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PM Modi surveys flood-hit Punjab



Chandigarh : Prime Minister Narendra Modi began a crucial visit to flood-affected regions of Punjab and Himachal Pradesh today to assess the widespread damage caused by recent floods.

Arriving at Pathankot Airbase from Delhi, he proceeded by helicopter to conduct an aerial survey of the hardest-hit areas in Himachal Pradesh, including Kullu, Mandi, and Chamba.

The visit was briefly overshadowed by a bomb threat received via email by the principal of Nerchowk Medical College in Mandi, Dr DK Verma. Authorities swiftly evacuated the hospital, relocating approximately 300 patients to safety, and a police search operation is underway to secure the premises.

In Dharamshala, PM Modi will lead a

high-level meeting to review the disaster's impact, with a detailed presentation on the damage. Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu, who inspected preparations, will attend.

At 4 pm, the Prime Minister will meet flood victims in Tibbri, Gurdaspur, to address their concerns.

Punjab's AAP government has sought Rs 80,000 crore in relief from the Centre, while Himachal has requested a special aid package. Punjab AAP president Aman Arora expressed hope for support, noting the Prime Minister's earlier "silence" on Punjab crisis.

On September 5, union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan visited Amritsar, Gurdaspur, and Kapurthala, promising aid to affected communities.



PM Modi Announces Rs 1,600 Crore Relief for Flood-Hit Punjab, Additional Rs 12,000 Crore Under Central Schemes

Prime Minister Narendra Modi, after an aerial survey of flood-affected areas in Punjab, announced a Rs 1,600 crore relief package for the state, supplementing Rs 12,000 crore already allocated under central schemes.

In Gurdaspur, he met 19 farmers from areas like Fazilka and Ajnala, who raised concerns about unpaid 2023 compensation and issues like illegal mining and neglected Dhussi bandhs.

Modi assured a multi-pronged recovery plan, including rebuilding homes under PM Awas Yojana, restoring highways, reconstructing schools, and

providing PMNRF relief and livestock mini-kits. Advance releases of SDRF and PM Kisan Samman Nidhi funds were also promised.

Punjab BJP chief Sunil Jakhar noted the Prime Minister's 30-minute interaction with farmers, while leader Tarun Chugh highlighted local distrust in state fund distribution.

Earlier, in Himachal Pradesh, Modi conducted an aerial survey of Kullu, Mandi, and Chamba, announcing a Rs 1,500 crore financial assistance package, ex-gratia payments and met 18 victims, including one-year-old Nitika, orphaned in a June 30 cloudburst.

Sharad Pawar faction leader joins BJP

Mumbai : Arun Patil, a former MLA of the Sharad Pawar faction from Raver, today joined the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) along with several of his supporters.

The induction program was held at the party's state office, where BJP State President Ravindra Chavan welcomed him. Water Resources Minister Girish Mahajan, MLA Amol Jawale, and other party leaders were also present.

Chavan said that under the "dynamic leadership" of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis, the country and state are witnessing rapid development. He added that

it was a "matter of joy" that Patil, who was elected twice from the Raver constituency, had rejoined the BJP.

"The trust with which Patil and his supporters have joined BJP will be honoured," Chavan said.

Mahajan added that Patil's entry would strengthen the BJP organisation.

Patil stated that he and his supporters had joined the BJP to "contribute to this progress in our own way."

"Since I believe in BJP's ideology, I will work with the spirit of 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas'," he said, adding that he would work for development while remaining within the party framework.

Court sets Sep 23 as next hearing in Rahul Gandhi defamation case

Sultanpur: A witness was cross-examined in the MP/MLA court in a case against former Congress president and Rae Bareilly MP Rahul Gandhi, related to alleged indecent remarks against union Home Minister Amit Shah, prosecution sources said here.

Prosecution sources said that as the process was not completed, Judge Shubham Verma today fixed

September 23 as the next date for hearing.

BJP leader Vijay Mishra, a resident of Hanumananj in Kotwali Dehat, Sultanpur district, filed a defamation case against Rahul Gandhi in 2018, alleging that he was hurt by remarks made during the Karnataka elections. Over five years of court proceedings, a warrant was issued

in December 2023 due to Rahul Gandhi's absence. On February 20, 2024, Rahul surrendered in court and was granted bail on two sureties of Rs 25,000 each. On July 26, 2024, Rahul recorded his statement in court, claiming innocence and alleging a political conspiracy against him. Since then, the court has been fixing hearing dates regularly.



