, the need for electricity, metals, semiconductors, and industrial systems usually remains strong for much longer periods.

At the same time, experts caution that commodity markets can be volatile. Prices of metals and energy products are often influenced by geopolitical tensions, supply chain disruptions, global economic

conditions, and government policies. Investors are therefore being advised to approach these sectors carefully and maintain diversified portfolios.

For Indian investors, the trend may create opportunities to explore both domestic and global investments connected to AI infrastructure growth. Financial advisors suggest that understanding the broader industrial side of artificial intelligence could help investors identify opportunities that are currently receiving less attention from the market.

Overall, analysts believe the AI boom is not only a technology story but also a major industrial and commodity story. As artificial intelligence continues transforming economies worldwide, the demand for energy, metals, and infrastructure could rise alongside it, creating new investment opportunities beyond traditional AI stocks.

Commodity Markets Brace For More Volatility As Inflation Risks Rise

Global commodity markets are expected to remain highly volatile as prolonged geopolitical conflicts continue to fuel inflation concerns and disrupt investor sentiment. Analysts warn that uncertainty surrounding energy supplies, crude oil prices, and global trade routes could keep commodity prices unstable in the coming weeks.

One of the biggest concerns for markets is the sharp rise in crude oil prices. Ongoing tensions in the Middle East and uncertainty around key shipping routes such as the Strait of Hormuz have increased fears of supply disruptions. Since a large portion of global oil and gas trade passes through the region, even minor disruptions can trigger sudden price spikes across international markets.

Experts believe rising energy prices are once again becoming a major driver of inflation worldwide. Higher crude oil prices increase transportation, manufacturing, and logistics costs, eventually affecting the prices of everyday goods and services. Economists say this could make it more difficult for central banks to control inflation and reduce interest rates in the near future.

Commodity markets have already witnessed sharp swings in



prices across oil, metals, and precious metals. Gold prices initially gained due to safe-haven demand, while industrial metals reacted to concerns over slowing economic growth and uncertain global demand. Analysts expect these fluctuations to continue as investors react to geopolitical developments, inflation data, and central bank signals.

For India, the situation is particularly important because the country imports a large portion of its crude oil requirements. Prolonged increases in oil prices could widen the trade deficit, weaken the rupee, and increase inflationary pressure within the economy. Rising fuel prices may also affect household expenses and business operating costs across several sectors.

Market analysts also warn that continued volatility could impact investor confidence

across equity and bond markets. Rising inflation expectations often push bond yields higher and reduce hopes of interest rate cuts by central banks. This creates additional pressure on financial markets globally.

At the same time, experts note that uncertainty itself has become one of the biggest risks for businesses and investors. Companies struggle to plan investments and control costs when commodity prices fluctuate sharply within short periods. According to analysts, prolonged uncertainty can slow economic activity even more than high prices alone.

Despite the challenges, some commodity-linked sectors may continue benefiting from higher prices, especially energy producers and certain mining companies. However, industries heavily dependent on fuel and raw materials could face pressure if inflation remains elevated for an extended period.

Investors are now closely watching geopolitical developments, crude oil movements, inflation reports, and central bank policies for clearer market direction. Analysts believe commodity markets are likely to remain sensitive to global events, making volatility one of the defining themes for the near future.

Bond Market Selloff Raises Concerns Over AI Stock Rally

The massive rally in artificial intelligence (AI) stocks could face fresh pressure as rising bond yields and a global bond market selloff begin to worry investors. Market analysts say the sharp increase in government bond yields may threaten the momentum that has driven technology and AI-related stocks to record highs in recent months.

AI companies and technology stocks have been among the strongest performers in global markets, fueled by excitement surrounding artificial intelligence, strong earnings growth, and heavy investment in AI infrastructure. Investors have poured money into semiconductor makers, cloud computing firms, and AI-focused businesses, creating what many describe as a powerful market frenzy.

However, rising bond yields are now emerging as a major risk for these high-growth stocks. Bond yields generally rise when investors expect higher inflation, stronger economic growth, or tighter monetary policy from central banks. Higher yields make borrowing more expensive and can reduce the attractiveness of growth-oriented stocks, especially technology companies whose valuations de-



pend heavily on future earnings expectations.

Analysts explain that when government bond yields climb sharply, investors often shift money away from riskier assets such as high-valued technology stocks and toward safer fixed-income investments. This shift can create pressure on stock markets, particularly sectors that have already seen strong rallies.

Recent global developments, including rising oil prices, geopolitical tensions, and persistent inflation concerns, have added to bond market volatility. Investors now fear that central banks may

keep interest rates higher for longer than previously expected, further increasing pressure on equities.

Despite these concerns, enthusiasm around AI remains extremely strong. Many investors continue to believe that artificial intelligence will drive long-term economic transformation and create significant growth opportunities across industries. Companies linked to AI infrastructure, semiconductors, cloud services, and data centres continue attracting strong market interest.

Still, experts warn that market sentiment can quickly

change if borrowing costs continue rising. Technology and AI stocks are especially sensitive to interest rate movements because their valuations are often based on expectations of future profits rather than current earnings alone.

Some market strategists believe the current situation resembles earlier periods where excitement around transformative technologies pushed valuations sharply higher before financial conditions tightened. However, others argue that the AI boom differs from past bubbles because many leading AI companies are already generating strong revenues and investing heavily in real infrastructure. Investors are now closely monitoring inflation data, central bank decisions, bond yields, and global economic conditions for signs of where markets may head next. Analysts say continued bond market volatility could create short-term turbulence for AI stocks, even if the long-term outlook for artificial intelligence remains positive.

For now, the battle between AI optimism and rising bond yields is becoming one of the most important themes influencing global financial markets.

