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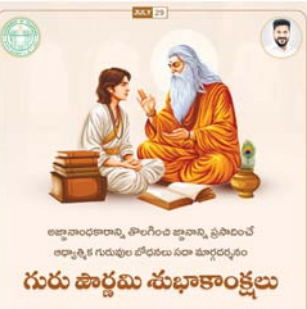
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CM Extends Guru Purnima Greetings



Hyderabad, July 29 | TPN Bureau

Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy extended warm greetings to teachers and citizens across the state on the auspicious occasion of Guru Purnima, describing the day as a celebration of knowledge, gratitude, and the timeless bond between teachers and students. In his message, the Chief Minister said Guru Purnima is much more than a traditional festival, calling it a sacred occasion to express heartfelt gratitude to the teachers who shape lives through their wisdom and guidance. He remarked that those who follow the path shown by their teachers and put their teachings into practice can transform every step of life into a journey toward success. Revanth Reddy emphasized the invaluable role teachers play in society, stating that while parents give life, teachers give it direction and purpose. He noted that educators illuminate the path of knowledge by dispelling the darkness of ignorance and nurturing the hidden potential within every student. The Chief Minister further observed that teachers instill essential qualities such as discipline, moral values, courage, and self-confidence, which help individuals become responsible citizens and contribute meaningfully to society. Conveying his best wishes on Guru Purnima, Revanth Reddy expressed hope that the occasion would inspire people to honor their teachers and uphold the values of learning, respect, and lifelong pursuit of knowledge. He called upon everyone to remember the invaluable contributions of gurus in shaping individuals, society, and the nation.

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Telangana Governor Shri Shiv Pratap Shukla on Wednesday underscored the importance of ensuring that technological advancements, particularly Artificial Intelligence (AI), serve as tools to enhance human creativity rather than replace it. During his visit to Doordarshan Kendra in Hyderabad, the Governor called for the ethical and responsible adoption of AI while preserving originality, imagination, and human values. Interacting with officials and staff at the public broadcaster, the Governor observed that Artificial Intelligence has emerged as a transformative technology capable of improving productivity, efficiency, and innovation across multiple sectors. However, he cautioned that technology should remain a supportive instrument for human intelligence and creative expression, rather than becoming a substitute for independent thinking and originality. He stressed that innovation must always be guided by ethics and a commitment to preserving human creativity. The Governor also praised Doordarshan for its enduring contribution to public service broadcasting



and its role in promoting credible journalism. He noted that the national broadcaster has consistently served the country by delivering authentic information, creating awareness on issues of public importance, and strengthening democratic values. He appreciated the institution's continued commitment to responsible reporting and its efforts in educating and informing citizens through reliable content. During the visit, Shri Shiv Pratap Shukla recorded a special interview for the nationwide 'Nasha Mukht Bharat' campaign. In his message, he appealed to citizens, especially young people, to actively participate in the movement against substance abuse and work collectively to build a healthier and addiction-free society.

He emphasized that eliminating drug abuse requires the combined efforts of families, educational institutions, community organizations, and government agencies. As part of the 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' campaign, the Governor planted a sapling within the Doordarshan campus, reinforcing the importance of environmental protection and sustainable development. He encouraged citizens to participate in tree plantation drives and adopt environmentally responsible practices to preserve natural resources for future generations. He remarked that protecting nature is a shared responsibility and that every individual can contribute to creating a greener and healthier environment. The Governor's visit high-

lighted several themes central to national development, including the ethical use of emerging technologies, the importance of trustworthy public broadcasting, social awareness, and environmental conservation. He called upon citizens to embrace innovation responsibly while remaining rooted in human values and creativity. Concluding his interaction, Shri Shiv Pratap Shukla reiterated that India's progress depends not only on technological advancement but also on the wisdom to use innovation for the welfare of society. He expressed confidence that institutions like Doordarshan would continue to play a vital role in promoting knowledge, awareness, and national unity while adapting to the evolving technological landscape.

Congress to Strengthen Government-Party Coordination

New Delhi, July 29 | TPN Bureau

Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy on Wednesday announced a comprehensive strategy to strengthen coordination between the Telangana government and the Congress party organization to ensure that welfare schemes and development initiatives effectively reach every household across the state. The decision was taken during the first meeting of the Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) Coordination Committee, convened by the All India Congress Committee (AICC) at its headquarters, Indira Bhavan, in New Delhi. The high-level meeting focused on key political and organizational issues, including the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls, enrollment of every eligible voter, preparations for the Graduate MLC elections scheduled for March 2027, and expanding the outreach

of the government's welfare and development programs through the party cadre. According to party leaders, Chief Minister Revanth Reddy emphasized the importance of maintaining close coordination between the administration and the Congress organization. To achieve this, he proposed that TPCC Coordination Committee meetings be held once every 45 days, enabling regular reviews of government initiatives and organizational activities. The meeting assumed significance as it was the first coordination committee session convened by the AICC after the committee was constituted earlier this year. Senior Congress leaders reportedly viewed the meeting as an important step toward improving communication between the government and the party structure and ensuring smoother implementation of public welfare initiatives. The meeting was attended by



Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka, Ministers N. Uttam Kumar Reddy, C. Damodar Rajanarasimha, and Danasari Anasuya (Seethakka), AICC Telangana In-charge Meenakshi Natarajan, TPCC President B. Mahesh Kumar Goud, and Congress Working Committee Special Invitee Ch. Vamshi Chand Reddy. Addressing the media after the meeting, Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka described the right to vote as

the foundation of Indian democracy and the Constitution. He said the Congress party remains committed to ensuring that every eligible citizen is enrolled in the electoral rolls. He added that the party's Booth Level Agents (BLAs) have been actively participating in the SIR process, and their efforts were appreciated during the review. Bhatti stated that the committee also finalized a strate-

gy to intensify voter enrollment and directed party leaders to ensure that no eligible voter is left out of the electoral process. In addition, district in-charge ministers have been assigned the responsibility of coordinating with District Congress Committee presidents, MLAs, and senior party leaders before submitting panels of prospective candidates for the upcoming Graduate MLC elections. TPCC President Mahesh

Kumar Goud said the coordination committee would also serve as a platform to discuss major government decisions before they are implemented, allowing the party organization to effectively communicate welfare measures to the public. He noted that Telangana Congress has consistently performed well in implementing AICC programs and that the high command expressed satisfaction with the state's organizational activities.

Mahesh Kumar Goud further said that transparency remains a priority in flagship initiatives such as the Indiramma Indlu housing scheme, where beneficiaries are being selected through a lottery system. He added that welfare measures including free electricity up to 200 units, distribution of fine rice, and the housing scheme have strengthened public confidence in the Congress government and reinforced the party's grassroots support across Telangana.

Lok Sabha Passes Anti-Paper Leak Amendment Bill

New Delhi, July 29 | TPN Bureau

The Lok Sabha on Wednesday passed the Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Amendment Bill, 2026, aimed at strengthening measures against paper leaks and examination malpractices. The Bill was approved through a voice vote after a debate in which members from various political parties participated. Union Minister of State for Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions Dr. Jitendra Singh, while replying to the debate, said the amendments would ensure stricter action against those involved in question paper leaks and organized unfair practices. The proposed changes seek faster investigations, special fast-track courts, and stronger penalties to protect the credibility of public examinations. The Minister stated that 52 FIRs have been registered since the Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Act, 2024, came into force. He said the government acted promptly after incidents such as the NEET paper leak and brought the amendment to address emerging challenges in the examination system.



During the discussion, opposition members suggested amendments to the Bill, but they were rejected during voting. Dr. Jitendra Singh also criticised Congress leader Rahul Gandhi during his concluding remarks, alleging that Gandhi lacked understanding of parliamentary procedures and governance issues. The government said the legislation is aimed at ensuring fairness for genuine candidates appearing for competitive examinations conducted by bodies including UPSC, SSC, Railway Recruitment Boards, banking recruitment agencies, and the National Testing Agency. Following the passage of the Bill, the Lok Sabha was adjourned until Thursday.

Telangana Plans Major Push to Revive Sugar Industry

Hyderabad, July 29 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Chief Secretary Sanjay Jaju on Wednesday directed officials to prepare a comprehensive action plan to expand sugarcane cultivation and revive the state's sugar industry by enhancing the production capacity of existing sugar factories. Chairing a meeting of the committee constituted under G.O. No. 86 at the Secretariat, the Chief Secretary reviewed measures to



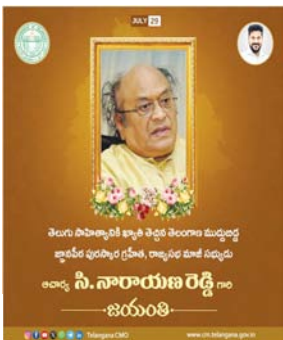
strengthen the sugar sector and improve the availability of sugarcane for factories across the state. The meeting was attended by Agriculture Secretary Surendra Mohan, Industries

Special Secretary Krishna Aditya, representatives of sugarcane farmers, and agricultural scientists. During the review, Sanjay Jaju observed that only seven of the state's 12 sugar factories are currently operational. He said the mills require nearly 50 lakh metric tonnes of sugarcane annually to function at full capacity, whereas the state's present production is around 20 lakh metric tonnes, highlighting a significant gap in raw material

CM Pays Tribute to Literary Legend Sinare

Hyderabad, July 29 | TPN Bureau

Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy paid heartfelt tributes to legendary poet, Jnanpith Award recipient, former Rajya Sabha member, and celebrated Telugu literary icon Dr. C. Narayana Reddy on the occasion of his birth anniversary. Remembering the renowned writer, the Chief Minister described him as one of the greatest literary figures produced by Telangana whose contributions elevated the Telugu language to global recognition.



Rajya Sabha Passes Bill on Protection of 'Vande Mataram'

New Delhi, July 29 | TPN Bureau

The Rajya Sabha on Wednesday passed the Prevention of Insults to National Honor (Amendment) Bill, 2026, which seeks to make insulting the national song "Vande Mataram" a punishable offence under law. The legislation was approved through a voice vote after Opposition parties, led by the Congress, staged a walkout during the post-lunch session amid protests over police action against students demonstrating on the NEET paper leak issue. Replying to the debate, Minister of

Tummala Defends HYDRAA, Highlights Drought Preparedness

Hyderabad, July 29 | TPN Bureau
Telangana Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao on Wednesday hit back at BRS Working President K.T. Rama Rao's criticism of the HYDRAA initiative, saying the opposition's remarks lacked credibility and reflected political frustration. Responding to KTR's comments, the minister remarked that "those who have already sunk into the Bay of Bengal cannot claim they will dump HYDRAA into the Bay of Bengal," asserting that the Congress government remains committed to



implementing its governance and development initiatives despite criticism from the opposition. Addressing the state's weather situation, Tummala said Telangana has recorded a rainfall deficit of nearly 30 percent despite the onset of the southwest monsoon. He warned that the effects of the El Niño weather phenomenon, described as one of the most severe climatic challenges in recent decades, are expected to continue through August, September, and October. The minister said the government has launched extensive

awareness campaigns across villages to educate farmers and the public about the anticipated weather conditions. He added that all departments are working in coordination to mitigate the impact of the rainfall deficit and support agricultural activities. According to Tummala, farmers are increasingly opting for dryland crops suited to prevailing conditions, while interest in oil palm cultivation is also growing in several parts of the state. Speaking about the Congress party's public outreach programme at Gandhi Bhavan,

Tummala said people visit the party headquarters with confidence, treating it as a place where their grievances will be heard. He noted that complaints received from the public are being forwarded to the concerned officials and resolved in coordination with District Collectors. The minister said the Congress party's face-to-face interaction programme has enabled direct engagement with the public and reaffirmed the government's commitment to addressing the concerns of poor and middle-class families through responsive governance.

Rajya Sabha Passes Bill on Protection of 'Vande Mataram'

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State for Home Affairs Nityanand Rai described the proposed legislation as a measure to protect the country's national identity and heritage. He said the Bill was not an ordinary piece of legislation but one that reflected India's spirit, patriotic values, and the legacy of the freedom movement. He criticized the Opposition for opposing the measure and argued that respect for "Vande Mataram" was closely linked to respect for the nation. Rai recalled that the song was composed by Bankim Chandra Chatterjee in 1875 and later became an enduring symbol of India's struggle for independence. He also noted that in 1937, only the first two stanzas were adopted for official use. Members from the BJP, Shiv Sena, Biju Janata Dal (BJD), Aam Aadmi Party (AAP), and other parties participated in the discussion before the Bill was passed. Earlier in the day, proceedings in the Upper House were repeatedly disrupted over allegations of police action against students protesting the NEET paper leak issue and the arrest of former JNUSU leader Aishe Ghosh. CPM MP John Brittas raised the issue, while Leader of the Opposition Mallikarjun Kharge demanded action against the police and sought a statement from Union Home Minister Amit Shah. Responding on behalf of the government, Leader of the House J.P. Nadda described the matter as a routine law-and-order issue and defended the police action. He stated that demonstrations must be conducted within the framework of the law and that authorities had acted according to established procedures. The House witnessed repeated adjournments amid sloganeering by Opposition members demanding the Home Minister's presence. Despite the disruptions, the Bill introduced in the Rajya Sabha on July 24 was successfully passed. The amendment seeks to expand the scope of the Prevention of Insults to National Honor Act, 1971, which currently prescribes imprisonment of up to three years, a fine, or both for acts deemed disrespectful toward national symbols such as the National Flag, the Constitution of India, and the National Anthem. With the amendment, insulting the national song "Vande Mataram" would also fall under the ambit of the law.

Ram Chander Rao Demands Rahul Gandhi's Apology to Students

Tarnaka, July 29 | TPN Bureau
Telangana BJP State President N. Ram Chander Rao on Wednesday demanded that senior Congress leader Rahul Gandhi issue an unconditional public apology to students across the country, alleging that his recent remarks in Parliament on the Central Government's paper leak legislation were offensive and disrespectful to the student community. Addressing a press conference at his residence in Tarnaka, Ram Chander Rao strongly objected to Rahul Gandhi's reported comments,



claiming that referring to students as "idiots" was unacceptable and amounted to an insult to the nation's youth. He said students are the future of the country and deserve respect from political leaders, irrespective of party

affiliations. Highlighting the role of students in Telangana's history, Rao recalled their participation in the 1969 Telangana agitation and the statehood movement that culminated in the formation of Telangana

in 2014. He noted that many students had made the ultimate sacrifice during these struggles and accused the Congress party of undermining their contributions through its political rhetoric. The BJP leader further alleged that with the NEET paper leak issue nearing resolution, Congress leaders were attempting to divert public attention by making baseless allegations against students and Union Home Minister Amit Shah. He also criticized Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi, accusing them of raising unfounded issues instead of addressing mat-

ters of public importance in Parliament. Ram Chander Rao further alleged that the Congress had no moral authority to speak on student welfare, claiming that hundreds of students had lost their lives during the Telangana statehood movement under Congress rule. He urged the party to accept responsibility for those incidents and reiterated his demand that Rahul Gandhi publicly apologize to students and the people of the country for his reported remarks, which he described as deeply insulting to the student community.

CM Pays Tribute to Literary Legend Sinare

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Revanth Reddy said that Dr. C. Narayana Reddy, affectionately known as "Sinare," transformed Telugu literature through his exceptional creativity and distinctive style of writing. He noted that the poet made remarkable contributions across multiple literary forms, including poetry, lyrical compositions, ghazals, research, and film songs, leaving an everlasting impression on generations of readers and literature enthusiasts. The Chief Minister observed that Sinare's writings reflected universal human values, compassion, love, nature, social awareness, and the rich cultural heritage of Telugu society. He said these timeless works continue to inspire young writers, scholars, and lovers of literature, while preserving the cultural identity of Telangana. Revanth Reddy further stated that the literary giant brought immense pride to the Telugu-speaking community by showcasing the beauty and depth of the Telugu language on national and international platforms. His achievements, including receiving the prestigious Jnanpith Award, remain a matter of pride for the state and the nation, he added. Paying homage to the celebrated poet, the Chief Minister said that Sinare's legacy would remain immortal through his invaluable literary contributions. He emphasized that future generations would continue to draw inspiration from his works, ensuring that his vision, creativity, and dedication to the Telugu language live on forever.

Uttam Kumar Reddy Holds Key Talks on Inter-State Water Issues

New Delhi, July 29 | TPN Bureau
Telangana Irrigation Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy on Wednesday held crucial discussions on inter-state river water issues with Karnataka Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar at Karnataka Bhavan in New Delhi. The meeting was attended by Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) President Mahesh Kumar Goud and AICC Secretary Sampath Kumar. The leaders deliberated on matters concerning water sharing and coordina-

tion between Telangana and Karnataka, with particular focus on issues related to the Tungabhadra and Krishna river basins. According to sources, Uttam Kumar Reddy discussed several key aspects of inter-state water management, emphasizing the need for cooperation between the two states to safeguard their respective interests while ensuring equitable utilization of river waters. The discussions primarily centered on matters concerning the Tungabhadra and Krishna rivers, which are



vital sources of irrigation and drinking water for both Telangana and Karnataka.