C P Radhakrishnan Elected Vice President of India



New Delhi: In a major victory for the National Democratic Alliance (NDA), C P Radhakrishnan was elected as the 15th Vice President of India on Tuesday. Radhakrishnan, the NDA candidate, secured a decisive victory over the Opposition's joint nominee, B Sudershan Reddy.

The election results revealed a significant win for Radhakrishnan,

who garnered 452 first-preference votes. His opponent, Sudershan Reddy, received 300 votes. According to Returning Officer P C Mody, out of the 788 eligible Members of Parliament (MPs), 767 cast their votes, resulting in a 98.2% turnout. Of these, 752 votes were deemed valid, while 15 were declared invalid.

The outcome of the election has

led to speculation about cross-voting within the INDIA bloc, as the Opposition secured 15 votes fewer than its claimed strength. The 15 invalid votes also raise questions, with some sources suggesting they may have all come from the Opposition's camp.

Following his defeat, B Sudershan Reddy congratulated Radhakrishnan,

stating that the Opposition's unity remains strong despite the election outcome. Union Home Minister Amit Shah also extended his congratulations, expressing confidence that Radhakrishnan's leadership and experience will strengthen parliamentary democracy and uphold the dignity of the Rajya Sabha.

Congress stakes claim to legislative council opposition leader's post

Mumbai : With the post of Leader of Opposition (LoP) in the Maharashtra Legislative Council falling vacant after the end of Ambadas Danve's tenure, the Congress has staked its claim to the position.

The party is citing its numerical strength in the Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA) alliance, and Congress Legislative Council group

leader Satej Patil is likely to be appointed if the claim is accepted.

For the first time in the history of the Maharashtra Legislature, both Houses—the Assembly and the Council—are without a Leader of Opposition. Amid this backdrop, senior Congress leaders Balasaheb Thorat, Vijay Wadettiwar, and Amin Patel met Shiv Sena (UBT) chief Uddhav

Thackeray at his residence, Matoshree, to discuss the current political situation and the vacant posts.

During the meeting, the Congress proposed that the Assembly LoP post be given to the Thackeray faction, while the Legislative Council post should go to the Congress. In the Council, the Congress holds the largest number of seats within the MVA, with

eight seats, compared to six for the Shiv Sena (UBT) and two for the NCP (Sharad Pawar faction).

The meeting also touched upon the possibility of an alliance between the Shiv Sena (UBT) and the Maharashtra Navnirman Sena (MNS). Wadettiwar said the matter would be discussed with the party's central leadership before taking a final stand.

Maharashtra Cabinet approves agricultural and urban development projects

Mumbai : The Maharashtra Cabinet, led by Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis, today approved projects worth thousands of crores focusing on agricultural and urban development.

The meeting sanctioned an extension of electricity tariff subsidies for 1,789 lift irrigation schemes across the state until March 2027, ensuring affordable electricity for members of cooperative farming societies.

Under the Urban Infrastructure Development Scheme, the Cabinet

approved borrowing of Rs 2,000 crore from HUDCO in the first phase. In addition, it sanctioned Rs 822 crore for the water supply project of the Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar Municipal Corporation, Rs 268 crore for four sewage treatment plants under the Nagpur Metropolitan Region Development Authority, and Rs 116 crore for the water supply project of the Mira-Bhayander Municipal Corporation.

The Soil and Water Conservation Department received approval for funds to repair minor irrigation

projects at Ghonga and Kandi in Murtizapur taluka of Akola district, a move expected to boost irrigation capacity and benefit local farmers. The Revenue Department also cleared the transfer of four hectares of government grazing land at Asudgaon in Panvel taluka, Raigad district, to a central government agency for a residential complex for its officials.

The meeting took place amid the ongoing Maratha reservation issue. Although Minister Chhagan Bhujbal had expressed discontent with the government's



decision on the matter, he eventually attended the session. Meanwhile, Maratha quota leader Manoj Jarange Patil has demanded the issuance of Kunbi caste certificates to eligible Marathas by September 17. The government has announced that these certificates will be distributed during the "Seva Fortnight" from September 17 to October 2.

