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Semiconductor sector important in India-Japan cooperation: Modi

PM reaches Sendai, travels with Japanese PM Ishiba on iconic Shinkansen

Tokyo, Aug 30 (IANS) Semiconductor is an important sector in the cooperation between India and Japan, said Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday.

Calling the semiconductor sector, a "strategic domain", PM Modi, who is on an official visit to Japan, said that India "has made significant progress in this field".

Earlier in the day, PM Modi arrived in Sendai in Japan's Miyagi Prefecture, where he travelled aboard the iconic Shinkansen (bullet train) alongside Japanese PM Shigeru Ishiba.

In Sendai, the two leaders visited Tokyo Electron Miyagi Ltd (TEL Miyagi), a leading Japanese company in the semiconductor sector.

"I visited Prime Minister Ishiba and Tokyo Electron's factory. I inspected the training room and the Production Innovation Lab, and also exchanged opinions with the company's executives," PM Modi shared in a post on social media platform X.

"Semiconductors important field in India-Japan cooperation. In recent years, India has made significant progress in this field, and many young people are now getting involved. I hope to continue this momentum in the future as well," he added.



PM and the Prime Minister of Japan, Mr. Shigeru Ishiba travelled from Tokyo to Sendai by the Shinkansen (Hayabusa 17), Japan's high-speed bullet train, in Japan.

According to a statement shared by the PMO, PM Modi conveyed his appreciation to PM Ishiba for joining him in this visit and "reaffirmed India's readiness to work closely with Japan in this strategic domain".

"The Prime Minister was briefed about TEL's role in the global semiconductor value chain, its advanced manufacturing capabilities, and its ongoing and planned collaborations with India. The factory visit gave the leaders a practical understanding of the opportunities that exist between the two countries to forge collaboration in the field of semiconductor supply chain, fabrication, and testing," the PMO said.

The visit to Sendai also highlighted the complementarity between India's growing semiconductor manufacturing ecosystem and Japan's strengths in advanced semiconductor equipment and technology.

"Both sides reaffirmed their commitment to deepening cooperation in this sector, building on the Memorandum of Cooperation on the Japan-India Semiconductor Supply Chain Partnership as well as ongoing partnerships under the India-Japan Industrial Competitiveness Partnership and Economic Security Dialogue," the PMO said.

PM Modi in China after 7 years, set to meet Xi Jinping today

Tianjin (China), Aug 30 (IANS) After a gap of over seven years, Prime Minister Narendra Modi landed in China on Saturday (August 30, 2025) on a keenly watched visit that assumed greater significance in view of the sudden downturn in India-U.S. ties triggered by Washington's policies on tariffs.

Modi arrived in China's Tianjin to attend the two-day Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Summit, beginning Sunday.

PM Modi, who travelled from Tokyo after concluding his Japan visit earlier in the day, received a colourful welcome upon his arrival at the Binhai International Airport in Tianjin.

"Landed in Tianjin, China. Looking forward to engaging in in-depth discussions during the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation summit and meeting with leaders from various countries," PM Modi posted on X after landing in China.

On the sidelines of the Summit, Prime Minister Modi is expected to hold several key bilateral meetings with world leaders attending the Summit. He is scheduled to have a meeting with Chinese President Xi Jinping on Sunday and Russian President Vladimir Putin on Monday.

HC seeks clarification from JSSC on B.Ed. requirement for teacher recruitment

Mail News Service

Ranchi, Aug 30: The Jharkhand High Court has directed the Jharkhand Staff Selection Commission (JSSC) to clarify whether a general B.Ed. degree or a subject-specific B.Ed., particularly in Computer Science, is mandatory for the ongoing Secondary Teacher Recruitment (Advertisement No. 02/2025).The directive came during the hearing of a writ petition filed by Priyanka Kumari and others. Petitioners' counsel, Advocate Chanchal Jain, argued that the recruitment advertisement contained serious ambiguity regarding eligibility. He pointed out that the commission was insisting candidates hold a B.Ed. degree in the subject they were applying for, especially Computer Science. However, there was no provision for a B.Ed. degree in Computer Science in recognized institutions.

After considering the argument, the High Court instructed JSSC to submit a clear explanation on the matter. The next hearing has been scheduled for September 15, 2025.

The recruitment process was for approximately 1,300 posts of secondary teachers across the state, making the court's direction crucial for thousands of aspirants. (w/gsd)

2 devotees killed, 5 injured as auto overturns in Giridih

Mail News Service

Giridih, Aug 30: Two devotees were killed and five others were injured when the autorickshaw in which they were travelling overturned in Jharkhand's Giridih district on Saturday, police said.

The incident occurred at Hathigadha valley under Tirsri police station area, they said.

"The devotees were on their way to Jamamo Mata temple to participate in a religious event. The autorickshaw overturned on the way under the Tisri police station area," Khorimahua sub-divisional police officer (SDPO) Rajendra Prasad said.

Ready to seek support from BJP top brass if it allows me to do so: INDIA bloc VP candidate



Ranchi, Aug 30: Opposition vice-president nominee B Sudershan Reddy on Saturday sought support for his candidature from all members of the Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha on merit, irrespective of party lines, asserting that he was ready to meet the BJP top brass if it allows so. Emphasising that he wanted this election to be one of the most decent and fair polls ever witnessed by India in recent years, Reddy also questioned the special intensive revision of electoral rolls, contending that being in majority does not empower anyone to do whatever it wishes. "I have sent letters to all members of the Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha to consider my candidature on merit, and I am ready to meet and seek support from BJP's top brass if it allows me to do so," he told a press conference here. Reddy also hit out at the Centre, alleging that Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren was tortured and his dignity crushed. "Constitutional functionaries involved in framing the Jharkhand CM are responsible for violating his dignity... they should take responsibility for infringing his dignity conferred on him like any other citizen by the Constitution," he said. The stage is set for a direct contest between ruling NDA nominee C P Radhakrishnan and joint opposition candidate Reddy for the September 9 vice-presidential election, in what is being described as a "south versus south" battle as both hail from south India. While Radhakrishnan is a BJP veteran from Tamil Nadu, Reddy is a former Supreme Court judge who hails from Telangana.

Former Minister Enos Ekka, wife, ex-LRDCC sentenced to 7 years in land scam case

Mail News Service

Ranchi, Aug 30: The CBI Special Court in Ranchi has sentenced former Jharkhand Minister Enos Ekka, his wife Menon Ekka, former LRDCC Kartik Prabhat, and other convicts to seven years of rigorous imprisonment in a 15-year-old land scam case. The Court also imposed fines on all the convicts, warning that failure to pay would lead to an additional one-year jail term each.

The case pertained to large-scale land purchases made in violation of the Chhotanagpur Tenancy (CNT) Act between March 2006 and May 2008. Investigations revealed that Ekka, then a Minister, misused his position to acquire tribal land using fake addresses. He was aided by then LRDCC Kartik Prabhat and others.



According to the CBI charges, 22 kattha land was purchased in Hinoo, 12 acres in Ormanjhi, 4 acres in Nevri, and 9 decimals in Siram Toli Mauja of Chutia-all registered in the name of Ekka's wife Menon Ekka. The CBI successfully proved the charges of collusion with administrative officers and fraudulent land transactions.

Special Public Prosecutor Priyanshu Singh represented the CBI during the trial. On Saturday, the convicts appeared before the court via video conferencing for the sentencing.

Notably, this is the fourth conviction against Enos Ekka, who had earlier been found guilty in the Para Teacher murder case, disproportionate assets case, and a money laundering case. The court's verdict once again highlighted his repeated involvement in serious criminal and corruption charges. (w/gsd)

No permanent friends or enemies, only permanent interests: Defence Minister

New Delhi, Aug 30 (IANS) Amid US President Donald Trump's tariff threats, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Saturday underlined that in international relations there are "no permanent friends or enemies, only permanent interests."

He stated that India will continue to protect the interests of its farmers and citizens, and its position will remain "unchanged" regardless of external "pressure."

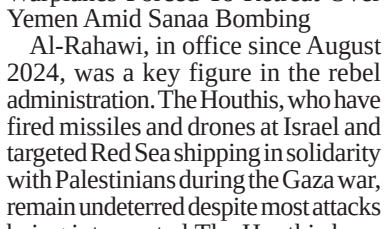
"This vision will keep us secure in the future and will give us a prominent position in the emerging powers of the world. This vision is being reflected in our every decision. In the swiftly changing world, the so-called developed countries are showing a form of protectionism, and the trade and tariff war is getting serious," Defence Minister Singh said while addressing the NDTV Defence Summit 2025.

The remarks came in response to Trump's announcement of a 50 per cent tariff on Indian goods, blaming what he described as unfair trade practices and New Delhi's refusal to halt the import of Russian crude oil.

Israel-Yemen war: Houthi rebel PM Ahmed al-Rahawi killed in Sanaa

Sanaa, Aug 30 (IANS) : Israeli airstrikes in Sanaa, Yemen, resulted in the death of Ahmed al-Rahawi, the Houthi prime minister, along with several ministers during a government workshop. The Israeli military confirmed targeting a Houthi site, amidst ongoing Houthi attacks on Israel and Red Sea shipping in support of Palestinians. Earlier strikes this week in Sanaa caused numerous casualties, escalating tensions in the region.

Israeli airstrikes in Yemen's capital Sanaa have killed Ahmed al-Rahawi, prime minister of the Houthi-controlled government, the Iran-backed rebels said Saturday.According to the Houthis, al-Rahawi and several ministers died in a Thursday strike while attending a government workshop. The Israeli military confirmed it had



"precisely struck a Houthi terrorist regime target" in Sanaa, AP reported.

Houthi Rebels Claim Israeli Warplanes Forced To Retreat Over Yemen Amid Sanaa Bombing

Al-Rahawi, in office since August 2024, was a key figure in the rebel administration. The Houthis, who have fired missiles and drones at Israel and targeted Red Sea shipping in solidarity with Palestinians during the Gaza war, remain undeterred despite most attacks being intercepted.The Houthis have repeatedly launched missiles against Israel throughout Israel's war against Hamas in Gaza. The group says the attacks are in solidarity with the Palestinians. Though most of the missiles launched by Yemen are intercepted by Israel or fragment mid-air, this has done little to deter the attacks.Earlier in the week, Israeli strikes hit multiple areas across Sanaa, killing at least 10 people and wounding 102 others, according to the Houthi-run health ministry and govt officials. The Houthis have launched missiles and drones toward Israel and targeted ships in the Red Sea throughout Israel's war against Hamas in Gaza. The rebels say their attacks are in solidarity with the Palestinians. In response to the Houthi attacks, Israel and a US-led coalition pounded the rebel-held areas in Yemen, including Sanaa and the strategic coastal city of Hodeida.

Over 2 lakh voters in Bihar filed objections on draft voter list: ECI

Patna, Aug 30 (IANS) Preparations for the upcoming Bihar Assembly elections have gained momentum with large-scale participation in the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of the voter list.

According to the Election Commission, so far 2,27,636 voters have filed claims and objections against entries in the draft voter list.

Among them, 29,872 applications have been filed for the inclusion of the names in the electoral rolls, while 1,97,764 applications were filed for the exclusion of names from the voter lists. The election commission has disposed of 33,771 applications in the last 7 days.

The most encouraging sign has come from first-time voters.

In August alone, 13,33,793 youth above 18 years have submitted Form-6 applications to get their names enrolled in the voter lists.

According to an official of the ECI, this indicates strong interest among young voters in participating in the democratic process.

India to become 3rd-largest economy with a GDP of $7.3 trn by 2030: Centre

New Delhi, Aug 30 (IANS) From being the world's fourth-largest economy, India is on track to become the third-largest by 2030 with a $7.3 trillion GDP, the Union Government said on Saturday. "India is projected to reach a GDP of Rs 4,26,45,000 crore ($5 trillion) by 2027 and is on course to surpass Germany by 2028. By 2030, India is set to become the world's third-largest economy with a projected GDP of $7.3 trillion," the government said.This comes as India's GDP growth accelerated to a robust 7.8 per cent in the first quarter (April-June) of the current financial year compared to the growth of 6.5 per cent during the same quarter of FY 2024-25, as per official figures released by the Ministry of Statistics.

"India's strong services activity has helped GDP growth comfortably beat expectations for the second quarter in a row, rising to an impressive high of 7.8 per cent for April-June 2025.

Federal appeals court strikes down Trump's reciprocal tariffs in reprieve for India

New York, Aug 30 (IANS) In a possible reprieve for India, a federal appeals court has struck down the reciprocal tariffs imposed by US President Donald Trump, ruling he did not have the extensive powers to set them.

The court, however, left the tariffs in place till October 14 to give the Trump administration time to appeal to the Supreme Court.

White House Deputy Press Secretary Kush Desai said, citing the temporary stay, "The President's tariffs remain in effect, and we look forward to ultimate victory on this matter".

The ruling applies mostly to the reciprocal tariffs imposed by invoking the International Economic Emergency Powers Act (IEEPA) and not to the others set under the national security provisions.

The 25 per cent reciprocal tariff that hit India will certainly be removed under the ruling if it survives the Supreme Court challenge. It was not explicit if the punitive 25 per cent tariff for buying Russian oil is covered by the court ruling because Homeland Security Secretary Kristi Noem said it was to address "threats to the United States" by Russia.



The court ruling does not cover the duties imposed on steel, aluminium and copper under national security provisions, leaving open the possibility that the oil tariff may stand.

The Federal Circuit Court of Appeals in Washington, by a 7-4 ruling, upheld the ruling by the Court of International Trade in May that had been stayed so Trump can appeal.

Trump says will approach SC

Washington, Aug 30 (IANS) Reacting to the ruling on social media, Trump wrote, ALL TARIFFS ARE STILL IN EFFECT!" and added that if the ruling is implemented, it would "literally destroy the United States of America."

He also indicated that an appeal to the Supreme Court is imminent. "Now, with the help of the United States Supreme Court, we will use them to the benefit of our Nation," he posted on Truth Social.

Child's overall development is our goal: Ruchi Narendran

JEM Utsav 2025 marks 17 years of excellence in education

Mail News Service



Jamshedpur, Aug 30: JEM Utsav 2025 was celebrated with great pomp and joy at Beldih Club, Jamshedpur, marking the 17th year of JEM Foundation Schools and College. The evening brought together dignitaries, teachers, staff, and students in a festive spirit to celebrate achievements, recognize contributions, and showcase talents. The institutions under JEM Foundation - JUSCO School South Park, JUSCO School Kadma, Kasidih High School, and Mrs. KMPM Vocational College - participated in the event, presenting a vibrant picture of their progress in academics and co-curricular activities. The celebration began with a soulful performance by the JEM Band, followed by the ceremonial lighting of the lamp by dignitaries. A presentation highlighting the annual performance of all schools and the college was screened, earning appreciation from the gathering. The event was attended by eminent personalities including Ritu Raj Sinha, Managing Director, Tata Steel UISL & Chairman, JEM Foundation; RuchiNarendran, Managing Trustee, JEM Foundation; A.F. Madon, Administrator, JEM Foundation; Jyoti Prakash, CFO, Tata Steel UISL and Honorary Treasurer, JEM Foundation; Deepak Kamath, CEO, Tata Steel Support Services Ltd. & Trustee, JEM Foundation; Jiju Thomas, Senior Manager, JEM Foundation; MiliSinha, Principal, JUSCO School South Park; JhumJhumi Nandi, Principal, JUSCO School Kadma; and Dr.ReetaKumari, Acting Professor-in-Charge, Mrs. KMPM Vocational College. Welcoming the gathering, RuchiNarendran praised the performance of the schools and college. She congratulated all principals for their efforts in maintaining high standards of education and was particularly happy that JEM institutions had introduced Artificial Intelligence and Robotics in their curriculum. "Overall development of the child is our only goal, and I am proud of the way JEM schools and college are working to achieve it," she said. One of the major highlights of the evening was the Long Service Awards, presented to teachers and staff completing 15, 10, and 5 years of service across the institutions. Addressing the gathering, Sinha expressed delight over the loyalty and dedication of teachers towards the institution. "Teachers have been a guiding light, showing the correct path through their knowledge and passion. Their creativity and inspiration are contagious, and I congratulate all awardees for their contributions," he said.

The cultural segment added a festive touch, with a dance performance and skit by teachers of JUSCO School South Park, followed by solo dances and singing presentations by Mrs. KMPM Vocational College.

The scale of academic achievements was evident from the large number of teachers recognized. (W-mb)

CCTV footage exposes SI Vikas Kumar's misconduct, shopkeeper files complaint

Mail News Service

Jamshedpur, Aug 30: Sub-Inspector Vikas Kumar of Sidgora police station has again come under controversy after CCTV footage captured his indecent behavior inside a shop in Bagunhatu. The footage showed Kumar verbally abusing the shopkeeper in front of his elderly parents, using obscene language directed at women and mothers. When confronted, Kumar openly admitted he would continue abusing.

The victim shopkeeper, accompanied by Hindu Jagran Manch leader Kaushik Swain, handed the video footage to former BJP district spokesperson Ankit Anand, seeking intervention. Anand raised the issue on social media platform 'X' (formerly Twitter), tagging Chief Minister Hemant Soren and Jharkhand Police Headquarters. He questioned whether the rule of law applied only to citizens or also to the police, asking pointedly: "Is this Maiyaan Samman?"

The shopkeeper has submitted a formal written complaint to Jamshedpur SSP Piyush Pandey.

This is not the first controversy surrounding SI Vikas Kumar. In January 2025, he was accused of manipulating an FIR in an assault case to falsely implicate innocents. Following a complaint by BJP leader Ankit Anand, the State Police Complaints Authority had ordered an inquiry, and senior officers later removed the innocent names. The matter was reportedly suppressed due to political pressure.

With the latest video evidence surfacing, serious questions were again being raised about Kumar's conduct and accountability within Jamshedpur Police. (w/gsd)

Kumkum Puja held at Andhra Samiti Ganpati Mandir



Jamshedpur, Aug 30: A traditional Kumkum Puja was organized at the Andhra Samiti Telco (East Zone) GanpatiMandir under the supervision of Sangeeta. The rituals began with offerings of Kumkum and turmeric to Lord Ganesha and Goddess Gauri, followed by a detailed Puja performed by the priest with Vedic chants in line with Telugu customs. Around 60 women took part in the ceremony, creating an atmosphere of devotion and positivity. Speaking on the occasion, Executive Women Member Sangeeta said, "Kumkum attracts positive energy, purifies the environment, and is a symbol of good luck. It is especially auspicious for married women, believed to protect their husbands and bring happiness and prosperity to families." The Puja was attended by Sangita, Arvind Padma, Yam Radhika, Bharti, Sunita, B. Padma, K. Lakshmi, Annapurna, Lakshmi, and Vijay Lakshmi, and conducted under the guidance of Anil Kumar.

Special children shine on National Sports Day



Mail News Service

Jamshedpur, Aug 30: A special sports meet was organised at Bhalubasa Community Centre on the occasion of National Sports Day by Cheshire Disability Trust and Inner Wheel Club of Jamshedpur East. Children from School of Hope, AshaKiran, PATH, Cheshire Home, PAMHJ, Ganodaya Noble Academy, Deepjyoti Blind School, and the National Association for the Blind enthusiastically participated in events like Shot Put, Running, and Walk Athletics. Chief Guest Ganesh Rao of Krishna Murari Charitable Trust encouraged the participants, while Inner Wheel Club President Dr.Meena Mukherjee and other dignitaries were also present. Winners included Priyanshu Kumar (AshaKiran - Shot Put), AnandBarda (100m Senior Boys), and Neha (100m Senior Girls). "The event built confidence and fostered inclusion through sports," said Rajkumar Singh, Secretary, DivyangMargdarshan Trust. (W-mb)

Rotary West inducts 5 new members



Jamshedpur, Aug 30: The Rotary Club of Jamshedpur West celebrated Rotary Membership and New Club Development Month by inducting five new members and launching a new community-based Rotaract Club, SEWARTHAH. The event was graced by Past District Governor (PDG) Pratim Banerjee, District Chair Learning Facilitator, as the Chief Guest. He officially installed the Rotaract Club and welcomed the new members Dr. AA Chandra Srivastava, Raj Rajnish, Avijit Bose, AmritSaha, and AvinashAgarwal. The program was attended by Suchanda Banerjee, Assistant Governor Kusum Thakur, Director (New Generation) SharatChandran, Rotaract Club Advisor AnjaniNidhi, Dr.JoohiSamarpita, along with the Club President, Secretary, and other members. The evening concluded with a fellowship and cake-cutting ceremony, highlighting the unity and spirit of Rotary. Members expressed commitment to further service projects and strengthening the Rotary family in Jamshedpur. (W-mb)

Carmel Junior College bags crown at Loyola's 'Rhapsody'

Former India speedster Varun Aaron inspires students

Mail News Service





Jamshedpur, Aug 30: A dazzling display of creativity, intellect and youthful energy marked Rhapsody 2025, the annual inter-school cultural fest hosted by Loyola School. With the theme "Sports - The Spirit of Life", the event turned the campus into a vibrant arena of competitions, performances and camaraderie, bringing together over 17 leading schools of the city. The opening ceremony was led by Chief Guest Varun Raymond Aaron, former Team India cricketer and Loyola alumnus, who inaugurated the fest alongside Fr. Michael Thaneraj, Rector, Fr. VinodFernandes, Principal, Fr. Victor Misquith, former Principal, Fr. Cyril Tigga, Parish Priest and teachers, and Vice Principals JayanthiSheshadri and VineetaEkka. The event began with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp, symbolising knowledge and enlightenment.

