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He's got very good wife: Trump says Jensen Huang reconciled with wife after scandal

Trump claimed Nvidia CEO Jensen Huang had patched things up with his wife, Lori Huang, following revelations of his multiple extramarital affairs, including one with a suspected Chinese spy, while praising Lori as "a fantastic woman" and a "very, very, very good wife."

World.(Agency).

Nvidia CEO Jensen Huang appears to have put both his professional and personal troubles behind him, with US President Donald Trump claiming that the billionaire has reconciled with his wife following a scandal involving multiple extramarital affairs, including one with a woman suspected by US officials of spying for China.

Speaking to The New York Times, Trump said Huang and his wife of more than four decades, Lori Huang, had worked through their differences despite the controversy that recently threatened both his marriage and his position at Nvidia."He's got a very, very, very good wife, and they've worked it out," Trump said, describing Lori as "a fantastic woman."

Trump's claims of a reconciliation came even as Huang publicly acknowledged the damage his actions had caused his family, telling hundreds of Nvidia employees at his first all-hands meeting since returning as CEO that the most difficult conversation had been with his wife."I was unfaithful to Lori, and I hurt my kids and of course, I hurt all of you," Huang said at the company's headquarters on Tuesday, as quoted by The New York Times."I made some terrible personal mistakes," the 63-year-old billionaire told employees, directly addressing the controversy that had forced him to step down earlier this month.During the meeting, Huang also apologised to employees and admitted that he had violated Nvidia's code of conduct, much of which he said he had written himself. He acknowledged that his actions were unacceptable and had prompted the company's board to reconsider whether he should continue leading the chipmaking giant.Huang further revealed that he had been attending therapy for about an hour and a half every day, saying the sessions were helping him cope with the fallout from the scandal.



Meanwhile, Trump's remarks came shortly after Huang returned as Nvidia CEO on Monday, following the President's personal intervention to secure his reinstatement after he resigned earlier this month amid revelations about his extramarital relationships.Huang had stepped down in November, days after publicly acknowledging his infidelity, including a relationship with a woman suspected of having links to Chinese intelligence and another with a senior Nvidia executive who reported directly to him.

Earlier, in a company-wide email on November 8, Huang admitted to being unfaithful to his wife and apologised to his family, acknowledging the damage his actions had caused."To my wife and family: I love you," Huang wrote. "I know an apology cannot undo what I have done. I hope our family will heal and that, over time, I can earn back your trust."

However, his departure from Nvidia proved short-lived. Over the weekend, Trump personally pushed for Huang's return, revealing that he had spoken directly with the company's board about reinstating the billionaire executive.

CIA system hacked amid string of outages across US government, tech networks

World.(Agency).

An unclassified Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) system was breached in a cyberattack, raising fresh concerns over vulnerabilities in US government networks, according to a person familiar with the incident who spoke to The Associated Press (AP) on condition of anonymity.

The breach affected a system used to handle open-source intelligence, which involves collecting and analysing publicly available information from sources such as the internet, commercial satellites and private data brokers.

However, no classified information was involved, and the issue has since been resolved, the person said.

It remains unclear what specific information was compromised or who was responsible for the cyberattack. The incident was first reported by The New York Times on Tuesday.Although open-source intelligence largely involves publicly or semi-publicly available information, it can provide intelligence analysts with significant insights, particularly when combined with information gathered through classified espionage programmes.

China's Huawei convicted of bank fraud linked to Iran, stealing trade secrets in US

World.(Agency).

Chinese telecommunications giant Huawei has been convicted of bank fraud, violating US sanctions on Iran and conspiring to steal trade secrets from American companies, with a federal jury finding it guilty on 10 of 12 criminal charges in a sweeping case dating back to 2018.A jury in Brooklyn delivered the verdict on Tuesday (local time), acquitting Huawei of racketeering conspiracy, a charge that accused the company of operating as a criminal enterprise and conspiring to obstruct justice.Reacting to the verdict, Huawei maintained that the charges on which it was convicted lacked legal merit and said it would "take all necessary legal actions to defend our rights and interests".The US authorities accused Huawei of misleading international banks about its business dealings in Iran to circumvent American sanctions. The company and three of its affiliates faced charges including bank fraud, wire fraud, sanctions violations, conspiracy to steal trade secrets and obstruction of justice.

6, including 2 children, killed as plane crashes into sea off Mississippi coast

World.(Agency)

Six people, including two children, were killed after a small aircraft crashed into the Gulf of Mexico off the coast of Mississippi on Wednesday, with rescue teams recovering their bodies from the wreckage following hours of search operations.The Cessna 210 aircraft, carrying four adults and two boys, aged 8 and 10, went down in the waters between Mississippi and Horn Island, part of the Gulf Islands National Seashore, according to the US Coast Guard.Divers recovered the bodies of all six passengers from the aircraft's fuselage after locating the wreckage, Coast Guard spokesperson Juan Ros said.The plane was travelling from New Orleans to Florida's Fort Myers, when it lost contact with air traffic control.The regional air traffic control tower reported losing communication with the aircraft at around 3.45 pm, prompting an extensive search and rescue operation. Rescue teams initially found only three life jackets, a life raft and parts of the aircraft's cabin floating in the water. After several hours of searching, divers located the submerged fuselage and recovered the bodies of those on board.

US Army is about to set off a toxic blast. Americans are in its path

World.(Agency)

Thousands of Americans have a ticking time bomb on their hands -- devised not by Iran or any other foreign adversary, but by their own armed forces. The US Army is preparing to detonate ageing explosives at an ammunition plant in the rural belt of Iowa on Wednesday, raising fears of a toxic fallout that could spread across homes and farmland.In a statement, the US Army said it would carry out a controlled disposal of 68 barrels containing around 9,600 pounds (4,355 kg) of lead azide -- the country's entire stockpile of the highly volatile explosive. The blast could send a plume of hazardous lead dust into the air for a hundred miles, exposing thousands of people, as well as pets and livestock.The operation is going ahead after a federal appeals court on Monday rejected environmental groups' attempt to stop it, lifting a temporary pause on the blast.The US Army says it has put extensive safeguards in place for the controlled explosion, which would be carried out in coordination with state, local and federal authorities. Environmental groups and residents, however, are still up in arms.Army secretary Adam Telle defended the decision, saying, "A controlled, mitigated detonation of the lead azide here at Iowa Army Ammunition Plant is far preferable to an uncontrolled, spontaneous detonation of that substance."



WHAT IS LEAD AZIDE AND WHY IS IT DANGEROUS?

Lead azide is a compound made up of lead and nitrogen. It is used in military ammunition as an initiating explosive, essentially acting as a primer or detonator that sets off a larger explosive charge.But it belongs to a particularly dangerous category known as primary explosives. These substances are extremely sensitive to physical impact, friction and other sudden stimuli. Even a relatively small disturbance can trigger an explosion.Scientists say primary explosives such as lead azide as "very dangerous" and "basically unhandleable".

Can Sheikh Hasina return to Bangladesh on December 16?

World.(Agency)

Deposed Bangladeshi Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has set December 16 for her return, two years after fleeing to India following a bloody student-led uprising. However, the path home remains thorny, with a death sentence hanging over her. While Hasina has sought to return as a political leader, requesting a passport, Bangladesh wants her extradited - "in handcuffs" as a "terrorist".Since Hasina fled to India on August 5, 2024, her extradition has cast a shadow over India-Bangladesh ties. The Muhammad Yunus administration moved swiftly to revoke her diplomatic passport and block her national identity card (NIC). In November 2025, she was handed the death penalty after being convicted in absentia for alleged crimes against humanity during the 2024 agitation. It left over 1,000 dead.Hasina has rejected the verdict by the International Crimes Tribunal (ICT) in Dhaka. She has repeatedly stressed that she is ready to fight the case once back.However, the ICT has previously said that Hasina would not be able to appeal her death sentence as the required deadline had already passed. It has said there is no legal basis to stop her execution.

Bangladesh law also provides for presidential clemency for convicts on death row. However, Hasina has never sought it, and has rejected the ICT verdict outright.

PASSPORT ROW ADDS TO STANDOFF

Now, with Hasina setting a specific date for her return, the standoff will only intensify amid a charged atmosphere in Bangladesh.

Over the past few days, emboldened Awami League cadres have hit the streets, resulting in clashes and violence across Bangladesh.

The residences of several Awami League leaders have also been torched.Against this backdrop, Hasina has urged the Tarique Rahman government to arrange a Biman Bangladesh flight to bring her back.

Thomas Markle indicted over possession of child sexual abuse images

World.(Agency).

Thomas Markle, the estranged father of Britain's Duchess of Sussex, Meghan Markle, has been indicted on two counts of possessing child sexual abuse material in a US federal court, doubling the number of charges against the 82-year-old.The grand jury indictment was returned on Tuesday in Los Angeles, following an investigation that began last month in the Philippines, where Markle previously lived. He was initially charged on November 5 with a single felony count of possessing child sexual abuse images.According to an FBI affidavit filed with the original criminal complaint, the material was discovered in two Los Angeles storage units. It allegedly included two explicit photographs of Markle posing with a naked underage girl, along with other images showing children in various stages of undress.One of the photographs showed a naked girl in a room that appeared to be part of a motel chain in the Philippines, the affidavit stated.Philippine police last week said criminal complaints had been filed against Markle in Cebu province, where he once lived, accusing him of violating local laws against online sexual abuse and exploitation of children.Markle has denied the allegations, telling the Daily Mail that the claims were untrue and describing them as "sick lies".He was arrested on November 6 at an assisted-living facility in Florida, where he had been staying. He is expected to be transferred to California in the coming weeks to face arraignment in the US District Court in Los Angeles.Last week, a US magistrate judge in Tampa, Florida, ruled that Markle was mentally competent to stand trial following a court-ordered psychiatric evaluation. The ruling means he understands the proceedings against him and can assist in his own defence.Each count of possessing child sexual abuse material, referred to as possession of child pornography under US law, carries a maximum sentence of 20 years in prison if convicted, according to the US attorney's statement.Meghan Markle has been estranged from her father since the run-up to her 2018 marriage to Prince Harry, the younger son of King Charles. The duchess has previously said she first became aware of allegations against her father around that time and was "deeply distressed" by the matter.

Singapore PM hints at lack of US help in Megaspeed probe amid Nvidia scandal

World.(Agency)

Singapore Prime Minister Lawrence Wong has hinted at a lack of cooperation from the US in its probe into Megaspeed, the company linked to the Nvidia chip diversion controversy. Wong's remark came as the Trump administration added Megaspeed, a Singapore-based firm, to its trade blacklist on Tuesday.

The development comes amid a controversy over Nvidia CEO Jensen Huang's relationship with Alice Huang, a former executive with Megaspeed, who is believed to have links with Chinese intel agencies. Alice is suspected of helping Chinese companies secretly obtain advanced Nvidia AI chips.Wong said Singapore had previously questioned Alice, but released her after investigators found insufficient evidence to prosecute her."We took her in, we investigated her, but we eventually released her because there was no basis for further prosecution," Wong said.The Singaporean Prime Minister also revealed that authorities had sought additional information from the United States about the Nvidia chips purchased by Megaspeed but had yet to receive the details needed to advance their investigation."We did ask for some information. Not all of it was forthcoming," Wong said.Wong also clarified that the Nvidia chips purchased by Megaspeed had never physically entered Singapore but were instead routed to other countries."The chips that they bought from NVIDIA did not even enter Singapore. The chips were routed through Singapore to other countries," Wong said.

"Obviously, we cannot investigate all that is happening in third countries," he added.

Wong said Singapore was continuing discussions with American authorities to obtain information about the end users of the chips and verify documents linked to the transactions."So we require more information from the US side, and we are continuing to have discussions with American authorities where the end users are, to confirm the verification of various documents," he said.The Prime Minister, however, made it clear that while Singapore was not responsible for enforcing American export controls, it would not allow companies to use the country as a transit point to evade US restrictions."America has export controls on its chips. We do not enforce America's export controls. But we do not want Singapore to be used and abused as a conduit by companies who circumvent America's export controls," Wong said.





US Army sergeant admits plotting to leak military secrets to China after photo bust

World.(Agency)

A US Army sergeant has pleaded guilty to conspiring to sell sensitive military information, including details of American rocket and missile systems, to buyers linked to China after being caught on surveillance footage photographing classified military documents with his personal cellphone.The accused, identified as 37-year-old Jian Zhao, was stationed at Joint Base Lewis-McChord in Washington and used his military position and security clearance to access sensitive Army documents and equipment, according to the US Justice Department.Zhao pleaded guilty on Monday to conspiring to gather, transmit and transfer national defence information to individuals connected to China, bringing to light a years-long scheme in which he exchanged military secrets for money.According to federal prosecutors, Zhao used his personal cellphone to photograph restricted military documents containing information about Army operations, communication networks, military exercises and rocket and missile systems.He also supplied excerpts from technical manuals for the High Mobility Artillery Rocket System (HIMARS), a US-made precision rocket artillery system, and offered military computers and government hard drives for sale.Investigators said Zhao collected thousands of dollars in exchange for materials he described as sensitive, secret or top secret.

HOW THE MILITARY SECRETS PLOT UNFOLDED

According to a Fox News report, the conspiracy dates back to late 2021, when Ruoyu Duan, a former US Army soldier living in Hillsboro, Oregon, recruited Zhao and other active-duty military personnel to provide sensitive defence information to buyers in China.



According to prosecutors, Duan acted as an intermediary, helping arrange payments in exchange for the military information. He has previously pleaded guilty to conspiring to transmit national defence information.Zhao, who enlisted in the Army in 2017, served as a battery supply sergeant at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, where his duties gave him access to restricted military equipment and documents.

'Are We Beggars?' Congress Erupts Over Akhilesh Yadav's 26-Seat Offer Ahead of UP Polls

by Ashis Sinha



Congress leader Imran Masood questions Akhilesh Yadav's 26-seat offer, asking 'Are we beggars?' as INDIA bloc seat-sharing talks hit a roadblock ahead of the 2027 UP elections.

News Desk: Fresh tensions have surfaced within the INDIA bloc ahead of the 2027 Uttar Pradesh Assembly elections, with the Congress expressing strong displeasure over the Samajwadi Party's proposed seat-sharing formula. The controversy escalated after the SP announced its first list of five candidates even as negotiations with its Congress ally remained inconclusive.

Leading the Congress's criticism, Uttar Pradesh Congress working president Imran Masood questioned the SP's decision to offer his party just 26 seats in the 403-member Assembly, asking pointedly, "Are we beggars?"

Speaking to IANS, Masood said Congress had not even formally demanded seats from the SP before the latter came up with its proposal. He accused the regional party of trying to dictate terms rather than treating Congress as an equal alliance partner.

"If this is your way of working, that you will dictate terms, then a self-respecting person like me does not understand these things," Masood remarked.

Despite his sharp criticism, Masood maintained that the final decision would rest with the Congress leadership. He said he would abide by the party's decision after senior leaders Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi Vadra assessed the political situation in the state.

SP announces first list of five candidates

The immediate trigger for the confrontation was the SP's announcement of its first five candidates for the 2027 Assembly elections, even as seat-sharing discussions continued.

The candidates include Umar Ali Khan from Behat in Saharanpur, Ashu Malik from Saharanpur, Nahid Hasan from Kairana in Shamli, Mehboob Ali from Amroha and Jyoti Lodhi from Lalitpur.

The announcement has further complicated negotiations, particularly as some of the constituencies are reportedly among those sought by Congress.

26 seats versus Congress's 100-seat ambition

At the heart of the dispute is a wide gap between the two parties' expectations.

The SP has reportedly proposed 26 seats for Congress, while the latter is understood to be seeking at least 100 constituencies.

Congress had reportedly submitted a list of around 130 constituencies it wanted to contest, including approximately 60 seats it considers favourable or high-priority constituencies.

SP general secretary Ram Gopal Yadav has confirmed that the party offered Congress 26 seats, although the final seat-sharing arrangement remains undecided.

The SP's position is that electoral performance and the winnability of candidates should determine seat allocation. It is reportedly assessing the Congress demand against the parties' performances in previous Assembly elections.

Akhilesh faces alliance management test

The disagreement poses an early challenge for SP chief Akhilesh Yadav, who must balance his party's electoral ambitions with the need to maintain opposition unity.

The SP-Congress partnership had delivered encouraging results in the 2024 Lok Sabha elections in Uttar Pradesh, where the SP won 37 seats and Congress secured six.

However, translating that parliamentary understanding into an Assembly-level seat-sharing arrangement is proving considerably more complicated.

With the BJP remaining the principal political challenger, a prolonged tussle over constituencies could undermine the opposition's preparations well before the 2027 electoral battle begins.

For now, Masood's blunt question — "Are we beggars?" — has exposed the growing unease within the INDIA bloc. Whether Akhilesh Yadav and the Congress leadership can resolve the differences without damaging their alliance remains the big political question.

Hemant Soren Distributes Appointment Letters; 3,044 Youth Get Jobs



Ranchi: Chief Minister Hemant Soren distributed appointment letters to youths trained under Jharkhand's skill development programmes at the Chief Minister Kaushal evam Rojgar Samman Samaroh in Ranchi. Between April and October 2026, a total of 3,044 youths secured jobs through programmes run by the Welfare Department with PREJHA Foundation.

Addressing the gathering at Project Bhawan, Soren stressed the need for industry-oriented skills and adaptability to emerging technologies, saying skill development was essential for employment and economic independence. He also highlighted the government's efforts to expand job opportunities through new MoUs.

IndiGrid, a CSR partner of PREJHA Foundation, is supporting skill training, on-the-job exposure and job placements at ITI Kaushal Colleges, with a focus on empowering tribal youth, particularly women.

Usha Martin University Hosts 'Save the Reptiles' Awareness Programme



Ranchi: Usha Martin University organised a wildlife conservation awareness programme on Wednesday under the national 'Save the Reptiles' campaign, educating students about reptile conservation, biodiversity and safe coexistence with wildlife.

The campaign, co-organised by the Madras Crocodile Bank Trust (MCBT) to mark its 50th anniversary, involves a 120-day, 15,000-km journey across 22 states. Led by MCBT founding trustee Ganesh Muthaiya, it aims to dispel misconceptions about reptiles and promote their ecological importance.

University Campus Director Dr Anil Kumar Mishra highlighted the need to protect biodiversity and maintain ecological balance, drawing on his experience in forest and wildlife conservation. Students from the Departments of Forensic Science and Nursing participated in the interactive session. The university was also presented with a Certificate of Recognition for its contribution to the conservation initiative.

China's Shenzhou-24 Docks with Space Station, Carrying Pakistan's First Astronaut



Beijing: China's Shenzhou-24 spacecraft successfully docked with the Tiangong space station on Wednesday, carrying Pakistan's first astronaut into Earth's orbit in a landmark development in China-Pakistan space cooperation.

The spacecraft, carrying Pakistani astronaut Muhammad Zeeshan Ali and two Chinese astronauts, docked with the orbiting station approximately three-and-a-half hours after its launch from the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Centre in northwestern China.

The mission was launched aboard a Long March-2F rocket at 8:18 am local time. The crew comprises Chinese spacecraft pilot Tang Hongbo, flight engineer Wu Yi and Ali, a 40-year-old former Pakistan Air Force pilot serving as a payload specialist.

Ali has become the first Pakistani to enter Earth's orbit and the first foreign astronaut to fly aboard a Chinese crewed space mission and visit the Tiangong station.

The mission follows a space cooperation agreement signed by China and Pakistan in February 2025, under which Pakistani candidates received astronaut training in China. Ali underwent seven months of intensive preparation before being selected for the mission.

During his approximately five-day stay, Ali will participate in scientific experiments, including research on microalgae cultivation and the effects of spaceflight on quinoa seeds. The mission is expected to involve around 90 scientific experiments and technological tests.

Following the mission, Ali is scheduled to return to Earth aboard the Shenzhou-23 spacecraft alongside two members of the existing station crew. Meanwhile, Chinese astronaut Zhu Yangzhu will remain aboard Tiangong for a year-long mission to study the effects of prolonged spaceflight on the human body.

The successful docking marks a significant step in China's efforts to expand international cooperation through its independently developed space station. Beijing is also pursuing an ambitious programme to land astronauts on the Moon before 2030, intensifying its space race with the United States.

Pakistan's Foreign Minister Ishaq Dar described the mission as a historic milestone, saying it would inspire the country's youth and advance its ambitions in science and technology.

The mission also underlines the growing strategic partnership between Beijing and Islamabad, extending their cooperation beyond defence, infrastructure and economic projects into human space exploration.

ESL Steel Takes Specialist Healthcare to Madhuniya, 236 People Benefit



Bokaro: ESL Steel Limited organised a mega health camp at Madhuniya village in Bokaro under its flagship CSR initiative, Project Aarogya, benefiting 236 people.

The camp, organised in collaboration with Citizens Foundation, offered specialist consultations in general medicine, paediatrics, orthopaedics and dermatology. Eye screening was also conducted by specialists from Mamta Murti Eye Hospital.

Of the beneficiaries, 77 received general medical consultations, 59 paediatric care, 39 orthopaedic consultations, 32 dermatology services and 29 eye-care assistance. The camp also facilitated 18 Ayushman Bharat cards and 61 ABHA registrations.

Preventive healthcare services included 45 blood sugar tests, 54 blood pressure screenings and 10 haemoglobin tests. Officials from the District Health Department assisted beneficiaries in accessing government healthcare schemes.

Ravish Sharma, CEO and Whole-Time Director of ESL Steel Limited, said the company was committed to taking quality healthcare and preventive medical services closer to underserved communities through sustained grassroots initiatives.

The initiative reflects ESL Steel's continued focus on rural healthcare, community well-being and inclusive development across its operational areas in Jharkhand.