The meeting is seen as part of the Telangana government's efforts to strengthen coordi-

nation with neighboring states on water-related issues. The leaders also exchanged views on maintaining cooperation in addressing irrigation challenges and resolving pending issues through dialogue. The meeting assumes significance in the context of ongoing discussions over inter-state river water management and the importance of coordinated efforts for the benefit of farmers and irrigation projects in both states. Further details of the discussions are expected to be announced by the Telangana government.

BJP's Anji Reddy Targets Congress Over Student Dues, Jobs and HYDRA Demolitions

Hyderabad, July 29 | TPN Bureau
BJP MLC Anji Reddy on Wednesday launched a sharp attack on the Telangana Congress government, accusing it of neglecting students, unemployed youth, and economically weaker sections while failing to fulfill key election promises. Addressing a press conference at the BJP state office in Hyderabad, Anji Reddy demanded the immediate release of nearly ₹15,000 crore in pending fee reimbursement dues, which he claimed have accumulated over the past four years and affected around 60 lakh students. He alleged that despite a commitment recorded



before the court to clear the dues by the 15th of this month, the government had failed to do so. As a result,

many students were reportedly unable to obtain their certificates or join jobs they had secured. The BJP leader

also accused the government of failing to deliver on promises made to unemployed youth. He criticized the alleged delay in filling two lakh government vacancies and objected to the increase in Telangana Public Service Commission application fees from ₹200 to ₹1,000. He further claimed that assurances such as the Rural Youth Finance Corporation, Telangana Study Circles in every constituency, and the Rajiv Yuva Vikas am scheme had not been implemented. Anji Reddy also criticized the government's demolition drive under the HYDRA initiative, alleging that houses built with permissions issued by local authorities were being

demolished without action against the officials who had approved them. While reiterating the BJP's opposition to illegal constructions and lake encroachments, he said poor families should not suffer for administrative lapses. He suggested that affected landowners should be provided alternative land, compensation, or a transparent clearance mechanism before construction. Warning of statewide protests, Anji Reddy said the BJP would intensify its agitation if the government failed to release student fee reimbursements, address unemployment, and halt what he described as the unjust demolition of houses belonging to poor families.

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availability. The Chief Secretary pointed out that sugarcane consumes less water than paddy and said the adoption of modern cultivation techniques, including drip irrigation, could improve productivity while reducing production costs. Officials informed the meeting that nearly 19,000 farmers are cultivating sugarcane over approximately 26,000 hectares during the 2026-27 agricultural season. Sanjay Jaju instructed officials to examine successful policies and incentive schemes implemented by other states to encourage sugarcane cultivation and ensure a steady supply of cane to sugar factories. He directed them to submit a detailed report with recommendations at the earliest. Representatives of sugarcane farmers urged the government to introduce an incentive of ₹500 per tonne for sugarcane on the lines of support extended to paddy farmers. They said high cultivation costs and labour shortages have discouraged many farmers from taking up sugarcane cultivation. Farmer representatives also highlighted the growing importance of sugarcane beyond sugar production, noting its role in ethanol manufacturing and power generation. They appealed to the government to formulate supportive policies that would strengthen the sugar industry, improve farmers' incomes, and encourage greater cultivation of the crop. The meeting concluded with a commitment to explore practical measures for revitalizing Telangana's sugar sector and creating sustainable opportunities for farmers and sugar industries alike.

Niranjan Reddy Alleges Government Neglecting Farmers

Atmakur, July 29 | TPN Bureau

BRS National Secretary and former Minister Singireddy Niranjan Reddy on Wednesday accused the Telangana government of neglecting the interests of the state's farmers by failing to release irrigation water from the Jurala Project into its right and left main canals. He alleged that the government's approach was causing hardship to farmers during a period marked by El Niño conditions and a rainfall deficit. Accompanied by former MLAs Chittam Rammohan Reddy and Ala Venkateshwar Reddy, Niranjan Reddy visited the Jurala Project and later addressed a press conference in Atmakur. The former minister expressed concern over the condition and maintenance of the canals under the Jurala Project. He alleged that despite sufficient inflows into the reservoir, the government had not released water to the local canal network, leaving Telangana farmers without irrigation support during the crucial agricultural season. Niranjan Reddy further claimed that farmers in neighboring Andhra Pradesh were sowing crops with the expectation that water would eventually be made available, while Telangana farmers were being deprived of their rightful share. He alleged that the state government was failing to prioritize the irrigation needs of Telangana's farming community. Criticizing Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, the BRS leader said the neglect of the Jurala canals reflected the government's lack of commitment to the welfare of Telangana farmers. He alleged that delaying the release of irrigation water at a critical stage of cultivation would adversely affect agricultural production and farmers' livelihoods.

Srinivas Goud Demands Immediate Water Release

Mahabubnagar, July 29 | TPN Bureau
Former Telangana Minister V. Srinivas Goud on Wednesday demanded the immediate release of water into the Jurala Right and Left Main Canals, alleging that the state government was neglecting the irrigation needs of Palamuru farmers despite substantial flood inflows into the Jurala project. In a press statement, Srinivas Goud said the Jurala reservoir has been receiving heavy inflows for the past four days and currently holds around 7.12 TMC of water, with nearly 20,00 cusecs continuing to flow into the project. He alleged that instead of diverting the available water to the Right and Left Main Canals



for agricultural purposes, the government was releasing it downstream for power generation, depriving farmers of much-needed irrigation water. The former minister criticized the Congress government, claiming it had ignored the interests of farmers in the Palamuru region. He further alleged that the release of water toward Srisailem would ultimately benefit Andhra Pradesh through the Pothireddypadu Head Regulator, and accused the state government of failing to

safeguard Telangana's water interests. Demanding immediate intervention, Srinivas Goud urged the government to release water into both the Jurala Right and Left Main Canals without delay to protect standing crops and support farmers during the agricultural season. He also warned that if the government failed to act, he would launch an agitation on Thursday along with thousands of farmers. According to Srinivas Goud, the proposed protest would include laying siege to the Jurala project to press for the immediate release of irrigation water into the canals, emphasizing that the BRS would continue to fight for the rights and interests of Palamuru farmers.

Nutrition Awareness Program Promotes Healthy Living for Police Personnel

OU, July 29 | TPN Bureau

Emphasizing the importance of good health for effective policing, OU City Division ACP G. Jagan said police personnel can serve the public more efficiently only when they maintain sound physical and mental well-being. He was speaking at a nutrition and healthy lifestyle awareness programme organized on Wednesday under the Grand Health Challenge (GHC) initiative of the Hyderabad Police Commissionerate. The programme was conducted under the aegis of the Osmania University Police Station SHO M. Mahesh presided over the event.During the



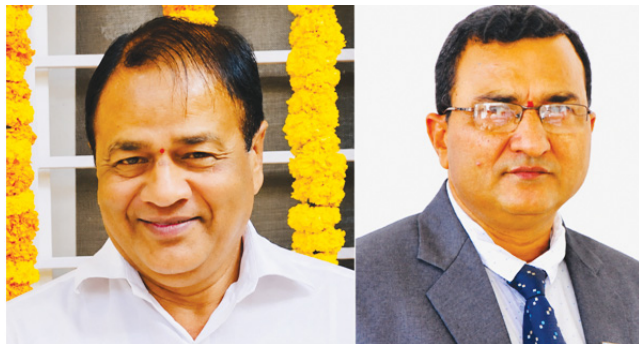
Secunderabad Zone. ACP G. Jagan attended as the chief guest, while Osmania University Police Station SHO M. Mahesh presided over the event.During the

session, expert dietitians educated police personnel on the importance of adopting a balanced diet and maintaining a healthy lifestyle. They encouraged the con-

sumption of millets, fresh fruits, leafy vegetables, whole grains, and protein-rich foods while advising participants to reduce foods high in carbohydrates and sugar. The experts also urged personnel to avoid alcohol and tobacco products to reduce the risk of lifestyle-related diseases. The awareness programme highlighted that ailments such as hypertension, diabetes, and obesity can be prevented through healthy habits, including drinking 2.5 to 3.5 litres of water daily, engaging in regular physical activities such as walking, jogging, yoga, or exercise,

and ensuring seven to eight hours of quality sleep every night.Crime Inspector Lenin Babu, Sub-Inspectors Jayachander, Karunakar, Yadagiri, and Kavya, along with police personnel, ministerial staff, and their family members, attended the programme. Speaking on the occasion, ACP G. Jagan and SHO M. Mahesh said such awareness initiatives play a vital role in improving the physical and mental fitness of police personnel. They also thanked the expert dietitians for conducting the informative session and contributing to the success of the programme.

Telangana Telugu Bhasha Samrakshana Sangham Elects State Committee



Karimnagar, July 29 | TPN Bureau

The Telangana Telugu Bhasha Samrakshana Sangham, an organization dedicated to promoting and preserving the Telugu language and Telangana dialect, unanimously elected its new state executive committee during its general body meeting held in Karimnagar on Wednesday.Dasyam Senadhipathi was unanimously elected as the State President, while Dr. Burra Madhusudhan Reddy was chosen as the General Secretary. Annadi Gajender Reddy, Chindam Sunitha, Bommakanti Kishan, and Gampa Umapati were elected as Vice Presidents. Anumula Dayakar was elected Treasurer, while Nagendra Sharma, Madhav, and Neelagiri Anita were chosen as Joint Secretaries. Mamidala Sailaja was elected Women's Secretary and Gundu Ramanaiah as Publicity Secretary. Several members were also inducted into the executive committee.Speaking after the election, President Dasyam Senadhipathi and General Secretary Dr. Burra Madhusudhan Reddy said the organization would work with a clear action plan to achieve its objectives of protecting and promoting the Telugu language and Telangana's rich literary heritage.They announced plans to organize literary programmes in schools and colleges, conduct workshops, host book launches, honour distinguished literary personalities, and hold competitions to encourage children and youth to develop a deeper appreciation for Telugu. The leaders also said district-level committees would soon be established across the ten erst-while districts of Telangana to expand the organization's activities. They called upon executive committee members to actively take responsibility for various departments and ensure the successful implementation of the Sangham's literary and cultural initiatives across the state.

Maresh Kumar Goud Calls for Vigilance in SIR Process

Hyderabad, July 29 | TPN Bureau

TPCC President Mahesh Kumar Goud has urged Congress leaders and Booth Level Agents (BLAs) to remain fully alert as the first phase of the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls nears completion.In an announcement issued on Wednesday, Mahesh Kumar Goud said the first phase of the SIR process would conclude within the next two to three days and instructed party leaders to ensure that no eligible voter is left out of the electoral rolls.He emphasized that every single vote is important and appealed to BLAs and party workers to work diligently to safeguard the voting rights of all eligible citizens. He stressed that not a single genuine vote should be lost during the revision process.The TPCC chief also directed district and mandal executive committee members to actively participate in the second phase of the SIR exercise. He urged the party cadre to coordinate effectively and ensure that all activities related to the voter revision programme are carried out successfully.Maresh Kumar Goud expressed confidence that dedicated efforts by party workers would help achieve 100 percent success in the upcoming phase of the SIR process.



GHMC Commissioner Reviews SIR-2026 Digitization Process

Hyderabad, July 29 | TPN Bureau

District Election Officer and GHMC Commissioner R.V. Karnan, IAS, on Wednesday inspected the digitization of SIR-2026 Enumeration Forms at Polling Stations 16 to 26 located at the Patigadda Model Market in the Sanath Nagar Assembly Constituency.During the inspection, Karnan reviewed the progress of digitizing the Enumeration Forms submitted as part of the Special Intensive Revision (SIR)-2026 of the electoral rolls. He interacted with election offi-



cials and assessed the pace and quality of the data entry process.The District Election Officer directed officials to ensure that all entries are completed in a timely, accurate, and error-free manner. Stressing the importance of maintaining high standards, he instructed staff to strictly adhere to quality control measures while digitizing the forms.Karnan emphasized that accurate digitization is essential for preparing an updated, inclusive, and reliable electoral roll. He also asked officials to expedite

the work without compromising accuracy so that the revision process is completed within the stipulated timeline.The inspection forms part of the Election Commission's ongoing efforts to ensure transparency, efficiency, and accuracy in the preparation of electoral rolls ahead of future elections. Officials were instructed to closely monitor the digitization process and promptly address any discrepancies to ensure that eligible voters are correctly reflected in the final electoral database.

Dr. Methuku Anand Alleges Decline in Power Supply Under Congress Rule

Vikarabad, July 29 | TPN Bureau

Former Vikarabad MLA Dr. Methuku Anand on Wednesday alleged that Telangana has been witnessing frequent power disruptions under the Congress government, contrasting the present situation with the previous BRS administration led by former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR). During his visit to Rompalli and Mangraspalli villages in Bantwaram Mandal, Dr. Anand participated in a meeting with key BRS party

workers and reviewed the party's ongoing membership drive. He urged party cadres to strengthen the organization at the grassroots level and ensure the campaign's success.Addressing the gathering, Dr. Anand highlighted the welfare and development initiatives implemented during the BRS government's tenure. He claimed that several schemes introduced under KCR, which had functioned effectively, were now facing setbacks under the present administration. The former MLA alleged that while uninterrupted



electricity supply was maintained even during peak

summer under the previous government, power outages

have become common even during the current rainy season. He also accused the Congress government of neglecting the Mission Bhagiratha drinking water scheme launched by the BRS government. Calling upon party workers to intensify their outreach, Dr. Anand said every BRS activist is a pillar of strength for the party. He urged them to take the party's ideology and achievements to every household while working to further strengthen the organization at the village level.

BRS Criticizes Demolition of Street Vendors' Shops

Quthbullapur, July 29 | TPN Bureau

A political controversy erupted in Shapoor Nagar on Wednesday after municipal authorities demolished several roadside shops near Rajiv Park, with BRS leaders alleging that the action was carried out without prior notice, leaving poor families without a source of livelihood. According to BRS leaders, nearly 12 small shops belonging to street vendors were removed by CMC Town Planning officials, severely affecting the families who



depended on them for their daily income. After learning about the incident, BRS leader Anwar informed Division President

Puppala Bhaskar, who immediately visited the site to meet the affected vendors. He interacted with the families, assessed the losses they

had suffered, and listened to their grievances. The matter was subsequently brought to the attention of Quthbullapur MLA K.P. Vivekananda. BRS leaders said the MLA spoke with the concerned municipal officials and urged them to take appropriate legal measures to provide justice to the affected vendors. Speaking to the media, Puppala Bhaskar condemned the demolition of the small shops without prior notice or rehabilitation arrangements, describing the action as inhumane.

He said the authorities should ensure that enforcement measures do not deprive poor families of their livelihoods. Bhaskar reiterated that the BRS would continue to support the affected vendors and safeguard the rights of street traders. He added that the party was prepared to pursue democratic protests if necessary. Meanwhile, local residents appealed to the authorities to adopt a humanitarian approach and provide alternative arrangements for those whose businesses were demolished.

Community Mediation Center Launched to Resolve Local Disputes

Hyderabad, July 29 | TPN Bureau

A Community Mediation Center was inaugurated at the GHMC office in Doma Iguda on Wednesday under a joint initiative of the Telangana High Court, the Telangana State Legal Services Authority (TSLSA), and the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC). The initiative aims to promote amica-

ble resolution of local disputes through dialogue, reducing the burden on courts.The center has been established to help resolve family, neighborhood, property, and other minor community disputes through mediation and mutual understanding. Officials said the objective is to encourage peaceful settlements while minimizing the need for prolonged litigation.The services of

trained community mediators will be provided entirely free of cost. No fees or remuneration will be collected in cash or kind from the parties seeking mediation. Participation in the mediation process will be voluntary, with mediators ensuring complete confidentiality and facilitating settlements without coercion, pressure, or undue influence.The initiative follows the success-

ful training of 100 community mediators from diverse professional backgrounds, including retired officers from the Income Tax Department, ONGC, banks, and other institutions. The training was conducted under the guidance of the Chief Justice of the Telangana High Court, the High Court Mediation Center, and the Telangana State Legal Services Authority. Officials

said the Community Mediation Center is expected to strengthen access to justice at the grassroots level by offering a simple, accessible, and people-friendly mechanism for dispute resolution. The initiative is also expected to foster social harmony by encouraging dialogue, understanding, and consensus among citizens while reducing the number of cases reaching the courts.