Maha Revenue Dept allocates land for IB's residential quarters in Panvel

The Maharashtra Cabinet, chaired by Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis, on Tuesday approved the allocation of 4 hectares of grazing land in Mauje Asudgaon, Panvel, District Raigad, to the Subsidiary Intelligence Bureau (SIB), Mumbai Division. This will enable the construction of modern residential quarters for SIB officers and employees, strengthening national security infrastructure in the region.

According to the revenue department release, the aligns with the provisions of Sections 22A and 40 of the Maharashtra Land Revenue Code, 1966, Rules 5, 6, and 50 of the Maharashtra Land Revenue (Distribution of Government Land) Rules, 1971, Government Notification dated March 15, 2018, Government Circular dated December 14, 1998, and Section 51(1)(c) of the Maharashtra Gram Panchayat Act, 1958. The land has been granted to the Deputy Director, Subsidiary Intelligence Bureau, Government of India, Mumbai

Division, as 'Occupant Class-2' with lien and possession, subject to the prescribed terms and conditions.

The allotment is based on an assessment amount of 50 per cent of the value calculated at the non-cultivated rate, as per the current rapid census.

The Revenue Department, headed by Chandrashekhar Bawankule, remains committed to facilitating strategic infrastructure projects that support national agencies while ensuring compliance with state regulations and promoting the welfare of officers and employees serving the nation, said the release.

Meanwhile, the cabinet also approved the provision of expenditure for the repair of Ghonga and Kanadi minor irrigation schemes in Murtijapur taluka of Akola district. A provision of Rs 4.76 crore was approved for the repair of the Ghonga project and Rs 4.92 crore for the Kanadi project.

The work of the Ghonga Micro Irrigation Scheme was completed in

1986. The work of the Kanda Kanda Micro Irrigation Scheme was completed in 1977. The pitching of both these projects has not been repaired, trees and bushes have grown in the canal, and the service road on the project has not been repaired.

For this, the expenditure was approved as a special matter for the repair of both these projects. Due to this repair, an additional 35 thousand cubic meters water storage and 45 hectares of irrigation capacity will be created. The original water storage of this project is 1550 thousand cubic meters, and the original irrigation capacity is 350 hectares.

As far as the repair of the Kanadi project is concerned, it will create an additional 38 thousand cubic meters of water storage and 46 hectares of irrigation capacity. The original water storage of this project is 1700 thousand cubic meters, and the original irrigation capacity is 286 hectares, said the government release.

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Selective action, PSA against MLA not good for our democracy : Omar Abdullahaa

Srinagar : J&K Chief Minister Omar Abdullah today said that invoking the stringent Public Safety Act (PSA) against Doda MLA Mehraj Malik, while taking no action against those accused of “hurting people’s sentiments” at Hazratbal shrine, is “not good for democracy.”

Omar said he failed to understand what Malik had done that warranted the government’s decision to invoke the stringent PSA against him.

“Has the situation deteriorated anywhere? Was there any stone-pelting? On the contrary, the people who spoil the environment here, the people who played with our religious sentiments and spoil the environment in Hazratbal—there is nothing against them. Instead, innocent people are being harassed here. They are being called to police stations and questioned,” Omar told reporters in Srinagar.

The Chief Minister said if



the MLA had made a mistake, it could be rectified under the supervision of the Speaker.“A law like the PSA should not have been invoked against him. This will reduce the public trust in democracy,” Omar said.

Referring to incidents earlier this year, Omar said on July 13, the martyrs’ day, the administration made a mistake and detained many leaders.“On July 14, they made another mistake. They got me heckled by the police.

After that, arresting the MLA in the PSA is not a good thing. It is not a good thing for our democracy,” Omar said.When asked about the election for 17th Vice-President, the Chief Minister questioned the Election Commission of India for

keeping four seats of J&K in Rajya Sabha vacant and thereby denying the union territory its rightful representation.

“Our votes are already less, I don’t understand. It’s been nearly 11 months since our assembly elections. Why are the seats of our Rajya Sabha empty today? If we had four more votes, our voice would have been stronger. We would have been able to speak,” Omar said.

