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India, Bangladesh deepen cultural ties around Nazrul Borsho celebrations

Dhaka.(Agency)

India and Bangladesh on Sunday discussed ways to deepen cultural cooperation, including exchanges in classical music, folk art and heritage conservation, with a focus on Dhaka's year-long celebrations of revolutionary poet Kazi Nazrul Islam's legacy. The discussions took place during a meeting between Indian High Commissioner Dinesh Trivedi and Bangladesh Cultural Affairs Minister Nitai Roy Chowdhury. According to a social media post by the Indian High Commission in Dhaka, the two sides spoke about the "deep-rooted cultural connection" between the peoples of the two countries and the need to strengthen cultural engagement between the neighbours. Minister of State for Cultural Affairs Ali Nawaz Mahmud Khayyam was also present at the meeting. The mission said the two sides "discussed potential cooperation and exchanges in the fields of classical music, folk art, heritage conservation, institutional linkages and joint cultural programmes and conferences, especially as part of Nazrul Borsho celebrations, which are all aimed at promoting people-to-people ties". Nazrul Borsho, or Nazrul Year, is being observed in Bangladesh from May 25, 2026, to May 25, 2027, to mark the 127th birth anniversary of the country's national poet. The year-long observance seeks to highlight his literary, musical and cultural legacy through programmes across Bangladesh and international initiatives.

Indonesia volcano erupts again; 8 airports shut, over 170,000 passengers stranded

world.(Agency)

About 170,000 passengers were stranded in Indonesia after Mount Anak Krakatau erupted again on Sunday, sending volcanic ash into surrounding airspace and disrupting air travel. Authorities suspended more than 1,500 flight operations at the country's main international airport and seven other airports. Schools across Jakarta were also ordered to shift classes online from Monday amid the heightened volcanic activity. The eruption of Anak Krakatau, located in the Sunda Strait between the islands of Java and Sumatra, produced a plume of volcanic ash that spread into surrounding airspace, disrupting hundreds of flights and prompting authorities to extend airport closures into Monday. Indonesia's airport authority said the suspension at the affected airports had been extended until 8.59 am local time on Monday because of "increased eruptive activity at Mount Anak Krakatau".

1,558 FLIGHTS DELAYED

Indonesia's transport ministry said 1,558 flights had been delayed across the eight affected airports, affecting around 170,000 passengers. More than 900 of the affected flights were to or from Jakarta's Soekarno-Hatta International Airport, the country's principal international aviation hub. Operations were also suspended at seven other airports, including Husein Sastranegara International Airport in Bandung and Radin Inten II International A. Authorities said several airports, including those serving Semarang and Surabaya, had been prepared to handle diverted flights and provide alternative landing options. The disruption left thousands of travellers scrambling to rearrange their journeys, with airlines forced to cancel or reschedule flights. One passenger, Henny Yensan, 44, told news agency AFP that she had planned to return to her hometown with her mother but had to reschedule her flight for Tuesday. irport near Bandar Lampung on Sumatra. "Everybody was disappointed," she said, adding that passengers understood the cancellations were caused by a natural disaster.

Ukraine weighs legalising porn to raise war funds, 30,000 drones in focus: Report

KATHMANDU.(Agency)

Ukraine is considering legalising and taxing its largely underground pornography industry to raise money for its war against Russia, with the move potentially



generating enough revenue to fund around 30,000 drones, The Wall Street Journal reported. A bill seeking to legalise pornography has cleared its first reading in Parliament and is awaiting a second. Lawmaker Yaroslav Zhelezniak, who chairs Parliament's finance committee and co-authored the legislation, estimates that

taxing the industry could generate up to \$25 million annually. The proposed revenue would be modest compared with Ukraine's overall wartime spending. Kyiv estimates it needs roughly \$120 billion annually for defence, but lawmakers say even a relatively small additional stream could help pay for critical military equipment. Yaroslav Zhelezniak, a lawmaker who chairs Parliament's finance committee and co-authored the bill, estimates that the potential \$25 million in annual taxes could finance approximately 30,000 drones. The proposal seeks to resolve what lawmakers describe as a legal and tax contradiction. While Ukraine's adult-content industry has grown rapidly, producing and distributing pornography remains illegal. This means creators who declare their income to tax authorities can potentially expose themselves to criminal prosecution. The scale of the online industry has nevertheless become difficult to ignore. Data cited by the Journal showed that around 7,900 Ukrainians earned more than \$131 million through OnlyFans in 2023, highlighting the potential tax base.

Germany moves to end ICJ case over its military support for Israel in Gaza war

Berlin will argue the UN court lacks jurisdiction or that Nicaragua's claims are inadmissible as four days of hearings begin in The Hague.

THE HAGUE.(Agency)

Germany will Monday ask the top United Nations court to toss out a case brought against it by Nicaragua, which has accused Berlin of "facilitating genocide" with its support of Israel. Lawyers for Germany will kick off four days of hearings at the International Court of Justice (ICJ), the court based in The Hague that rules on disputes between countries. The case dates back to 2024,

following the start of Israel's offensive in Gaza. Nicaragua urged ICJ judges to impose emergency measures to force Berlin to halt all aid to Israel, in particular military equipment. The court threw out Nicaragua's request in April of that year, saying "the circumstances, as they now present themselves" did not justify emergency orders. The case is nevertheless ongoing and Germany is now seeking to have it removed, either by persuading judges they do not have the power to rule in the case or that Nicaragua's argument does not stack up. Berlin has filed so-called "preliminary objections to the jurisdiction of the Court and to the admissibility of certain claims" presented by Nicaragua, according to an ICJ statement. The detail of Berlin's case has not yet been made public. Genocide claim After Germany presents its case on

Monday, Nicaragua will respond before both countries get another chance to address the court on Wednesday and



Thursday. It takes on average six months for the court to hand down a ruling in such cases. The court could either side with Germany and throw out the case completely or rule against Berlin, meaning the case would then be

considered "on the merits" in more detail. During hearings at the court in April 2024, Nicaragua said Germany was "pathetic" to provide aid to Gaza while also simultaneously furnishing Israel with weapons. Nicaragua's ambassador to the Netherlands, Carlos Jose Arguello Gomez, told the court: "Germany seems not to be able to differentiate between self-defence and genocide." Germany retorted that Nicaragua's case was "grossly biased", strongly denying the accusations that it was in breach of the 1948 UN Genocide Convention. Israel launched its offensive in Gaza in response to the deadly October 7, 2023 attacks against it by Hamas militants. Due to its Nzi past, Germany has placed Israel's security "at the core" of its foreign policy, its representative told the court in the 2024 hearings. Germany aid its arms trade with Israel was subject to "detailed scrutiny."

AfD wins Saxony-Anhalt vote but falls short of solo rule

Magdeburg.(Agency)

The far-right Alternative for Germany, or AfD, won a regional election in Germany's eastern state of Saxony-Anhalt on Sunday by a wide margin, but fell just short of the absolute majority it needed to govern alone. The result is a major setback for Chancellor Friedrich Merz's Christian Democratic Union, which has led the state for 24 years and suffered a sharp decline. AfD, which is anti-migration and seen as friendly towards Russia, said the result gave it a clear mandate to govern. But with the party finishing three seats short of a majority in the 83-member state parliament, it remained unclear how any stable government could be formed, as mainstream parties have long refused to work with AfD. Final results showed AfD winning 43.8 per cent of the vote, more than double its share from five years ago, and taking 39 seats. Merz's CDU polled 17.2 per cent, about half its

previous support, and won 15 seats. The centre-left Social Democrats got 9.3 per cent, the Greens 8.9 per cent and the Left Party 8.6 per cent, with eight seats each. The BSW party won 5.3 per cent and five seats. Ulrich Siegmund, AfD's 35-year-old candidate for governor, told public broadcaster ARD that "we have written history" and that voters had sent a signal that "things cannot carry on like this". He also said that "a very good campaigner for us in this election campaign was Friedrich Merz". He said AfD would not engage in "games" such as forming a minority government. AfD had been aiming to secure an outright majority and break through the so-called firewall under which mainstream parties refuse to cooperate with it. A first state government would be the biggest prize in the party's 13-year history. Even if it does not enter government, the result is a serious blow to Merz at a time of broad discontent with the national

government and its failure so far to convince voters that it can revive Germany's sluggish economy. Modern Germany has not had a far-right or right-wing populist party lead a national, state or major-city government. AfD is the biggest opposition party in the national parliament and is strongest in the formerly communist and less prosperous east, where Saxony-Anhalt is located. Its regional branch in Saxony-Anhalt is among several that Germany's domestic intelligence agency has classified as a proven right-wing extremist group, citing among other things members' denigration of migrants from Muslim countries. The party talks of "remigration", a politically charged term for the deportation of immigrants. In a neighbouring state, one of its leaders appealed two convictions for knowingly using a Nazi slogan. AfD rejects accusations of extremism and says they are politically motivated.

Gyirong post wiped out: Nepal flood jolts 2016 China-Nepal BRI rail plan

The flash flood near the Nepal-China (Tibet) border has wrecked the Himalayan nation's key road link to Tibet, highlighting the risks facing Beijing's proposed Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) railway between Tibet and Kathmandu. Experts have called for a rethink of the design and disaster safeguards before the railway project moves beyond paper.

KATHMANDU.(Agency)

The intense flash floods left very little recognisable of what was the Gyirong Land Port between Nepal and China (Tibet). The land port has collapsed, while roads and bridges have disappeared under mud and debris. Rescuers arriving at the site found

"nothing but ruins". The devastation at the border post, located at around 1,800 metres (5,900 feet) above sea level in the fragile Himalayan terrain,



has wiped out a crucial land-based trade route between Nepal and China. But the damage could have wider implications. With Gyirong and its surrounding areas devastated, the floods have also thrown into question China's proposed Belt and Road

Initiative (BRI) railway linking Tibet with Kathmandu. The railway, which has barely progressed beyond paper since it was conceived in 2016, now faces a fresh and formidable challenge. The floods have exposed the hazards of building such a project in the fragile Himalayan terrain, prompting experts to call for a reassessment. Any such project in this vulnerable region could also have adverse strategic implications for India. Experts have flagged the construction of a mega dam near the Namcha Barwa, right before the Brahmaputra enters India. Experts have sought cross-border hydrological studies, real-time warning systems and a new disaster-management framework.

North Korea commissions second destroyer as Kim calls for stronger deterrent

Seoul.(Agency)

North Korean leader Kim Jong Un has commissioned the country's second naval destroyer and called for a more reliable nuclear deterrent, according to state media reports on Monday. The move came as the United States, South Korea and Japan began a five-day trilateral military exercise that Pyongyang sees as a security threat. The development also comes as North Korea steps up pressure on Washington after rejecting President Donald Trump's decision to scale back a major US-South Korea military drill as a conciliatory gesture towards Kim. Observers say Pyongyang is seeking bigger concessions from the US. The destroyer, named Kang Kon, was commissioned into North Korea's navy on Sunday at a ceremony in the eastern port city of Wonsan. Kim attended the event with his teenage daughter, whom South Korea's spy agency has described as his likely heir. State media photographs showed her in a white dress and blazer, walking beside her father on

a red carpet, touring the warship and posing with sailors.

The Kang Kon and the Choe Hyon, which was commissioned in June, are both 5,000-tonne destroyers equipped with nuclear-capable missiles. They are North Korea's most advanced warships. In a speech at the ceremony, Kim said the back-to-back commissioning of the destroyers had instilled fear in enemies and that the nuclear armament of North Korea's navy made it possible to use its nuclear deterrent in a more diversified and practical way. "Concerns of the enemies will be surely deepened," Kim said. "We must establish more clearly a powerful and reliable nuclear war deterrent, to put into practice the diverse and effective operation of our nuclear combat systems and further strengthen our military activities for maritime defence and war deterrence." On Monday, the US, South Korea and Japan were set to begin their Freedom Edge exercise in waters off South Korea's southern Jeju island. South Korea's military has said the exercise is defensive in nature and is

meant to respond to North Korea's nuclear threats. Last week, North Korea's Foreign Ministry accused the US of more clearly showing a confrontational posture towards the North, citing the Freedom Edge exercise and reported comments by US officials that Washington remains committed to the complete denuclearisation of North Korea. On August 21, the US and South Korean militaries ended their annual Ulchi Freedom Shield exercise six days earlier than originally planned after Trump said he had ordered the Pentagon to "substantially reduce" the drill. Trump cited what he described as a good relationship with Kim, who views the exercise as a rehearsal for invasion. But Kim's sister and senior official Kim Yo Jong dismissed the outreach, saying merely shortening the drill would not change its "provocative, aggressive nature". North Korea later launched about 10 short-range ballistic missiles towards the sea, apparently carrying out its earlier threat to respond to the US-South Korean exercise.

No Muslim Entry, Aadhaar & Tilak Mandatory: VHP's Garba-Dandiya Rules in Maharashtra

Mumbai: A fresh controversy has erupted ahead of Navratri in Maharashtra after the Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP) announced guidelines calling for Muslims to be kept out of Garba and Dandiya events and urging organisers to verify the religious identity of participants. The VHP has suggested that organisers check attendees' Aadhaar cards and apply a tilak on their foreheads as part of the proposed verification process. Navratri begins on October 11 this year. VHP spokesperson and joint secretary Shriraj Nair defended the move, saying Navratri was fundamentally a religious festival centred on the worship of the Goddess rather than merely a dance or entertainment event. He questioned the

participation of Muslims, whom he said do not subscribe to idol worship. Nair maintained that the guidelines were precautionary measures intended to preserve what the organisation regards as the cultural character of Hindu festivals, rather than being directed against any particular community. He also suggested that Muslims interested in holding Navratri celebrations could organise them separately at their homes or places of worship. **Raut invokes Bhagwat's New York remarks** The VHP's position has drawn criticism from opposition leaders, with Shiv Sena (UBT) MP Sanjay Raut questioning whether the organisation's stance is consistent with recent remarks by RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat.



Raut urged the VHP to consider Bhagwat's recent message on Hindu-Muslim relations in New York and questioned whether the organisation disagreed with the RSS chief. Addressing the "One World, One

Humanity" faith leaders' gathering in New York on August 29, Bhagwat said that a person who believes there should be no Muslims in Bharat could not remain

The VHP, however, has maintained its position. Nair said the organisation would not comment on Bhagwat's remarks while reiterating that it was not

a Hindu. He also stressed human dignity and the idea that different religious paths can lead towards the same goal. The remarks have added another layer to the controversy, with critics highlighting an apparent contrast between Bhagwat's message of social unity and the VHP's proposed restrictions on participation in Garba and Dandiya events.

VHP guidelines restricting Muslim participation in Maharashtra Garba & Dandiya events, with Aadhaar & tilak checks, spark a political controversy.

Mumbai Imposes 15-Day Prohibitory Orders Ahead of Ganeshotsav; Gatherings, Processions & Loudspeakers Restricted



Mumbai: Mumbai Police have imposed 15-day prohibitory restrictions across the city from midnight on September 9 to 11.59 pm on September 23, ahead of the Ganeshotsav celebrations. The order restricts assemblies of five or more people without permission, public processions and the use of loudspeakers and other sound-amplifying equipment. Issued under Section 37(3) read with Section 10(2) of the Maharashtra Police Act, 1951, the order also prohibits musical bands and the bursting of firecrackers during processions. Police said the preventive measure has been taken in view of inputs indicating the possibility of disturbances to public peace and tranquillity, unlawful assemblies and danger to life and property. The restrictions, however, do not amount to a blanket ban on Ganeshotsav celebrations. Several routine activities have been exempted, including marriages, funerals, statutory and routine meetings of organisations, academic activities in educational institutions, normal commercial operations, and gatherings connected with courts and government offices. Public entertainment venues such as cinemas and theatres are also covered by exemptions. Importantly, authorised gatherings and processions can continue with specific police permission. Mumbai Police's official process requires organisers seeking permission for a procession to generally apply at least seven days in advance and comply with prescribed routes, traffic and safety conditions. The order is aimed at ensuring peaceful and orderly celebrations during the festival period, when large crowds, religious processions and public events traditionally increase movement across Mumbai. Ganesh mandals and organisers have therefore been advised to obtain the required permissions and strictly follow police directions.

Elderly Woman Drugged, Robbed by Fake Tea Sellers in Chas

Bokaro: A 68-year-old woman was allegedly drugged and robbed of her earrings and mangalsutra after two to three men entered her home in Nala Road, Shiv Shakti Colony, posing as Ayurvedic tea sellers on Monday. The suspects allegedly asked Hiramani Devi to taste the tea leaves, after which she lost consciousness. They then fled with her jewellery. The incident reportedly occurred between 11 am and noon, while her daughter was in the bathroom. Police are examining CCTV footage to identify the suspects. The same men reportedly attempted to target a neighbour earlier but fled after finding her son present.

ED Tightens Probe Around TMC MP Nadimul Haque; Raids 7 Locations in Kolkata, Delhi, Ranchi

New Delhi / Kolkata/ Ranchi: The Enforcement Directorate (ED) on Monday stepped up its probe against Trinamool Congress Rajya Sabha MP Nadimul Haque, conducting searches at seven locations across Kolkata, Delhi and Ranchi in connection with an alleged money-laundering case linked to Urdu daily Akhbar-E-Mashriq. The ED's Kolkata zonal office carried out searches at premises linked to Haque, including his residence and locations associated with the newspaper. Haque is reportedly a director of Akhbar-E-Mashriq Pvt. Ltd., which publishes the Urdu daily. **Probe linked to financial transactions** According to officials, the ED registered an Enforcement Case Information Report (ECIR) on the basis of an FIR filed by the Bidhannagar Police Commissionerate in West Bengal. The case involves allegations concerning the publication and dissemination of material allegedly promoting communal disharmony, along with alleged illegal transactions, unaccounted cash dealings and funding from suspicious sources. The agency is examining financial records and other documentary and digital evidence to trace the alleged proceeds of crime and establish the money trail. The investigation is being conducted under the



provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA). **Searches across three states** The simultaneous operation covered addresses in Kolkata in West Bengal, Delhi and Ranchi in Jharkhand. Reports said the searches began early Monday and were being conducted with assistance from security and state police personnel. In Delhi, an address linked to Haque at South Avenue

was also searched. Reports identified the premises as being associated with the TMC leader and the party's Delhi office. The ED action marks a significant escalation in the agency's investigation into the financial affairs surrounding Akhbar-E-Mashriq. Officials are yet to disclose details of any documents, cash or other material seized during the searches, and the probe remains underway.