Road Hazards Raise Safety Concerns



Quthbullapur, July 29 | TPN Bureau

Serious road safety concerns are mounting in the Dundigal Circle limits of Quthbullapur as two hazardous locations-a massive pothole and an open drainage manhole-continue to endanger commuters and pedestrians. Residents have accused the concerned engineering officials of ignoring repeated complaints, leaving the dangerous conditions unaddressed for months despite the heightened risks during the ongoing monsoon season. One of the major hazards is a large pothole located in the middle of the road at the Kazipally crossroads on the Narsapur main road. According to local residents, the pothole has caused several accidents involving two-wheeler riders, many of whom suffered minor and major injuries. Motorists say the damaged stretch becomes especially dangerous at night when the pothole is difficult to notice. Commuters fear that if immediate repairs are not undertaken, a major accident could occur at any time. Residents have urged Dundigal Circle engineering officials to carry out permanent restoration work without further delay. Another serious concern has been reported near Golden Star School at Survey No. 214 in Church Gajillapur village, where a damaged drainage manhole cover has been left open. With rainwater accumulating inside the uncovered manhole during the monsoon, the danger has increased significantly for motorists, pedestrians, and schoolchildren passing through the area every day.Local residents questioned why the issue has remained unresolved despite the evident threat to public safety. They demanded to know who would be held accountable if an accident or loss of life were to occur because of official negligence.Residents have appealed to the concerned engineering department to immediately repair the pothole and replace the damaged drainage manhole cover, emphasizing that public safety should be treated as a top priority before these hazards result in a tragic incident.

DMSS Should Not Be Dragged Into Politics: Pasupuleti Shashank

Hyderabad, July 29 | TPN Bureau

Pasupuleti Shashank, TPCC State Legal Coordinator and AIPC Telangana MSME State President, on Wednesday condemned what he described as attempts to politicize the Deccan Manava Seva Samithi (DMSS), asserting that the century-old organization has always remained dedicated to social service beyond political affiliations. Addressing the media in Hyderabad, Shashank said the DMSS, established in 1926, has served society for nearly a hundred years with the support of people from



diverse political, social, and professional backgrounds. He stated that the organization has been associated with former MPs, MLAs, MLCs, mayors, corporators, industrialists, philanthropists, and social workers, and does not belong to any

individual, family, or political party. Responding to speculation over his political affiliation, Shashank clarified that he continues to be a committed worker of the Indian National Congress and is serving under the leader-

ship of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy and senior Congress leader Dr. Kota Neelima. However, he emphasized that his responsibilities in the DMSS are strictly limited to social service and should not be linked to his political career. He recalled the contributions of former MLA and HUDA Chairman Seelam Ramdas and former corporator and TPCC Secretary Seelam Prabhakar, stating that his family has been associated with the DMSS for over six decades. He also highlighted the organization's role in organizing the Sri Ujjaini Mahankali

Bonalu festival for nearly a century. Shashank urged Congress workers and the public not to believe what he termed as false propaganda against the DMSS. Warning of legal action against those spreading defamatory allegations, he appealed to all sections of society to respect the organization and preserve its legacy of service, devotion, and social harmony by keeping it above political controversies. Members of the DMSS, including Haribabu Yadav, Vishal, Vijay Vardhan Naidu, Satyanarayana, Siddhulu, and Jayaraj, were present at the meeting.

Devotees Flock to Temple for Vyasa Purnima



Malkajgiri, July 29 | TPN Bureau

The Sri Lakshmi Venkateswara Swamy Temple at Anandbagh in Malkajgiri witnessed a large influx of devotees on Wednesday as special celebrations were held to mark Vyasa Purnima, Vyasa Jayanti, and Guru Purnima. A grand floral decoration was arranged for Lord Venkateswara, creating a spiritually vibrant atmosphere at the temple. On the occasion, the temple's chief priest, Mudumbai Venkataramanacharyulu, conducted special rituals and facilitated darshan for devotees by presenting Salagrama Narayana in the divine form of Lord Vyasa. The priest explained the significance of the occasion, stating that Lord Vyasa is revered as an incarnation of the wisdom of Lord Maha Vishnu and is regarded as one of the Chiranjeevis (immortals). He is widely honored as the compiler of the four Vedas and the author of the Mahabharata, revered as the fifth Veda, besides composing the 18 Puranas and the Brahma Sutras. Special prayers and religious rituals were performed throughout the day, with devotees offering prayers for wisdom, prosperity, and spiritual well-being. The unique alankaram of Lord Vyasa attracted hundreds of worshippers, who visited the temple to seek the blessings of Lord Venkateswara and participate in the auspicious Guru Purnima celebrations.

BJP Leader Demands Action After Elderly Man Swept Away

Hyderabad, July 29 | TPN Bureau

BJP State Official Spokesperson and Serilingampally Assembly In-charge Ravi Kumar Yadav on Wednesday visited the family of 70-year-old Balayya, who was reportedly swept away during heavy rain near Prem Nagar B-Block, and demanded immediate government intervention, compensation for the victim's family, and perma-

nent solutions to the area's drainage issues. According to Yadav, the accident occurred at a railway under-bridge between Hafizpet Division's Vaishali Nagar and Prem Nagar B-Block, where an open manhole had allegedly been left uncovered during ongoing drainage pipeline works without safety barricades, warning signs, or adequate precautions. Expressing condolences to

the bereaved family, Yadav said the victim had remained untraced for nearly 15 hours after the incident, adding that the family's suffering was beyond words. He alleged that the tragedy was the result of negligence by the concerned public representatives and municipal officials. Criticizing the administration, Yadav questioned why the drainage works were taken up only after the onset

of the monsoon despite repeated claims of effective governance. He said leaving an open manhole unattended during heavy rainfall without proper safety measures posed a serious threat to public safety.

The BJP leader also alleged that drainage water diverted from Hafizpet had contaminated borewell water in Prem Nagar, leading to health concerns among residents,

including cases of toxic fever. He urged the authorities to immediately complete the pending drainage works, install proper safety measures at all work sites, and ensure such incidents do not recur.

Yadav further demanded that the government provide adequate compensation to the victim's family and hold the officials responsible for the alleged negligence accountable.

'MY Bharat' Youth Registration Drive

Hyderabad, July 29 | TPN Bureau

The Hyderabad District Administration has intensified efforts to boost youth participation in the 'MY Bharat' (Mera Yuva Bharat) initiative by preparing a comprehensive action plan to expand registrations across educational institutions and government departments. Additional Collector (Local Bodies) Jitender Reddy chaired the District Advisory Committee meet-

ing of the Hyderabad MY Bharat Centre at the Collectorate conference hall on Wednesday. The meeting reviewed the ongoing registration campaign, being conducted from July 1 to August 15, and discussed strategies to increase enrollment among students and young people across the district. Officials decided to strengthen awareness campaigns, publicity drives, and inter-departmental coordination to encourage more registrations. As part of the initia-

tive, Physical Directors in educational institutions will be appointed as nodal officers to supervise and ensure the successful completion of student registrations in their respective colleges and schools. Speaking at the meeting, District Youth Officer Shashank said that MY Bharat, an initiative of the Union Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, is a "Phygital" platform that combines digital and physical engagement for young citizens. He explained that

the platform aims to make youth active partners in nation-building by providing opportunities in volunteering, leadership development, skill enhancement, community service, and various youth-centric activities. Shashank informed the committee that more than 2.2 crore youth have already registered on the MY Bharat portal nationwide, while the Hyderabad MY Bharat Centre has recorded 59,427 registrations so far. The meeting was attended

by District Educational Officer Yadaiah, District Welfare Officer Akkeshwar Rao, In-charge DPRO Habibuddin, District Tourism Officer Prabhakar, Osmania University NSS Cell Coordinator Dr. Venkateswarlu, NCC representative Lieutenant Urmila, Lead Bank Manager representative Pradeep, Bharat Scouts and Guides District Secretary Lakshman Naik, and officials from various government departments.



Hyderabad, July 29 | TPN Bureau

Telangana Endowments Minister Konda Surekha on Wednesday said that identifying and nurturing children's talents at an early age can help them accomplish extraordinary achievements. She made the remarks while felicitating seven-year-old chess prodigy Naira, who recently set a world record in chess checkmates. The felicitation ceremony was held at the Jubilee Hills MLA Cultural Center, where the Minister presented an award to Naira and congratulated her parents, Rishika and Naresh, for encouraging their daughter's passion for chess.

Speaking on the occasion, Konda Surekha said every child possesses unique abilities and that it is the responsibility of parents and teachers to recognize and nurture those talents. She emphasized that timely guidance and encouragement can help children reach remarkable milestones in their chosen fields.

The Minister noted that although Naira's family is based in the United States, her passion for chess led her to receive online coaching from Hyderabad-based Roy Academy before undergoing advanced in-person training in the city. She said the combination of dedication, expert coaching, and strong parental support had enabled the young player to excel at such an early age. Praising Naira's achievement, Konda Surekha expressed pride that the seven-year-old had accomplished an impressive 153 checkmates within a remarkably short period, earning global recognition. She wished the young chess player continued success and expressed confidence that she would bring further laurels to Telangana and the country through her future achievements. The event celebrated the importance of encouraging young talent and highlighted the role of family support and quality training in shaping future champions.

CITU Seeks Wage Hike for Powerloom Workers



Nalgonda, July 29 | TPN Bureau

The Centre of Indian Trade Unions (CITU) has demanded an immediate revision of wage rates for powerloom workers in view of the rising cost of essential commodities. The demand was raised at a meeting of the Telangana Powerloom Workers Union (CITU) Nalgonda District Committee held at the union office in the district headquarters on Wednesday. The meeting was presided over by district committee leader Ganji Nagaraju and attended by union representatives and workers from across the district. Addressing the gathering, CITU District Secretary Md. Salim said the current wage agreement is set to expire on September 30 and urged powerloom employers to immediately convene a joint meeting with workers' representatives to finalize revised wage rates. Salim said the existing wages no longer reflect the increasing cost of living and that workers are finding it difficult to meet household expenses due to the steady rise in prices of essential goods. He stressed that a timely revision of wages is necessary to protect the livelihoods of thousands of powerloom workers and their families. He also called upon employers to adopt a positive approach during the negotiations and ensure that a new wage agreement is reached before the expiry of the present one, avoiding uncertainty and industrial disputes. The union leaders resolved to intensify their efforts to secure fair wages and better working conditions for powerloom workers. They expressed hope that the management would respond positively to their demand and initiate discussions at the earliest to finalize the revised wage structure.

Bandaru Dattatreya Calls for United Movement for BC Empowerment

Hyderabad, July 29 | TPN Bureau

Former Governor Bandaru Dattatreya on Wednesday called for a united nationwide movement to secure the social, economic, and political empowerment of Backward Classes (BCs), stating that only collective action can ensure justice and equal opportunities for the community.

He was speaking at a meeting organized in Kachiguda by the BC Caste Associations' Joint Action Committee (JAC) to mobilize support for the National OBC Conference scheduled



to be held in Bengaluru on August 7. During the event, Dattatreya, along with BC Welfare Association National President Jajula Srinivas Goud, former Minister V. Srinivas Goud,

and other BC leaders, unveiled the official poster for the conference.

Addressing the gathering, the leaders expressed concern that despite constituting a significant share of

the country's population, BC communities continue to receive inadequate political representation, employment opportunities, reservation benefits, and budgetary allocations. They stressed that these longstanding issues require a united and sustained struggle at the national level.

Bandaru Dattatreya said BCs must come together beyond political affiliations to safeguard their constitutional rights and strengthen their voice in policymaking. He emphasized that the movement should continue irrespec-

tive of which political party is in power, with the sole objective of achieving social justice and equitable development.

The speakers urged BC organizations, community leaders, and youth to participate actively in the National OBC Conference in Bengaluru and make the event a success. They expressed confidence that the conference would serve as an important platform to highlight the aspirations and concerns of Backward Classes and strengthen the movement for their empowerment across the country.

Fire at Plastic Scrap Godown Brought Under Control

Hayathnagar, July 29 | TPN Bureau

A minor fire broke out at a plastic scrap godown near Batasingaram village in Abdullapurmet Mandal of Ranga Reddy district on Wednesday, prompting a swift response from the Fire Department. The blaze was brought under control without any casualties. According to officials, per-

sonnel from the Hayathnagar Fire Station rushed to the spot immediately after receiving information about the incident and began firefighting operations. As the operation progressed, firefighters from the Ibrahimpatnam Fire Station also joined the effort, helping to contain the flames before they could spread to nearby areas.

The coordinated response by the two fire station teams ensured that the fire was completely extinguished in a short time, preventing major damage and averting any threat to nearby properties.

Fire officials confirmed that no injuries or loss of life were reported in the incident. The cause of the fire has not yet been

determined, and an investigation has been initiated to ascertain how the blaze started.

Authorities are also assessing the extent of damage caused to the plastic scrap godown. Officials stated that a detailed report would be prepared after the completion of the inspection and inquiry.

The prompt action by the

Fire Department was appreciated by local residents, who said the quick response helped prevent the fire from escalating into a major incident. Officials have urged owners of scrap storage facilities to adhere to fire safety norms and maintain adequate precautionary measures to minimize the risk of such incidents in the future.

Two Girls Escape from Children's Home

Peddapalli, July 29 | TPN Bureau

The escape of two girls from the Bala Sadan children's home in Sultanabad of Peddapalli district created concern among officials on Wednesday, prompting an extensive search operation by the police.

According to officials, the girls allegedly escaped in the early hours by placing chairs against the compound wall and climbing over it. The incident came to light during the morning attendance, after which the hostel staff immediately alerted the authorities. The missing girls have been identified as Umamaheswari (15), a Class IX student from Palitham village in Peddapalli Mandal, and Akurthi (8), a Class IV student from Upparipalli village in Odeli Mandal. Officials noted that Umamaheswari had been admit-



ted to the children's home only three days before the incident. Following the disappearance of the girls, hostel authorities initiated a search within the premises

before reporting the matter to the police. Based on a complaint lodged by Hostel Superintendent Vanitha, the Sultanabad Police registered a case and launched an investigation.

Police have formed special teams to trace the missing children and are examining CCTV footage from the surrounding areas. Officers are also gathering information from staff members and local residents to determine the circumstances surrounding the escape. Authorities appealed to the public to share any information that could help locate the girls and assured that all necessary measures were being taken to ensure their safe return. The investigation is underway to ascertain the reasons behind the incident and identify any lapses in security at the children's home.

Police Extend Financial Support to Deceased Home Guard's Family

Warangal, July 29 | TPN Bureau

Warangal Police Commissioner N. Swetha, IPS, on Wednesday provided financial assistance of 75 lakh to the family of a Home Guard who died unexpectedly, as part of the State Police Department's welfare initiative for the personnel and their dependents. The Police Department has introduced a support mechanism to assist the families of Home Guards who lose their lives due to sudden illness or accidental incidents. Under this initiative, eligible families are being provided financial aid to help them cope with the difficulties arising from the loss of their earning member. As part of the programme, Commissioner Swetha handed over a cheque for 75 lakh to the wife of P. Srinivas Reddy, a Home Guard attached to Duggondi Police Station. Srinivas Reddy had passed away suddenly last year, leaving his family in need of support. Speaking on the occasion, officials highlighted that the welfare of Home Guards, who play an important role in assisting the police force in maintaining law and order, remains a priority. The financial assistance is intended to provide immediate relief and support to families during challenging times. The event was attended by AR Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police Srinivas and Home Guards Reserve Inspector Chandrasekar, along with other officials. The initiative reflects the department's commitment to standing by the families of police personnel and Home Guards during times of crisis. Officials stated that such welfare measures would continue to strengthen the morale of Home Guards and acknowledge their dedicated service to society.

Company Loses Wrongful Dismissal Case, Employee Wins Compensation

A Singapore company has been ordered to pay S\$30,000 (around Rs 19 lakh) in compensation to a former employee after a tribunal ruled that it had failed to prove its claims of poor performance before terminating her employment. The case has drawn attention to the importance of fair performance evaluations and transparent workplace practices. The woman joined the company in April 2025 as a Regional Internal Controls Audit Manager on a monthly salary of S\$11,500. She was placed on a six-month probation period. However, just



days before the probation was due to end, the company informed her that her performance did not meet expecta-

tations and terminated her employment with two weeks' notice. Challenging the dismissal,

the employee argued that she had never been given any formal or informal warnings about her work. She also claimed that the company had not conducted any interim performance reviews or informed her of any shortcomings during her probation. According to her, she was never made aware of the standards she was expected to meet. During the hearing, the company argued that probationary employees were required to achieve an overall score of at least 80 per cent and receive satisfactory ratings across several performance

categories to be confirmed in their roles. However, the tribunal found that these expectations had never been clearly communicated to the employee. The tribunal also noted that the company failed to maintain proper documentation supporting its claims of poor performance. In several sections of the employee's evaluation form, low ratings were recorded without any written explanation or evidence. This significantly weakened the employer's defence. Presiding Magistrate Joel Tan observed that employers have a responsibility to clear-

ly communicate performance expectations to employees. He said it was unfair to dismiss an employee for failing to meet standards that had never been properly explained. While acknowledging that the employee may have had certain shortcomings, the tribunal ruled that the company had not established that they were serious enough to justify termination. The tribunal further noted that the company could have extended the employee's probation by another three months instead of dismissing her outright. Considering

the circumstances, it awarded her compensation equivalent to three months' salary. Although the amount could have been higher based on her earnings, Singapore law caps compensation for wrongful dismissal at S\$30,000. The company was also directed to bear the legal costs of the case. The ruling serves as a reminder that employers must follow fair procedures, maintain proper documentation, and clearly communicate performance expectations before taking disciplinary action against employees.