“I don’t understand why the Centre and Election Commission is taking revenge on us that our Rajya Sabha elections are not taking place,” he added.

On the recent floods, Omar said he expects Jammu and Kashmir to be compensated for the losses suffered.

He further requested the union Railways Minister to run special trains to ensure movement of essential goods to Kashmir and transport fruit produce outside.

Bihar minister accuses RJD of misleading women with 'Mai Bahin Yojna'a

Patna: Bihar Water Resources Minister and senior JD(U) leader Vijay Kumar Chaudhary today strongly objected to opposition activities of collecting forms from women for the so-called "Mai Bahin Yojna" announced by RJD leader Tejashwi Prasad Yadav.

Speaking to media here, Chaudhary said the Opposition was unsettled by the wide popularity of several welfare schemes launched by the Nitish Kumar government for women. Fearing massive support for the government, Tejashwi had made a “hollow promise” of benefits under Mai Bahin Yojna if voted to power, he alleged.

“It has come to light that a large number of opposition workers are getting forms filled from women under this so-called scheme. Such activities cannot be allowed. They are meant to mislead and dupe women in the name of benefits,” Chaudhary said.

He further expressed concern that opposition workers were collecting bank account



details of women. “They could even misuse the details to withdraw money being transferred by the Nitish Kumar government under the ‘Mukhya Mantri Mahila Rojgar Yojna,’ he warned.

Under this scheme, one woman from every family would receive Rs10,000, while an assistance of Rs2 lakh would be provided within six months to help women launch their own ventures. "All possible steps are being taken by the government to improve the condition of women and empower them,” he said.

Odisha Bhitarkanika emerges as major heronry for colonial birds

Bhubaneswar : The Bhitarkanika National Park in Odisha's Kendrapara district has reestablished itself as a congenial habitat of resident water birds maintaining a stable nesting population of nesting winged species, a senior official said today.

The official statistics of the annual colonial bird census released today pegged their population at 1,30,796 belonging to ten species. With this, the population of monsoon birds has increased marginally this year in comparison to 1,30,123 birds sighted in 2024.

"The consistent presence of diverse water bird species underlines the ecological importance of Bhitarkanika Mangroves as one of the largest heronries in Asia.

The annual nesting congregation not only enhances the ecological richness of the mangrove ecosystem but also provides critical insights into the conservation status of colonial water birds.

"The Mangrove Wildlife Division, Rajnagar, remains committed to ensuring the protection of wetland habitats and safeguarding the future of these avian species", said Divisional Forest Officer, Rajnagar Mangrove Wildlife Division, Varadaraj Gaonkar.

The census team moni-



tored all the water bodies and mangrove forest areas of Mathadia, Laxmiprasaddia, Durgaprasaddia and Balidia heronries in and around the Bhitarkanika national park.

The Asian Open-billed Stork continued to dominate the nesting colonies, with 15,919 nests, making it the most abundant species in the region. Other significant species include Black-headed Ibis, Purple Heron, Large Egret, Intermediate Egret, Little Egret, Grey Heron, Little Cormorant, Black-crowned Night Heron, and Darter.

Among the heronry sites, Laxmiprasad-Dia (13,594 nests) and Mathadia (13,261 nests) emerged as the major nesting hubs, contributing the bulk of the nesting population.

The preferred nesting tree species remains Bani (Avicennia officinalis), along with Guan, Kerauan, Oruan, Sinduka, and Sundari.

Abundant fish in the river and creeks and distance from human habitation has made it a congenial breeding spot for thousands of birds. Lack of human interference also comes in handy for birds, for these birds make and mend nests, collect green branches for building and repairing nests, lay, incubate, hatch eggs, feed fledglings, guard them from predators, said the forest officer.

Noted ornithologist, Dr Salim Ali made a chance-discovery of Bhitarkanika bird's habitat while on a casual visit to Bhitarkanika in 1981.

Kunwar Viyogi Memorial Trust donates for Jammu Flood Relief Fund

Jammu: In a gesture of solidarity and service, the Kunwar Viyogi Memorial Trust has contributed to the Jammu Flood Relief Fund to support families and communities affected by the recent floods across the region.