Hindi Fortnight: DVC CTPS Organises Administrative Terminology Competition

Bokaro: The Damodar Valley Corporation's Chandrapura Thermal Power Station (CTPS) on Monday organised an administrative terminology and note-drafting competition as part of the ongoing Hindi Fortnight celebrations ahead of Hindi Diwas. Conducted by the Official Language Implementation Sub-Committee, the competition featured separate categories for Hindi and non-Hindi speakers.



The initiative aimed to encourage the effective use of Hindi in official work while strengthening employees' skills in administrative terminology and note drafting. Employees and officers participated enthusiastically and showcased their language and drafting skills. A judging panel

comprising Ranjit Kumar Nirala, Pradeep Kumar Srivastava and Poonam Kumari evaluated the entries on content, linguistic accuracy, use of official terminology and presentation. A number of DVC officers and employees attended the event, which concluded with appreciation for the participants and organisers and a call for greater use of Hindi in official communication.

ESL Steel Celebrates Teachers' Day; Honours Teachers, Inspires Next Generation

Bokaro: ESL Steel Limited celebrated Teachers' Day across its CSR initiatives, honouring teachers, coaches and mentors for their role in nurturing young minds and inspiring the next generation. The celebrations were held at 8 Learning Resource Centres (LRCs) and 12 Nandghars under Project Shiksha, involving more than 900 students in quiz competitions, drawing contests and other activities. Gift distribution and interactive programmes gave students an opportunity to express gratitude to their teachers while promoting creativity and learning. The celebrations also reached the ESL Archery Academy, where young archers paid tribute to their coaches and mentors. Since its inception, the academy has trained 56 archers, providing budding athletes with structured opportunities to develop their



skills and pursue sporting excellence. ESL Steel CEO and Whole-Time Director Ravish Sharma said educators and mentors play a vital role not only in shaping what young people learn but also in determining who they become. He said the company views investment in education, mentorship and youth development as an investment in the future of local communities. Through Project Shiksha and the ESL Archery Academy, the company aims

to create opportunities for children and young people to learn, grow and realise their potential. More than 930 beneficiaries participated in the Teachers' Day celebrations across ESL's CSR project sites. During FY 2025-26, Project Shiksha benefited 1,548 students, while Vedanta AAS Vidyalaya has reached more than 1,700 beneficiaries since its inception, strengthening access to education and digital learning in surrounding communities.

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IIT-ISM Professor Sanjeev Raghuvanshi Selected for IETE-CEOT Award 2026



Dhanbad: IIT-ISM Dhanbad Professor Sanjeev Kumar Raghuvanshi has been selected for the prestigious IETE-CEOT Award (Biennial)-2026 for his contributions to opto-electronics research. Prof. Raghuvanshi of the Department of Electronics Engineering will jointly receive the honour with Dr Simranjit Singh of Punjab Engineering College, Chandigarh. The award recognises significant work in opto-electronic materials, devices, technologies, systems and applications. The award will be presented

at the 69th Annual IETE Convention in Kolkata on September 25-26, 2026. His research focuses on optical sensors, microwave photonics, optical fibre communication, plasmonic and speciality optical fibres, and optical waveguides. He previously received IIT (ISM)'s Outstanding Researcher Award in 2021 and the Best Paper Award at the IEEE Sensors Conference 2022. The latest recognition adds to IIT (ISM) Dhanbad's growing record of research achievements in advanced electronics and photonics.

India, US moving from cooperation to 'co-creation' in space sector: Ambassador Sergio Gor

New Delhi. (Agency)

The United States and India are moving beyond cooperation in the space sector towards “co-creation”, jointly designing instruments, supporting startups and co-authoring the future of human discovery, US Ambassador to India Sergio Gor said on Monday.

He was speaking at the inaugural ceremony of the ninth edition of the Bengaluru Space Expo (BSX), being organised by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) in partnership with ISRO, IN-SPaCe and NewSpace India Limited (NSIL), from September 7 to 9 at the Bangalore International Exhibition Centre (BIEC).

Referring to the ninth US-India Civil Space Joint Working Group recently held in Bengaluru, the US Ambassador said that those discussions affirmed that our partnership is no longer just about cooperation; it is about co-creation. "We are no longer just sharing data; we are co-designing instruments, co-funding startups, and co-authoring the future .

Amid 'Vijay for PM' chant by TVK, KC Venugopal says Rahul Gandhi will lead INDIA bloc in 2029 polls

New Delhi . (Agency)

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Senior Congress leader and AICC general secretary K C Venugopal on Sunday said Rahul Gandhi would lead the INDIA bloc in the 2029 Lok Sabha elections, dismissing reports that Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam (TVK) chief and Tamil Nadu Chief Minister C Joseph Vijay was being projected as the alliance's prime ministerial candidate.

Venugopal was responding to questions about reports suggesting that the TVK had sought to project Vijay for the prime minister's post ahead of the 2029 parliamentary elections. He said the party had made no such demand.

“Nobody should create any such confusion. Rahul Gandhi will be the face of the INDIA alliance,” Venugopal said.

Asked specifically whether Gandhi would lead the alliance in the 2029 elections, Venugopal said, “Definitely. Rahul Gandhi is the most prominent leader loved by the people of India today. Everyone is listening to Rahul Gandhi's decisions and actions with great attention.”

He said Gandhi's campaigns on issues concerning students, farmers and the youth had received widespread attention across the country.

“It is the fight he is leading that is being discussed the most in India today, whether it is for students, farmers, or the youth. Everyone has accepted that,” he said.

"Basement Frequently Filled With Water": Delhi Building Collapse Survivor

Delhi building collapse survivor said that the walls had started developing cracks and that there was frequent waterlogging in the basement.

New Delhi(Agency)

A Sunday afternoon turned into a nightmare after a building in Delhi's Satya Niketan came crumbling down, trapping over a dozen students. The four-storey building collapsed like a deck of cards and turned into rubble within seconds. An unstable pillar coupled with water accumulation in the basement is said to have triggered the collapse. But it was a tragedy in the making. "The walls had started developing cracks. The basement frequently filled with water," Ankit, one of the 12 rescued from the rubble, told.

Ankit, a third-year student, had been living in the area, a few meters from Delhi University's South Campus, for over three years. He alleged that the area, which has a high population of college students, was never inspected for safety reasons. Neither any notice was served nor any action was taken, he alleged.Talking about

the state of his PG, Hostel Daze, which collapsed on Sunday afternoon, he alleged that the building had started developing cracks and that there was frequent waterlogging in the basement.The food and the overall condition of the PG were poor, he added.

Student Safety Goes For A Toss As Owners Prioritise Money

Limited hostel seats leave college students with no other option than to either take a room in a PG or rent an apartment. The safety standards of these accommodations have always remained a concern.

The preliminary investigation has revealed that the 50-year-old building had been vacated nearly a year ago. It was a dilapidated structure in a sea of hostels. A

couple of months ago, the owner, Hari Ram Bansal, began renovation work and in August, he welcomed tenants to his newly

casualties or risks faced by the tenant.

Renovation, Unstable Pillar, Weak Structure

Preliminary information accessed by has revealed that a pillar became unstable during the repair work, weakening the structure and causing the building to collapse. Seven people have died in the collapse, including a labourer.

Delhi Chief Minister Rekha Gupta on Monday said preliminary findings indicate that water accumulation in the basement, coupled with repair work on the ageing structure, led to the collapse.

Speaking to reporters, she said, "It is certain that there was water in the basement, and the accumulation of water-combined with ongoing repair work on the old structure-caused the building to collapse."



opened men's PG, 'Hostel Daze'. The repair work, however, was not complete. According to the rent agreement, a copy of which has been accessed by NDTV, the PG authorities hold no responsibility for any

Karur gang: CM Vijay's all-out attack on DMK in Assembly, alleging corruption

Vijay accused the previous DMK government of collecting up to 10 per cent of contract values as bribes, alleging that MK Stalin, Udhayanidhi Stalin and others were beneficiaries.

New Delhi .(Agency)

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Joseph Vijay on Monday accused the DMK of collecting bribes from government contractors in the name of party funds, alleging that contractors were made to pay a percentage of their contract value in instalments, much like EMIs on a loan.In a no-holds-barred attack in the Assembly, Vijay cited an Enforcement Directorate (ED) document and alleged that contractors were made to pay up to 10 per cent of contract values as "party funds" during the previous DMK government.Vijay also invoked the ED's reference to the "Karur gang" in connection with alleged graft in the state-run liquor retailer Tasmac, saying that



even illegal activities were carried out in an organised manner. He alleged that this amounted to "scientific corruption" during the DMK regime.Responding sharply to repeated demands from the Opposition for evidence to substantiate his corruption allegations, Vijay

said the ED document itself contained the evidence they were seeking."The ED document says that 7.5 per cent to 10 per cent was collected as party funds. That is, they demanded and collected this percentage as part of the contract rates. It also says that the amount was collected as a bribe in the name of party funds," Vijay said.

He alleged that the money was collected from contractors executing works under the Municipal Administration and Water Supply (MAWS) Department."The bribes were collected from contractors of the MAWS Department for government works in the form of party funds," Vijay said, reading from the ED document.

How Congress's Punjab Assignment For Sachin Pilot Shapes His Rajasthan Plans

Punjab, where the Bhagwant Mann-led Aam Aadmi Party is in power, goes to polls early next year.

New Delhi. (Agency)

Sachin Pilot has a new assignment: the Rajasthan leader was appointed the organisation in-charge for neighbouring Punjab over the weekend. The 48-year-old leader replaces Bhupesh Baghel, who has been moved to Assam in the same position.

Punjab, where the Bhagwant Mann-led Aam Aadmi Party is in power, goes to polls early next year.Punjab Congress has reportedly been dealing with internal differences for some time now. Pilot's biggest challenge will, therefore, be to bring leaders and workers from



different camps onto a common platform, such as those loyal to the state unit chief, Amarinder Singh Raja Warring, and the camp of former

Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi. Bhupesh Baghel, organisation in-charge of Punjab until Saturday, was not only unable to bring these leaders together, but appeared to side with Warring. The faction opposed to Warring continued to demand a leadership change in Punjab. At one point, posters came up in some parts of Punjab against Baghel too. Baghel had been appointed Punjab Congress in-charge in February 2025. He favoured retaining Raja Warring and opposed a leadership change before the elections, which made him a target for detractors as he failed to maintain neutrality.

No place is safe anymore: Defence chief lists challenges of modern warfare

At Aaj Tak's Suraksha Sabha, Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) General NS Raja Subramani said that modern warfare can reach far beyond the front lines. He said India must build multi-domain capacity, resilience and self-reliance to stay prepared.

New Delhi.(Agency)

Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) General NS Raja Subramani on Monday warned that warfare was rapidly changing, with the battlefield expanding beyond traditional front lines and military bases, logistics hubs and critical infrastructure all vulnerable to attack.

Speaking at Suraksha Sabha, a security summit hosted by India Today's sister channel Aaj Tak, General Subramani said national security was no longer the sole responsibility of the armed forces. The government, industry, technology community, academia and society would all have to contribute as threats and technology evolved, he said.

The CDS said recent conflicts had shown that bases, force concentrations, logistics nodes and critical infrastructure could all be targeted. "No place is safe any more," he

said, adding that the battlefield could extend deep into the country.

The growing use of drones, missiles and precision weapons has changed the dynamics of attack and defence, he said.

General Subramani stressed that protecting military and critical national infrastructure, along with strengthening logistics and industrial capacity, was therefore crucial.

FROM JOINTNESS TO MULTI-DOMAIN WARFARE

General Subramani said simple coordination between the armed forces was no longer sufficient. Future operations will have to integrate land, sea, air, space, cyber and electronic warfare.He called for a shift from a platform-centric to a capability-centric approach, with platforms functioning as interconnected nodes in a "system of systems".

"Technology is merely a medium; how it is used is more important," he said, stressing

the need to move from information superiority to decision superiority.Battlefield transparency is also increasing through space-based surveillance, unmanned sensors, open-source information and networked intelligence. The time between detecting a target and striking it has shrunk from hours to minutes and sometimes seconds.

The advantage, he said, would lie with those who can see, understand, decide and act first, making artificial intelligence and robust data networks increasingly important.

RESILIENCE AND SELF-RELIANCE

General Subramani said India needed greater resilience and technological self-reliance to withstand prolonged conflicts and continue operations despite network or system disruptions.

Domestic capacity to repair and replenish equipment and rapidly scale up supplies during a conflict would be essential, he said.

"Self-reliance on defence means

Instead, technically trained personnel would become more important, with the focus shifting from "man versus machine" to "empowering man with machine".

SECURITY BEYOND BORDERS

As India moves towards becoming a developed economy by 2047, digital infrastructure, energy networks, ports, industrial clusters, semiconductor facilities, financial and communication networks and space infrastructure will increasingly become strategic assets, the CDS said.

"Security is no longer limited to borders," he said, pointing to supply chains, technology, infrastructure and information warfare as emerging dimensions of national security.



PYJAMA needed, not scrapping over top GDP numbers

Consider two snapshots. Lakhs of young people protesting at Delhi’s Jantar Mantar, hopeless and anxious about their future. India announcing it’s the fastest-growing economy in the world, with record double-digit nominal GDP growth. These events are not decades or years apart, as they may seem—they are separated by just four weeks. How can lakhs of Gen Z youth be out on the streets in protest against the government when the nation is supposedly experiencing its best economic conditions in recent history? This, in essence, sums up the brouhaha over the GDP figures for the latest quarter released a few days ago.

First off, there is a lot that is wrong with India’s economy and its GDP measurement. But the sheer math behind the 7.8 percent real GDP growth is not one of them, contrary to what a former government bureaucrat has claimed. The economy is perhaps the only thing reduced to a statistic that every individual—rich or poor, Hindu or Muslim, rural or urban—experiences every single day. Then, how can millions of Indians be so disenchanted with the economy when the measure says it is robust? If the math behind the measure is not the problem, then it follows that either what we measure as GDP is wrong, or there is a disconnect between GDP and living conditions for the average Indian, or both.

Former Chief Economic Advisor Arvind Subramanian argues that it is the former. He has demonstrated with reasonable evidence that ever since the GDP estimation methodology was changed in 2015, the correlation between economic indicators such as electricity consumption, taxes collected, exports, bank credit and the GDP measure has broken down. Put simply, accompanying indicators of a strong or weak economy do not match up to the GDP estimate as they did earlier.

Measuring GDP ain’t enough

While this may be true, what is more worrying is that GDP, even if measured accurately, is no longer sacrosanct as an indicator of a society’s wellbeing. Incomes and the prices of goods and services are how people experience the economy every day. Incomes are generated through jobs, and prices are determined by demand-supply forces. India’s economic structure is largely driven by private enterprise, unlike China’s State-controlled economy. So, only the private sector can generate jobs at scale for India’s huge labour force. Then, the surest measure of job creation in the economy is private corporate investment. In the maze of economic measures and statistics, this is the single most important indicator of a sustainable and robust Indian economy.

Only when the private sector invests does it create jobs, which then translate into incomes for the vast majority of people in the labour force. Private sector investment has languished at about 10-12 percent of GDP over a decade, down from 14 percent in the decade before. Had India’s corporates invested with the same enthusiasm as in the previous decade, they would have put in a whopping \$700 billion more than they actually did. When corporates are reluctant to invest, the government can step in to do the heavy lifting for a year or two but not for long, since government finances are already stretched. But the private sector has stubbornly refused to invest and expand for a decade now. This is despite the Modi government’s misguided attempts to woo the private sector to invest by giving it huge tax cuts. In September 2019, even before Covid struck, the government slashed corporate tax rates ostensibly to boost private sector investment. Corporate taxes collected fell from 3.7 percent of GDP before the cuts to 2.9 percent in the five years after. The government lost roughly \$100 billion in revenues over five years due to the corporate tax cuts. Put in other words, the \$100 billion was an ‘unconditional cash transfer scheme’ to the private sector.

The case for jurists as judges

Constitutional mandate for appointments should not remain unused

IN the autumn of 1947, a quiet Indian civil servant went choosing ideas for a Constitution. BN Rau, constitutional adviser to the Constituent Assembly, sailed to America. In Washington, he called on Justice Felix Frankfurter, who told him to keep “due process of law” out of the Indian Constitution. Rau carried the warning home. Article 21 speaks instead of procedure established by law. We remember the advice. We have forgotten what the man himself was. Frankfurter taught at Harvard from 1914 to 1939, and had never been a judge of anything when US President Franklin D Roosevelt sent him to the highest court in America. The man India’s constitutional adviser consulted about a Supreme Court was a law professor.

Two years later, the Constituent Assembly wrote him into our text without knowing it. On May 24, 1949, HV Kamath moved an amendment to draft Article 103, to give the President a third door. Ambedkar accepted it, but he was unsure whether “distinguished” or “eminent” was the better word, and he left the choice to the Drafting Committee. The Committee kept “distinguished”. That clause is now Article 124(3)(c). A citizen who is, in the President’s opinion, a distinguished jurist may be appointed to the Supreme Court. However, nobody has ever been so appointed. Justice Ujjal Bhuyan of the Supreme Court said so recently at the convocation of National Law University, Delhi. He called it one of our Constitution’s unused mandates. Either the Collegium finds our academia too shallow, he said, or nobody has tried. He dismissed as shallow the objection that scholars lack practical experience. We filled the Court from two pools instead: High Court judges by seniority, and advocates from the Bar. That second route opened later. SM Sikri, Advocate General of Punjab, came directly from the Bar in February 1964. Subimal Chandra Roy followed in 1971, then Kuldip Singh, Santosh Hegde, Rohinton Nariman, UU Lalit, L Nageswara Rao, Indu Malhotra, PS Narasimha and KV Viswanathan. Justice V Mohana, sworn in this June, is the eleventh. Eleven in seventy-six years. Everyone else climbed the High Court ladder. The ladder has always had loose rungs for the right person. TL Venkatarama Aiyar sat on the Madras High Court for

under three years. He retired on his sixtieth birthday in 1953 and joined the Supreme Court six weeks later, as an advocate of long standing and not a judge of five years. VR Krishna Iyer left the Kerala High Court after three years for the Law Commission, and reached the Supreme Court from there in 1973. Both entered through clause (b), as appointments of a mind rather than of a queue. When the appointing power wanted a particular intelligence, it found a door. It has never wanted a



professor. It came close once. In the Justice PN Bhagwati years (Chief Justice of India in 1985-86), an American university addressed Prof Upendra Baxi as “Judge Baxi” in a seminar invitation. Justice Bhagwati had told them that Baxi would be on the Court within four months. Baxi’s verdict, decades later, was drier — Presidents had looked for a jurist through a telescope and found none, so jurists must not exist. Four things keep the clause asleep. There is no nursery: Article 217 has no jurist clause, so nobody can be tried out on a High Court first. There is no mechanism: the Memorandum of Procedure knows only how to find judges and advocates. There is the arithmetic: a jurist appointed young sits long and disturbs the succession to the office of Chief Justice. And there is our own rulebook. We forbid our academics the courtroom, then disqualify them for never having been in one.