US Dream Ends As Bengaluru Techie Returns Home

A Bengaluru software professional has shared his emotional journey of returning to India after failing to secure a job in the United States despite months of relentless effort. His story has struck a chord with thousands online, highlighting the growing challenges faced by international graduates in the highly competitive US job market. Mohith R. Gowda had moved to the United States to pursue a Master's degree in Computer Science, hoping it would pave the way for a successful global career. Like many international students, he believed that years of hard work, academic achievements and personal sacrifices would eventually lead to a stable job in the US. However, reality turned out to be far different from his expectations. After completing his studies, Gowda spent several months applying for hundreds of technology jobs across the country. He prepared extensively for interviews, completed numerous coding assessments and remained



optimistic despite repeated rejections. But as time passed, job offers never came, and his visa deadline kept drawing closer. Eventually, he was left with no option but to return to Bengaluru. Sharing his experience on social media, Gowda described the decision as one of the most difficult moments of his life. He admitted that returning home had never been part of his original plan and that the experience left him feeling disappointed, uncertain and emotionally drained. Despite

giving his best throughout the job hunt, he said circumstances simply did not work in his favour. Rather than viewing the move as a failure, Gowda said he has chosen to accept it as a new beginning. He expressed gratitude for the lessons he learned during his time in the US, saying the experience helped him grow personally and professionally. He remains hopeful that the setback will eventually open doors to new opportunities. His post quickly gained attention on social media, with many users offering

words of encouragement and sharing similar experiences. Several professionals said they too had struggled with layoffs, visa pressures and an increasingly difficult hiring environment in the US technology sector. Others praised Gowda for speaking honestly about a challenge that many international graduates face but rarely discuss publicly. The story has also reignited conversations about the current state of the US tech job market, where slower hiring, frequent layoffs and intense competition have made it increasingly difficult for international graduates to secure employment before their work authorisation expires. For many aspiring professionals, Gowda's experience serves as a reminder that even the most carefully planned career paths can be disrupted by factors beyond one's control. At the same time, his willingness to begin again in India has been widely viewed as a message of resilience, adaptability and hope for those facing similar setbacks.

Bull Runs Amok, Six Injured In Kolhapur Event



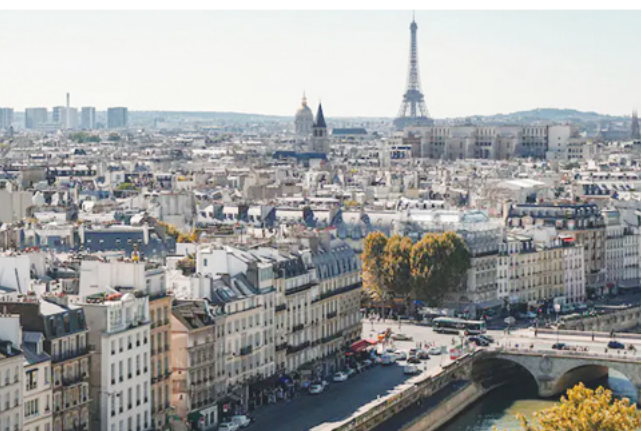
Panic gripped a traditional rural sporting event in Maharashtra's Kolhapur district after a bull suddenly broke free and charged into a crowd of spectators, leaving six people injured. The dramatic incident, captured on video, has gone viral on social media, showing people scrambling for safety as the animal raced across the venue. The incident took place on Monday in Bhadgaon village of Gadhinglajeh tehsil, where a healthy bull-pair competition was being organised. The event, popular in rural Maharashtra, is held to assess the strength and fitness of bull pairs and attracts large gatherings of farmers, participants and local residents. According to officials, one of the participating bulls became agitated during the evaluation process and suddenly broke free from the testing area. The animal then charged uncontrollably through the venue, triggering chaos among spectators and organisers alike. As the bull headed towards the judges' platform, officials and judges were forced to run for cover to avoid being hit. The unexpected rampage brought the competition to a temporary halt. In the confusion, six people including local residents and villagers attending the event sustained injuries. Emergency assistance was provided immediately, and the injured were rushed to nearby medical facilities for treatment. Authorities have not yet disclosed the severity of their injuries. Videos circulating on social media show the frightened crowd running in different directions as the bull charges across the ground.

The visuals highlight the tense moments that unfolded within seconds, with several people narrowly escaping the animal's path. The footage has attracted widespread attention online. The bull's rampage eventually ended after it fell into a nearby roadside gutter, fracturing one of its horns. Local farmers and animal handlers quickly reached the spot, managed to calm the animal and safely restrain it before taking it away from the venue. Following the incident, organisers resumed the competition after ensuring the area was safe, and the remaining events concluded without any further disruption. Authorities have not announced whether any inquiry will be conducted into the incident or if additional safety measures will be introduced for similar competitions in the future.

Indian In Paris Gives Reality Check On Foreign Dream

An Indian living in Paris has sparked a debate online after sharing a candid message about the realities of moving abroad. In a video posted on social media, he urged young Indians to think carefully before leaving the country, saying that life overseas can be rewarding, but only for those who are fully prepared for the financial, emotional and professional challenges. Tanishq Lohan, who is based in Paris, said many people are influenced by glamorous social media posts showing luxurious lifestyles and high-paying jobs abroad. However, he warned that these images often hide the struggles people face after relocating to a foreign country. According to him, one of the biggest mistakes aspiring migrants make is taking massive education or personal loans often ranging between Rs 50 lakh and Rs 60 lakh without fully understanding the risks involved. He stressed that spending such large amounts on overseas education or relocation does not automatically guarantee

a well-paying job or a successful career. Lohan explained that finding employment abroad has become increasingly competitive. In addition to securing a job, newcomers must adjust to unfamiliar cultures, different work environments and, in many countries, language barriers. These challenges can make settling into a new life far more difficult than many anticipate. He also highlighted the emotional side of living overseas. Being away from family and close friends, dealing with loneliness and building a support network from scratch can take a significant toll on mental well-being. He said many people underestimate these aspects while planning their move abroad. Rather than discouraging people from pursuing international opportunities, Lohan encouraged them to prepare thoroughly before making such a major life decision. He advised aspiring migrants to research the job market, understand visa regulations, calculate living



expenses realistically and have a financial backup plan before relocating. His video quickly gained traction on social media, with users sharing mixed reactions. Some appreciated his honest assessment and agreed that social media often presents an unrealistic picture of life abroad. Others argued that while challenges certainly exist, moving overseas can still offer excellent career prospects and a better quality of life for those who plan carefully and remain

persistent. The discussion has resonated with many young professionals and students considering international education or employment. Lohan's message serves as a reminder that success abroad depends not only on ambition but also on preparation, resilience and realistic expectations. While living overseas can open new opportunities, he believes it is important to understand both the rewards and the sacrifices before taking the leap.

Techie's Rapido Experience Exposes Gig Workers' Daily Struggles



A Bengaluru software engineer's weekend experiment as a Rapido bike taxi rider has sparked a wider conversation about the challenges faced by gig workers across India. What began as a way to earn some extra money to clear credit card bills turned into an eye-opening experience that changed his perception of app-based driving jobs. The engineer shared his story on Reddit, explaining that he decided to work as a Rapido captain during weekends despite having a full-time technology job. His goal was simple to generate additional income and pay off outstanding credit card dues more quickly. However, after just a few rides, he realised the work involved far more than simply transporting passengers from one location to another. One incident particularly stood out. After dropping off a passenger, the rider was confronted by the passenger's intoxicated friend, who behaved aggressively and verbally abused him without any reason. The software engineer said the encounter left him shaken and highlighted the kind of harassment many gig workers regularly experience while simply trying to earn a living. He also criticised the lack of effective support available to drivers on the platform. According to his post, attempts to contact Rapido's driver support yielded little assistance, while customers appeared to have multiple channels for resolving their complaints. This imbalance,

he said, made drivers feel vulnerable and isolated during difficult situations. The techie acknowledged that, unlike full-time gig workers, he had the option to stop riding whenever he wished because he already had a stable job. However, he expressed concern for those who depend entirely on ride-hailing platforms for their livelihood. He noted that many drivers have no choice but to tolerate rude behaviour, unsafe situations and uncertain earnings because their families depend on the income. His post quickly went viral, drawing widespread reactions from social media users. Many people praised him for shedding light on the harsh realities of gig work, while several drivers shared similar experiences involving abusive passengers, inadequate platform support and the emotional stress of working long hours with little security. Others called for stronger safety measures and better grievance redressal systems for app-based drivers. The viral post has reignited discussions about the working conditions of India's growing gig workforce. While app-based platforms offer flexible earning opportunities, the experience shared by the Bengaluru engineer has highlighted the need for improved safety, stronger customer accountability and more responsive support systems for the thousands of drivers who rely on such platforms every day.

Bengaluru Woman Fills Pothole, Viral Video Triggers Debate

A Bengaluru woman's attempt to repair a dangerous pothole on a busy road has gone viral, sparking widespread debate over civic responsibility and the state of urban infrastructure. While many people applauded her initiative, others warned that such repairs could create fresh safety risks if not carried out using proper materials and engineering methods. The viral video shows the woman, wearing a helmet, stopping by a damaged stretch of road and pouring two sacks of material believed to be a cement or soil mixture into a large pothole. She then tries to level the surface herself as vehicles continue to pass by. The footage quickly spread across social media, where many users praised her for stepping in after what they described as the failure of civic authorities to address hazardous road conditions. Several commenters called

her actions a reflection of the growing frustration among Bengaluru residents, who have repeatedly complained about potholes, especially during the monsoon season. The post accompanying the video claimed that the woman acted out of concern for the safety of commuters after authorities failed to repair the road. It criticised the city's civic administration, arguing that citizens should not be forced to carry out tasks that are the responsibility of government agencies. However, the video also triggered criticism from road safety experts and several social media users. They pointed out that filling potholes with dry cement, soil or other unsuitable materials can actually make roads more dangerous. Improper repairs may loosen quickly, creating uneven surfaces that pose a greater threat to two-wheeler riders and



motorists. Experts noted that potholes require professional repairs involving proper cleaning, base preparation and suitable road construction materials to ensure long-term durability and safety. Temporary fixes carried out without technical expertise may deteriorate rapidly under traffic and rainfall. Despite the concerns, many viewers said the incident highlighted a larger issue rather than the repair itself. They argued that the fact that an ordinary citizen felt compelled to fix a pothole demonstrated the growing dissatisfaction with the maintenance of public infrastructure. The viral clip has reignited discussions about Bengaluru's road conditions and the accountability of civic agencies responsible for maintaining city streets. It has also sparked a broader conversation about whether citizens should take matters into their own hands when basic public services fail, or whether such actions could unintentionally create additional risks. The incident has become yet another reminder of the urgent need for timely road maintenance, effective civic governance and safer urban infrastructure to prevent accidents and ensure commuter safety.

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Editorial

The World Must Prepare For A Bigger Crisis

The world appears to be moving from one crisis to another without finding any lasting solution. Instead of witnessing peace and stability, nations are facing growing uncertainty as conflicts continue to spread across different regions. The developments over the past few months indicate that the global situation is becoming more dangerous with each passing day.

The policies and decisions of U.S. President Donald Trump have once again become a subject of global debate. The conflict in the Gulf region, which initially intensified with Israel's military operations and later witnessed the direct involvement of the United States, has turned into a prolonged and unpredictable confrontation. Every time peace talks begin, the international community hopes that the violence will finally come to an end. Unfortunately, those hopes are repeatedly shattered by fresh attacks and renewed hostilities.

The recent military actions involving Israel and Lebanon, along with the latest attacks connected to the wider regional conflict, have only strengthened the belief that peace remains a distant dream. Instead of moving toward negotiations, the concerned nations continue to exchange military strikes, pushing the region closer to a larger war.

The consequences of such conflicts are not limited to the countries directly involved. Wars disrupt global trade, increase energy prices, weaken financial markets, and create economic uncertainty across the world. Inflation, unemployment, and shortages of essential commodities are likely to affect millions of ordinary people who have no role in these conflicts. History has repeatedly shown that while political leaders make decisions, it is the common citizen who bears the greatest burden.

The world cannot afford to ignore these warning signs. Global leaders must give priority to diplomacy over military action and work sincerely toward lasting peace. At the same time, governments and people should remain alert and prepare for the possibility of a deeper global economic and humanitarian crisis if the present situation continues unchecked.

Editor

Bhogapuram: The Gateway to Development, the Sky Gateway for North Andhra

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The inauguration of the Alluri Sitarama Raju International Airport at Bhogapuram by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on 1 August is expected to provide fresh momentum to the economic, industrial, and tourism sectors of North Andhra Pradesh. If the Visakhapatnam Steel Plant has long served as the industrial gateway to North Andhra, the Bhogapuram International Airport has the potential to become the region's gateway to the skies and a catalyst for its future development.

After nearly three decades of planning and discussions, this Greenfield international airport has finally become a reality. Its inauguration marks not only a significant milestone in the aviation history of North Andhra but also a major step forward in the region's economic development. More than just an airport, Bhogapuram is expected to become a new gateway connecting North Andhra more efficiently with global markets.

The uniqueness of Bhogapuram lies not merely in its scale but in its long-term vision. The project has been developed across 2,703 acres, with 2,203 acres dedicated to airport infrastructure and another 500 acres earmarked for an Aviation Hub. Designed to support the growth of the aerospace and defence sectors, the hub also includes land reserved for an Aviation University and an EduCity. This vision positions Bhogapuram not merely as a transportation facility but as a future centre for education, research, innovation, and skill development.

The airport's architectural design is equally distinctive. The terminal has been modelled in the shape of a "Flying Fish," reflecting the maritime heritage of the Bay of Bengal. Traditional Telugu rangavalli (rangoli) patterns have been incorporated into the ceiling design, blending local cultural identity with modern architecture. From the very first phase, the airport has been equipped with an integrated terminal capable of handling both domestic and international passengers.

One of Bhogapuram's greatest strengths is its 3,800-metre runway, capable of accommodating wide-body international aircraft such as the Boeing 777, Boeing 787 Dreamliner, and Airbus A330. The airport has initially been designed to handle six million passengers annually, with a master plan to expand capacity to 40 million passengers in the future.

A dedicated cargo terminal with an annual handling capacity of 25,000 metric tonnes further enhances the airport's economic significance. This facility will enable North Andhra's exports—including seafood, pharmaceuticals, horticultural produce, and value-added agricultural products—to reach international markets more quickly and efficiently. As export volumes increase, the region is expected to witness greater commercial activity and higher foreign exchange earnings.

The impact of an international airport extends far beyond aircraft operations. Airports stimulate the development of hotels, logistics companies, warehouses, travel services, commercial centres, and supporting infrastructure. Consequently, they generate not only direct employment in aviation but also substantial indirect job opportunities across construction, transportation, tourism, hospitality, and small businesses.



Bhogapuram Airport has been developed under the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model by the GMR Group at an estimated cost of 4,727 crore. The Andhra Pradesh Government has invested over 1,583 crore in land acquisition and supporting infrastructure, including roads, electricity, and water supply. Completing such a large-scale project within 31 months is itself a notable achievement.

However, an airport's success depends not only on its infrastructure but also on the connectivity that supports it. Projects such as the National Highway-16 linkage, the Trumpet Interchange, and the Visakhapatnam-Bhogapuram Coastal Beach Road are expected to significantly improve accessibility. If a future

Metro Rail connection is realised, connectivity between Visakhapatnam city, Bheemunipatnam, and Bhogapuram will become even stronger. Once Bhogapuram becomes operational, commercial passenger flights currently operating from the INS Dega Civil Enclave in Visakhapatnam will be shifted to the new airport.

Some concerns have been expressed that the operationalisation of Bhogapuram may reduce the importance of Visakhapatnam Airport. However, these concerns are largely misplaced. INS Dega is a strategic air base of the Indian Navy, and defence operations will continue there. The relocation primarily concerns civilian commercial flight operations.

Building an airport, however, is only the first step towards development. Its long-term success will depend on the establishment of industries around it, the operationalisation of the Aviation Hub, expansion of international flight services, growth in cargo

operations, and the attraction of investments that generate employment.

The true success of Bhogapuram cannot be measured simply by the number of flights it handles. It should instead be evaluated by the volume of investment it attracts, the increase in trade it facilitates, the employment it creates, the foreign exchange it generates, and the extent to which it strengthens North Andhra's industrial competitiveness.

On 1 August, Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate not merely an international airport but a new gateway connecting North Andhra more closely with the world. Whether Bhogapuram truly becomes an "Address for Development" and the "Sky Gateway of North Andhra" will not be determined by the number of aircraft taking off from its runway, but by the investments, opportunities, employment, and sustainable economic growth that those flights ultimately bring to the region.

Friendship - Promoting Peace, Solidarity, and Understanding between Cultures

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A Friend Is... "Someone who stands with us through differences, shares our journey, and makes the world feel more connected." Friendship plays a crucial role in promoting trust, empathy, and mutual respect among people. Celebrating "International Friendship Day" annually since 2011 on 30 July highlights the value of relationships by overcoming misunderstandings, reducing conflicts, and building more inclusive societies.