When A Leave Request Turned Into A Netflix-Style Viral Drama

A simple office leave request has turned into a viral internet sensation after a woman named Talia created a dramatic Netflix-style trailer to ask her bosses for vacation leave. Instead of sending a routine email or having a formal discussion at work, Talia decided to make the moment unforgettable with a creative video presentation that quickly captured social media attention.

The now-viral clip impressed viewers with its humour, cinematic style, and storytelling. Shared across social media platforms, the video gained millions of views as people praised Talia for transforming an ordinary workplace situation into entertaining content.

The video begins like a suspense-filled crime documentary. An interviewer questions

Talia about her recent behaviour and growing anxiety. Looking serious and emotional, she hints that she has something important to reveal to her managers, Frank and Jack. As dramatic background music plays, the tension continues to build, making the situation appear extremely serious.

After several moments of suspense, Talia finally reveals the truth behind her stress — she wants 10 days of leave to travel to Bali and enjoy a vacation. The dramatic buildup followed by the simple request created a hilarious twist that instantly amused viewers online. The trailer ends with a cliffhanger, asking whether her bosses approved the leave request or not.

The reactions from her managers added even more

humour to the video. Frank and Jack appeared entertained by the effort and joked about whether they were expected to reply in the same dramatic style. Talia playfully responded that their answer should also come in documentary-trailer format.

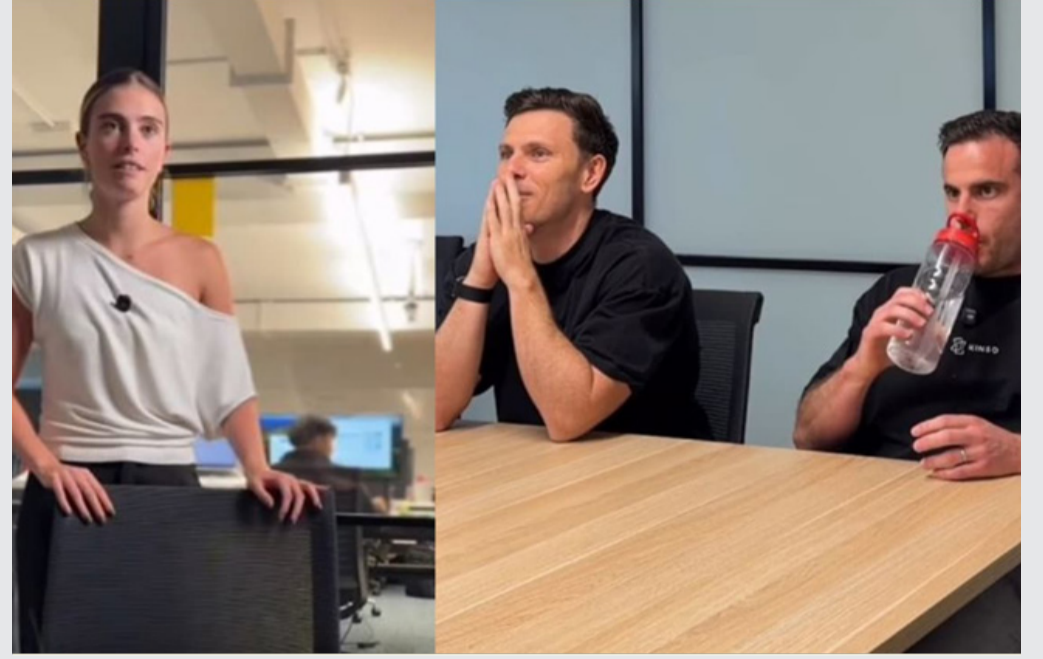
Social media users loved the creativity behind the request. Many praised Talia for her originality and confidence, while others joked that she deserved both the vacation approval and a salary raise for the amount of effort she put into the presentation. Several users described the clip as one of the funniest leave applications they had ever seen.

The video also sparked conversations about changing workplace culture. Many younger employees today are bringing humour, creativity,

and personality into professional environments rather than following strict corporate communication styles. Talia's viral moment reflected how workplaces are gradually becoming more relaxed and expressive.

Viewers also appreciated the positive relationship between Talia and her bosses. Many commented that such openness and humour in the workplace help reduce stress and create healthier office environments.

Although it remains unclear whether the leave was officially approved, the internet has already declared Talia's request a huge success. Her video proved that even something as ordinary as applying for leave can become memorable when approached with creativity and confidence.



Disney World Becomes New York Woman's Monthly Escape From Stress

For most people, escaping stress may involve a quiet weekend, a short holiday, or simply taking time off from work. But for a woman living in New York City, stress relief comes in a much more magical form — monthly solo trips to Disney World.

Sydney Stinner, a tech professional originally from Pennsylvania, has gone viral online after revealing that she flies from New York to Orlando every month just to spend a day at Disney World. What began as a spontaneous solo adventure has now become a personal routine that helps her deal with the pressure and fast-paced lifestyle of living in one of the world's busiest cities.

Sydney explained that her first solo Disney trip completely changed her perspective on travel and self-care. She realized she could take an early morning flight from New York, spend the entire day exploring Disney parks, and return home the very same night. The experience left her feeling refreshed, happier, and mentally recharged, encouraging her to continue the monthly tradition.

Life in New York City can often feel exhausting due to crowded streets, demanding work schedules, and nonstop activity. According to Sydney, these quick Disney getaways allow her to disconnect from stress and focus on joy, nostalgia, and relaxation. For her, Disney World is not just a theme park but a place where



she can temporarily escape daily pressure and reconnect with herself.