Age narrows the field cruelly. Judges retire at sixty-five, and the Court in practice takes nobody under fifty-five. Let’s discuss a few names only for illustration, and I apologise to the many I have left out. The argument is for the search and not for these names alone. Upendra Baxi is eighty-seven. G Mohan Gopal and Amita Dhanda are also past the line. We simply lost them. At the other end stand scholars still too young. Sudhir Krishnaswamy, who wrote the standard study of the Basic Structure Doctrine, is fifty-one. Aparna Chandra, Anup Surendranath and Tarunabh Khaitan, who work on the Court, the death penalty and discrimination law, are still younger. Their turn may come later, if at all, in the next decade.

One name sits inside the window between. Faizan Mustafa is nearly sixty. He has taught constitutional law for three decades and has built three national law universities. He would sit on the Court for around five years. That is the answer to the objection nobody states aloud. A jurist appointed at sixty-two can never enter the line for Chief Justice. A Collegium wishing to test the clause cheaply could begin here. In the late 1980s, the first woman judge of the Supreme Court, Justice Fathima Beevi, was similarly appointed for a term of less than three years. The case for activating the distinguished jurist clause is not that scholars judge better. They may or may not. They judge differently. Frankfurter the professor became the great preacher of restraint. William O Douglas came from Yale and became the least restrained judge of his century. Lord Burrows moved from the Oxford chair of English law to the UK’s Supreme Court in 2020, after twenty years of part-time judging. England built a bridge but India built a wall. Some academics were fine judges while some were not. A directly appointed lawyer gave us Kesavananda Bharati (1973), and judges with seniority gave us ADM Jabalpur (1976). A court recruited from one pool thinks in one groove. It is slower to ask where a rule came from and whether it still deserves to stand.

Ambedkar’s only worry was the adjective. Seventy-six years on, it has done no work at all. One appointment would not transform the Court. It would tell our law schools that scholarship leads somewhere. And it would remind the Court that when Rau wanted to know how to build a Supreme Court, he went to see a professor.

Court verdicts raise serious question on coercive use of law

The court did not say that students are immune from criminal law. It held that bona fide participation in a protest cannot by itself justify treating a young person as accused and putting their future at risk

Two recent judicial interventions should concern anyone who believes that the State must be firm in dealing with disorder but equally careful in dealing with dissent. The Allahabad High Court’s decision to cancel the detention of student and activist Aakriti Chaudhary under the National Security Act raises questions about how the police built their case. Chaudhary was accused of instigating stone-pelting and arson during the Noida workers’ protest this April, but the State could not immediately produce the video it claimed established her role. The court also pointed out several procedural lapses in the sequence of her arrest and the manner of issuing notices. It described the State’s version as a “concocted story” and even ordered compensation. Similar concerns are reflected on a wider scale in the Supreme Court’s intervention in the cases arising from student protests during July 20-25. It ordered the closure of FIRs connected to the protests lodged around the country and barred fresh cases from being opened. At the same time, it allowed proceedings



against those identified as having serious criminal antecedents. That distinction is important. The court did not say that students are immune from criminal law. It held that bona fide participation in a protest cannot by itself justify treating a young person as accused and putting their future at risk. The police response, however, needs closer

examination. A protest can turn violent, and those responsible must be investigated and prosecuted. But being at a protest does not make a person responsible for the violence. The police have to show what the individual accused actually did; a mere allegation cannot stand for proof. The Allahabad judgement also draws attention to the way the detention was carried out. The safeguards laid down by law cannot be treated as formalities, especially when the State applies a law as stringent as the NSA. The case raises a fundamental question: did the circumstances warrant the use of a law that permits preventive detention? The manner in which it was invoked makes the question difficult to avoid. The larger issue is whether the State is exercising its coercive powers with the restraint and legal discipline that democracy requires. In these two cases, the courts have had to insist on proportionality, evidence and due process that should have guided the executive response to the protests in the first place.

Who’ll pay for the next disaster?

➤ A business loses revenue. A borrower struggles to repay a loan. A state government finds additional money for relief and reconstruction.

Disaster finance cannot begin only after a disaster. States need to know in advance which losses they can absorb, which to insure and those that must be shared more widely. Disasters like the one that struck Nepal expose an important weakness in how countries like India financially prepare for extreme events. While investments in disaster response, mitigation and reconstruction are essential, the financing of residual losses often remains largely reactive. In many cases, the question of who ultimately bears the economic cost—governments, households, businesses or insurers—is resolved only after the disaster has occurred. India needs to change that.

When a flood destroys a small enterprise, a heatwave reduces a worker’s earnings or a cyclone damages public infrastructure, the economic loss ultimately lands somewhere. A household runs down its savings. A business loses revenue. A borrower struggles to repay a loan. A state government finds additional money for relief and reconstruction. Uninsured risk is, therefore, not risk that has disappeared. It is risk that governments, households and businesses have retained often without consciously deciding to do so. This matters because India’s economic exposure is rising. Estimates suggest that \$26-29 trillion (around Rs 2,500 lakh crore) of assets across the country are exposed to different natural hazards. Across Asia, only about 8 percent of economic losses from natural catastrophes in 2025 were insured. The answer is not to insure everything. Rather, India needs to decide systematically which risks should be borne by whom. A useful starting point would be for every state to prepare a disaster-risk financing strategy alongside its disaster-management plan. States already assess hazards and vulnerability. They should now estimate their potential financial exposure: what could a severe flood cost? How much loss could existing disaster

funds absorb? At what point would reconstruction begin crowding out other development expenditure? Which risks are predictable enough to insure? This would create a simple hierarchy. Frequent, smaller losses could continue to be met through public funds and existing safety nets. Larger but measurable shocks could be partly insured. Truly catastrophic events could be shared through reinsurance or other mechanisms so that neither a single insurer nor a state budget bears the entire loss. The timing is particularly relevant. The Sixteenth Finance Commission has recommended Rs 2,04,401 crore for state disaster response funds between 2026-27 and 2030-31, including Rs 40,880 crore for mitigation. It has also asked the government to examine and finalise single-peril parametric insurance products. Some states have already begun experimenting. Nagaland has purchased multi-year parametric cover against excess rainfall. Unlike conventional insurance, where losses are assessed after an event, parametric insurance releases a predetermined payment when an agreed threshold such as rainfall, temperature or wind speed is breached. Existing disaster-mitigation guidelines have also been interpreted as permitting states to use part of these funds towards insurance premiums. Public money should not simply become a new source of insurance premiums. States should first demonstrate that transferring a particular risk is cheaper or more effective than retaining

it. Premiums should be competitively procured, and governments should periodically evaluate whether the cover is actually reaching the losses it was intended to address. The second challenge is trust. Parametric insurance is fast precisely because it does not



measure each person’s actual loss. But this also creates the possibility that people suffer damage while the official trigger is not crossed. In heat-insurance experiments, comparisons of weather datasets have shown differences of around 3-3.5°C, enough in some places to determine whether a payout occurs. India therefore needs a public framework establishing which weather data can

determine payouts, how thresholds are validated and what happens when data sources disagree. The India Meteorological Department, disaster-management authorities, insurers and state governments will need a common protocol. Without that, scaling parametric insurance could create distrust precisely among households that have the least capacity to absorb a failed payout. There is also a case for states to cooperate rather than buy disaster cover entirely on their own. India’s climate risks vary enormously across its geography. A cyclone affecting the eastern coast may have little relationship with drought conditions in western India or excess rainfall in the Northeast. Pooling carefully selected, imperfectly correlated risks could potentially allow states to share administrative costs and negotiate more efficiently with insurers and global reinsurers. But financial protection cannot replace physical protection. Better drainage, early-warning systems, heat-action plans, resilient roads and safer construction must remain the first line of defence. Insurance should finance residual risk, not become an excuse to tolerate avoidable vulnerability. That distinction is particularly important for vulnerable households and informal workers. The State cannot withdraw from its responsibility for disaster relief merely because a financial product exists. The important question before the next flood, cyclone or heatwave is not simply how much money will be available afterwards. It is whether governments have decided beforehand which losses they can absorb, which they should insure and which risks must be shared beyond the budget.

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फेसपैक रात के लिए

दलिया से बने फेसपैक को रात में आसानी से इस्तेमाल किया जा सकता है, जो काफी लाभप्रद होता है। इसे बनाने के लिए दो चम्मच दलिया लें। इसमें ऑयल की कुछ बूंद डालकर पेस्ट बना लें और इस पेस्ट में एक चम्मच शहद और 2-3 चम्मच नींबू का रस मिला लें। इस मिश्रण को चेहरे पर लगा लें। जब मिश्रण सूखने लगे तो स्क्रब कर लें बाद में निकाल दें। गर्म पानी से चेहरा धोएं।

जब सिर में हो खारिश

केले में शहद मिला कर मसल लें। उसमें प्याज का रस मिक्स करें। फिर इसे बालों की जड़ों में लगा कर 20 मिनट तक छोड़ दें और बाद में शैंपू कर लें। इस मार्क से रूसी खत्म होगी। जै तून का तेल लें और उसे गरम करें। उसमें शहद की कुछ बूंदें डालें और उससे सिर की कुछ देर मसाज करें। बीस मिनट के बाद सिर को शैंपू से धो लें। खारिश दूर हो जाएगी।



हाथों को सुंदर बनाने के टिप्स

खूबसूरत हाथ सभी को आकर्षित करते हैं। अपने हाथों को सुंदर बनाने के लिए आप मेनिक्चोर करवा कर हाथों को हमेशा नर्म और मुलायम बना सकती हैं। हाथों को खूबसूरत बनाएं रखने के लिए जानें ये मेनिक्चोर टिप्स-



हाथ रखे होने पर आप इनमें तेज खुशबू वाला लोशन लगाएं। अक्सर नेलपॉलिश हटाने के बाद नेल्स सूखे हो जाते हैं ऐसे में आप नेल रिमूवर में कुछ बूंदें जोजोबा ऑयल की डालें और इसे नेपॉलिया हटाने के बाद नाखूनों पर लगाएं। नेलपॉलिश को ज्यादा दिनों तक फ्रेश बनाए रखने के लिए शीशी के मुंह पर क्यूटिकल ऑयल लगाएं और शीशी बंद कर दें।

गीले हाथों पर नेल फाइलिंग न करें, क्योंकि गीले होने पर नाखून कमजोर हो जाते हैं। नाखूनों को एक ही दिशा में फाइल करें नहीं तो वे टूट भी सकते हैं।



होम डेकोर में कुशन, कर्टन, बेड कवर आदि की महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका होती है, क्योंकि इनसे आप कम समय में घर का मेकओवर कर सकती हैं, इसलिए अलग-अलग उत्सव के लिए खास कलेक्शन रखें।

दीवारों पर सॉफ्ट कलर का पेंट है, तो एक्सेसरीज ब्राइट कलर की और दीवारों का कलर हाईलाइट करना हो, तो एक्सेसरीज सॉफ्ट रखें। घर का लुक अच्छा आता है।

पहले ही डिजाइड कर लें कि आपको कमरे का लुक एथनिक चाहिए या फिर मॉडर्न। इस बात को ध्यान में रखकर ही कमरे को सजाने की शुरुआत करनी चाहिए। कुशन और बेड कवर्स के साथ भी एक्सपेरिमेंट किया जा सकता है। अजकल मार्केट में कई तरह के कुशन कवर्स और बेड कवर्स उपलब्ध है जो आपके कमरे की सजावट को कॉम्प्लीमेंट करेगा। दीवारों पर भी रंग कुछ हटकर चुन सकते हैं। इससे कमरे की काया ही बदल जाएगी।

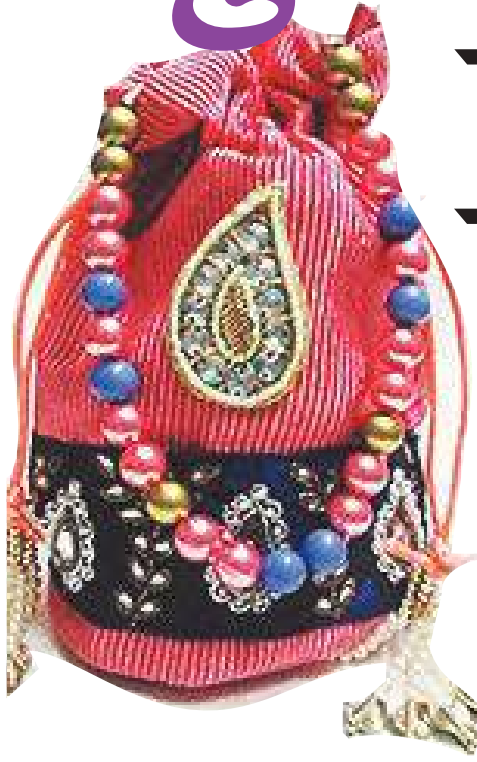


डाइनिंग टेबल डेकोर

घर की शोभा बढ़ाने में डाइनिंग टेबल का भी बड़ा हाथ होता है। डाइनिंग टेबल से लिविंग रूम की शोभा चार गुना बढ़ती है और अगर यह ठीक से अरेज हो तो इसकी खूबसूरती में चार चांद लगा देती है। डाइनिंग टेबल सैट करते वक्त कुछ बातों को ध्यान में रखना चाहिए।

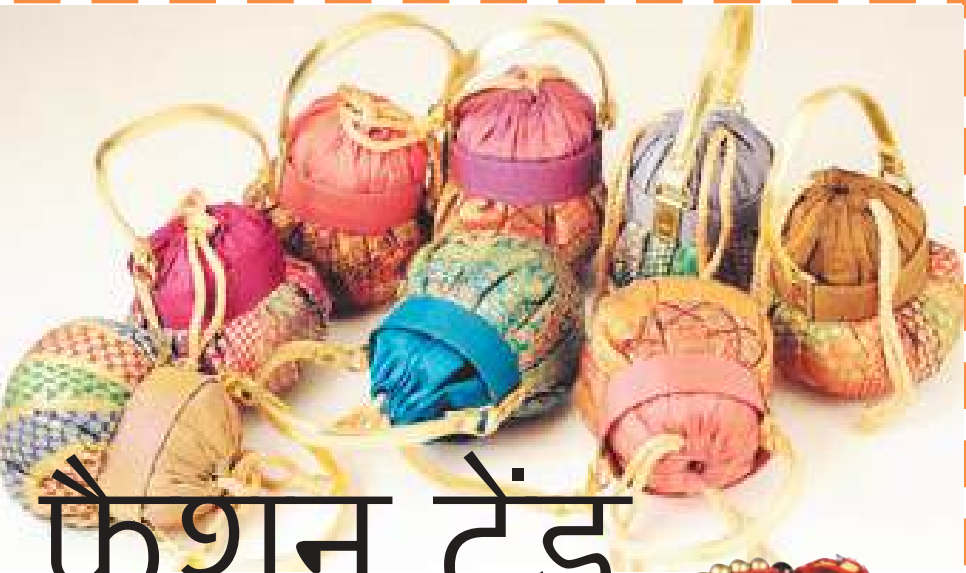
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- * डाइनिंग टेबल पर टेबल मैट ऐसा होना चाहिए चाहिए जो दिखने में खूबसूरत होने के साथ-साथ साफ करने में भी आसान हो।
- * टेबल पर बीचों-बीच एक सेंटर पीस रख देने से टेबल पर रखे अन्य समान अपनी जगह पर ठीक से अरेज हो जाएंगे। सेंटर पीस के रूप में आप फूलों का बास या शो पीस आदि रख सकती हैं। अगर आपको सेंटरपीस नहीं रखने का मन है तो आप वहां पर नैपकिन का सेट भी रख सकती हैं।
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बटुआ बना नया



यह सच है कि फैशन हर पल बदलता रहता है। इन दिनों बटुओं को सबसे ज्यादा फैशन है। जहां पहले लड़कियां बड़े बैग्स कैरी करना पसंद करती थीं वहीं इन दिनों बड़े बैग की जगह उनके हाथों में छोटा बटुआ देखने को मिलता है। कमाल की बात यह है कि ये बटुए हर शेष, साइज और रंग में मिलते हैं। इन बटुओं की खासीयत यह है कि इन्हें आप हाथ में रख सकती हैं और साथ ही जब चाहें कंधे पर टांग भी सकती हैं।

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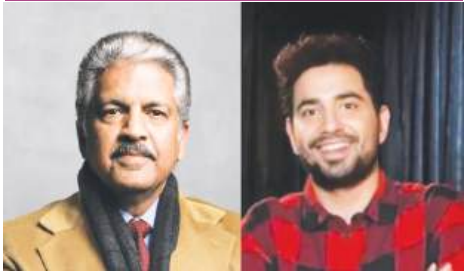
अब आपको इंडियन आउटफिट पसंद हो या वेस्टर्न बटुआ हर ड्रेस के साथ मैच हो जाता है। बटुए अब हर तरह के मैटीरियल में उपलब्ध हैं। लैडर, रैक्सीन, जूट, कपड़े में यह मार्केट में पाए जाते हैं। एन्ब्रोएडरी, सीक्वेंस वर्क, स्टोन वर्कआदि हर रूप में पाया जाता है। बटुआ हर एज ग्रुप को इम्प्रेस करता है। चहे फिर वह कॉलेज गोटिंग गर्ल्स हो या फिर हाउसवाइफ या फिर वर्किंग वुमन। यह सबका फेवरेट है।



NEWS BOX

How Samay Raina provoked Anand Mahindra into starting Global Chess League

Anand Mahindra has revealed the unusual story behind starting the Global Chess League. He has revealed how a provocation from Samay Raina brought the league to life.