2026 Theme "Friendship – Promoting Peace, Unity, Sacrifice, Solidarity, and Understanding Between Cultures"

This day, established by UNO, encourages the power of camaraderie, understanding, friendship bonding, and promoting harmony and goodwill. It also encourages people of all

ages and backgrounds to foster friendships and bridge cultural divides. The theme of International Friendship Day-2026 revolves around the "Friendship - Promoting Peace, Unity, Sacrifice, Solidarity, and Understanding between Cultures". National Friendship Day is also observed on the first Sunday of August, ie., 02 August 2026, in some countries.

True Friendships are a Life-line of Our Life

It is a time to appreciate old friends, make new friends, and reflect on the positive impact friendships have on our lives and societies. True friendships encourage peace, happiness, harmony, and unity. Sometimes friends are as important as family members, even more than them at times. We are in a tough world full of misunderstandings, miscommunications,

lack of trust, discrimination, and cultural divide. To overcome these challenges, a true friend is essential to lead a peaceful life amidst hurdles in the journey of life. Even though they have differences, they are tied with pure friendship. They agree to disagree.

Our World Expands with New Friends

Our classmates and neighbourhood pals expanded the world with us. Together we shared experiences and made plans for the future. Paths diverge, and new friends find a place in our social experience. Our world expands and our culture changes. With each new friend, we expand our views. Their experiences contribute to new meaning in our lives. Through friendships, we grow and broaden our horizons. Eventually, the world becomes smaller and more connected. On this day, let's contact our friends, meet them, share their memories, appreciate our friends, mail a card, send wishes through social media, and send them friendship bands/cards.



DSC Controversy: Between Political Battle And Aspirants' Future

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The controversy over the Mega DSC recruitment process in Andhra Pradesh has moved beyond a debate on examinations and entered the political arena, raising a key question — is the DSC issue being pursued in the interest of job aspirants or has it become another tool in the political battle between the ruling party and opposition?

In a democracy, raising allegations is the right of the opposition, while responding transparently is the responsibility of the government. However, when political narratives overshadow facts and allegations replace evidence, it is unemployed youth who suffer the most. Turning every issue into a political confrontation weakens public confidence in governance.

Government recruitment is a matter of credibility for any administration. When doubts arise over a process like DSC, which affects the future of lakhs of aspirants, the government has a responsibility to address concerns clearly. At the same time, allegations without evidence can create confusion among candidates preparing for jobs.

The DSC issue in Andhra Pradesh has increasingly become a political controversy rather than a discussion focused on recruitment. Former Chief Minister and YSRCP president Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy has been questioning the examination process, alleging irregularities and demanding a detailed inquiry, including a CBI probe if required.

The government has reject-

ed these allegations. Education Department Principal Secretary Kona Sasidhar, along with Commissioner of School Education and other officials, has explained various aspects of the recruitment process. Officials have maintained that the examinations were conducted transparently and that there is no evidence supporting the allegations. Despite these explanations, the controversy continues, with the opposition raising fresh doubts over the government's clarifications. As a result, the DSC issue has shifted from an administrative matter to a political contest.

Education Minister Nara Lokesh intensified the debate by challenging Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy to participate in an open discussion if he had genuine concerns. Though Jagan Mohan Reddy did not directly respond, YSRCP leaders, including former ministers Perini Nani and R.K. Roja, criti-

cised Lokesh's remarks and continued questioning the government's stand.

The recent controversy involving the Union Education Minister also added to the political debate. Jagan Mohan Reddy referred to the issue through social media and argued that accountability should also apply to the State Education Minister over the DSC controversy. Lokesh responded by reiterating his challenge for an open debate.

The larger question remains whether the allegations are politically motivated or genuinely aimed at protecting job aspirants. If irregularities occurred, the opposition must establish them with evidence. If allegations are incorrect, the government must provide complete technical details and remove doubts among candidates.

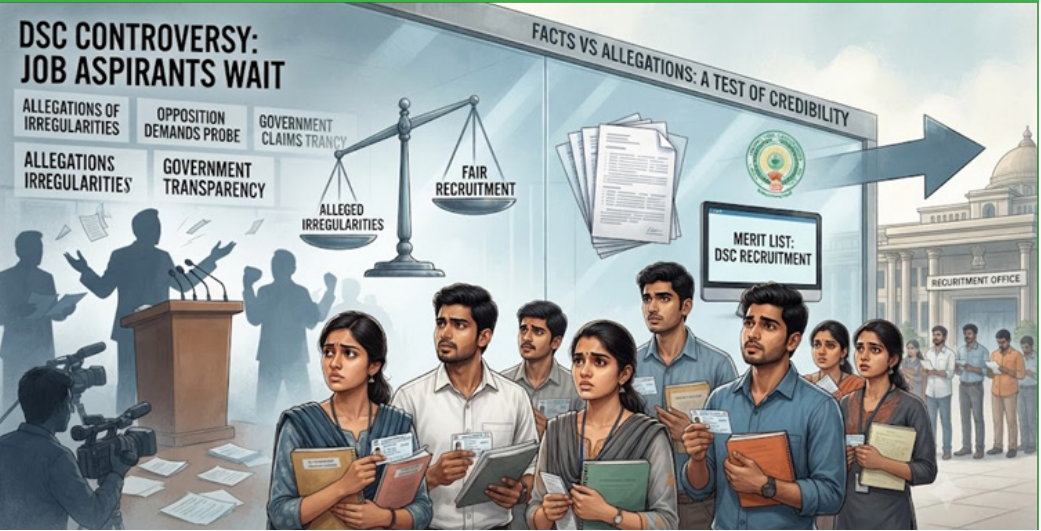
Simply stating that the recruitment process was transparent may not be enough when public trust is at stake. Confidence in recruitment systems is essential, and doubts over fairness can affect the credibility of government employment processes.

Political criticism is part of democracy, but turning every

issue into an electoral weapon risks sidelining public concerns. While political observers believe the opposition may continue raising the issue until elections, the government is also responding to every criticism.

The biggest concern remains unemployed youth who have invested years preparing for government jobs. For them, fairness and certainty matter more than political arguments. If allegations are proven true, those responsible must face action. If they are baseless, they should be rejected through facts and evidence. Since doubts persist despite repeated explanations, measures such as an independent review by technical experts or releasing a detailed white paper on the examination process could help restore confidence.

Ultimately, the DSC controversy is not merely a political battle between the ruling party and opposition. It is a test of the government's credibility and the opposition's responsibility. Elections may decide political outcomes, but the truth must prevail because the future of lakhs of young aspirants depends on it.



Lok Sabha Clears Bill To Tighten Paper Leak Punishment

The Lok Sabha has passed the Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Amendment Bill, aimed at strengthening measures against paper leaks and unfair practices in government recruitment and competitive examinations. The legislation proposes stricter punishment for those involved in leaking question papers, organised cheating networks and other examination-related malpractices.

The move comes amid growing concerns over repeated paper leak incidents affecting major competitive exams across the country. The government said the amendment is intended to protect the interests of millions of students and ensure greater transparency and credibility in the examination system.

Under the proposed changes, individuals and organisations involved in organised cheating or paper leak activities could face tougher penalties, including higher fines and longer imprisonment. The law seeks to target not just individual offenders but also organ-



ised groups that profit from examination fraud.

During the discussion in Parliament, the government highlighted the need for stronger legal provisions to prevent manipulation of recruitment processes. Ministers said paper leaks not only affect students' careers but also damage public confidence in institutions conducting examinations.

The amendment also focuses on improving coordination between investigation agencies and examination authorities to ensure quick action against those responsible. Officials believe stricter laws will act as a deterrent

against criminal networks involved in leaking question papers.

Opposition members raised concerns over the implementation of the law and demanded greater accountability from examination authorities. They stressed that preventing leaks requires not only strict punishment but also improvements in examination security systems and administrative procedures.

The bill is expected to strengthen the existing legal framework by addressing loopholes and introducing more effective mechanisms to deal with examination fraud. It comes at a time when student protests and public anger over irregularities in competitive exams have increased across several states.

With the passage of the amendment, the government aims to send a strong message that malpractice in public examinations will not be tolerated. The legislation is being seen as a major step toward ensuring fairness, transparency and equal opportunities for students appearing for competitive examinations.

Rajya Sabha Clears Bill Protecting Vande Mataram

The Rajya Sabha has passed the Prevention of Insults to National Honour (Amendment) Bill, 2026, which seeks to make insulting or disrespecting the national song "Vande Mataram" a criminal offence. The bill was passed through a voice vote amid protests by opposition members in the House.

The legislation aims to provide Vande Mataram the same statutory protection currently available to the national anthem "Jana Gana Mana" under the Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971. The amendment extends legal safeguards against intentional acts of disrespect or obstruction related to the national song.

According to the provisions of the bill, actions such as deliberately preventing the singing of Vande Mataram or causing disruption during its rendition could attract legal action. The existing law provides punishment for offences related to disre-



specting national symbols, including imprisonment, fines, or both.

The government said the move is aimed at preserving the dignity and respect associated with national symbols and strengthening the emotional connection of citizens with the country's history and freedom struggle. Supporters highlighted the role of Vande Mataram in India's independence movement and said it deserves greater legal recognition.

During the debate, ruling party members argued that the national song has inspired generations of In-

dians and played a significant role during the freedom movement. They said the amendment would ensure that the song receives protection similar to other symbols of national honour.

Opposition parties, however, raised concerns over the timing and scope of the legislation. Some members questioned whether criminal provisions were the right approach and argued that issues related to national symbols should be handled with sensitivity while respecting democratic freedoms.

The bill's passage marks a significant step toward granting Vande Mataram a stronger legal status. It will now move through the remaining legislative process before becoming law.

The government believes the amendment will reinforce respect for national symbols, while critics continue to debate its implications for freedom of expression and individual rights.

Supreme Court Closes Coal Case Against Manmohan Singh

The Supreme Court has closed the criminal case against former Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh in the coal block allocation matter, accepting the closure report submitted by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI). The decision brings an end to a long-running legal battle connected to one of India's biggest political controversies.

The case was related to alleged irregularities in the allocation of coal blocks during the period when Dr Manmohan Singh was serving as Prime Minister and also holding charge of the Coal Ministry. The allegations had triggered a major political debate and led to investigations into the allocation process.

The CBI, after examining the matter, concluded that there was no evidence of criminal wrongdoing by Dr Manmohan Singh or other individuals named in the case. Based on the investigation findings, the agency submitted a closure report, which has now been accepted by the Supreme Court.

The coal allocation controversy had remained a significant issue in Indian politics for years. Opposition parties had accused the then UPA government of causing losses through an improper allocation system, while the government had defended the process and denied allegations of corruption.

Dr Manmohan Singh had consistently maintained that



there was no wrongdoing in the decisions taken during his tenure. His legal team had argued that the allocation decisions were taken according to government procedures and that there was no evidence of any criminal intent.

The Supreme Court's decision provides legal closure to the case involving the former Prime Minister, who passed away in December 2024. The development has renewed political discussions over the coal block allocation controversy and the investigations that followed it.

The ruling also marks the conclusion of a high-profile legal chapter involving one of India's most respected economists and former Prime Ministers, whose tenure was associated with major economic reforms as well as political challenges.

The closure of the case brings an end to years of legal proceedings and debate surrounding the coal allocation issue, while highlighting the importance of due process in matters involving public officials and policy decisions.

Vigilance Raids 41 Locations In Tamil Nadu TASMAC Case

Tamil Nadu's Vigilance and Anti-Corruption officials have conducted searches at 41 locations linked to a former state minister and others in connection with alleged irregularities involving the Tamil Nadu State Marketing Corporation (TASMAC). The raids are part of an ongoing investigation into alleged malpractice in the state-run liquor distribution system.

The searches were carried out at multiple locations as investigators examined allegations related to financial irregularities, tender processes and possible misuse of official positions. The probe is focused on suspected violations connected to the functioning of TASMAC and individuals associated with the former minister.

TASMAC, which controls the retail sale of liquor in Tamil Nadu, has faced allegations of irregularities in areas such as procurement, transportation, tenders and excess charges at outlets. Earlier investigations into the matter had looked into claims of financial misconduct and alleged improper practices involving officials and private entities.

Officials involved in the latest searches examined documents and other materials as part of the investigation. The authorities are expected to analyse the collected information to determine whether there was any violation of laws or in-



volvement of individuals in alleged malpractice.

The case has become a major political issue in Tamil Nadu, with opposition parties targeting the ruling establishment over alleged corruption in the liquor sector. The government, however, has maintained that investigations should proceed according to law and that allegations must be established through evidence.

The TASMAC-related controversy has previously witnessed multiple agency actions over allegations of corruption and financial irregularities linked to the corporation. These investigations have brought renewed attention to transparency and accountability in Tamil Nadu's liquor administration system.

The latest vigilance raids mark another significant development in the case. Further action will depend on the findings of the investigation and the evidence gathered during the searches.

Amit Shah Rejects Rahul's Firing Order Allegation

Union Home Minister Amit Shah has rejected Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's allegations that he authorised the use of force against students during the CJP protest, saying that such decisions cannot be taken by a minister and are governed by legal procedures.

The controversy erupted after Rahul Gandhi accused the government of using excessive force against students protesting over the alleged NEET paper leak issue. Rahul questioned whether the Home Minister had approved the use of measures such as pellet guns and other forms of force against protesters.

Responding to the allegations, the government said that police action was carried out according to established rules and that only authorised officers, including a magistrate, can permit the use of certain forms of force in such situations. Officials also



denied claims that firearms were used against protesters.

The issue has intensified political tensions between the ruling party and the opposition. Congress leaders have demanded accountability over the police response, while the government has accused the opposition of making misleading claims for political reasons.

The protests, organised over concerns linked to examination irregularities and paper leaks, have become a major political issue. The Supreme Court has also intervened in matters related to the protests, directing authorities to follow legal procedures while ensuring that the

rights of students are protected.

The government has maintained that maintaining law and order during protests is the responsibility of local authorities and that security personnel act within legal guidelines. Opposition leaders, however, continue to demand an independent investigation into allegations of excessive force.

The political face-off between Rahul Gandhi and Amit Shah has added another dimension to the ongoing debate over student protests, examination reforms and the government's handling of public demonstrations.

As the issue continues, both sides are defending their positions, with the government stressing the importance of maintaining public order and the opposition demanding greater transparency and accountability in dealing with student concerns.

Nadda Defends Parliament Normalcy Amid Police Row

Union Minister JP Nadda has said that the situation in Parliament and around the Monsoon Session remains normal, rejecting allegations that recent developments, including the police action related to the arrest attempt of student leader Aishe Ghosh, indicate any disruption of democratic functioning.

Nadda, who is the Leader of the House in the Rajya Sabha, said that parliamentary proceedings are continuing as per established norms and that the government remains committed to ensuring smooth functioning of the House. His remarks came amid political tensions between the ruling party and opposition over protests and law-and-order issues.

The controversy erupted after Delhi Police personnel reportedly reached the CPI(M) headquarters in New Delhi in connection with a case involving Aishe Ghosh, a former JNU Students' Union president and SFI leader.



The CPI(M) alleged that police personnel attempted to enter its office to arrest her, calling the move a violation of democratic norms.

The incident triggered criticism from opposition parties, who questioned the manner in which police action was carried out and accused the government of targeting political opponents. The CPI(M) demanded accountability and alleged that the action reflected growing pressure on dissenting voices.

The ruling side, however, maintained that law enforcement agencies are acting according to

legal procedures and that no political motive should be attached to ongoing investigations. Government leaders have argued that legal cases must be handled through due process irrespective of an individual's political background. The issue comes amid an already heated Monsoon Session of Parliament, where opposition protests over various matters have created disruptions inside and outside the House. Demonstrations linked to examination issues and other political demands have also led to increased security arrangements around Parliament.

With both sides maintaining their positions, the latest controversy has added another layer to the ongoing political confrontation between the government and opposition. While the ruling party stresses rule of law and institutional procedures, opposition parties continue to raise concerns over the handling of protests and political dissent.

Kerala Cabinet Clears Digital Reforms To Track Every Rupee

The Kerala Cabinet has approved a set of major administrative reforms aimed at accelerating digital governance, improving transparency and ensuring better monitoring of government spending. The reforms focus on using technology to streamline decision-making, reduce delays and make financial transactions more accountable.

The proposed measures are designed to create a more efficient governance system where government processes, financial approvals and public services can be tracked digitally. The initiative aims to ensure that every stage of public expenditure is recorded and monitored, reducing chances of irregularities and improving accountability.

As part of the reforms, the government plans to strengthen digital platforms across departments and integrate technology into administrative functions. The move is expected to improve coordination between departments, speed up file movement and help officials take faster decisions based on real-time information.