Shorties

Jharkhand Assembly Passes Resolution on SIR, Seeks CEC Gyanesh Kumar's Removal



Ranchi: The Jharkhand Assembly on Wednesday passed a government resolution on the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls following a heated exchange between the ruling alliance and Opposition during a special session. Moved by Parliamentary Affairs Minister Radha Krishna Kishore, the resolution sought an extension of the SIR deadline and simplification of the process to ensure that no eligible voter is excluded from the electoral rolls. It also called for the immediate removal of Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar.

The resolution further called for an immediate halt to the ongoing SIR exercise and the preparation of a revised, transparent standard operating procedure (SOP) in consultation with political parties before restarting the process. It will be forwarded to the Centre and other competent authorities.

The BJP opposed the resolution, with Leader of Opposition Babulal Marandi accusing the government of politicising the issue and defending the SIR as a legitimate exercise to update electoral rolls. The resolution was passed by voice vote.

India's First Privately Built PSLV-N1 Set for Launch in Early 2027

New Delhi: India's space sector is set for a major milestone, with the country's first privately manufactured Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV-N1) scheduled for its maiden launch in the first quarter of 2027, ISRO Chairman V. Narayanan announced on Tuesday.

Speaking on the sidelines of the 5th India International Space Conclave in New Delhi, Narayanan said a consortium of Larsen & Toubro (L&T) and Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) had been entrusted with manufacturing five PSLV rockets under an ₹860-crore contract awarded by NewSpace India Limited (NSIL), ISRO's commercial arm, in September 2022.

The move marks a significant expansion of private-sector participation in India's space programme, with the industry consortium taking responsibility for the end-to-end production of launch vehicles that were previously manufactured by ISRO with industrial support.

On the Gaganyaan human spaceflight mission, Narayanan dismissed reports of delays, saying preparations had entered the final phase, with rocket components ready and work continuing on the orbital module. He said the mission would be launched at the earliest opportunity.







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BJP accuses Rahul, INDIA bloc of double standards on constitutional values over Deepam row

NEW DELHI. (Agency).

The BJP on Wednesday accused the Congress and the INDIA bloc of displaying double standards on constitutional values, alleging that the Tamil Nadu government had defied the Supreme Court's order on lighting the Karthigai Deepam lamp at Deepathoon atop Thirupparankundram hill in Madurai.Addressing a press conference, BJP Rajya Sabha MP Sudhanshu Trivedi alleged that the state government had failed to implement the Supreme Court's November 20 order permitting the lighting of the traditional lamp at the hilltop site, subject to certain conditions."I want to bring to your notice the biggest contempt for constitutional authority being committed by the INDIA alliance's Tamil Nadu government, in utter disregard of India's eternal culture," he said.Referring to the occasion of Kartigai Deepam, Trivedi said the government had neither followed nor implemented the Supreme Court's order.Targeting Congress leader Rahul Gandhi and the INDIA bloc, he said, "You always try to keep the Constitution in your pocket, but now you are not ready to uphold a judgment delivered by the Supreme Court, which is the custodian of the Constitution."

Comedian Yash Maheshwari's vulgar Chhath-sindoor joke sparks outrage, Patna Police files FIR

New Delhi.(Agency).

Stand-up comedian Yash Maheshwari's vulgar remarks about the tradition of Bihari women wearing long streaks of sindoor during Chhath have triggered outrage and demands for legal action. Though Maheshwari issued a video apology, the outrage against the comedian has shown no signs of dying down. Bihar BJP leader Ritu Jaiswal has demanded that FIRs be registered against Yash Maheshwari in every district of the state. Several other people, including those from Bihar, have said that an apology would not suffice after mocking an entire community's traditions and religious beliefs.The Patna Police on Wednesday said an FIR had been registered against Yash Maheshwari at the Patna Cyber Police Station. The case was registered under Sections 75(1), 79, 351 and 352, along with Sections 66C and 66D of the Information Technology Act. The police said the objectionable remarks against Bihar's women could disrupt social harmony and create animosity between different communities. An investigation is underway and further legal action is being taken, the Patna Police said in a statement on X.

Maheshwari uploaded a video of his stand-up comedy set on his YouTube channel on November 21, in which he compared the length of the sindoor worn by Bihari women to male genitalia.Congress leader and senior advocate Abhishek Manu Singhvi urged the Bihar Police, Delhi Police and other law enforcement agencies to "take immediate cognisance, register appropriate.

Supreme Court sets aside HC order for CBI, ED probe into Rahul Gandhi's assets

The Supreme Court set aside Allahabad High Court orders directing the CBI and ED to verify allegations that Congress leader Rahul Gandhi possesses disproportionate assets and remitted the matter to the High Court for fresh consideration.

New Delhi. (Agency).

The Supreme Court on Wednesday set aside Allahabad High Court orders directing the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) and the Enforcement Directorate (ED) to verify allegations that Congress leader Rahul Gandhi possesses assets disproportionate to his known sources of income.A bench led by Chief Justice of India Surya Kant remitted the matter to the Allahabad High Court for fresh consideration. The High Court had earlier directed the central agencies to verify the allegations raised by Karnataka-based BJP worker Vignesh Shishir and apprise it of the progress made on his complaint.Rahul Gandhi had approached the Supreme Court challenging the Allahabad High Court's orders in the case concerning allegations that he holds assets disproportionate to his income.In an order passed in May, the Allahabad High Court directed that the allegations in the complaint against the Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha be verified in accordance with the law.



The High Court had observed that if the complaint had been received, the allegations could be verified as per law. It had also said that the CBI or ED could take appropriate steps permissible under the law."It is expected that if the complaint of the petitioner has been received, the allegations of the complaints may be verified as per law. It is needless to say that the CBI or ED may take appropriate steps which are permissible under the law," the High Court had said.The court subsequently directed the agencies to apprise it of the progress made in the matter.

In a subsequent order dated July 20, the High Court expressed dissatisfaction with the affidavit filed by the CBI, observing that it was not in accordance with its earlier direction. However, it noted that the ED had taken the required steps.

Stay with Modi: Suvendu Adhikari reveals Pranab Mukherjee was behind his BJP switch

West Bengal Chief Minister Suvendu Adhikari revealed that Congress leader Pranab Mukherjee, who was then the President, advised him to choose between remaining an employee in the Mamata Banerjee-led Trinamool Congress and building a political career alongside Narendra Modi.

New Delhi.(Agency)

West Bengal Chief Minister and BJP leader Suvendu Adhikari said that former President of India, Pranab Mukherjee, advised him to leave the Trinamool Congress (TMC) and align with Prime Minister Narendra Modi, recalling a conversation he had with the late Indian National Congress veteran at Rashtrapati Bhavan. Adhikari, a close aide to then West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee, left the TMC, and joined the BJP in 2020, months after Mukherjee's death.Suvendu Adhikari's revelation came on Tuesday (November 24), while he was speaking at The Economic Times Bengal Ascends summit in Kolkata.Adhikari described Pranab Mukherjee as his "original advisor" and said the conversation took place



after the latter became President of India."My original advisor was later Pranab Mukherjee. I went to Raisana Hill after he became President," the West Bengal CM stated.Recalling Pranab Mukherjee's advice, Adhikari said, "Pranab ji told me, 'Think about what you want to do, If you want to remain an employee, stay here. If you want to move ahead on your own, stay with Modiji".Adhikari also recalled Mukherjee's assessment of the TMC's internal functioning, describing it as a party run by a aunt-nephew duo."Theirs was a single-man party, a single-woman party of bua-bhatija (aunt and nephew), and it was completely like a company, with a managing chairman and a managing director," Adhikari said, referring to TMC supremo Mamata Banerjee and her nephew Abhishek Banerjee.Explaining his decision to leave the Trinamool Congress, Adhikari said: "I was also there, but I did not want to remain an employee, so I left."He further described Mukherjee as a guardian and adviser, emphasising that his respect for the former President.

Where is the accountability?: Kharge slams Modi govt over anaemia report, questions success of schemes

New Delhi.(Agency).

The Congress on Wednesday slammed the Centre over a report on malnutrition and anaemia in the country, asking where the accountability is after 12 years of the Modi government.Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge asked how can India realise its demographic dividend when millions of its women and children continue to suffer from malnutrition."The Modi Govt's own ICMR-SAMPADA report reveals that 55.9% of women of reproductive age are anaemic. Nearly two-thirds of adolescent girls and boys are deficient in Vitamin B12. 42% of children aged 1-4 years are anaemic. In Gujarat, 66% of women of reproductive age and 57% of young children are anaemic," Kharge said on X.The Modi government's emphasis on "mild" anaemia cannot obscure the fact that nearly 30% of women of reproductive age suffer from moderate or severe anaemia, the Congress chief said.

The latest NFHS-6 also reveals that nearly one-third of children are underweight and one in five suffers from acute malnutrition, Kharge said."Consider the Government's own financial records. Over Rs 1.13 lakh Cr released under Saksham Anganwadi, POSHAN 2.0 and predecessor schemes in six financial years. Over Rs 2,500 crore gap between funds released and utilised under POSHAN 2.0 in just four years. Nearly 44% of funds released under the original POSHAN Abhiyaan remained unutilised," he pointed out.

Kharge further said the share of Women and Child Development in the Union Budget has nearly halved -- from 0.96% in 2015-16 to 0.50% in 2025-26.After 12 years of the Modi government, multiple nutrition schemes, fortified rice and iron supplementation programmes, where is the accountability?" Kharge said.

After BJP-Akali Alliance In Punjab, Congress Looks At Left

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With the Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) and the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) having already formalised their alliance ahead of the 2027 Punjab Assembly elections, the Congress is exploring a possible electoral understanding with the Left parties, CPI and CPM, signalling another round of political realignments in the state.Punjab Congress president Pargat Singh has confirmed that discussions with the Communist parties are underway and that several rounds of meetings have already taken place. Leader of Opposition Partap Singh Bajwa has also supported the possibility of an alliance, indicating that the proposal has support within the state Congress leadership.

Although the Congress has opened discussions, the contours of the proposed arrangement, particularly seat-sharing, are yet to be worked out. Pargat Singh and



Bajwa have indicated that constituency distribution would be decided by taking into account the respective roles and political strengths of the parties. For now, the emphasis appears to be on exploring the possibility of an understanding before moving towards negotiations on individual seats.The move assumes significance in the changed political landscape following the SAD-BJP reunion. The two former allies have come together again after years of political separation, bringing their respective organisational networks and support bases into a common electoral arrangement. Their alliance has also prompted other political parties to reassess their strategies ahead of the Assembly elections.For the Congress, an understanding with CPI and CPM would be an attempt to broaden its political coalition and consolidate sections of the electorate that traditionally identify with Left politics. Both Communist parties are constituents of the INDIA bloc at the national .

PM Modi, Sukhbir to share stage after seven years on December 8 in Moga joint rally

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi will address a joint SAD-BJP rally on December 8 in Moga, marking the first major show of strength after both parties entered into a re-alliance following yesterday's announcement ahead of the 2027 Punjab assembly elections.PM Modi and SAD president Sukhbir Singh Badal will the stage after a gap of seven years. The gathering is expected to set the tone for the alliance's campaign, with both parties aiming to showcase their combined cadre base.Modi would return to the same politically significant town in the Malwa belt, thirty years later to announce the revival of that alliance.Modi's visit, coincides with the birth anniversary of former Chief Minister of Punjab, Parkash Singh Badal and it will be keenly watched for the reasons he cites for the reunion of the estranged partners.Equally significant will be the parallels he draws with the late Akali leader's vision of the alliance, as articulated in the historic Moga Declaration adopted at the Shiromani Akali Dal's 75th anniversary conference on February 24 and 25, 1996.The Moga Declaration described the Akali-BJP alliance as rooted in the principles of Punjab, Punjabi and Punjabiyat.It also



envisaged the Akali Dal evolving into an inclusive regional force by expanding its reach among Punjabi Hindus and moving beyond its predominantly panthic image.

Moga has long been the preferred launch-pad for election campaigns or major political announcements.

Self-styled Chanakya has failed: Congress's dig as delimitation bill push stalls

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In a swipe at the Modi government, the Congress on Wednesday alleged that the "self-styled Chanakya" resorted to the last three of the 'saam, daam, dand, bhed' precept of Kautilya to achieve a "super-tainted" two-thirds majority in the Lok Sabha but failed.The four-fold political doctrine was taken from Kautilya's Arthashastra, with 'saam' meaning dialogue, 'daam' referring to financial inducements, 'dand' to punishment or institutional pressure, and 'bhed' to creating division."In his desperate search for a super-tainted two-thirds majority in the Lok Sabha to get the diabolical delimitation bills passed, the self-styled Chanakya has been resorting to the last three and has failed," Congress general secretary in-charge, communications, Jairam Ramesh, said, and wondered why no chance was given to the first rule of the doctrine."The Congress President Mallikarjun Khargeji has written suggesting this precise route to the PM four times in the past seven months - April 11, July



16, Aug 27 and Oct 16 - but there has not even been a routine acknowledgement to these letters," he said.Ramesh often takes a dig at Union Home Minister Amit Shah by referring to him as "self-styled Chanakya."The Congress on Monday claimed that the continued suspense over the Parliament session suggested that either the "PM-HM jodi" is being trapped by its own bluff and bluster or something "truly sinister" is in the works.The opposition party alleged that either way, the "two GTA (Gyanesh Theft Arrangers)" stars stood brutally exposed and that the institution of Parliament is being diminished greatly by the shenanigans of the "diabolical duo."The Congress last week said it has been 100 days since the Monsoon Session of Parliament was adjourned sine die, but Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Minister Shah are still in search of a "supertainted" two-thirds majority in Lok Sabha to get the delimitation bill passed.Ramesh then said it is in the nation's interest to let the current Lok Sabha strength and state-wise configuration continue with one-third reservation for women implemented till the Viksit Bharat objective is achieved.

The Trump-Xi-Putin trilateral and India's strategic challenges

Three Presidents — United States' Donald Trump, China's Xi Jinping and Russia's Vladimir Putin — held a historic meeting at Shenzhen on the sidelines of the APEC summit. The world's most powerful men set up this trilateral for themselves because they have the capacity to change the world more than anyone else. None of them allowed ideology to come in the way of their independent pursuit of national interest, writes Editor-in-Chief Jyoti Malhotra in her weekly column The Great Game (Lessons from the Shenzhen trilateral). Where does India stand in this entire gamut of international relations? Does it mean for India to never forget that foreign policy is deeply tied to domestic politics, and if the PM recognises that India's role as a regional power is being stymied by India's hardline positions, then change is bound to come sooner than later, she writes.

platform fails to expeditiously remove or disable access to unlawful material.

There is a classic case involving Facebook that should become a guiding principle. After the February 2020 northeast Delhi riots, the Delhi Assembly's Committee on Peace and Harmony summoned Ajit Mohan, the then Meta India head, as a witness. Facebook challenged the summons under Article 32. Among its arguments was that, being merely an intermediary, it could not be compelled to appear. However, in July 2021, the challenge was dismissed by the Supreme Court.

Despite its limited global economic engagement, Moscow has been invited to the Shenzhen high table. The equation between Trump's America and Putin's Russia has caused much concern in Europe, writes senior journalist Sanjaya Baru in his Edit article Russia in a sweet spot. Both Trump and Xi have their reasons to court him, he writes. Russia is in a sweet spot, so to speak, without carrying the weight of the other two. Trump has left Europe to its own devices, it has to learn to deal with both Russia and China on its own. More salt would be rubbed into its wounds when Putin lands in the US for the G20 Summit next month. The emerging relationship between the US and China has consequences for Asia too, including India, which has been handed a lollipop with a long-delayed meeting of Quad leaders in Manila.

On the other hand is the bone of contention between China and the US — Taiwan, whose 'silicon shield' status seems to have weakened after Jensen Huang resigned as Nvidia's CEO. For Taiwan, his departure means the loss of its most important informal link with Washington, writes Roger C Liu from the National Sun Yat-sen University, Taiwan, in his Op-Ed article How US can limit Nvidia damage. The US should settle the China espionage question in open hearings instead of through leaks. It should consult its partners before new export rules are fixed. And it should give Taiwan a formal seat in arrangements such as PaxSilica so that the relationship no longer depends on one executive's personal network. Meanwhile, India is caught in the crosshairs: Its IndiaAI Mission relies largely on Nvidia; the country's first commercial chip

How India turned the tide on poverty

The government chose the path of ensuring that development reached those who needed it most

A year ago, during my visit to Kiphire, an aspirational district in the remote hills of Nagaland, I interacted with tribal women from local self-help groups (SHGs). Among them was Esther, a Lakhpati Didi, who proudly spoke of her millet-based products reaching customers online, far beyond Nagaland. What stayed with me was their confidence in a better future. I encouraged them to dream bigger and become Crorepati Didis. Their stories reflected a transformation reaching India's remotest corners, where geographical and economic challenges have long constrained opportunities, yet aspirations for a better tomorrow are growing.When the World Bank released its Poverty & Equity Brief on India last month, my interaction in Kiphire came back to me. The report showed that nearly 50 crore Indians had moved out of poverty between 2011 and 2023, while extreme poverty has been almost eradicated. These figures captured the transformation I had witnessed first-hand. It was not always so. For over six decades after Independence, eradicating mass poverty remained an unfulfilled promise. Even in the early 2010s, India was portrayed abroad as a home of enduring destitution, lagging in sanitation, nutrition, clean cooking fuel and banking. The prevailing prescription was simply to put money into the hands of the poor, and poverty would take care of itself.The last decade has overturned that belief. Under PM Narendra Modi's leadership, India has witnessed a fundamental shift from temporary relief to removing the barriers that perpetuate poverty. Guided by Antyodaya, the welfare of the last person in the line, our government chose the harder path of addressing deprivation, household by household, ensuring that development reached those who needed it most.



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Health and dignity begin at home A family cannot climb out of poverty while illness and the daily burden of fetching water keep pulling it back. Under Swachh Bharat, access to household toilets has improved sanitation and helped avert an estimated 60,000-70,000 infant deaths a year. Jal Jeevan Mission has expanded rural tap water connections from about 3 crore households in 2019 to nearly 16 crore, sparing women and girls the long walk for water and reducing exposure to waterborne diseases. Ujjwala Yojana has enabled cleaner, smokeless kitchens, while PM Awas Yojana has provided the security and dignity of pucca homes. Ayushman Bharat, offering cashless hospital care, has strengthened financial protection against medical expenses. Together, they act as insurance against the shocks that once pushed families back into poverty, while lowering household expenditure and freeing time for work.

From a bank account to an enterprise Protection keeps families from slipping back into poverty; to rise further, they need opportunities to earn. For crores of people, that journey began with a bank account. Once, it was accepted that only 15 paise of every rupee sent from the exchequer reached the intended citizen. Direct Benefit Transfer has changed that. Over 59 crore Jan Dhan accounts enable benefits to reach recipients directly, without middlemen. Technology has made this possible at an unprecedented scale. A bank account also provides a safe place for savings and helps establish a financial record, opening doors to formal credit. For those without property, access to the first loan can be life-changing. Two months ago, during an interaction with MUDRA beneficiaries, I met Sushmita Gharai from West Bengal. She lost her father during the Covid pandemic, and her family's printing business subsequently collapsed. With no land or gold as security, a collateral-free MUDRA loan helped her restart the press. Today, she employs eight people, twice her initial workforce, and plans to expand into digital printing. What stayed with me was her determination to rebuild and grow. Her story reflects the aspirations of countless young Indians whose ambition exceeds their financial means. Under MUDRA, 60 crore loan accounts have been sanctioned, about two-thirds to women, while PM SVANidhi and PM Vishwakarma support street vendors and traditional artisans. Women have led this transformation. Ten crore rural women participate in SHGs that, through the DAY-NRLM (Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana–National Rural Livelihoods Mission) and other programmes, have become platforms for savings, skills, credit and entrepreneurship. Over 3.7 crore women have become Lakhpati Didis, with some going on to become Crorepati Didis. Others, trained as Namo Drone Didis, now provide drone-spraying services to farmers. Women once excluded from economic opportunity are building enterprises and livelihoods of their own.

The Sankalp for Viksit Bharat

For generations, poverty was treated as something India could manage but never end. What appeared unimaginable a decade ago has now been achieved through years of steady work on the ground.

Yet this is no time to rest; the road to Viksit Bharat by 2047 brings its own challenges. The next phase builds on this progress to lift the remaining people at the bottom of the ladder out of poverty, while ensuring that those who have already risen keep advancing and never slip back. The protection offered via various measures must now be complemented by even wider access to finance, markets and the digital economy. The government is building closer links between academia and industry through employment-linked incentives, internships and apprenticeships, while investment in infrastructure is connecting the country as never before. Opportunity cannot remain the preserve of a few. The Prime Minister has said that Viksit Bharat, like freedom, is a commitment that every Indian must live by. Having achieved in 10 years what remained unfulfilled for six decades, India can face the next 20 with confidence. With the resolve of 140 crore Indians.