New Delhi. (Agency)

Industrialist Anand Mahindra has revealed how a challenge from comedian Samay Raina eventually led to the creation of the Global Chess League, a project he jokingly describes as the “most expensive joke” ever played on him.Raina had challenged Mahindra during an online interaction in 2020 to start a global chess league. Mahindra took him seriously, setting in motion a series of conversations that eventually brought FIDE president Arkady Dvorkovich and five-time world champion Viswanathan Anand into the project.“Usually, comedians provoke laughter but Samay in a way provoked a global chess league,” Business Line reported Mahindra as saying at the fourth season of the Global Chess League in Bengaluru.Mahindra explained that he had been watching Raina and chess commentator Sagar Shah stream the 2020 Chess Olympiad when he noticed the growing interest around their broadcast.“I saw that in every 15 minutes the crowd of people watching grew larger,” he recalled.

FROM A JOKE TO A GLOBAL LEAGUE

The idea soon moved beyond a conversation between Mahindra and Raina. FIDE president Arkady Dvorkovich contacted Mahindra to find out whether he was serious about creating a league. Mahindra was, and discussions followed over the next few months.Five-time world champion Viswanathan Anand subsequently joined the project, giving the proposed league the backing of one of the biggest names in chess.The Global Chess League eventually took shape as a franchise-based team competition, bringing some of the world's leading players together in a format designed to make chess more accessible to a wider audience. Unlike traditional individual chess tournaments, the league puts players into teams, with franchises competing across a season.

Dewald Brevis ties with JP Duminy, becomes 4th-highest six-hitter for SA in T20Is

WINDHOEK. (Agency)

South African batter Dewald Brevis tied with former batter JP Duminy to become joint fourth-highest six-hitter for South Africa in T20I cricket. Brevis achieved this feat during his side's tri-nation series final against Zimbabwe at Windhoek on Sunday. During the clash for the trophy, he made 32 in 23 balls, with two fours and two sixes, with a strike rate of over 129.Now Brevis



has 71 sixes in 35 T20Is, as compared to Duminy's 71 sixes in 81 T20Is. The top three six-hitters for South Africa in T20Is are: David Miller (139), Quinton de Kock (133) and Aiden Markram (83). Brevis ended the series as 'Player of the Series' with 226 runs in five innings at an average of 56.50 and a strike rate of over 166, with two fifties and a best score of 75*. He smashed 16 sixes in the series. Now in 35 T20Is, he has 923 runs in 33 innings at an average of 30.76 at a strike rate of 163.94, including a century and three fifties, with best score of 125* Coming to the match, Proteas posted 205/5 in 20 overs after opting to bat first, with knocks from Jordan Hermann (53 in 29 balls, with eight fours and a six), Brevis and Connor Esterhuizen (32 in 23 balls, with three fours and two sixes) being the standouts. During the chase, Zimbabwe was skittled out for just 157 runs in 18 overs, with a half-century coming from Brad Evans (56* in 31 balls, with four boundaries and four sixes). Skipper Bjorn Fortuin (3/24) and Duan Jansen (3/38) were standouts with the ball.

US Open: Ben Shelton ends Tsitsipas' resurgent run, sets up Alcaraz showdown

Ben Shelton ended Stefanos Tsitsipas' impressive US Open revival with a dominant straight-sets win to reach the quarter-finals. The American now faces defending champion Carlos Alcaraz, with a place in the semi-finals and a bigger piece of history at stake.

New York. (Agency)

Ben Shelton ended Stefanos Tsitsipas' resurgent run at the US Open on Sunday, overpowering the Greek 6-2, 6-3, 6-4 on Arthur Ashe Stadium to reach the quarter-finals and keep alive American hopes of a first men's Grand Slam champion in more than two decades.Tsitsipas had arrived in the fourth round having finally found his way deep into a Grand Slam again. The 27-

year-old, ranked 53rd in the world, had not reached the fourth round of a major since the French Open in 2024, but had put together an impressive run in New York, beating 10th seed Arthur Fils, South African qualifier Lloyd Harris and Jiri Lehecka.Against Lehecka, Tsitsipas had shown the kind of fight that had been missing from his recent Grand Slam campaigns, recovering from a set down to win 2-6, 6-1, 7-6(3), 6-1. He also fired 12 aces in that victory.The eighth seed was ruthless from the start, blending raw power with a delicate touch and sharp decision-making to overwhelm Tsitsipas in an opening set that lasted just 31 minutes. Shelton never allowed his opponent to settle into the contest, taking a two-set lead before adding a touch of showmanship to an already dominant performance. A soaring overhead smash drew a roar from the Arthur Ashe crowd before the American raced away to complete a comfortable hold and seal the straight-sets victory."It was a

good match from start to finish. It was my first straightforward match this year and I'm happy I can play this way in front of you," Shelton said.US OPEN: SHELTON VS ALCARAZ IN QF



The 22-year-old is now one win away from returning to the US Open semi-finals, but standing in his way is defending champion Carlos Alcaraz.Alcaraz has been in sensational form in New York after returning from an injury layoff, and Shelton knows he will need something special to

stop the Spaniard. "The level that he's playing at is really impressive. To not play for almost five months and do what he's doing is superhuman and we're happy to have him back," Shelton said."He lights up stadiums and I think there's going to be fireworks again on Tuesday."Shelton is also carrying a bigger American hope into that showdown. He is bidding to become the first American man to win a Grand Slam since Andy Roddick's 2003 triumph at Flushing Meadows.The pressure of playing on Arthur Ashe Stadium has not always been easy for Shelton, but he felt he finally found his rhythm against Tsitsipas. “My team told me that if I didn't show up fully focused they would leave," he joked. "When you play on this court every year, it feels like you start over again and the nerves hit. I finally found my groove and was in a flow state. Playing on the greatest court in the world is an unbelievable feeling."

Carlos Alcaraz crushes Tommy Paul, Linda Noskova storms into maiden US Open quarters

Carlos Alcaraz stormed into the US Open 2026 quarterfinals with a straight-sets win over Tommy Paul, extending his impressive run in New York. Wimbledon champion Linda Noskova also reached the last eight for the first time after edging Marta Kostyuk in a gruelling three-set battle.

New Delhi . (Agency)

Carlos Alcaraz continued his dominant march at the US Open 2026, brushing aside American Tommy Paul 6-4, 6-3, 6-4 to reach the quarterfinals in New York. The defending champion was tested early, but once the Spaniard found his rhythm, Paul struggled to keep pace with his relentless baseline game.The second seed had to work for the opening set as Paul looked to use the home crowd and his



aggressive tennis to unsettle Alcaraz. But the Spaniard remained patient, absorbing the American's pace before turning defence into attack. A crucial break late in the set gave Alcaraz the advantage, and he made sure Paul had little opportunity to fight his way back.Alcaraz carried that momentum into the second set, taking control of rallies with his powerful forehand and exceptional movement. Paul was repeatedly forced into defensive positions as the Spaniard dictated play from the baseline. Alcaraz broke at key moments and protected his own serve to move within one set of another convincing

victory.The third set followed a similar pattern. Paul continued to compete and refused to surrender easily, but Alcaraz remained composed whenever the pressure increased. The Spaniard eventually closed out the match in straight sets, extending his remarkable record at Flushing Meadows.The victory was Alcaraz's 11th consecutive win at the US Open, his 18th straight Grand Slam win on hard courts and his 15th Grand Slam quarterfinal. It was also his fifth US Open quarterfinal.

ALCARAZ KEEPS TITLE DEFENCE ON TRACK

Alcaraz will next face either Ben Shelton or Stefanos Tsitsipas in the quarterfinals. Shelton, seeded eighth, and Tsitsipas were scheduled to meet in the other fourth-round clash, with both players looking to earn a blockbuster meeting with the defending champion.Alcaraz's run is particularly impressive given that he spent four months away from competition because of a wrist injury.

PSG go for three in a row as Champions League returns

PARIS. (Agency)

Another UEFA Champions League season gets going this week with the beginning of the league phase as Paris Saint-Germain bid to join the tiny band of clubs to have won the competition three years running. PSG successfully defended their title last season when they beat Arsenal on penalties in Budapest, retaining the trophy they won for the first time in their history 12 months earlier.Luis Enrique's side have already secured their status as one of the competition's greatest teams by winning it back-to-back, something only Real Madrid had previously achieved since the inception of the modern Champions League in 1992.Winning three in a row would be on another level entirely. Real did exactly that under Zinedine Zidane between 2016 and 2018. The only other teams to manage such a feat are Ajax (1971-73) and Bayern

Munich (1974-76), while Madrid also won the first five editions of the European Cup from 1956 to 1960."Our objectives are clear. I want to win important trophies and



there are none more important than the Champions League," said Luis Enrique, who also led Barcelona to glory in 2015. The back-to-back titles for the French giants have coincided with the introduction of the new Champions League format, with 36 teams in the league phase now playing eight games against

eight different opponents.The Parisians struggled in the league phase in each of the last two campaigns, finishing outside the top eight and having to come through the additional play-off round to make the last 16.Tough draws were partly responsible for that, and PSG will face some familiar opponents this time in Manchester City, Barcelona and Aston Villa.With each passing year, the prospect of a team other than one of Europe's super clubs winning the Champions League seems more remote. Arsenal to take next step?

The Premier League's financial strength means all of its representatives can be expected to feature prominently, with Arsenal chief among them.Over the last three years, the Gunners have lost in the quarter-finals, the semi-finals, and then the final. There is therefore a logical next step for Mikel Arteta's side.Arsenal topped the league phase last season with a perfect record.

After US Open fiasco, Wimbledon likely to crackdown on content creators



Miami. (Agency)

Wimbledon could take a tougher stance on influencers and content creators after a series of disruptions at the US Open. The incidents have raised concerns among players about the changing atmosphere at major tennis tournaments.The All England Club is not expected to introduce a separate accreditation category for influencers or content creators, according to the Press Association. Wimbledon is also likely to take a strict approach to items such as ring lights and other equipment that could interfere with matches.

WHY IS WIMBLEDON BANNING INFLUENCERS?

The potential crackdown comes after several incidents at this year's US Open, where players have complained about spectators using bright lights, talking loudly and filming content during points.The New York Grand Slam has made a conscious effort to bring new audiences to tennis, including by officially accrediting around 100 content creators alongside traditional journalists and broadcasters. But the experiment has also highlighted the difficulty of balancing social media-driven engagement with the etiquette expected at a major tennis tournament.

US OPEN: COCO GAUFF HITS OUT

Coco Gauff, one of the biggest stars of the women's game, has argued that certain behaviours from influencers needs to change. “I think it's great to have a different demographic to the sport,” Gauff said after her second-round win over Paula Badosa on September 3. “I have no problem with influencers. I’ve met some of them and follow some of them online.”Gauff, however, stressed that everyone attending a tennis match needs to understand the environment they are entering. “Any venue you come to, you have to follow that etiquette towards it,” she said, suggesting that brands hosting guests at tournaments could do more to make first-time spectators aware of the rules.

Pakistan fans hurl sexist abuse at Kranti Goud during IND vs PAK clash

Women's Asia Cup: A video from the India-Pakistan clash shows sexist remarks directed at Kranti Goud, triggering online outrage and renewed debate over gender-based abuse in sport.

Dubai. (Agency)

A video from India's Women's Asia Cup clash against Pakistan has sparked outrage after Kranti Goud appeared to be subjected to sexist and gender-based abuse from spectators during the match.In the video circulating on social media platform X, voices can be heard making derogatory remarks about the Indian cricketer's gender

and appearance, including repeatedly claiming that she was a man. The identity of the spectators and the circumstances surrounding the incident could not be independently verified.The incident has drawn criticism online, with users condemning the abusive remarks directed at Goud during one of the biggest rivalries in women's cricket.

SEXIST ABUSE CAUGHT ON VIDEO

The alleged heckling came during India's dominant seven-wicket victory over Pakistan in their Women's Asia Cup T20 clash on Saturday.While the video has triggered debate on social media over the treatment of women athletes, Goud's name and the nature of the remarks have



become a major talking point following the match.

Gender-based abuse and comments about the physical appearance of women athletes have remained a recurring problem in sport, particularly on social media and in stadiums. The video involving Goud has once again

brought the issue into focus, with fans calling out the remarks as unacceptable.SPINNERS POWER INDIA'S ROUT

On the field, India produced a thoroughly dominant performance, bowling Pakistan out for just 55 in 18.1 overs, their lowest-ever total in T20 internationals. Young spinners Shree Charani and Prema Rawat led the demolition, picking up three wickets each. Charani returned figures of 3/7 from four overs, while leg-spinner Prema claimed 3/9. Deepti Sharma took 2/5, while Shafali Verma also chipped in with a wicket.Pakistan had started confidently, reaching 27 without loss, but collapsed dramatically after India's spinners took control. Harmanpreet Kaur's bowlers delivered a staggering 78 dot balls as Pakistan lost six wickets for just nine runs to slip from 27/0 to 36/6.

Kalyani Priyadarshan

Shoots For Pralay With Ranveer Singh In Mumbai, Misses Onam Celebration At Home

Malayalam actress Kalyani Priyadarshan, who impressed the audience with her performance in Lokah Chapter 1 in 2025, is gearing up to make her Bollywood debut with the upcoming zombie thriller Pralay. She will be seen alongside Ranveer Singh. Unlike previous years, when the actress marked Onam with celebrations at home and shared glimpses of the festivities, she found herself away from home this time as she remained busy with work. Sharing pictures from her time in Mumbai, Kalyani revealed that she missed the celebration since she’s “fully locked in to Pralay” in Mumbai.

Kalyani took to her Instagram handle and shared glimpses of her time in Mumbai while she shoots for her Bollywood debut. Her latest photo dump featured everything from selfies and photoshoot moments to little glimpses of her new home. In one of the pictures, she appears to be picking out a wall colour for the space. Mumbai also became the setting for her birthday



celebrations in April. One picture shows her cutting into three cakes alongside friends who seemingly share the same birthday. However, it was another picture that caught the attention of fans. Kalyani included a sneak peek at the script of Pralay, giving followers a glimpse of the project that marks her entry into Bollywood.

Along with the photos, she wrote a heartfelt note that read, “Fully locked in to Pralay in Mumbai this Onam, so no Sadya with the fam, no pretty white saree pics, no festive content. Here’s a dump of random things from the last couple months instead. Hope you all had a truly happy Onam.” Have a look: Soon after she shared the post, it was flooded with sweet fan reactions. One fan commented, “@kalyanipriyadarshan Thank youuuuuuuuuu so muchhhhhhhh... break the limits in pralayy.” Another fan wrote, “@kalyanipriyadarshan waiting eagerly for your entry in Bollywood movies. Please make it fast.” One of the comments also read, “PRALAY SEND MY GOOD WISHES TO RANVEER.”



Dia Mirza

'Had To Strip Bare In Front Of 100s Of Men' For Song Shoot: 'That Really Unshackled Me'

Actress Dia Mirza has recalled how she had to “strip bare” in front of “hundreds of men” for the shoot of the song Mujhe Tumse Mohabbat Hai. She mentioned she was initially hesitant as she didn’t feel confident in her body. However, Dia found the experience to be quite liberating. The song was shot with Emraan Hashmi for their 2004 film, Tumsa Nahin Dekha.

Dia Mirza told Bollywood Bubble, “It kind of liberated me in ways that I would have never imagined. And the confidence with which I was able to perform the song came from, of course, the fact that Vaibhavi Merchant is the choreographer of the song. And everyone working on it made me feel so safe.” She added, “But it was possibly one of the most difficult things that I’ve ever done as a girl. Because I had to strip bare, almost down to underwear and a bra, in front of hundreds of men on set.” The actress also opened up about why she agreed to do it and said that she was aware of what was needed for her character.

Dia continued, “And it could have felt like a very... how do I explain it? It felt, but it didn’t, because by then, by the time we shot the song, I had become so aware of how important it is to find an actor’s character truth and what you are conveying through a character, that it didn’t matter to me whether there were 500 people or 1,000 people in the room.”

“And I feel like there are lots of things like that that are connected to earlier parts of my career that have informed the artist that I have become today. And if I’m able to bring nuance and texture, or like a lived truth, to a moment, it comes because of the things I have been

able to overcome within myself over this journey of 25 years. And I think it’s also a continuous process, right? Hopefully, I will keep learning, and I will keep getting better,” she shared. Dia called the shoot a “liberating experience”. “Because there were lots of, you know, preconceived concepts and ideas that I shed when I worked on that film. I was a girl who came from Hyderabad. I came from a very conservative



background. And, I was very, I wasn’t so confident in my body. That film made me really confident in my body, because there is that one song, Mujhe Tumse Mohabbat Hai. That really unshackled me,” she explained in the same chat.

Tumsa Nahin Dekha- A Love Story is directed by Anurag Basu and produced by Mukesh Bhatt. The film is inspired by Hollywood’s Pretty Woman, and revolves around a rich man who falls in love with a bar dancer, but stands to lose his inheritance if he doesn’t marry the girl his family chose for him. It also stars Anupam Kher and Pooja Bharti.

Amitabh Bachchan Gives Marriage Advice; Warns Husbands, 'Galti Kardi Toh Joota, Belan Sab Chal Padega'



Megastar Amitabh Bachchan left viewers in splits while sharing a lighthearted yet important piece of marriage advice. The actor, while in conversation with a contestant on Kaun Banega Crorepati 18, commended a contestant for remembering the exact dates of both his first meeting and wedding anniversary. The legendary actor further cautioned husbands against forgetting such important milestones, adding his trademark humour to the advice.

Addressing the husbands among the contestants and viewers, Amitabh said, “Jitne bhi yahan pati log hain, ek baat dhyan se sun lijiye. Jis din aapka byah hua tha apni patni ke saath, sari duniya ko bhool jaiye, us date ko kabhi mat bhooliyega. Yeh bahut hi mahatvapurna tareekh hoti hai, aur patniyan jo hain woh baar-baar poochhti rehti hain ki ‘tumko maloom hai hamara byah kab hua tha?’ Aur kahin aapne galti kar di bhai saab, toh joota, chhappal, belan sab chal padega.”