Her travel schedule, however, is far from relaxing. Sydney often wakes up as early as 3 or 4 a.m. to catch the first flight out of New York. She usually reaches Orlando by morning, spends the day enjoying rides, attractions, and food inside the park, and then boards a late-night flight back home. Despite the physically tiring routine, she says the emotional benefits make it completely worthwhile.

Sydney has also managed to make the trips financially practical. By using discounted flights and purchasing an annual Disney pass, she keeps costs under control while continuing her monthly visits. Over time, her videos documenting these adventures have attracted a growing online audience, with many social media users admiring her commitment to self-care and solo travel. Not every journey has

gone smoothly. During one visit earlier this year, bad weather and flight delays forced her to shorten her Disney experience. Even then, she remained determined to continue her routine.

Her story has inspired many people online who relate to the stress of modern urban life. Several users praised her for choosing happiness and prioritizing mental well-being, even if it means taking unconventional trips. Sydney's monthly Disney adventures also highlight the growing popularity of solo travel and personal wellness experiences. More people today are choosing meaningful experiences that bring emotional comfort rather than waiting for long vacations or perfect opportunities.

In a world where burnout has become increasingly common, Sydney's story serves as a reminder that sometimes even a single joyful day can make a big difference

Techie Says Work-From-Home Lifestyle Is Damaging Health And Productivity

A software engineer's emotional post about the negative effects of working from home has sparked a major discussion online, with many people sharing similar experiences and advice about remote work struggles. The techie claimed that their current work-from-home setup was seriously affecting both physical health and mental well-being, leading them to question whether remote work was suitable for them at all.

According to the post, this was the employee's first long-term work-from-home experience. Although remote work is often seen as more flexible and comfortable, the techie explained that the reality had been very different. Over the past two months, they had been waking up feeling constantly tired, dizzy, and unfocused despite getting eight to nine hours of sleep every night. Everyday tasks started feeling exhausting, and enthusiasm for work gradually disappeared. One of the biggest concerns mentioned in the post was the working environment itself. The techie revealed that they were working from a room with no windows and almost no exposure to natural sunlight because of a shared wall with a neighbouring building. The lack of sunlight and fresh air appeared to be making the situation worse, leading the employee to wonder whether Vitamin D or iron deficiency could be contributing to the fatigue and dizziness.

The employee also admitted that their daily routine had become extremely sedentary. They described waking up



shortly before meetings, spending most of the day indoors, and relying heavily on AI coding tools for software development tasks. Because the tools handled much of the work, the employee felt disconnected from the intense and engaging side of coding that they once enjoyed. Even attempts to learn new skills or watch online lectures quickly became boring and difficult to focus on.

The viral post quickly attracted attention across social media platforms and online communities. Many users sympathized with the techie and shared similar stories about burnout, isolation, and health problems linked to remote work setups. Several peo-

ple pointed out that the lack of sunlight and ventilation in the room could seriously affect mood, sleep quality, focus, and energy levels. Others encouraged the employee to consult a doctor and get vitamin levels checked before the condition worsened. At the same time, some users defended work-from-home culture, arguing that remote work itself was not the real problem. They suggested that unhealthy routines, poor workspace conditions, lack of exercise, and social isolation were more responsible for the techie's condition than work-from-home itself. Many recommended simple lifestyle changes such as going outside regularly, joining a gym, improving diet,

taking breaks, and shifting to a room with proper sunlight and ventilation. The incident has once again highlighted the ongoing debate surrounding remote work culture. While many professionals believe working from home improves productivity and work-life balance, others feel prolonged isolation and unhealthy routines can negatively affect mental and physical health. The techie's story resonated with many people because it reflected a growing challenge in modern work culture — balancing convenience with personal well-being. As remote work continues to evolve, the discussion has reminded people that productivity alone cannot come at the cost of health.

Grandson Takes 84-Year-Old Grandmother On Her First Flight, Internet Gets Emotional

A heartwarming video of an 84-year-old grandmother taking her first-ever flight has touched thousands of people online, reminding viewers of the special bond shared between grandparents and grandchildren. The emotional moment was captured and shared on Instagram by her grandson, Arnab, who fulfilled a dream his grandmother had waited decades to experience.

The video begins at the airport, where Arnab films his grandmother walking ahead of him, unaware that the simple family moment would soon go viral across social media. A message displayed in the clip reads, "My dream took 22 years, but her first flight took 84," instantly setting an emotional tone for the journey. As the video continues, the elderly woman is seen slowly climbing the stairs of the aircraft with quiet excitement. She later settles comfortably into her seat and calmly enjoys snacks while waiting for take-off. What touched viewers the most was her peaceful reaction during the flight. Sitting by the window, she quietly looks out at the clouds and the world below, taking in the experience with a childlike sense of wonder. The video also includes several cheerful moments from the trip, including smiling photographs of the grandmother posing proudly in front of the aircraft and warm self-



ies with her grandson. Though Arnab did not add a lengthy explanation, the visuals themselves spoke volumes about love, patience, and fulfilling the dreams of loved ones. The emotional clip quickly spread online, attracting thousands of reactions and comments from users who said the video reminded them of their own grandparents. Many admitted the video brought tears to their eyes, while others said it inspired them to spend more meaningful time with elderly family members and fulfill their wishes while they still can. Several viewers praised Arnab for creating such a memorable experience for his grandmother, calling the gesture thoughtful, wholesome, and deeply moving. Some users shared personal stories about their grandparents, while others said the video highlighted how even simple experiences can become unfor-

gettable moments when shared with loved ones. The story resonated strongly because it reflected emotions that many people could relate to — family love, gratitude, and the desire to give happiness back to parents and grandparents who spent years caring for their families.