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Bureaucrats, faujis and politicians

Never ever underestimate a politician or try to outsmart him

It is a general assumption that bureaucrats lead dull and boring lives, flitting from one file to another like a bottle fly, jumping from one posting to another like a grass-hopper, chanting hosannas to the presiding political deity, and finally retiring with a fat pension and an enlarged prostate. This is not true, barring of course the pension and the prostate. We lead pretty exciting lives, what with scams, wolfing down peanuts at international conferences, honey traps, back-stabbing colleagues and devising ingenious ways to secure post-retirement sinecures. What is regarded as a shortcoming in government functioning — frequent transfers — is actually the source of the greatest excitement, as with every move we come into contact with a whole host of new characters and encounter new situations. The armed forces and the IAS share an enigmatic and equivocal relationship. They grudge the IAS its hold on power, status and higher pay-scales. The IAS is envious of the Army's cheap liquor and the fact that they can play golf and call it outdoor training. But let's admit it — we in the IAS do lack the old world courtesies that are ingrained into most Army officers, and their gallant approach towards ladies. Army officers, for example, don't have "affairs" with colleagues' wives; they "steal their affections". Such Kipling-esque notions of gallantry make them look down upon the IAS in terms of social accomplishments. Now, Shimla is one town where the Army and the IAS cannot help rubbing shoulders, whether it be on the Mall, or in the Amateur Dramatic Club (ADC), which is a misnomer since its pivot is not the theatre but the bar, or at the Annandale Golf Club which belongs to the Army and where IAS golfers are ranked just below the caddies in protocol, or in Bishop Cotton School (BCS), where both IAS and Army wives teach in between their kitty party engagements. And so it was that my wife Neerja, who taught in BCS for many years, became very friendly with the wife of a Colonel (let's call her Asha). The armed forces and the IAS share an enigmatic and equivocal relationship. They grudge the IAS its hold on power, status and higher pay-scales. The IAS is envious of the Army's cheap liquor and the fact that they can play golf and call it outdoor training. But let's admit it — we in the IAS do lack the old world courtesies that are ingrained into most Army officers, and their gallant approach towards ladies. Army officers, for example, don't have "affairs" with colleagues' wives; they "steal their affections". Such Kipling-esque notions of gallantry make them look down upon the IAS in terms of social accomplishments.Now, Shimla is one town where the Army and the IAS cannot help rubbing shoulders, whether it be on the Mall, or in the Amateur Dramatic Club (ADC), which is a misnomer since its pivot is not the theatre but the bar, or at the Annandale Golf Club which belongs to the Army and where IAS golfers are ranked just below the caddies in protocol, or in Bishop Cotton School (BCS), where both IAS and Army wives teach in between their kitty party engagements. And so it was that my wife Neerja, who taught in BCS for many years, became very friendly with the wife of a Colonel (let's call her Asha). The Colonel and Asha had a beautiful tan Labrador bitch named Biscuit and they were looking to mate her. I was the equally proud owner of a magnificent Golden Retriever named Brutus who had also come of age to sow his wild oats. An alliance was obvious and Neerja and I decided to broach the subject, though it's usually the girl's side that is supposed to initiate the negotiations. "Asha," I remarked one evening when we were sitting around having a drink at the Headmaster's lodge, "why don't we mate Biscuit with Brutus?



They'd have beautiful puppies." Asha dropped her glass, followed by silence. The Colonel quietly left the room for a tactical toilet break. Asha looked at me in the manner of a Major General transfixing a Havildar, and declared in a parade-ground tone: "But that's impossible! Biscuit is an Army dog, how could we possibly mate her with a civilian dog?" We're still great friends but as a matter of prudent policy, we've decided to let sleeping dogs lie. Brutus, of course, died a celibate in the style of one of those BAPS monks at the Eiffel Tower. After more than 35 years in government, I am convinced that politicians are the ultimate commandos. They can outsmart bureaucrats any time, notwithstanding 'Yes Minister'. I discovered this the hard way. In the late '80s. I was posted as the Managing Director of the Himachal Road Transport Corporation (HRTC). My Minister (he is not with us any more, unfortunately) was a polished legislator with more than 40 years' experience of the bull ring. He really was a gem of a man and exhibited none of the hypocrisies which are second nature to Indian politicians. He could (and did) drink bus drivers under the dashboard, loved music and poetry, was a mesmerising raconteur, and had more than a roving eye (and hands) for pretty women. We got along famously till I dismissed 10 drivers for drunken driving. Most of them were from the Minister's constituency and therefore I was verbally ordered to reinstate them. Having some Mangal Pandey blood in my veins (so I'm told), I refused. The Minister then asked the drivers to file appeals against my dismissal orders with him (he was the chairman of the HRTC Board), and in that capacity accepted the appeals and ordered their reinstatement. I told him that his orders were invalid since appeals lay before the full Board and not the chairman.

He invited me to his office, offered me tea and biscuits, and politely asked me to bring the matter to the Board. I advised him against this, stating that I would have to explain in detail the reasons for each dismissal (all the dismissed drivers were serial offenders), and would give my firm recommendation that retaining the drivers would be endangering the lives of passengers in future.

He looked at me, and asked me in a quiet tone: "Why don't you just accept my original order on their appeals and reinstate them?" "The Rules don't permit you to admit an appeal against my orders," I replied.

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পিতৃ পরের অনুষ্ঠান: গযা ফাল্গু নদীতে ব্যাপক উপস্থিতি সারা

বহির: আজ পতৃি পর ২০২৫-এর দ্বতীয দনিে গযার পবত্রি ফাল্গু নদীর তীরে ভক্তি ও ঐতহ্যিরে এক গভীর প্রর্দশনী অনুষ্ঠতি হয। প্রায ৫০,০০০ এরও বশেি ভক্ত পি দান ও তরণ অনুষ্ঠানে অংশ নতিে এখানে জড়ো হন। মন্ত্রপাঠরে ছন্দ, ধূপরে সুবাস এবং পুর্ণার্থীদরে ত্বদযগ্রাহী প্রার্থনার সঙ্গে পুরো পরবিশে মুখরতি ছলি। আবগেঘন পরবিশে পুত্ররো তাদরে মাতার জন্য পর্তিপণ করলনে, কন্যারা কাঁদতে কাঁদতে তাদরে পতিামাতার প্রতি বদিায জানালনে, আর এক শন্থি তার প্রযাত মাযরে তরণ অর্পণ করে উপস্থতি সবার মনকে স্তব্ধ করে দযিছে।

এই অনুষ্ঠান, যা হন্দিু ঐতহ্যিরে গভীর অংশ, জীবতি ও প্রযাতরে মধ্যে পবত্রি সম্পর্ককরে প্রতীক, যা প্রজন্মরে আত্মার শান্তি ও মুক্তরি আশ্বাস দযে বলে বশ্বিাস করা হয।

দীর্ঘ সারি ও দাহক তাপ সত্ত্বওে ভক্তরা তাদরে অটল নষ্ঠিা প্রর্দশন করলনে। বশিষেভাবে নর্মিতি পষ্কিরণী জল, তলি ও পর্তিপণ করে নদীতে পবত্রি স্নান করলনে।

পুরোহতিরো ভাবগম্ভীর্যপূর্ণ নযিমে সমস্ত অনুষ্ঠান পরচিালনা করে পূজাপরে আধ্যাত্মকি পরবিশে আরও বৃদ্ধি করলনে। গযা, যা গড়শংযধ-এর ভূমি হসিবে পরচিতি, পতৃি পররে সময়ে বশিষে তাৎপর্য ধারণ কর। এ সময় দশেরে কোণাকুণি থকেে এবং বদিশে থকেওে হাজারো পুর্ণার্থী এখানে আস। স্থানীয কর্তৃপক্ষ জানযিছে, এই বছররে উপস্থতি প্রত্যাশার অনকে ওপরে গযিছে, যা প্রাচীন ঐতহ্যিরে প্রতি অটুট শ্রদ্ধার পরচিায়ক।

একজন ভক্ত বলনে, "এই রীতনিীতি স্থধুমাত্র একটি ঐতহ্যি নয, এটি পতৃিপুরুষরে প্রতি কৃতজ্ঞতা প্রকাশ এবং আমাদরে পবত্রি কর্তব্য পালনরে মাধ্যম।"

সন্ধ্যার দকিে যখন আকাশ ধীরে ধীরে অন্ধকারাচ্ছন্ন হতে লাগল, ফাল্গুর পাড় প্রদীপরে আলো নদীতে ভাসতে লাগল, যা চরিন্তন স্মৃতরি প্রতীক হসিবে ঝলমল করছলি।

बाजार की चाल से न बिगड़े निवेश का संतुलन, रीबैलेंसिंग से रखें जोखिम काबू में

एसेट एलोकेशन ड्रिफ्ट से बचें, जानें कब और कैसे करें निवेश पोर्टफोलियो को रीबैलेंस

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शेयर बाजार में लगातार तेजी निवेशकों के लिए खुशी लाती है, लेकिन इसके साथ ही एक महत्वपूर्ण चुनौती भी पैदा होती है। यह तेजी आपके इक्विटी निवेश की वैल्यू को इतना बढ़ा सकती है कि आपके पूरे पोर्टफोलियो का जोखिम स्तर अनजाने में ही बढ़ जाए। इस स्थिति से बचने और अपने निवेश को निर्धारित लक्ष्य के अनुरूप रखने के लिए पोर्टफोलियो रीबैलेंसिंग एक बेहद जरूरी प्रक्रिया है। निवेशक आमतौर पर अपने वित्तीय लक्ष्यों और जोखिम क्षमता के आधार पर इक्विटी और डेट जैसे एसेट क्लास में एक निश्चित अनुपात तय करते हैं। हालांकि, बाजार में तेजी आने पर इक्विटी की वैल्यू तेजी से बढ़ती है, जिससे यह अनुपात बिगड़ जाता है। मान लीजिए, 60 फीसदी वाला पोर्टफोलियो बढ़कर 68 फीसदी इक्विटी का हो जाए, तो इसे एसेट एलोकेशन ड्रिफ्ट कहते हैं। यह ड्रिफ्ट आपके पोर्टफोलियो का जोखिम बढ़ा देता है, भले ही आपने कोई नया निवेश न किया हो। इस ड्रिफ्ट को ठीक करने और मूल एसेट एलोकेशन पर लौटने की प्रक्रिया को पोर्टफोलियो रीबैलेंसिंग कहते हैं। इसका मुख्य उद्देश्य निवेश के जोखिम को आपकी क्षमता के अनुसार नियंत्रित रखना और यह सुनिश्चित करना है कि आप अपने वित्तीय लक्ष्यों की दिशा में सही ट्रैक पर रहें। यह प्रक्रिया रोज या हर महीने करने की बजाय, साल में एक बार किसी तय तारीख पर करनी चाहिए। इससे बाजार की दैनिक हलचल से प्रभावित होकर जल्दबाजी में फैसले लेने से बचा जा सकता है। रीबैलेंसिंग से पहले अपने वित्तीय लक्ष्य और उसे पूरा करने में बचे समय के आधार पर इक्विटी और डेट का आदर्श अनुपात तय करना महत्वपूर्ण है। उदाहरण के लिए, लंबी अवधि (जैसे 20 साल बाद रिटायरमेंट) के लक्ष्य के लिए आप अधिक जोखिम लेकर 75 फीसदी इक्विटी और 25 फीसदी डेट में निवेश कर सकते हैं। वहीं, यदि आपको पांच साल बाद बच्चे की पढ़ाई के लिए पैसे की जरूरत है, तो निवेश में जोखिम कम रखना ज्यादा जरूरी होगा; ऐसे में 30 फीसदी इक्विटी और 70 फीसदी डेट का अनुपात अधिक सुरक्षित विकल्प होगा। इसे एक उदाहरण से समझें- आपने 10 लाख रुपये में 6 लाख इक्विटी और 4 लाख डेट में लगाए (60-40)। बाजार की तेजी से इक्विटी निवेश बढ़कर 9 लाख और डेट निवेश 4.20 लाख हो गया। अब कुल 13.20 लाख रुपये में इक्विटी की हिस्सेदारी लगभग 68 फीसदी हो गई है। बिना नया निवेश किए भी आपका पोर्टफोलियो अधिक जोखिम भरा हो गया। रीबैलेंसिंग करके आप इस अनुपात को वापस 60-40 पर लाकर अनावश्यक जोखिम से बच सकते हैं और अपने वित्तीय लक्ष्यों को सुरक्षित रख सकते हैं।

सोने और चांदी की कीमतों में फिर से उछाल

सोना 1,26,021 रुपए प्रति 10 ग्राम, चांदी 1,54,205 रुपए प्रति किलो

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सोने और चांदी की कीमतों में फिर से उछाल देखने को मिला है। गुरु नानक जयंती के अवसर पर शेयर बाजार पूरे दिन बंद हैं, हालांकि वायदा बाजार मल्टी कमोडिटी एक्सचेंज (एमसीएक्स) पर शाम के सत्र में कारोबार जारी रहेगा।

ऐसे में पिछले कारोबारी दिन के बंद भाव और सुबह के सांकेतिक खुदरा दरों के आधार पर मंगलवार को सोने और चांदी दोनों में तेजी दर्ज की गई है। मल्टी कमोडिटी एक्सचेंज (एमसीएक्स) पर 24 कैरेट सोना 4,243 रुपये की तेजी के साथ 1,26,021 रुपये प्रति 10 ग्राम पर पहुंच गया है।

पिछले कारोबारी दिन यह 1,21,778 रुपये प्रति 10 ग्राम पर बंद हुआ था। बुलियंस डॉट को डॉट इन के अनुसार, 24 कैरेट सोने का दाम 1,27,000 रुपये प्रति 10 ग्राम है। इंडियन बुलियन एंड ज्वैलर्स एसोसिएशन (आईबीजेए) के आंकड़ों के मुताबिक, 24 कैरेट का सोना 1,24,945 रुपये प्रति 10 ग्राम है, जबकि 22 कैरेट सोने की कीमत 1,14,450 रुपये प्रति 10 ग्राम दर्ज की गई है। चांदी के दामों में भी बड़ा उछाल आया है। मल्टी कमोडिटी एक्सचेंज (एमसीएक्स) पर चांदी का भाव 6,392 रुपये की तेजी के साथ 1,54,205 रुपये प्रति किलो हो गया है। पिछले कारोबारी सत्र में चांदी 1,47,813 रुपये प्रति किलो पर बंद हुई थी।

निजी निवेश में ज़बरदस्त उछाल- सीआईआई रिपोर्ट

वित्त वर्ष 2026-27 की पहली छमाही में परियोजना घोषणाएं 26.6 लाख करोड़ पहुंचीं

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भारतीय उद्योग परिसंघ (सीआईआई) की एक रिपोर्ट के अनुसार भारत में निजी क्षेत्र के निवेश में उल्लेखनीय तेजी आई है। वित्त वर्ष 2026-27 की पहली छमाही (अप्रैल-सितंबर) में निजी क्षेत्र की नई परियोजना घोषणाएं सालाना आधार पर 58.5 प्रतिशत बढ़कर 26.6 लाख करोड़ रुपये पर पहुंच गईं। यह वृद्धि सरकारी नीतिगत सुधारों, बुनियादी ढांचे के विकास और बढ़ते निवेशक भरोसे का प्रमाण है। सीआईआई के निजी निवेश सूचक के दूसरे संस्करण में बताया गया कि इस अवधि में कुल परियोजना घोषणाओं में निजी क्षेत्र की हिस्सेदारी 86.2 प्रतिशत रही, जो पिछले साल 74.2 प्रतिशत थी। यह आंकड़ा पिछले दशक की समान अवधियों के औसत का 4.4 गुना है। सीआईआई के एक अधिकारी ने इस सफलता का श्रेय सरकार के सतत नीतिगत सुधारों और नियामकीय ढांचे में सुधार को दिया, जिससे निजी निवेश के लिए एक मजबूत अनुकूल माहौल बना है। उन्होंने कहा कि भारतीय उद्योग इन अवसरों पर सकारात्मक प्रतिक्रिया दे रहा है। रिपोर्ट ने यह भी रेखांकित किया कि यह सुधार केवल घोषणाओं तक सीमित नहीं है, बल्कि वास्तविक पूंजी निर्माण में भी परिलक्षित हो रहा है। लगभग 1,800 सूचीबद्ध निजी कंपनियों का सकल पूंजी निर्माण वित्त वर्ष 2025-26 में 12.4 लाख करोड़ रुपये रहा, जो सकल घरेलू उत्पाद का 3.6 प्रतिशत है।

टाटा स्टील-एपीएल अपोलो मेगा डील-शेयर लुढ़के, कर्ज बढ़ा, भविष्य की संभावनाएं

28,000 करोड़ के सौदे में टाटा स्टील चुकाएगी ऊंची कीमत

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देश के स्टील सेक्टर में एक बड़ी हलचल के तहत टाटा स्टील और एपीएल अपोलो ट्यूब्स के बीच लगभग 28,000 करोड़ रुपये की एक मेगा डील चर्चा में है। इस सौदे के तहत टाटा स्टील, एपीएल अपोलो में 52.6 फीसदी हिस्सेदारी खरीदने की योजना बना रही है, साथ ही अपना ट्यूब और कलर कोटेड कारोबार एपीएल अपोलो को बेचेगी। इस खबर से निवेशकों में चिंता बढ़ गई, जिसके चलते 23 नवंबर, को टाटा स्टील के शेयर 8 फीसदी और एपीएल अपोलो के शेयर 21 फीसदी से अधिक गिर गए। यह मेगा डील दोनों कंपनियों के कारोबार में बड़ा बदलाव लाने वाली है। टाटा स्टील एपीएल अपोलो में 52.6 फीसदी हिस्सेदारी खरीदने के लिए अधिकतम 32,266 करोड़ रुपये खर्च कर सकती है। इसके समानांतर, वह अपना ट्यूब कारोबार और टाटा स्टील कलर्स का पूरा कारोबार 28,000 करोड़ रुपये में एपीएल अपोलो को बेचेगी। हालांकि, इस सौदे की खबर के साथ ही शुरुआती खर्च, बढ़ते कर्ज और कमाई पर दबाव की आशंका ने निवेशकों की चिंता बढ़ा दी।

जानकारों का मानना है कि टाटा स्टील एपीएल अपोलो की हिस्सेदारी के लिए काफी ऊंची कीमत चुका रही है, जिसकी एंटरप्राइज वैल्यू करीब 60,000 करोड़ रुपये आंकी गई है। डील के बाद टाटा स्टील के कर्ज का बोझ बढ़ने का अनुमान है। सितंबर 2026 में कंपनी का कंसोलिडेटेड नेट डेट 91,400 करोड़ रुपये था, जो सौदा पूरा होने के बाद लगभग 1.20 लाख करोड़ रुपये तक पहुंच सकता है।

यानी, कंपनी पर करीब 28,600 करोड़ रुपये का अतिरिक्त कर्ज चढ़ेगा, जिससे कर्ज घटाने की रफ्तार धीमी हो सकती है। शुरुआती दो-तीन साल तक इस डील का टाटा स्टील की प्रति शेयर कमाई पर नकारात्मक असर दिखने की आशंका है। इसके बावजूद, इस सौदे से टाटा स्टील को एपीएल अपोलो का मजबूत डिस्ट्रीब्यूशन नेटवर्क, ब्रांड और देशव्यापी कारोबार मिलेगा, जिससे भविष्य में स्टील पाइप और कलर कोटेड प्रोडक्ट के बाजार में कंपनी की हिस्सेदारी बढ़ेगी। दोनों कंपनियों की संयुक्त उत्पादन क्षमता वर्तमान में 75 लाख टन सालाना है, जिसे अगले 5-6 सालों में बढ़ाकर 1.55 करोड़ टन सालाना करने की योजना है। प्रबंधन को उम्मीद है कि नए कारोबार से 4-5 साल में करीब 10,000 करोड़ रुपये के एबिटा की क्षमता बन सकती है और साढ़े तीन साल में ईपीएस पर सकारात्मक असर दिखेगा।

विशेषज्ञों ने टाटा स्टील के शेयर पर खरीदारी की रेटिंग बरकरार रखते हुए 219 रुपये का अपसाइड टारगेट दिया है, यह मानते हुए कि डील महंगी जरूर है, पर जुड़े जोखिमों का काफी असर शेयर के भाव में पहले ही दिख चुका है।

आरबीआई बैठक से पहले कंपनियों की फंड रेसिंग, 25,000 करोड़ जुटाने की तैयारी

0.25 फीसदी से 0.50 फीसदी तक रेपो रेट में बढ़ोतरी का अनुमान

नई दिल्ली ।

भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक (आरबीआई) की अगली मौद्रिक नीति समिति (एमपीसी) की बैठक से पहले देश की कंपनियां सक्रिय हो गई हैं। करीब 25,000 करोड़ रुपए बॉन्ड जारी कर जुटाने की तैयारी की जा रही है, जिसका मुख्य उद्देश्य ब्याज दरों में संभावित बढ़ोतरी से पहले मौजूदा कम लागत पर लंबी अवधि का कर्ज सुरक्षित करना है। एमपीसी की बैठक 2 से 4 दिसंबर तक होनी है। रॉयटर्स के सर्वे और बाजार विश्लेषकों के अनुसार आरबीआई रेपो रेट में 0.25 फीसदी से 0.50 फीसदी तक की बढ़ोतरी कर सकता है। इससे पहले आरबीआई ने 7 अक्टूबर को रेपो रेट को 0.25 फीसदी बढ़ाकर 5.50 फीसदी कर दिया था और अपनी नीति का रुख कैलिब्रेटेड टाइटनिंग कर दिया था, जिसका अर्थ है महंगाई और आर्थिक परिस्थितियों के आधार पर आगे भी दरें बढ़ाने की संभावना। इस संभावित बढ़ोतरी से बचने के लिए पावर फाइनेंस कॉरपोरेशन (पीएफसी), स्मॉल इंडस्ट्रीज डेवलपमेंट बैंक ऑफ इंडिया (एसआईडीबीआई), जियो क्रेडिट, एलआईसी हाउसिंग फाइनेंस और टोरेंट पावर जैसी सरकारी और निजी क्षेत्र की कंपनियां बॉन्ड के जरिए पैसा जुटाने में लगी हैं। नवंबर में-एएए रेटिंग वाले कॉरपोरेट बॉन्ड की यील्ड में 0.20 फीसदी से 0.30 फीसदी तक की गिरावट आई है, जिसे कच्चे तेल की कीमतों में नरमी, विदेशी निवेशकों की वापसी और रुपए की स्थिरता जैसे कारकों का समर्थन मिला है। इसी मौके का लाभ उठाकर कंपनियां अपनी उधारी लागत को नियंत्रित रखना चाहती हैं। नवंबर में अब तक 90,000 करोड़ रुपए निजी बॉन्ड प्लेसमेंट के जरिए जुटाए जा चुके हैं, और इस साल कुल फंड जुटाने का आंकड़ा लगातार दूसरे साल 10 लाख करोड़ रुपए पार कर सकता है। रेपो रेट में वृद्धि से बैंकों के लिए कर्ज महंगा हो जाता है, जिसका सीधा असर होम लोन, कार लोन और पर्सनल लोन की ईएमआई पर पड़ सकता है।