(All the husbands out there, listen carefully. The day you got married to your wife, forget every other date in the world, but never forget that one. It’s a very important date. Wives have a habit of asking again and again, ‘Do you remember when we got married?’ And gentlemen, if you happen to get that date wrong, be prepared for shoes, slippers, rolling pins, everything might come flying your way) Amitabh, who has been married to Bollywood star Jaya Bachchan, had recently opened up about his equation with his wife. In another conversation, he revealed that he informs his family in advance whenever a shoot is likely to make him late for dinner, joking that this helps him avoid being questioned by Jaya. He also said that when there is no domestic help at home, he takes care of the household chores himself. Admitting that while cooking is not his strength, he sometimes asks Jaya to prepare something for him, who then gets excited and makes different dishes for him, asking him if he liked them. He also recently thanked Jaya on the show for preparing mango kheer for him after he stopped eating regular kheer.

Preity Zinta Gets Her Favourite Kadhi Chawal In Paris While Down With Fever: 'Brightened My Day'



Actress Preity Zinta recently shared a heartwarming glimpse of a kind gesture that brought some comfort to her while she was unwell in Paris.

Taking to Instagram, the ‘Soldier’ actress revealed that she had been down with a fever and was not feeling well. Her friend happened to mention her condition to a neighbour, who went out of her way to send the actress her favourite comfort food – Kadhi Chawal. Sharing her gratitude, Preity gave a shout-out to what she called the “sweetest & kindest family” living in Paris. Preity said the thoughtful gesture not only lifted her spirits during a difficult day but also left a lasting impression on her. Sharing her video, the ‘Kya Kehna’ actress wrote, “A big shout out to the sweetest & kindest family that lives in Paris. I was down with fever & not feeling great at all. My friend mentioned that to her neighbour & Wow! She sent me my favourite Kadi Chawal to brighten me up This little act of kindness & warmth not only brightened my day but will stay with me forever.” “There is a reason we say Punjabi Hospitality is the best If you are in Paris check out the goodies folks & thank me later Ting.”

The video shows Preity Zinta opening a box containing aloo gobi ki sabzi, followed by a tiffin filled with her favourite Kadhi Chawal. Reacting to the thoughtful gesture, she said, “Oh my God, Kadhi Chawal! This is so sweet. I loved it. When you are ill, you want only comfort food. Thank you.”

A few days ago, Preity Zinta visited the Kanapathy Temple in Paris on the last Monday of Sawan and shared glimpses of her spiritual outing on social media. In a video, the ‘Mission Kashmir’ actress documented her visit to the temple, where she was seen offering prayers, lighting diya and seeking blessings. Dressed in white, the actress participated in the temple rituals and spent some time in prayer. “Who would have thought that I would end up going to the most beautiful Indian temple in Paris on the last Monday of Sawan. This last Minute plan overwhelmed me cuz I had a feeling that I was always meant to come here. Wow! The divine and the universe work in unexpected ways. My short trip to Paris has turned out to be extremely sweet after this visit. If you are in Paris do check out the Kanapathy Temple folks. I’m sure you will love it just the way I did. Thank you my darling @shailzaswami for taking me here & for making my trip.

संक्षिप्त समाचार

फसल बचाने के लिए लगाया करंट वाला तार लातेहार में चपेट में आने से जंगली हाथी मरा



लातेहार,एजेंसी। लातेहार के बालूमाथ थाना क्षेत्र के कोमर गांव के कुसी टोला में करंट वाले तार की चपेट में आने से एक जंगली हाथी की मौत हो गई। बताया जा रहा है कि हाथियों के झुंड से फसल और घर को बचाने के लिए ग्रामीण ने अपने घर के आसपास बिजली का तार लगाकर उसमें करंट छोड़ा था। झुंड में पहुंचे हाथियों में से एक हाथी तार की चपेट में आ गया। इससे मौके पर ही उसकी मौत हो गई। घटना की जानकारी मिलने के बाद वन विभाग और बालूमाथ पुलिस की टीम मौके पर पहुंची। जांच शुरू की। वन विभाग के अधिकारियों ने घटनास्थल का जायजा लेकर ग्रामीणों से भी जानकारी ली।

मक्का खाने 5 दिन पहले आया था हाथियों का झुंड:जानकारी के अनुसार, कुसी टोला निवासी बिफा उरांव के घर के आसपास मक्का की फसल लगी हुई थी। करीब पांच दिन पहले जंगली हाथियों का झुंड मक्का खाने के लिए गांव में पहुंचा था। इस दौरान हाथियों ने खेत में लगी फसल को नुकसान पहुंचाया। इसके साथ ही झुंड ने बिफा उरांव के घर को भी क्षतिग्रस्त कर दिया था। हाथियों के दोबारा आने की आशंका को देखते हुए फसल और घर की सुरक्षा के लिए बिफा उरांव ने घर के आसपास बिजली का तार लगाया था। इसमें करंट प्रवाहित किया गया था। रविवार को हाथियों का झुंड फिर उसी इलाके में पहुंचा। इसी दौरान एक हाथी करंट की चपेट में आ गया। मेडिकल टीम पहुंची होगा पोस्टमार्टम हाथी की मौत की सूचना मिलते ही वन विभाग की टीम के साथ बालूमाथ पुलिस भी मौके पर पहुंची। रंजर नंदकुमार मेहता ने बताया कि हाथी की मौत किन परिस्थितियों में हुई, इसकी जांच की जा रही है। मेडिकल टीम को भी घटनास्थल पर बुलाया गया है। हाथी का पोस्टमार्टम कराया जाएगा। पोस्टमार्टम रिपोर्ट आने के बाद ही मौत की वजह की आधिकारिक पुष्टि हो सकेगी। वन विभाग की टीम घटनास्थल से जुड़े सभी पहलुओं की जांच कर रही है। अधिकारियों की ओर से यह भी देखा जा रहा है कि घर के आसपास लगाए गए तार में किस तरह करंट प्रवाहित किया गया था। हाथी उसकी चपेट में कैसे आया।

बालूमाथ में पहले भी हो चुकी है हाथियों की मौत:बालूमाथ क्षेत्र में हाथियों की मौत का यह पहला मामला नहीं है। अक्टूबर 2025 में भी एक छोटे हाथी का शव थान के खेत में मिला था। उस मामले में पोस्टमार्टम के बाद मौत के कारणों की जांच की गई थी। इससे पहले जुलाई 2022 में बालूमाथ के रेंची जंगल में भी एक हाथी मृत मिला था।

शविर में 88 यूनिट रक्त संग्रह, रक्तवीरों ने जीवन बचाने का दिया संदेश

सरायकेला,एजेंसी।समाज में सेवा और मानवता की भावना को मजबूत करने की दिशा में श्री शनिदेव भक्त मंडली (ट्रस्ट) की सरायकेला शाखा ने एक और सराहनीय पहल की। शाखा प्रमुख अमिताभ मुखर्जी के नेतृत्व में रविवार को आयोजित मंडली के 90वें रक्तदान शिविर में कुल 88 यूनिट रक्त संग्रह किया गया। शिविर का आयोजन सदर अस्पताल, सरायकेला स्थित ब्लड बैंक में किया गया। यहां बड़ी संख्या में रक्तदाताओं ने स्वच्छता से रक्तदान किया। उन्होंने जरूरतमंद मरीजों के जीवन बचाने में योगदान दिया। मंडली की ओर से कहा गया कि रक्तदान केवल सामाजिक सेवा नहीं है। यह किसी अनजान व्यक्ति के जीवन को बचाने का माध्यम भी है। शिविर के सफल आयोजन में सदर अस्पताल की तकनीकी टीम का महत्वपूर्ण योगदान रहा। इसमें ब्लड बैंक की प्रभारी चिकित्सक डॉ. अनुपमा कुमारी, टेक्नीशियन शिव कुमार सिंह एवं अर्धेन्द्र कुमार सिंह, एएनएम चिंता कुमारी एवं तनुजा कुमारी, तथा स्वास्थ्यकर्मी रजनी हांसदा, रूपेश महतो, मनोज महतो और राहुल महतो सहित अन्य कर्मियों ने सहयोग किया। वहीं, आयोजन को सफल बनाने में मंडली के सदस्य मंदू सिंह मोदक, मिलन कांति संग्र, कृष्णा राणा, विकास दारोगा और रोशन प्रजापति की सक्रिय भूमिका रही। शाखा प्रमुख अमिताभ मुखर्जी ने पूरे सत्यकेला टीम की ओर से सभी 88 रक्तवीरों के प्रति आभार जताया

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गिरिडीह में युवक ने मछली पालन से बदली तकदीर सालाना 15 लाख रुपए की हो रही इनकम, गांव के 40 लोगों को दिया जॉब

गिरिडीह,एजेंसी। गिरिडीह के बेंगाबाद के युवा उधमी सुमन कुमार ने इजराइल से फिशरीज और एपीकल्चर की पढ़ाई की है। गांव लौटने के बाद उन्होंने आधुनिक तकनीक और वैज्ञानिक प्रबंधन से मत्स्य पालन को सफल बनाया है। सुमन ने आठ तालाबों से मछली पालन शुरू किया था, जो अब बढ़कर 32 तालाब हो गए हैं। वर्तमान में उनके यहां सालाना करीब 100 से 150 टन मछली का उत्पादन हो रहा है। सुमन ने 2019 से इसकी शुरुआत की और पहले ही साल करीब 45 से 50 टन मछली का उत्पादन मिला।

कई प्रजातियों की मछलियां पाली जा रही: इसके बाद उन्होंने इजराइल में सीखी आधुनिक तकनीक को अपने काम में लागू किया। तालाबों का वैज्ञानिक प्रबंधन, अच्छी क्वालिटी के मछली बीज और संतुलित आहार के इस्तेमाल से उत्पादन लगातार बढ़ा। अभी उनके तालाबों में मुख्य रूप से रेहू, कतला



झारखंड में 9 को भारी बारिश के आसार 12 सितंबर तक रांची में भी बरसेंगे बादल, 30-40 km/h की रफ्तार से चलेंगी हवाएं

रांची,एजेंसी।झारखंड में अगले तीन से चार दिनों तक मानसून सक्रिय रहेगा। मौसम विभाग के अनुसार आज राज्य के कुछ हिस्सों में हल्की से मध्यम बारिश और मेघगर्जन होगा। 8 सितंबर को बारिश का दायरा बढ़ेगा और कई जगह 30 से 40 किमी प्रति घंटे की रफ्तार से तेज हवाएं चल सकती हैं। 9 सितंबर को राज्य के लगभग सभी हिस्सों में बारिश के आसार हैं। पलामू, गढ़वा, चतरा, लातेहार, लोहरदगा, गुमला और हजारीबाग में कहीं-कहीं भारी बारिश हो सकती है। इस दौरान वज्रपात और तेज हवा को लेकर यलो अलर्ट जारी किया गया है। 10 से 12 सितंबर तक भी कई इलाकों में हल्की से मध्यम बारिश जारी रहने का अनुमान है।

उत्तर-पूर्वी हिस्सों में भी भारी बारिश की संभावना:मौसम विभाग के अनुसार 8 सितंबर को राज्य के अनेक हिस्सों में बारिश के साथ 30-40 किमी प्रति घंटे की रफ्तार से हवा चल सकती है। 9 सितंबर को गढ़वा, पलामू, लातेहार, लोहरदगा, हजारीबाग और गुमला में गरज, वज्रपात और तेज हवा की आशंका है। उत्तर-पूर्वी झारखंड के कुछ हिस्सों में भारी बारिश हो सकती है। 11 और



12 सितंबर को कुछ स्थानों पर मध्यम बारिश होगी। राजधानी रांची में अगले तीन-चार दिनों तक मौसम में विशेष बदलाव नहीं होगा, लेकिन कहीं-कहीं हल्की बारिश होती रहेगी। 12 सितंबर तक रांची में रोजाना दो-तीन बार हल्की से मध्यम बारिश होने का अनुमान है। बारिश के कारण तापमान में 2 से 3 डिग्री तक गिरावट आ सकती है।

मानसून ट्रफ से झारखंड में बढ़ी नमी: भारत मौसम विज्ञान विभाग के अनुसार दक्षिण-पश्चिम उत्तर प्रदेश और आसपास के क्षेत्र में बना निम्न दबाव क्षेत्र सक्रिय है। इससे जुड़ा साइक्लोनिक सर्कुलेशन समुद्र तल से करीब 5.8 किलोमीटर की ऊंचाई तक फैला है। इसके अगले 24 घंटे में उत्तर-पूर्व दिशा में बढ़ने

की संभावना है। मानसून ट्रफ भी सक्रिय है। फिलहाल यह श्रीगंगानगर, रोहतक, यूपी के लो प्रेशर एरिया, सतना, डालटनगंज और बांकुड़ा होते हुए त्रिपुरा की ओर जा रही है। डालटनगंज से गुजरने के कारण झारखंड में लगातार नमी मिल रही है। दक्षिण गुजरात से उत्तर बांग्लादेश तक बनी दूसरी ट्रफ लाइन भी उत्तर छत्तीसगढ़, झारखंड और पश्चिम बंगाल के ऊपर से गुजर रही है। दोनों प्रणालियों के संयुक्त प्रभाव से बारिश के लिए अनुकूल परिस्थितियां बनी हैं।

पिछले 24 घंटे में पाकुड़ में सबसे अधिक बारिश: पिछले 24 घंटे में राज्य के कुछ स्थानों पर गरज के साथ बहुत हल्की से हल्की बारिश दर्ज की गई। अमरापाड़ा (पाकुड़) में सबसे अधिक 14.4 मिमी बारिश हुई। बोआरिजोर में 14.2, मेहरावन में 12.4, पाकुड़िया में 10.2 और पथरगामा में 10.2 मिमी बारिश रिकॉर्ड की गई। इधर, रांची समेत राज्य के अधिकतर जिलों में अधिकतम तापमान बढ़ा है। अगले दो दिनों तक तापमान में विशेष बदलाव की संभावना नहीं है। इसके बाद बारिश बढ़ने पर अधिकतम तापमान में 2 से 3 डिग्री सेल्सियस तक गिरावट हो सकती है।

बोकारो हॉस्टल में चोरी करने आए 3 युवक संचालक समेत तीन पर चाकू से किया हमला

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बोकारो,एजेंसी।बोकारो के चौराचास थाना क्षेत्र स्थित क्रिएटिव बॉयज हॉस्टल में चोरी करने पहुंचे 3 अज्ञात युवकों ने हॉस्टल संचालक समेत तीन लोगों पर चाकू से हमला कर दिया। घटना में हॉस्टल संचालक रजत कुमार और दो स्टाफ घायल हो गए। रजत कुमार को कान के पास, बांह और जांच में चाकू लगा है। घाव गहरा होने के कारण उन्हें रात में ही मेडिकेंट अस्पताल में भर्ती कराया गया, जहां डॉक्टरों ने छोटी सर्जरी की सलाह दी। घटना रविवार रात की है। वारदात के बाद एक आरोपी को लोगों ने पकड़ लिया, जबकि उसके दो साथी मौके से भागने में सफल रहे। सूचना मिलने पर पुलिस मौके पर पहुंची और मामले की जांच शुरू कर दी है। सालाना मीटिंग के बाद हॉस्टल लौटे थे संचालक और स्टाफ हॉस्टल मैनेजर कुलदीप कुमार सिंह ने



बताया कि रविवार शाम पांडेपुर के पास उत्सव वाटिका में क्रिएटिव हॉस्टल की सालाना मीटिंग और काउंसलिंग कार्यक्रम आयोजित किया गया था। इसमें हॉस्टल के बच्चे, स्टाफ और संचालक रजत कुमार शामिल हुए थे। कार्यक्रम खत्म होने के बाद सभी बच्चों को लेकर हॉस्टल लौटे। हॉस्टल परिसर में पहुंचने पर उन्हें कुछ गड़बड़ी का पता चला। परिसर में लगे छद्मछद्म कैमरे का तार कटा हुआ था। इससे आशंका हुई कि कोई व्यक्ति अंदर घुसा है। इसके बाद जैसे ही हॉस्टल का गेट खोला गया ।

रोकने पर चाकू निकालकर किया हमला

हॉस्टल संचालक और स्टाफ द्वारा युवकों को रोकने की कोशिश करते ही तीनों ने चाकू निकाल लिया और हमला शुरू कर दिया। अचानक हुए हमले में रजत कुमार गंभीर रूप से घायल हो गए। उनके कान के पास, बांह और जांच में चाकू लगा। दो स्टाफ को भी चोटें आईं। हमले के बाद अफरा-तफरी मच गई। रजत कुमार के भाई राहुल कुमार ने बताया कि घटना की जानकारी मिलते ही परिवार के लोग अस्पताल पहुंचे। इसी दौरान मौके पर मौजूद लोगों ने भाग रहे युवकों में से एक को पकड़ लिया। इसके बाद भीड़ ने पकड़े गए युवक की पिटाई भी की। उसके दो साथी वहां से भाग निकले। पुलिस ने शुरू की जांच, फरार आरोपियों की तलाश घटना की जानकारी मिलने के बाद चौराचास थाना पुलिस मौके पर पहुंची।

आंखों से नहीं देखा हिमालय, हौसले से चढ़ गए शिखर झारखंड के शेखर 20,472 फीट, धीरोज 16,732 फीट तक पहुंचे, दोनों अच्छे फुटबॉलर

जमशेदपुर (पूर्वी सिंहभूम),एजेंसी। पश्चिमी सिंहभूम के दो दृष्टिबाधित युवाओं ने अपनी मजबूत इच्छाशक्ति और हौसले से ऐसी मिसाल पेश की है, जो दूसरों के लिए प्रेरणा बन गई है। जिले के 24 वर्षीय शेखर गोप ने लद्दाख की 20,472 फीट ऊंची जो-जोंगो चोटी पर पहुंचकर तिरंगा फहराया। वहीं, 23 वर्षीय धीरोज कुमार स्वास्थ्य संबंधी परेशानी के बावजूद 16,732 फीट की ऊंचाई तक पहुंचे। दोनों ने 25 से 31 अगस्त 2026 के बीच लद्दाख की मारखा घाटी में आयोजित अभियान में हिस्सा लिया। जन्म से दृष्टिबाधित होने के कारण दोनों के शुरुआती जीवन में रोजमर्रा के काम और स्वतंत्र रूप से आने-जाने जैसी चुनौतियां थीं। सीमित संसाधनों के बीच उन्होंने आगे बढ़ने का रास्ता तलाशा। वर्ष 2022 में टाटा स्टील फाउंडेशन की दिव्यांग समावेशन पहल 'सबल' से जुड़ने के बाद उनके जीवन में बड़ा बदलाव आया। यहां उन्हें ब्रेल, डिजिटल तकनीक, दैनिक कार्यों और स्वतंत्र आवागमन का प्रशिक्षण मिला। धीरे-धीरे दोनों आत्मनिर्भर बने और बाद में मोबिलिटी ट्रेनर के रूप में दूसरे दृष्टिबाधित लोगों को भी प्रशिक्षण देने लगे।