At a time when social media is often dominated by trends and entertainment, this touching moment stood out for its simplicity and sincerity. The grandmother's quiet happiness during her first flight became a powerful reminder that age should never stop people from experiencing new joys. More than just a travel video, the clip became a celebration of family bonds and the importance of cherishing moments with loved ones. For many viewers online, it was not simply about a first flight — it was about love finally taking off after 84 years.

Russian Traveller Praises India's Warm Hospitality, Says She Felt "Like Family"

A Russian woman travelling across India has won hearts online after sharing her positive experiences in the country and praising the warmth and hospitality shown by local people. Her comments quickly went viral on social media, especially because they challenged many of the negative stereotypes often associated with travelling in India.

The traveller, who has been documenting her journey online, spoke about how welcomed and cared for she felt during her stay. According to her, the kindness she received from strangers made her feel less like a tourist and more like a member of a family. She said that people in India regularly went out of their way to help her, guide her, and ensure she felt comfortable throughout her travels.

In one of her videos, the woman explained that before visiting India, she had come across many warnings and negative opinions online about safety, cleanliness, and travel experiences. However, her actual experience turned out to be very different from what she had expected. Instead of dis-



comfort or fear, she discovered friendliness, generosity, and strong human connections.

She shared that locals often invited her for meals, helped her navigate unfamiliar places, and treated her with genuine care and respect. Even small interactions with shopkeepers, hotel staff, and strangers on the street left a strong impression on her. According to the traveller, the emotional warmth she experienced became one of the most memorable parts of her journey.

The video quickly attracted attention online, with many Indian social media users ex-

pressing happiness over her comments. Several people thanked her for showing a different side of India that is not always highlighted internationally. Others said her experience reflected the country's long-standing tradition of treating guests with warmth and respect. At the same time, many viewers appreciated her honesty in speaking openly about how preconceived notions can sometimes create unnecessary fear about travelling to unfamiliar countries. Users commented that while every country has its challenges, personal experiences often reveal

a more balanced and human side than stereotypes suggest.

The traveller also spoke about how emotionally connected she felt to Indian culture and daily life. From local food to conversations with ordinary people, she described her journey as deeply enriching and unforgettable. Her positive perspective resonated with many travellers online who believe cultural exchange helps break misconceptions and build understanding between people from different backgrounds.

The viral response to her video once again highlighted the power of social media in shaping global perceptions. While negative stories often spread quickly online, many viewers said it was refreshing to see a traveller share kindness, hospitality, and positive human experiences instead.

For many people watching the video, her message was simple but meaningful — sometimes the true beauty of a country is not found in monuments or tourist attractions, but in the way its people make visitors feel welcomed and valued.

Delhi Capitals Keep Playoff Hopes Alive with 5-Wicket Win Over Rajasthan Royals

Delhi Capitals strengthened their IPL 2026 playoff hopes with a composed five-wicket victory over Rajasthan Royals in a crucial league-stage encounter at the Arun Jaitley Stadium on Sunday. The defeat marked a third consecutive loss for Rajasthan Royals, further denting their momentum at a decisive stage of the tournament.

Chasing a challenging target of 194, Delhi Capitals reached in 19.2 overs, driven by key half-centuries from KL Rahul and Abishek Porel, while skipper Axar Patel provided the finishing touch with an unbeaten cameo.

The chase began positively for the Capitals as the opening pair showed intent

against a disciplined Rajasthan attack. KL Rahul anchored the innings with a fluent 56, combining timing and placement to keep the scoreboard moving despite regular breakthroughs at the other end. Abishek Porel complemented him perfectly, striking a confident 51 and ensuring Delhi never fell behind in the required rate.

After the dismissal of the top order, Axar Patel stepped in to stabilize and accelerate the innings. His unbeaten 34 proved decisive, as he rotated strike efficiently and punished loose deliveries in the death overs. His calm presence allowed Delhi Capitals to complete the chase with ten balls to spare, sealing an im-

portant win in the context of the playoff race.

For Rajasthan Royals, the bowling unit showed flashes of control but failed to defend a competitive total. Jofra Archer led the attack with two wickets, while Brijesh Sharma also claimed two scalps. Shanak chipped in with one wicket, but the lack of sustained pressure in the middle overs allowed Delhi's batters to rebuild partnerships and take control of the chase.

Earlier in the match, Rajasthan Royals had posted a strong total of 193/8, built around useful contributions from their middle order after early setbacks. However, their inability to accelerate in the

final overs and contain Delhi's top order proved costly.

The loss marks Rajasthan Royals' third consecutive defeat, raising concerns over their form and consistency as the league stage approaches its conclusion. Despite moments of individual brilliance, the team has struggled to close out matches in recent outings.

For Delhi Capitals, this victory keeps their IPL 2026 campaign alive and significantly improves their position in the points table. With momentum on their side and key players returning to form, the franchise will look to carry this confidence into the remaining fixtures as the race for the playoffs intensifies.



RCB Become First Team to Enter IPL 2026 Playoffs After 23-Run Win Over Punjab Kings

Royal Challengers Bengaluru have stormed into the playoffs of the Indian Premier League 2026 season as the first team to secure qualification, following a convincing 23-run victory over Punjab Kings in a high-scoring encounter at Dharamshala on Sunday. The win further strengthened Royal Challengers Bengaluru's dominant campaign, as they continued their impressive run with both bat and ball.



Batting first after losing the toss, RCB posted a commanding total of 222 for 4 in 20 overs. Despite an early setback with Jacob Bethell dismissed cheaply for 11, the innings was rebuilt in style by skipper Virat Kohli, who struck a fluent 58 off 37 balls, including four boundaries and three sixes. He was well supported by Devdutt Padikkal, who smashed 45 off 25 deliveries, keeping the momentum firmly with Bengaluru during the powerplay and middle overs.