ट्रंप के दबाव में एनवीडिया ने जेनसेन हुआंग को सीईओ पद पर किया बहाल

अमेरिकी राष्ट्रपति के हस्तक्षेप से हुई कृत्रिम मेधा कंपनी के शीर्ष पद पर बहाली

न्यूयॉर्क ।

कृत्रिम मेधा (एआई) क्षेत्र की अग्रणी कंपनी एनवीडिया ने अपने सह-संस्थापक जेनसेन हुआंग को सीईओ के पद पर बहाल कर दिया है। विवाहेतर संबंधों के आरोपों के चलते हुए उनके इस्तीफे के बाद यह एक चौंकाने वाला घटनाक्रम है। राष्ट्रपति डोनाल्ड ट्रंप के सक्रिय हस्तक्षेप ने उनकी पद पर वापसी का मार्ग प्रशस्त किया, जबकि पहले निदेशक मंडल ने उनकी पेशकश को ठुकरा दिया था। हुआंग ने 12 नवंबर को इस्तीफा दिया था, जिसके बाद कोलेट क्रेस अंतरिम सीईओ बनीं। उनके इस्तीफे की वजह एक चीनी कारोबारी महिला और कंपनी की ही कर्मचारी से कथित संबंध थे। निदेशक मंडल ने वापसी की उनकी पेशकश को पहले ठुकरा दिया था, भले ही राष्ट्रपति ट्रंप ने एफबीआई जांच की बात करते हुए भी उनकी प्रशंसा की थी। उनके समर्थन में स्टैंड विद जेनसेन अभियान चला, जिसे एलन मस्क सहित कई हस्तियों का साथ मिला। राष्ट्रपति ट्रंप ने 16 नवंबर को सार्वजनिक रूप से कहा कि उन्हें हुआंग की वापसी पर कोई आपत्ति नहीं होगी।

सेबी ने आईपीओ ग्रे मार्केट प्रीमियम पर लगाई रोक, निवेशकों को आगाह किया

बाजार मध्यस्थों को प्रचार-प्रसार से रोका, निवेशकों को अनौपचारिक सौदों से बचने की सलाह

नई दिल्ली । बाजार नियामक भारतीय प्रतिभूति एवं विनिमय बोर्ड (सेबी) ने एक महत्वपूर्ण कदम उठाते हुए आगामी आरंभिक सार्वजनिक निर्गम (आईपीओ) के ग्रे मार्केट प्रीमियम (जीएमपी) के आंकड़ों के प्रकाशन और प्रचार-प्रसार पर तत्काल प्रभाव से रोक लगा दी है। नियामक ने बाजार मध्यस्थों और अन्य प्रतिभागियों को इस तरह की गतिविधियों को तुरंत बंद करने का निर्देश दिया है। इसके साथ ही सेबी ने निवेशकों को जीएमपी को संभावित लिस्टिंग मूल्य या अपेक्षित रिटर्न का संकेतक न मानने की सख्त चेतावनी दी है। सेबी ने अपने बयान में स्पष्ट किया कि जीएमपी उन अनौपचारिक और अपुष्ट कीमतों को दर्शाता है जिन पर किसी कंपनी के शेयर शेयर बाजार में सूचीबद्ध होने से पहले कारोबार किए जाने का दावा किया जाता है। ये सौदे मान्यता-प्राप्त शेयर बाजारों के दायरे से बाहर होते हैं, जिस पर कोई नियामकीय निगरानी नहीं होती और न ही इनमें निवेशकों को कोई सुरक्षा या सौदे के निपटान की गारंटी मिलती है। नियामक ने पाया कि जीएमपी के आंकड़े वेबसाइटों, डिजिटल मंचों, समाचार पत्रों और यहां तक कि सेबी में पंजीकृत कुछ मध्यस्थों द्वारा भी व्यापक रूप से प्रकाशित किए जा रहे थे। नियामक ने स्पष्ट किया कि ऐसे प्रीमियम के आंकड़ों का प्रकाशन निवेशकों के हितों के लिए नुकसानदेह है और प्रतिभूति बाजार में पारदर्शिता व जवाबदेही के सिद्धांतों के विपरीत है। सेबी ने अपने सभी पंजीकृत मध्यस्थों और बाजार प्रतिभागियों को अपनी वेबसाइट, डिजिटल मंचों, ईमेल, एसएमएस और सोशल मीडिया सहित किसी भी संचार माध्यम पर आईपीओ के जीएमपी के आंकड़े प्रकाशित, प्रदर्शित या प्रसारित नहीं करने का निर्देश दिया है।

धोखाधड़ी का प्रकरण दर्ज

जबलपुर ।

लार्डगंज और गोरखपुर थाना क्षेत्र में तीन सायबर ठगी के मामले सामने आए हैं7 लार्डगंज थाना क्षेत्र में ट्योरिन सोलर प्राइवेट लिमिटेड कंपनी के 3 कर्मचारियों पर धोखाधड़ी कर दूसरी कंपनियों को फायदा पहुंचाने का आरोप लगा है। वहीं लार्डगंज में आईफोन दिलाने का झांसा देकर एक व्यक्ति से 62 हजार 940 रुपए की धोखाधड़ी का मामला सामने आया है। इसी प्रकार गोरखपुर थाना क्षेत्र में झाड़-फूंक के जरिए बीमारी और घरेलू परेशानियां दूर करने तथा धन दोगुना करने का झांसा देकर एक महिला से करीब 5 लाख रुपए ठगने का मामला सामने आया है।

लार्डगंज पुलिस थाने से प्राप्त जानकारी के अनुसार राइट टाउन निवासी 36 वर्षीय कंपनी संचालक अभिषेक बाधवा कंपनी के कर्मचारी सुमित सेन, सुभाष विश्वकर्मा और मोहम्मद फजल तबिश दूसरी कंपनियों के लिए भी काम कर रहे थे। कर्मचारियों ने कंपनी के नाम से फर्जी एनओसी तैयार कर दूसरी कंपनियों को सोलर प्लांट लगवाने का काम दिलाया। कंपनी के कंप्यूटर की जांच में 14-15 अन्य कंपनियों का डेटा और करीब 70-75 ऑर्डर से जुड़े काम के प्रमाण मिले। साथ ही कंपनी के डायरेक्टर के फोटो, फोटोशॉप से तैयार हस्ताक्षर, कंपनी की सील, ऑडिट रिपोर्ट और व्हाट्सएप चैट में पैसों के लेन-देन से जुड़े साक्ष्य मिलने की बात सामने आई।

इसी प्रकार राइट टाउन स्थित अतुल बिहार अपार्टमेंट निवासी 51 वर्षीय अरुण अग्रवाल गत 27 अक्टूबर 2026 को दोपहर करीब 2 बजे एक मोबाइल नंबर से उन्हें आईफोन दिलाने का ऑफर दिया गया था। इसके झांसे में आकर उन्होंने यूपीआई के माध्यम से 499 रुपए से शुरुआत करते हुए कुल 62 हजार 940 रुपए अलग-अलग खातों में ट्रांसफर कर दिए। रकम जमा कराने के बाद भी उन्हें आईफोन नहीं दिया गया। पीड़ित ने कई बार संबंधित व्यक्ति से अपने रुपए वापस मांगे, लेकिन वह गाली-गलौज करने लगा और जान से मारने की धमकी देने लगा। आरोपी ने अपना नाम मनीष जैन बताया था। शिकायत के मुताबिक, रकम बाके बिहारी सर्विस सेंटर, राहुल खान, यकीन खान और वारिस हरसोनिया के खातों में जमा कराई गई थी।

इसी तरह गोरखपुर में ककरैया तलैया गोरखपुर निवासी 48 वर्षीय आरती मेहरा कुछ समय से बीमार थी और घर में भी कई तरह की परेशानियां चल रही थीं।

दस्तावेज गुम करने पर एसबीआई को 60 लाख का चूना, बुजुर्ग की जीत

2019 में चुकाया था होम लोन, बैंक ने नहीं लौटाए थे संपत्ति के असली कागजात

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उपभोक्ता अदालत ने स्टेट बैंक ऑफ इंडिया (एसबीआई) को एक 70 वर्षीय बुजुर्ग व्यक्ति को लगभग 60 लाख रुपये का मुआवजा देने का आदेश दिया है। यह फैसला बैंक द्वारा होम लोन का पूरा भुगतान करने के बावजूद संपत्ति के असली कागजात न लौटाने के एक लंबे समय से चले आ रहे मामले में आया है। कोर्ट ने बैंक को न सिर्फ मुआवजा देने, बल्कि जल्द से जल्द संपत्ति के पूरे दस्तावेज वापस करने का भी निर्देश दिया है। यह मामला अलीगढ़ के गुलवीर सिंह चौहान से जुड़ा है, जिन्होंने 1997 में एसबीआई की सिटी ब्रांच से होम लोन लिया था और अपनी संपत्ति का असली सेल डीड बैंक के पास गिरवी रखा था। चौहान ने 13 मई 2019 को अपना पूरा बकाया लोन चुका दिया और बैंक से नो-ड्यूज सर्टिफिकेट भी प्राप्त कर लिया। हालांकि, इसके बावजूद बैंक बार-बार अनुरोध करने पर भी उनके असली दस्तावेज वापस नहीं कर पाया और अंततः स्वीकार किया कि दस्तावेज गुम हो गए हैं। दस्तावेजों के अभाव में चौहान को मालिकाना हक की पुष्टि करने, नया लोन लेने या संपत्ति हस्तांतरित करने में भारी परेशानी का सामना करना पड़ा। आखिरकार, 13 जून 2023 को गुलवीर सिंह चौहान ने उपभोक्ता आयोग का दरवाजा खटखटाया। कार्यवाही के दौरान एसबीआई ने दस्तावेज मिलने की बात तो स्वीकार की, लेकिन चौहान के आरोपों का खंडन किया। आयोग के अध्यक्ष हसनैन कुरैशी और सदस्य पूर्णिमा सिंह राजपूत ने बैंक के 13 फरवरी 2020 के पत्र की जांच की, जिससे पुष्टि हुई कि चौहान ने मई 2019 में ही सभी बकाया राशि का भुगतान कर दिया था। आयोग ने निष्कर्ष निकाला कि ऋण चुकाने के बाद भी दस्तावेज न लौटाना सेवा में कमी है।

जेएसडब्ल्यू मोटर्स और एआरएआई में नए ऊर्जा वाहन विकास हेतु समझौता

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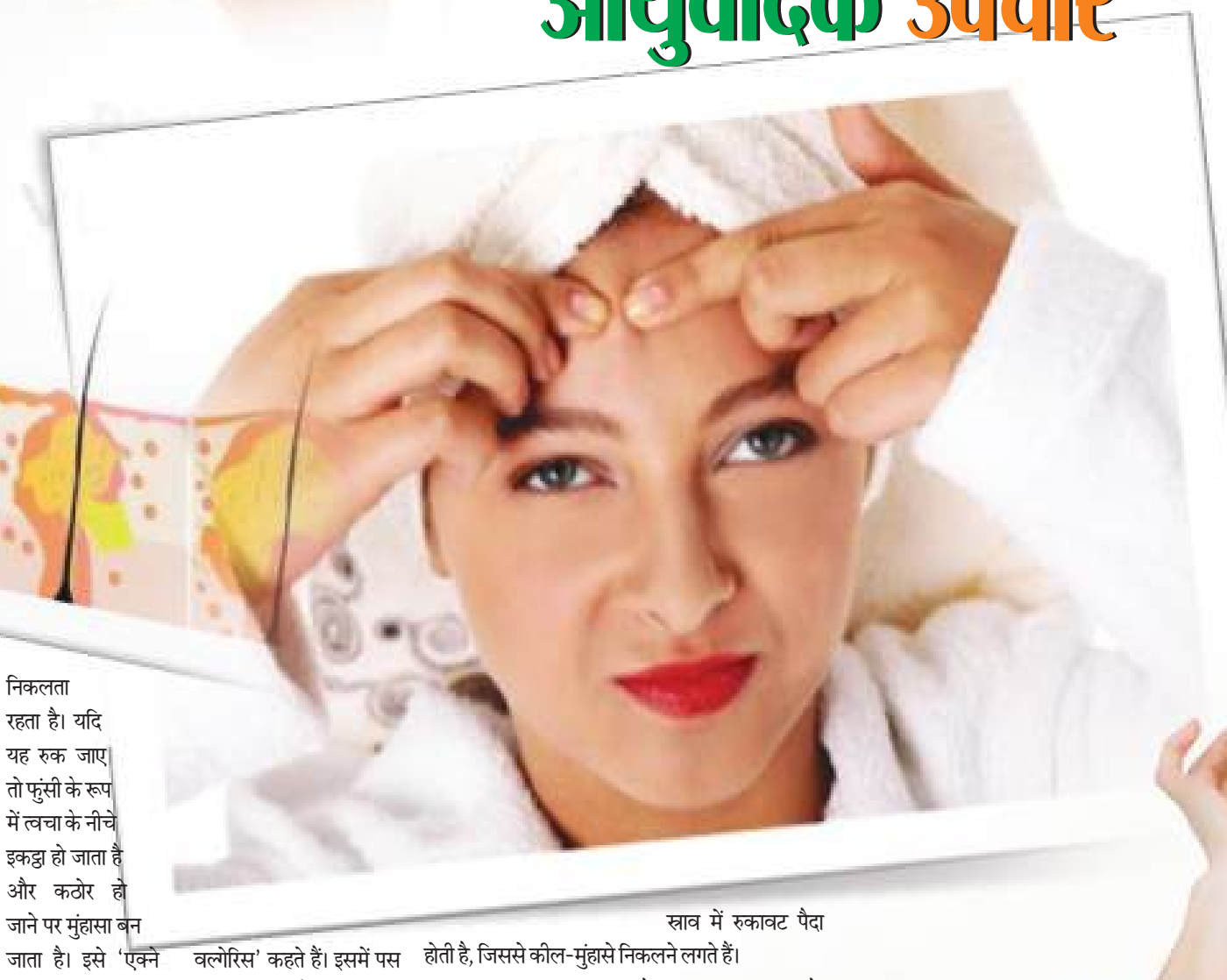
जेएसडब्ल्यू समूह की यात्री वाहन इकाई, जेएसडब्ल्यू मोटर्स ने नए ऊर्जा वाहनों (एनईवी) के संयुक्त विकास, परीक्षण और स्थानीयकरण के लिए ऑटोमोटिव रिसर्च एसोसिएशन ऑफ इंडिया (एआरएआई) के साथ एक समझौता ज्ञापन (एमओयू) पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं। इस रणनीतिक सहयोग का उद्देश्य वाहनों और उनकी प्रणालियों के विकास के लिए मजबूत तकनीकी आधार तैयार करना, परीक्षण एवं नियामकीय तैयारियों को बेहतर बनाना है। कंपनी विशेष रूप से भारतीय परिचालन स्थितियों के अनुकूल प्रौद्योगिकियों और क्षमताओं का विकास करना चाहती है। जेएसडब्ल्यू मोटर्स के एक वे रिष्ठ अधिकारी ने कहा कि उनका लक्ष्य केवल वाहन बनाना नहीं, बल्कि मजबूत स्वदेशी इंजीनियरिंग क्षमताओं वाली विश्वस्तरीय भारतीय वाहन कंपनी बनाना है।

उन्होंने जोर दिया कि यह साझेदारी भारतीय परिस्थितियों के अनुरूप अगली पीढ़ी के परिवहन समाधान विकसित करने में तेजी लाएगी।



कील-मुंहासों से हैं परेशान, आजमाएं आयुर्वेदिक उपचार



कील-मुंहासे प्रत्येक किशोर या किशोरी को अनिवार्य रूप से होते ही हैं, ऐसा नहीं है। जिनको होते हैं, वे मानसिक रूप से दुःखी-पीड़ित होते हैं और समझ नहीं पाते कि ये कील-मुंहासे क्यों निकल रहे हैं और इनको कैसे ठीक किया जा सकता है।

कील-मुंहासों को आयुर्वेदिक भाषा में 'युवान-पीड़िका' और ऐलोपैथिक भाषा में 'एक्ने' और 'पिम्पल' कहते हैं। किशोर अवस्था की समाप्ति और युवावस्था के प्रारम्भ में चेहरे पर फुंसी के रूप में मुंहासे निकलते हैं और ये पीड़ा पहुंचाते हैं, इसलिए इन्हें 'युवान पीड़िका' कहा गया। शरीर में किसी भी कारण अतिरिक्त रूप से बढ़ी हुई उष्णता मुंहासे पैदा करने में कारण मानी जाती है, इसलिए मुंहासे होने की सम्भावना उनको ज्यादा होती है, जिनके शरीर की तासीर (प्रकृति) गर्म हो। ऐसे बच्चे अगर आहार-विहार भी उष्णता बढ़ाने वाला करते हैं तो उनके शरीर में उष्णता बढ़ती है और कील-मुंहासे निकलने लगते हैं।

कील-मुंहासों के निकलने का समय 13-14 वर्ष की आयु से लेकर 20-22 वर्ष की आयु के मध्य का होता है। इस आयु में उष्णता बढ़ाने वाला आहार-विहार नहीं करना चाहिए। ऐलोपैथिक चिकित्सा विज्ञान के अनुसार मुंहासों का कारण होता है वसा ग्रन्थियों (सिबेसियस ग्लैंड्स) से निकलने वाले स्राव का रुक जाना। यह स्राव त्वचा को स्निग्ध रखने के लिए रोम छिद्रों से निकलता रहता है। यदि यह रुक जाए तो फुंसी के रूप में त्वचा के नीचे इकट्ठा हो जाता है और कठोर हो जाने पर मुंहासा बन जाता है। इसे 'एक्ने वल्गेरिस' कहते हैं। इसमें पस पड़ जाए तो इसे कील यानी पिम्पल कहते हैं। पस निकल जाने पर ही यह ठीक होते हैं। साधारण स्थिति में ये निकलते और ठीक होते रहते हैं पर असाधारण और गम्भीर स्थिति में बहुत दिनों तक बने रहते हैं। चेहरे की त्वचा को कुरूप कर देते हैं। शरीर में एण्ड्रोजन नामक पुरुष हार्मोन की मात्रा सामान्य से ज्यादा हो जाने का भी सम्बन्ध इस व्याधि से होता है। आनुवंशिक प्रभाव भी इसमें कारण होता है।

कारण : तेज मसालेदार, तले हुए, उष्ण प्रकृति वाले पदार्थों का अधिक सेवन करने, रात को देर तक जागने, सुबह देर तक सोए रहने, देर से शौच व स्नान करने, शाम को शौच न जाने, निरंतर कब्ज बनी रहने, कामुक विचार करने, ईर्षा व क्रोध करने, स्वभाव में गर्मी व चिड़चिड़ापन रखने आदि कारणों से शरीर में ऊष्णता बढ़ती है और तैलीय वसा के स्राव में रुकावट पैदा होती है, जिससे कील-मुंहासे निकलने लगते हैं।

सावधानी : हलका, सुपाच्य और सादा आहार पथ्य है, अधिक शाक-सब्जी का सेवन करना, अधिक पानी पीना, शीतल व तरावट वाले पदार्थों का सेवन करना पथ्य है। तेज मिर्च-मसालेदार, तले हुए, मांसाहारी पदार्थों तथा मादक द्रव्यों का सेवन करना अपथ्य है।



आयुर्वेदिक उपचार

* गाय के ताजे दूध में एक चम्मच चिरौंजी पीसकर इसका लेप चेहरे पर लगाकर मसलें। सूख जाने पर पानी से धो डालें।

* सोहागा 3 ग्राम, चमेली का शुद्ध तेल 1 चम्मच। दोनों को मिलाकर रात को सोते समय चेहरे पर लगाकर मसलें। सुबह बेसन को पानी से गीला कर गाढ़ा-गाढ़ा चेहरे पर लगाकर मसलें और पानी से चेहरा धो डालें।

मसूर की दाल 2 चम्मच लेकर बारीक पीस लें। इसमें थोड़ा सा दूध और घी मिलाकर फेंट लें और पतला-पतला लेप बना लें। इस लेप को मुंहासों पर लगाएं।

* शुद्ध टंकण और शक्ति पिष्ठी 10-10 ग्राम मिलाकर एक शीशी में भर लें। थोड़ा सा यह पावडर और शहद अच्छी तरह मिलाकर कील-मुंहासों पर लगाएं।

लोध्र, वचा और धनिया, तीनों 50-50 ग्राम खूब बारीक पीसकर शीशी में भर लें। एक चम्मच चूर्ण थोड़े से दूध में मिलाकर लेप बना लें और कील-मुंहासों पर लगाएं। आधा घण्टे बाद पानी से धो डालें।

* सफेद सरसों, लोध्र, वचा और सेन्धा नमक 25-25 ग्राम बारीक चूर्ण करके मिला लें और शीशी में भर लें। एक चम्मच चूर्ण पानी में मिलाकर लेप बना लें और कील-मुंहासों पर लगाएं।