In his welcome address, Fr. VinodFernandes highlighted the importance of such platforms in teaching students values of perseverance, teamwork and mutual respect. Chief Guest VarunAaron, felicitated with a sapling and memento, encouraged students to embrace these experiences as moments that shape confidence and character beyond the classroom. He then declared the fest open, sparking a day filled with competitions and excitement.

Rhapsody 2025 featured a wide variety of events, both on-stage and off-stage. Competitions ranged from cultural and artistic showcases to intellectually challenging contests and sports-themed performances. Unique events like Sports Caster mirrored the commentary style of HarshaBhogle, while others like Mythmoves, Half-time Harmony and Quiz on the Pitch kept the audience entertained. Off-stage activities such as Chhatri Kaleidoscope, Verse Voyage, Diplomatic Decathlon and Pen'athalon added to the diverse lineup.

The closing ceremony saw distinguished guests from the Tata Football Academy, including Head Coach Steven Benedic Dias, Manager Rohit Singh, and players RaiTachikawa, PronayHalder and Pratik Choudhary, who felicitated winners across categories. After a day of tough competition, Carmel Junior College emerged as the Overall Champion, excelling in both on-stage and off-stage segments. Sacred Heart Convent School and Xavier's School, Gamharia were declared joint Overall Runners-up.

Rana Pratap House Wins Junior Spell Bee

Lajpat Public School

Mail News Service



Jamshedpur, Aug 30: Lajpat Public School, Sakchi, organized a Spell Bee Competition on Saturday to strengthen vocabulary, spelling, and listening skills among its young learners. The Junior Group event was conducted with great enthusiasm, featuring five challenging rounds: Oral Spellings, Jumbled Letters, Fill in the Blanks, Vocabulary & GK, and an Audio Round.

After a close contest, Rana Pratap House emerged victorious in the Junior Group category. The winning team included T. Bhavishya, Aarush Kumar Singh, Sana Fatima, and Ashish Shaw, who impressed the judges with their quick thinking, confidence, and teamwork.

Principal Ranjit Ghosh and teachers congratulated the winners while encouraging all participants to continue striving for excellence. They emphasized that such competitions reflected the school's commitment to providing holistic learning opportunities beyond the classroom. (w/gsd)

Nalin Goel & Associates wins ABID IDEA Award for NHES auditorium design



Jamshedpur, Aug 30: Nalin Goel& Associates, a Jamshedpur-based architectural and design firm, has been honored with the prestigious ABID IDEA Award 2025 in the Educational Spaces Category. The award was presented at a glittering ceremony held at ITC Sonar, Kolkata, on Thursday. The firm received the accolade for its outstanding architectural design of the KusumKamani Auditorium at the NarbheramHansraj English School, a landmark project in Jamshedpur that blends functionality with modern aesthetics to create a world-class educational facility. The award was jointly presented to NalinGoel and ShivaniGoel under the segment Public & Institutional Design for Impact. The recognition came amidst tough competition, with more than 200 entries from leading architectural and design firms across Eastern India. The auditorium project has been widely appreciated for its thoughtful design, seamless integration of space, and ability to enhance the overall learning and cultural experience of students. At the ABID IDEA Awards 2nd Edition, an eminent panel of jurors brought their expertise and creative vision to evaluate the entries. The distinguished jury comprised renowned architects and designers: Ar. AshwinLovekar of Lovekar Design Associates, Ar. Hiren Patel of Hiren Patel Architects (HPA), Ar. ShrutiDimri of Lovekar Design Associates, Ar. Sujit Nair of Sujit Nair Design Group, and Ar. Swanzal Kak Kapoor of Saka Studio. (w-mb)

KSMS Fiesta 2K25 crown for Chinmaya Vidyalaya

Mail News Service



Jamshedpur, Aug 30: Vidya Bharati Chinmaya Vidyalaya emerged as the overall champion of the annual inter-school fest KSMS Fiesta 2K25, while Hill Top School secured the runner-up position.

The two-day cultural and academic extravaganza was hosted by Kerala Samajam Model School (KSMS) on August 29 and 30, providing young minds of Jamshedpur a vibrant platform to showcase their skills and creativity.

The fest was inaugurated by Trustee T.K. Sukumaran along with Principal NandiniShukla, Vice-Principals A.L. Abraham, Rina Banerjee, Sujata Singh, and Activity In-charge Shalini Kumar. A total of 18 schools participated in 12 diverse competitions, ranging from Quiz, NrityaNatika, Band, Live Reporting, Advertising, Lab Experiments, and Dance, to Ramp Walk, Robo Mania, and the much-anticipated War of DJs.

In the results, Hill Top School won Rewind and Recall, Elegance Extravaganza, and Hawk Eyed, while VidyaBharatiChinmayaVidyalay a claimed top positions in Alley Rhythms, War of DJs, and Lab Wars. JUSCO School South Park won Gala Glitz, St Mary's English School topped Relaunch 2.0, ADL Sunshine School shone in Robo Mania, JH Tarapore won NrityaNatika, Gulmohar High School excelled in Live from Fiesta, and KPS Gamharia took home the prize for Beyond the Frame.

The grand success of the fest was credited to the dedicated efforts of the core team, including teachers, student in-charges, volunteers, IT staff, and support staff. Senior Activity In-charge Shalini Kumar, assisted by Junior In-charge Payel Roy, was especially appreciated for the smooth execution of the event. (W-mb)

AFFIDAVIT

I, **TUSU MURMU** W/O LATE. DASO MURMU, Nationality Indian, Resident of H. NO. 185, VILL. KHAIRBANI, TOLA BABNIDIH, PO. LUWABASA, PS. CHHOTAGOVINDPUR, DIST. EAST SINGHBHUM, JHARKHAND - 831004, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows:

1. That, I am Indian Citizen by birth.

2. That **DASO MUMRU** S/O LATE. **TATU MURMU,** was my husband and my husband died on 20/11/2024 at our residence at H. NO. 185, VILL. KHAIRBANI, TOLA-BABNIDIH, PO. LUWABASA, PS. CHHOTAGOVINDPUR, DIST. EAST SINGHBHUM, JHARKHAND - 831004, vide Death Certificate No. D20240021410000017, Date of Issue 12-12-2024.

3. That my deceased husband during his lifetime was holder of LIC Policies where my name as a nominee is wrongly recorded as **GURU BARI MURMU & GURUBARI MURMU & TASU MURMU.**

4. That my actual and correct name is **TUSU MURMU** and the same is recorded in my PAN Card, in my Aadhaar Card, in my Voter ID Card and in Death Certificate of my husband.

5. That, **GURU BARI MURMU & GURUBARI MURMU & TASU MURMU & TUSU MURMU** is same and one person, represented by myself.

That I am swearing this affidavit to confirm the facts above written above to produce the same before the authority concern for all intents and for all purposes, hence this affidavit.

Sl. No. : 03
Date : 29-08-2025 Advocate

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Review meeting: DC stresses timely completion and transparency

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Jamshedpur, Aug 30: A review meeting of engineering departments was held under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner Karn Satyarthi at the Collectorate Auditorium, where progress of various infrastructure-related schemes was assessed.

The meeting focused on land acquisition for road construction, inter-departmental coordination, and the status of ongoing projects related to hospitals, government buildings, bridges and other key infrastructure. The Deputy Commissioner emphasized that strengthening basic facilities in both rural and urban areas is essential for balanced development.

He instructed officials to prioritize pending land acquisition processes to ensure that construction work begins without delay. The Deputy Commissioner also directed departmental engineers to maintain quality and transparency in scheme implementation. He warned that continuous monitoring will be done and any negligence will invite strict accountability.

In addition, all executive engineers were asked to compulsorily upload digital details of their respective schemes on the Gram Sampatti Digital Asset Portal for regular monitoring of developmental works.

Deputy Development Commissioner Nagendra Paswan, In-charge District Planning Officer, officials from the Road Construction Department, Rural Works Department, Building Construction Department, and other related officials were present in the meeting. (w-pb)

MoU for maternal and child health services

Mail News Service



Jamshedpur, Aug 30: In a significant step towards strengthening healthcare in the district, the East Singhbhum District Administration signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Sri Sathya Sai Sanjivani Hospital, Jamshedpur, in the presence of Deputy Commissioner Karn Satyarthi. The agreement aims to enhance maternal and child health services, particularly in the remote areas of Musabani block.

As part of the MoU, initiatives such as timely antenatal checkups, identification of high-risk pregnancies, safe deliveries including cesarean procedures, infant vaccinations, malnutrition prevention, postnatal care, and awareness programs for adolescent girls will be undertaken. Additionally, free surgical assistance will be extended to children suffering from congenital heart disease.

Sri Sathya Sai Sanjivani Hospital, in collaboration with the Health Department, will conduct health awareness campaigns, capacity-building workshops, and special camps. The goal of this initiative is to reduce maternal and infant mortality in Musabani, an aspirational block, and ensure that no mother or child is deprived of essential healthcare facilities.

The MoU, effective from 25 July 2025, will remain in force for an initial period of two years. Civil Surgeon Dr. Sahir Pal and representatives from Sri Sathya Sai Sanjivani Hospital were present during the signing ceremony. (w-pb)

Railways to run 150 puja special trains for festive season



Jamshedpur, Aug 30: With the onset of the festive season, Indian Railways has announced a major decision to ease the travel rush. From 21 September to 30 November, 150 Puja special trains will operate across the country, completing a total of 2024 trips.

Every year, passenger traffic increases significantly during Durga Puja, Diwali and Chhath. To manage this surge, Railways has planned additional services to ensure smooth and convenient travel. More than 12,000 trains are set to be run in total during the festive period, and notifications of specific routes have already begun to be issued. According to the Railway authorities, South Central Railway will operate the highest number of 48 special trains, running primarily on Hyderabad, Secunderabad and Vijayawada routes, making 684 trips. East Central Railway will operate 14 trains for Bihar-bound passengers, covering Patna, Gaya, Darbhanga and Muzaffarpur, with 588 trips in total. Eastern Railway will operate 24 trains from Kolkata, Howrah and Sealdah, contributing 198 trips, while Western Railway will run another 24 trains serving Mumbai, Surat and Vadodara routes, making 204 trips. Southern Railway will operate 10 trains in Chennai, Coimbatore and Madurai routes, completing 66 trips.

Apart from these, Railways has also announced that special trains will be run from Bhubaneswar, Puri, Sambalpur, Ranchi, Tatanagar, Prayagraj, Kanpur, Bilaspur, Raipur, Bhopal and Kota. Officials clarified that this is the first installment of special services, and more trains will be announced depending on passenger demand.

Railways has appealed to passengers to make advance bookings to secure confirmed tickets. It has also requested that travelers follow all safety and hygiene guidelines during their journeys. The decision aims to ensure seamless travel for passengers across the country during the festive season, enabling people to celebrate Durga Puja, Diwali and Chhath with their families. With special connectivity from metros to smaller towns, Railways hopes to provide relief to thousands of festive travelers. (w-pb)

Monsoon Day celebrated at Kerala Public School, Kadma



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Jamshedpur, Aug 30: Kerala Public School (KPS), Kadma, celebrated Monsoon Day with vibrant performances and enthusiastic participation from pre-primary students at the school amphitheater.

The event was graced by Principal Sharmila Mukherjee and Headmistress Alamelu Ravishankar. The purpose of the celebration was to help children appreciate the importance of the monsoon season, its role in nature, and to foster creativity through engaging activities.

Around 179 students participated in the program, which began with a rain-themed welcome song. The tiny tots showcased their talents through nursery rhymes, an English speech on the joy of rain, and a rhythmic choral recitation. A colorful dance performance added to the festive spirit, bringing the beauty of the monsoon to life.

Students also spoke about the significance of rain in agriculture and daily living, while a cheerful ramp walk in rain-themed costumes stole the spotlight. Another lively choral recitation reinforced the theme of the day.

The Headmistress delivered an inspiring address, encouraging children to stay connected with nature, followed by a vote of thanks from student Sonakshi Mohanty. The program concluded with the National Anthem, marking the end of a day filled with learning, smiles, and creative expression. (w/gsd)

CDPC demands permanent immersion ghat at Jadugoda Dam

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Jamshedpur, Aug 30: Ashish Gupta, Senior Vice President of the East Singhbhum Central Durga Puja Committee (CDPC) has submitted a six-point demand letter to Dr. Santosh Kumar Sathpathy, Chairman-cum-Managing Director of Uranium Corporation of India Limited (UCIL), Jadugoda. The letter calls for urgent preparations for Durga Puja 2025 and the construction of a permanent immersion ghat at the Jadugoda UCIL Barrage Dam.

Gupta highlighted the recurring difficulties faced during idol immersions at the existing site, which serves around eight Puja committees in the Jadugoda area. He noted that Durga Puja celebrations will begin on 27 September 2025 (Panchami) and conclude on October 2, 2025 (Vijayadashami) with idol immersion. However, the present condition of the ghat was described as "pathetic," with garbage and weeds obstructing safe immersion.

The letter suggested immediate measures for 2025, including:

Cleaning the ghat and removing garbage, constructing temporary stairs with sand-filled jute bags, installing adequate electric lights, deploying cranes and divers in case of emergencies caused by rain or rising water levels and stationing an ambulance with a doctor and compounder during immersion.

Gupta emphasized the long-pending demand for a permanent immersion ghat, which he said would permanently resolve the annual challenges faced by Puja committees.

He further announced plans to meet the Deputy Commissioner and Senior Superintendent of Police of East Singhbhum to request special arrangements for rural Puja committees. Gupta added that, due to the persistent efforts of the Central Durga Puja Committee, facilities for rural celebrations had steadily improved, and the committee would continue working to strengthen these arrangements in the future. (w/gsd)

Jamshedpur to host 35th annual Flower Show from Dec 28

9th AGM of HSJ: New patron welcomed, executive committee for 2025-28 formed

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Jamshedpur, Aug 30: The Horticultural Society of Jamshedpur (HSJ) has announced the dates for its much-awaited 35th Annual Flower Show, which will be held from December 28, 2025, to January 1, 2026. The declaration was made by Chairperson Ruchi Narendran during the Society's 9th Annual General Meeting (AGM), held at the SNTI Auditorium, Bistupur, on Saturday. She also unveiled the schedule and brochure for the Flower Show and "Garden of the Year" competition, which will take place on January 10 and 11, 2026.

Earlier, the meeting began with a welcome address by HSJ President Sumita Nupur, who extended greetings to Chairperson, newly inducted Patron of the Society, D.B. Sundara Ramam (Vice President, Corporate Services, Tata Steel Ltd), and all members present. She also welcomed three new members attending their first AGM.

Nupur recounted the Society's activities over the past year, including the highly successful 34th Annual Flower Show and the 41st Rose Convention-cum-Rose Show. The events witnessed record ticket sales and participation, with more than 230 delegates from across India attending the convention.

She also highlighted free workshops organized for gardeners (Malis) and informed members that the Society's website is now fully functional for sharing updates and event information. Looking ahead, she outlined upcoming plans such as workshops, the Flower Show, Garden of the Year, annual picnic, and Rose Garden maintenance.

New Rose variety dedicated to Ratan Tata

Presenting the Secretarial Report, General Secretary Dr. Anuradha Mohapatra detailed the year's events, including the Annual Flower Show, which recorded a footfall of over 85,000 visitors.

She proudly announced the release of a new Rose variety bred by Sanjay Mukherjee and dedicated to Ratan Tata during the All-India Rose Show.

Treasurer Bipin Kumar presented the audited financial report, which was unanimously approved by the members.

Addressing the gathering, Chairperson Ruchi Narendran praised the Society's achievements and reiterated its commitment to promoting horticulture in the region.

The Chairperson further announced the new Executive Committee for the term 2025-2028. The team includes: President - Sumita Nupur; Vice Presidents - Pranay Sinha, Colonel Earnest Paul, and Ashwani Srivastava; Honorary General Secretary - Dr. Anuradha Mohapatra; Honorary Joint Secretaries - Jayanta Ghosh and Krishnendu Shaw; Treasurer - Bipin Kumar; Assistant Treasurer - Jagdeep Singh Saini; and Coordinators - Manoj Kumar and Jyoti Hansda.

UCIL issues fresh notice to 155 shopkeepers over encroachment



Jadugoda, Aug 30: The Uranium Corporation of India Limited (UCIL) served notices to 155 shopkeepers in Jadugoda for the fourth time, directing them to remove alleged illegal encroachments. The notice, issued by Additional Manager, Tapodhir Bhattacharya, triggered strong resentment among local shopkeepers and street vendors.

Traders at Mod Chowk, including chicken seller Mantu Ojha, questioned the legitimacy of the notice. Ojha argued that the company failed to specify the account number, plot number, and area of the land in its notice, making it unclear whether the land belonged to UCIL or the Public Works Department (PWD). He further stated that he had been running his shop at the same roadside location for over 30 years without obstructing traffic or encroaching on roadways. According to him, the company's action was an attempt to deprive small traders of their livelihoods.

The shopkeepers have demanded that before any eviction, the company should first provide them with an alternative marketplace to continue their businesses.

Meanwhile, the UCIL management has issued an ultimatum, asking vendors to vacate the roadside within three days of receiving the notice. The company had alleged that illegal structures had been erected along the stretch from UCIL Hospital, Jadugoda, to Mod Chowk.

This was the fourth such notice by UCIL, following earlier ones issued on May 6 and June 16, which also sparked protests but did not result in removal of shops. The tension continued as shopkeepers vowed to resist unless a fair solution was provided. (w/gsd)

Stray cattle menace worsens in Jamshedpur, residents demand action

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Jamshedpur, Aug 30: Stray cattle continue to pose a serious threat on the streets of Jamshedpur, with residents living in constant fear of accidents and attacks. Bulls and cows roaming freely in busy areas such as Mango, Sakchi, Bistupur and Kadma have not only disrupted traffic but also caused injuries and deaths in recent years. In 2022, two people lost their lives in bull attacks, sparking panic across the city.

In Sakchi's vegetable market and near hotels in Bistupur, cattle can be seen feeding on garbage and often charging at pedestrians and shopkeepers. "It has become risky to even walk on the streets in the morning. We don't know when a bull will attack," said Rakesh Sharma, a resident of Bistupur.

A 30-day campaign was launched in 2023 by the Jamshedpur Notified Area Committee (JNAC) in collaboration with Ramanand Welfare Society, under which around 50 animals were sent to shelters. However, the initiative was derailed following resistance from anti-social elements and lack of resources.

Similarly, Mango Municipal Corporation handed the responsibility to an agency from Dhanbad, which failed to deliver results. Meanwhile, Tata Steel UISL (formerly JUSCO) remains focused only on sterilisation of stray dogs, leaving the cattle menace unaddressed. Last month, a scooter rider was injured after being hit by a bull in Sakchi, while a morning walker was attacked by stray dogs in Kadma, further amplifying public anger. Residents allege that local bodies are deliberately ignoring the issue. "Cow shelters are in poor shape, there is no staff and the authorities are doing nothing concrete," complained Sunita Devi, a Mango resident. Despite Supreme Court and Rajasthan High Court directions to act against stray cattle, no comprehensive plan has been rolled out in Jamshedpur. Citizens are now demanding that urban bodies establish helplines, improve shelters and conduct regular drives to ensure public safety.

Karam Mahotsav at Gopal Maidan today, Ministers and MPs to attend

Jamshedpur, August 30: The Kurmi Sena will host Karam Mahotsav on Sunday, August 31, at Gopal Maidan, Bistupur, showcasing the vibrant traditions and culture of Jharkhand. Preparations for the event have reached the final stage, with a variety of cultural and religious programs scheduled.