The real acceleration came from Venkatesh Iyer, who played a blistering unbeaten knock of 73 off just 40 balls, hammering eight fours and four sixes. His aggressive stroke play dismantled the Punjab bowling attack in the death overs. Late fireworks from Tim David, who scored a quick 28 off 12 balls, pushed RCB to a formidable total, put-

ting Punjab under immediate pressure.

Chasing 223, Punjab Kings suffered a disastrous start. Bhuvneshwar Kumar struck early, removing Priyansh Arya for a duck and Prabhsimran Singh for just 2. Captain Shreyas Iyer also fell cheaply for 1, leaving Punjab reeling at 19 for 3 inside the powerplay.

The middle order attempted recovery through Cooper Connolly (37), Suryansh Shedge (35), and Marcus Stoinis (37), but the required rate kept climbing. A sensational counterattack from Shashank Singh revived hopes as he smashed 56 off 27 balls, hitting four fours and four sixes. However, his

dismissal by Rasikh Salam Dar proved to be the turning point of the match.

Rasikh Salam Dar starred with the ball, claiming three crucial wickets and breaking Punjab's backbone in the chase. Bhuvneshwar Kumar also contributed with two wickets as Punjab Kings were restricted to 199 for 8 in their 20 overs, falling short despite a spirited effort.

With this win, Royal Challengers Bengaluru not only strengthened their top position but also became the first team to officially qualify for the IPL 2026 playoffs, underlining their consistency and balance in a thrilling season.

Rahmat Shah Death Rumours Go Viral, Afghanistan Cricketer Safe And Alive

Afghanistan cricketer Rahmat Shah recently became the target of a shocking death hoax after a viral Instagram post falsely claimed that the batter had passed away. The misleading post spread rapidly across social media platforms, leaving fans confused and concerned before it was confirmed that the cricketer is completely safe and alive.

The rumours reportedly began after a fake or misleading social media update circulated online, suggesting that Rahmat Shah had died under tragic circumstances. Within minutes, screenshots of the post started spreading widely across Instagram, X, Facebook, and cricket fan pages, triggering panic among supporters of Afghanistan cricket.



Many fans initially believed the rumours because the post appeared dramatic and emotionally worded. Some users even began sharing condolence messages before verifying the information. As the speculation intensified, several cricket followers started searching for official confirmation from Afghanistan Cricket Board sources and reliable media outlets.

However, it soon became clear that the viral claim was entirely false. No official announcement regarding Rahmat Shah's death was made by the Afghanistan Cricket Board, his teammates, or family members. Reports later confirmed that the experienced batter was healthy and safe, putting an end to the rumours.

The incident once again highlighted the growing problem of misinformation and fake news on social media plat-

forms. In recent years, several celebrities, athletes, and public figures have become victims of death hoaxes that spread rapidly online before facts are verified. Fans expressed anger over the irresponsible circulation of false information, especially involving sensitive topics such as death. Many social media users criticized pages and accounts that shared the fake post without checking authenticity. Others urged people to verify news from official sources before reposting emotional or sensational claims.

Rahmat Shah is one of Afghanistan's most important

cricketers and has played a major role in the national team's rise in international cricket. Known for his calm batting style and consistency, he has represented Afghanistan across formats and remains a respected figure among cricket fans. The viral hoax also sparked discussions about how quickly misinformation spreads online, particularly when it involves famous personalities. Experts often warn that social media algorithms tend to amplify emotional or shocking content, allowing fake news to gain attention much faster than verified in-

formation. Several fans later shared relief and happiness after learning that Rahmat Shah was safe. Some even joked about how quickly rumours spread on the internet, while others called for stricter action against accounts spreading false information for attention and engagement. Although the situation was eventually clarified, the incident served as another reminder of the importance of fact-checking in the digital age. For many cricket fans, the false rumours created unnecessary panic and emotional distress before the truth finally emerged.

KKR Get Major Playoff Boost After Win Over GT, While CSK And RR Face Trouble

Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) have significantly improved their chances of qualifying for the IPL 2026 playoffs after their crucial victory against Gujarat Titans (GT). The important win has strengthened KKR's position in the points table and boosted their playoff qualification probability at a vital stage of the tournament.



With the league stage entering its final phase, every match has become extremely important for teams fighting for the top four spots. KKR's latest victory not only earned them valuable points but also improved their net run rate, which could play a major role if teams finish with similar points later in the tournament.

The result has created fresh excitement among KKR fans, as the team now appears to have regained momentum at the right time. Their recent performances have shown better balance in batting, bowling, and match finishing, helping them stay alive in the playoff race.

On the other hand, the defeat proved costly for Gujarat Titans, who missed an opportunity to strengthen their own qualification hopes. Although GT still remain in contention, the loss has added pressure on their remaining fixtures.

Meanwhile, Chennai Super Kings (CSK) and Rajasthan Royals (RR) suffered major setbacks in their playoff hopes due to recent results across the league. Both teams now face difficult qualification scenarios

every match highly intense, as a single win or loss can dramatically change qualification probabilities.

Fans across social media have been actively discussing possible playoff combinations, qualification scenarios, and net run rate calculations. The constantly shifting standings have added even more excitement to the final stretch of the league stage.

KKR's recent rise has especially impressed fans and analysts, as the team appears to be peaking at the perfect time. Their balanced squad and improving form could make them serious contenders if they successfully qualify for the playoffs.

With only a limited number of league matches remaining, the pressure is now at its highest for teams fighting to secure a top-four finish. Every run, wicket, and result could prove decisive in determining which franchises advance to the IPL 2026 playoffs.

measures such as identity-linked tickets, resale restrictions, and stronger verification systems during booking.