The donation was formally handed over to Additional Deputy Commissioner Jammu, Ansuuya Jamwal, by representatives of the Trust.

The contribution reflects the Trust’s deep-rooted ethos of blending cultural preservation with compassionate community service, standing with people in times of need.

Speaking on the occasion, Trust Founder Poonam Singh Jamwal said: “Kunwar Viyogi believed in selfless service and compassion.

This contribution is a humble effort to reach out to families facing immense hardship due to the floods. We hope this small step en-

courages many others to come forward in the spirit of collective responsibility and humanitarian service.”

Founded in memory of Sahitya Akademi Awardee and Indian Air Force officer Group Captain Randhir Singh Jamwal (Kunwar Viyogi), the Trust has, over the past decade, carved a unique identity as a movement for cultural revival, youth empowerment, and social responsibility.

From scholarship programs, research support and Dogri language initiatives, to art residencies, cultural festivals.

And community welfare drives, the Trust has consistently championed both intellectual enrichment and social upliftment.

This donation towards flood relief further strengthens its mission of serving society not only through art and literature, but also through tangible acts of compassion, resilience and solidarity.

UP police launches campaign against illegal firecracker units in state

Lucknow : Uttar Pradesh Police has launched a 15-day special campaign to curb incidents of explosions in illegal firecracker factories and warehouses across the state, police sources said today.

According to the police, they have launched this campaign following the instructions of Director General of Police (DGP) Rajiv Krishna. The campaign is being run under the supervision of ADG (Law and Order) Amitabh Yash.Under this, all licensed firecracker units will be inspected by joint teams of jurisdictional officers, sub-divisional magistrates, station in-charges and fire officers. “The inspections will be videographed and verified by senior officials including ADMs, SPs, DIGs, commissioners and district magistrates,” sources said.DGP Krishna noted that it was extremely important to ensure fire safety preparedness, especially against chemical



fires. He emphasized on reviewing the emergency response mechanism and training of employees.He said, "Child labour should be checked and legal action should be taken immediately if caught. Officials should collect information about unauthorised factories, storage or transportation through police and revenue units. Immediate closure of illegal units and legal action against them should be ensured."The DGP has directed the officials to ensure that storage and sale of firecrackers is done only in licensed prem-

ises, which are clearly marked and away from crowded residential or marking areas.He also stressed on protecting small or part-time vendors from unnecessary harassment during inspections. If any explosion or fire incident occurs in future, the responsibility of the concerned area in-charge, SHO or supervising officers would be fixed and disciplinary and legal action would be taken."The aim of this campaign is not only to prevent tragedies like the recent firecracker explosions but also to ensure accountability.

BJD future seems uncertain as it abstains from VP poll

Bhubaneswar : The decision on part of the Biju Janata Dal (BJD), the principal opposition party in Odisha, to abstain from 2025 Vice President poll has led analysts to believe that the regional party is steadily losing relevance nationally, almost 15 months after it lost power to BJP after 24 years of uninterrupted rule in the state.

BJD, headed by Naveen Patnaik, lost to BJP in both the 2024 Assembly polls and Lok Sabha polls. Patnaik, who never eyed pan-India expansion of the party, failed to check the BJP’s electoral juggernaut after staying at the helm in the State for a record 24 years.

The party, which governed the state uninterruptedly from 2000 to 2024, suffered its worst poll debacle by drawing a blank in the 2024 Lok Sabha polls. It now remains content with 7 Rajya Sabha members with two of its elected members switching fences to BJP after the poll debacle and promptly re-elected to the Upper House on BJP ticket.

Speculation was rife that BJD which supported ruling NDA in several key issues in the past 11 years may vote in favour of INDIA bloc candidate for the VP poll being held today as several party stalwarts were in favour of such a move to reinvent itself to get rid of pro-BJP image following the electoral loss in 2024 twin polls.

The move to abstain has apparently dented the regional party’s image.

BJD’s strength in both the Houses was truncated after the Lok Sabha poll drubbing.

The party’s Rajya Sabha strength has also been trimmed to seven after two MPs Sujit Kumar and Ma-



mata Mahant defected to the BJP and were promptly renominated by the saffron party.

Though the regional party lacked the numbers to stamp out a massive impact in the VP polls, casting vote for INDIA bloc rather than decision to abstain could have sent a message louder that the party does not serve the interest of ruling alliance at the Centre.