The celebration will begin at 2 PM with a magic show by renowned magician Kingshuk Mukherjee of Kolkata. This will be followed by cultural performances from 3 PM, including Jhumar songs by Pihu Rani Mahato of Kharagpur, West Bengal. From 4 PM onwards, artists from Jharkhand and Odisha will present traditional dance and music performances.

The main event will feature the worship of the Karam tree branch, honoring tribal traditions, along with the felicitation of distinguished guests. As part of the ceremony, fruit plants will also be distributed to spread environmental awareness.(w/gsd)

Daily traffic chaos in Jugsalai, residents blame laxity of police and Council

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Jamshedpur, Aug 30: Residents and traders of Jugsalai, the wholesale hub of Jamshedpur and Kolhan, continue to grapple with severe traffic jams every day. Despite repeated complaints, neither the traffic police nor the Municipal Council has taken effective steps to resolve the issue.

The narrow market roads, including Station Road, Bata Chowk, Gaushala Road and Gaurishankar Road, remain choked from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. as shopkeepers and customers park two-wheelers and four-wheelers on the roadside. Adding to the chaos, wholesale traders load goods like grains, cloth and stationery directly onto trucks and tempos in the middle of the road. "If 407 trucks are banned from entering Station Road and tempos are parked on branch roads for loading, jams will ease significantly," suggested ex-serviceman Satyendra Kumar Singh.

Residents have demanded one-way traffic on Gwalpada Road and Gurudwara Road to reduce congestion. They have also urged authorities to shift roadside vegetable shops into the new market. Despite these suggestions being raised multiple times in the Municipal Council's complaint register, no strict action has been taken.

The situation is particularly grim for Mamta vehicles carrying pregnant women and children, as well as school buses, which remain stuck for long hours in the afternoon. Fire services also face delays due to vehicles parked on both sides of narrow lanes, making it difficult for engines to reach fire spots on time.

"Traffic jams in Jugsalai are tarnishing the image of the city. Strict action will be taken against roadside parking and we are in discussions with traffic police to improve the system," said Sandeep Paswan, Executive Officer, Jugsalai Municipal Council.

Until then, thousands of residents and visitors remain trapped in daily gridlocks, with honking, pollution and frustration becoming a routine reality.

DRM KGP conducts extensive railway inspection

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Kharagpur, Aug 30: Lalit Mohan Pandey, Divisional Railway Manager (DRM) of Kharagpur Division, conducted an extensive inspection today across key railway installations to review safety, infrastructure, and operational preparedness.

The inspection began at Abada Station and Panel Room, where the DRM reviewed signaling operations and safety systems. At the Sankrail Goods Terminal Yard, he assessed freight handling efficiency, yard management, and safety measures related to goods movement. Moving to Amta Station and Panel Room, Pandey evaluated passenger amenities, operational readiness, and the robustness of signaling systems. The inspection concluded at the Tikiapara Car Shed, where he closely examined EMU rake maintenance standards, safety protocols, and the overall preparedness of suburban services. During his visit, the DRM interacted with frontline railway staff, reviewed safety arrangements in detail, and emphasized the importance of continuous improvement to meet growing operational challenges. He reiterated that Kharagpur Division remained committed to ensuring safe, efficient, and reliable passenger and freight services while maintaining the highest standards of service delivery. (w/gsd)

TMWU leaders honored in welcome ceremony



Jamshedpur, Aug 30: A grand welcome was organized on Saturday at Tata Motors' Foundry Division and Union Office to honor Union President Shashi Bhushan Prasad and General Secretary RK Singh. The event, hosted by the RK Singh Fans Club, was attended by division officials, union members, and employees who recently completed their TMST and apprenticeship, now included in the list of permanent workers.

At the Foundry Division, the ceremony was conducted by Saket Bhattacharya, with a vote of thanks delivered by Ranvijay Singh. Foundry Division Head Dr. Padan Singh and other senior officials felicitated the leaders with shawls, garlands, and bouquets.

Later at the Union Office, the RK Singh Fans Club organized a program where members, employees, and well-wishers extended their appreciation. Addressing the gathering, RK Singh emphasized that the union was like a family, urging members to stand by workers in times of need, happiness, or crisis. He reminded them to uphold the union's values and maintain its reputation. Singh also congratulated newly permanent workers and thanked the Fans Club for its dedicated efforts.

Union President Shashi Bhushan Prasad echoed his sentiments, stating that RK Singh's leadership spoke for itself. He encouraged members to share constructive suggestions to strengthen the union's standing before management.

The event featured welcome addresses by Ajay Singh Babbu, General Secretary of the Fans Club, with proceedings conducted by Ashok Singh and a vote of thanks given by Jaswant Singh. The atmosphere remained festive, reaffirming trust in the leadership of RK Singh and the unity of the union. (w/gsd)



Former Captain of Indian Football team Bhaichung Bhutia greets Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren in Ranchi on Saturday, August 30, 2025.

Three arrested in Sitaramdera youth's death, counter case filed

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Jamshedpur, Aug 30: Police have arrested three persons in connection with the death of youth Rahul Bhuiyan, who was beaten on allegations of theft near Chhayanagar Dandi Medical in the Sitaramdera police station area. Based on a complaint filed by Rahul's family, Shubham Sharma alias Tinku (resident of Bhuiyandih Nirmal Nagar), Suraj Kumar Ravi (Mango, Daiguttu Road No. 6), and Santosh Kumar Srivastava (Sitaramdera Hume Pipe, Chandinagar) were named as accused, along with two unidentified individuals. Police swiftly conducted raids and arrested the three named accused. Efforts were underway to trace the remaining suspects.

In a twist, Shubham Sharmahas filed a counter-case against Rahul, alleging that Rahul and his associates, Vicky Bhuiyan and Avinash Bhuiyan, were caught stealing iron from his shop around 2:30 a.m. on August 29. A dispute allegedly escalated into the fatal incident.

Police officials confirmed that complaints had been filed by both sides, and an impartial investigation was underway. Rahul's body was handed over to his family after post-mortem. To prevent unrest, additional police forces had been deployed in the area. (w/gsd)

Fourth Annual Mahasar Mata Festival today at Bistupur Tulsi Bhawan

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Jamshedpur, Aug 30: The Fourth Annual festival of Kuldevi Mahasar Mata will be celebrated on Sunday, August 31 (Ashtami Tithi) at the AC Hall of Tulsi Bhawan, Bistupur. Organizers have confirmed that all preparations for the religious event have been completed. The rituals will begin at 5:30 PM with Puja, followed by Bhajan programs from 7 PM onwards. The court of Mata will be adorned with floral decorations prepared by artisans from Kolkata. The Puja rituals will be conducted under the guidance of Sanjay Guruji of Mahasar Dham, assisted by Pandit Ramji Parikh. Five Yajmans, along with their wives, will jointly perform the Puja.

Highlights of the celebration will include the divine flame of Mata Rani, Chunri Utsav, Chhappan Bhog, Mahaprasad, shower of flowers, and scented offerings. Renowned artistes Hrithik Jain (Agra), Sanjay Agarwal (Raigarh, Chhattisgarh), and local singer Rohit Gulati will present devotional Bhajans. The organizers, Deepak Bhalotia and Rajesh Pasari of Shri Mahasar Mata Parivar, have extended a warm invitation to all devotees. Preparations are being supported by Mata's followers, including Pradeep Mittal, Tony Bhalotia, Sushil Agarwal, Ganesh Bhalotia, and others. (w/gsd)

Champai leads call for tribal unity over land acquisition dispute

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Jamshedpur, Aug 30: Former Jharkhand Chief Minister ChampaiSoren on Saturday said leaders and heads of tribal communities will organise an 'AdivasiMahadarbar' in Ranchi district's Nagri in October to chalk out the future course of action against land acquisition for a multi-crore state-run health institute.

Soren was placed under house arrest on Sunday last to prevent law and order issues due to the 'Hal Joto, RopaRopo' (plough field, plant sapling) protest organised by tribal outfits over the same issue. Over 20 tribal groups, farmers and land owners took part in the agitation at the site where the Rs 1,074-crore RIMS-2 hospital project has been proposed by Jharkhand government. "Once again, I would like to remind the government that our protest is not against the proposed RIMS-2 hospital. Not one, you (the state government) build ten hospitals but certainly not on farmers agricultural land as human need grains more than medicine," Soren, the BJP MLA from Seraikela assembly constituency, said in a statement. "I would like to make it clear that whenever any attempt to acquire the land of adivasis/moolvasis or displace them is made, I would protest and stand with the community," he warned. Referring the FIR lodged against him and others following Sunday's Nagri protest, Soren said, "The anti-adivasi government should know that ploughing and planting saplings on their own land is not a crime. Hence, the government should withdraw the case." Commenting on allegations made by ministers and legislators about bringing in outsiders during the Nagri protest, Soren questioned, "I would ask them to go through the First Information Report, where the names of only adivasis and moolvasis are mentioned as accused." "One can understand the mentality of the state government which brands members of the tribal community as outsiders and treats Bangladeshi infiltrators as their own," Soren alleged.



On the occasion of Ganesh Puja organised by Mahakal Seva Samiti in Kadma Shastri Nagar Block Nagar 4, prasad was distributed on Saturday, August 30.

Bihar Dy CM targets Rahul over his meeting with Makhana farmers

Patna, Aug 30 (IANS) With only a short time left for the Bihar Assembly elections, political parties have stepped up their campaigns to mobilise workers.

In this sequence, the NDA organised a workers' conference in Katihar, where Deputy Chief Minister Samrat Choudhary addressed party members at the High School Ground in Korha in the district.

During his speech, Samrat Choudhary launched a sharp attack on Congress leader Rahul Gandhi and RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav, mocking Gandhi's recent meeting with Makhana farmers during the Voter Adhikar Yatra.

Controversial leader Chandan Yadav arrested in police raid

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Jamshedpur, Aug 30: On Saturday afternoon, a joint team from Sidgora and Jugsalai police stations arrested alleged social worker and political activist Chandan Yadav from his hideout. He was immediately taken to Sidgora police station for interrogation. The raid, conducted with strict confidentiality, surprised locals and quickly drew a crowd. Eyewitnesses described the arrest as sudden and unexpected, sparking widespread speculation. Police sources revealed that Yadav has faced multiple controversial allegations in the past, though he has not been convicted in any case so far. At present, Yadav is undergoing intensive questioning, but officials have refused to disclose details, stating only that the matter was under investigation. Locals believed this could be a major breakthrough, potentially leading to significant revelations. For now, the city's attention remained focused on the outcome of the police probe and whether it confirmed the longstanding allegations against Yadav. (w/gsd)

Rotary West holds anaemia screening camp in Musabani

Jamshedpur, Aug 29: Rotary Club Jamshedpur West organized an Anaemia Screening Camp at Seth Trilok Chand Gupta SaraswatiShishuVidyaMandir, Parulia, on Tuesday under the initiative of Rotarian Kamal Gupta.

During the camp, all school children were examined free of cost. Several were found to be anaemic and were provided with three months of free medication. Kamal Gupta also addressed the students, advising them on healthy lifestyle practices to prevent anaemia and maintain overall well-being. The program was attended by the school's president Prem Kumar Gupta, secretaryVrishketuBera, principal Vinod Prasad, along with teachers and staff. Expressing his commitment, Kamal Gupta assured that the camp would be organized again next year. Rotary Club Jamshedpur West is actively conducting Anemia Screening Programs across the region. Institutions interested in hosting similar camps can reach out to Rotary West President Ashok Jha for collaboration. (w-mb)

Vidya Jyoti School celebrates National Sports Day with great enthusiasm

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Gamharia, Aug 30 : Vidya Jyoti School, Gamharia, celebrated National Sports Day with a two-day program to honor the birth anniversary of hockey legend Major Dhyan Chand. The event showcased students' sporting talent, teamwork, and school spirit through a series of competitions including cross-country races, football matches, and athletics. The school ensured inclusivity in sports activities, providing every student with an opportunity to participate and display their abilities. Principal Sunil Kumar Jha emphasized the importance of nurturing well-rounded students who excel not only in academics but also in extracurricular pursuits. Vice Principal Anand Kumar Singh added that the Sports Day celebrations were designed to be inclusive, engaging, and joyful for all participants. The efforts of Sports Department members Asha Das, Karamu Mandal, and Jagdish Sinku were highly appreciated for their role in making the program a success.

School Driver Seriously Injured in Sundarnagar Bike Collision

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Jamshedpur, Aug 30: A head-on collision between two bikes near the washing center in the Sundarnagar police station area on Saturday morning left a school driver critically injured. The victim, Rajpreet, a driver of a school at Sundarnagar Chowk, suffered severe injuries, with one leg completely fractured. Locals rushed him to Sadar Hospital, Khasmahal, from where doctors referred him to MGM Hospital for advanced treatment.

According to eyewitnesses, the collision was extremely forceful. Taking advantage of the chaos, the other biker fled the scene with his vehicle. Police have begun a search for the absconding driver. Residents said Rajpreet was returning from Neeldungri when the accident occurred. They also complained about over-speeding on this stretch, which they claimed led to frequent accidents. Locals have urged police to enforce stricter traffic control measures in the area.(w/gsd)

Special outreach camp provides free health services

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Jamshedpur, Aug 30: A special outreach health camp was organized at Madrasa ZiyaDarulKirat, Mango, through a joint initiative of the Urban Health Mission, Jamshedpur, and Human Welfare Trust.

The camp offered free medical services to local residents, with around 250 patients undergoing check-ups including blood pressure, blood sugar, and other essential tests. Free medicines were also distributed to the patients. In addition, facilities were provided to issue Ayushman Vaya Vandana Yojna cards for senior citizens above 70 years of age, ensuring they received continued access to government health benefits. The event saw the participation of Dr. Adil Jamshed Bhuri, Dr. Lovely Anand, Dr. Sajid Anwar, Public Health Manager Suman Kumar Mandal, Lab Technician Nageshwar Murmu, Dhiraj Mandal, Varun Pal, along with Human Welfare Trust President MatinulHaq Ansari, Secretary Mukhtar Alam Khan, Mohammad Moinuddin Ansari, Dr. Zarina Khan, ShariqAnwar, and local Sahaiya) workers. The organizers emphasized that the initiative was aimed at extending healthcare to weaker and marginalized sections of society. Both Urban Health Mission and Human Welfare Trust assured that similar camps will be held in the future so that more people can access quality health services free of cost. (w/gsd)

Major Dhyan Chand Boxing Competition in Baridih

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Jamshedpur, Aug 30: The East Singhbhum District Boxing Association organized a district-level Major Dhyan Chand Boxing Competition on the occasion of International Sports Day at the Community Center in Baridih. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from young athletes across the district.

The competition was graced by several dignitaries. K. Raju, in-charge of Jharkhand Pradesh Congress Committee, attended as the chief guest. Among the special guests were State Congress President Keshav Mahato Kamlesh, former MP and ex-State President Pradeep Kumar Balmuchu, and former Minister Banna Gupta.

Addressing the participants, Chief Guest K. Raju lauded the immense sporting potential of Jharkhand's youth. He emphasized that with the right guidance, discipline, and consistent practice, the state's players could excel nationally and internationally. He also underlined the importance of sportsmanship and perseverance as the true hallmarks of success.

The competition featured several thrilling bouts, with the winners receiving prizes, medals, and certificates of honor. The event highlighted the growing interest of local youth in boxing and other sports.

The organizing committee of the District Boxing Association, including Anand Bihari Dubey, Samant Kumar, Gurupado Gorai, Sushil Ghosh, Atul Gupta, and Rana Banerjee, played key roles in ensuring the program's success. Their coordinated efforts were widely appreciated. (w/gsd)

Union Minister Sanjay Seth chairs DISHA Meeting



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Seraikela, Aug 30: A meeting of the District Development Coordination and Monitoring Committee (DISHA) was held at the District Collectorate auditorium under the chairmanship of Union Minister of State for Defence Sanjay Seth. The meeting reviewed the progress of schemes being run under various departments.

Kharsawan MLA Dashrath Gagrai, Ichagarh MLA Savita Mahato, Deputy Commissioner Nitish Kumar Singh, Superintendent of Police Mukesh Lunayat, District Council President Sonaram Bodra, Deputy Development Commissioner Reena Hansda and senior officials were present.

The Union Minister reviewed key schemes including PMGSY, MNREGA, Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana, drinking water, electricity, education, health, social welfare and road construction. He directed officials to repair or replace faulty transformers before Durga Puja, launch a district-wide cleanliness drive on Gandhi Jayanti, resolve public grievances within time, and speed up pending PMGSY works.

He also stressed on better health facilities, presence of doctors at sub-centres, provision of basic amenities in Anganwadi centres, and early start of dialysis services at Chandil Hospital. On education, he directed that sports equipment and basic facilities be ensured in schools and 100% enrollment of eligible students in residential schools. He underlined that the government's priority is to ensure schemes reach the last person in remote villages. (W-pb)

Poster of National Junior Chess Championship-2025 unveiled



Seraikela, Aug 30: The poster of the 54th National Junior Chess Championship-2025 was unveiled at the District Collectorate auditorium by Union Minister of State for Defence Sanjay Seth in the presence of senior officials and public representatives. The championship will be held from 16 to 24 December 2025 at Wave International, Asanbani, Seraikela - Kharsawan. The event will serve as a selection competition for the Asian and World Youth Chess Championship-2026. Speaking on the occasion, Sanjay Seth said Jharkhand has been a land of talent and youth are making their mark globally through intellectual games like chess. He assured full support for the establishment of a Tribal Chess Academy in Seraikela and expressed hope that Union Sports Minister Mansukh Mandaviya would attend the event as a special guest.

District Chess Association President Manoj Kumar, Secretary Ajay Kumar, Patron Arun Pathak and Rajesh Jha were present along with sports enthusiasts. The championship is being organised by Seraikela -Kharsawan District Chess Association under the aegis of All Jharkhand Chess Association with support from the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India. (W-pb)

Consumer dispute between IDBI Bank and customer resolved

Mail News Service

Chaibasa, Aug 30: The District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, West Singhbhum, Chaibasa, settled consumer case number 07/2025 between Ganesh Das Mundhra and IDBI Bank, Chaibasa branch.

During the hearing, the bank presented documents showing that the pending fixed deposit (FD) interest had been credited. The complainant's advocate L.N. Mundhra agreed to the settlement. Following oral prayers from both sides to close the matter, the Commission declared the case as "settled." (W-pb)

Consumer commission orders Sahara to pay investor within 45 Days

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Chaibasa, Aug 30: In a significant ruling, the District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Chaibasa, has ordered Sahara-linked Humara India Credit Co-operative Society Ltd. and the Sahara India branch manager to pay Rs 3,40,000 to complainant Rajendra Mandal, resident of Civil Court Staff Quarters, Sadar Block, Chaibasa.

Mandal had invested Rs 1,50,000 in the "Golden A Double Scheme" in 2016 with a maturity value of Rs 3,00,000 due in June 2021. The amount was never paid. The Commission held Sahara guilty of gross negligence and unfair trade practice. The order directs Sahara to pay Rs 3,00,000 maturity amount, Rs 35,000 compensation and Rs 5,000 litigation expenses within 45 days, failing which 9% annual interest will be levied. The Commission emphasised Sahara's responsibility to return consumer deposits and directed the order to be uploaded on the official website.

Placement Drive at Mega Skill Center

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Saraikela, Aug 30: A placement drive was organized at the Mega Skill CenterSaraikela by Vinayak Fundamental Research and Education Society under the aegis of the Jharkhand Skill Development Mission Society. The drive saw the participation of CSC Skill and Kharsawan Training Center beneficiaries under the Birsa Yojna program.

A total of 50 candideates took part in the event, of which 10 were selected by Sahana Clothing Private Limited, Tripura. <

During the program, sewing machines were distributed to two beneficiaries, and toolkits were provided to five others. Additionally, offer letters were handed over to 17 candidates of CMC Skill Saraikela who had successfully completed their training.

Representatives from the participating companies, including Pawan Kumar of Sahana Clothing Pvt. Ltd. and Sanjay Kumar of SCM Garments, interacted with the trainees, sharing valuable insights on placement opportunities, career growth, and associated benefits.

The event was conducted with the support of Rakesh Kumar, Santosh Kumar, Bhumika Kesari, Manisha, Mamta Kumari, Muskan Kumari, Preeti Kumari, Pragati Kumari, Lakshmi Kumari, and Anil Kumar, under the guidance of Shaurya Vaibhav, Chief Executive Officer of Vinayak Fundamental Research and Education Society. (w/gsd)

6th Aviral Memorial Inter-School Badminton Competition

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Chaibasa, Aug 30: The 6th Aviral Memorial Inter-School Badminton Competition 2025 was inaugurated at Birsa Munda Indoor Stadium, Chaibasa, under the banner of West Singhbhum District Badminton Association. The event is sponsored by Madhusudan Vidyalaya, Asantalia, Chakradharpur, and Doctor C.A. Memorial Trust.