Social media discussions also focused on the need for greater transparency in ticket allocation. Fans questioned how such a large number of tickets allegedly reached black-market sellers despite official security controls and booking limitations. Reports indicate that authorities may investigate those involved in the illegal sales network. Officials are expected to examine ticket distribution records, resale activity, and the alleged involvement of insiders. The incident reflects the extraordinary craze surrounding both the IPL and Virat Kohli. His matches continue to generate unmatched excitement among cricket fans, often leading to massive ticket demand and intense competition for seats. While the IPL season continues to entertain fans with thrilling matches and playoff battles, the black ticket controversy has created unwanted attention around the tournament. Cricket lovers are now waiting to see whether authorities take strict action to prevent similar incidents in the future.

IPL Black Ticket Row Erupts As RCB Match Tickets Allegedly Sold For 80,000

A major controversy has surfaced during IPL 2026 after reports claimed that black-market ticket sales for a Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) match involving Virat Kohli reached shocking prices of nearly 80,000. The allegations have triggered outrage among cricket fans and raised serious questions about ticket management and illegal resale practices during high-profile IPL matches.



According to reports, tickets for the highly anticipated RCB game were being sold unofficially at massively inflated prices outside authorized platforms. The huge demand for tickets, largely driven by Virat Kohli's popularity and the importance of the match, reportedly created a thriving black-market network around the event.

What made the controversy even more alarming were claims that a cricket board official may have been involved in the illegal resale operation. Reports suggested that tickets intended for official distribution were allegedly diverted into unauthorized channels and sold at extremely high prices to desperate fans.

The news quickly spread across social media platforms,

where many cricket supporters expressed frustration and disappointment. Several users complained that genuine fans were unable to secure tickets through official booking systems because seats sold out within minutes. Many blamed ticket scalpers and alleged insider involvement for manipulating availability.

Virat Kohli's matches have consistently attracted enormous crowds across India, especially during IPL seasons.

RCB games featuring Kohli often become some of the most sought-after sporting events in the country, with online ticket sales witnessing overwhelming demand every year.

The controversy has once again highlighted the growing problem of black-market ticket sales at major sporting events. Fans online demanded stricter action against ticket scalpers and called for improved digital systems to prevent illegal resale activities. Many suggested

Rajinikanth Breaks Silence On Vijay's Political Victory Rumours

Superstar Rajinikanth has finally responded to the rumours and criticism surrounding his reaction to actor-turned-politician Vijay becoming the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu. Speaking to the media in Chennai, Rajinikanth strongly denied claims that he was jealous or unhappy about Vijay's political success.

The rumours began circulating on social media after Vijay's historic election victory and Rajinikanth's recent meeting with former Chief Minister MK Stalin. Some online users speculated that Rajinikanth was upset about Vijay's rise in politics or was indirectly trying to oppose him. The veteran actor, however, dismissed all such claims and clarified that the meeting with Stalin was purely personal and based on friendship.

Rajinikanth explained that he and MK Stalin have shared a close bond for nearly four



decades, and the meeting had no political agenda behind it. He said people were unnecessarily creating stories and assumptions around a normal personal interaction.

Addressing the jealousy rumours directly, Rajinikanth asked, "Why should I be jealous?" He pointed out that he



had already stepped away from politics and therefore had no reason to feel threatened by Vijay's success. The actor also mentioned the large age gap between them and said comparisons between the two were unfair and unnecessary.

Rajinikanth further clarified that he had already congratulated

Vijay publicly soon after the election results were announced. He explained that a viral airport video had been misunderstood by many people online. According to him, when someone informed him about Vijay becoming Chief Minister at the airport, he reacted with surprise because he did not expect the news at that moment and did not realise cameras were recording his reaction closely.

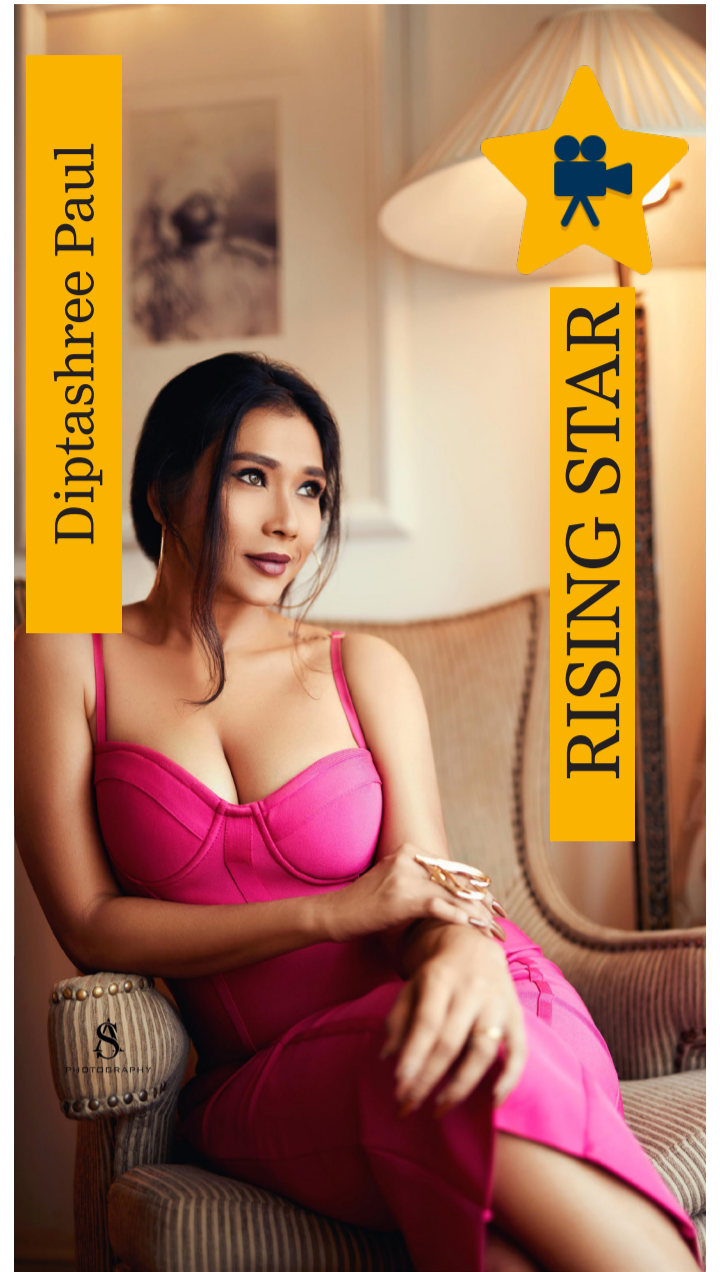
The superstar also praised Vijay's achievement, calling it remarkable that he managed to defeat established political parties and rise to power so quickly. Rajinikanth acknowledged Vijay's strong popularity among youth, women, and cinema audiences, saying these factors played a major role in the election victory.