कूठ, प्रियंगु फूल, मजीठ, मसूर, वट वृक्ष की कोंपलें (नरम छोटी पत्तियां), लोध्र, लाल चन्दन, सब 10-10 ग्राम बारीक चूर्ण करके मिला लें। एक चम्मच चूर्ण पानी के साथ पीसकर लेप बना लें। इसे कील-मुंहासों पर लगाएं।

* साफ पत्थर पर पानी डालकर जायफल घिसकर लेप को कील-मुंहासों पर लगाएं। * वरुण (वरना) की छाल 25 ग्राम लेकर एक गिलास पानी में इतनी देर तक उबालें कि पानी आधा गिलास बचे। लाल चन्दन, काली मिर्च और जायफल, तीनों का पिसा हुआ बारीक चूर्ण 10-10 ग्राम लेकर मिला लें और शीशी में भर लें। कुनकुने गर्म पानी से कील-मुंहासों को धोकर, इस चूर्ण को पानी के साथ मिलाकर गाढ़ा लेप बना लें और कील-मुंहासों पर लगाएं। लेप सूख जाए तब कुनकुने गर्म पानी से धो डालें।



दुल्हन ऐसे करें गहनों का चयन

शादी का मौसम और तैयारियां जोरों पर है। शादी की तैयारी और खरीदारी उतनी आसान भी नहीं होती। कई तरह के सवाल होते हैं, कि क्या जंचेगा क्या नहीं। यह लेना चाहिए या वह। कद-काठी और रंग के अनुसार खरीदारी हो, तो यह सबसे बेहतर होता है। फिलहाल जानिए दुल्हनों के लिए गहनों का चयन करने के लिए कुछ आसान टिप्स -

1 गहने खरीदने का पहला सरल तरीका यह है, कि आप जो पहनने वाली हैं, उसके अनुसार गहनों का चयन कीजिए और कुछ हल्के-फुल्के गहने अतिरिक्त लेकर रखें जो कई जगह आपके काम आ सकते हैं।

2 दूसरी बात, आपको कुंदन, मोती, स्टोन या मेटल जिस प्रकार के गहने पहनने में रुचि है, वह पहले ही तय कर लें और उसके अनुसार ही गहनों की खरीदारी करें। इससे आप भ्रमित नहीं होंगे और आखिरकार वही लेकर आएंगे जो आपने सोचा था।

3 अगर आपकी लंबाई कम है तो इस तरह के हार और कान के बालों का चयन करें जो लंबे हों। हार के मामले में या तो लंबाई अधि?क हो या फिर हार फिलकुल गले से सटा हुआ होना चाहिए। आजकल दोनों साथ में पहनने का भी फैशन है।

4 हार अगर लंबा ले रही हैं, तो लंबाई सीने से जरा नीचे ही रखें। इसके अलावा कोई व्ही शेप नेकलेस भी आपकी लंबाई को बढ़ाएगा।

5 अगर हाथ में ब्रेसलेट पहनने वाली हैं, तो ध्यान रखें कि आप पर पतले ब्रेसलेट ज्यादा अच्छे लगेंगे, बजाए चौड़ाई वाले ब्रेसलेट के। चूड़ि?यों के मामले में भी ऐसे ही चयन करें।

6 अगर आपकी लंबाई अधि?क है, तो आप किसी भी तरह के हार का चयन कर सकती हैं। कान के बाले भी आप पर दोनों तरह के जंचेंगे। इसके अलावा हाथों में चूड़ी या ब्रेसलेट, आप जो भी पहनें हाथ भरकर पहनें।

7 अगर आपकी लंबाई बहुत ज्यादा या बहुत कम नहीं है, तो आप सामान्य लंबाई वाले हैं। आप पर किसी भी आकार और लंबाई के गहने सूट करेंगे। आप बेफिक्र होकर अपनी पसंद के गहने पहन सकती हैं।



त्वचा को बेदाग बनाएं, यह 10 उपाय

साफ-सुथरी, बेदाग और निखरी त्वचा ही असली खूबसूरती को बयां करती हैं। ऐसी खूबसूरती पाना कौन नहीं चाहता, लेकिन जब कई तरह के जतन करने के बाद त्वचा के दाग धब्बे नहीं जाते तब, सारी मेहनत पर पानी फिर जाता है। यदि आपके साथ भी यही समस्या है, तो अब फिक्र छोड़ दीजिए। क्योंकि हम बता रहे हैं त्वचा के दाग धब्बों से निजात पाने के 10 आसान उपाय - 1 उपचार से पहले एक बात हमेशा ध्यान रखें कि सावधानी और सुरक्षा रखकर आप दाग-धब्बों को उभरने से रोक सकते हैं। इसके लिए सनस्क्रीन का इस्तेमाल जरूर करें। इससे न केवल दाग-धब्बे कम तो होंगे ही, इने होने की संभावना भी कम हो जाएगी।



2 त्वचा की सफाई पर विशेष ध्यान दें। हल्की पाउडर में थोड़ा-सा कच्चा दूध मिलाकर लगाने से त्वचा के दाग धब्बे कम होते हैं। प्रतिदिन इसका इस्तेमाल करने से चेहरे पर चमक भी आती है।

3 त्वचा पर जहां भी दाग-धब्बे हों, वहां पर थोड़ा सा बेकिंग सोडा और शहद मिलाकर लगाएं। कुछ समय रखकर इसे ठंडे पानी से धो लें। इससे दाग धब्बे धीरे-धीरे कम होते जाएंगे।

4 जायफल, त्वचा के दाग धब्बे हटाने और रंग निखारने के लिए एक बेहतरीन उपाय है। इसे दूध में घिसकर त्वचा पर लगाने से दाग-धब्बे कम हो जाएंगे और त्वचा का रंग भी साफ होगा।

5 कोको बटर का उपयोग भी चेहरे को बेदाग करने के लिए किया जा सकता है। रोजाना कोको बटर से त्वचा की मसाज करने से दाग-धब्बे तो दूर होंगे ही, स्ट्रेच मार्क्स और अन्य समस्याएं भी ठीक हो जाएंगी।

6 त्वचा के लिए जैतून का तेल भी प्रभावी उपाय है। प्रतिदिन चेहरे पर जैतून के तेल से मसाज कर, 10 मिनट के बाद चेहरे को गुनगुने पानी से धो लें। इससे आपकी त्वचा बेदाग तो होगी ही, साथ ही मुलायम और चमकदार भी हो जाएगी।

7 कच्चे दूध का प्रयोग भी आपके चेहरे को बेदाग करने में मदद करता है। प्रतिदिन चेहरे पर कच्चे दूध से मसाज करें या फिर बेसन में कच्चा दूध मिलाकर इस फेस पैक को चेहरे पर लगाएं और कुछ समय बाद गुनगुने पानी से धो लें।

8 अगर आपकी त्वचा रूखी न हो तो आप टमाटर और नींबू के रस का प्रयोग भी कर सकते हैं। आलू का रस भी चेहरे को बेदाग रखने का एक अच्छा उपाय है। इससे त्वचा के दाग धब्बे तो मिटते ही हैं, रंग भी साफ होता है।

9 दाग धब्बों को त्वचा पर ठहरने न देना भी इसका एक उपाय है। इसके लिए आपको नियमित तौर पर त्वचा की सफाई पर ध्यान देना होगा। साथ ही डेली स्क्रब का इस्तेमाल कर आप मृत त्वचा को भी त्वचा पर जमने से रोक सकते हैं।

10 नीम, पुदीना और तुलसी का रस लगाने से भी त्वचा बेदाग होती है। नियमित इस प्रयोग को करने से त्वचा के दाग-धब्बे मिट जाते हैं, और त्वचा कांतिमय नजर आती है। साथ ही आप ताजगी भी महसूस करते हैं।

ठंड में क्यों फटती है एड़ियां, जानिए सरल इलाज

जैसे-जैसे सर्दी का मौसम अपने शबाब पर पहुंचता है, पैरों की खूबसूरती को बनाए रखना मुश्किल होता जाता है। पैरों की चमड़ी का सख्त हो जाना और एड़ियों का फटना जैसी समस्याएं इस मौसम में आम तौर पर उभरकर सामने आती हैं। इससे बचने के लिए कुछ बातों का ख्याल रखना आवश्यक है। जानिए कुछ महत्वपूर्ण बातें-

क्या है एड़ियां फटने की मुख्य वजह एड़ियां फटने की मुख्य वजह शरीर में कैल्शियम और चिकनाई की कमी होती है। एड़ी व तलवों की त्वचा मोटी होती है, इसलिए शरीर के अंदर बनने वाला सीबम यानी कुदरती तेल पैर के तलवों की बाहरी सतह तक नहीं पहुंच पाता। फिर पौष्टिक तत्व व चिकनाई न मिल पानेकी वजह से ही एड़ियां खुरदरी-सी हो जाती हैं और इनमें दरार पड़ने लगती है। एड़िया ज्यादा फटने से दर्द और जलन तो होती ही है, कभी-कभी खून भी निकल आता है।

ठंड में फटी एड़ियों से छुटकारा पाने के नुस्खे

* डेढ़ चम्मच वैसलीन में एक छोटा चम्मच बोरिक पावडर डालकर अच्छी तरह मिला लें और इसे फटी एड़ियों पर अच्छी तरह से लगा लें, कुछ ही दिनों में फटी एड़ियां फिर से भरने लगेंगी। * अगर एड़ियां ज्यादा फटी हुई हों तो मैथिलेटिड स्पिरिट में रुई के फाहे को भिगोकर फटी एड़ियों पर रखें। ऐसा दिन में तीन-चार बार करें, इससे एड़ियां ठीक होने लगेंगी। * गुनगुने पानी में थोड़ा शैंपू, एक चम्मच सोड़ा और कुछ बूंदें डेटॉल की डालकर मिला लें। इस पानी में पैरों को 10 मिनट तक भिगोकर रखें। त्वचा फूलने पर मैथिलेटिड स्पिरिट लगाकर एड़ियों को प्यूमिक स्टोन या झांवे से रगड़कर साफ कर लें। इससे एड़ियों कीमृत त्वचा साफ हो जाएगी। फिर साफ तौलिए से पोंछकर गुनगुने जैतून या नारियल के तेल से मालिश करें। * पैरों को साफ व खूबसूरत बनाए रखने के लिए पैडिक्योर को अवश्य चुनें। यह पैरों के नाखून, एड़ी व तलवों की सफाई का शानदार तरीका है। * पैडीक्योर एक आसान विधि है, इसे आप खुद घर पर भी कर सकती हैं अगर आपके पैरों की दशा ज्यादा खराब है तो पैडीक्योर किसी ब्यूटी स्पेशलिस्ट से ही करवाना मुनासिब है।



Siraj shouldn't be dragged into controversies: Rajeev Shukla slams political row

BCCI vice-president Rajeev Shukla has urged people not to drag Mohammed Siraj into political controversy over his omission from India's playing XI, saying selection decisions rest with the captain and coach.

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BCCI vice-president Rajeev Shukla has rejected the political controversy surrounding Mohammed Siraj's omission from India's playing XI for the first Test against New Zealand in Wellington, saying the fast bowler should not be dragged into debates over a decision that rests with the team management.

Shukla's comments came after Congress MP Imran Masood alleged that Siraj was left out of the playing XI despite his performances because of his name, suggesting discrimination in the selection process. The BCCI vice-president said it was inappropriate to give a political dimension to a cricketing decision and insisted that the choice of the final XI was the responsibility of the captain and coach.It's not as if the Test match ended in a draw simply because Siraj wasn't playing. I don't think Siraj should be dragged into such controversies. There shouldn't be this kind of commentary surrounding him. After all, he is part of the squad - and being selected for the team is the most significant achievement," Shukla told ANI."He was selected for the squad, but the decision regarding which eleven players take the field rests with the coach and the captain. They make that call based on pitch conditions and various other factors. It is not appropriate to stir up political or other controversies simply because someone was not included in the playing eleven. This is not good for Siraj either, and he himself would certainly not appreciate it."Masood had questioned Siraj's exclusion despite his performances, claiming that the pacer's name had played a role in the decision. His remarks brought a political dimension to an omission that had already attracted considerable attention in cricketing circles.Shukla, however, urged people not to make Siraj the centre of such disputes. He reiterated that selection decisions should be left to the captain and coach, who are best placed to assess the conditions and decide on the combination they want to field."Dragging someone into controversies or disputes - this is something that should be left entirely to the coach and the captain to decide regarding the playing eleven. Therefore, I don't think this should be blown out of proportion," he added.



WHY WAS SIRAJ DROPPED?

India had opted for a four-pronged pace attack in Wellington, with Jasprit Bumrah, Prasidh Krishna, Akash Deep and Anshul Kamboj featuring in the XI. Siraj, who had been part of India's recent ODI series against New Zealand, was left out.The decision was also addressed by captain Shubman Gill after the Test ended in a draw. Gill said it had been a difficult call and that he had informed Siraj beforehand. He pointed to the bowlers' current form and the combination the team wanted to play, maintaining that India had fielded its best attack for the match.

Jannik Sinner's Australian Open participation in doubt after knee operation

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Jannik Sinner's participation in the 2027 Australian Open is now in doubt after the Italian underwent surgery on his troublesome right knee on Tuesday. With the first Grand Slam of the year less than two months away, the five-time major champion faces an uncertain road back to the court.Sinner has not played a competitive match since defending his Wimbledon title in July. He had hoped to recover without surgery, but months of treatment failed to produce the desired results.

"Over the past few months, together with my team, we've tried everything to treat my injury without surgery," Sinner wrote in a statement on Instagram."After some very encouraging progress early on, my knee unfortunately didn't respond as we'd all hoped. That's why today I underwent a minor surgery to improve the condition of my iliotibial band. I really miss being on court and will now begin my recovery process together with my team."The procedure was performed by knee specialist Lasse Lempainen at a clinic in Finland. Sinner did not provide a timeline for his return, leaving his chances of featuring at the Australian Open unclear.

The Italian had already called time on his 2026 season last month, with his management team confirming that he would undergo treatment for inflammation in his knee. He had also made it clear that he did not want to rush his recovery."I have to respect the protocols at the moment because if we rush things, we could have more serious problems," Sinner said at a news conference in Milan earlier this month.However, the latest setback could keep him out of action for several more months. Knee specialist Fabrizio Terrone told Sky Sports that Sinner's recovery could take at least three to four months.

Indian women's hockey team achieves highest-ever FIH ranking at World No. 5

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The Indian women's hockey team has climbed to fifth place in the latest FIH World Rankings, achieving its highest-ever position since the international governing body introduced the rankings in October 2003.

India's rise comes on the back of an impressive run at the Women's Asian Champions Trophy, where the hosts continued their winning streak with a dominant 6-2 victory over Olympic silver medallists China on Tuesday.The team's previous best was sixth place, achieved in May-June 2022 after a strong FIH Pro League campaign. India were ranked eighth after finishing fourth at the Tokyo Olympics in 2021, while they occupied ninth place in 2018 following their run to the quarter-finals of the Women's Hockey World Cup.In the latest rankings, the Netherlands retained the top spot, followed by Argentina, Belgium and Spain, with India completing the top five.The victory over China was India's fourth in as many matches at the Asian Champions Trophy and their biggest-ever win over the opposition in the tournament's history. Deepika was the star of the show, scoring a hat-trick in the opening quarter with goals in the first, sixth and 14th minutes.

Lalremsiami added to the tally in the 19th minute before Neha made it 5-1 three minutes later. China pulled one back through Chen Tong in the 34th minute, but Sakshi Rana restored India's five-goal advantage with a fine finish in the 38th minute.India started aggressively, with Deepika opening the scoring in the first minute after a well-worked move involving Rutuja Dadaso Pisal and Salima Tete. The forward then converted two penalty corners to complete her hat-trick, giving the hosts a commanding start.China managed to find the net through Feng Qingmiao in the 15th minute, but India continued to dictate the game. Lalremsiami and Neha struck in quick succession to send the hosts into half-time with a four-goal cushion.

Sooryavanshi can't learn while warming the bench. Is Gautam Gambhir listening?

New Delhi.(Agency)

Gautam Gambhir has often maintained that his job is to take the right decisions, not the popular ones. But every time Vaibhav Sooryavanshi walks out to bat and produces something extraordinary, a question that India's head coach might prefer to avoid comes back into focus: is the teenager being given enough opportunities to show what he can do?

On Tuesday, Sooryavanshi produced an innings that left the cricket world scrambling for superlatives. Chasing 250 against the UAE, an Associate team, in the Rising Stars Asia Cup, the 15-year-old smashed 204 off just 53 balls. He hit 28 sixes, brought up his hundred in 28 deliveries and reached his double century in just 52 balls. The previous record for the fastest double hundred in List A cricket was 103 balls. Sooryavanshi bettered it by a staggering 51 deliveries.It was the sort of innings that seemed more suited to a video game than a real cricket match. Even those who have followed his remarkable rise were left in awe. The opposition's standing in world cricket might invite a degree of context, but it does little to diminish the audacity of what Sooryavanshi achieved. Very few batters have even come close to producing such an assault in 50-over cricket.And yet, amid the celebration of another record-breaking performance, the conversation inevitably returned to his place in the senior Indian team. How does a talent capable of such extraordinary feats continue to find himself waiting for opportunities in the T20I side?His childhood coach, Manish Ojha, believes the answer lies in changing India's approach to managing the teenager. He has a particularly pointed message for the team management."Vaibhav played today's match and delivered this performance because he was on the field. He did not do it while sitting on the bench," Ojha told ."A player learns by stepping onto the field, facing situations, dealing with challenges and overcoming them. That is how



experience develops. Nobody has ever developed experience by sitting on the bench, and nobody ever will. No player has become a better cricketer simply by remaining on the sidelines."

10 MATCHES IN 26: A STOP-START CAREER

At 15, Sooryavanshi broke the selection door down. After a record-breaking IPL season, he was picked for T20Is in June for a tour of Ireland. But, Sooryavanshi did not get a game in Ireland, with many feeling he missed out on a relatively easy induction to international cricket. Since making his T20I debut against England in July, Sooryavanshi has been part of India's playing XI in only 11 of the 26 completed matches in the period under consideration. The sequence tells its own story.

Mauricio Pochettino questions VAR competence after FA overturns Yoro's red card

New Delhi.(Agency)

Manchester United head coach Mauricio Pochettino has questioned the competence of VAR officials after the Football Association overturned Leny Yoro's red card following Sunday's 4-0 defeat to Liverpool.Yoro was sent off in the eighth minute at Anfield for bringing down Aleksander Isak just outside the penalty area. United argued that Isak's heavy touch had taken the ball beyond his reach, and goalkeeper Senne Lammens would have collected it before the Liverpool forward could get another touch.Pochettino accepted that referee Sam Barrott could make a mistake but was furious that VAR failed to intervene."I am very disappointed," the Argentine said. "This type of thing can never happen."We can accept the referee can make a mistake. But if we have VAR, what were they doing? What were they doing? Are we going to repeat the game? Are we going to have the possibility to play 11 by 11? No."We have an unbelievable car, but we need to be at the level to drive [it]. We accept that the technology is there but what are they doing?"United are unhappy with both the handling of the incident and the subsequent defence of the decision by referees' chief Howard Webb. On Sky Sports' Mic'd Up programme, Webb backed Barrott and VAR official John Brooks, arguing that the on-field decision was not clearly and obviously wrong."There's a question mark, I guess, around whether or not he would get onto that ball before Lammens. Now, in the moment, the referee looked at it and felt he would," Webb said."That was the referee's call made on the field, and then the VAR checks that to see whether that decision made on the field was clearly and obviously incorrect, and formed the opinion that it wasn't."Webb added: "I think, by and large, most people would see that as a correct decision, with Isak moving quickly on towards that ball."The alternative view is that Lammens might get there first, but I think it's a little bit debatable. Certainly not clearly wrong."



United intend to raise the matter with the Premier League and Professional Game Match Officials Limited (PGMOL). The club are also understood to have used data on Isak's top speed and his chances of reaching the ball in their appeal to the FA. They believe the evidence could have been assembled within minutes of the incident.

Cummins's presser hurt me, never expected him to attack me personally: Usman Khawaja

Usman Khawaja has spoken about his disappointment with Pat Cummins' Sandpapergate press conference, revealing he had hoped the Australia captain would find common ground and help bring the controversy to a close.

New Delhi.(Agency)

Usman Khawaja has admitted he was hurt and disappointed by Pat Cummins' public response to his Sandpapergate revelations, saying he had privately reached out to the Australia captain in the hope of finding common ground before the explosive press conference.Speaking on cricket podcast The Grade Cricketer, Khawaja addressed Cummins' much-talked-about 68-minute press conference for the first time in detail, revealing that he had expected the current Test captain to help bring the controversy to a close rather than deepen the divide within Australian cricket."It was really surprising," Khawaja said.“I've always loved Pat Cummins as a person and as a leader, terrific. I was just never expecting him to come out and attack me personally like that. He attacked what I said the way he did for so long and just kept going and kept going, I've never seen that side of Pat before and that's what really disappointed me."Cummins had strongly rejected Khawaja's claims, made in his recently released autobiography Sabr, that knowledge of the use of sandpaper during Australia's 2018 tour of South Africa extended beyond the three players originally sanctioned. At his November 13 press conference, Cummins described the suggestion that he and others were architects of a ball-tampering plan as "complete and utter nonsense".



TOUGH PRESS CONFERENCE TO WATCH

Khawaja said watching the press conference was an uncomfortable experience, with his wife Rachel beside him as he struggled to process the Australia captain's remarks."I didn't want to watch it, but I had to watch it because I had to know what he was saying," he said."I remember Rachel was next to me, my wife, she just kept going 'are you okay', and I couldn't really answer her because I was feeling so many emotions at that time.

“Despite the disappointment, Khawaja insisted he did not want the episode to define his relationship with Cummins. He also revealed that he had texted the fast bowler a few days before the press conference, urging him to find a middle ground."I was hoping he'd come out... I was like, I think if we met in the middle, we could really just squash this over. You don't have to concede everything. He just had to be in the middle," Khawaja said.