District Sports Officer Markash Hembram and Madhusudan Director Balraj Kumar Hindwar jointly inaugurated the competition by hitting the shuttle after introducing themselves to the participants. Encouraging the students, Hembram said, "Behind every victory lies years of hard work. Players must dedicate themselves with discipline and consistency to achieve success." He also appreciated the efforts of the association in promoting badminton among young children.

Balraj Kumar Hindwar, while extending support, said Madhusudan Vidyalaya has been sponsoring the competition for the past five years. "Earlier, participation was low, but now even small boys and girls are competing, which is very encouraging. I assure continued support in the future," he said.

Association secretary Ashok Joshi informed that 255 players from 18 schools of the district are competing in different age groups. Principals, coaches, sports teachers and a large number of badminton lovers attended the event. The programme was conducted by Jagdish Jamuda. (W-pb)

Jail Security Committee to promote education for inmates



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Chaibasa, Aug 30: A meeting of the District Jail Security Committee was held under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner Chandan Kumar at the Collectorate auditorium. Civil Surgeon, Deputy Collector (General Branch), Sadar Sub-Divisional Officer, SDPO, Jail Superintendent, DEO, Executive Engineer and other officials participated. The Deputy Commissioner instructed authorities to prepare separate lists of inmates interested in education and vocational training such as computer skills and tailoring, so that teachers can be deputed accordingly. Directions were also issued to ensure availability of doctors, upgrade solar panels, and provide separate taps for drinking water. The Deputy Commissioner further stressed strengthening all measures related to jail security and ensuring strict compliance with previous instructions. (W-pb)

Adi Karmayogi Abhiyan aims for 100% tribal welfare scheme coverage

Chaibasa, Aug 30: District Deputy Commissioner briefed the media today on the objectives of the Adi Karmayogi Abhiyan, launched to ensure full coverage of major schemes for the development and welfare of Scheduled Tribes. Under the initiative, Aadi Seva Kendras will be established in every village as one-stop centres providing information, contact points and grievance redressal. Village development plans will also be prepared through convergence. The Deputy Commissioner stressed the role of trainers in implementing schemes effectively at grassroots level. A district-level orientation programme was held, where participants took an oath to contribute to tribal development and later underwent training sessions by master trainers. (W-pb)

National Sports Day celebrated

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Chaibasa, Aug 30: The West Singhbhum District Olympic Association celebrated National Sports Day with rugby football matches at the association ground. In the women's category, Nandini Group defeated Albina Group 10-0, while in the men's category, Birwal Group beat Mathura Group 15-5. Winners were felicitated with trophies by association president Nitin Prakash.

Floral tributes were offered to Major Dhyan Chand at the Olympic office by association members including Nitin Prakash, Niraj Sandwar, Kashmir Kandeyang, Ajay Nayak, Sanjay Choubey, Deepak Paswan, and sports representatives from the region. (W-pb)

AASTHA Celebrates Teachers' Day at Gyan Ganga Public School



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Jamshedpur, Aug 30: In memory of the great philosopher and former President of India, Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, the social and cultural organization AASTHA organized a Vriksha-Mitra program on Saturday, August 30, 2025, at Gyan Ganga Public School, Mirzadih, Boram Block, East Singhbhum. The event was part of the run-up to Teachers' Day (September 5) celebrations.The program began with the planting of 10 Ashoka saplings within the school premises by teachers, students, and AASTHA members. JayantiDutt (Vice President, AASTHA) and Prashant Krishnan (General Secretary, AASTHA) addressed the students, highlighting Dr. Radhakrishnan's ideals and the importance of education alongside environmental conservation. They emphasized the role of trees as "friends of life," providing oxygen, shade, fruits, and flowers.

Later, 80 indoor plants in eco-friendly jute bags were distributed among students, while Amrapalimango saplings were gifted to the school secretary, principal, and staff. A painting competition on the theme Tree-Friend was also organized for classes 5 to 9, with 94 students participating. Winners included Ishika, Shampa, Rashmi (Class 5), Nupur, Siya, Riya (Class 6), Purush, Shrutika, Ashtami (Class 7), Mukesh, Anisha, Anjali (Class 8), and Riya, Sanjana, Abhinav (Class 9). The school, an English-medium residential institution with about 500 students (including 150 boarders), witnessed enthusiastic participation. Key attendees included School Secretary Madhukar Kumar, Principal Nidhi Ghai, and AASTHA members Jayanti Dutt, Anita Singh, Bhramar Bhattacharjee, Prashant Krishnan, Shatrughan Singh, Rajesh Trivedi, Arun Kumar, S.V.S. Tyagi, Vinod Kumar, and Kamakhya Prasad. Concluding the event, Shatrughan Singh elaborated on AASTHA's ongoing socio-cultural initiatives, while Anita Singh extended gratitude to the school administration for their support. (w/gsd)

Ho Museum to celebrate 8th Foundation Day

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Chaibasa, Aug 30: Preparations are underway to celebrate the 8th foundation day of the museum on Ho tribal life philosophy located at Madhya Vidyalaya, Devdhar, under Majhgaon block on 31 August. Built with support from MLA Niral Purti, the museum houses a collection of items used by the Ho tribes from birth to death. Former Deputy Director of Education, Kolhan Division, Arvind Vijay Bilung, who inspired the establishment of the museum, will be present. Minister Deepak Birua and MLA Niral Purti have also been invited. The event is being coordinated under the leadership of school in-charge Jagdish Savaiyan, with support from teachers, parents and the school management committee. (W-pb)

Seminar on Eye Donation

Chaibasa, Aug 30: A seminar on eye donation was organised in the auditorium of Sadar Hospital Chaibasa under the aegis of the District Health Committee - Blindness Control Programme. Civil Surgeon Dr Sushanto Kumar Majhi urged people to donate eyes and inspire others, calling it a noble act. Additional Chief Medical Officer Dr Bharti Minj highlighted the urgent need for corneal transplants in India. Ophthalmologist Dr Celine Sosan Topno said that those who donate eyes achieve the fortune of giving sight even after death. Eye Officer Dr Manoj Singh Munda added that one person's donation benefits two blind individuals. The event saw participation from staff nurses, trainee ANMs, and health officials including Dr Meenu Kumari and Mary Karuna Toppo. (W-pb)

Rural and Indigenous Tribal Sports Competition-2025 inaugurated

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Seraikela, Aug 30: The district-level Rural and Indigenous Tribal Sports Competition-2025 was inaugurated at Birsa Munda Stadium, Seraikela , on Saturday. The event was opened by Deputy Commissioner Nitish Kumar Singh, who marked the inauguration by shooting an arrow.

Speaking on the occasion, the Deputy Commissioner said the objective of the event was to promote tribal sports and provide a platform to rural talents who practice without resources. Earlier, Superintendent of Police Mukesh Kumar Lunayat, District Education Superintendent Kailash Mishra, Information and Public Relations Officer Avinash Kumar, District Sports Officer Amit Kumar, District Olympic Association President Manoj Kumar, District Archery Association Secretary Sumant Chandra Mohanty and others inaugurated the programme by lighting the ceremonial lamp.

Artists of Lok Kala Manch Kharsawan presented colourful cultural performances to mark the event. Traditional games including archery, slingshot, sekkor and matka race were organised along with indoor games like chess. Winners were felicitated by District Sports Officer Amit Kumar. Several local officials and sports enthusiasts played key roles in the success of the competition.

Kuchai girls shine in Sekkor: Enthusiasm marked the district-level Rural and Indigenous Tribal Sports Competition-2025 as local players showcased their skills in traditional and rural games.

In the girls' category of Sekkor , the Kuchai team clinched the first position, while Kharsawan stood second. The boys' title went jointly to STR Sanjay Seraikela and Saint Francis. In slingshot, Birsa Shandil and Vijay Munda secured first and second places respectively in the boys' category, while Sonam Shandil and Kiran Purti topped the girls' category.

In the matka race, Rupali Gagarai claimed the first position, followed by Saloni Chaki and Rupa Kurli. Traditional archery also saw tough competition — in the boys' 30-metre category, Vishal Kumar and Dhanraj Nag finished first and second, while Deepali Raj and Nandini Kumari topped the girls' section. In the 20-metre event, Jai Kishan and Sumit Kumar led the boys' category, while Shruti Kumari and Neha Kumari secured the top two spots in the girls' category. (W-pb)

1 in 4 millennials paid unfairly

Amid generational shifts and emerging technologies in the workplace, a report on Wednesday showed that one in four millennials is being paid unfairly for their work, while one in five are experiencing job insecurity.

The report by Great Place To Work India provides an in-depth view of how the millennial workforce is experiencing the workplace in 2025.

While most millennials agreed on working in physically safe environments, which also promoted their social and mental well-being, financial well-being was found to be the lowest.

"One in four millennials indicated they are being paid unfairly for the work they do. This suggests a need for organisations to understand and address equity and pay parity among their employees," the report said.

In addition, one in five millennials reported experiencing job insecurity, indicating that organisational communication and transparency may be key areas for improvement, the report added.

Further, 17 per cent of millennials reported that they do not experience a positive experience of psychological and emotional safety at work. This can have direct implications for overall organisational performance.

The report also highlighted that millennials who feel psychologically safe are twice as likely to express the desire to stay longer with their organisation, underscoring the critical role this plays in driving employee trust, retention, and commitment.

"In the year 2025, millennials represent a vital mass of 63 per cent of India's workforce. Our recent study indicates that while millennials feel empowered through training and learning, they highly value holistic wellbeing and seek psychological safety, opportunities for growth, and job security," said Balbir Singh, CEO, Great Place To Work, India.

"Organisations that listen to and act on this feedback do noticeably better in terms of overall experience and retention of millennials, thereby improving trust levels and the organisation's overall performance. As millennials continue to pursue growth and impact opportunities, they are shaping the workplaces of today and guiding the next generation entering the workforce," he said, recommending organisations to invest in millennials.

In terms of career development, only 47 per cent of millennials reported having access to significant opportunities to innovate, which may limit their ability to apply newly acquired skills or contribute ideas in meaningful ways.

Fifteen per cent of millennials expressed an intent to leave their current organisation, with higher rates observed in sectors such as IT and professional services. In contrast, industries like retail and manufacturing showed a relatively lower attrition risk, the report said.

From the Editorial Desk

How Manali's left bank road is region's lifeline in monsoon mayhem?



The decades-old alternate least-maintained road link to this picturesque tourist resort in Himachal Pradesh with a heritage tag via the left bank of the Beas river is coming to the rescue of people whenever the mighty river washes away a major portion of the national highway, which falls on the river's right side, especially in monsoon floods.

Locals say the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) should strengthen the left bank road on priority by making it a double lane to ensure the safety of motorists and round-the-year connectivity, as it largely does not fall along the riverbank.

In this monsoon fury, when the swollen river gnaws at the national highway and washes away a large portion of stretches beyond imagination, this humble road comes alive -- rescuing the stranded, carrying essentials, and offering a way out when the main artery lies broken.

For the locals, the story repeats itself with clockwork cruelty.

"Every year, the river shows its might, and every year, people fear they will be marooned. It is the left bank road that silently shoulders the burden," says Ramesh Thakur, taxi operator of Jagatsukh village, who has ferried tourists through these battered hills for two decades.

The left bank road via Naggar, famous for Naggar Castle and Russian artist Nicholas Roerich's grand estate, comprises premises of the Indian-Russian Memorial Complex, which was carved in the late 1950s, modest in build and meant as a supporting link. But with the highway routinely battered by landslides and floods, the left bank road link has become more than a backup - it is the region's lifeline.

Villagers along the stretch say the lesson is obvious. Instead of pouring crores into repairing a highway that the river reclaims each season, the NHAI should prioritise a double-lane of the Manali route permanently along the left bank, they said.

"Why waste money filling the same cavities year after year? The alignment already exists, and it saves both resources and time," argues a school teacher. Every time the Beas swells, tourists are seen lugging backpacks across broken bridges, while trucks line up with supplies dwindling on the highway. On the other side, the left bank road, narrower and steeper and dotted with large potholes with poor drainage, still manages to carry them home. For residents, it is not just a question of convenience, but of survival.

"When medicines cannot reach Manali and beyond the landlocked remote Lahaul Valley, when vegetables rot before they arrive, it is this road that saves us," says Sushil Negi, a local shopkeeper.

A state government functionary told IANS the alignment work to double-lane the left bank road has not been completed yet, despite a survey being conducted three years ago. Before this, the right bank Kullu-Manali double-lane highway will be improved and repaired by the NHAI. It was badly damaged in the disaster of 2023, too.

In the Nerchowk to Manali section, four-laning has been done till Ramshila near Kullu town. The 37-km-long double-lane stretch from Ramshila to Manali falls on the right bank.

"With the Manali left bank road becoming double-lane, tourists coming from the country and abroad will get relief. At present, the left bank road is narrow. Tourists have to face difficulties due to jams and potholes on the road," Prem Thakur, who runs a hotel in Manali, told IANS.

He said a two-lane road on the left bank would be a long-term investment as it doesn't lie along the river course, meaning less damage from the river fury.

Also, he said, thousands of people living on the left bank will get better road facilities.

Yesteryear's 'Paraya Dhan', a hit Hindi movie of 1971 starring Balraj Sahni, Hema Malini and Rakesh Roshan, was also shot on the left bank of Manali.

Horrifying visuals showed buildings and bridges collapsing like a pack of cards in the blink of an eye in Himachal Pradesh. Torrential rain battered the state, causing 31 deaths from June 20 to August 28 and loss of Rs 275,354 lakh.

As per the state Emergency Operations Centre, locals believe that nature does not kill, and human-induced activities do.As the rain continues to lash the mountains, the call grows louder: double-lane the left bank to prevent devastation by floods in future to the Kullu-Manali highway, before the next flood writes the same old story again.

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Operation Sindoor: How India averted a global terror front in Kashmir



Before Operation Sindoor, a new terror order was taking place in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK). That order was looking strong, and had the alliance gone through as planned, then it would have been a major security headache for India, especially in Jammu and Kashmir (J&K).

However, this order was dismantled in a matter of thirty minutes thanks to the armed forces who carried out Operation Sindoor to avenge the Pahalgam attack in which 26 innocents were killed.

On one hand, the Indian government had given a free hand to the security agencies to eliminate terrorists and their networks in Jammu and Kashmir. On the other hand the Hamas was being beaten down badly by the Israelis.

Realising that even though geographically apart, both the terror groups fighting in Kashmir and Hamas need to show solidarity with each other. They felt that this move would unite all Islamic terror outfits across the globe.

To facilitate this announcement, a 'Kashmir Solidarity and Hamas Operation 'Al Aqsa Conference was held at the Shaheed Sabir Stadium in Rawalkot. It was attended by the top leaders of Hamas, Lashkar-e-Tayiba, Jaish-e-Muhammad and Hizbul Mujahideen. During the meeting, provocative speeches had been made against India and Israel. It was decided that it was time to take Kashmir back from India.

The announcement of a tie-up between these terror groups was made on February 5 which which is observed as Kashmir Solidarity Day in Pakistan. The announcement was made in the presence of several Palestinians who were present. A top Hamas leader, Dr Khalid Al-Qadoumi, was also present at the meeting.

While all looked set, Pakistan decided to indulge in a misadventure in Pahalgam. India decided that the retaliation would be a strong one, and the doctrine that every attack of terror would be treated as an act of war would henceforth be followed.

During Operation Sindoor, the Indian armed forces carried out multiple precision strikes both in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir. The biggest hits were the Bahawalpur headquarters of the Jaish-e-Muhammad and the Lashkar's top training facility in Muridke. The armed forces also destroyed a considerable amount of infrastructure belonging to these groups in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir. Camps where the meetings of Hamas and other Pakistan-based terror groups were also hit. This operation, in a nutshell, sent the terror groups into a tizzy, and they decided that it was time to rebuild instead of indulging in larger misadventures such as engaging with Hamas for the battle in Kashmir.

Hamas too changed its focus and felt that it needed more to battle against Israel rather than engage with terror groups in Pakistan. Security officials say that while the plans may have been hit this time, this grouping would try and get back when things are largely settled.

In Pakistan, the current focus of the terror groups is to first lift the morale of their cadres. A lot of infrastructure has been lost, and billions of dollars are being pumped into rebuilding it. The recruitments have slowed down since there are no motivational speakers to give them pep talks.

Masood Azhar and Hafiz Saeed have been advised against leaving the open fearing another operation by India. For now, these terror groups are circulating old speeches of these terrorists and passing them off as new.

'Bihar gateway, J&K target': JeM infiltration signals ISI's new tactic



The entry of three Jaish-e-Muhammad terrorists into Bihar via the Nepal route has put the entire state on very high alert. The suspected Jaish-e-Muhammad members have been identified as Hasnain Ali from Rawalpindi, Adil Hussain from Imerkot and Mohammad Usman from Bahawalpur in Pakistan.

While the motive is unclear, the security agencies had suspected that they may have been sent in to disrupt the elections that are to be held in Bihar by November 2025. However, since that is a long way to go, officials feel that they may be trying to sneak into Jammu and Kashmir since infiltrations through the Line of Control (LoC) and International Border (IB) have become extremely tough.

The development comes in the wake of the agencies recently flagging that the ISI will use the Nepal route to carry out illegal acts such as infiltration, terror and counterfeit currency smuggling.

The count of terrorists in Jammu and Kashmir has gone down. Moreover, after Operation Sindoor, the morale of the local terrorists in Jammu and Kashmir, too, is down. The ISI has been plotting to re-activate its Over Ground Worker network in J&K, and for this, it would need some of its terrorists from Pakistan to coordinate on the ground. This latest infiltration into Bihar could be linked to that.

By infiltrating terrorists into Bihar and then sneaking them into Jammu and Kashmir by road, the ISI would be able to achieve its objective. In the past, the ISI had tried the same through the Punjab route. Initially, drones were used to send in arms and ammunition and drugs.

The arms were meant to be smuggled into J&K, and the proceeds from the sales of the drugs were to fund terror activities.

While the Pakistanis managed to achieve some success with the help of drones, they were finding it hard to send in terrorists. The security along the Punjab border is much tighter when compared to that along the Bihar border.

Following the infiltration, security has been heightened along the Indo-Nepal border and Seemanchal districts. While security agencies have been instructed to increase surveillance and collect Intelligence, District Intelligence Units have been told to take required measures to curb any suspicious activity.

Patrolling too has been increased in the border areas, including Sitamarhi, Supaul, Araria, Madhubani, East and West Champaran districts.

The infiltration route through Bihar is a preferred one since there is a history of several outfits making the state a haven. The Indian Mujahideen had used the Bihar-Nepal route extensively to reach Pakistan. Yasin Bhatkal of the Indian Mujahideen, too, had been arrested on the India-Nepal border while trying to flee from Bihar.

Be it members of the Students Islamic Movement of India (SIMI) or the Indian Mujahideen (IM), all of them would take shelter in Bihar after every blast. It was the Indian Mujahideen which had set up the infamous Darbhanga module. Yasin and his associates would take shelter there after carrying out a blast.

Until recently, before the Popular Front of India (PFI) was banned, it had been found that they too had been scouting for people from Bihar. The PFI had been recruiting youth from East Champaran and Muzaffarpur districts.

While all these outfits do not exist today, some members who never came under the radar of the agencies may be on the ISI's pay list. These elements could be helping the ISI manage the infiltration and also ensure that terrorists from Pakistan manage to enter Bihar safely and then be transported to Jammu and Kashmir.

GST reforms, festive season to boost domestic demand: CEA Nageswaran

New Delhi, Aug 30 (IANS) Chief Economic Advisor V. Anantha Nageswaran has said that the festive season and the Goods and Services Tax (GST) reforms could increase domestic demand in the upcoming quarters.

Short-term risks to economic activity, particularly exports and capital formation, remain due to uncertainties from the 50 per cent US tariff that was imposed on August 27, he said.



Nageswaran added that adequate domestic consumption would encourage private players to continue investing, even during challenging times.

Following the release of GDP data, which revealed a 7.8 per cent growth rate in the June quarter, exceeding expectations, Nageswaran said the growth is expected to stay within the targeted range of 6.3-6.8 per cent this fiscal year, as projected in the Economic Survey earlier this year.

He ruled out any revision to that growth figure, despite concerns over US tariffs. "It is too early to gauge the precise impact of the US tariff on the Indian economy," he said. A senior finance ministry official said that manufacturing, construction, and services drove supply-side growth. Private final consumption expenditure grew by 7 per cent, and gross fixed capital formation increased by 7.8 per cent, which drove the demand-side growth. The government's capital expenditure also significantly contributed to investment growth.