He also advised fans and party workers to give Vijay enough time to govern and avoid creating unnecessary pressure or

controversy during the early period of his leadership. According to Rajinikanth, public expectations from Vijay are now extremely high, and patience will be important.

The statement quickly went viral online, with many fans appreciating Rajinikanth for openly addressing the rumours instead of remaining silent. Social media users praised the actor for taking a mature and respectful approach toward Vijay's political success.

Vijay's rise from cinema superstar to Chief Minister has become one of the biggest political stories in Tamil Nadu in recent years. Naturally, comparisons between major film stars and political icons have dominated public discussion. However, Rajinikanth's clarification appears to have put an end to speculation about rivalry or bitterness between the two stars.



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"Audiences Will Cry And Whistle For Peddi," Says Director Buchi Babu

Director Buchi Babu has created huge excitement among movie lovers with his latest comments about Peddi, the upcoming film starring global star Ram Charan. The filmmaker recently spoke about the emotional and mass appeal of the movie, saying audiences will both "cry and whistle" while watching it in theatres.

The statement has quickly gone viral among fans, increasing anticipation for the much-awaited project. According to Buchi Babu, Peddi is being designed as a powerful emotional entertainer that combines intense drama with high-energy mass moments. He expressed strong confidence that the film will connect deeply with audiences across all sections.

The director explained that the movie will feature emotionally moving scenes capable of making viewers emotional, while also delivering heroic and celebratory moments that will excite fans in theatres. By saying audiences would "cry and whistle," Buchi Babu hinted at a film that balances sentiment with commercial entertainment.

Peddi marks one of the biggest projects in Ram Charan's



career after the global success of RRR. Fans are eagerly waiting to see the actor in a completely new role under Buchi Babu's direction. The film has already generated strong buzz due to its combination of emotional storytelling, large-scale production, and star power.

Buchi Babu is known for presenting strong emotions in his films, and many fans believe Peddi could continue that style on an even bigger scale. The director reportedly spent considerable time developing the script to ensure the story delivers both emotional depth and mass entertainment.

The movie also carries huge expectations because it reunites audiences with Ram Charan in a powerful commercial role after a long gap. Fans expect intense action scenes,

emotional performances, and memorable dialogues that can create a strong theatrical experience.

Social media reactions to Buchi Babu's comments have been overwhelmingly positive. Many fans said the statement increased their excitement for the film, while others expressed confidence that Ram Charan and Buchi Babu would deliver a blockbuster combination.

The film's title, Peddi, has already attracted attention for its rustic and powerful tone. Industry observers believe the movie may present Ram Charan in a raw, grounded, and emotionally intense character unlike his recent stylish roles.

Though the makers are still keeping major plot details secret, the growing buzz surrounding the project continues to build anticipation. Fans are now eagerly waiting for teasers, songs, and promotional content to get a clearer glimpse of the film's world.

With Buchi Babu promising a mix of emotion, celebration, and whistle-worthy moments, Peddi is shaping up to be one of the most talked-about Telugu films currently in production.

NTR-Neel Film's First Glimpse Runtime Leaves Fans Shocked

The upcoming film starring Jr NTR and directed by Prashanth Neel is already one of the most anticipated projects in Indian cinema, and now the movie has created fresh excitement with reports about the runtime of its first glimpse video. According to industry buzz, the makers are planning an unusually long and grand introductory glimpse, leaving fans surprised and curious.



Normally, first-look teasers or glimpse videos released for big films last around one or two minutes. However, reports suggest that the glimpse prepared for the NTR-Neel project will have a much longer duration, making it feel more like a mini cinematic presentation rather than a standard promotional teaser.

The news has quickly gone viral across social media platforms, especially among fans of Jr NTR and director Prashanth Neel. Many viewers believe the extended runtime indicates the makers' confidence in the film's scale, visuals, and action sequences. Fans are expecting the glimpse to showcase the movie's intense atmosphere, powerful hero elevation moments, and Neel's signature larger-than-life style.

The film has generated massive expectations ever since it was officially announced. The collaboration between Jr NTR, known for his strong screen presence and energetic performances, and Prashanth Neel, famous for blockbuster films like KGF and Salaar, has already created huge hype across India.

Industry insiders believe the makers want the first glimpse to serve as a major cinematic event rather than just a promotional update. Reports indicate that the teaser may include action sequences, dramatic visuals, and key moments introducing Jr NTR's powerful character in the film.