फुटबॉल के मैदान से हिमालय तक



पहुंचा आत्मविश्वास: शेखर और धीरोज के लिए यह पर्वतारोहण केवल ऊंचाई नापने का अभियान नहीं था, बल्कि वर्षों में हासिल आत्मविश्वास की परीक्षा भी थी। दोनों ने खेल के मैदान में भी अपनी पहचान बनाई है। शेखर गोप झारखंड की दृष्टिबाधित फुटबॉल टीम के कप्तान हैं, जबकि धीरोज दृष्टिबाधित फुटबॉल

खिलाड़ी के तौर पर राज्य का प्रतिनिधित्व कर चुके हैं। खेल ने दोनों को अनुशासन, टीम भावना और मुश्किल परिस्थितियों में धैर्य बनाए रखने की सीख दी। इसी मानसिक मजबूती ने उन्हें पर्वतारोहण की चुनौती स्वीकार करने का हौसला दिया। अभियान से पहले दलमा की पहाड़ियों में दोनों ने कड़ा प्रशिक्षण लिया।

माइंसतापमानऔरकमऑक्सीजननेलीपरीक्षा

जो-जोंगो अभियान के दौरान दोनों को शून्य से नीचे तापमान, कम ऑक्सीजन और पथरीले तथा खड़े रास्तों का सामना करना पड़ा। ऊंचाई बढ़ने के साथ ऑक्सीजन की कमी ने मुश्किलें और बढ़ा दीं। इसी दौरान धीरोज की तबीयत बिगड़ गई। स्वास्थ्य को देखते हुए उन्हें 16,732 फीट की ऊंचाई पर स्थित बेस कैंप से आगे नहीं बढ़ने दिया गया। हालांकि शिखर तक नहीं पहुंच पाने की कसक उनके मन में रही, लेकिन इतनी ऊंचाई तक पहुंचना भी उनके लिए बड़ी उपलब्धि रही। दूसरी ओर, शेखर ने कठिन परिस्थितियों के बावजूद अपनी चढ़ाई जारी रखी। उन्होंने 20,472 फीट ऊंची जो-जोंगो चोटी पर पहुंचकर तिरंगा फहराया। शून्य से नीचे तापमान और बर्फीले रास्तों के बीच शिखर तक पहुंचना उनके लिए अपने आप में ऐतिहासिक उपलब्धि रही। इस अभियान ने साबित किया कि सही प्रशिक्षण, सहयोग और आत्मविश्वास के साथ शारीरिक चुनौती सपनों की राह को पूरी तरह रोक नहीं सकती।

दृष्टिहीनता सपनों की सीमा तय नहीं कर सकती

शिखर पर तिरंगा फहराने वाले शेखर गोप ने कहा कि शुरुआत में कम तापमान, पथरीले रास्ते और कम ऑक्सीजन चुनौतीपूर्ण लगे, लेकिन प्रशिक्षण और साथियों के भरोसे ने डर को पीछे छोड़ने में मदद की। उनका कहना है कि दृष्टिहीनता सपनों की सीमा तय नहीं कर सकती। वहीं, धीरोज ने माना कि स्वास्थ्य खराब होने के कारण शिखर तक नहीं पहुंच पाने की टीस है, लेकिन 16,732 फीट तक का सफर उनके लिए साहस की बड़ी जीत है। दोनों युवाओं की कहानी यह संदेश देती है कि किसी कमी को जीवन की अंतिम सीमा मान लेना जरूरी नहीं है।

दिल्ली की फैक्ट्री में साथी कर्मचारी ने की युवक की चाकू से गोदकर निर्मम हत्या

एजेंसी **नई दिल्ली।** उत्तर पूर्वी दिल्ली के थाना जाफराबाद इलाके के चौहान बांगर मिललत मस्जिद के नजदीक इन्वेंटर बॉक्स की फैक्ट्री में 19 साल के साहिल की चाकू से गोदकर निर्मम हत्या कर दी गई, जिससे इलाके में सनसनी मच गई है। पुलिस और क्राइम ब्रांच की टीम ने घटनास्थल पर पहुंचकर जांच शुरू कर दी है। बताया जा रहा है कि फैक्ट्री में काम करने वाले दोस्त ने ही साहिल की हत्या की है। पुलिस ने बताया कि रविवार को रात लगभग 10:15 बजे जाफराबाद पुलिस स्टेशन को जेपीसी हॉस्पिटल से एक व्यक्ति के बारे में सूचना मिली। उसे चाकू से वार होने पर घायल होने के कारण हॉस्पिटल लाया गया था, जहां डॉक्टरों ने उसे ‘ब्रॉट डेड’ (अस्पताल पहुंचने पर मृत) घोषित कर दिया। मृतक की पहचान साहिल (19 वर्ष) के रूप में हुई, जो उत्तर प्रदेश के अमरोहा का रहने वाला था और फहीम का बेटा था। साहिल चौहान बांगर की गली नंबर 4 में स्थित आजम खान (गौस मोहम्मद के बेटे) की फैक्ट्री में काम करता था और वहीं रहता था। जांच के दौरान पता चला कि साहिल को कथित तौर पर उसके ही एक साथी कर्मचारी ने चाकू मारा था। दिल्ली पुलिस ने बताया कि फोरेंसिक साईंस टीम ने घटनास्थल का दौरा किया और जरूरी सबूत इकट्ठा किए। जाफराबाद पुलिस स्टेशन में बीएनएस की धारा 103(1) के तहत मामला दर्ज किया गया है। संदिग्ध का जल्द से जल्द पता लगाने और उसे पकड़ने के लिए पुलिस टीम में तेनात की गई है। आगे की जांच जारी है।

धौला कुआं पलाईओवर पर चलती कार में लगी भीषण आग, समय रहते फायर ब्रिगेड ने बुझाई आग

नई दिल्ली। राजधानी दिल्ली के धौलाकुआं पलाईओवर पर उस समय अफरा-तफरी मच गई, जब एक चलती कार में अचानक भीषण आग लग गई। देखते ही देखते आग ने पूरी कार को अपनी चपेट में ले लिया और वाहन धू-धूकर जलने लगा। घटना के बाद प्लाईओवर पर कुछ समय के लिए यातायात प्रभावित होने की स्थिति भी बन गई। कार में आग लगने की सूचना दमकल विभाग को दी गई। सूचना मिलते ही दमकल की गाड़ियां मौके पर पहुंचीं और आग बुझाने का अभियान शुरू किया गया। दमकलकर्मीयों ने कड़ी मशकत के बाद आग पर काबू पाने की कोशिश की। आग इतनी तेज थी कि कार बुरी तरह क्षतिग्रस्त हो गई और लाभग पूरी तरह जलकर खाक हो गई। आग लगने से आसपास के रास्तों को कुछ देर के लिए बंद कर दिया गया था। फिलहाल आग लगने के कारणों का पता नहीं चल पाया है। शुरुआती जानकारी में किसी के हाताहत होने की पुष्टि नहीं हुई है। घटना के बाद पुलिस और संबंधित एजेंसियां मामले की जांच में जुटी हैं। आग कैसे लगी और घटना के समय कार में कितने लोग सवार थे, इसकी भी जानकारी जुटाई जा रही है। मामले में विस्तृत जानकारी का इंतजार है।

युवती से दुष्कर्म के मामले में 66 वर्षीय ठेकेदार को हिरासत में लिया, वीडियो बनाने की भी बात आई सामने

नई दिल्ली। दिल्ली के खेड़ा खुर्द में कुलर की घास बनाने वाली एक फैक्ट्री में 20 वर्षीय युवती से दुष्कर्म करने के आरोप में 66 वर्षीय ठेकेदार को हिरासत में लिया गया है। पुलिस ने यह जानकारी दी। शिकायत के अनुसार, उत्तर प्रदेश निवासी युवती लगभग एक महीने से फैक्ट्री में काम कर रही थी और वहीं रह रही थी। पुलिस ने बताया कि यह घटना एक सितंबर की रात करीब 11 बजे की है। जांच के दौरान पुलिस को यह भी पता चला कि एक सहकर्मी ने कथित घटना का वीडियो बना लिया। इसके बाद आरोपी को पकड़ लिया गया। पुलिस ने बताया कि मामला दर्ज कर लिया गया है और जांच जारी है।

विधायक दफ्तर के पास युवक की हत्या: शक की वजह से ऑटो चालक को पीट-पीटकर उतारा मौत के घाट, एक आरोपी गिरफ्तार

नई दिल्ली। विधायक दफ्तर के पास युवक की हत्या: शक की वजह से ऑटो चालक को पीट-पीटकर उतारा मौत के घाट, एक आरोपी गिरफ्तार पूर्वी दिल्ली के न्यू अशोक नगर इलाके में महज शक की वजह से विधायक के दफ्तर के पास एक शख्स की पीट-पीटकर हत्या कर दी गई। मृतक की शिनाख्त धर्मवीर उर्फ धनुआ (40) के रूप में हुई है। पुलिस ने हत्या के मामले में प्रदीप (22) नामक एक युवक को गिरफ्तार कर लिया है। पुलिस को एक अन्य आरोपी की तलाश है। दरअसल प्रदीप को शक था कि धर्मवीर उसकी विधवा भाभी से बात करता है। शनिवार देर रात को प्रदीप ने धर्मवीर को भाभी के घर के पास घूमते हुए देखा तो वह आग बबूला हो गया। उसने लकड़ के फट्टे व डंडे से पीट-पीटकर धर्मवीर को मौत के घाट उतार दिया। वारदात के दौरान वहां पास में मौजूद एक गार्ड ने धर्मवीर को बचाने का भी प्रयास किया। आरोपियों ने उसे भी जान से मारने की धमकी दी। बाद में आरोपी फरार हो गए। पूरी वारदात पास लगे सीसीटीवी कैमरे में कैद हुई। गार्ड ने ही पुलिस को खबर दी। पुलिस ने घायल धर्मवीर को अस्पताल पहुंचाया, जहां डॉक्टरों ने उसे मृत घोषित कर दिया। कोंडली से विधायक कुलदीप कुमार ने एरिया की सुरक्षा व्यवस्था पर सवाल खड़े किए हैं। पूर्वी जिला पुलिस उपायुक्त राजीव कुमार ने बताया कि रविवार तड़के करीब 4.17 बजे उनकी टीम को रेड फॉक्स होटल, मयूर विहार फेज-3 से खबर मिली कि एक युवक पर जानलेवा हमला किया जा रहा है। खबर मिलते ही पुलिस की टीम वहां पहुंची तो घायल धर्मवीर मिला। अस्पताल ले जाने पर उसे मृत घोषित कर दिया गया।

दिल्ली को प्रदूषण मुक्त बनाना का जागरूकता अभियान शुरू, मार्च 2027 तक चलेगा : सिरसा

एजेंसी **नई दिल्ली।** दिल्ली सरकार राष्ट्रीय राजधानी में वायु प्रदूषण को कम करने और वायु गुणवत्ता में सुधार के लिए निरंतर और व्यापक प्रयास कर रही है। इन प्रयासों में प्रवर्तन, तकनीकी हस्तक्षेप, हिताधारकों की भागीदारी और जनसहभागिता को समाहित किया गया है। इसी प्रतिबद्धता को आगे बढ़ाते हुए दिल्ली सरकार ने एक व्यापक शहरव्यापी सूचना, शिक्षा एवं संस्कार (आईईसी) एवं जागरूकता अभियान शुरू किया है।

दिल्ली के पर्यावरण मंत्री मनजिंदर सिंह सिरसा ने आज एक विज्ञापित जारी करते हुए कहा कि दिल्ली सरकार वायु प्रदूषण की चुनौती से निपटने के लिए पूरी गंभीरता और निरंतरता के साथ कार्य कर रही है। सरकार हर स्तर पर प्रवर्तन को मजबूत कर रही है और व्यापक उपाय लागू कर रही है। लेकिन स्वच्छ हवा की लड़ाई केवल सरकार के प्रयासों से नहीं जीती जा सकती। प्रत्येक नागरिक, प्रत्येक

संस्थान और प्रत्येक हितधारक की इसमें महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका है।सिरसा ने बताया कि दिल्ली प्रदूषण नियंत्रण समिति (डीपीसीसी) द्वारा संचालित



यह अभियान सितंबर 2026 से मार्च 2027 तक ‘साथ निभाएं, प्रदूषण घटाएं’ थीम के तहत चलाया जाएगा। इस अभियान के माध्यम से दिल्ली के विभिन्न सरकारी विभागों, संस्थानों, उद्योगों, समुदायों और नागरिकों को एकजुट करते हुए स्वच्छ और स्वस्थ वायु के लिए एक निरंतर एवं सामूहिक जनआंदोलन तैयार किया जाएगा।

इसी उद्देश्य से यह अभियान पर्यावरण संबंधी जागरूकता को

प्रधानमंत्री मंगलवार को गुजरात और महाराष्ट्र का करेंगे दौरा

पीएम मोदी दोपहर में वडोदरा में 35 हजार करोड़ रुपए से अधिक की लागत वाली कई विकास परियोजनाओं का शिलान्यास और उद्घाटन करेंगे।

एजेंसी **नई दिल्ली।** प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी मंगलवार को गुजरात और महाराष्ट्र का दौरा करेंगे। पीएम मोदी दोपहर में वडोदरा में 35 हजार करोड़ रुपए से अधिक की लागत वाली कई विकास परियोजनाओं का शिलान्यास और उद्घाटन करेंगे। इसके बाद वे शाम को मुंबई में ग्लोबल फिनटेक फेस्ट (जीएफएफ) 2026 का उद्घाटन करेंगे। प्रधानमंत्री मोदी मंगलवार को दोपहर करीब 12 बजे

वडोदरा पहुंचेंगे। वे वेस्टर्न डेविकेटेड फ्रंट कॉरिडोर (डब्ल्यूडीएफसी) के तीन महत्वपूर्ण खंडों को राष्ट्र को समर्पित करेंगे, जिनकी लंबाई 326 किलोमीटर है और जिन्हें 20,700 करोड़ रुपए से अधिक की लागत से विकसित किया गया है। इनमें साणंद (उत्तर)-मकरपुरा, न्यू उंबरगांव-न्यू सफाले और न्यू सफाले-जेएनपीटी खंड शामिल हैं। जवाहरलाल नेहरू पोर्ट एथॉरिटी (जेएनपीए) की सीधी कनेक्टिविटी से कार्गो की आवाजाही तेज होगी, औद्योगिक केंद्रों और बंदरगाहों के बीच संपर्क मजबूत होगा, लॉजिस्टिक्स लागत कम होगी और मुंबई के रेलवे नेटवर्क पर भीड़ कम करने में मदद मिलेगी। इन खंडों के शुरू होने के साथ ही, डेविकेटेड



कनेक्टिविटी में सुधार करके, पारामन समय को कम करके और विभिन्न क्षेत्रों में माल की सुगम आवाजाही को सुविधाजनक बनाकर देश के लॉजिस्टिक्स पारिस्थितिकी

तंत्र को अर मजबूत करेगा। प्रधानमंत्री मुंबई के न्यू साणंद (उत्तर), न्यू मकरपुरा, न्यू उंबरगांव और न्यू जेएनपीटी से मालगाड़ी सेवाओं को हरी झंडी दिखाएंगे। इसके अलावा, वे वडोदरा और टांडा रोड के बीच एक नई ट्रेन सेवा को भी हरी झंडी दिखाएंगे, जिससे वडोदरा, छेटा उदपुर और अलीराजपुर जिलों के लोगों को लाभ होगा। पीएम मोदी छेटा उदपुर-थार प्रोजेक्ट के तहत बनी जोबाट-टांडा रोड नई रेल लाइन को देश को समर्पित करेंगे। यह नई रेल लाइन अलीराजपुर के दूर-दराज और आदिवासी इलाकों को राष्ट्रीय रेल नेटवर्क से जोड़ेगी। प्रधानमंत्री मंगलवार को 329 किलोमीटर लंबी और 9,700 करोड़ रुपए से अधिक की लागत वाली

तीन रेलवे परियोजनाओं की आधारशिला रखेंगे। इनमें वडोदरा-रतलाम तीसरी और चौथी लाइन, मियागाम कर्जन-चोरंडा-मलसर गेज कन्वर्जन और विश्वमित्र-दमोई दोहरीकरण परियोजना शामिल हैं। इन परियोजनाओं से यात्री और माल ढुलाई क्षमता बढ़ेगी और गुजरात व मध्य प्रदेश के बीच संपर्क मजबूत होगा। पीएम मोदी लगभग 1,780 करोड़ रुपए की लागत वाली तीन राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग परियोजनाओं की आधारशिला रखेंगे। इसके अलावा, वे एनएच-48 के वडोदरा-सूरत खंड पर सड़क सुस्था में सुधार और यातायात संबंधी समस्याओं को दूर करने के लिए कदारी चौकड़ी और लुवारा पाटिया में छह लेन के प्लाईओवर का उद्घाटन करेंगे। वहीं, पीएम मोदी गुजरात सरकार की लगभग 2,600

करोड़ रुपए की विभिन्न परियोजनाओं की आधारशिला रखेंगे और उनका उद्घाटन करेंगे। प्रधानमंत्री मोदी मंगलवार शाम को करीब 5.45 बजे ग्लोबल फिनटेक फेस्ट (जीएफएफ) 2026 का उद्घाटन करेंगे। ग्लोबल फिनटेक फेस्ट का सातवां संस्करण 8 से 11 सितंबर तक मुंबई में आयोजित किया जा रहा है। 2020 से, जीएफएफ एक अंतरराष्ट्रीय विचार नेतृत्व मंच के रूप में उभरा है जो नीति निर्माताओं, नियामकों, केंद्रीय बैंकों, वित्तीय संस्थानों, फिनटेक कंपनियों, प्रौद्योगिकी कंपनियों, निवेशकों, शिक्षाविदों और अन्य वैश्विक हितधारकों को वित्त के भविष्य को आकार देने पर विचार-विमर्श करने के लिए एक साथ लाता है।