He added that another former teammate had attempted to speak to Cummins on his behalf and had returned with the impression that a compromise was possible. That made the press conference all the more surprising.

'I WILL ALWAYS LOVE PAT'

Importantly, Khawaja stressed that his criticism was not directed at Cummins personally. He argued that the responsibility for the culture that led to Sandpapergate extended much higher, pointing to Cricket Australia's win-at-all-costs mentality.

India vs Pakistan: Harbhajan urges ICC to act against shameful player behaviours

New Delhi.(Agency)

Former India spinner Harbhajan Singh has called on the International Cricket Council (ICC) and the respective cricket boards to step in and address the behaviour of India and Pakistan players, saying their conduct on the field is setting a poor example for the next generation.His comments came after India A's 48-run defeat to Pakistan A in the Asia Cup Rising Stars tournament in Doha on Sunday. The match saw several heated exchanges between players from both sides, with tempers flaring at different stages of the contest."The ICC and the respective Boards need to step in. The reactions of both Pakistan and Indian players after winning, and what happened, are not right. It is shameful and sets a bad example for the next generation," Harbhajan said at the launch of the HSBC Golfing League.The tension was visible even before the first ball was bowled. India A captain Tilak Varma and Pakistan A skipper Abdul Samad did not shake hands at the toss. A mix-up while announcing the toss result also caused brief confusion before Pakistan A were confirmed as the winners.

Things got heated during Pakistan A's innings when India pacer Harshit Rana was involved in verbal exchanges with openers Shamyl Hussain and Maaz Sadaqat. After taking Hussain's catch off Ayush Badoni's bowling, Rana gave the batter an animated send-off. He followed it up with another aggressive celebration after dismissing Rohail Nazir.The exchanges continued in the second innings. When Rana was dismissed for a duck, Pakistan spinner Sufyan Moqim appeared to exchange words with the Indian pacer as he walked back to the pavilion. A teammate had to step in to restrain Moqim.

HARBHAJAN WANTS ICC ACTION

Harbhajan felt the conduct of players from both teams needed to be addressed, particularly given the influence international cricketers have on young fans and aspiring players.His comments come amid growing attention on the exchanges between India and Pakistan players, whose meetings have often attracted considerable scrutiny both on and off the field.



Kiara Advani

Opens Up About Toxic Trolling, Reveals Sidharth Malhotra's Reaction To Intimate Scenes With Yash

Kiara Advani has opened up about the criticism surrounding her intimate scenes with Yash in Toxic: A Fairy Tale for Grown-Ups, as well as the disappointment she experienced following the film's release. The actress discussed the response to the film during her recent appearance on Koffee With Karan Season 9, where she shared the couch with her husband, Sidharth Malhotra.

Kiara Advani talks about Toxic's poor response

Kiara Advani and Sidharth Malhotra are all set to welcome their second baby soon. During their appearance, the couple spoke candidly about their personal as well as work lives. Speaking to Karan Johar about the film's box-office performance, Kiara admitted that the opening weekend of Toxic was particularly difficult for her. While Toxic registered a strong start at the box office, its subsequent reception fell short of the expectations of the cast and crew.She said, "On day one, it is heartbreaking. Especially for this film, because as a team in totality any of us saw this coming. When it misfired despite it opening to what it did. It was heartbreaking for me that first weekend. I was very low about it. But, then, there was a lot of appreciation. The fact that I had gone outside of my comfort zone playing that role. I think in my journey this will be defining."Kiara also opened up about the trolling around her intimate scenes with Yash in the film. She revealed how Sidharth reacted to the entire controversy and online backlash that erupted after the release of the song Tabaahi.



The actress revealed that she faced personal attacks over her intimate scenes with Yash, with some social media users questioning her decision to take them on, particularly because she is married and a mother. The criticism also extended to Sidharth, as several people speculated about how he felt about his wife's on-screen scenes.Karan also called out the gender bias surrounding the backlash, noting that married male actors are seldom subjected to similar scrutiny for performing intimate scenes on screen. Responding to the discussion, Kiara clarified that Sidharth had no reservations about her scenes in the film and that the subject had never even become a point of discussion between them. She added, "He had not cared about it.

He has never brought it up. We have never spoken about it. It did not affect him, he was not bothered. It has been happening now for donkey years, for decades. From Aishwarya to so many wonderful actors."She further said, "What I must touch upon is when I was seeing what was going on the internet, there was a massive reaction of people who had already started calling it out, the hypocrisy, and I really did not feel the need to even justify."Toxic was helmed by Geetu Mohandas and it also starred Tara Sutaria, Nayanthara, and Huma Qureshi in key roles.



Deepika Padukone

Once Borrowed Rs 10,000 From Her Mother

Bollywood actress Deepika Padukone is one of the most bankable actresses in Bollywood at the moment. When she made her Hollywood debut with 'XXX: The Return of Xander Cage', Deepika also appeared on 'The Ellen DeGeneres Show'.While speaking to Ellen, the 'Bajirao Mastani' actress opened up about her father, Prakash Padukone's badminton career."He played at a time in India when nobody really played professional badminton… everybody wanted to become a doctor or a lawyer, but he was a sportsperson," Deepika shared.When asked if she ever wished to follow in her father's footsteps, the 'Jawan' actress replied, "I would have made him happy, but he always said, follow your heart."Expressing her love for acting, Deepika revealed that she knew by the time she was 16 that she wanted to be an actress.She added that being in front of the camera makes her extremely happy.



Deepika also told Ellen that she once borrowed Rs 10,000 from her mother to shoot for a portfolio.

While asking for the money, the 'Padmaavat' assured her mother that she would repay her the money and also make them proud."I sat my mother down one day and said, 'Can I please borrow Rs 10,000 from you? I needed money to shoot a portfolio. I told them one day I'd make them proud, and someday I'd repay them," Deepika revealed.After making her debut with 'Om Shanti Om' opposite Shah Rukh Khan in 2007, Deepika went to be a part of several prominent projects including 'Yeh Jawaani Hai Deewani (2013)', 'Chennai Express (2013)', 'Goliyon Ki Raasleela Ram-Leela (2013)', 'Piku (2015)', 'Bajirao Mastani (2015)', 'Padmaavat (2018)', 'Chhapaak (2020)', 'Pathaan (2023)', 'Jawan (2023)', and 'Kalki 2898 AD (2024)'.Up next, Deepika will be seen sharing screen space with SRK in the highly anticipated 'King'.

Saif Ali Khan Goes Shirtless In New Workout Video, Says He's 'Back On Track'



Actor Saif Ali Khan has resumed his fitness routine, giving a glimpse of his workout session through a new video. The actor shared the clip on Instagram in which he is seen shirtless while exercising.In the video, the 'Omkara' actor is seen flaunting his well-toned physique and muscles as he performs a series of exercises and a few yoga asanas. Going shirtless for the workout session, Saif appears focused on bringing both his mind and body back on track.

Alongside the video, Saif spoke about getting back on track, highlighting the importance of mental and physical well-being as he looks forward to the New Year. "Time to get back to work!.. First the mind.. then the body .. back on track for a happy new year," he wrote.A few days ago, Saif, who is an avid social media user, shared another interesting video on his Instagram account. The 'Hum Tum' actor posted a clip in which he was seen opening a champagne bottle using a meat cleaver after failing to find a bottle opener. In the video, Saif first placed his glasses on top of his head before swiftly opening the bottle in one smooth motion. He then handed the champagne bottle to one of his helpers.

Sharing the clip, he captioned it, "Nawabi hacks #23, when you can't find an opener, you try the meat cleaver!! Please do not try this at home…(sic)."Meanwhile, Saif recently made headlines following his appearance with wife Kareena Kapoor Khan on Karan Johar's popular chat show 'Koffee With Karan'. During the episode, Karan asked the couple to call someone famous. However, Saif expressed his desire to call his wine dealer instead. When the 'Jab We Met' actress pointed out that the wine dealer was not a celebrity, the actor quipped, "Well, he is a celebrity to me."

Bigg Boss 20 : Jay Bhanushali Slams Yung DSA, Kanika Mann For Dragging Tara Into Mahhi Vij's Task



Bigg Boss 20 is getting more intense every day, and the latest episode has left Jay Bhanushali angry. He has now vowed not to let his and Mahhi Vij's children watch the show anymore. The recent promo for the captaincy task shows Yung DSA, Kanika Mann, and others targeting Mahhi Vij to get her to react. During the conversation, they brought Jay and Mahhi's daughter Tara into it, which left Jay angry.Taking to his Instagram, Jay dropped a picture of Mahhi Vij with their children, Tara, Khushi and Rajveer, and penned a long note. "After witnessing everything on Bigg Boss, I have made one decision as a father: I will not let my children watch Bigg Boss anymore.I had decided that I will never speak about anyone's gameplay or give my opinion about any particular contestant and support Mahhi wherever I am needed," he wrote, but further slammed Yung and Kanika for their comments.While slamming them for bringing his 7-year-old daughter into the conversation, he said, "JUST FOR A TASK – Yung DSA talking about my children growing up and feeling ashamed of their mother's actions, Kanika saying she would never want to meet Mahhi's children, and Love Gill's mother bringing my daughter into the conversation by questioning how she would feel if someone said something similar about her daughter. Tara is a 7-year-old baby. She is not a contestant of Bigg Boss. Getting a child to put someone down is absolutely nonsense. Honestly, why are our children being dragged into something they have absolutely no connection with? Bigg Boss is a game. Disagree with Mahhi, question her gameplay and challenge her decisions, but bringing her children, motherhood and personal life into it is crossing a boundary."'As a father, I don't want my children growing up with a trauma that Tara's name is used in every sentence to put Mahhi down. The game may be entertainment for everyone, but for us, this is personal. My children's peace and innocence will always come first. Thank you. Goodbye, BIGG BOSS 20," Jay concluded.For the uninitiated, Jay and Mahhi announced their separation in January 2026 after years together. In their joint statement, the former couple said they had chosen separate paths but would continue to have each other's backs.

बिहार : उपेंद्र कुशवाहा की आरएलएम में बगावत, 3 विधायकों ने मांगा अलग गुट

पटना, एजेंसी। बिहार में उपेंद्र कुशवाहा की राष्ट्रीय लोक मोर्चा (आरएलएम) को एक बड़ा राजनीतिक झटका लगा है। पार्टी के चार में से तीन विधायकों ने नेतृत्व के खिलाफ बगावत पर उतर आए है। सूत्रों के अनुसार, इन बागी विधायकों ने बिहार विधानसभा अध्यक्ष से संपर्क कर खुद को एक अलग गुट के रूप में मान्यता देने की मांग की है, जिससे पार्टी में आंतरिक संकट गहरा गया है।इस असंतोष की जड़ें तब से गहरी हुई हैं जब उपेंद्र कुशवाहा ने अपने बेटे दीपक प्रकाश को बिहार मंत्रिमंडल में शामिल कराया था। तब दीपक प्रकाश विधानमंडल के किसी भी सदन के सदस्य नहीं थे, जिस पर इन विधायकों ने सार्वजनिक रूप से नाराजगी जाहिर की थी। बागी विधायकों का आरोप है कि पार्टी का कामकाज अब काफी हद तक पारिवारिक हितों से प्रेरित है। उनका कहना है कि महत्वपूर्ण निर्णयों में उनसे कोई सलाह नहीं ली जाती और चुने हुए प्रतिनिधियों के बजाय परिवार के सदस्यों, खासकर दीपक प्रकाश को प्राथमिकता मिलती है। इन विधायकों ने पहले भी पार्टी के संगठनात्मक और राजनीतिक फैसलों पर असहमति व्यक्त की थी, जिसके कारण उनके और पार्टी नेतृत्व के बीच दूरियां बढ़ गईं। तीन विधायकों के अलग होने के बाद, अब उपेंद्र कुशवाहा के गुट में केवल उनकी पत्नी स्नेहलता कुशवाहा ही बची हैं।

देश में बढ़ी ठंड, कश्मीर और पहाड़ों में जमाव बिंदु से नीचे पहुंचा पारा

नई दिल्ली, एजेंसी। देशभर में ठंड का प्रकोप लगातार बढ़ रहा है। राजस्थान के फतेहपुर में न्यूनतम तापमान 4.6 डिग्री सेल्सियस दर्ज हुआ, जबकि मध्य प्रदेश का भोपाल 12.4 डिग्री सेल्सियस के साथ सबसे ठंडा शहर रहा। मौसम विभाग ने अगले चार दिनों में देश के कई हिस्सों में पारा 2 से 4 डिग्री तक और गिरने का अनुमान जताया है। उत्तर प्रदेश के 15 शहरों में मंगलवार सुबह घना कोहरा छाया रहा, जहां लखीमपुर में विजिबिलिटी 25 मीटर से कम रही। छत्तीसगढ़ में भी कोहरे के बीच अगले तीन दिनों तक ठंड बढ़ने के आसार हैं। पहाड़ी राज्यों में ठंड और भी ज्यादा है। कश्मीर के छह शहरों में पारा शून्य से नीचे रहा, शोपियां में -3.9 डिग्री और श्रीनगर में -0.4 डिग्री सेल्सियस दर्ज किया गया। हिमाचल प्रदेश के चंबा में मणिमहेश झील 4 से 5 इंच मोटी बर्फ की परत के साथ जम गई है। उत्तराखंड के चारों धामों, बद्रीनाथ और गंगोत्री में तापमान क्रमश: -11 और -14 डिग्री सेल्सियस तक पहुंच गया। 25 और 26 नवंबर को उत्तराखंड, असम सहित पूर्वोत्तर के राज्यों में घने कोहरे का जबकि आंध्र प्रदेश, तमिलनाडु और केरलम में बारिश का येलो अलर्ट जारी किया गया है।

विश्व हिंदू परिषद का राष्ट्रव्यापी हित चिंतक अभियान शुरू, 5 करोड़ सदस्य जोड़ने का लक्ष्य

नई दिल्ली, एजेंसी। विश्व हिंदू परिषद (वीएचपी) ने पूरे भारत में अपने महत्वाकांक्षी हित चिंतक अभियान का शुभारंभ किया है। 6 दिसंबर तक चलने वाले राष्ट्रव्यापी अभियान के तहत वीएचपी का लक्ष्य देश भर में 5 करोड़ से अधिक नए हित चिंतक (सदस्य) बनाना है। यह अभियान विभिन्न समुदायों तक पहुँच बनाकर संगठन की विचारधारा और कार्यों का प्रचार-प्रसार करेगा। अभियान के तहत, वीएचपी ने सिर्फ महाराष्ट्र के विदर्भ क्षेत्र से 11 लाख हित चिंतक बनाने का लक्ष्य रखा है, जिसमें नागपुर जिले और शहर से 1 लाख सदस्य शामिल हैं। विदर्भ प्रांत के 12,500 गांवों तक पहुंचने की योजना है, जहाँ हर जिले और बस्ती में विश्व हिंदू परिषद एवं बजरंग दल के कार्यकर्ता घर-घर जाकर लोगों को सदस्यता दे रहे हैं। वीएचपी के विदर्भ महामंत्री प्रशांत तितरे ने बताया कि प्रतिदिन सुबह और शाम 4-4 घंटे कार्यकर्ता इस कार्य में लगे हैं।

इस अभियान से 15 वर्ष से अधिक आयु का कोई भी व्यक्ति महिला, पुरुष या युवा जुड़ सकता है, बशर्ते वह विश्व हिंदू परिषद और सनातन धर्म को मानता हो। वीएचपी के विदर्भ महामंत्री तितरे ने स्पष्ट किया कि किसी भी राजनीतिक दल, पंथ या विचारधारा से संबंध रखने वाला व्यक्ति, यदि वह सनातनी है, तब इस अभियान का हिस्सा बन सकता है। वीएचपी दुर्गम क्षेत्रों जैसे घाटी, मणिपुर और पूर्वी भारत के दूर-दराज के इलाकों तक भी पहुँचने के लिए विशेष रणनीति बना रहा है।

रेवंत रेड्डी का आरोप: केसीआर ने कृष्णा जल बंटवारे पर किए तेलंगाना के मृत्यु वारंट पर दस्तखत

हैदराबाद , एजेंसी। तेलंगाना के मुख्यमंत्री ए रेवंत रेड्डी ने भारत राष्ट्र समिति (बीआरएस) के अध्यक्ष के चंद्रशेखर राव पर बड़ा आरोप लगाया है। उन्होंने कहा कि अपने कार्यकाल में राव ने कृष्णा नदी के जल में से राज्य के लिए केवल 299 टीएमसी पानी के हिस्से पर सहमति जताकर तेलंगाना के जल अधिकारों के ''मृत्यु वारंट'' पर दस्तखत किए।

सीएम रेंवत का यह बयान बीआरएस के उन आरोपों के पलटवार के रूप में आया है, जिसमें बीआरएस ने दावा किया था कि कांग्रेस की रेंवत सरकार ने कृष्णा नदी के पानी में तेलंगाना के अधिकारों को पड़ोसी राज्य आंध्र प्रदेश के पास गिरवी रख दिया है। सीएम रेड्डी ने बीआरएस पर झूठ फैलाकर सरकार को बदनाम करने का सुनियोजित प्रयास करने का आरोप लगाया। उन्होंने बताया कि केसीआर ने तेलंगाना को कृष्णा नदी के जल में से केवल 299 टीएमसी पानी देने और आंध्र प्रदेश को 512 टीएमसी पानी देने पर सहमति जाहिर की थी। मुख्यमंत्री रेंवत ने तुम्मिडीहेट्टी परियोजना से पीछे हटने के फैसले को केसीआर के उन विनाशकारी कदमों में से बताया, जिन्होंने तेलंगाना के लिए संकट खड़ा किया। सीएम रेड्डी ने कहा, इन दो फैसलों के साथ केसीआर ने तेलंगाना के जल अधिकारों के मृत्यु वारंट पर दस्तखत कर दिया। उन्होंने आगे जोड़ा कि पिछले



चुनाव (2023) में उन्हें मिली सजा पर्याप्त नहीं है, और उन्हें तभी पूरी सजा मिलेगी, जब उन्हें राजनीतिक रूप से हमेशा के लिए दफना दिया जाएगा।

बीआरएस के आरोप पर कि कांग्रेस की सरकार आंध्र प्रदेश की पलनाडु वाटर ग्रिड योजना को रोकने में नाकाम रही, मुख्यमंत्री ने स्पष्ट किया कि इस योजना के लिए सरकारी आदेश (जीओ) 2022 में जारी किया गया था। उस समय के चंद्रशेखर राव और वाई एस जगन मोहन रेड्डी क्रमशः तेलंगाना और आंध्र प्रदेश के मुख्यमंत्री थे, जिससे यह स्पष्ट होता है कि इसका फैसला कांग्रेस सरकार के कार्यकाल में नहीं हुआ। उन्होंने बीआरएस को तेलंगाना के हितों की अनदेखी करने का जिम्मेदार ठहराया।

काशी में देव दीपावली की भव्य छटा, 84 घाटों पर जले 11 लाख दीये

- करीब 15 लाख पर्यटकों ने देखा गंगा आरती, लेजर-ड्रोन शो और आतिशबाजी का नजारा

वाराणसी, एजेंसी। काशी में देव दीपावली के अवसर पर सोमवार शाम गंगा के 84 घाट करीब 11 लाख दीयों की रोशनी से जगमगा उठे। भव्य सजावट के साथ दीपों की जगमग ने श्रद्धालुओं समेत देश-विदेश के पर्यटकों का मन मोह लिया। देव दीपावली उत्सव को देखने करीब 40 देशों के मेहमान काशी पहुंचे। देव दीपावली के अवसर पर नमो घाट पर पर्यटन मंत्री जयवीर सिंह ने दीप प्रज्ज्वलित कर दीपोत्सव का शुभारंभ किया। इसके साथ ही काशी के विभिन्न घाटों पर दीप प्रज्ज्वलित किए गए। घाटों की भव्य सजावट और दीपों की रोशनी देखने के लिए देश-विदेश से बड़ी संख्या में श्रद्धालु व पर्यटक पहुंचे। देव दीपावली का उत्सव देखने के लिए करीब 40 देशों से मेहमान काशी पहुंचे थे। स्थानीय प्रशासन के हवाले से मीडिया रिपोर्ट में बताया जा रहा है, कि करीब 15 लाख पर्यटकों के शहर में पहुंचने का अनुमान है। घाटों पर गंगा आरती के साथ लेजर शो, ड्रोन शो और आतिशबाजी आकर्षण का केंद्र रहे। गंगा के दोनों किनारों पर बड़ी संख्या में श्रद्धालु और पर्यटक मौजूद रहे। काशी विश्वनाथ मंदिर से लेकर नमो घाट और हरिश्चंद्र घाट तक विशेष सजावट की गई। मंदिरों और घाटों को रंग-बिरंगी रोशनी से सजाया गया। मणिकर्णिका और अन्य प्रमुख घाटों की सजावट भी लोगों के आकर्षण का केंद्र रही। विदेशी पर्यटकों ने भी काशी की देव दीपावली और घाटों पर दीपों की भव्य सजावट की सराहना की। गंगा के उस पार आतिशबाजी का विशेष आयोजन किया गया। आसमान में रंग-बिरंगी रोशनी बिखरती रही और गंगा किनारे मौजूद लोगों ने आतिशबाजी का आनंद लिया। नदी के दोनों किनारों से दीपों से जगमगाते घाटों का दृश्य बेहद आकर्षक नजर आया। लाखों दीयों की रोशनी, गंगा आरती और रंगीन आतिशबाजी के बीच काशी का पूरा घाट क्षेत्र उत्सव के रंग में डूबा रहा। बड़ी संख्या में श्रद्धालु और पर्यटक देर रात तक घाटों पर मौजूद रहे और देव दीपावली के इस भव्य आयोजन को देखा।