Private consumption's share of GDP for the three months ending in June was the highest for that quarter in 15 years.

High-frequency indicators for July indicate that the economic momentum from the June quarter is continuing, according to CEA Nageswaran.

India not only remains the world's fastest-growing major economy, but also widened the gap with others, according to the latest data. China recorded a growth rate of 5.2 per cent in the June quarter, followed by Indonesia at 5.1 per cent, the US at 2.1 per cent, Japan and the UK at 1.2 per cent each, and France at 0.7 per cent.

India's first tempered glass manufacturing facility inaugurated

Noida, Aug 30 (IANS) Union Electronics and IT Minister, Ashwini Vaishnaw, on Saturday inaugurated the nation's first tempered glass manufacturing plant here which is a joint venture of Optiemus Infracom, an Indian electronic products manufacturer, and Corning, the world's leading innovator in materials science.



"We are pleased to see the partnership between Optiemus and Corning, and the commencement of production today. The overall ecosystem for components is developing rapidly in India. Over the last 11 years, electronics manufacturing has grown sixfold, and today it is around Rs 11.5 lakh crore industry, with exports of around Rs 3.5 lakh crore; an impressive achievement and a testament to the prime minister Narendra Modi's vision," Vaishnaw said.

"We plan to manufacture every component used in mobile devices right here in India in the near future," the minister said, adding that "we also encourage research and development to take place in India and are working toward becoming a global player".

India's engineering goods exports rise 13.81 pc in July; US, Germany lead as top importers

New Delhi, Aug 30 (IANS) India's engineering goods exports surged 13.81 per cent (year-on-year) in July 2025, driven by increased shipments to the US, the UK, Germany, Japan, Brazil, and China, a report said on Saturday. Indian engineering exports crossed $10 billion for the first time this fiscal, reaching $10.43 billion in July, up from $9.16 billion in July 2024, according to data from the Engineering Export Promotion Council of India (EEPC). The growth is despite the international trade facing tensions from escalating US tariffs, regional divergence, and heightened policy uncertainty.

Engineering goods exports to the US rose 19 per cent YoY to $1.81 billion in July. Engineering exports to Germany increased by 37.8 per cent YoY, reaching $457.6 million. Shipments to the UK rose 46.5 per cent YoY, reaching $402.5 million; exports to Japan increased 55.2 per cent YoY, reaching $256.6 million; and exports to Brazil advanced by 26.4 per cent YoY.

Engineering goods exports to China reached $263.9 million in July, a 35.8 per cent surge YoY.

However, exports to Turkey sharply declined by 31 per cent, likely due to geopolitical tensions with India.

India becomes Ukraine's top diesel supplier amid US tariffs over Russian crude: Report

New Delhi, Aug 30 (IANS) India has become Ukraine's largest diesel supplier, despite facing a 50 per cent tariff from the US, according to a report on Saturday.

The report comes as the US alleges that India is indirectly supporting Russia's war against Ukraine by buying Russian crude.

As per the Ukrainian oil market analytics firm NaftoRynok, India supplied 15.5 per cent of Ukraine's total diesel imports in July 2025, the highest share from any country.



July saw daily deliveries average 2,700 tonnes, marking it as one of India's strongest export months this year.

From January to July in 2025, India's share of Ukraine's diesel supply increased to 10.2 per cent, up from 1.9 per cent in the same period of 2024.

Much of the fuel reportedly reached Ukraine through tanker shipments via the Danube from Romania and through the Opet terminal in Turkey.

Other significant suppliers in July included Slovakia (15 per cent), Greece (13.5 per cent), Turkey (12.4 per cent), and Lithuania (11.4 per cent), the report said.

Analysts, cited by the Ukrainian research firm, noted that a portion of these exports could include diesel refined from Russian-origin crude, though official data remains undisclosed.

Marketing Indian products in different nations will continue to gain long-term advantages: Ex-GCCI chief

Ahmedabad, Aug 30 (IANS) Former Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCI) President Shailesh Patwari on Saturday said that diversifying Indian exports across multiple countries would secure long-term benefits for the economy and contribute to sustained growth in Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

His remarks came at a time when India recorded an impressive 7.8 per cent growth rate in the April-June quarter, consolidating its position as the fastest-growing major economy in the world. This comes as a blow to US President Donald Trump, who had recently described India as a "dead economy" and simultaneously announced a steep 50 per cent tariff on Indian goods, citing what he called unfair trade practices and New Delhi's refusal to halt crude oil imports from Russia.

Speaking to IANS on the economic outlook, Patwari highlighted that India's growth was being powered by multiple sectors. "One important thing is that because of the strong work being done, agriculture, services, and construction activities are running very well, which has boosted our GDP. Another point is that earlier there was dependency on a single country, but now we are marketing our products in many other countries.

India's passenger vehicle sales cross 10-lakh mark in Q1 FY26

New Delhi, Aug 30 (IANS) Over 10 lakh passenger vehicles were sold in India in the April-June period, with Maharashtra topping the sales chart, according to latest data from industry body Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM).

From April to June, 10.12 lakh passenger vehicles were sold in the country, and the western zone topped sales with 3.21 lakh units.

As many as 1.19 lakh units were sold in Maharashtra in the June quarter. Uttar Pradesh, Gujarat, Karnataka, and Haryana followed in the sales chart compiled by SIAM.

In the two-wheeler segment, 46.75 lakh units were sold in the country during this period, with sales in western states



reaching 14.19 lakh units, the industry body said. Uttar Pradesh led in two-wheeler sales, totalling 8.18 lakh units, followed by Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Bihar, and Madhya Pradesh.

In the commercial vehicle segment, Maharashtra led the space with sales of 32,000 units in the June quarter. Overall, 2.23 lakh commercial vehicles were sold in the country during the period.

Sales in the three-wheeler segment reached 1.65 lakh units during this period, with Uttar Pradesh leading sales with 21,000 units, followed by Maharashtra, Gujarat, Karnataka, and Telangana, according to SIAM.

India's air passenger traffic projected to grow 50 pc to 600 million by FY30: Report

New Delhi, Aug 30 (IANS) India's air passenger traffic is projected to increase by nearly 50 per cent -- from 412 million in the last financial year (FY25) to 600 million by FY30, a report said on Saturday.

"This will fuel an exponential rise in aeronautical revenue, benefiting from both increased passenger numbers and improved per-passenger spending," Knight Frank said in a report. The report highlighted that airports managed under the public-private partnership (PPP) model generate 87 per cent of the country's total non-aero revenue while handling 64 per cent of total traffic, reflecting PPS's model critical role and efficiency.

The ability of PPP airports to outperform their government-operated counterparts underscores the need for robust commercial strategies. The report noted that India's largest hubs, Mumbai and Delhi airports, generate per capita non-aero revenues of $20.1 and $18.1, respectively -- nearly matching leading global benchmarks such as London Heathrow at $21.6 and Tokyo Haneda at $19.9. Non-aero revenue streams, including retail, food and beverage, duty-free, parking, advertising, and real estate leasing, are increasingly central to financial sustainability. With traffic set to multiply in the coming years, this diversification will become indispensable for airport operators.

"India's airports are at an inflexion point. The strong performance of PPP airports in driving non-aero revenues highlights how critical these streams are for long-term sustainability," said Shishir Baijal, Chairman and Managing Director, Knight Frank India.

Robust Q1 GDP makes India fastest-growing major economy in world: Sanjeev Sanyal

New Delhi, Aug 30 (IANS) The gross domestic product (GDP) growth estimates for the first quarter of current fiscal (FY26) at 7.8 per cent make India the fastest-growing nation among major economies in the world, Sanjeev Sanyal, a Member of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Economic Advisory Council (EAC), said on Saturday.

"The GDP estimate for the first quarter of 2025-26 has just come in, as you know. The number of 7.8 per cent is a good growth number by any standard. It easily makes us the fastest-growing major economy anywhere in the world," Sanyal told IANS.

Sanyal, however, sees certain fiction in the GDP's growth rate going ahead due to geopolitical issues, including US tariff jitters.



"Looking ahead, however, there are obviously certain areas of friction. Not surprisingly, one of them is going to be the US tariffs that kicked in just last week. but also the general environment of global uncertainty that we find ourselves in," Sanyal noted.

Considering the favourable macro-economic numbers like ease in inflation, the leading economist believes that the policymakers have a lot of space that will help in confronting obstacles.

"The good news, however, is that Indian policymakers have lots of space to respond to external shocks. Inflation is low. In fact, it is at the bottom of the 2-6 per cent range for the Monetary Policy Committee. You have very well-behaved external accounts," Sanyal stated.

"So, given all of this, let me say that policymakers are in a position to provide expansionary macro policy stimulus should the need arise," the economist said further.

Art as a Way of Life: Anjali Desai Immerses in the Spirit of Saraikela Chhau

Sanjay Mishra

Saraikela, Aug 30: Art has often been described as a universal language-capable of transcending borders, cultures, and even words. Just as the fragrance of flowers can lift spirits or calm minds, art too has the power to heal, inspire, and bind humanity together. For many, art is not merely a subject but a way of living-an emotion, a discipline, and a science. With this belief in her heart, Anjali Desai of Karnataka, a versatile performing artiste and a doctoral researcher in Performing Arts, arrived in Saraikela to experience and engage deeply with the cultural grandeur of the world-famous Saraikela Chhau Nritya.

Speaking about her artistic philosophy, Anjali said, "Art is science: not just a subject, but a way of life."

Her words reflect her dedication to exploring art in all its dimensions-not only as performance but as a path of discipline, identity, and spiritual fulfillment.





Journey into the World of Dance

Born to Gopal Rao Desai and Rama Desai, Anjali began her artistic journey in 2005 under the guidance of Vid. Jayeshwari Nayak and Gopal Nayak. Over the years, she has trained extensively in Bharatnatyam, Kathak and Saraikela Chhau, earning recognition as a versatile performer.

Her Bharatnatyam training has reached advanced levels under the mentorship of Dr. Rashmi Prasad, while her mastery of Kathak has been shaped by Guru Nirupama and Guru Rajendra. Alongside dance, she has also pursued Hindustani classical vocal training under Pandit Shivkumar Hiremath, enriching her performances with a deeper musical understanding.

Bond with Saraikela Chhau

Anjali's artistic path found a unique connection in the rare mask dance tradition of Saraikela Chhau. She initially learned the art under the legendary Padma Shri Pandit Late Gopal Prasad Dubey, whose influence



continues to guide her. Today, she remains committed to preserving and promoting this rich tradition, which combines martial movements, storytelling, and spirituality.

Her performances have captivated audiences across national and international stages, including the World Cultural Festival in Delhi, Chalukya Nritya Utsav in Badami, Telangana Prabhuddhav in Hyderabad, the Hampi Festival in Karnataka, and cultural events in Portugal. Despite her busy schedule and family responsibilities, she continues to carry forward her passion for dance with the unwavering support of her husband, Vasuki NT.

Speaking about her purpose, Anjali emphasized, "My mission is to inspire the next generation of dancers, safeguard India's artistic heritage, and ensure that traditions like Chhau remain alive and relevant in contemporary times."

Saraikela: A Second Home

For Anjali, Saraikela is more than a place of learning; it is a home of inspiration. She described, "To me. Saraikela is my second home, a land that connects me emotionally and spiritually every time I visit here. Each journey to Saraikela, binds me further to this place's cultural richness, its traditions, and its people."

During her latest visit, she reached Rajatendu Kala Niketan, where she met Rajatendu Rath, chief of the institute and senior fellowship awardee. Together, they held meaningful discussions on the history, original form, and traditions of Saraikela Chhau, enabling Anjali to deepen her understanding of the art she so passionately preserves.

With her blend of rigorous training, international exposure, and heartfelt devotion, Anjali Desai stands as a shining example of how India's classical traditions can evolve while retaining their roots. Her journey reflects the timeless truth-that art, when pursued with dedication, is not merely an act of performance, but indeed, a way of life.

"Horn etiqutte in India": American woman's humorous guide to Bengaluru traffic goes viral

Aug 31 : Her witty observations on the different meanings behind various car horn sounds have resonated with many social media users.

"Horn Etiqutte In India": American Woman's Humorous Guide To Bengaluru Traffic Goes Viral

Dana Marie humorously explains the city's complex honking etiquette.

An American woman residing in Bengaluru, Dana Marie, has become a social media sensation after posting a humorous and insightful video detailing the city's unique driving and honking etiquette. The video, shared on Instagram, breaks down the different types of horn blasts and their associated meanings, earning praise for its sharp and witty commentary.



In the video, Marie is seen from her car, providing a practical guide to the local driving culture. She explains that a single, brief horn signals a simple "I'm here." A medium horn, however, conveys frustration, questioning another driver's actions. She humorously notes that this is often followed by a "descriptor", where drivers roll down their windows to verbally express their annoyance. A double horn, she explains, is used to signal an intention to pass, while a series of short beeps indicates a request for another driver to stop or pull over for a conversation.

Marie describes the longest horn blast as an urgent warning, often accompanied by slamming on the brakes, to prevent a collision. She also touches upon the use of the "dipper", or flashing headlights, which can either mean "get out of my way" or "please proceed first", depending on the context.

In her post, Marie clarified that the "descriptor" is not a constant occurrence but is more common in Bengaluru than in other cities she has experienced. She recounted a recent incident where her soft-spoken cab driver, who had been speaking politely on the phone, suddenly began "screaming at someone in a van next to us," an anecdote that further highlights the unique nature of the city's traffic interactions.

The video has been met with an enthusiastic response from Instagram users, who have commended her keen and accurate observations of Indian driving habits.

$5,450 for surfing? Inside the world's longest wave pool in Abu Dhabi's Desert

Surf Abu Dhabi has launched the world's longest artificial wave pool, a project by surfing legend Kelly Slater and a USC fluid mechanics specialist.

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Surf Abu Dhabi: The artificial wave pool facility uses a unique pulley-driven underwater wing. In a significant development for the global surfing community, Surf Abu Dhabi has opened, introducing the world's longest artificial wave pool, according to CNN. This innovative attraction aims to establish Abu Dhabi as a premier surfing destination, leveraging its natural assets of warm weather, consistent sunshine, and clear water.



The facility features a 755-yard (690-meter) long wave pool, providing surfers with rides lasting up to one minute. Uniquely, Surf Abu Dhabi uses 80 million litres of slightly desalinated seawater sourced directly from the Arabian Gulf, distinguishing it from conventional freshwater wave pools. The technology behind the wave is the brainchild of legendary professional surfer Kelly Slater, who collaborated with Adam Fincham, a fluid mechanics expert from the University of Southern California. The wave is generated by an underwater wing propelled by a pulley system.

This mechanism, combined with a patented, precisely sculpted pool floor known as bathymetry, ensures the wave breaks effectively. This complex engineering project was described as "mathematically horrendous" by a University of Southern California (USC) researcher, Adam Fincham, highlighting the intricate scientific effort involved, according to an interview with Science.

According to CNN, the technology was first unveiled in 2015 at the Surf Ranch in California, and the World Surf League (WSL), the highest professional surfing competition, scheduled a stop at the Surf Ranch pool for the 2018 season. The WSL held an event at the Abu Dhabi pool in February 2025. In 2016, WSL Holdings, the parent company of the World Surf League, bought the Kelly Slater Wave Company, who own the technology.

How much do Gauri Khan and Sussanne Khan charge for interior designing?

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How Much Do Gauri Khan And Sussanne Khan Charge For Interior Designing?

Know how much Gauri Khan And Sussanne Khan charge as interior designers. Photo: Instagram

Bollywood celebrities' opulent homes have always been a topic of fascination among fans. From lavish halls to luxurious bedrooms, the abodes of India's A-listers are often a reflection of their impeccable style and taste.

Behind the design of these stunning spaces are often the skilled hands of celebrity interior designers like Gauri Khan and Sussanne Khan, who have worked with some of the biggest names in the industry. But have you ever wondered how much it really costs to have your home designed by these star designers?



In an interview with Zero1 Hustle by Zerodha, Sussanne Khan opened up about her interior design business and the charges for her services. The entrepreneur said, "We charge a flat design fee per square foot. We don't take commissions on what clients buy. For a 2,000 sq. ft. apartment, depending on the client's budget, location, and choice of materials, fees range from Rs 1,200 to Rs 2,000 per sq ft." Explaining the payment process, she added, "I take 30% upfront before starting work and then create the design. Once they finalise it, I take money for the materials, and we do the work room by room." For a 1,500 sq.ft. luxury apartment in Mumbai, the total design cost would be around Rs 25–30 lakh.

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Meanwhile, Gauri Khan has not officially revealed her fees. However, reports give an idea of what to expect. As per Interiors A To Z, Gauri's basic consultation fee is Rs 6 lakh. Her residential interior design projects can range from Rs 30 lakh to over Rs 5 crore, depending on the project's scale and complexity.

For luxury villa projects, the cost can vary from Rs 3 crore to upwards of Rs 10 crore. Commercial projects, on the other hand, can range from Rs 50 lakh to Rs 20 crore. Additionally, Gauri Khan offers bespoke furniture pieces, priced up to Rs 5 lakh.

These figures are subject to variation based on factors such as project size, materials used, and the level of customisation involved. It is worth noting that these numbers have not been officially confirmed by Gauri Khan's team.

How much does a brick cost? For this panchayat, it's 10 times the usual amount



A bill for 2,500 bricks at a cost of Rs 1.25 lakh accepted by a panchayat in Madhya Pradesh's Shahdol district has gone viral.

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The collector said such bills are being checked to see whether they are a result of negligence or fraud.

Gram panchayats in Madhya Pradesh's Shahdol district are once again making headlines for their arithmetic feats when it comes to bills, and this time the humble brick is at the centre of it all.

A bill for 2,500 bricks at a cost of Rs 1.25 lakh accepted by the Bhatia Gram Panchayat in Budhar block has gone viral. The amount means every brick cost the panchayat Rs 50, nearly ten times the usual price.

The brick purchase bill is in the name of Chetan Prasad Kushwaha of Peribahara village, while the supply bill has been issued for the construction of the boundary wall of an anganwadi building in Patera Tola. The bill also carries the signatures of the sarpanch and secretary of Bhatia village.

This is hardly a one-off. Just weeks ago, the Kudri Gram Panchayat was in the spotlight after Rs 4,000 was sanctioned for photocopying two pages. And, in July, in Bhadhwahi village, according to the bills, 14 kg of dry fruits, 30 kg of namkeen, and 9 kg of fruits were consumed during a one-hour Jal Ganga Samvardhan Abhiyan (promotion campaign). Even stranger are the shops that issued these bills. One "grocery store", listed as a supplier of cashews and almonds, turned out to be a small shop without even a bill book, GST number, or a kilo of dry fruits in stock. Another bill for ghee and fruits came from a shop that actually sells sand, gravel, and bricks.

And just when the "dry fruit scam" echoes had started to die down, Mauganj district added a new chapter. A similar 40-minute Jal Ganga Samvardhan Abhiyan there cost over Rs 10 lakh. The bills, all in the name of a mysterious "Pradeep Enterprises", included everything from groceries to tents to sweets, and even mattresses and bedsheets, hired from an electronics shop. Shahdol Collector Dr Kedar Singh admits something seems amiss. He has directed cluster-level officers to inspect 10-12 panchayats daily to check whether such bills are due to negligence or deliberate fraud.

Anjali Raghav quits Bhojpuri industry after co-Star Pawan Singh touches her "inappropriately"

Some people are even blaming me, writing in memes, 'She was smiling, enjoying it.' Would I feel happy or enjoy it," said Anjali Raghav

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Anjali Raghav Quits Bhojpuri Industry After Co-Star Pawan Singh Touches Her "Inappropriately"

The image was shared on Instagram.New Delhi:

Actress Anjali Raghav, best known for featuring in Haryanvi music videos, has broken her silence about a viral video showing Bhojpuri actor Pawan Singh inappropriately touching her waist during a public event in Lucknow.

What's Happening

The two were promoting their recently released song Saiya Seva Kare. Condemning Pawan Singh's actions, Anjali said she would no longer work in the Bhojpuri industry.

The actress shared that ever since the video surfaced, she has been distressed and has been receiving constant messages from people questioning her silence on stage.

Some even asked why she did not react immediately or slap him, while others accused her of smiling during the incident.

On Saturday, Anjali released videos criticising Pawan Singh for touching her without consent.



She said, "I have been very worried for the last two days. I keep receiving DMs asking why I didn't say anything, why I didn't take action, why I didn't slap him. Some people are even blaming me, writing in memes, 'She was smiling, enjoying it.' Would I feel happy or enjoy it if someone touched me in public without my consent?"