The Kerala government has already implemented several digital initiatives aimed at transforming public service delivery. Online citizen services, digital records and e-governance systems have been introduced



to reduce paperwork and make government services more accessible to people. Officials said the latest reforms will focus on financial transparency by improving tracking mechanisms for government funds. The objective is to create a system where the movement of money through various schemes and projects can be monitored more effectively. The Cabinet's decision comes as governments across India are increasingly adopting digital tools to improve governance and reduce administrative hurdles. Kerala has been among the states pushing technology-driven reforms, with several departments already shifting towards online platforms and digital workflows.

The reforms are expected to benefit both government employees and citizens by reducing delays, simplifying procedures and improving access to services. The state government believes that greater use of technology will bring more transparency and efficiency to public administration.

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Rahul Targets RSS, Shah; Centre Demands Apology

A political showdown erupted in Parliament after Leader of Opposition Rahul Gandhi launched a sharp attack on the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) and Union Home Minister Amit Shah during a debate, drawing a strong response from the ruling side.

Rahul Gandhi accused the RSS of influencing key institutions, particularly the education system, and alleged that ideological control was affecting the functioning of important national bodies. He also criticised the government's handling of student protests linked to alleged examination irregularities and questioned the accountability of senior ministers.

The Congress leader targeted Amit Shah over the police action during student protests, alleging that excessive force was used against demonstrators. Rahul demanded accountability from the government and raised concerns over the treatment of young protesters.

The ruling party strongly objected to Rahul Gandhi's remarks and demanded an apology, accusing him of making serious allegations without proper evidence. Government leaders defended the actions of security agencies, stating that authorities acted according to legal procedures while main-



taining law and order.

The remarks against the RSS also triggered a political clash, with BJP leaders rejecting the allegations and arguing that individuals associated with different ideologies have the right to hold public positions in a democracy. They accused Rahul Gandhi of targeting organisations for political reasons.

The heated exchange added to the ongoing tensions between the ruling party and opposition over issues including education reforms, examination security and student concerns. The opposition has been demanding greater transparency and accountability, while the government has maintained that it is committed to protecting students' interests.

The latest confrontation highlights the deep political divide between the Congress and the BJP, with Parliament once again becoming the centre stage for a wider debate over governance, institutions and ideological influence in the country.



Delhi Police Acts Against Abusive Posts During CJP Protest

The Delhi Police has issued notices to social media platforms over allegedly abusive and objectionable posts targeting Prime Minister Narendra Modi during the recent CJP protest in the national capital. The police action comes after several posts, videos and comments surfaced online during and after the demonstrations.

According to officials, the police's social media monitoring teams identified content that allegedly contained offensive remarks against the Prime Minister and other senior leaders. Notices were sent to platforms including X seeking the removal of such posts, with authorities stating that several flagged posts had already been taken down.

The action followed protests organised by the Cockroach Janta Party (CJP) over issues linked to examination irregularities and student concerns. During the protests, authorities monitored online activity, including videos, comments and posts that they claimed could impact public order.

Police officials said the exercise was part of an ongoing investigation into online content

related to the protests. They maintained that action was being taken against posts that violated legal provisions and crossed the limits of acceptable online expression.

The move has triggered a debate over the balance between preventing abusive content and protecting freedom of expression. While authorities argue that social media platforms must act against unlawful and inflammatory material, critics have raised concerns over possible restrictions on political speech and criticism of public figures.

The controversy comes amid heightened political tensions surrounding the CJP protests, with the government defending police action and opposition groups questioning the handling of demonstrations and online criticism.

As the investigation continues, Delhi Police is examining more social media content connected to the protests. The issue has once again brought focus on the growing role of digital platforms in political movements and the challenges of regulating online speech in a democracy.



13 Indian Sailors Trapped On Ship Amid Black Sea Attacks

Thirteen Indian sailors are reportedly stranded aboard a cargo vessel near Ukraine's Black Sea coast as repeated drone and missile attacks in the region have raised serious concerns over their safety. The sailors are currently on the vessel MV AMIRI, which is docked at the Chornomorsk port in Ukraine. The situation has triggered urgent appeals for evacuation and safety measures, with maritime organisations warning that the crew members are facing a dangerous environment due to the ongoing conflict between Russia and Ukraine. The vessel reportedly has 15 crew members on board, including 13 Indian nationals. The Federation of Seafarers' Unions of India (FSUI) has urged authorities, ship owners and relevant agencies to take immediate steps to ensure the safe evacuation of the stranded sailors. The union described the situation as critical, citing repeated attacks and growing risks around the port area. The Indian Embassy in Ukraine is monitoring the situation and has been in contact with concerned authorities to ensure the safety of the Indian crew members. Officials are closely tracking developments amid

heightened security concerns in the Black Sea region. The latest incident comes amid increasing risks faced by Indian seafarers working on commercial vessels operating near conflict zones. In recent weeks, several ships carrying Indian crew members have come under attack in and around Ukrainian ports, raising concerns over maritime security. The Indian government has stressed the need to protect its citizens working in international waters and has advised seafarers to carefully assess security conditions before accepting assignments in conflict-affected regions. The Black Sea has become a high-risk maritime zone since the Russia-Ukraine war began, with commercial shipping facing growing threats from missile strikes, drone attacks and military operations. The safety of civilian crews and international shipping routes remains a major concern for governments and maritime organisations worldwide. As efforts continue to secure the safe return of the 13 Indian sailors, authorities are closely monitoring the situation and exploring all possible measures to ensure their protection.



Sheikh Hasina Vows Return Despite Death Threats

Former Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has vowed to return to her country despite facing serious threats, including the possibility of arrest, imprisonment and even death. Hasina said she remains determined to return and face the challenges ahead rather than stay away from Bangladesh. Hasina, who left Bangladesh following a political upheaval and has been staying in India, said she plans to come back despite the risks involved. She dismissed the allegations against her and described the legal actions taken against her as politically motivated. The former prime minister's return plans come at a time when Bangladesh is witnessing a tense political atmosphere. Authorities in Bangladesh have sought her extradition, while the issue has become a major diplomatic and legal matter between Dhaka and New Delhi. Hasina has maintained that she wants to return to Bangladesh and continue her political fight. She has defended her government's record and accused her opponents of at-

tempting to weaken her political organisation, the Awami League. The former leader's supporters argue that she should be allowed to return and participate in the country's political process, while her critics accuse her government of suppressing opposition voices and mishandling protests during her tenure. The extradition issue has added another layer of complexity to Bangladesh-India relations. Any decision regarding her return will involve legal considerations, diplomatic discussions and the broader political situation in Bangladesh. Hasina's announcement has triggered fresh debate over the future direction of Bangladesh politics. Her possible return could significantly impact the country's political landscape, especially as the Awami League attempts to regain its influence after the recent political turmoil. For now, Sheikh Hasina remains firm on her decision to return, saying she is prepared to face whatever consequences await her in Bangladesh.

US Senate Passes Russia Sanctions Bill; India Faces Tariff Risk

The US Senate has passed a bipartisan sanctions bill targeting Russia, a move that could have significant implications for countries importing large quantities of Russian energy, including India and China. The legislation authorises the US President to impose tariffs of up to 100% on imports from nations that continue to purchase substantial amounts of Russian oil and gas. The bill is aimed at increasing economic pressure on Russia over the ongoing Ukraine conflict by discouraging other countries from funding Moscow through energy purchases. Supporters of the legislation say restricting Russia's energy revenues is essential to weakening its ability to sustain the war. India, one of the world's largest buyers of discounted Russian crude oil, has emerged as one of the countries that could be affected if the legislation becomes law. China is also among the major energy importers named in discussions surrounding the bill. However, the proposed tariffs are not automatic. The legislation gives the US



President the authority to decide whether and when to impose them, while also allowing waivers under certain circumstances. The measure received strong bipartisan backing in the Senate, reflecting growing support in Washington for tougher action against Russia and its trading partners. However, the bill must still complete the remaining legislative process before it can become law and take effect. If implemented, the tariffs could have wide-ranging implications for global trade and energy markets. India has significantly increased its imports of Russian crude since the Ukraine conflict began, citing energy security and competitive pricing. Any US trade action could complicate economic and diplomatic relations between Washington and New Delhi while also affecting global oil supply chains. The Indian government has consistently maintained that its energy purchases are guided by national interests and the need to ensure affordable supplies for its growing economy. Meanwhile, international observers will closely watch the next steps in the US legislative process and any response from the White House regarding the implementation of the proposed sanctions.

Russia Charges Telegram Founder Durov Over Terror Claims



Russia has formally charged Telegram founder Pavel Durov with allegedly aiding terrorist activities, escalating the ongoing dispute between Moscow and the popular messaging platform's leadership. Russian authorities have also placed Durov on an international wanted list as part of the case. The charges were brought by Russia's Federal Security Service (FSB), which accused Telegram of failing to remove content allegedly linked to Ukrainian intelligence operations and groups involved in sabotage and extremist activities. Authorities claim that certain Telegram channels and bots were used to coordinate illegal activities inside Russia. Russian officials have alleged that a Telegram chatbot was misused to recruit young people for violent activities. The FSB claims that several individuals were arrested in connection with such operations, while accusing the platform of not taking sufficient action against such content. Pavel Durov, who founded Telegram in 2013, has previously rejected similar allegations and maintained that the platform is committed to protecting user privacy while cooperating with

legal requests within its policies. He has described past accusations against him as attempts to pressure Telegram and restrict digital freedom. Telegram has become one of the world's most widely used messaging platforms, particularly known for its privacy features, large group channels and encrypted communication options. However, the app has also faced criticism from governments worldwide over concerns that some users exploit the platform for illegal activities. The latest move marks another major confrontation between Durov and Russian authorities. Telegram has had a complicated relationship with Moscow, including previous attempts by Russian regulators to restrict

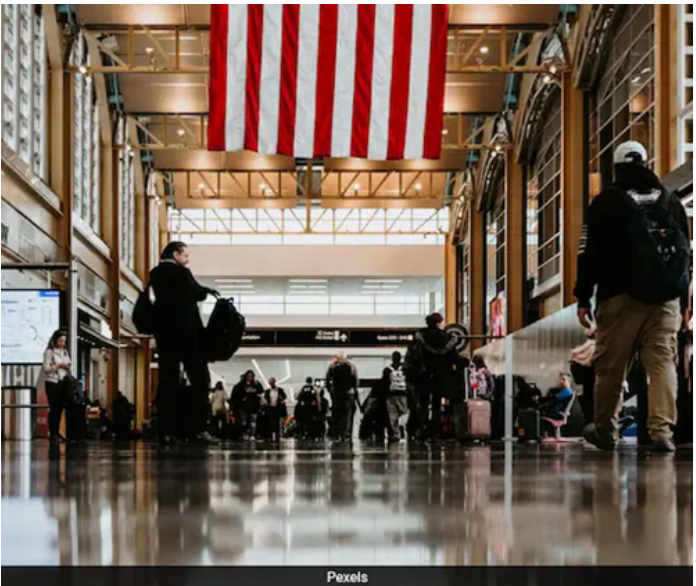
access to the platform over compliance issues. The case against Durov comes at a time when digital platforms have become a key battleground in the Russia-Ukraine conflict. Both sides have used online platforms for communication, information sharing and public messaging, increasing government scrutiny of technology companies. The legal action against Durov could further intensify the debate over internet freedom, platform responsibility and government control of digital communication networks. As the investigation progresses, the future of Telegram's operations in Russia and Durov's legal position will remain closely watched.

Trump To Honour Teen Lifeguard For Heroic Rescue

US President Donald Trump has announced plans to honour a 16-year-old lifeguard who risked his life to save a young boy from powerful waves at Santa Cruz, California. The teenager's bravery during the dramatic ocean rescue has received widespread praise across the country. The incident took place at Seabright Beach, where a 10-year-old boy was suddenly swept into dangerous surf conditions by massive waves. As beachgoers watched helplessly, the teenage lifeguard rushed into the water and battled strong currents to reach the child. The rescue was captured on video, showing the lifeguard holding onto the child while being repeatedly hit by powerful waves. After a difficult struggle,

he managed to bring the boy closer to shore with the help of another lifeguard and people nearby. The child was later examined and reunited safely with his family. Trump praised the teenager's courage and said he plans to invite the lifeguard and his family to the White House. He also announced his intention to recognise the young hero with a high civilian honour for his extraordinary act of bravery. The rescue has highlighted the risks faced by lifeguards who work in unpredictable ocean conditions. Experts have praised the teenager's calm decision-making and training, saying the rescue demonstrated exceptional courage and skill for someone so young. The dramatic incident also

drew attention to the dangers of strong surf and rip currents, which can quickly turn ordinary beach activities into life-threatening situations. Authorities have continued to warn visitors about ocean safety, especially during periods of extreme wave activity. The young lifeguard's actions have made him a symbol of courage and quick thinking. His willingness to enter dangerous waters to save another person's life has earned admiration from officials, rescue professionals and people across the United States. The proposed honour from the US President is expected to further spotlight the importance of recognising everyday heroes who step forward during moments of crisis.



New US Bill Could Ease Green Card Path For Indians

A new immigration bill introduced in the United States Congress could provide major relief for thousands of Indian professionals, especially H-1B visa holders, by creating a possible pathway to permanent residency and a US Green Card. The proposed legislation aims to update the country's immigration system and allow certain long-term immigrants who have lived in the US for several years to apply for lawful permanent residency. The proposal could benefit millions of immigrants, including skilled Indian workers who have been waiting for years due to lengthy Green Card backlogs. Indian nationals are among the largest groups affected by the current employment-based Green Card system. Many H-1B visa holders, particularly those working in the technology sector, face extremely long waiting periods due to country-based limits and high demand. The new proposal is being viewed as a possible solution to reduce uncertainty among these professionals and their families. Under the proposed changes, immigrants who have maintained continuous residence in the US for a specified period could become eligible to seek permanent residency. Supporters of the bill argue that long-

term residents who contribute significantly to the American economy should have a clearer and more stable immigration pathway. For Indian IT professionals, the development comes at a crucial time as immigration policies surrounding H-1B visas and Green Cards continue to remain a major concern. Issues such as visa restrictions, application rules and lengthy processing timelines have created uncertainty among foreign workers hoping to settle permanently in the United States. However, the bill is still in the proposal stage and must pass through the US legislative process before becoming law. Supporters believe the move could modernise the immigration system and provide relief to skilled professionals, while critics may raise concerns over its impact on domestic employment and immigration levels. If approved, the legislation could bring significant relief to thousands of Indian professionals who have spent years building careers in the United States while waiting for permanent residency opportunities. For many H-1B holders, the proposed reform could offer a more predictable route toward achieving their long-awaited American dream.



Khawaja Asif Sparks Row Over PoK Protest Remarks

Pakistan Defence Minister Khawaja Asif has triggered a major controversy after defending the government's action against protesters in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK), saying he considered the demonstrators as "enemies like India." Asif's remarks came amid widespread criticism over the handling of protests in PoK, where clashes between security forces and demonstrators reportedly resulted in multiple deaths and injuries. The protests were linked to demands raised by the Joint Awami Action Committee (JAAC), including political, economic and administrative reforms. Speaking about the government's response, Asif said the protesters were placed in the same category as Pakistan's external rival, India. His comments sparked sharp reactions, with critics accusing the government of treating internal dissent as a security threat rather than addressing public grievances. The protests in PoK have highlighted long-standing issues related to governance, unemployment, rising prices and demands for greater rights. Demonstrators have alleged

that local concerns have been ignored for years, while authorities have maintained that security measures were necessary to control unrest and maintain order. The controversy has intensified debate over Pakistan's approach toward political opposition and public protests in the region. Critics have raised concerns over the use of force against civilians and questioned the government's handling of dissent. The statement also drew attention in India, where officials have repeatedly criticised Pakistan over the situation in PoK and accused Islamabad of failing to address the concerns of people living in the region. Khawaja Asif's remarks come at a time when tensions over Kashmir remain a sensitive issue between India and Pakistan. The latest controversy has added another layer to the already complex political situation surrounding PoK. The incident has sparked fresh discussions about governance, civil liberties and the treatment of protesters, with observers closely watching how Pakistan's political leadership responds to growing criticism over the issue.



Adani Enterprises Posts Q1 Loss Despite Revenue Surge

Adani Enterprises Ltd. reported a consolidated net loss of 1,160 crore for the first quarter of FY27, compared with a net profit of 885 crore in the corresponding period last year. The loss was primarily due to a one-time settlement charge of 2,644 crore, which significantly impacted the company's bottom line despite strong operational growth.

Despite slipping into the red, the company's revenue from operations jumped 50% year-on-year to 32,924 crore, driven by robust performance across several business segments, particularly its rapidly expanding copper business. The sharp rise in revenue reflected continued growth in the company's diversified operations.

The one-time settlement expense overshadowed an otherwise healthy operating performance. Excluding the exceptional charge, the company maintained steady growth in its core businesses, although rising input costs and higher finance expenses also weighed on overall profitability.

The quarter witnessed a sharp increase in total expenses, which rose due to higher raw material costs, increased borrowing expenses and employee-related costs. The company also faced pressure from elevated global commodity prices, which affected operating margins.