भाजपा-शिअद गठबंधन पर केजरीवाल का तंज, हमारा तालमेल जनता से

नई दिल्ली, एजेंसी। आम आदमी पार्टी (आप) के राष्ट्रीय संयोजक और दिल्ली के पूर्व सीएम अरविंद केजरीवाल ने पंजाब विधानसभा चुनाव से पहले भारतीय जनता पार्टी (भाजपा) और शिरोमणि अकाली दल (शिअद) के गठबंधन पर तीखा हमला बोला है। उन्होंने कहा कि सत्ता की लालच में भाजपा किसी भी दल से हाथ मिला सकती है, जबकि आप का सच्चा गठबंधन पंजाब की महिलाओं, अनुसूचित जाति समुदाय, किसानों और व्यापारियों के साथ है। आप नेता केजरीवाल ने गठबंधन को दोनों दलों के राजनीतिक हितों का परिणाम बताया, जो बार-बार साथ आते और फिर अलग होते रहे हैं। उन्होंने कहा, कभी ये साथ आते हैं, कभी अलग हो जाते हैं और फिर साथ आ जाते हैं। हमारा गठबंधन पंजाब की जनता के साथ है। आप नेता ने कहा कि उनकी पार्टी राज्य के विकास के लिए काम कर रही है और जनता ने पिछले पांच वर्षों में भगवंत मान के नेतृत्व वाली आप सरकार के कामकाज को देखा है। केजरीवाल ने दावा किया कि आप सरकार पंजाब को दशकों से प्रभावित कर रही समस्याओं का समाधान करने का प्रयास कर रही है। उन्होंने आरोप लगाया कि पंजाब की जनता तीन कृषि कानूनों के खिलाफ हुए किसान आंदोलन को नहीं भूली है, जिसमें 700 से अधिक किसानों की जान गई थी। उन्होंने शिअद सरकार के कार्यकाल में हुई बेअदबी की घटनाओं और राज्य में फैले नशे के दौर का भी उल्लेख किया। दिल्ली में आप विधायक जरनैल सिंह ने गठबंधन पर तंज कसते हुए कहा कि दो शून्य को जोड़ने पर भी शून्य ही होता है, इसलिए इसका पंजाब में कोई असर नहीं पड़ेगा। उन्होंने कहा कि आप देश की एकमात्र ऐसी पार्टी है, जो अपने काम के आधार पर वोट मांगती है। केजरीवाल ने सिख धर्म के संस्थापक गुरु नानक देव की जयंती पर भी लोगों को शुभकामनाएं दीं और उनके जीवन व शिक्षाओं को कठिन समय में मार्गदर्शक बताया।



शरद पवार के राजनीतिक भविष्य और एनसीपी विलय पर सुप्रिया का बयान, ये सब अफवाह

मुंबई , एजेंसी। राष्ट्रवादी कांग्रेस पार्टी (शरदचंद्र पवार) के प्रमुख और राज्यसभा सांसद शरद पवार के स्वास्थ्य संबंधी हालिया घटनाक्रम ने महाराष्ट्र की राजनीति में उनके संन्यास और पार्टी के भविष्य को लेकर अटकलों का बाजार गर्म किया था। पिछले कुछ दिनों से अस्वस्थ चल रहे शरद पवार को अस्पताल से छुट्टी मिलने के बाद, इन सभी कयासों पर उनकी बेटी और बारामती से सांसद सुप्रिया सुले ने खुलकर जवाब देकर स्थिति स्पष्ट कर दी है। पवार के सक्रिय राजनीति से संन्यास लेने की रिपोर्टों को सिरे से खारिज कर सुप्रिया सुले ने इन्हें भ्रामक बताया। उन्होंने स्पष्ट किया कि शरद पवार का राज्यसभा कार्यकाल अभी पांच साल शेष है, और इसतरह के अनुभवी नेता के बारे में इस तरह की



बातें बेहद चौंकाने वाली और गलत हैं। शरद पवार की बेटी सुले ने जोर देकर कहा कि राजनीति में कोई व्यक्ति कब तक सक्रिय रहेगा और कब रिटायर होगा, यह तय करने का अधिकार केवल जनता के पास है, न कि किसी रिपोर्ट या कयासों के आधार पर।

इसके साथ ही, महाराष्ट्र की राजनीति में एनसीपी के दोनों गुटों के फिर से एकजुट होने की अटकलों भी सुले ने विराम लगाया। ये चर्चाएँ तब तेज हुईं जब अजित पवार गुट के वरिष्ठ नेता प्रफुल पटेल ने अस्पताल में शरद पवार का हालचाल जानने पहुंचे थे। इसके अलावा, सुनील तटकरे ने दावा किया था कि अजित पवार ने दोनों गुटों के विलय को लेकर बातचीत की पहल की थी। इन दावों पर प्रतिक्रिया देकर सुप्रिया सुले ने स्वीकार किया कि विलय को लेकर बातचीत ज़रूर हुई थी, लेकिन वह केवल तब तक थी जब उनके भाई अजित पवार उनके साथ थे। उन्होंने स्पष्ट किया कि अब एनसीपी के दोनों गुटों के फिर से एक होने की कोई गुंजाइश नहीं है। सुले के अनुसार, पार्टी के विभाजन के बाद, उनकी तरफ से वे सारी बातचीत हमेशा के लिए खत्म हो गई हैं। उन्होंने यह भी स्पष्ट किया कि उनकी पार्टी के नेता अब इस विषय पर कोई टिप्पणी भी नहीं करते हैं, क्योंकि उनके लिए यह अध्याय पूरी तरह बंद हो चुका है।

जम्मू-कश्मीर के सैन्य एयरबेस पर फिदायीन हमले की तैयारी कर रहा युवक गिरफ्तार

मेरठ,एजेंसी। जम्मू-कश्मीर के सैन्य एयरबेस को निशाना बनाने के लिए कथित तौर पर फिदायीन हमले की तैयारी कर रहे युवक को मेरठ पुलिस ने गिरफ्तार किया है। पुलिस के मुताबिक जुबैर पाकिस्तानी गैंगस्टर शहजाद भट्टी के संपर्क में था और जम्मू-कश्मीर के सैन्य एयरबेस पर हमले की साजिश रच रहा था। इस मामले में पांच अन्य युवकों को भी हिरासत में लेकर पूछताछ की जा रही है। पुलिस के मुताबिक जुबैर को सोमवार को गिरफ्तार किया था। उसकी गिरफ्तारी के बाद मामले की गंभीरता को देखते हुए आईबी, एटीएस, इंटेलिजेंस और पुलिस की टीमों ने उससे कई घंटे तक पूछताछ की। शुरुआती पूछताछ में जुबैर ने जम्मू-कश्मीर के सैन्य एयरबेस पर हमले की तैयारी करने और पाकिस्तानी गैंगस्टर शहजाद भट्टी के संपर्क में रहने की बात बताई है। जांच में यह भी सामने आया है कि जुबैर जम्मू-कश्मीर में पकड़े गए आरोपी साजिद के ऑनलाइन संपर्क में था। पुलिस को दोनों के पाकिस्तानी मोबाइल नंबरों के जरिए बातचीत करने और वहां से निर्देश मिलने से जुड़े इनपुट भी मिले हैं।

सफलता का मंत्र: वरिष्ठ वकील सिंघवी की सलाह, एआई से बचें शुरुआती 5 साल

नई दिल्ली , एजेंसी। सुप्रीम कोर्ट के वरिष्ठ अधिवक्ता और पांच बार के राज्यसभा सांसद अभिषेक मनु सिंघवी ने युवा वकीलों और लॉ छात्रों को वकालत के पेशे की कुछ बारीकियां साझा कीं। आज कल वकालत में आर्टिफिशियल इंटेलिजेंस (एआई) की बढ़ती दखल और कानूनी परिवारों से आने वाले नेपोटिज्म के फायदों के बीच, उन्होंने एक नए वकील के लिए अपनी जगह बनाने का स्पष्ट रास्ता बताया। डॉ. सिंघवी ने शुरुआत में ही स्पष्ट किया कि वे युवाओं को उपदेश देने नहीं, बल्कि अपने अनुभव साझा करने आए हैं, क्योंकि सलाह युवाओं को पसंद नहीं आती। हालांकि, उन्होंने नई पीढ़ी की तकनीकी समझ और संसाधनों की सराहना की, जिनकी कल्पना पिछली पीढ़ियां नहीं कर सकती थीं।

कानून के क्षेत्र में सफलता का मूल मंत्र बताकर डॉ. सिंघवी ने कहा कि निरंतर परिश्रम और धैर्य का कोई विकल्प नहीं है। उन्होंने कहा, मेहनत, और ज्यादा मेहनत और उससे भी ज्यादा मेहनत, यही मेरी सफलता का मंत्र है। वकालत में 99 फीसदी मेहनत है और सिर्फ 1 फीसदी प्रेरणा का खेल होता है। कानूनी कामकाज में एआई के बढ़ते उपयोग पर उन्होंने बेहद संतुलित और व्यावहारिक सलाह दी। उन्होंने खुद को तकनीक का दिल से समर्थक बताया, लेकिन साथ ही आगाह किया कि इस तकनीक को अपना मालिक नहीं बनने दे सकते। खासतौर पर युवा वकीलों को उन्होंने सलाह दी, मैं कानूनी दस्तावेजों की ड्राफ्टिंग के लिए एआई के इस्तेमाल का समर्थन नहीं करता, खासकर करियर के शुरुआती पांच साल आपको ड्राफ्टिंग खुद करनी चाहिए।

डॉ. सिंघवी ने बताया कि समय के साथ कानून के पेशे को लेकर समाज का नजरिया पूरी तरह बदल गया है। पहले जहां कानूनी करियर का आखिरी विकल्प माना जाता था, वहीं आज यह छात्रों की पहली पसंद बन चुका है। उन्होंने वकालत में महिलाओं की बढ़ती भागीदारी को बताकर कहा कि वे अब शानदार काम कर रही हैं। कानूनी पृष्ठभूमि से आने वाले वकीलों को मिलने वाले शुरुआती लाभ पर उन्होंने बेबाक राय रखकर माना कि पारिवारिक पृष्ठभूमि से शुरुआती मंच जरूर मिल सकता है, लेकिन एक या दो केस के बाद सभी वकील एक ही स्तर पर खड़े होते हैं और असली पहचान काम और अनुभव से ही बनती है। उन्होंने जोड़ा कि अब पारिवारिक पृष्ठभूमि का यह फायदा धीरे-धीरे कम हो रहा है।

एक वकील की नैतिकता और भूमिका पर बात कर डॉ. सिंघवी ने कहा कि कानूनी पेशेवरों को अपने क्लाइंट के प्रति पूर्वाग्रह नहीं रखना चाहिए, क्योंकि जीवन और कानून हमेशा ब्लैक एंड व्हाइट नहीं होते, बल्कि ग्रे (मिश्रित परिस्थितियों वाले) होते हैं। उन्होंने कहा, एक वकील को न अपना मुवक्किल चुनना चाहिए और न ही उस जज करना चाहिए। हालांकि, उन्होंने स्पष्ट किया कि उन्होंने कई इसतरह के केस लेने से इंकार किया है, जहां उन्हें लगा कि अदालत में वे दलीलें नहीं टिक पाएंगी। अपनी प्रेरणा के स्रोत के बारे में पूछने पर डॉ. सिंघवी ने अपने पिता को याद किया, जो स्वयं एक वकील और संस्कृत के विद्वान थे। उन्होंने युवाओं को महापुरुषों की जीवनियां पढ़ने की सलाह दी, क्योंकि उनसे जीवन की दिशा और प्रेरणा मिलती है। अपनी व्यस्त दिनचर्या के बारे में उन्होंने बताया कि वे वकालत, राजनीति, मीडिया संवाद और अपने अध्ययन के बीच लगातार संतुलन बनाते हैं, और वे हमेशा से शिक्षक बनना चाहते थे, जिसका प्रमाण उनके विश्वविद्यालयों में दिए जाने वाले व्याख्यान हैं।

जंगल, पहाड़ और ग्लेशियर को किया बर्बाद... नहीं बनेगा पवित्र अमरनाथ शिवलिंग

बीआरओ की कार्रवाई को लेकर केंद्र पर बरसी महबूबा

श्रीनगर , एजेंसी। पीपल्स डेमोक्रेटिक पार्टी (पीडीपी) अध्यक्ष और पूर्व सीएम महबूबा मुफ्ती को मंगलवार को जम्मू-कश्मीर के अनंतनाग जिले में शेषनाग झील जाते समय पुलिस ने रोक दिया। वे वायरल वीडियो की जांच करने जा रही थीं, जिसमें अमरनाथ यात्रा मार्ग पर भारी मशीनों और खुदाई का काम दिखाया गया है। पूर्व सीएम महबूबा ने चेतावनी दी कि यदि हिमालय के नाजुक पर्यावरण को नुकसान पहुंचाया गया, तब अमरनाथ शिवलिंग का बनना असंभव होगा।

चंदनवाड़ी से शेषनाग तक पैदल जाने की कोशिश कर रहीं महबूबा ने केंद्र सरकार पर गंभीर आरोप लगाए। उन्होंने कहा कि शेषनाग में जो हो रहा है, वह बहुत डरावना है, जहां बड़ी मशीनों और बुलडोजरों का इस्तेमाल हो रहा है। उनके अनुसार, जंगल, पहाड़ और ग्लेशियर अमरनाथ शिवलिंग के निर्माण में महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाते हैं, और उन्हें नष्ट करने से पवित्र परंपरा का अस्तित्व खतरे में पड़ेगा। पीडीपी नेता महबूबा ने शेषनाग को हिंदू परंपरा और कश्मीरियत का प्रतीक बताकर कहा कि यह



विकास के नाम पर परिदृश्य को बदलने का प्रयास है, जैसा कि उत्तराखंड में भी किया गया है।

यह खुदाई सीमा सड़क संगठन (बीआरओ) द्वारा अमरनाथ यात्रा कॉरिडोर के विस्तार से जुड़ी है, लेकिन इसकी संवेदनशीलता को देखकर विरोध हो रहा है। पर्यावरण विशेषज्ञों ने क्षेत्र में भारी मशीनों के उपयोग पर गहरी चिंता व्यक्त की है। उन्होंने भूस्खलन की आशंका जाहिर की है, क्योंकि यह क्षेत्र अस्थिर भू-भाग और ढीले हिमनद मलबे से घिरा है। विशेषज्ञों के अनुसार, खुदाई और कंपन से लिद्दर नदी के पानी की गुणवत्ता भी प्रभावित हो सकती है, जिसका शेषनाग झील प्रमुख स्रोत है। नेशनल इंस्टीट्यूट ऑफ हाइड्रोलॉजी की रिपोर्ट के हवाले से बताया गया है कि अमरनाथ यात्रा मार्ग का 85 प्रतिशत हिस्सा भूस्खलन के लिए संवेदनशील है।

महबूबा मुफ्ती ने केंद्रीय सड़क परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री नितिन गडकरी से मामले में हस्तक्षेप करने और कश्मीर के नाजुक हिमालयी पर्यावरण से समझौता न करने की अपील की है। वहीं, बीआरओ ने वायरल वीडियो पर अपनी स्थिति साफ कर कहा है कि यात्रा के बाद ट्रैक चौड़ा करने का काम निर्धारित सुरक्षा और पर्यावरण नियमों के तहत हो रहा है। उन्होंने बताया कि यह कार्य मौजूदा ट्रैक तक ही सीमित है और भीड़ में भगदड़ जैसी स्थितियों से बचने के लिए ट्रैक का चौड़ा होना आवश्यक है। बीआरओ ने आश्वस्त किया कि कमजोर हिस्सों को स्थिर किया जा रहा है, खुदाई की मिट्टी का सुरक्षित निपटान सुनिश्चित किया जा रहा है और प्राकृतिक जल निकासी की सुरक्षा पर विशेष ध्यान दिया जा रहा है।

दिलजीत दोसांझ के बेंगलुरु कॉन्सर्ट को बम से उड़ाने की धमकी

बेंगलुरु , एजेंसी। सिंगर और अभिनेता दिलजीत दोसांझ के आगामी बेंगलुरु कॉन्सर्ट से पहले सुरक्षा एजेंसियों की चिंता बढ़ी है। पुलिस को एक धमकी भरा ईमेल मिला है, जिसमें आईईडी (इम्प्रोवाइज्ड एक्सप्लोसिव डिवाइस) से हमले की बात कही गई है। 29 नवंबर को होने वाले शो को लेकर दर्शकों में जहां भारी उत्साह था, वहीं इस धमकी ने लोगों में सतर्कता और सवाल दोनों पैदा कर दिए हैं। जानकारी के अनुसार, यह ईमेल धारवाड़ के पुलिस कमिश्नर को भेजा गया है। इसमें बेंगलुरु के मादावरा में एनआईसीई रोड ग्राउंड पर होने वाले कॉन्सर्ट को निशाना बनाने का जिक्र है। धमकी भरे संदेश में खालिस्तान जिंदाबाद का नारा लिखा गया है और शो के दौरान आईईडी धमाके की चेतावनी दी गई है। ईमेल में आम लोगों के लिए कई चेतावनियां भी थीं, जैसे बच्चों को कॉन्सर्ट में न लाने, आईफोन पर आने वाली कॉल का जवाब न देने और मेट्रो से सफर से बचने की अपील।

जेवर एयरपोर्ट के नामकरण पर कांग्रेस का पीएम मोदी पर प्रहार... इतनी जल्दी में क्यों हैं

नई दिल्ली, एजेंसी । कांग्रेस ने जेवर अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डे का नाम प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी के नाम पर रखने के फैसले को लेकर उन पर तीखा हमला बोला। कांग्रेस पार्टी ने सवाल उठाया कि प्रधानमंत्री मोदी को हर बड़ी परियोजना पर अपना नाम दर्ज कराने की इतनी जल्दी में क्यों हैं, और क्या उन्हें अपनी राजनीतिक विरासत को लेकर कोई बेचैनी महसूस हो रही है?

दरअसल कांग्रेस महासचिव जयराम रमेश ने पोस्ट के द्वारा आरोप लगाया कि प्रधानमंत्री मोदी अपने काम और फैसलों के जरिए एक मजबूत विरासत बनाने के बजाय, पद पर रहते हुए ही हर बड़ी परियोजना पर अपना नाम दर्ज कराने में लगे हैं। कांग्रेस नेता रमेश ने जेवर अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डे का जिक्र कर कहा कि इसका उद्घाटन समारोह संपन्न हो चुका है, लेकिन अब तक एक भी तय अंतरराष्ट्रीय उड़ान शुरू नहीं हुई है और यात्रियों की आवाजाही भी सुस्त है। इसके बावजूद, इसका नाम बदलकर 'नरेन्द्र मोदी अंतरराष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डा, नोएडा-जेवर' रख दिया गया है। उन्होंने अहमदाबाद के 'नरेन्द्र मोदी स्टेडियम' का हवाला देकर तंज कसते हुए पूछा कि अगला नंबर किसका होगा?

कांग्रेस नेता ने कहा कि सवाल केवल नामकरण का नहीं, बल्कि इस बात का है कि प्रधानमंत्री मोदी को अपनी विरासत बनाने के लिए अपने काम और फैसलों पर भरोसा करने के बजाय बड़ी परियोजनाओं पर अपना नाम दर्ज कराने की जल्दी में क्यों हैं। उन्होंने कटाक्ष कर पूछा कि कहीं यह इस बात की बेचैनी, नहीं कि कुर्सी छूटने के बाद कोई उनका नाम लेने वाला भी नहीं होगा।

कांग्रेस नेता रमेश ने पूर्व प्रधानमंत्री जवाहरलाल नेहरू का उदाहरण देकर बताया कि जनवरी 1949 में नेहरू ने हैदराबाद के फतेह मैदान का नाम अपने नाम पर रखने से इंकार किया था। इस तरह, दिसंबर 1956 में जम्मू-कश्मीर की बनिहाल सुरंग का नाम उनके सम्मान में रखने के प्रस्ताव को भी उन्होंने रोक दिया था। कांग्रेस महासचिव ने एम सी छागला की आत्मकथा 'रोजेज इन दिसंबर' का हवाला देकर बताया कि 1960 के दशक की शुरुआत में जब तत्कालीन केंद्रीय शिक्षा मंत्री छागला ने राजधानी में प्रस्तावित दूसरे विश्वविद्यालय का नाम नेहरू के नाम पर रखने का प्रस्ताव दिया, तब उन्होंने तत्काल इस बात को खारिज कर दिया था।

BRIFF NEWS

6 years after split, Akalis & BJP tie up for Punjab assembly polls



New Delhi, Agency: After six years of separation marked by AAP's rise in Punjab, BJP and Shiromani Akali Dal on Tuesday renewed their alliance ahead of assembly polls, with home minister Amit Shah recognising the regional party as the "big brother" in the tie-up and claimant to the chief minister's chair in case NDA returns to office after a decade. Shah was joined by SAD president Sukhbir Singh Badal and BJP chief Nitin Nabin at the announcement, timed to coincide with Guru Nanak's birth anniversary, exuding confidence in their victory and the governing AAP's wipeout in the polls to be held early next year. The Akalis had broken away from NDA over the now-scrapped farm laws.The revival of the alliance after a period which saw SAD's fortunes nosedive and BJP achieve limited success in expanding its base outside its influence in urban areas brings NDA right back into the reckoning in a state where AAP and Congress were being seen as the main election contenders. BJP and SAD are banking on the revival of the social compact between the former's base among Hindus and the latter's once-formidable farmer constituency. Much will depend on whether their renewed chemistry will enthuse their traditional voters in a crowded battlefield.