She then explained what had gone through her mind at the time. While addressing the audience on stage, Pawan pointed at her waist and remarked that something was stuck there. "I realised my saree was new and maybe the tag at the bottom was showing, or even the blouse tag could be visible. I laughed it off, thinking it could be adjusted later. That's why I smiled and continued speaking to the audience," she said.

"I Got Angry And Even Cried"

Anjali recalled that when Pawan insisted again, she assumed something really was stuck. "Later, when I asked my team member if something was there, they said nothing was. That's when I felt very bad, I got angry, and even cried. But at that moment, I didn't know what to do," she said.

She shared that she had planned to confront him backstage, but Pawan left the event soon after making reels. The next day, when she returned home, she realised the controversy had escalated.

Productive outcomes during productive visit: PM Modi hails landmark agreements signed during Japan visit



PM being welcomed with chants by enthusiastic crowd upon his arrival at Sendai, in Japan on August 30, 2025.

Tokyo, Aug 30 (IANS) Prime Minister NarendraModi hailed the success of his two-day official visit to Japan, calling it a "productive" engagement that yielded several significant outcomes aimed at deepening the India-Japan Special Strategic and Global Partnership.

Taking to the social media platform X, PM Modi wrote, "Productive outcomes during a productive visit. May India-Japan friendship scale newer heights in the times to come!"

The post came shortly after the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) shared the official list of outcomes from the high-level bilateral meetings held in Tokyo between August 29 and 30.

According to an official Press release issued by the MEA, the visit resulted in a wide-ranging set of outcomes under the framework of the Special Strategic and Global Partnership between the two countries.

'Done a lot in last 10 years': Indian diaspora in Japan hails PM Modi's visit

Japan, Aug 30 (IANS) The Indian diaspora in Japan on Saturday praised Prime Minister Narendra Modi during his visit to the country, saying he has done a lot of development in the last 10 years and brought pride to Indians living abroad.

Speaking to IANS, several diaspora members shared their thoughts.

Sadashiv Shetty, originally from Mangalore and residing in Japan for over 20 years, said, "Our PM Modi is really good. Earlier, people here didn't even know who the Prime Minister of India was. But in the last 10 years, we feel proud to be Indian. It's all because of PM Modi. He has done exceptionally well in almost every field. I felt very proud that he came to Japan."

PM Modi gifts Japanese counterpart precious Ramen bowls with silver chopsticks



Tokyo, Aug 30 (IANS) Showcasing a perfect blend of timeless Indian artistry and Japanese culinary tradition, Prime Minister Narendra Modi gifted a set of vintage precious stone bowls with silver chopsticks to his Japanese counterpart Shigeru Ishiba during his two-day Japan visit which concluded on Saturday.

Featuring a large brown moonstone bowl with four smaller ones and silver chopsticks, it draws inspiration from Japan's donburi and soba rituals.

Discussed railways throughout hour-and-a-half bullet train journey with PM Modi: Ishiba

Tokyo, Aug 30 (IANS) Japanese Prime Minister Shigeru Ishiba said that he and PM Narendra Modi discussed about railways throughout their hour-and-a-half journey together to Sendai in Miyagi Prefecture for a visit to the Tokyo Electron Miyagi Ltd (TEL Miyagi), a leading Japanese company in the semiconductor sector, on Saturday.

The two leaders were seen off at Tokyo Station by an Indian driver currently undergoing training at JR East, before traveling by Shinkansen to Sendai Station.

On board the Shinkansen, they engaged in a frank exchange of views, primarily on railways, including the future of high-speed rail in India, the history of Japan's Shinkansen, its accuracy and safety, and the role the Shinkansen has played to date, the Japanese PM's office detailed later.

A key highlight of the visit was the adoption of the India-Japan Joint Vision for the Next Decade, which lays out a ten-year strategy to deepen cooperation across eight priority areas, including economic partnership, mobility, technology, sustainability, health, and sub-national collaboration.

Security cooperation was elevated with a new Joint Declaration on Security Cooperation, designed to enhance Defence ties and address emerging regional and global security challenges.

The MEA release also announced the launch of an Action Plan for Human Resource Exchange, aiming to facilitate the movement of 500,000 individuals, including 50,000 skilled workers from India to Japan over the next five years.

PM Modi invites Japan Governors to participate in 'India's growth story'



Tokyo, Aug 30 (IANS) Prime Minister Narendra Modi met with the governors of 16 prefectures in Japan on Saturday, calling for them to participate in "India's growth story" by leveraging new initiatives and forging partnerships with Indian state governments. The meeting reaffirmed India's commitment to strengthening bilateral ties with Japan through grassroots and regional-level collaborations, according to the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA).

Indian diaspora in China accords rousing welcome to PM Modi



Tianjin (China), Aug 30 (IANS) Prime Minister NarendraModi received a rousing welcome from members of the Indian community upon his arrival in China's Tianjin on Saturday evening, local time, to attend the two-day Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Summit, beginning Sunday.

PM Modi was greeted with traditional cultural performances and enthusiastic chants of 'Vande Mataram' and 'Bharat Mata ki Jai', reflecting the community's excitement.

Sharing the glimpses on his social media platform X, PM Modi said, "China's Indian community accorded a very special welcome in Tianjin."

Prime Minister Modi travelled from Tokyo after concluding his visit to Japan earlier in the day, before landing at the Binhai International Airport in Tianjin.

"Landed in Tianjin, China. Looking forward to engaging in in-depth discussions during the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation summit and meeting with leaders from various countries," PM Modi posted on X after landing in China.

Thailand's Cabinet appoints acting PM after Paetongtarn's removal



Bangkok, Aug 30 (IANS) Thailand's Cabinet on Saturday appointed Deputy Prime Minister Phumtham Wechayachai to serve as acting Prime Minister, following a constitutional court ruling that terminated Paetongtarn Shinawatra's premiership.

Minister to the Prime Minister's Office Chusak Sirinil announced the appointment following a special Cabinet meeting, which also appointed Prommin Lertsuridej as PM's Secretary General. Chusak said that the Cabinet approved a strict framework for its operations during this transitional period to ensure stability without exceeding its mandate.

The move was a constitutional requirement following the court's ruling, that the existing Cabinet continue to govern in a caretaker capacity until a new administration takes office, Xinhua news agency reported. The Secretariat of the House of Representatives has issued a notice to members of the parliament to convene from September 3 to 5.

The lower house of the parliament is set to vote for the new Prime Minister based on the list of candidates submitted before the May 2023 general election.

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PRE-LITIGATION (A dispute which is not filed before the Court):-	PENDING IN THE COURTS:-
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एतद् द्वारा सर्वसाधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि नगर परिषद कपाली क्षेत्रांतर्गत वार्ड संख्या–01 अंसार नगर में शहरी आयुश्मान आरोग्य मन्दिर (UAAM) का नवीनीकरण हेतु अल्पकालिन ई–निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना सं० KNP/NIT-04/2025-26 जिसका PR No-360763 है को दैनिक समाचार पत्रों में प्रकाशित किया गया था, परन्तु उक्त निविदा संख्या– **KNP/NIT-04/2025-26** में निम्न प्रकार से संशोधन किया जाता है:–

Sl. No.	Items	Details
1	Name of the Work	Detail Estimate for Renovation work for Urban Ayushman Arogya Mandir (UAAM) in Ward No-01 Ansar Nagar, Kapali, under Municipal Council Kapali.
2	Estimated Cost of the Project	Rs. 18,70,200.00
3.	Earnest Money Deposit. (EMD)	Rs. 37,500.00 (Online Mode)
4.	Tender Fee	Rs 5,000.00 only (Non Refundable, Online Mode)
5.	Time of Completion of the Project	3 Months
6.	PR No-360763 के क्रम सं० 04 में अंकित Date/Time of Publication of Tender on Website की तिथि को	10.09.2025 at 5:00 PM समझा जाए।
7.	Last Date/Time for receipt of E-Tender on Website.	25.09.2025 at 3:00 PM
8.	Date of Opening E-Tender	26.09.2025 at 3:00 PM
9.	Name & Address of office Inviting Tender	Executive Officer, Municipal Council Kapali - 831012
10.	PR No-360763 के क्रम सं० 08 में अंकित Contact No. of E-Procurement Cell	7521807922
11.	Helpline Number of Office	7366068030
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(जिला निर्वाचन शाखा)

आम सूचना

एतद् द्वारा 45–घाटशिला (अ.ज.जा.) विधानसभा निर्वाचन क्षेत्र के सभी नागरिकों/निर्वाचकों को सूचित किया जाता है कि आगामी उप चुनाव के दृष्टिगत दिनांक 01.07.2025 को अर्हता तिथि के आधार पर मतदाता सूची का विशेश संक्षिप्त पुनरीक्षण का कार्यक्रम भारत निर्वाचन आयोग, नई दिल्ली के पत्रांक 23/2024-ERS(Vol.IV) दिनांक 23.08.2025 द्वारा प्राप्त है, जो निम्नवत् है:–

Rationalization of Polling stations	By 28.08.2025 (Thursday)
Publication of Integrated draft electoral roll on 02.09.2025 (Tuesday)	
Period for filing Claims & Objections	From 02.09.2025 (Tuesday) to 17.09.2025 (Wednesday)
Disposal of Claims and Objections	By 25.09.2025 (Thursday)
Final publication of electoral roll on 29.09.2025 (Monday)	

- सभी छुटे हुए एवं दिनांक 01.07.2025 की अर्हता तिथि को मतदाता बनने की योग्यताधारी नागरिक मतदाता सूची में नाम सम्मिलित करने हेतु प्रपत्र–6 में रंगीन फोटो, आयु तथा निवास प्रमाण पत्र के साथ आवेदन कर सकते हैं।
- मतदाता सूची में नाम सम्मिलित करने हेतु प्रवासी भारतीय प्रपत्र–6क में आवेदन कर सकते हैं।
- मतदाता सूची से नाम विलोपन हेतु प्रपत्र–7 में आवेदन कर सकते हैं।
- मतदाता सूची में निवास का स्थानान्तरण या प्रविश्टियों का सुधार या बिना सुधार एपिक प्रतिस्थापन का मुद्दा और दिव्यांगजन व्यक्तियों के रूप में चिह्नांकित करने हेतु अनुरोध/आवेदन प्रपत्र–8 में कर सकते हैं।
- सभी प्रकार के आवेदन दिनांक 02.09.2025 से 17.09.2025 तक BLO/AERO/ERO के कार्यालय में समर्पित किया जा सकता है। सभी प्रपत्र निःशुल्क हैं।
- सभी प्रपत्रों का Online आवेदन https://voters.eci.gov.in अथवा Voter helpline app से भी कर सकते है।
- सभी प्रपत्र भारत निर्वाचन आयोग के वेबसाईट www.eci.gov.in मुख्य निर्वाचन पदाधिकारी, झारखण्ड के वेबसाईट www.ceo.jharkhand.gov.in जिला के वेबसाईट www.jamshedpur.nic.in पर भी उपलब्ध है। निर्वाचन से सम्बन्धित महत्वपूर्ण सूचनायें कार्यालय अवधि में Toll Free No. 1950 पर प्राप्त की जा सकती है।

सभी मान्यता प्राप्त राजनैतिक दलों के प्रतिनिधियों से अपील है कि, वे 45–घाटशिला (अ.ज.जा.) विधानसभा निर्वाचन क्षेत्र के उक्त पुनरीक्षण सम्बन्धी कार्य में, जिला प्रशासन को सहयोग दे एवं बी.एल.ओ. को सही जानकारी उपलब्ध कराने हेतु लोगों को जागरूक करें।

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जिला निर्वाचन पदाधिकारी–सह–उपायुक्त,
पूर्वी सिंहभूम, जमशेदपुर।

PR 360809 Election(25-26)D

GOVT. OF JHARKHAND
DRINKING WATER & SANITATION MECH. DIVISION, JAMSHEDPUR

***e-Procurement* Very Short Notice Inviting Tender**
Reference no.- NIT No- 07 (25-26) Date: -29-08-2025

Sl. No.	Name of Schemes	Estimated Cost (Rs)	Earnest Money (Rs)	Cost of Tender Paper (Rs)	Time of Completion
1	2	3	4	5	6
	Group-A				
1	Supplying, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of 1 No. Automatic Industrial RO Plant of purification capacity 500 LPH (Make- Eureka Forbes will be preferred) at PM Shree Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya Musabani Jamshedpur with (1+2) years annual maintenance under D. W. & S. Mechanical division Jamshedpur.	11,69,077.00	23,400.00	2500.00	01 Month
	Group-B				
1	Supplying, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of 1 No Automatic Industrial RO Plant of purification capacity 500 LPH (Make- Eureka Forbes will be preferred) at Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Residential School, Golmuri Jamshedpur with (1+2) years annual maintenance under D. W. & S. Mechanical division Jamshedpur.	11,69,077.00	23,400.00	2500.00	01 Month

1	Date of publication of e-Tender on Website	02 /09/2025 at 02.00 PM
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3	Bid submission End date (online)	11/09/2025 at 02.00 PM
4	Date of opening of Tender	12/09/2025 at 03.00 PM
5	Place for opening of Bids	Office of the Executive Engineer, D. W. & S. Mech. Division,Jamshedpur
6	Name & address of office inviting tender	Office of the Executive Engineer, D.W. and S. Mech. Division, Jamshedpur.
7	Contact no of Procurement office	Cell No: -8987473741 Email ID :- dwsmechdivjsr7@gmail.com

नोट– उपर्युक्त किसी तिथि को अवकाश घोषित होने पर अगले कार्य दिवस की तिथि को माना जायेगा।
Only e-tenders will be accepted. Further details can be seen & downloaded on website http://jharkhandtenders.gov.in

Executive Engineer
D.W.& S. Mech. Division,Jamshedpur.

PR 360797 (Drinking Water and Sanitation)25-26*D

जिला विधिक सेवा प्राधिकार,पश्चिमी सिंहभूम,चाईबासा

राष्ट्रीय लोक अदालत
13 सितंबर, 2025

सर्वसाधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि झारखण्ड राज्य विधिक सेवा प्राधिकार, राँची के निर्देशानुसार जिला विधिक सेवा प्राधिकार, पश्चिमी सिंहभूम, चाईबासा के तत्वाधान में दिनांक 13 सितंबर 2025 को पूर्वाहन 11:00 बजे से व्यवहार न्यायालय परिसर, चाईबासा एवं अनुमंडल न्यायालय परिसर, चक्रधरपुर में राष्ट्रीय लोक अदालत का आयोजन किया जा रहा है। उक्त राष्ट्रीय लोक अदालत में निम्न प्रकार के मामलों का निश्पादन किया जाना है :–

1. बैकिंग सम्बन्धी मामले
2. धारा 138 एन0आई0 एक्ट
3. मोटर दुर्घटना दावा वाद
4. श्रम विवाद सम्बन्धी मामले
5. पारिवारिक विवाद
6. भू–अर्जन एवं अधिग्रहण मामले
7. उत्पाद से संबंधित मामले
8. सुलहनीय आपराधिक मामले
9. सेवा सम्बन्धी मामले
10. दिवानी मामले
11. राजस्व मामले
12. खनन सम्बन्धी मामले
13. बिजली एवं पानी से सम्बन्धित
14. दूरभाश सम्बन्धी मामले
15. उपभोक्ता न्यायालय से सम्बन्धित मामले
16. वन विभाग से संबंधित मामले
17. विवाद पूर्व निस्तारण योग्य मामले एवं अन्य सुलहनीय मामले

अतः आप सभी से निवेदन है कि अधिक से अधिक संख्या में इस राष्ट्रीय लोक अदालत में अपने–अपने वादों का निपटारा कराकर इसका लाभ उठाए तथा इसे सफल बनायें।

पुलिस अधीक्षक–सह–सदस्य
जिला विधिक सेवा प्राधिकार,
पश्चिमी सिंहभूम, चाईबासा।

उपायुक्त–सह–उपाध्यक्ष
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सचिव
जिला विधिक सेवा प्राधिकार,
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PR 360776 (West Singhbhum)25-26*D

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION MECHANICAL DIVISION, JAMSHEDPUR

(Inviting Very Short Tender Notice)
N.I.T No- Tender-08 (2025-26) Dated-29-08-2025

Sl. No.	Name of Schemes	Estimated Cost (Rs)	Earnest Money (Rs)	Cost of Tender Paper (Rs)	Time of Completion
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	**Construction of 01 Nos.** 200mm x 165mm x 200mtrs deep High Yield Drilled Tube Well with 1 HP DC solar motor pump complete set for Tolas/Villages/Areas which is not included in MVS and has no electricity or less electricity to supply water 2000LPH atleast 15/30 Years for 24x7 supply in Holdijori village, panchayat-Chukripara, Dhalbhumgarh block of East singhbhum district Under D.W & S Mechanical Division, Jamshedpur	8,03,292.00	16,100.00	1250.00	01 Month

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7	Contact no of Procurement office	Cell No: -8987473741 Email ID :- dwsmechdivjsr7@gmail.com

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Note:-
1. For further information please contact the office of the undersigned on any working day or see the notice board
2. Estimated amount may increase or decrease. The amount of earnest money will be as per BOQ.
3. Tenderer should submit attested photocopy of upto date income tax & GST return certificate with application for purchase of BOQ.
4. Right to accept or reject or to distribute the work among the tenderer will remain reserved with undersigned without assigning any reason.
5. Other term & Condition will be enclosed with BOQ will be binding upon the tenderers.
6. Conditional tender may not be entertained.
7. BOQ cost in non refundable.
8. The tenderer should enclose attested photo copies of all certificate like upto date IT & GST return Certificate. Dealership & rig machine related Certificate, experience certificate of same nature of work.

Executive Engineer,
D.W & S Mech. Division, Jamshedpur

PR 360799 Drinking Water and Sanitation(25-26).D

Kiara Advani, Karan Johar call Param Sundari co-stars Sidharth and Janhvi a 'gorgeous pair'



Mumbai, Aug 30 (IANS) Sidharth Malhotra and Janhvi Kapoor's romantic comedy "Param Sundari" has been winning hearts all across. Adding to the list of admirers, Karan Johar pointed out that Sid and Janhvi make for "a gorgeous pair".

KJo took to the stories section of his Instagram handle and penned: "paramsundari is the fun and joyous romantic film this baarish Ka masuam needs...both @sidmalhotra and @janhviKapoor Make such a gorgeous pair and both give the film so much energy and romance with their solid and assured performances...loads of love and success to the entire team @maddockfilms @tusharjalota #dineshvijan." Sid's better half, Kiara Advani, also used social media to shower love and praise on "Param Sundari". Taking to her Instagram stories, the 'Kabir Singh' actress wrote, "A feel good rom com that leaves you with the biggest smile! @sidmalhotra Param was pure magic on screen – you owned every beat, every frame, effortless, charming and pitch perfect, your comic timing made it even more memorable." Lauding Janhvi's "endearing' performance", Kiara added: "@janhvikapoor Sundari is such a cutieee and your performance was so endearing, you looked absolutely stunning @santha_dop dop you have nailed it, every frame was breath taking a visual treat @tusharjalota congratulations on bringing it all together Kudos to the entire team for this gem of a film!

Tiger Shroff's 'Baaghi 4' trailer unleashes rage, bloodshed all in the name of love

Mumbai, Aug 30 (IANS) Packed with extreme rage, relentless bloodshed and unstoppable action, Tiger Shroff's Baaghi 4 trailer teases the franchise's "most brutal chapter" yet, unveiled by the makers on Saturday.

Tiger took to Instagram, where he shared the over-three-minute long trailer, where Tiger's Ronnie is all ready for a face off against legendary star Sanjay Dutt, who plays the antagonist.

"The bloodiest love story of the year starts here. Yaha, Har Aashiq Ek Villain Hai… #Baaghi4Trailer Out Now Link in Bio #SajidNadiadwala's #Baaghi4 Directed by @nimmaaharsha Releasing in cinemas on 5th Sept 2025 @rajat__aroraa @dop-swamyjgowda @diptijindal @nadiadwalagrandson @tseries.official @penmovies," Tiger wrote as the caption.

The trailer begins with



Tiger Shroff doing what he does best — beating the bad guys as he sets out in search of his ladylove, Alisha, played by Harnaaz Sandhu.

What follows is a storm of blood, bone-crunching action and high-voltage drama as he is unable to find her and is told that she's just a figment of his imagination. The trailer also gives a fiery glimpse of Sonam Bajwa flaunting her action skills.

The video ends with with Tiger's chilling one-liner: "Maine pehle bhi bola tha, jo tumhara torture hai… woh mera warm-up hai" which aligns with the "bloodiest love story" tag for the film.