A social media post of Tathagata Satapathy, former BJD MP and editor of a leading Odia daily, that the regional party was resorting to self-destruction sums up steadily eroding political relevance of the regional party at least in national political scenario.

“Odisha’s Biju Janata Dal (BJD), by deciding to abstain in the Vice Prez election, seems to have harkiried its total political existence whatever little remained”, Satapathy, who quit active politics in 2019, stated in a post on X.

The BJD move to abstain from the VP poll has triggered an avalanche of adverse reaction in social media circles. Odisha Pradesh Congress Committee president Bhakta Charan Das slammed the BJD saying that BJD & BJP are two sides of the same coin and that Congress was the only opposition in Odisha and

BJD’s decision to abstain from vote has proved it.

This is nothing but a tacit endorsement of the BJP.

Naveen Patnaik has opted to protect himself rather than his party. Senior BJD leaders are clearly afraid of Central agencies breathing down their necks, he charged.

Even inside the BJD, unease is palpable. Several senior leaders privately admit that the abstention has dented the party’s claim of being the principal opposition to the BJP in Odisha. “Had MPs been allowed a conscience vote, as during the Waqf Bill, many would have backed the INDIA bloc candidate,” confided a veteran functionary.

By choosing not to take a stand, the BJD has once again left itself open to accusations of double-speak. Its assertion of “equidistance” looks increasingly hollow, as it has, over the past decade, sided with the BJP at the national level.

BJD’s stand in the previous VP polls is varied. It abstained from the 2012 poll, in which Hamid Ansari won. It backed non-NDA candidate Gopalkrishna Gandhi in the 2017 poll, in which Venkaiah Naidu won. In 2022, it extended its support to NDA candidate Jagdeep Dhankhar.

SAD to skip vice-presidential election, prioritises flood relief in Punjab

Chandigarh: The Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) has announced it will abstain from the vice-presidential election, citing devastating floods in Punjab as its primary concern. The party, which holds a single parliamentary seat, stated that its lone MP, Harsimrat Kaur Badal, will not participate in the voting process.

Harsimrat, representing

Bathinda, is the wife of SAD president Sukhbir Singh Badal. She emphasised the party’s commitment to aiding flood-affected communities in Punjab.

“When thousands of families are displaced, crops destroyed, and people are struggling for basic necessities, our duty lies in helping those in distress rather than engaging in

elections,” the party said in a statement.

SAD also criticised the Central and Punjab governments for their alleged inadequate response to the flood crisis, highlighting the lack of sufficient relief and rescue efforts.

The party underscored that supporting the affected is its top priority during this humanitarian crisis.

Order to pay interest to allottees on delay in giving possession of flats is appropriate: HC

Lucknow: In an important decision the Lucknow bench of the Allahabad High Court has ruled out that the order of the builder to pay interest to the allottees for the delay in giving possession of the flats is appropriate. With this comment, the court dismissed all the appeals of Noida’s Buildtech Private Limited Company.

The court upheld the order of the UP Real Estate Appellate Tribunal in which the builder company was directed to pay interest to the allottees for the delay in giving possession. The single bench of Justice Pankaj Bhatia gave this decision on several appeals filed by Noida’s Buildtech. In these, the order of the UP Real Estate Appellate Tribunal was challenged. The tribunal had ordered the builder



company to pay interest for the delay in giving possession to the allottees. The builder company argued that there was a delay in giving possession due to Covid-19. This situation was not under their control. It was also argued that the allottees accepted the possession without any protest, so they did not have the right to get interest for the delay in possession. However, the court did not accept the arguments and dismissed the appeals.

The tribunal had said in the order that the builder will have to pay late interest for the period from January 1, 2020 to October 13, 2022. This will be one per cent more than MICR. However, it was directed to give a relaxation of six months from this period due to Covid-19.