1st privately built PSLV set for launch early next year: Isro chief'



New Delhi, Agency: The first privately built Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV-N1) is ready for a maiden launch in the "first quarter of next year", Isro chairman V Narayanan said on Tuesday. He also said govt is fast-tracking satellite launches in collaboration with startups "in a big way" as Isro currently has only 56 space assets in orbit.Talking about foreign collaboration, the Isro chairman said, "India is collaborating with 64 countries... At least 434 satellites for 34 countries have lifted off from Indian soil during the last 12 years."

Gaganyaan in final phase, says Isro chief- Speaking on the sidelines of the 5th India International Space Conference in Delhi, Isro chief V Narayanan said, "Earlier, it was only Isro that built PSLV with the support of industry. Now, an L&T and HAL consortium has been given five PSLVs (to build). So, the first rocket PSLV-N1 is getting ready and we are targeting to launch it by the first quarter of next year." Isro's arm NSIL signed a contract with the consortium in Sept 2022 for Rs 860 crore for five PSLV rockets. Narayanan said, "We need to build a lot of space assets for communication, navigation and earth observation. This can't be done by govt sector (alone).

300 BJP, Hindu outfit members booked over Thiruparankundram Deepam protests



New Delhi, Agency: Cases have been registered against around 300 members of the BJP and Hindu organisations for protesting in Tamil Nadu's Thiruparankundram on Tuesday over the non-lighting of the Karthigai Deepam at the Deepathoon stone pillar atop the hill, news agency Media cited Madurai Police on Wednesday. According to the police, cases have been registered under six sections, including unlawful assembly without permission, causing a breach of public peace, making controversial remarks and obstructing government servants from discharging their duties. The protests were held over the failure to light the lamp at the Deepathoon, despite the Supreme Court's interim order directing that the Karthigai Deepam be lit at the stone pillar. The Maha Deepam was instead lit above the Uchi Pillayar temple at Thiruparankundram Hills as part of the annual festival, amid heavy security and rising tensions. No lamp was lit at the Deepathoon stone pillar. A small team of priests associated with the Subramaniya Swamy Temple performed the lamp-lighting ceremony, while police personnel were deployed near the Deepathoon ahead of the scheduled time. The Supreme Court had directed that the lamp be lit at 6pm. Advocate and Hindu Munnani petitioner Niranjan S Kumar expressed disappointment over the decision and accused the state government of deliberately disobeying the Supreme Court's interim order. "We were all in the belief that the government would take immediate steps to light the lamp at the Thirupparankundram Deepathoon. We had all gathered here to see the lamp being lit by the authorities themselves. Unfortunately, at 6:02 p.m., the lamp at the Ucchi Pillayar was lit as usual, which means the order of the Supreme Court was definitely violated," he said. Alleging deliberate non-compliance with the court's directions, he added, "I would say it was not only violated, but it is a deliberate, calculated and willful disobedience of the order of the Supreme Court. So we are all left with no other option but to approach the Supreme Court by way of contempt." Niranjan also referred to the Supreme Court's direction to the Madurai District Collector to submit a status report within three days of the festival. He said further action would depend on the report. "And the District Collector, Madurai, was also directed to file a status report within three days after the festival. So let's wait for the District Collector's report," he said.

Tamil Nadu BJP leader Tamilisai Soundararajan also criticised the state government's handling of the issue, accusing it of violating the Supreme Court's interim order and treating political groups differently.

'Will take Bangladesh by December 16': Bengal minister Arjun Singh vows revenge for killings of Hindus



New Delhi, Agency: West Bengal minister Arjun Singh has claimed that India would take over Bangladesh by December 16 and that the killings of Hindus in the neighbouring country would be "avenged", triggering fresh attention amid strained relations between the two countries. Speaking to reporters in Bhatpara on Tuesday, Singh made the remarks while referring to the killings of Hindus in Bangladesh. "We will take Bangladesh by December 16th. Enough is enough; there are no more excuses regarding Bangladesh. We will certainly take revenge for the way Hindus have been killed in Bangladesh; there is no doubt about that," he said. His remarks came amid heightened tensions in Bangladesh over the proposed return of former Prime Minister and Awami League supremo Sheikh Hasina from India. Bangladesh's state minister for foreign affairs Humayun Kobir has said that Hasina would only be allowed to return as a "prisoner, in handcuffs" and under strict surveillance. Kobir reportedly made the remarks while speaking to journalists after briefing foreign diplomats at the ministry of foreign affairs in Dhaka. Dismissing reports that Hasina intended to return to Bangladesh on December 16, coinciding with the country's Victory Day celebrations, he said, "Desire and reality are two different things." "The reality is that a terrorist will never be allowed to return except through extradition... She is not a regular commercial passenger. She can only be brought back in handcuffs and under strict surveillance," Kobir said Earlier, Hasina's spokesperson Syed Mozammel Ali had told Reuters that the former prime minister intended to travel from Delhi to Dhaka on December 16 aboard Bangladesh's national carrier, Biman Bangladesh Airlines.

Amit Shah: Kartarpur corridor to open after review'



New Delhi, Agency: Union home minister Amit Shah said Tuesday that the Kartarpur Sahib Corridor, which allows pilgrims to travel visa-free to a holy site associated with Guru Nanak across the border in Pakistan, will be opened as soon as national security concerns are resolved. Responding to a media query at a news briefing, where he announced the BJP-Shiromani Akali Dal alliance ahead of the Punjab polls, he said national security should not be politicised, noting that it is the Modi government which built it. Government had closed the corridor after Operation Sindoor over security concerns. Shah said Kartarpur went to Pakistan after India's partition due to Congress' carelessness. "As soon as this (national security) issue is completely resolved, we will immediately reopen Kartarpur Sahib with full honour," he added.

Government may link motor insurance premiums to traffic violations



New Delhi, Agency: Road transport ministry is proposing a series of measures to address the problem of uninsured vehicles on roads, including introducing a single premium for four- and six-year insurance policies for cars and two-wheelers, respectively. Separately, the Supreme Court committee on road safety has asked the road transport and petroleum ministries to launch a pilot of the 'no insurance, no fuel' initiative at five petrol pumps each in Haryana and UP which have ANPR cameras that can identify vehicles and help verify their insurance status Media has learnt that the road transport ministry is also working on the plan to link premiums to traffic offences recorded against vehicle owners in the previous year. The proposed changes are aimed at encouraging more vehicle owners to maintain valid insurance coverage and improving compliance with the Motor Vehicles Act. The ministry is also examining options to revise the base insurance rates for specified vehicle categories, including electric vehicles, as part of a broader review of the existing premium structure. Insurance data show that nearly 25 crore active vehicles have valid insurance, which is around 81 per cent of the vehicles that are currently running across the country.

Anant Ambani's Vantara signs 10-year wildlife conservation pact with Madagascar



New Delhi, Agency: Anant Ambani's animal welfare and conservation organisation Vantara has signed a 10-year agreement with Madagascar's Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development to strengthen wildlife conservation and animal welfare efforts in the island nation.

The non-exclusive Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), signed on November 24, 2026, recognises Vantara as Madagascar's conservation partner. The partnership will focus on returning Malagasy animals seized abroad, wildlife rescue and rehabilitation, veterinary care, and rewilding, wherever possible. As part of the agreement, Vantara will support the development of Madagascar's National Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre, expected to serve as a hub for conservation, research, and training. The facility will remain the property of the Republic of Madagascar and operate under the authority of its environment ministry. The collaboration will also focus on strengthening local expertise through training programmes, internships, specialist exchanges and applied research. Vantara may assist with health checks, disease screening, transportation, quarantine, and post-arrival care for animals being repatriated to Madagascar. The agreement comes amid growing concerns over the country's biodiversity. According to the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species, 90% of lemur species, which are endemic to Madagascar, are threatened with extinction, with nearly a third classified as Critically Endangered. The country has also faced challenges linked to illegal wildlife trade and habitat loss.

'Passport has discrepancies in place of birth' Saurav Das rendered ineligible for foreign travel



New Delhi, Agency: A notice served to CJP activist Saurav Das on Monday evening by the Regional Passport Office (RPO), Chennai, asking him to explain alleged discrepancies in his documents relating to place of birth, had rendered his passport ineligible for foreign travel till the response was received and matter resolved.

Sources in the govt said the mismatch in birth particulars across different set of documents like aadhaar, passport and birth certificate was flagged in inputs received over the last couple of months, prompting RPO to initiate a fresh verification of documents and information recorded in his passport application file. The passport was issued to him on Aug 21, 2019.

While police verification is done either before or after issue of passport (in case of 'tatkal' passport), if any adverse or incorrect information comes to light during validity of the passport, a re-verification can be ordered by the RPO by issuing a show-cause notice to the citizen, asking why the passport should not be impounded. A notice was sent to Das by e-mail on Monday evening, asking him to respond within 7 days to the alleged "material suppression of facts" relating to his place of birth. He was asked to clarify the "incorrect" particulars with supporting documents, failing which he could face impounding of his passport under Section 10(b) of the Passports Act, 1967. The notice explicitly advised him not to use his passport till he had filed his response.

"As per rules, if a show-cause notice is issued to the passport holder on why his passport should not be impounded in view of furnishing of incorrect particulars, and a reply is awaited, the respondent cannot travel abroad on that passport till the matter is disposed of," an officer told Media. "Das was well-aware that the pending RPO notice would be flagged in the immigration systems, preventing his clearance for boarding the flight to London. Yet, he chose to travel to the airport, possibly so he could play the victim after being stopped at immigration," said the officer.Das, as per reports, however claims he did not see the email, which landed hours before his flight, till he checked his inbox at the immigration counter. A govt officer said Das has time till Nov 30 to respond to the RPO notice. "Let him satisfy the RPO as to which set of birth documents must be relied on. Once the RPO clears him in the re-verification exercise, he can resume international travel on the same passport," said another officer. Sources explained that disparities were flagged only in the recent past in Das's details like date of birth and father's name across documents like aadhaar, passport and school certificate, issued from different places of his residence - Delhi and Puducherry. A PIL has also been filed in the Madras High Court relating to the alleged inconsistencies in his birth and parentage documents and even questioning his citizenship.

Rajiv Gandhi's security withdrawn to get him killed, says Rahul



New Delhi, Agency: Congress politician Rahul Gandhi said the security of his father, Rajiv Gandhi, was removed deliberately to get him killed, making a sensational charge years after the former PM was assassinated by a suicide bomber in Tamil Nadu. In a video interaction with his mother Sonia Gandhi and sister Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, Rahul said, "Papa's security was removed so that he got killed. Papa's security removal was not an accident. It was done on purpose so that he got killed." "An atmosphere was created for him to get killed. It was obvious what was going on. I told papa and mom, and had an argument about it with my father," he said. Act passed by Rajiv government offered SPG cover only to PM, not former PMs Rahul Tuesday posted a video featuring the family discussing Sonia Gandhi's recently released book 'Belonging', in which his charge came just after his mother spoke about the lax security arrangements during Rajiv Gandhi's visit to Bihar as leader of the opposition, where he faced stone pelting. Rahul had accompanied his father on his Bihar visit. Even though Rahul alleged there was an "intention" behind withdrawing his father's security in 1988, the Special Protection Group Act, passed in 1988 by the then Rajiv government, restricted SPG cover strictly to the PM and not to former PMs. Thus, Rajiv lost the protection after being voted out in 1989. V P Singh replaced him as PM. When Rajiv was assassinated at a rally in Tamil Nadu on May 21, 1991, the Chandra Shekhar government was in office. Following the assassination, the PV Narasimha Rao government amended the Act, extending protection to former PMs and their immediate family members for five years after leaving office. This brought Sonia, Rahul and Priyanka under its cover.

MODERN LIFESTYLE AND NEW HEALTH CHALLENGES

How changing habits, technology, food choices and urban living are reshaping human health

Digital Eye Strain – The Price We Pay for Screen-Dependent Living



The modern world is increasingly controlled by digital screens. From smartphones and laptops to televisions and tablets, people spend a significant part of their day looking at electronic displays. Whether attending online meetings, studying, working, shopping or communicating with friends, screen exposure has become almost unavoidable. However, this growing dependence on digital devices is creating a common health concern known as digital eye strain.

Digital eye strain, also called computer vision syndrome, refers to a group of eye and vision-related problems associated with prolonged use of digital screens. People experiencing this condition may complain of tired eyes, dryness, blurred vision, headaches, irritation and difficulty focusing. Unlike printed books, digital screens often require the eyes to repeatedly adjust to changing brightness, contrast and viewing distances. Continuous concentration on a screen also reduces the frequency of blinking, allowing the surface of the eyes to become dry and uncomfortable.

Poor working conditions can make the problem worse. Sitting too close to a monitor, using screens in very bright or dark surroundings, incorrect screen positioning and prolonged working without breaks can increase discomfort. Many people also use their smartphones immediately after waking up and continue scrolling until bedtime, leaving their eyes with very little opportunity to rest.

Children and teenagers are particularly vulnerable to excessive screen exposure because digital devices have become part of education and entertainment. Long hours of near-screen activity may contribute to eye discomfort and can be associated with an increased risk of myopia, or short-sightedness, particularly when outdoor time is limited.

Experts commonly recommend the 20-20-20 rule to reduce digital eye strain. After every 20 minutes of screen use, a person should look at something approximately 20 feet away for at least 20 seconds. Regular blinking, maintaining a comfortable viewing distance, adjusting screen brightness and taking short breaks can also help. Keeping screens slightly below eye level and avoiding glare from windows or artificial lighting may improve comfort.

Another important concern is the effect of screen exposure at night. Bright light, particularly blue-enriched light, can interfere with the body's natural sleep signals when used close to bedtime. Reducing device use before sleeping and maintaining a regular sleep schedule can support better rest.

Digital technology cannot simply be removed from modern life, nor is every screen-related symptom a sign of permanent eye damage. However, persistent blurred vision, pain or headaches should not be ignored. An eye examination can identify underlying problems and determine whether corrective lenses or other treatment is necessary.

The real challenge is not avoiding technology but learning to use it responsibly. Small changes in digital habits can protect visual comfort and make screen-dependent living healthier.

Ultra-Processed Foods – What Are We Really Eating?



Modern food habits are changing rapidly. Busy schedules, demanding jobs and the growing availability of packaged products have transformed the way people choose, prepare and consume food. Ready-to-eat meals, instant noodles, packaged snacks, sugary drinks and frozen products have become regular features of many households. Although these foods offer convenience and save time, their increasing consumption has raised concerns about nutrition and long-term health.

Many of these products belong to a category known as ultra-processed foods. They are generally industrial formulations made using ingredients and additives that are not commonly used in ordinary home cooking. These may include artificial flavourings, colourings, preservatives, emulsifiers, sweeteners and other substances designed to improve taste, texture, appearance and shelf life. Examples include packaged chips, sugary breakfast cereals, soft drinks, instant soups, confectionery and many ready-to-eat meals.

One major concern is that several ultra-processed foods contain high amounts of added sugar, salt and unhealthy fats while providing relatively little fibre and essential nutrients. Their strong flavours and convenient packaging can encourage frequent consumption and larger portions. When these products regularly replace fresh and minimally processed foods, the overall quality of a person's diet may decline.

Research has associated diets high in ultra-processed foods with increased risks of obesity, type 2 diabetes, cardiovascular disease and other health problems. However, it is important to understand that not every processed food is unhealthy.

The Sedentary Trap – How Sitting Too Long Is Affecting Our Health

Modern workplaces have made life easier in many ways, but they have also reduced the amount of physical movement in everyday routines. Many people begin their mornings sitting in vehicles, spend most of their working hours at desks and return home to relax in front of televisions or mobile phones. Although such routines may appear comfortable, prolonged sitting has become an important public health concern.

A sedentary lifestyle refers to a pattern of living in which a person spends much of the day sitting, reclining or lying down while using very little energy. It is increasingly common among office employees, students, drivers and people whose work depends heavily on computers and digital devices. The problem is not simply a lack of exercise. Even individuals who visit the gym regularly may spend the remaining hours of their day sitting for extended periods.

Long periods of inactivity can affect the body's ability to regulate blood sugar and use fats efficiently. Muscles remain relatively inactive, energy expenditure decreases and maintaining a healthy body weight can become more difficult.

Over time, insufficient physical activity is associated with a greater risk of cardiovascular disease, type 2 diabetes and certain cancers. It can also contribute to poor posture, back pain, neck stiffness and reduced muscle strength.

The effects are not limited to physical health. Remaining indoors and inactive for long periods can reduce opportunities for social interaction and outdoor exposure. Some people also experience low energy, disturbed sleep and increased stress when movement is missing from their daily routine.

Children and young adults are also becoming increasingly sedentary. Online education, gaming, social media and screen-based entertainment have replaced many traditional outdoor activities. This change can affect physical fitness and encourage unhealthy habits at an early age.

The solution does not necessarily require expensive gym memberships or demanding exercise programmes. Small movements throughout the day can make a meaningful difference.

Standing up regularly, walking during telephone calls, using stairs instead of lifts and taking short breaks between work sessions are practical ways to reduce uninterrupted sitting. Office workers can also consider standing desks and brief stretching exercises.

Health authorities recommend that adults aim for 150 to 300 minutes of moderate-intensity physical activity each week, along with muscle-strengthening activities on at least two days. Walking, cycling, swimming, dancing and household activities can all contribute to a more active routine. Employers and educational institutions also have a role to play by creating environments that encourage movement. Short activity breaks, walking meetings and access to recreational spaces can help people become more active.



The Hidden Health Effects of Air Pollution Beyond the Lungs

Air pollution is commonly associated with coughing, breathing difficulties and lung diseases. However, its effects extend far beyond the respiratory system. The air people breathe every day contains a mixture of pollutants that can enter the body and affect several organs, including the heart, brain and blood vessels. As cities expand, traffic increases and industrial activities grow, air pollution is becoming one of the most serious environmental health challenges of modern life.



Among the most concerning pollutants are fine particulate matter, particularly PM2.5, nitrogen dioxide, ground-level ozone and carbon monoxide. Fine particles are especially dangerous because they are small enough to travel deep into the lungs, and some components can enter the bloodstream. Long-term exposure can trigger inflammation and oxidative stress, processes that may damage tissues and interfere with normal organ functioning.

The cardiovascular system is particularly vulnerable. Scientific research has linked prolonged exposure to air pollution with an increased risk of high blood pressure, heart attacks, strokes and other cardiovascular conditions. Pollutants can affect blood vessel function and contribute to inflammation, making existing heart problems more difficult to manage.

The brain may also be affected. Studies suggest that long-term exposure to polluted air is associated with an increased risk of cognitive decline and certain neurological conditions. Researchers are examining how inflammation and tiny airborne particles may influence brain health. Although the exact mechanisms are still being studied, the evidence highlights the importance of cleaner air for overall well-being.

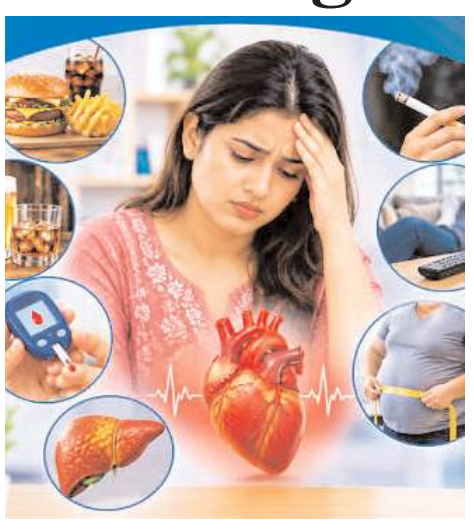
Air pollution can also worsen existing health conditions such as asthma, allergies and chronic respiratory diseases. Children, older adults, pregnant women and people with heart or lung disorders are particularly vulnerable. Even people who do not immediately experience symptoms may face health risks from repeated exposure over time.

Lifestyle Diseases Among Young Adults Why Age Is No Longer a Protection

For generations, diseases such as diabetes, high blood pressure and heart problems were commonly associated with older age. Today, however, these conditions are increasingly being recognised among younger adults. People in their twenties and thirties are facing health challenges that were once considered problems of later life. This changing pattern has raised important questions about modern lifestyles, eating habits, physical activity and preventive healthcare.

Lifestyle diseases, also known as non-communicable diseases, are long-term conditions influenced by a combination of genetic, environmental and behavioural factors. Diabetes, hypertension, obesity and cardiovascular diseases are among the most common examples. Unlike infectious diseases, they generally develop gradually and may remain unnoticed for years before serious symptoms appear.

One major reason behind their increasing prevalence is the shift towards sedentary living. Many young professionals spend most of their working hours sitting in front of computers, followed by additional screen time at home. Reduced physical activity affects metabolism, contributes to weight gain and increases the risk of several chronic conditions.



Changing food preferences are another important factor. Frequent consumption of fast food, sugary beverages, packaged snacks and meals high in salt and unhealthy fats can negatively affect metabolic health. Irregular eating schedules, excessive portion sizes and insufficient intake of fruits, vegetables and whole grains further contribute to the problem.

Stress and inadequate sleep also play significant roles. Competitive workplaces, financial responsibilities, academic pressure and constant digital connectivity can create prolonged stress. Poor sleep patterns may disturb hormonal regulation, appetite and blood sugar control.

When these factors combine with inactivity and unhealthy eating, the risk of developing lifestyle-related conditions can increase.

One of the greatest concerns is that many young people do not consider themselves vulnerable to chronic diseases.

As a result, they may ignore warning signs such as persistent fatigue, unexplained weight changes or frequent thirst. Conditions such as high blood pressure and early-stage diabetes can also develop without obvious symptoms, making regular health screening important.Prevention begins with consistent everyday choices.

A balanced diet, regular physical activity, adequate sleep and effective stress management can significantly improve long-term health.