"Baaghi 4" marks a bold new chapter, earning an 'A' certificate from the CBFC, an audacious move that underscores its raw, unfiltered cinematic style for the first time for Nadiadwala Grandson Entertainment's banner.

With a screenplay and story penned by Sajid Nadiadwala and direction by A. Harsha, Baaghi 4 blends style with substance, adrenaline with emotion.

The music is already setting the mood chart-topping tracks like Guzaara, Bahli Sohni, and Akeli Laila are resonating with audiences across the board.

"Baaghi 4" hits theatres on September 5.

Harnaaz Sandhu: Action cinema demands discipline, stamina, spirit



Mumbai, Aug 30 (IANS) Former beauty queen Harnaaz Sandhu, who is all set to make her Bollywood acting debut with the ultraviolet movie "Baaghi 4" starring Tiger Shroff, said that action cinema demands discipline, stamina and spirit.

An exclusive premiere for "Baaghi 4" trailer took place inside the Bigg Boss house before its worldwide release on Saturday.

Talking about her unconventional debut, Harnaaz said: "Most people expected me to choose a role that played to the idea of beauty and grace, but it's incredible to have my first film to break that mould."

"Action cinema demands discipline, stamina, and spirit—and it is an honour to be welcomed into the entertainment industry through this genre."

The actress said that she feels like she's standing on the shoulders of the "legends of the action realm."

She added: "I hope this trailer marks the beginning of a longstanding relationship with the audiences."

Featuring Tiger Shroff, Harnaaz Sandhu, Sonam Bajwa and Sanjay Dutt, the film promises bone-breaking action, explosive drama, and a showdown soaked in blood, fury, and chaos.

Backed by Sajid Nadiadwala under Nadiadwala Grandson Entertainment, with story, screenplay, and production by him, and helmed by director A. Harsha, "Baaghi 4" is set to storm cinemas worldwide on September 5.

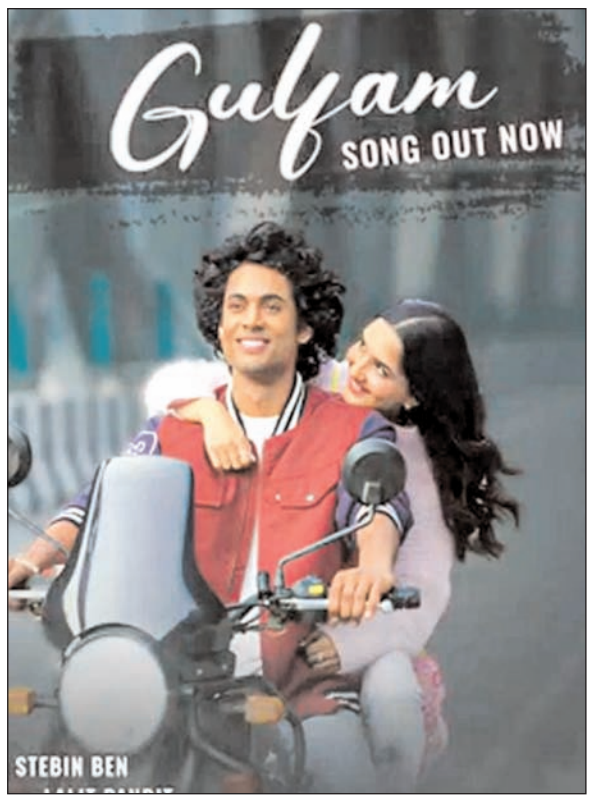
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The first installment of the action thriller film was directed by Sabbir Khan and released in 2016. A partial remake of the 2004 Telugu film Varsham, the film stars Tiger Shroff and Shraddha Kapoor in the lead roles and Sudheer Babu.

'Halki Halki Baarish', 'Gulfam' from 'Mannu Kya Karegga?' paint soothing soundscape against backdrop of love



Mumbai, Aug 30 (IANS) The songs 'Halki Halki Baarish' and 'Gulfam' from the upcoming film 'Mannu Kya Karegga?' have been unveiled on Saturday.

'Gulfam' is a soothing, heartfelt melody sung by Stebin Ben, with lyrics furnished by the legendary Javed Akhtar. The track features a soulful composition. 'Halki Halki Baarish' is a romantic ballad anchored by the soul-stirring vocals of Shaan and Akriti Kakar, with lyrics by Javed Akhtar. The song is an emotional, heartfelt ode to love and longing that is bound to resonate deeply with listeners. The music for both the songs is composed by Lalit Pandit.

Talking about the album, composer Lalit Pandit shared, "With 'Mannu Kya Karegga?', our vision was to create a timeless soundtrack that resonates with today's audience while honoring the essence of classic melodies. 'Gulfam' reflects the purity and soul of Indian music, while 'Halki Halki Baarish' beautifully captures the tenderness and emotion of love. Every song in this album has been crafted with great care to ensure it becomes a lasting musical experience".

The film stars Vinay Pathak, Kumud Mishra, Rajesh Kumar, Vyom and Saachi Bindra and Charu Shankar in pivotal roles.

'Halki Halki Baarish' and 'Gulfam' follows the success of the previously released songs from the albums including 'Humnava', 'Saiyaan', 'Fanaa Hua', to 'Teri Yaadein'. So far, every track has captured listeners' hearts, offering the freshness and soul of a true-blue musical gem.

With fresh faces, heartfelt emotions, and music at its core, 'Mannu Kya Karegga?' promises to be one of the year's most soulful cinematic experiences. 'Mannu Kya Karegga?' is produced by Curious Eyes Cinema. Catch the magic unfold on the big screen when the film releases nationwide on September 12, 2025.

Sunny Leone says all entertainers should be a part of every single facet of entertainment industry



Mumbai, Aug 30 (IANS) Actress Sunny Leone, who is gearing up for her upcoming streaming project, 'Betrayal', has spoken up on entertainers embracing change.

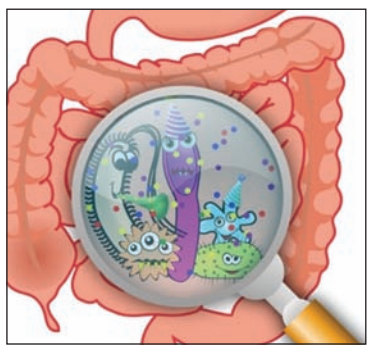
'Betrayal' is a vertical format OTT project with an aspect ratio of 9:16. It is helmed by Vikram Bhatt, and marks the actress' 2nd project with him.

Talking about working in the vertical format, Sunny told IANS, "I trust Vikram sir. So, when he asked me to be a part of it, it was very easy to say, 'Yes' to him. I also believe that all entertainers should be a part of every single facet of the entertainment industry. So, if you're on the forefront of all these new amazing things, then there are so many different layers of entertainment that you should explore. I think this is a great idea".

She also spoke about her collaboration with Vikram. 'Betrayal' is her 3rd project with him. The two had previously joined hands for Anamika, a suspense-driven web series that gained traction for its thrilling narrative. Sunny played the central role, bringing depth and intensity to the character. They also collaborated on ;Beiimaan Love', where she attempted a different shade of performance, earning appreciation for stepping outside her established image.

Health

A pill to change gut microbiome key to fight obesity, related heart disease & diabetes risk



New Delhi, Aug 30 (IANS) Intake of healthy gut bacteria in a pill form can act as a holy grail to tackle weight loss as well as metabolic syndrome that drives the risk of heart disease and diabetes, according to a study.

Metabolic syndrome is a cluster of five conditions -- high blood pressure, high blood sugar, large waist circumference, high triglycerides (fat in the blood), and low HDL ('good') cholesterol.

The study, published in the scientific journal Nature Communications, showed that the transfer of healthy gut bacteria via a single capsule may bring significant health benefits.

A team of researchers from the University of Auckland included 87 obese adolescents to probe whether faecal transfer (taking 'good' gut bacteria from healthy donors and giving them in capsule form to people with a less healthy microbiome) would make a difference to their health and weight.

While the adolescents did not lose weight, they also did not put it on, said Professor Wayne Cutfield, from the University's Liggins Institute. More important was the impact on metabolic syndrome, Cutfield said. In particular, the overweight teenagers who received the transfer had reduced risk for a bunch of metabolic changes which can lead to heart disease, stroke, and diabetes, compared with the participants who received the placebo.

"More than one in three of the original teenage participants in our study had metabolic syndrome," Cutfield said. "Metabolic syndrome has severe consequences, including a doubling in risk of death from heart disease or stroke and a five-fold increased risk of type 2 diabetes.

"What is impressive is that just a single FMT [faecal microbiota transplantation] treatment produced a dramatic reduction in metabolic syndrome that lasted at least four years. This means participants are at much lower risk of developing diabetes and heart disease over the long term," the expert said.

Notably, after four years, the introduced healthy bacteria were still present and thriving in the guts of the participants who had taken the capsules, said Professor Justin O'Sullivan from the varsity.

Vulgar messages to Kannada actress Ramya: Number of arrests rise to 12, police continue hunt for others

Bengaluru, Aug 30 (IANS) The number of arrests in connection with the case of sending vulgar messages to Kannada actress and former MP Ramya has risen to 12, and the police have launched a manhunt for others involved. All those arrested are fans of jailed actor Darshan.

Darshan's fans had targeted Ramya for sharing a post about the fan murder case and commenting that justice should be served.

The latest three arrests were made in the north Karnataka region. The accused were employed in small firms. Earlier, the police had arrested nine individuals from Bengaluru, Vijayapura, Chitradurga, and other districts in connection with the case.

The Central Crime Branch (CCB) has gathered information on 10 more social media accounts and launched a search for their users. Some of the accused are absconding, and several others have gone into hiding after deleting their posts. However, the police have obtained sufficient information and are actively pursuing them.

Ramya had lodged a



police complaint against 43 social media accounts. The accused had even threatened Ramya with rape.

Ramya had filed a complaint with Bengaluru Police Commissioner Seemanth Kumar Singh on July 28 evening against actor Darshan's fans for sending obscene and defamatory messages following her remarks on the fan murder case.

Ramya had said, "I shared news about the Supreme Court's development regarding actor Darshan's bail petition to give hope to common people about justice. After that, the trolling began. I have filed this complaint as a voice for women."

"I have lodged a complaint against 43 social media accounts. Some of them even threatened me with rape. If this can happen to me, what about others? Bengaluru Police Commissioner Seemanth Kumar Singh has assured me of action and has transferred the case to the Cyber Crime Wing. Women have the same freedom as men. Actor Darshan should have asked his fans not to post such messages," she added.

Pallavi Joshi reveals the major jolt that the team of 'The Bengal Files' suffered during the making

Mumbai, Aug 30 (IANS) Actress-producer Pallavi Joshi, has spoken up about how mid-way during the pre-production the team of her upcoming film 'The Bengal Files' was hit with a tragedy.

The actress-producer spoke with IANS at the residence during the promotions of the film, and shared that the production designer, Rajat Poddar, who came forward with the extensive plan of the sets of the film, had passed away after suffering a cardiac arrest. She said that it was a major blow to the film.

Talking about the same, she told IANS, "We had signed Rajat Poddar as our production designer. So, in this very office, he had



made a complete miniature of the set and it was a huge miniature, and was a beautifully designed set. He showed us the clock tower of Noakhali. He showed us the writer's building and we were very happy. We were making changes. Everything was done and he had to go to London to shoot for, I think it was 'Housefull', which was released recently. And he suffered a massive cardiac arrest and he died. And for us, it was such a big jolt because we had started the construction of the set and Rajat was gone. So, we really didn't know what to do at that point".

'The Bengal Files', which is based on the Direct Action Day, which took place on August 16, 1946. It presents the events of one of the darkest chapters of India, when people were brutally killed following riots in Kolkata. The Direct Action Day riots sparked off several riots between Muslims and Hindus/Sikhs in Noakhali, Bihar, and Punjab.

Priya Banerjee: My character in "Image Of Her" is unlike anything I've done before



Mumbai Aug 30 (IANS) Actor Priya Banerjee has given audiences a sneak peek into her upcoming short film "Image Of Her" by sharing behind-the-scenes moments on social media. The short film, written and directed by Pranjal Jain, is set to travel the festival circuit and is said to be partly inspired by true life situations. While the makers have kept the storyline closely guarded, the film is described as an intimate narrative that touches upon emotions rooted in reality. Pranjal Jain's writing reportedly draws from lived experiences, though the film itself weaves a fictionalized narrative for screen.Priya Banerjee, who has carved her niche with diverse projects across digital and film platforms, spoke about what makes this short film stand out for her.

India end with 50 gold medals for its best-ever showing in Asian Shooting Championship

New Delhi, Aug 30 (IANS) Curtains were drawn on the 16th Asian Shooting Championship (All events) in Shymkent, Kazakhstan, and after 12 exhilarating competition days, the Indian team registered a historic best-ever showing, finishing with an unprecedented 50 golds to top the tally- also a first in the history of the premier continental championship.

Particularly pleasing was the senior team's performance in the 15 Olympic events across the rifle, pistol, and shotgun disciplines, where Indian shooters won six gold, two silver, and three bronze medals, finishing behind global powerhouse China, which won eight gold medals, with hosts Kazakhstan picking up the other.

"It is a spectacular performance, and it is quite clear that the confidence of the shooting ecosystem is sky-high and significantly boosted by our performance at the Paris Olympics. Particularly pleasing is the performance of the juniors, which tells you that Indian shooting has just begun and greater things are sure to come in the near future," said a pleased Kalikesh Narayan Singh Deo, President, National Rifle Association of India (NRAI), on the performance.



India ended the championship just short of the 100-medal mark, with 26 silver and 23 bronze medals to go with the 50 gold. The hosts were second with 70 medals and 21 gold, while China was third overall with 15 gold and 37 medals.

The highlight of the senior's performance being two-time Olympian Elavenil Valarivan's second Asian crown (she won a double gold partnering Arjun Babuta in the mixed team event) in women's air rifle with an Asian record score, Neeru Dhanda's first ever Asian championship gold for India in women's trap, Sift Kaur Samra's first Asian title in women's 50 rifle 3-position (3P) and Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar's defense of his men's 3P title.

Indian junior shooters also demonstrated the depth of the country's talent in the sport by completely dominating all the Olympic events, winning 10 gold, four silver, and three bronze medals each.

The other gold medals came in the youth competitions and team events, as well as in non-Olympic events. Former world champion Ankur Mittal, for example, won the men's Double Trap gold with a world record score of 107, while Rio Olympian Gurpreet Singh struck gold in the men's 25m Standard Pistol event.

Rahul Dravid steps down as Rajasthan Royals' head coach ahead of IPL 2026

New Delhi, Aug 30 (IANS) Rajasthan Royals (RR) on Saturday announced that head coach Rahul Dravid has stepped down from his role with the franchise ahead of IPL 2026 season.



In September last year, Dravid was formally announced as RR's new head coach on a multi-year contract, after ending his three-year stint with the Indian team with the 2024 Men's T20 World Cup triumph.

In its statement, RR said that as part of a recent structural review, the franchise had offered Dravid a broader role, but the former India captain and head coach has opted not to take up the position.

"Rahul has been central to the Royals' journey over many years. His leadership has influenced a generation of players, built strong values within the squad, and left an indelible mark on the culture of the franchise. The Rajasthan Royals, its players, and millions of fans worldwide extend heartfelt thanks to Rahul for his remarkable service to the franchise," the franchise said in its statement.

Dravid had captained RR in IPL 2012 and 2013, before being their team mentor in 2014 and 2015 seasons. His return to the RR set-up ahead of IPL 2025 had raised expectations for the franchise to win their second IPL title after winning the inaugural edition of the tournament in 2008.

RCB extends Rs 25 lakh each to families of 11 stampede victims



New Delhi, Aug 30 (IANS) Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) on Saturday announced a financial aid of Rs 25 lakh each to the families of 11 victims who lost their lives in a stampede outside M Chinnaswamy Stadium during the team's IPL 2025 title win celebrations on June 4.

"Our hearts broke on June 4, 2025. We lost eleven members of the RCB family. They were part of us. Part of what makes our city, our community & our team unique. Their absence will echo in the memories of each one of us. No amount of support can ever fill the space they've left behind," RCB wrote in a post on social media.

"But as a first step, and with the deepest respect, RCB has extended ?25 lakh each to their families. Not just as financial aid, but as a promise of compassion, unity, and ongoing care. This is also the beginning of a long-term commitment for meaningful action that begins by honouring their memory. Every step forward will reflect what the fans feel, expect, and deserve," it added.

RCB's long-awaited IPL triumph on June 3, clinched with a six-run win over Punjab Kings at Ahmedabad's Narendra Modi Stadium, quickly turned tragic.

Hockey: Indian team leaves for Women's Asia Cup in China

Bengaluru, Aug 30 (IANS) The Indian women's team left for Hangzhou, China on Saturday, as the squad gears up for the upcoming Women's Asia Cup 2025. The 20-member team is being led by captain Salima Tete, who is looking to win the tournament to secure India's spot for the FIH Women's Hockey World Cup 2026 next year.

Talking about the upcoming competition, Salima said, "This tournament is a really good opportunity for us to secure our spot for the FIH Women's Hockey World Cup next year, and we are focusing on that. Our first priority at present is to top our Pool and reach the Super Fours. From there, we will take each game as it comes and make our way towards the trophy."



The squad features a balanced mix of youth and experience, with goalkeepers Bansari Solanki and Bichu Devi Kharibam providing depth under the post.

The defence unit will be marshalled by experienced players like Nikki Pradhan and Udita, supported by youngsters Manisha Chauhan, Jyoti, Suman Devi Thoudam, and Ishika Chaudhary. In the midfield, the team boasts strong names such as Neha, captain Salima Tete, Lalremsiami, Sharmila Devi, Sunelita Toppo and Vaishnavi Vitthal Phalke, ensuring both creativity and stability. The forward line includes a blend of seasoned campaigners and rising stars - Navneet Kaur, Sangita Kumari, Mumtaz Khan, Deepika, Beauty Dungdung, and Rutaja Dadaso Pisal.

Rathi, Rana, Bharti, Mathur and Yadav fined for breaching DPL Code of Conduct

New Delhi, Aug 30 (IANS) Digvesh Rathi, Nitish Rana, Aman Bharti, Sumit Mathur and Krish Yadav have been fined for breaching the Code of Conduct during the ongoing Delhi Premier League (DPL), said the tournament organisers on Saturday.



The incidents leading to the five players being fined happened during the Eliminator clash at the Arun Jaitley Stadium on Friday evening. The flashpoint began when Rathi, midway through his bowling action, chose not to release the ball, prompting Rana to bring out an attempted sweep in response.

When Rathi returned to bowl, Rana backed out. But tension escalated after Rana reverse-swept Rathi for a six over deep point and visuals showed the left-handed batter charging angrily towards Rathi.

Umpire Gayathri Venugopalan and nearby fielders intervened quickly to separate the two, with Rathi walking away and muttering words. Rana eventually hit a sensational century in the chase of 202 and took West Delhi to Qualifier 2 clash, set to happen against East Delhi Riders on Saturday.

But now, Rana has been fined 50 per cent of the match fees for a Code of Conduct breach under Article 2.6 (Level 1) - using a gesture that is obscene, offensive or insulting during a match. Rathi, who also copped a lot of fines in IPL 2025 due to his notebook styled celebrations, has been fined 80 per cent of the Match Fees for a Code of Conduct breach under Article 2.2 (Level 2) for the conduct contrary to the spirit of the game.

'We finally got some redemption': Satwik-Chirag on confirming World C'ships medal

Paris, Aug 30 (IANS) Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty said they felt a sense of redemption after securing India's first medal at the BWF World Championships by defeating Malaysia's two-time Olympic medallists Aaron Chia and Soh Wooi Yik in the quarterfinals.

The world No. 3 pair defeated the Malaysians in straight games, 21-12, 21-19, in 43 minutes to seal their second medal at the prestigious World Championships.

The Indian pair lost to the same opponents on the same court in the Paris Olympics, missing out on their maiden quadrennial accolade last year.

"Feeling really good, I think. It was a rematch of sorts from the Olympics. And I think we finally got some redemption. It was the same court, same arena," Shetty said after the match.



"A year back exactly. Olympics and now World Championships. It's always a pleasure playing against them. We've always had some really tough battles at the biggest of events. And really happy we could win today," he added.

Rankireddy also expressed satisfaction with their performance to book the last four berth.

"In the second game, when we were leading, I was thinking for sure we'll not win this much easy. They will come back stronger for sure. Because we have played many times," he said.

"When we won the stride games, it went very close, neck to neck. And I was telling myself, don't hurry for the point. And still I have a belief we are under control. No need to panic. Because we only gave a few points there. They were under pressure, I sensed that. So as I said before, we just want to play our A game.