Among its business verticals, the copper segment emerged as a major growth driver, contributing significantly to the increase in revenue. The airport business also delivered healthy growth during the quarter, supported by higher passenger traffic and improved operational performance. However, the coal trading business witnessed a decline, while the new energy division recorded a marginal dip in revenue.

The company stated that its diversified business model continues to provide long-term growth opportunities despite short-term financial challenges. It remains focused on expanding infrastructure, energy transition, airports, mining and manufacturing businesses while investing in future growth sectors.

Market analysts described the quarterly results as a mixed performance. While the one-time settlement charge pushed the company into a loss, the strong revenue growth highlighted the resilience of its underlying businesses. Investors are expected to closely monitor future quarters to assess whether operational momentum continues after the exceptional expense is absorbed.

With large-scale investments underway across multiple sectors, Adani Enterprises remains one of the country's most closely watched infrastructure conglomerates. Analysts believe that sustained execution across its core businesses and improving profitability in the coming quarters will be key factors influencing investor sentiment.

Paradeep Phosphates Ltd. surged 12.5% on Wednesday after the company reported a strong set of financial results for the first quarter of FY27. The rally reflected investor confidence following a healthy rise in profit and continued growth in the company's fertilizer business.

The company posted a 24% year-on-year increase in net profit, with profit rising to 393 crore during the April-June quarter. Revenue also witnessed robust growth, supported by strong demand for fertilizers and higher sales volumes across key product categories.

The strong earnings performance was driven by improved operational efficiency, better product realization and steady demand from the agriculture sector. Higher production and sales volumes, along with disciplined cost management, helped the company deliver healthy profitability despite fluctuations in raw material prices.

Following the earnings announcement, buying interest intensified, pushing the stock sharply higher during the trading session. Investors welcomed the company's ability to maintain earnings growth

Markets Rally Strong; Sensex Soars 889 Points

Indian benchmark equity indices extended their winning momentum on Wednesday, with the BSE Sensex surging 889 points and the Nifty 50 closing above the crucial 24,250 mark, supported by strong buying across information technology, banking and financial stocks. The rally reflected improving investor sentiment despite lingering global uncertainties.

The Sensex closed at 77,654.60, gaining 889 points (1.16%), while the Nifty 50 climbed 265 points (1.10%) to settle at 24,250.20. The benchmarks traded firmly throughout the session, with the Nifty briefly touching higher intraday levels before ending comfortably in positive territory.

Information technology stocks led the rally after encouraging quarterly earnings boosted confidence in the sector. Banking and financial shares also witnessed strong buying, while auto and several heavyweight stocks added to the positive momentum. The broader market joined the rally as well, with the Nifty Midcap 100 gaining 0.8% and the Nifty Smallcap 100 advancing 1.5%, indicating broad-based participation from investors.

Market experts attributed the sharp rise to a combination of strong corporate earnings, positive global cues and renewed optimism over India's economic outlook. Continued buying by institutional investors also helped strengthen market sentiment, outweighing concerns over rising crude oil prices linked to geopolitical tensions in the Middle East.

The rally also added significantly to investors' wealth, with the total market capitalisation of BSE-listed companies increasing by nearly 4 lakh crore during the session. Analysts believe sustained earnings growth and resilient domestic fundamentals continue to support the market despite external risks.

Among sectoral indices, IT emerged as the top performer, followed by banking, financial services and automobiles. Most major sectors ended in the green, reflecting widespread buying interest across the market. Investors also remained optimistic ahead of upcoming corporate earnings and key global economic developments that could influence market direction in the coming sessions.

Market participants will now closely monitor domestic macroeconomic data, global market trends, crude oil prices and corporate earnings for further cues. Analysts expect volatility to persist, but believe the market's ability to hold above the 24,250 level could provide confidence for investors if positive momentum continues.



SML Mahindra Hits Upper Circuit After M&M Deal

Shares of SML Mahindra surged 20%, hitting the upper circuit on Wednesday after Mahindra & Mahindra (M&M) announced the sale of its Truck and Bus Division (MTBD) to SML Mahindra for 525 crore. The move was welcomed by investors, who viewed it as a major step towards strengthening the group's commercial vehicle business.

The transaction is aimed at consolidating Mahindra Group's truck and bus operations under a single listed entity. By bringing the businesses together, the company expects to improve operational efficiency, enhance product development and create a stronger presence in India's commercial vehicle segment.

The acquisition will be carried out through a slump sale, with SML Mahindra acquiring the entire Truck and Bus Division from Mahindra & Mahindra for a cash consideration of 525 crore, subject to customary working capital adjustments and regulatory approvals. The deal is expected to be completed by January 2027.

Following the announcement, investors rushed to buy SML Mahindra shares, pushing the stock to its daily upper circuit limit. Market participants believe the consolidation could create a more focused commercial vehicle business with improved scale and better growth opportunities.

Mahindra & Mahindra said the restructuring aligns with its long-term strategy of streamlining operations and unlocking value across its automotive businesses. Combining the truck and bus operations under SML Mahindra is also expected to improve decision-making, optimise manufacturing and strengthen competitiveness in the medium and heavy commercial vehicle market.

The Truck and Bus Division contributes a relatively small share to Mahindra & Mahindra's overall revenue but remains an important part of its commercial vehicle portfolio. By integrating it with SML Mahindra, the group aims to build a unified business capable of serving a wider range of customers across truck and bus segments.

Analysts believe the restructuring could help SML Mahindra expand its product portfolio, improve operational synergies and strengthen its position in the highly competitive commercial vehicle industry. Investors will now closely watch the completion of the transaction and the company's future growth strategy as the combined business takes shape.

Infosys Rallies 11% In Three Days; Analysts Cautious

Infosys shares extended their winning streak, climbing nearly 11% over the last three trading sessions as investors returned to information technology stocks amid a global shift away from high-risk artificial intelligence (AI) plays. The rally has made Infosys one of the top-performing large-cap IT stocks in recent days.

The broader IT sector has benefited from a global reassessment of AI-related investments. Concerns over rising spending on AI infrastructure and semiconductor companies have prompted investors to rotate funds into established IT services firms with stable earnings and attractive valuations. This trend has boosted stocks such as Infosys, TCS, HCLTech and Wipro.

The strong momentum has also been supported by improving global sentiment, renewed foreign institutional investor (FII) buying and expectations that demand for traditional IT services could remain resilient despite rapid advances in artificial intelligence.

However, market experts believe investors should avoid chasing the rally at current levels. Technical indicators suggest that Infosys has entered overbought territory after its sharp three-day surge, increasing the possibility of short-term profit booking or price consolidation.

Brokerages remain positive on the company's long-term fundamentals, citing its strong client base, healthy deal pipeline and focus on digital transformation and AI-enabled services. However, they advise investors to wait for better entry levels rather than buying aggressively after the recent spike.

Analysts also point out that the company's future performance will depend on factors such as global economic conditions, discretionary technology spending by clients and management commentary in upcoming quarters. Any improvement in demand from key markets like the United States and Europe could provide additional support to the stock.

For existing investors, most analysts recommend holding the stock, as the long-term outlook remains constructive despite the possibility of near-term volatility. New investors are advised to wait for a correction before initiating fresh positions, while traders should closely monitor technical support and resistance levels.

The recent rally highlights renewed confidence in India's IT sector as investors rebalance their portfolios. While Infosys continues to enjoy strong long-term prospects, analysts believe disciplined investing and careful timing will be crucial after the stock's sharp upward move.



Paradeep Phosphates Jumps 12.5% On Strong Q1 Results

Cipla Gains After USFDA Nod For Generic Advair

Shares of Cipla Ltd. rose nearly 2.7% after the company received US Food and Drug Administration (USFDA) approval for its generic Advair Diskus, a key respiratory medicine used to treat asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). The approval has boosted investor confidence in the pharmaceutical major's growth prospects in the United States.

The approval covers all three dosage strengths of the generic inhaler, marking a significant milestone for Cipla. It is also the company's first dry powder inhaler approval from its US-based manufacturing network, highlighting its growing capabilities in complex respiratory products.

Brokerage firm Nomura described the approval as a positive development, saying it strengthens Cipla's execution track record in the highly regulated US pharmaceutical market. The brokerage believes the product could generate annual revenues of around \$30-40 million, providing an additional boost to the company's North American business.

According to industry estimates, the combined market for the branded and generic versions of Advair is valued at around \$941 million annually. While competition in the segment remains intense, analysts believe the approval gives Cipla an opportunity to strengthen its presence in the lucrative respiratory therapy market.

The product received approval from Cipla's Fall River (InvaGen) facility in the United States after production was shifted from its Indore plant, which had previously faced regulatory scrutiny. The successful approval is viewed as an important step in rebuilding confidence in the company's manufacturing and regulatory compliance standards.

Market experts believe the approval reinforces Cipla's long-term strategy of expanding its portfolio of complex generic medicines in the US. The company has been investing heavily in respiratory therapies, which continue to be a key growth area for its international business.

Following the announcement, buying interest in the stock increased as investors welcomed the potential for additional revenue and stronger growth in overseas markets. Analysts remain optimistic about Cipla's long-term outlook, although they note that competition in the US generic drug market could limit the overall revenue opportunity.

With a strong pipeline of respiratory products and continued focus on innovation, Cipla is expected to remain one of India's leading pharmaceutical exporters. Investors will now closely monitor the commercial launch of the generic Advair product and its contribution to the company's earnings in the coming quarters.



SEBI Cancels Research Analysts Over Renewal Fee Default

The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has cancelled the registration certificates of 10 research analysts after they failed to pay the mandatory renewal fees required to keep their licences valid. The move is part of the market regulator's ongoing efforts to strengthen compliance and maintain the integrity of India's securities market.

Under the SEBI (Research Analysts) Regulations, 2014, every registered research analyst must pay a renewal fee every five years to continue operating legally. SEBI found that the concerned entities had failed to comply with this requirement, resulting in their registrations becoming invalid.

According to the regulator, notices were issued to the research analysts before taking action, giving them an opportunity to respond. However, the required renewal fees were not paid, prompting SEBI to proceed with the cancellation of their registrations.

SEBI said the action was necessary to prevent the misuse of expired registration certificates and to safeguard the interests of investors. The regulator emphasized that only duly registered and compliant research analysts should be allowed to provide investment research and recommendations to the public.

Research analysts play an important role in the capital markets by offering stock recommendations, company analysis and investment insights. Since many retail investors rely on such advice while making financial decisions, SEBI has been tightening regulatory oversight to ensure greater transparency, accountability and professional standards.

The latest action forms part of a broader compliance drive by the regulator against intermediaries that fail to meet statutory requirements. In recent months, SEBI has taken similar measures against investment advisers and other registered market participants for violations of regulatory norms.

Market experts believe the move reinforces SEBI's zero-tolerance approach toward non-compliance and sends a strong message that regulatory obligations cannot be ignored. They also advise investors to verify the registration status of research analysts and investment advisers before acting on any financial recommendations.

SEBI has consistently encouraged investors to seek advice only from registered professionals, as dealing with unregistered or non-compliant entities may expose them to financial risks. The regulator is expected to continue monitoring market intermediaries closely to ensure that all participants adhere to the prescribed rules and maintain high standards of governance and investor protection.



England Star Cherishes Final Battle Against Rohit

England fast bowler Gus Atkinson has revealed that facing Rohit Sharma during the recent India-England series was a special experience, admitting he was unsure if he would ever get another opportunity to bowl to the Indian batting great.

Speaking about Rohit's presence at the crease, Atkinson said the Indian opener has been one of the finest batters of his generation and competing against him was something he truly valued. He added that with discussions surrounding Rohit's future in international cricket, he wasn't certain he would get another chance to play against the Indian veteran.

The England pacer praised Rohit's calm approach and exceptional ability to dominate bowlers in all conditions. He described the contest as a memorable challenge and said every spell against a world-class batter like Rohit offers valuable learning for a young fast bowler.

Rohit, meanwhile, silenced critics during the ODI series with a magnificent century, reminding everyone why he remains one of the most dangerous white-ball batters in world



West Indies Players To Attend Sobers' State Funeral

Several members of the West Indies cricket team will travel to Barbados to attend the state funeral of Sir Garfield Sobers, one of the greatest all-rounders in cricket history, following their memorable Test victory over Pakistan.

The Barbados-based players, including Test captain Roston Chase and white-ball captain Shai Hope, are set to return home with support from the Barbados government to pay their final respects to the legendary cricketer.

The emotional visit comes just hours after the West Indies secured a dramatic 90-run victory over Pakistan in the opening Test. The win carried added significance as it came on what would have been Sir Garfield Sobers' 90th birthday, making the occasion even more special for the team.

Captain Roston Chase dedicated the victory to Sobers, saying the players were determined to honour the cricket icon with a memorable performance. He praised the team's commitment and described the triumph as a fitting tribute to one of the game's greatest legends.

Sir Garfield Sobers, widely regarded as one of the finest

all-rounders in cricket history, represented the West Indies with distinction for nearly two decades. His extraordinary achievements with both bat and ball, along with his inspirational leadership, made him one of the sport's most celebrated figures.

The state funeral at Kensington Oval is expected to be attended by former cricketers, government leaders, dignitaries and members of the cricketering fraternity from across the Caribbean, as they gather to celebrate Sobers' remarkable life and legacy.

The West Indies players' decision to attend the ceremony reflects the immense respect and admiration Sir Garfield Sobers continues to command across generations. His influence extends far beyond records and statistics, inspiring countless cricketers around the world.

As the team celebrates an important Test victory, it will also pause to bid farewell to a man whose contribution to West Indies cricket remains unmatched. The occasion is expected to be both a celebration of an iconic career and a heartfelt tribute to one of cricket's greatest ambassadors.

Gill Reclaims No. 1, Vaibhav Makes Giant Leap



Indian cricket received a major boost in the latest ICC Men's Player Rankings, with Shubman Gill reclaiming the No. 1 spot in the ODI batting rankings, while teenage sensation Vaibhav Sooryavanshi registered one of the biggest jumps in the T20I rankings.

Gill returned to the top of the ODI batting charts after a string of consistent performances, overtaking his rivals to become the world's highest-ranked ODI batter once again. His return to the summit underlines his remarkable consistency and growing stature as one of the finest batters in international cricket.

The biggest talking point, however, was the stunning rise of 15-year-old Vaibhav Sooryavanshi, who climbed 230

places in the ICC Men's T20I batting rankings to reach a career-best 48th position. The young left-hander earned the massive leap following his outstanding performances during India's T20I series against Zimbabwe, where he finished as one of the standout performers.

Sooryavanshi impressed with his fearless stroke play and consistency throughout the series, quickly establishing himself as one of India's brightest young talents. His rapid rise in the rankings reflects the impact he has made in only a handful of international appearances.

India also continued to enjoy a strong presence across the batting rankings, with several players occupying prominent positions in both ODI and T20I

formats. The latest rankings highlight the country's impressive batting depth and the emergence of a new generation of match-winners.

Gill's return to the No. 1 position is expected to further strengthen his reputation as India's premier white-ball batter, while Sooryavanshi's meteoric rise has added another exciting chapter to Indian cricket's future.

With major international tournaments on the horizon, both batters will look to build on their current form. Gill will aim to cement his place at the top of the ODI rankings, while Sooryavanshi will be eager to continue his remarkable progress and climb even higher in the T20I batting charts.

IPL Brand Value Nears ₹2 Lakh Crore Milestone



The Indian Premier League (IPL) has reached another historic milestone, with its overall business value climbing to over \$20.6 billion (nearly 2 lakh crore), reaffirming its position as the world's richest and most valuable T20 cricket league.

According to the latest brand valuation report, the IPL recorded more than 11% growth in business value over the past year. The league's standalone brand value also increased significantly, reflecting its growing commercial appeal, global fan base and strong revenue streams from broadcasting, sponsorships and franchise investments.

For the first time, Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) has emerged as the most valuable IPL franchise, with a brand valuation of \$312 million. The franchise's maiden IPL title and rapidly growing commercial presence played a major role in its rise to the top.

Mumbai Indians (MI) secured the second position, while Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) climbed to third place, overtaking Chennai Super Kings (CSK), which slipped to fourth in the latest brand rankings. The reshuffle reflects changing commercial dynamics and increasing investor interest in the league.

The report highlighted that IPL franchises are no longer viewed merely as cricket teams but as premium sports and entertainment brands with long-term business potential. Strong media rights deals, expanding digital engagement and rising sponsorship revenues have continued to drive franchise valuations higher. The league has also attracted significant global investment in recent months, with record-breaking ownership deals further boosting confidence in the IPL's commercial strength. Investors see the tournament as a high-value sporting asset with sustained growth potential. Industry experts believe the IPL has evolved into a year-round sports business rather than a seasonal cricket competition. Its ability to attract top players, massive television audiences and millions of digital viewers has made it one of the most successful sporting leagues in the world.

With franchise values continuing to rise and global interest growing rapidly, the IPL is expected to strengthen its position as a leading international sports property. Analysts believe continued expansion, innovation and commercial partnerships will drive even greater growth in the years ahead.