सत्य निकेतन में इमारत गिरने की घटना को लेकर दिल्ली हाईकोर्ट में याचिका दाखिल

एजेंसी **नई दिल्ली।** राष्ट्रीय राजधानी के सत्य निकेतन इलाके में बहुमंजिला इमारत गिरने का मामला दिल्ली हाईकोर्ट पहुंचा है। घटना को लेकर दिल्ली हाईकोर्ट में एक जनहित याचिका (पीआईएल) दाखिल की गई है। दिल्ली हाईकोर्ट में दायर याचिका में तत्काल सुनवाई की मांग की गई है। वहीं, हाईकोर्ट के मुख्य न्यायाधीश देवेन्द्र कुमार उपाध्याय और जस्टिस तेजस करिया की डिवीजन बेंच इस मामले की सुनवाई करने के लिए सहमत हो गई है। हाईकोर्ट ने भरोसा दिलाया है कि आज इस पर सुनवाई होगी। बता दें कि सत्य निकेतन इलाके में पांच मंजिला इमारत गिरने के कारण 6 लोगों की मौत हो चुकी है।

दिल्ली एम्स ने एक बयान में कहा कि घायल हुए 11 मरीजों को जेपीएन एक्स ट्रोमा सेंटर (एम्स) लाया गया। इन 11 मरीजों में से 5 को मृत अवस्था में लाया गया था, जबकि गंभीर हालत वाले एक मरीज की बाद में चोटों के कारण मौत हो गई। तीन मरीजों को भर्ती किया गया है और उनका इलाज चल रहा है। एक मरीज को मामूली चोट आई थी



अब तक सफदरजंग अस्पताल में कुल दो घायलों को लाया गया है। उधर, सोमवार सुबह दिल्ली की मुख्यमंत्री रेखा गुप्ता ने मंत्री मनजिंदर सिंह सिरसा और स्थानीय विधायक के साथ घटनास्थल का निरीक्षण किया। उन्होंने कहा कि इमारत के

मालिक के खिलाफ एफआईआर दर्ज की गई है और लापरवाही या चूक के दोषी पाए जाने वाले अधिकारियों के खिलाफ सख्त कार्रवाई की जाएगी।

मुख्यमंत्री रेखा गुप्ता ने जानकारी

दी कि यह बहुत पुरानी इमारत थी। बेसमेंट में पानी भरने से इसके पिलर कमजोर हो गए, जिससे पूरी इमारत गिर गई। उन्होंने यह भी बताया कि बगल की इमारत को भी पूरी तरह खाली कराया गया है और एहतियात के तौर पर उसे गिरा दिया जाएगा।

सत्य निकेतन हादसा: छात्रों ने बयां किया खौफनाक मंजर, कहा-हमारी जान की कोई कीमत नहीं

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नई दिल्ली। । दक्षिणी दिल्ली के सत्य निकेतन में जब बहुमंजिला इमारत गिरी तो आसपास मौजूद लोग सहम गए थे। हादसे के समय घटनास्थल के पास रहे छात्र और स्थानीय लोगों ने आईएनएस से बालचीत में आंखों देखा हाल बताया। चरमदीद छात्र अभिनव ने कहा, ‘कल मैं और मेरे दोस्त बाजार जा रहे थे। जैसे ही हम बाहर निकले और नीचे आए, पूरी गली धूल से भर गई थी। अगर मैं कुछ मिनट पहले निकला होता, तो शायद मैं मलबे के नीचे ही होता, क्योंकि मेट्रो स्टेशन जाने के लिए हम अक्सर इसी रास्ते का इस्तेमाल करते हैं। अगर हम थोड़ा और पहले निकले होते, तो हम भी इसकी चपेट में आ जाते। सब कुछ हमारी आंखों के सामने हुआ। मुझे नहीं लगता कि यहां किसी भी पीजी में 40-50 से कम छात्र रहते होंगे। लगभग सभी पीजी के हालात एक

जैसे ही हैं। छात्रों के पास इन्हें किराए पर लेने के अलावा कोई चारा नहीं है, क्योंकि कोई दूसरा विकल्प मौजूद ही नहीं है। हम स्टूडेंट अच्छे नंबर लाकर इतनी बड़ी यूनिवर्सिटी में कॉलेज में एडमिशन पाते हैं लेकिन यहां पर हम ऐसे पीजी में रहने के लिए मजबूर हैं, जिनकी हालत इतनी खस्ता है। हमारी लाइफ की यहां पर कोई कीमत नहीं है। सब लोग यहां पर मिले हुए हैं, गर्मेंट भी मिली हुई है, इसलिए इस तरह के पीजी चल रहे हैं। चरमदीद छात्र रितिक ने कहा, ‘मैं यहीं पास में एक पीजी में रहता हूं। जब यह घटना हुई, तो मैं पास की ही स्टेशनरी की दुकान पर खड़ा था। मैंने देखा कि इमारत हिल रही है और जब मैं उस जगह की ओर भागा, तो पूरी इमारत ढह गई। मैंने यह हादसा अपनी आंखों से देखा है। मेरा दिल रो रहा है और मैं अपने दुख को शब्दों में बयां नहीं कर सकता। फिर भी कोई भी आगे नहीं आ रहा है और न ही कोई जिम्मेदारी ले रहा है। मैं जवाबदेही

कहां मांगू? स्थानीय निवासी विजय ने कहा, ‘हादसा होने के कुछ ही मिनटों के अंदर हमें इसकी जानकारी मिल गई। हम पास के पार्क में बैठे थे और तुरंत मौके पर पहुंचे। वहाँ पहुंचने पर अफरातफरी मची हुई थी और चारों ओर धूल के गुबार उठ रहे थे। हमने आसपास देखा, कुछ मलबा ढट्टाया और अंदर गए। वहां हमें एक व्यक्ति मिला, जिसके मुँह से खून निकल रहा था। हम करीब 10-12 लोग थे। हमने उसे बाहर निकाला, उसके ऊपर कन्नोट का एक बहुत बड़ा स्लैब गिरा हुआ था, जिसे उठाने में काफी मशकत करनी पड़ी। हमने उसे उठया, उस व्यक्ति को बाहर निकाला और तुरंत एम्बुलेंस में डालकर अस्पताल भेजा। अभी खबर है कि उसकी हालत पूरी तरह स्थिर और ठीक है। विजय ने कहा, ‘सत्य निकेतन में कई इमारतें अभी भी ऐसी ही हालत में हैं। यहां तीन-चार और इमारतें हैं जो साफ तौर पर झुकी हुई दिख रही हैं।

दिल्ली-एनसीआर में वर्षा होने से निचले इलाकों में भारी जलभराव

एजेंसी **नई दिल्ली।** दिल्ली-एनसीआर में बीते दो दिनों से जारी मूसलाधार बारिश ने जनजीवन पूरी तरह अस्त-व्यस्त कर दिया है। यहां लगातार बारिश से कहा लोगों को सड़क भरी गमों से राहत मिली है। कई कॉलोनियां और निचले इलाकों में जलभराव के कारण घरों और दुकानों में पानी घुस गया है, जिससे भारी नुकसान और परेशानी का सामना करना पड़ रहा है।बारिश दिनभर रुक-रुक कर जारी रही। इसके चलते आईटीओ, आश्रम, धौला कुआं, रिंग रोड, विकास मार्ग और दिल्ली-गुरग्राम एक्सप्रेसवे जैसे प्रमुख मार्ग पर पानी भर गया। निचले इलाकों खासकर सीमापुरी, संगम विहार, बारली, मयूर विहार फेज-3 और नजफगढ़ के कई क्षेत्रों में घुटनों तक पानी जमा हो गया।

जलभराव के खतरे को देखते हुए प्रशासन को एहतियातन कई प्रमुख अंडरपास पर बैरिकेडिंग कर यातायात बदलना पड़ा। दिल्ली ट्रैफिक पुलिस ने वाहन चालकों को जाम से बचने के लिए जलभराव वाले रास्तों से दूर रहने और वैकल्पिक मार्गों का उपयोग करने की सलाह दी है। भारतीय मौसम विज्ञान विभाग (आईएमडी) के अनुसार मानसून की सक्रिय ट्रफ लाइन दिल्ली-एनसीआर के करीब से गुजर रही है, जिसके चलते यह मौसमी बदलाव देखा जा रहा है। राजधानी में ऐसा ही मौसम सोमवार को भी बने रहने के आसार हैं। इस दौरान हल्की से मध्यम तथा कुछ इलाकों में तेज बारिश की संभावना अभी रहेगी। लगातार हो रही बारिश होने से हवा की गुणवत्ता (एक्यूआई) में भी बड़ा सुधार देखा गया है ।

पेरिस में स्वामीनारायण मंदिर भारत-फ्रांस के सांस्कृतिक संबंधों का नया युग स्तंभ: पीएम मोदी

प्रधानमंत्री ने कहा कि भले ही वह पेरिस में मौजूद नहीं हैं, लेकिन मन और हृदय से स्वयं को समारोह में उपस्थित महसूस कर रहे हैं।

एजेंसी **नई दिल्ली।** प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी ने फ्रांस की राजधानी पेरिस में भव्य बीएपीएस स्वामीनारायण मंदिर के लोकार्पण को भारत और फ्रांस के सांस्कृतिक संबंधों का ‘नया युग स्तंभ’ बताया। उन्होंने कहा कि यह मंदिर केवल आस्था का केंद्र नहीं, बल्कि दोनों देशों के साझा सांस्कृतिक मूल्यों, सहयोग और ‘वसुधैव कुटुम्बकम्’ की भावना का प्रतीक है। लोकार्पण समारोह को वचुंअली संबोधित करते हुए प्रधानमंत्री ने कहा कि भले ही वह पेरिस में मौजूद नहीं हैं, लेकिन मन और हृदय से स्वयं को समारोह में उपस्थित महसूस कर रहे हैं। उन्होंने पृथ्व महंत स्वामी, संतों और बीएपीएस स्वामीनारायण संस्था को

इस ऐतिहासिक अवसर के लिए बधाई दी और प्रमुख स्वामी महाराज को श्रद्धापूर्वक नमन किया। प्रधानमंत्री ने कहा कि प्रमुख स्वामी महाराज ने भारत के प्राचीन सांस्कृतिक और आध्यात्मिक वैभव



के पुनर्जागरण का अभियान शुरू किया था, जिसका प्रकाश आज यूरोप समेत पूरी दुनिया में फैल रहा है। उन्होंने याद दिलाया कि 2024 में अबू धाबी में भव्य मंदिर का लोकार्पण हुआ था और अब पेरिस में मंदिर का निर्माण उसी संकल्प शक्ति की निरंतरता है। पीएम मोदी ने कहा

कि बीएपीएस के माध्यम से दुनिया के अलग-अलग देशों में बनने वाले मंदिर भारत के प्राचीन विचार और मानवीय मूल्यों की भी साथ लेकर जाते हैं। उन्होंने संस्कृत के मंत्र ‘समानं मनः सह चित्तमेधाम्’ का विशेष शैश्विक रणनीतिक साझेदारी मजबूत सांस्कृतिक और ऐतिहासिक आधार पर टिकी है। उन्होंने कहा कि फ्रांस में भारतीय सैनिकों के बलिदान का इतिहास आज भी जीवित है और फ्रांसीसी विद्वानों ने संस्कृत को लोकप्रिय बनाने में महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाई। रोमां रोलान की लेखनी, स्वामी विवेकानंद और रामकृष्ण परमहंस से जुड़े विचारों तथा पेरिस से घुड़चैरी तक ‘द मदर’ की आध्यात्मिक यात्रा का उल्लेख करते हुए उन्होंने कहा कि इन संबंधों ने दोनों समाजों को और करीब लाया है। प्रधानमंत्री ने इस्कॉन के संस्थापक श्रील प्रभुपाद स्वामी के फ्रांस आगमन और अंतरराष्ट्रीय योग दिवस के अवसर पर एफिल टॉवर

के सामने आयोजित योग कार्यक्रमों का भी जिक्र किया। उन्होंने कहा कि अब बीएपीएस स्वामीनारायण मंदिर इन सांस्कृतिक संबंधों में एक नया अध्याय जोड़ रहा है। पीएम मोदी ने कहा कि यह मंदिर ‘मेड इन इंडिया’ और ‘बिल्ट इन फ्रांस’ का इक्कट्ठ उदाहरण है। उन्होंने बताया कि मंदिर के कई पथरों को भारत में तराश गया और उन्हें फ्रांस में आधुनिक इंजीनियरिंग के साथ जोड़कर यह भव्य स्वरूप दिया गया। उन्होंने उम्मीद जताई कि यह मंदिर सदियों तक भारत और फ्रांस के बीच सहयोग और संप्रभावनाओं का प्रतीक बना रहेगा। प्रधानमंत्री ने कहा कि स्वामीनारायण मंदिर हमेशा भक्ति के साथ-साथ सेवा का भी केंद्र रहे है और उन्हें विश्वास है कि पेरिस का यह मंदिर भी सेवा परियोजनाओं का महत्वपूर्ण केंद्र बनेगा। उन्होंने कहा कि यहां से भारतीय संस्कृति का संदेश पूरे यूरोप तक पहुंचेगा और भविष्य में अक्सर करने पर वह स्वयं इस मंदिर में दर्शन करने का प्रयास करेंगे।

सत्य निकेतन हादसा: कांग्रेस नेताओं ने छात्रों की सुरक्षा पर उठाए सवाल

मल्लिकार्जुन खरगे ने एक्स पर कहा कि दिल्ली के सत्य निकेतन में इमारत का गिरना एक बेहद दुखद है। यह ऐसी घटना है जिसे रोका जा सकता था। मलबे में विश्वविद्यालय के छात्रों के फंसे होने की खबरें बहुत चिंताजनक हैं। फंसे हुए लोगों को

बचाने और घायलों का बेहतर से बेहतर इलाज सुनिश्चित करने के लिए हस्तक्षेप कोशिश की जानी चाहिए। दीपेंद्र हुड्डा ने सोशल मीडिया प्लेटफार्म एक्स पर कहा कि सत्य निकेतन में इमारत ढहने की घटना बेहद चिंताजनक है। इमारत में रहने

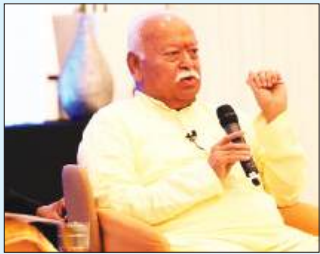
वाले अधिकतर छात्र थे और मलबे में लोगों के दबे होने की सूचना से वह निचलित है। उन्होंने हरियाणा और दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय की एनएसयूआई टीम के साथ मौके के लुफ्तचक्र राहत तथा घायलों को तत्काल बेहतर इलाज उपलब्ध कराने

राहुल गांधी ने हादसे को बेहद दर्दनाक बताया। उन्होंने एनडीआरएफ, दिल्ली अग्निशमन सेवा और अन्य बचाव दलों से हस्तक्षेप प्रयास कर मलबे में फंसे लोगों तक पहुंचने तथा घायलों को तत्काल बेहतर इलाज उपलब्ध कराने

की अपील की। राहुल गांधी ने विश्वविद्यालयों में छात्रावासों की कमी का मुद्दा उठाते हुए कहा कि अच्छे हॉस्टल नहीं होने के कारण छात्र पीजी में बड़ी संख्या में रहने को मजबूर हैं। कांग्रेस की वरिष्ठ नेता और सांसद कुमारी सैलजा ने भी

हादसे पर दुख जताया। उन्होंने कहा कि इमारत में बड़ी संख्या में छात्र रहते थे और कुछ लोगों के मलबे में दबे होने की जानकारी सामने आ रही है। उन्होंने सरकार और संबंधित एजेंसियों से बिना देरी राहत एवं बचाव कार्य तेज करने की मांग की।

Love, not hatred drives RSS work Bhagwat



New Delhi, Agency: Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) chief Mohan Bhagwat on Sunday said the organisation's work is founded not on hatred but on "pure and saintly love". "I heard some people say intense hatred is the basis of our work. It is just the reverse. 'Shuddha Sadhvik Prem' (pure and saintly love), that is the basis of our work," he said while addressing a gathering in London.

He said the Hindu civilisational identity is rooted in the belief that diversity and unity can coexist, arguing that differences among people should be seen as varied expressions of an underlying oneness.

Relief in Congress as all factions accept Pilot as Punjab handler



New Delhi, Agency: Faced with turmoil over the state leadership in Punjab, Congress has heaved a sigh of relief as politicians cutting across factional lines have welcomed Sachin Pilot's appointment as party incharge of the poll-bound state in place of Bhupesh Baghel.

Former Punjab chief minister Charanjit Channi and Lok Sabha MP Sukhjinder Randhawa, who lead the dissident group gunning for state president Amarinder Singh Raja Warring, extended their best wishes to Pilot. Warring too has welcomed Pilot's appointment.

PM Modi's remark triggers Kharage-Nabin exchange



New Delhi, Agency: BJP and Congress chiefs Sunday sparred over PM Narendra Modi's 'naraaz fufa' (disgruntled uncle) jibe at opponents and critics, with Mallikarjun Kharage questioning the PM's use of such labels and Nitin Nabin responding that his counterpart's criticism was yet another confirmation of his party's negative mindset.

In a post on X in Hindi, Kharage said, "Modi ji's modus operandi is to suppress questions in a democracy and give the opposition a new adjective every year so that his own failures remain hidden! Naraaz fufa, dimagi Naxal, urban Naxal, Khan Market gang, andolan-jeevi, parjeevi..." The adjectives for the opposition may keep changing, but Modi govt's "anti-people policies" do not change, Kharage added. He asked the govt to listen to 'Chhatron Ki Goonj' as solutions won't come from beating around the bush. In response to this, Nabin justified the PM's colloquial jibe saying the opposition has indeed been acting like that one uncle in the family who always sulks and can never see or appreciate good things.

Regional Journal: Nabin's Rasputin moment

New Delhi, Agency: BJP president Nitin Nabin this week found himself at the centre of a controversy that wasn't of his making but that of the party's social media team. Nabin was criticised by the Congress and TMC after he shared on X the video of his meeting with the Russian envoy to India Denis Alipov with the 1978 Boney M hit song "Ra Ra Rasputin" filling the background. The Opposition called the choice of song on the controversial and divisive figure in Russia as comical and tasteless.