Fans are especially excited

because this marks the first collaboration between the actor and the director. Many expect the project to feature intense action, emotionally charged storytelling, and stylish visuals similar to Prashanth Neel's earlier films but on an even larger scale.

Social media reactions to the reported runtime have been filled with excitement and curiosity. Several fans commented that only a director like Prashanth Neel would dare to release such an extensive glimpse for a movie announcement. Others said the unusual approach has increased anticipation even further.

The film is currently progressing with high expectations from both Telugu cinema audiences and pan-Indian viewers. Since Jr NTR gained nationwide popularity after RRR, excitement surrounding his next big project has remained extremely high.

Although the makers have not officially confirmed all details about the teaser runtime, the reports alone have been enough to spark intense discussions online. Fans are now eagerly waiting for the official release date of the glimpse and hoping it will offer a spectacular introduction to the film's world. With a powerful star-director combination and growing buzz around every update, the NTR-Neel project is already shaping up to be one of the biggest upcoming films in Indian cinema.

Karuppu Shows Sensational Growth, Set To Become Suriya's Biggest Blockbuster

Suriya's latest film Karuppu is continuing its dream run at the box office, with the movie witnessing a sensational jump in collections on its second day. Trade analysts now believe the film is on track to become the highest-grossing movie in Suriya's career if the current momentum continues.

The film opened to strong expectations and has reportedly exceeded industry predictions within just two days of release. Positive word-of-mouth, strong audience reactions, and massive fan support have played a major role in boosting the film's collections across multiple regions. According to early trade reports, Karuppu recorded significant growth on Day 2 compared to its opening day, a sign that audience interest is increasing rapidly. Usually, films experience stable or slightly lower collections after release day, but the sharp upward trend for Karuppu has surprised many in the trade industry. Fans have especially praised Suriya's performance, calling it one of the strongest roles in his recent career. Social media has been flooded with appreciation posts highlighting his screen presence, emotional scenes, and intense action moments. Many viewers are also praising the film's emotional depth and mass appeal. Industry experts believe



the movie's strong emotional storytelling combined with commercial entertainment is helping it connect with both family audiences and younger viewers. The film's action sequences, background score, and powerful dialogues have also received positive responses from theatre audiences.

The success of Karuppu is particularly important for Suriya, as fans have been eagerly waiting for a major theatrical blockbuster from the actor. The current box office trend suggests the film may continue dominating theatres during the coming days if positive word-of-mouth remains strong. Trade analysts are now predicting that Karuppu could surpass the lifetime collections of Suriya's previous highest-grossing films. The movie is reportedly performing exceptionally well not only in Tamil Nadu but also in overseas mar-

kets and Telugu-speaking regions. The film's growing popularity has also created a festive atmosphere among Suriya fans. Videos of packed theatres, loud celebrations, and audience reactions have gone viral online, further increasing the movie's visibility on social media platforms. Many industry observers feel the film's success highlights Suriya's enduring popularity and his ability to balance emotional storytelling with commercial cinema. The strong performance of Karuppu may also strengthen the actor's position in the pan-Indian market. With weekend collections expected to rise further, all eyes are now on whether Karuppu can officially emerge as the biggest hit of Suriya's career. If the current trend continues, the film could soon achieve blockbuster status and set new box office records for the actor.

Buzz Around 'OG 2' Grows As Reports Hint At PawanKalyan's Global Gangster Universe

Speculation surrounding OG 2, the possible sequel to PawanKalyan's highly anticipated film OG, has created major excitement among fans after fresh reports about director Sujeeth's plans began circulating online. According to the latest buzz, the makers are reportedly considering expanding the film into a larger "global gangster universe," making the project even more ambitious than initially expected.

Although OG itself is yet to release, the film has already generated massive anticipation due to its stylish action backdrop, powerful teaser content, and the collaboration between PawanKalyan and director Sujeeth. Now, rumours about a sequel and a larger cinematic world have taken fan excitement to another level.

Reports suggest that Sujeeth is planning the story on a grand scale with international settings, larger conflicts, and interconnected characters. The director is reportedly aiming to create a stylish gangster franchise that could continue beyond a single film. While there has been no official confirmation from the makers, the discussions alone have become a hot topic across social media.

Fans are particularly excited because the teaser and promotional material released so far have already hinted at a dark, stylish, and action-heavy world. PawanKalyan's intense gangster look and Sujeeth's sleek visual presentation have received strong positive responses from audiences.

The possibility of OG 2 has also increased curiosity about how the first film will end. Many viewers now believe the makers may leave room for continuation or introduce larg-

er story arcs that could extend into future films. Such cinematic universe concepts have become increasingly popular in Indian cinema, especially after the success of large-scale franchise films across different industries.

Industry observers feel Sujeeth may be trying to build a long-term action franchise with a global appeal. Reports indicate that the sequel, if developed, could feature international crime networks, large-scale action sequences, and more expansive storytelling.

The growing buzz has also strengthened expectations for OG itself, which is already considered one of the most-awaited films in PawanKalyan's career. Fans are eagerly waiting to see the actor return in a stylish action role packed with mass moments and emotional intensity.

Social media has been flooded with fan theories, posters, and discussions about how the sequel could unfold. Many fans have expressed confidence that Sujeeth's vision and PawanKalyan's screen presence could turn the franchise into a major blockbuster series.

At present, the makers have not officially announced OG 2, and the focus remains on completing and releasing the first film successfully. However, the strong buzz surrounding the sequel rumours clearly shows the enormous excitement the project has already generated among audiences.

If the reports turn out to be true, OG could become more than just a standalone action film — it could mark the beginning of a much larger cinematic gangster universe in Telugu cinema.