Three-Day sports festival kicks off at NML

Mail News Service

Jamshedpur, Aug 30: The National Metallurgical Laboratory (NML) inaugurated a three-day sports festival on National Sports Day with a grand ceremony that celebrated fitness, teamwork, and the spirit of Major Dhyan Chand.

The program began with an oath-taking ceremony led by NML Director Dr. Sandeep Ghosh Chowdhury and Controller of Administration Jay Shankar Sharan. In his address, Dr.Chowdhury paid tribute to hockey legend Major Dhyan Chand and encouraged employees to prioritize their health. "A healthy workforce is the foundation of an institution's progress. Everyone should dedicate at least one hour daily to fitness," he said.



The festival featured events like a marathon and tug of war, drawing enthusiastic participation from NML employees. Winners were felicitated with trophies and prizes, boosting the competitive spirit and camaraderie among staff.

The event was organized under the leadership of the NML Staff Club. Director Dr.Chowdhury, Vice President Dr. Sanjay Agarwal, Controller of Administration Sharan, Secretary Parmarth Suman and members including Vijay Anand Mukhi, Santosh Rai, Rohit Modi and Administrative Officer Viplav Vishal played key roles in ensuring the program's success.

The festival will continue over the next two days with more sports activities aimed at promoting fitness and unity among employees.

'I shared the truth': Lalit Modi responds to Sreesanth's wife over 2008 IPL slap-gate video controversy

New Delhi, Aug 30 (IANS) Former Indian Premier League (IPL) commissioner Lalit Modi has responded to criticism from S. Sreesanth's wife, Bhuvneshwari, after she slammed him and Michael Clarke for releasing an unseen video of the infamous 2008 IPL Slap-gate incident involving her husband and Harbhajan Singh.

The controversy erupted after Modi and Clarke discussed past IPL events on a podcast, during which Modi released the previously unseen clip showing Harbhajan striking Sreesanth with a backhanded slap during post-match handshakes following a clash between the Mumbai Indians and Kings XI Punjab (now Punjab Kings). Harbhajan had been handed an 11-match suspension for the incident.

"I don't know why she (Sreesanth's wife Bhuvneshwari) is getting angry. I was asked a question, and I shared the truth. I can't do anything about that. I am known to speak the truth. Sree was the victim, and that's exactly what I said. No one had asked me this question earlier, so when Clarke quipped, I responded," Modi told IANS.

Modi, meanwhile, described the clip to Clarke, explaining how his security camera captured the moment after broadcasters had shut theirs. The video shows Harbhajan calling Sreesanth over during post-match handshakes before delivering the back-handed slap. Both cricketers have since buried the hatchet, appearing together on commentary panels and in advertisements, with Harbhajan publicly apologising for the incident multiple times.

Walkathon, Karate C'ship mark National Sports Day

Mail News Service



Jamshedpur, August 30: Tata Steel, along with its group companies Tata Steel Technical Services Limited (TSTSL) and Tata Steel Support Services Limited (TSSSL), celebrated National Sports Day and the birth anniversary of Sir Dorabji Tata with a series of spirited sporting activities across locations.

As part of the celebrations, Tata Steel organized a Karate Championship and Community Children Athletics Meet on August 27-28, providing a platform for young talent and reinforcing the Company's long-standing commitment to promoting sports at the grassroots level.

On National Sports Day (August 29), TSTSL and TSSSL carried the sporting spirit forward by organizing Walkathons at Jamshedpur, West Bokaro and Kalinganagar. Employees participated with enthusiasm across male and female categories, promoting fitness, wellness, and camaraderie.

At Jamshedpur, the Walkathon was flagged off by Deepak Kamath, CEO, TSSSL, who encouraged employees to embrace sports and physical activity as a way of life.

Carmel, Sacred Heart win big at JOGGA chess tournament

Mail News Service

Jamshedpur, Aug 30: Carmel Junior College, Kavyapta Global School, and Sacred Heart Convent School emerged as champions in different team categories at the JOGGA Inter-School Chess Tournament 2025, which concluded at Kavyapta Global School after two days of keen competition. The tournament created history with a record 284 participants, the highest ever in a JOGGA chess event.

The closing ceremony was graced by N.K. Tiwary, Secretary General of the East Singhbhum District Chess Association, and Firoze Khan, Vice President of JOGGA, who presented trophies to winners and runners-up in various categories.



In individual events, Arijit Ghosh of KPS Kadma topped the Junior Boys category, followed by Trishanou Mukherjee of KPS Kadma and Kushal Pranshu of DAV Public School, Bistupur. In the Senior Boys category, Debanjan Sinha of Carmel Junior College secured first place, with Bhavesh Saran of DAV Public School, Bistupur and Absaar Ahmad Shuja of Kavyapta Global School finishing second and third.

Among the girls, Naira Aditya of Sacred Heart Convent School won the Junior Girls title, followed by Navieka Jaiswal of Kavyapta Global School and Monali Biswas of KPS Kadma. In Senior Girls, Advika Mohanty of Carmel Junior College bagged first place, with Vaishnavi Sinha of DAV Public School, Bistupur and Srijita Tripathy of Central Public School finishing next.

In the team events, Sacred Heart Convent School won the Junior Girls title, Carmel Junior College bagged both the Senior Girls and Junior Boys trophies, while Kavyapta Global School clinched the Senior Boys title.

Tournament arbiters, led by Technical Director Chandan Prasad and Chief Arbiter Jayant Bhuiya, were felicitated by the school management led by Principal Director Kabita Agrawal. In her remarks, Agrawal said the event not only crowned champions but also inspired students to embrace patience, foresight and resilience.

Rahul Gandhi offers candies to BJYM workers

Mail News Service

Patna, August 30: Leader of opposition in Lok Sabha and Congress MP Rahul Gandhi offered candies to BJYM workers who displayed him black flags and confronted him over the alleged derogatory remarks made against the Prime Minister and his late mother at a Mahagathbandhan event in Darbhanga.

While the Rae Barelli MP was doing 'Voter Adhikar Yatra,' he witnessed the black-flag protests in Arrah over his alleged remarks on Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his late mother. Instead of saying anything, Rahul Gandhi took out the candies and showed the sweetest gesture in Bihar.



Addressing a public rally during the Congress' 'Voter Adhikar Yatra' in Ara, the district headquarters of Bhojpur, Mr. Gandhi claimed that the electoral roll revision was an "attack on the Constitution and the democratic system of the country".

The NDA Government succeeded in stealing votes in Maharashtra and other parts of the country. But we will not allow the BJP and the ECI to steal even a single vote in Bihar," Mr. Gandhi, the leader of the opposition in the Lok Sabha, claimed.

"Voting is the right of Dalits, minorities and women, but the Narendra Modi Government steals votes to win polls," he alleged. Gandhi is on a 16 day of the Voter Adhikaar Yatra in Bihar, supported by all Mahagathbandhan constituents, against the Election Commission's Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in Bihar. Yatra which got off to a start on August 17 from Sasaram will conclude on September 1.

BJP workers burn Rahul - Tejaswi effigy in Bihar

Mail News Service

Patna, August 30: A large number of BJP workers, led by party's district president Achintya Lalla and BJP MLA Ram Singh, burnt the effigies of Congress leader Rahul Gandhi and RJD's Tejaswi Yadav for alleged derogatory remarks were made against PM Modi at a purported Congress rally in Darbhanga recently.



They raised slogans against them and burnt its effigy during the demonstration on Saturday.

Addressing during this, BJP MLA from Bagaha Ram Singh said, "The leaders of the Mahagathbandhan who are talking about bringing "Mai-Behan Ladli Yojana" in Bihar are abusing the PM's mother. Will these people respect women? Not only the PM's mother has been abused from their stage, but crores of women of the country have been insulted by abusing them. We will never tolerate the abuse of the mothers of India."

BJP district president Achintya Lalla said that Rahul Gandhi feels that this country is his and only he will rule. "He is unable to tolerate seeing a poor man's son as the Prime minister," he said. "Rahul Gandhi has so far verbally attacked the Prime Minister, sometimes calling him a Chowkidar and sometimes calling him something else, but now his party men has resorted to abusing," he added.

Farmer injured by tiger in Bihar

Mail News Service

Patna, August 30: A 35-year-old Jitan Mahato, a resident of Dumri village in Ramnagar block of West Champaran district, was badly injured in an alleged attack by tiger on Saturday, an official confirmed.

Forest Conservator cum Director Neshamani K said that he was attacked by a tiger while working in the field at Damrapur near Dumri checknaka in Raghia range of Valmiki Tiger Reserve. The team along with the department's ambulance reached the spot and immediately rushed him to the hospital, where his condition is stable after initial treatment. He said that a forest department team has been deployed to search for the tiger and villagers have been apealed to be careful and vigilant.

According to Dr. D.S. Arya, Medical Officer of Ramnagar Community Health Center, Jitan was injured in the tiger attack. He has injury marks on the left side of his stomach. After first aid, he has been referred to Bettiah Government Hospital for better treatment. Villagers told that the movement of the tiger is still in this area, so the villagers are panicking, they are not going to work in the fields out of fear. If the tiger is not driven back into the forest soon, it may pose a threat to us in the future too.

Rajnath Singh, CM Yogi inaugurate drone manufacturing unit in Noida

Noida, Aug 30 (IANS) Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Saturday inaugurated the Raphe mPhibr Drone Manufacturing Unit and Defence Equipment and Engine Test Facility in Sector-81, Noida.

Speaking at the event, CM Yogi said the establishment of state-of-the-art facilities for drones, aircraft engines, and aerospace testing marked a major achievement for India's defence sector in the face of evolving global challenges.

"India has been facing challenges since 1947, and Operation Sindoor has demonstrated the nation's power in this new era of warfare. If you have strength, the world bows before you. When Shastra (epics) and Sastra (weapons) go hand in hand, peace prevails," he said.

The Chief Minister cited the examples of Maharana Pratap's valour and the symbolism of the lion as strength and authority.Highlighting Uttar Pradesh's contribution to national defence, he said nine ordnance factories were operational in the state, while 12,500 acres of land had been allocated for the Defence Corridor spread across Agra, Aligarh, Jhansi, Chitrakoot, and Kanpur.

Union Minister Kiren Rijiju criticises retired judges' signature campaign against HM Amit Shah

Bengaluru, Aug 30 (IANS) Union Minister for Parliamentary Affairs and Minority Affairs, Kiren Rijiju, on Saturday, described the signature campaign initiated by retired Supreme Court judges against Union Home Minister Amit Shah as "inappropriate".



Speaking at a gathering in Bengaluru on the topic "Parliamentary System in the Largest Democracy in the World", Union Minister Rijiju criticised the Congress and other opposition parties.<He said that the signature campaign -- launched in the backdrop of the Vice-President's election -- was "unconstitutional" and "inappropriate".

He emphasised that the election of the Vice-President is a purely political matter and said that the retired judges' actions have sent a concerning message: that even during their tenure, they may have been ideologically biased.

"A few retired judges wrote a letter against Amit Shah and started this campaign. They should not have interfered in the Vice-President's election process, which is strictly political," Rijiju reiterated.

He also named the Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha, Rahul Gandhi, and senior Trinamool Congress leader Mahua Moitra, condemning their use of derogatory language against Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his family.

"Such developments are not in the interest of the nation," he stressed.

"We represent a party that is democratic in nature and treats opposition leaders with respect. It is inappropriate for the Opposition to use derogatory language against the Prime Minister and his mother," Union Minister Rijiju added.

Not a 'dead economy', it's 'long live economy': Shivraj Singh Chouhan on GDP data

New Delhi, Aug 30 (IANS) Union Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan hailed the latest GDP figures, declaring that India has proven itself to be a "Long Live Economy" in the face of global headwinds.

"When leadership is steadfast, policies are precise, and decisions are farsighted, then the results make history. Those who used to call it a 'Dead Economy' should now understand that India is a 'Long Live Economy', moving firmly on the path of becoming a developed and self-reliant nation," Chouhan said in a post on X on Saturday.

He credited the collective effort of farmers, scientists, and India's 140 crore citizens for the strong performance.

"The sweat of our farmers, the hard work of our scientists, and the determination of ordinary Indians have all contributed to this success. Today, India's economy is not just strengthening -- it is setting new benchmarks across sectors," he added.

Pointing to the resilience of the economy despite global challenges, Chouhan highlighted that India's GDP grew by 7.8 per cent in the April-June quarter of FY 2025-26, up from 6.5 per cent in the same quarter last year.

Calling the achievement a matter of "special pride" for the agricultural community, he noted that the sector's growth rebounded sharply.

LoP Gandhi's 'Voter Adhikar Yatra' gets grand welcome in Saran, Tejashwi calls it a 'Mahagathbandhan movement'

Patna, Aug 30 (IANS) Saturday turned into a politically-charged day in Bihar as Congress MP and Leader of Opposition (LoP) in the Lok Sabha, Rahul Gandhi's 'Voter Adhikar Yatra' entered Saran district on its 14th day. The event drew massive crowds, enthusiastic slogans, and a festive welcome that transformed the yatra into a show of strength for the Opposition.

As the convoy crossed the Chainwa toll plaza, the air filled with slogans of "Rahul Gandhi Zindabad" and "Tejashwi Yadav Zindabad."

The 'Voter Adhikar Yatra' route was decorated like a wedding procession, with flowers, garlands, and bands playing at several points.

Local leaders and supporters gave LoP Rahul Gandhi and RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav a rousing welcome to their area.

Adding to the momentum, Samajwadi Party chief and former Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Akhilesh Yadav joined the march in solidarity with the Opposition alliance.



The enthusiasm was palpable from early morning. By 7 A.M., thousands had gathered from border villages and nearby towns, lining the route through Rasulpur, Ekma, Mane Dhala, and Manjhi constituency. At Beldari turn, a sea of people awaited the leaders, greeting them with drums and chants.

The 'Voter Adhikar Yatra' saw the participation of senior Congress and RJD leaders, as well as several MLAs and dignitaries. Notably, a large turnout of youth and women in Saran underlined the rising energy around the campaign.

Addressing workers, Tejashwi Yadav stressed that the 'Voter Adhikar Yatra' was not limited to the Congress.

"This is the yatra of the entire Mahagathbandhan. It is a collective fight to secure people's rights," he said.

LoP Rahul Gandhi, echoing the sentiment, declared that the campaign was aimed at protecting democracy.

"This yatra is not just a march, it is a battle to safeguard the rights of the people and the future of our democracy," LoP Gandhi told the gathering.

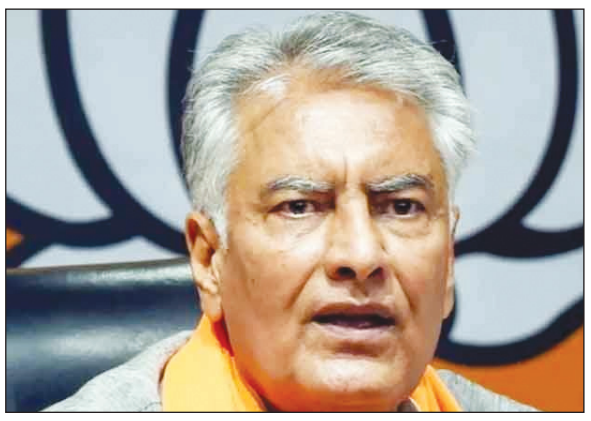
Punjab BJP chief writes to PM Modi, seeks assistance for flood-hit state

Chandigarh, Aug 30 (IANS) In response to the natural disaster caused by heavy rainfall and floods in Punjab, state BJP chief Sunil Jakhar has written a letter to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, urgently requesting central assistance.

In the letter, he highlighted the severe situation in the state.

Jakhar noted that Punjab, a key state for India's food security and economic strength, has been severely impacted by relentless heavy rain and flooding, exacerbated by excessive rainfall in the upper hilly regions.

The worst-affected areas include the border regions from the Bhoa Assembly constituency to Fazilka, as well as districts like Kapurthala.



According to the India Meteorological Department's warning, heavy rainfall is likely to continue in the coming days, potentially worsening the already critical situation.

He stated that the floods have affected a large population, rendering many families homeless and destroying thousands of acres of crops critical to the state's economy and national food supply.

While commending the Central government's efforts through the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) and financial aid, BJP chief Jakhar emphasised the need for additional and immediate assistance given the severity of the disaster.

He urged the Prime Minister to deploy central assessment teams to evaluate the ground situation and announce a special relief package to address the immediate needs of Punjab's flood-affected population.

Highlighting the state's significance as a border state and its role in national food security, Jakhar expressed confidence that the Prime Minister would extend support during this crisis.

Blast in Kerala's Kannur leaves one dead, probe points to firecracker storage

Kannur, Aug 30 (IANS) One person was killed and another injured in a powerful blast at a house in Kannur's Kannapuram area early on Saturday morning.

The police dismissed initial reports of a crude bomb blast, stating that a powerful firecracker caused the explosion.

The deceased has been identified as Muhammed Asham, a resident of Chalad in Kannur city. The police said that one Anoop Malik, who is a resident of Alavil in Kannur, had taken the house at Keezhara on rent, and Asham was his relative.

The explosion, which took place around 2 a.m., completely destroyed the house. The body of the victim was torn apart, and the remains were found scattered at the site.



According to the Kannur police, a bomb disposal squad and fire and rescue personnel, who rushed to the scene after being alerted by locals, discovered several unexploded firecrackers at the site, reinforcing the suspicion that the house was being used for illegal firecracker production or storage.

The shockwaves from the blast damaged doors and windows and caused cracks in the walls of several houses in the vicinity.

A case has been registered against Anoop Malik, who is at large now, under the Explosives Act. The house owner, Govindan, told the media that the accused had said while renting the house that three persons would stay there and that they were running a spare parts shop in Pariyaram, about 40 km from here.

Man 'kills' daughter, burns body over inter-caste affair in Karnataka

Kalaburagi, Aug 30 (IANS) In a suspected case of honour killing, a man allegedly murdered his daughter and then burnt her body over her inter caste affair in Karnataka's Kalaburagi district.

The incident occurred in Melakunda village in Kalaburagi taluk, within the jurisdiction of the Farhatabad police station.

The accused, identified as Shankar Kolkur, has been arrested.

The police are searching for the other two accused, Sharanu and Dattappa, who assisted him in the crime.

According to the police, the victim, 18-year-old Kavitha from the Lingayat community, was a second-year pre-university student (Class 12).



Kavitha, who was travelling to Kalaburagi city for her studies, was in a relationship with Malappa Poojari, a young man from the Kuruba community from the same village.

Four months ago, her family discovered her relationship and stopped her from attending college.

During this time, Kavitha challenged her parents, stating she would only marry Malappa and would elope with him if they did not agree.

Kavitha's family opposed her and threatened her not to take such a drastic step. However, Kavitha remained firm, insisting that she would marry the person she was in love with.

According to the police, her father, Shankar, and the two relatives strangled her to death. They then tried to make it seem as if she had died after consuming a pesticide. Afterwards, they transported her body to a relative's farm and burned it.

Defence Minister says warships will be built in India, showcases Modi govt's push for 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat'

New Delhi, Aug 30 (IANS) Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Saturday announced that India's warships will be manufactured domestically, reinforcing the Modi government's push towards an 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat (self-reliant India)' to enhance the nation's military strength and global standing amid ongoing economic and geopolitical challenges.

Highlighting the scale of indigenous effort, Defence Minister Singh, speaking at the NDTV Defence Summit 2025, noted that nearly 75 per cent of the new warships were designed locally, a development he said would significantly bolster India's strategic autonomy.

The statement comes days after the commissioning of two indigenously-built Nilgiri-class stealth frigates, INS Himgiri and INS Udaygiri. These advanced warships feature significant upgrades in weapon and sensor systems and are equipped to undertake a wide spectrum of maritime operations.



Defence Minister Singh's remarks also follow the conclusion of 'Operation Sindoor', India's military response to the April 22 Pahalgam terror attack in which 26 people were killed by Pakistan-backed terrorists. The attack was carried out by terrorists linked to 'The Resistance Front' -- an offshoot of the Pakistan-based Lashkar-e-Taiba. India retaliated with precision strikes on terror camps located in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied-Kashmir. A notable aspect of 'Operation Sindoor' was the deployment of indigenously-developed air defence system modules, which successfully shielded both civilian and military infrastructure from a barrage of Pakistani missiles and drones. Defence Minister Singh said the entire world had witnessed India's growing Defence capabilities. "The way our forces, with indigenous equipment, carried out precise strikes on their targets shows no mission can succeed without a vision, long-term preparation, and coordination," he said.

He stressed that the operation was not just a short-term conflict but a reflection of long-term strategy.