Belgian Prime Minister Bart De Wever had planned to present PM Narendra Modi with a chocolate replica of the India Gate. But the gift was not to be. It was unable to make the journey to Delhi and broke midway. De Wever has, however, vowed to have another version of the gift delivered to his Indian counterpart



in one piece.

Missing IAS officers in Assembly: The absence of IAS, IPS and other senior officers from the officers' gallery in the Himachal Pradesh Vidhan Sabha on the final day of the monsoon session left the Opposition BJP fuming. Leader of Opposition Jai Ram Thakur alleged that after Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu left for Delhi, none of the senior officials deemed it neces-

sary to be present in the House. "We will take up the issue of the absence of senior officers, including the Chief Secretary, DGP and others, from the House," Speaker Kuldeep Pathania said.

Gurdaspur civic body officials did not think twice before dumping garbage along both sides of a road. Nothing seemed amiss until one reached a signboard that read: "This road has been constructed by CM Bhagwant Mann." When images of the scene surfaced on social media, officials swiftly switched to damage-control mode. In the end, they chose to clear the filth because, obviously, the signboard could not be removed.

Martyrs as 'cure' for depression: Himachal BJP MLA Satpal Satti, while speaking in the Vidhan Sabha, expressed surprise over the growing incidence of depression among the youth. Remarking that

20-year-olds were once considered capable of fighting a tiger, Satti wondered why so many youth were ending their lives. As a remedy, he suggested that youngsters be reminded that they belong to the land of martyrs such as Bhagat Singh, Khudiram Bose and Mangal Pandey, who embraced death with a smile. A doctor quipped it may take some time before depression and other mental health issues are fully understood and accorded the seriousness they deserve.

INLD chief Abhay Singh Chautala mocked the Haryana Assembly's monsoon session as a "Jeb phaado aur kohni maaro session", saying public concerns found little space in the proceedings. He was referring to the scuffle between Congress MLAs and security personnel at the Assembly gates. Congress leaders, including

former CM Bhupinder Singh Hooda, displayed their torn pockets as proof of alleged high-handedness. The ruling side accused Congress legislators of elbowing security personnel during the confrontation. Three weeks after Punjab Public Works Minister Harbhajan Singh ETO congratulated AAP leader Sarabjot Singh Dhanjal on being appointed Chairman of the Amritsar Improvement Trust (AIT), the official notification is yet to reach the Trust. On August 18, the district public relations office issued a statement saying ETO had greeted Dhanjal on his appointment. However, with no formal orders issued so far, incumbent chairman Karamjit Singh Rintu continues to head the AIT. The unusual situation has triggered chuckles across the city and caused embarrassment to the ruling dispensation.

Military commanders meet at LAC in Arunachal ahead of Chinese President Xi Jinping's visit to India

New Delhi, Agency: A week ahead of Chinese President Xi Jinping's expected visit to India, senior military commanders of India and China met along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in Arunachal Pradesh on Sunday.

The meeting was held between Corps Commander-level officials at the 'border personnel meeting' point at Wacha, north of Kibithu in Anjaw district of the state, sources have confirmed. The meeting marked the first Corps Commander-level interaction at the Wacha point since it became operational in 2014. The Army's 3 Corps Commander Lt Gen Girish Kalia represented India. A Corps Commander is responsible for a



designated operational area. The Corps oversees a major portion of the 1,140-km LAC in Arunachal Pradesh. The development comes just a week ahead of the BRICS Leader's Summit, where Xi, among other leaders like Russia's Vladimir Putin, is scheduled to arrive in New Delhi. The meeting at the LAC

comes less than a month after a misunderstanding between the two militaries near Taksing in the Upper Subhansiri district of Arunachal Pradesh. Taksing is also under the command of 3 Corps. Sources said the Army had maintained a firm stance in responding to Chinese troop activity in the area.

India and China have different perceptions of the LAC in their territories and at times, that leads to issues on the ground. So far, there is no official statement by the Ministry of Defence. However, sources said the Corps Commander-level meeting discussed ways of maintaining peace along the LAC.

Security forces bolster presence in areas prone to Naxal regrouping

New Delhi, Agency: Even as key Naxal leaders have either surrendered, been arrested or killed, security forces are being deployed in areas where there is a possibility that surviving underground cadres may attempt to revive the movement.

These so-called "liberated zones", where remnants of the Naxal network could seek to regroup and plan renewed operations, are being specially identified and reinforced with additional personnel, sources familiar with the matter said. According to the sources, such areas are being mapped in both Chhattisgarh and



Jharkhand, states that have long been considered strongholds of Left-wing extremism.

These zones will witness the deployment of a larger number of troops, primarily from the CRPF, to counter any attempt by underground or hidden Naxal cadres to revive their activities.

The sources said villages in and around districts such as Jagdalpur and Sukma in

Chhattisgarh were among the areas under close watch.

Although the Centre has declared India officially Naxal-free, particularly after the March 31, 2026 deadline set by Union Home Minister Amit Shah for affected states to encourage the surrender of Maoist cadres and commanders, the government continues to assess the operational strength and capacity of any surviving

elements to carry out attacks in these so-called liberated zones.

The objective is to ensure that residual Naxal cadres do not regroup and re-establish their networks, the sources said. In view of this assessment, additional deployments have been made in vulnerable areas, they added. Meanwhile, between January and July 2026, 40 Maoists were neutralised, 71 were apprehended and 336 surrendered, according to official figures cited by the sources.

Major surrenders during this period were reported from Chhattisgarh, Odisha and Maharashtra.

Punjab urges President, PM to stall new Chief Justice's swearing-in

New Delhi, Agency: In an unprecedented confrontation between the executive and the judiciary, the Punjab Cabinet on Sunday unanimously passed a resolution opposing the appointment of Justice Ashwani Kumar Mishra, the acting Chief Justice of the Punjab and Haryana High Court, as the Chief Justice. The move came hours after the Centre issued a late-night notification on Saturday appointing Justice Mishra to the post. At a hurriedly convened Cabinet meeting, the state government appealed to President Droupadi Murmu, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Governor Gulab Chand Kataria to put the appointment and the scheduled oath-taking ceremony on hold until "mandatory approval" from the state was taken. Justice Mishra is scheduled to be sworn in by Governor Kataria on Monday morning. Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann, who is in Delhi, is unlikely to attend the ceremony.

Most ministers joined the emergency meeting through video-conferencing. During the meeting, the Cabinet examined the Memorandum of Procedure (MoP) governing the appointment and transfer of high court judges and chief justices.

According to the Cabinet, Paragraph 6 of the MoP stipulates that after receiving the recommendation of the Chief Justice of India, the Union Law Minister would obtain the views of the state govern-



ment concerned before forwarding the proposal to the Prime Minister for advice to the President. "However, in complete disregard of the MoP and established constitutional norms, the Union Government hurriedly notified the appointment of the Chief Justice of the Punjab and Haryana High Court without awaiting the response of the state government," a Cabinet statement said. After the meeting, Mann accused the Centre of systematically undermining Punjab's constitutional rights.

"The Centre is continuously attacking the rights of Punjab. The appointment of the new Chief Justice has been made without taking consent or following the prescribed procedure," he said. The Chief Minister linked the issue to what he described as a broader pattern of federal overreach, alleging that the Centre had withheld Rs 9,000 crore in Rural Development Fund (RDF) dues, not released the announced Rs 1,600 crore flood-relief package and amended the rules governing the Bhakra Beas Management Board (BBMB) to dilute Punjab's rights over river waters.

No political boundaries endorsed under UN map resolution: MEA

New Delhi, Agency: Two days after the UN General Assembly adopted a resolution promoting equal-area map projections that more accurately represent the size of continents, the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) on Sunday clarified that the UN has not adopted or authenticated any map depicting political boundaries. MEA spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal responded to the matter on Sunday as several international media houses published a map showing erroneous political boundaries of India to depict the new UN-approved map.

Jaiswal said, "The UN resolution neither adopts nor authenticates any particular world map, nor does it address political cartography, including international boundaries, disputed territories or names of places."

India voted in favour of the resolution, which was passed by 164 votes to one, as countries endorsed a decision promoting map projections that more accurately reflect the true size of continents.

Jaiswal said: "The resolution does not constitute endorsement



of any specific map, projection or depiction of national boundaries."

"India's sovereign territory, including the union territories of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh, must be depicted in accordance with India's official map. Any inaccurate or misleading depiction is unacceptable. Our position on India's sovereignty and territorial integrity is clear, consistent and non-negotiable," Jaiswal said. The UN resolution on September 4 adopted a resolution encouraging the use of equal-area world map projections. The resolution was titled "Correct the Map: Rebalancing Global Cartographic Representation and Promoting Equitable Representation of the World's Regions, Particularly Africa".

Uttarakhand waqf board bid to align nikahnama with UCC draws opposition

New Delhi, Agency: Uttarakhand waqf board's plan to introduce a revised marriage contract, or nikahnama, within a month "to align it with the Uniform Civil Code" has not gone down well with All India Muslim Personal Law Board (AIMPLB), which has challenged UCC in the



high court. AIMPLB spokesperson SQR

Ilyas said that the board opposes any such move by state waqf board and state govt and wants to reiterate that the nikahnama should not be revised till Uttarakhand HC gives its judgement. "Our view is clear that Muslim Personal Law (Shariat) Application Act exists and is a valid Indian law.

Govt in a tangle over Supreme Court ruling on 'creamy layer'

New Delhi, Agency: The Centre is in a tangle over Supreme Court's landmark judgement on "creamy layer" that paved the way for induction in the elite civil services of OBC candidates who had cleared the examinations over past ten years but were denied appointments. On Aug 25, govt approached the apex court seeking clarification on the Rohit Nathan judgement that laid down that "salary" could not be added to the "income" to determine if a candidate from a PSU background falls in the "creamy layer" - like it is done for OBCs from non-PSU families.



Govt, while seeking that it be allowed to go ahead with allocation of service for Civil Services-2025 without implementing the Nathan judgement, also raised questions about the SC's definition of "creamy layer".

But barely a week ago, Centre told Central Administrative Tribunal

(CAT) that it intended to execute the SC order of March 11. "A decision has been made to implement the decision in terms of the judgement rendered by SC in Union of India vs Rohit Nathan," the ASG told the principal bench of CAT. On Aug 19, CAT was hearing a contempt petition against

Centre as an OBC candidate, Basant Singh, had sought that the bench enforce its earlier order for his induction in civil services. His case was similar to those of candidates in whose favour SC delivered the Nathan judgement.

"It is further submitted by the learned ASG that 56 similarly placed candidates are also being considered along with the applicant," CAT quoted the ASG as submitting. CAT put off the case based on Centre's undertaking that necessary steps were being taken to implement the Nathan judgement.

International Literacy Day

Literacy: The Foundation on Which Strong Societies Are Built

Every year, International Literacy Day is observed on September 8, drawing attention to one of the most basic yet powerful abilities a person can possess: the ability to read, write, understand and communicate. Literacy is often associated with classrooms, textbooks and examinations, but its importance extends far beyond formal education. It influences how people earn a livelihood, access healthcare, understand their rights, participate in society and make decisions about their families and futures.

Literacy is, in many ways, the foundation on which individual confidence and social development are built. A person who can read a medicine label, understand a bank document, fill out a government form or read a news report is better equipped to navigate everyday life independently. For communities, higher literacy can create greater awareness, stronger participation in civic life and better opportunities for economic development.

The journey towards literacy begins in childhood, but it does not have to end with school. In a rapidly changing world, people need opportunities to continue learning throughout their lives. Reading and writing remain essential, but modern literacy also includes the ability to understand information, evaluate what one reads and apply knowledge in practical situations.



The importance of literacy becomes particularly visible among communities where educational opportunities have historically been limited. Children who grow up without access to quality schooling can face disadvantages that continue into adulthood. Lack of literacy can restrict employment opportunities and make people more dependent on others for routine tasks. Breaking this cycle requires more than simply opening schools. It requires quality teaching, supportive families,

accessible learning materials and an environment in which education is valued.

Literacy also plays an important role in economic development. A literate workforce is better positioned to learn new skills, operate modern equipment, follow instructions and adapt to changing workplaces. As industries become increasingly dependent on technology, workers need to understand written information, digital interfaces and basic documentation.

India’s Literacy Journey: From Basic Reading to Digital Learning

India’s literacy story is closely connected with its broader journey of social and economic transformation. From traditional systems of learning to modern schools, adult education programmes and digital classrooms, the country has experienced enormous changes in the way knowledge is accessed and shared.

Literacy has long been valued in Indian society, although educational opportunities have not always been equally available to everyone. Over time, expanding schools and public education programmes have helped bring learning opportunities to millions of children and adults. Yet the challenge today is changing. The focus is gradually moving from simply

ensuring that people can read and write towards ensuring that they can understand, apply and use knowledge effectively.

One of the most important developments in India’s literacy journey has been the expansion of schooling. Schools have reached communities that previously had limited access to formal education. Government initiatives, community organisations and educational institutions have contributed to improving enrolment and creating greater awareness about the importance of education. However, enrolment alone cannot guarantee meaningful literacy. A child may attend school but still struggle with reading comprehension or basic mathematics.



Women’s Literacy: The Key to Healthier and Stronger Families



Literacy can transform an individual’s life, but its impact often extends far beyond the individual. This is particularly visible in the case of women. When women gain access to education and develop strong literacy skills, the benefits can reach children, families and entire communities.

For generations, educational opportunities for girls and women have been affected by social, economic and geographical barriers. In many communities, girls have faced pressure to leave school early because of household responsibilities, financial difficulties or traditional expectations. Improving women’s literacy therefore requires attention not only to education but also to the circumstances that determine whether girls and women can continue learning. A literate woman is better equipped to access information and make informed decisions. Reading health information, understanding school notices, using banking services or accessing government schemes becomes easier when basic literacy skills are strong. These abilities can contribute to greater independence in everyday life.

The relationship between women’s literacy and children’s education is especially significant. Mothers often play an important role in children’s early learning. A mother who can read a story, help with homework, understand a school message or communicate with teachers can become an important educational partner for her child. This creates a positive cycle. When children grow up in households where reading and learning are encouraged, education can become part of everyday family life. Books, newspapers, schoolwork and educational conversations can create an environment where children develop curiosity and confidence.

Women’s literacy is also closely connected with health awareness. Families regularly encounter written information related to nutrition, medicines, hygiene, vaccinations and healthcare services. Understanding such information can help women make more informed choices for themselves and their families. Financial awareness is another important benefit. As households increasingly use banks, digi-

tal payments and formal financial services, basic literacy becomes essential. Women who can read financial documents, understand transaction messages and maintain records may have greater control over household finances and personal savings.

Literacy can also support women’s participation in the workforce. Modern employment often requires workers to complete forms, read instructions, maintain records, communicate through written messages or use digital systems. Basic literacy can therefore increase access to employment and vocational training. For women in rural areas, education can have practical applications in agriculture and entrepreneurship as well. Reading information about crops, markets, weather, government programmes or business opportunities can help women make more informed decisions. Women involved in self-help groups and small businesses may also benefit from stronger reading, writing and numeracy skills.

However, women’s literacy cannot be reduced to a question of individual effort. Social conditions matter. A woman may want to study but face responsibilities related to childcare, household work or family income. Adult literacy programmes therefore need to be flexible and accessible, with learning opportunities designed around the realities of women’s lives. Community support can make a major difference. Local learning centres, women’s groups, libraries and community organisations can provide safe spaces where women feel comfortable returning to education. Peer support can also reduce the hesitation that some adult learners experience after spending years away from formal education.

Technology has created additional possibilities. Smartphones can provide access to reading materials, educational videos, language-learning resources and online courses.

For women who cannot regularly attend traditional classes, flexible digital learning can supplement community-based education. At the same time, digital literacy is essential. Simply owning a smartphone does not guarantee access to meaningful opportunities.

Digital Literacy in the Modern Age Learning Beyond Books



The meaning of literacy has changed dramatically in the digital age. For centuries, literacy was primarily understood as the ability to read and write. Today, that foundation remains essential, but people also need to understand and navigate a world filled with smartphones, websites, digital payments, social media, online education and artificial intelligence.

This expanding definition of literacy is especially important because everyday activities are increasingly moving online. Booking services, making payments, applying for jobs, accessing government information, attending classes and communicating with organisations can all require digital skills.

Digital literacy does not simply mean knowing how to operate a smartphone or computer. It involves understanding how digital information works and being able to use technology safely and effectively. A digitally literate person should be able to search for information, evaluate whether it is trustworthy, protect personal data and use online services responsibly.

The need for these skills is becoming increasingly visible among students. Young people may spend considerable time online, but familiarity with social media does not automatically mean strong digital literacy. Students need to understand how to research

information, identify unreliable sources, avoid plagiarism and distinguish between fact and opinion.

The same applies to adults. Workers increasingly interact with digital systems at their workplaces. Job applications, attendance systems, training programmes and workplace communication may all involve technology. Digital skills can therefore influence employability and career development.

For small business owners and entrepreneurs, digital literacy can open new opportunities. Online marketplaces, digital payments, social media marketing and communication tools can help businesses reach customers beyond their immediate neighbourhoods. But users also need awareness of online fraud, misleading advertisements and data security. Digital literacy is particularly important in the financial sector. As digital payments become more common, people need to understand transaction confirmations, passwords, security warnings and fraudulent messages. Knowing how to use technology safely can be as important as knowing how to use it. The spread of misinformation makes information literacy equally important. Social media can allow information to travel rapidly, but speed does not guarantee accuracy. People may encounter edited images,

misleading headlines, fabricated claims or manipulated videos. The ability to pause, question and verify information has therefore become a vital modern skill.

Schools can play an important role in developing these abilities. Students should not only learn how to use devices but also how to think critically about the information they encounter. Digital education should combine technical skills with responsible and thoughtful use of technology.

Teachers themselves need support and training because technology changes quickly. Educational institutions must continually adapt to new tools and methods. The goal should not be to replace teachers with technology but to use technology as a tool that strengthens learning.

Digital literacy is also important for older adults. As banking, communication and public services increasingly adopt digital systems, senior citizens can sometimes feel excluded if they do not have the necessary skills. Community centres, libraries and family members can help older learners gain confidence with smartphones and online services. Accessibility is another major concern. Digital tools should be designed so that people with different abilities can use them. Language accessibility also matters in a multilingual country like India.