Neymar Confirms Retirement From International Football



Brazilian football superstar Neymar has officially announced his retirement from international football, bringing the curtain down on a remarkable career with the national team after Brazil's disappointing exit from the 2026 FIFA World Cup.

The 34-year-old forward said he no longer wanted to continue the battle with the national team, confirming that his journey in Brazil's famous yellow jersey had come to an end. His emotional announcement followed Brazil's Round of 16 defeat, a result that ended the country's hopes of lifting a sixth World Cup title.

Neymar leaves international football as Brazil's all-time leading goalscorer, having scored 80 goals in 130 appearances. Over a career spanning more than 16 years, he became one of the most influential players in Brazilian football history, known for his flair, creativity and match-winning ability.

He represented Brazil in four FIFA World Cups and won several major honours, including the 2013 FIFA Confederations

Cup and the Olympic gold medal at the 2016 Rio Games. Despite his individual brilliance, the FIFA World Cup title remained elusive throughout his international career.

In his farewell message, Neymar expressed gratitude for the opportunity to represent his country, saying he gave everything for the national team and was proud of everything he had achieved wearing the Brazil jersey.

Throughout his career, Neymar overcame numerous injury setbacks but continued to deliver memorable performances and inspire millions of fans around the world. His technical

brilliance, dazzling dribbling and eye for goal made him one of the defining footballers of his generation.

Although he has stepped away from international football, Neymar is expected to continue his club career with Santos, where he returned in an effort to revive his career after his spell abroad.

With Neymar's departure, Brazilian football enters a new era as the national team looks to build its future around a younger generation of players. His retirement marks the end of one of the most celebrated international careers in the history of the sport.



Ryan Ten Doeschate Returns To KKR After India Exit

Former India assistant coach Ryan ten Doeschate has returned to the Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) setup, just days after stepping down from his role with the Indian men's cricket team. The three-time IPL champions have appointed the former Netherlands all-rounder as their Head of Cricket Strategy, marking another chapter in his long association with the Knight Riders franchise.

In his new role, Ten Doeschate will oversee cricket operations across the Knight Riders' global franchises. His responsibilities will include talent identification, player development, long-term planning and shaping the overall cricketing strategy for the group.

Ten Doeschate is no stranger to the Knight Riders family. He represented KKR as a player and was part of the franchise's IPL title-winning squads in 2012 and 2014. He later returned as a coach and played an important role in the team's 2024 IPL championship before joining the Indian national team's support staff.

His stint with Team India

came to an end following the completion of his contract, paving the way for a return to franchise cricket. The move is seen as a significant addition to KKR's management structure as the franchise looks to strengthen its long-term cricket operations across multiple leagues.

The appointment has been welcomed by KKR supporters, many of whom remember Ten Doeschate's valuable contributions both on and off the field. His familiarity with the franchise's culture and success in previous roles are expected to help him make an immediate impact.

With extensive experience as an international cricketer, coach and strategist, Ten Doeschate is expected to play a key role in identifying emerging talent, enhancing player performance and building a consistent cricketing philosophy across the Knight Riders network. His return further reinforces KKR's commitment to investing in experienced leadership as the franchise prepares for future challenges across global T20 competitions.



Australia Seeks Bigger Squads For 2027 World Cup

Defending champions Australia have urged the International Cricket Council (ICC) to increase squad sizes for the 2027 ODI World Cup, arguing that the tournament's revamped format will place greater physical and strategic demands on teams.

Australia head coach Andrew McDonald believes the current 15-member squad may not be sufficient for a longer and more demanding competition. He has proposed expanding squad sizes to 17 players, allowing teams greater flexibility to cope with injuries, workload management and varying playing conditions.

The 2027 ODI World Cup, to be jointly hosted by South Africa, Zimbabwe and Namibia, will feature 14 teams, marking an expansion from the 10-team format used in the 2023 edition. The tournament will also return to a group-stage format followed by a Super Six round before the knockout stages, increasing the number of matches for teams that progress deep into the competition.

McDonald said larger squads would help teams rotate players more effectively and reduce the risk of being left short-handed if injuries occur during the tournament. He believes the expanded format requires greater squad depth than previous editions.

The Australian coach also pointed out that different venues and playing conditions across the three host nations could require teams to adapt their combinations more frequently. Having additional players available would provide selectors with greater tactical flexibility throughout the tournament.

Australia, the reigning ODI World Cup champions after their triumph in 2023, have already begun planning for the title defence. With the competition expected to be more demanding than before, the team believes that expanding squad sizes would benefit all participating nations and improve the overall quality of the tournament.

The ICC has not yet responded to Australia's proposal, and the final regulations for squad sizes are expected to be announced closer to the tournament. However, McDonald's suggestion has sparked discussion about player workload and the challenges teams could face under the new World Cup format.

‘Raaka’ May Become Two-Part Epic, SRK Cameo Rumoured

Allu Arjun's much-awaited film 'Raaka', directed by Atlee, is reportedly getting even bigger than initially planned. According to the latest industry buzz, the high-budget sci-fi action entertainer is now being developed as a two-part franchise, with the story expected to unfold across two timelines and two distinct worlds. However, the makers have not officially confirmed these reports.

The film has already generated massive excitement as it marks the first collaboration between Allu Arjun and blockbuster director Atlee. Featuring Deepika Padukone as the female lead, the project is said to be mounted on a lavish scale with cutting-edge visual effects and an ambitious cinematic vision. Reports suggest the production budget could touch 1,000 crore, making it one of the most expensive Indian films ever made.

According to reports, the story of 'Raaka' will be split between a tribal Puranic-Vedic era and a



modern-day setting, with both timelines eventually converging. The makers reportedly felt that a single film would not do justice to the scale and complexity of the narrative, leading to discussions about releasing it in two parts.

Adding to the excitement is speculation that Shah Rukh Khan may make a special cameo in the film. Reports claim the Bollywood superstar has agreed to appear in a brief but significant role because of his long-standing

association with director Atlee following the success of Jawan. The cameo is reportedly planned to be shot overseas, although no official announcement has been made.

Industry insiders believe such

a crossover between Allu Arjun and Shah Rukh Khan could become one of the biggest attractions of the film and further strengthen its pan-India appeal. Fans of both stars have already begun celebrating the possibility on social media, with discussions and fan-made posters going viral.

Despite the growing buzz, the production team has remained tight-lipped about the storyline, release strategy and the rumoured cameo. Until an official statement is issued, these developments remain speculative.

With an acclaimed director, a star-studded cast, a reported mega budget and a grand sci-fi concept, 'Raaka' has already emerged as one of the most anticipated Indian films currently in production. If the reports prove true, the combination of a two-part narrative and Shah Rukh Khan's special appearance could make it one of the biggest cinematic events in Indian cinema.



Prabhas Extends Support To ‘Srinivasa Mangapuram’ Team

Ahead of its theatrical release, Prabhas has extended his best wishes to the team of 'Srinivasa Mangapuram', giving the film a major boost with his public support. The pan-India star shared a heartfelt message on Instagram, congratulating the cast and crew and wishing them success.

In his message, Prabhas specially congratulated Rasha Thadani on making her Telugu debut and wished Jai Krishna Ghattamaneni a successful journey in the film industry. He also conveyed his best wishes to director Ajay Bhupathi, presenter Ashwini Dutt, and the entire team, expressing hope that the film becomes a grand success.

Srinivasa Mangapuram is particularly significant as it marks the acting debut of Jai Krishna Ghattamaneni, grandson of legendary actor Superstar Krishna and nephew of Mahesh Babu. The film also introduces Rasha Thadani to Telugu cinema, adding to the excitement surrounding its

release.

Directed by Ajay Bhupathi, the film is a love-action drama featuring Mohan Babu in a powerful antagonist's role. It is produced by P. Kiran, while G.V. Prakash Kumar has composed the music. The film has generated considerable buzz ahead of its release, thanks to its fresh lead pair, experienced supporting cast and strong promotional campaign. Prabhas' endorsement has further heightened expectations among movie lovers and fans, with many appreciating his gesture on social media.

With the backing of an experienced filmmaking team and the support of one of Telugu cinema's biggest stars, Srinivasa Mangapuram heads into theatres with strong positive momentum. Industry observers believe the film has the potential to attract audiences looking for a fresh romantic action entertainer, while all eyes will be on the performances of the debutants as they begin their cinematic journey.

Priyanka’s Telugu Dubbing? ‘Varanasi’ Producer Responds

Speculation surrounding Priyanka Chopra Jonas dubbing her own Telugu lines in SS Rajamouli's upcoming magnum opus 'Varanasi' has been put to rest—for now. The film's producer, K.L. Narayana, has clarified that no final decision has been taken regarding the actress's Telugu dubbing.

The rumours began after Priyanka reportedly revealed during a social media interaction that she had been practising Telugu for her role in the highly anticipated film. The statement sparked excitement among fans, with many believing that the actress would dub for herself in the Telugu version.



However, producer K.L. Narayana has said that it is still too early to make that call. According to him, the team has not yet decided who will dub for Priyanka, and the matter will be dis-

cussed only closer to the film's release.

He explained that while filming, Priyanka currently delivers her dialogues using a mix of English, Hindi and Telugu. Since

the movie is planned for release in multiple languages, the makers intend to evaluate the dubbing requirements at a later stage before taking a final decision. Varanasi marks Priyanka Chopra's return to Indian cinema after several years and also her first collaboration with superstar Mahesh Babu and director S.S. Rajamouli. The film features Mahesh Babu in the lead role, while Prithviraj Sukumaran plays another key character. The project is one of the most ambitious films currently under production in Indian cinema.

The film is progressing steadily, with major shooting schedules underway. Backed by a mas-

sive budget and mounted on a global scale, Varanasi is expected to combine action, adventure and mythological elements, making it one of the most eagerly awaited releases.

Meanwhile, Priyanka's efforts to learn Telugu have earned appreciation from fans, who believe that her willingness to embrace the language reflects her commitment to the role. Whether she eventually lends her own voice to the Telugu version remains uncertain, but the producer's clarification makes it clear that the decision will only be taken after production is completed and the team assesses the film's multilingual release strategy.

Yuvina Parthavi Introduced As Sampoorna In ‘AK47’

The promotional campaign for 'Aadarsha Kutumbam House No. 47 (AK47)' continues to build excitement with the introduction of another key member of the family. The makers have now unveiled Yuvina Parthavi as Sampoorna, the adorable daughter of Chittibabu, through a fun-filled character glimpse that has quickly caught the attention of movie lovers.

The newly released glimpse presents Sampoorna as a lively Gen-Z teenager whose playful personality promises plenty of entertaining moments. Filled with Trivikram Srinivas' signature humour and witty dialogues, the video hints that the young character will play a crucial role in adding fun and emotional depth to the family entertainer.

Yuvina Parthavi, known for her impressive performances as a child artist, appears confident and energetic in the role. Her chemistry with Venkatesh Dagubati, who plays Chittibabu, is expected to be one of the film's major highlights.

The makers have been introducing one character at a time as part of a unique promotional strategy. After revealing Venkatesh as Chittibabu and Srinidhi Shetty as Swarna, the introduction of Sampoorna has further expanded the quirky family at the heart of the story. More character reveals are expected in the coming days, keeping the promo-



tional momentum alive.

Written and directed by Trivikram Srinivas, the film marks his first collaboration with Venkatesh, making it one of the most anticipated Telugu releases of the year. The movie is produced by S. Radha Krishna (Chinababu) under the Haarika & Hassine Creations banner, with S. Thaman composing the music, Ravi K. Chandran handling cinematography and Sreekar Prasad taking care of editing.

Apart from Venkatesh, Srinidhi Shetty and

Yuvina Parthavi, the film also features Nara Rohith, Nivetha Pethuraj, Rao Ramesh, Venela Kishore and several other prominent actors in key roles.

Scheduled for a worldwide theatrical release on October 2, 2026, Aadarsha Kutumbam House No. 47 (AK47) is expected to offer a wholesome mix of family emotions, comedy and entertainment. With each new character reveal generating positive buzz, anticipation for Trivikram and Venkatesh's first collaboration continues to grow.

Venky Atluri Confirms Another Film With Dhanush

Director Venky Atluri has delighted fans by confirming that he is planning another collaboration with Dhanush, rekindling excitement among movie lovers who enjoyed their successful outing in 'Vaathi' (Sir in Telugu).

Speaking during a recent interaction, Venky revealed that he has already narrated a story idea to Dhanush. The actor reportedly liked the concept, and the director said he will begin writing the complete screenplay after wrapping up his current film, 'Vishwanath & Sons'.

Venky also shared that the upcoming project will be set against the backdrop of the police department. Since he has not previously explored this genre, he said he is investing considerable time in research to ensure the story is authentic and engaging. According to the director, he wants to deliver a well-crafted script, especially because Dhanush is himself an accomplished writer and filmmaker. The announcement has generated considerable excitement, as 'Vaathi' was both a critical and commercial success, earning praise for its strong social message, engaging storytelling and Dhanush's powerful performance. Fans have been eagerly waiting for the duo to reunite ever since the film's release.

At present, Venky Atluri is focused on completing 'Vishwanath & Sons', starring Suriya in the lead role. Once the film is completed, he is expected to



shift his attention to developing the script for the new Dhanush project.

Meanwhile, Dhanush has a packed schedule with multiple films lined up, keeping him busy over the coming months. Despite his commitments, the prospect of another collaboration with Venky Atluri has raised expectations among fans across Tamil and Telugu cinema.

Although the project is still in its early stages, Venky's latest update confirms that discussions are moving in a positive direction. More details regarding the title, cast, production timeline and official launch are expected to be announced after the director completes his current assignment.

Keerthy Suresh May Groove ‘Ramayana’ Trailer To Release On July 30 In ‘The Paradise’ Special Song

National Award-winning actress Keerthy Suresh is reportedly set to make a special appearance in Nani's much-awaited pan-India film 'The Paradise'. According to the latest industry buzz, the actress has been approached for a high-energy special song, which is expected to be one of the film's major highlights. However, the makers are yet to make an official announcement.

If the reports turn out to be true, the song will reunite Keerthy Suresh with Nani and director Srikanth Odela after the blockbuster success of 'Dasara'. Their previous collaboration received widespread appreciation from both audiences and critics, making the prospect of another reunion an exciting one for fans.

Reports suggest the special number is being planned on a grand scale, with lavish production values, an elaborate set and a large troupe of dancers. The makers are reportedly aiming to create one of the biggest dance sequences in the film, matching the raw and intense tone of the action drama.

Interestingly, Keerthy Suresh has largely stayed away from glamorous special songs throughout her career.



If she agrees to be part of The Paradise, it would mark a rare and exciting addition to her filmography, offering audiences a completely different side of the acclaimed actress.

Directed by Srikanth Odela, The Paradise is one of the most anticipated Telugu films currently under production. The film stars Nani in the lead role and features music composed by Anirudh Ravichander, whose soundtrack is already generating significant expectations among fans.

While speculation continues to

gather momentum, neither the production house nor Keerthy Suresh has officially confirmed her involvement in the special song. Until an official announcement is made, the reports remain unverified.

Even so, the possibility of Keerthy sharing screen space with Nani once again has created tremendous excitement. If the collaboration materialises, the special song is expected to become one of the biggest attractions of The Paradise, adding further buzz to a film that is already among the most eagerly awaited releases in Telugu cinema.



The wait is finally over for movie lovers eagerly awaiting Nitesh Tiwari's 'Ramayana'. The makers have officially announced that the film's much-anticipated trailer will be released on July 30 at 4:15 AM, during the auspicious Brahma Muhurat, marking the beginning of the film's grand promotional campaign.

The announcement has generated tremendous excitement among fans, who have been eagerly waiting for a glimpse of one of the biggest and most ambitious Indian films ever made. The trailer was initially expected to arrive earlier but was postponed, making the official confirmation even more special.

Directed by Nitesh Tiwari, Ramayana features an impressive ensemble cast led by Ranbir Kapoor as Lord Ram, Sai Pal-

lavi as Sita and Yash as Ravana. The film has been mounted on a massive scale with world-class visual effects and is expected to redefine Indian mythological cinema.

The project is backed by producer Namit Malhotra, who has repeatedly stated that the vision is to present the timeless epic to a global audience with international production standards. The film also boasts an extraordinary musical collaboration between A.R. Rahman and Academy Award-winning composer Hans Zimmer, adding to the anticipation. The trailer is expected to offer audiences their first detailed look at the film's stunning visuals, larger-than-life action sequences, grand production design and the lead actors in their iconic roles. Fans

are especially eager to see the on-screen clash between Ranbir Kapoor's Lord Ram and Yash's Ravana.

Adding to the excitement, the trailer will also be screened in selected theatres, allowing audiences to experience the epic visuals on the big screen before the film's release. This unique strategy reflects the makers' confidence in the scale and cinematic experience of the project.

With expectations soaring, Ramayana has already become one of the most talked-about Indian films in recent years. The trailer launch is expected to set the stage for an extensive promotional campaign leading up to the film's theatrical release, as fans across the country prepare to witness a modern retelling of one of India's greatest epics.