Mamata will undertake a three-day official tour of north Bengal

Kolkata: Starting today, West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee is scheduled to make an official tour of north Bengal and will hold an administrative meeting in Uttarkanya, the northern districts secretariat, at Jalpaiguri district tomorrow, official sources said. Banerjee is expected to catch a flight from Dum Dum airport this noon and reach Bagdogra from where she is expected to hold

another meeting regarding north Bengal administration and take note regarding damages following heavy rains in the region. Banerjee during her three-day visit will also attend a public service distribution programme in Jalpaiguri and launch a slew of development projects. She is likely to meet the senior Trinamool Congress leaders of the region to discuss the party’s activities, keeping in

mind the next year’s Assembly polls. She will also address a public meeting on the ABPC Ground in Jalpaiguri before coming to Kolkata on September 11. In Jalpaiguri, the chief minister will lay the foundation stone of a drinking water project of ₹150 crore. Under the project, water will be pumped from the Teesta to provide drinking water to households in Jalpaiguri town.

J&K's Kulgam encounter: LG, CM pay respectful tribute to martyred soldiers



Srinagar : Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha today paid tributes to the brave army personnel Subedar Perbhat Gaur and Lance Naik Narendar Sindhu, who were killed in the ongoing operations against terrorists in Kulgam district. “I salute the supreme sacrifice of our Army Bravehearts Sub Perbhat Gaur and L/Nk Narendar Sindhu. Their valour and indomitable spirit will remain etched forever in our hearts. My thoughts are with the bereaved families. The nation is in complete solidarity with them during this hard time,” the Lieutenant Governor said. Earlier in the day, J&K Chief Minister Omar Abdullah laid the wreath and paid heartfelt tributes to the brave soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of

duty during the Kulgam encounter.

Expressing profound sorrow over the loss, the Chief Minister said that the exemplary courage, unwavering valour, and ultimate sacrifice of these soldiers will be eternally remembered with deep respect and gratitude. The Chief Minister further affirmed the government’s unwavering commitment to the welfare of the families of martyrs and their continued support in all circumstances. The anti-militancy operation launched yesterday in the Guddar forest area of Kulgam entered its second day today, with security forces conducting massive combing operations in the area. Two terrorists believed to be members of Lashker-e-Taiba were killed in the gunbattle yesterday.

Mega EV Hub Launches Near Mumbai Airport

Mumbai : Mumbai Gets Its First Premium EV MegaCharger from Tata Power and TPEM On World EV Day, a landmark moment for India's electric mobility sector took place in Mumbai. Tata Power and Tata Passenger Electric Mobility Ltd. (TPEM) jointly unveiled Mumbai's first premium, large-scale EV charging station. This new facility, branded as a TATA.ev MegaCharger, is strategically positioned near Terminal 2 of the city's international airport, located within the premises of The Leela Mumbai Hotel. This high-profile location is set to serve as a key charging hub for a diverse user base, including private vehicle owners, taxi and ride-hailing fleets, and logistics operators.

The inauguration was a major event, led by two prominent figures in the in-



dustry: Dr. Praveer Sinha, CEO & MD of Tata Power, and Shailesh Chandra, MD of Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles and TPEM. The choice of location near a bustling travel and business corridor, including proximity to the Bandra Kurla Complex (BKC) and South Mumbai, ensures that the new station will cater to a constant flow of traffic, making clean mobility accessible to a wide range of professionals, tourists, and daily commuters.

The TATA.ev MegaCharger is designed for high-volume efficiency. It is equipped with eight fast DC chargers, each with a capacity of up to 120 kW. The facility boasts 16 charging bays, which allows for 16 electric vehicles to charge simultaneously. This capacity is a significant development for Mumbai, as it aims to drastically cut down on

waiting times and ensure a seamless user experience, even during the busiest hours of the day.

Dr. Sinha highlighted the hub's importance in achieving the company's long-term sustainability goals. "This strategic and renewable-powered station is a blueprint for future EV infrastructure across India," he stated. His comments reflect Tata Power's commitment to not only building a widespread network but also to ensuring that its infrastructure aligns with green energy principles. The new station is a powerful addition to the over 1,000 public and captive charging stations that Tata Power already oper-

Metro Mayhem Morning

Mumbai : Suburban commuters on Central Railway's main line were left stranded Tuesday morning after a caution order slowed trains to just 30 km/h between Vidyavihar and Kurla on the Up Slow Line. The restriction—imposed around 8:55 am—forced several local trains to lag by 10 to 20 minutes, and even prompted cancellations of some services.

The sharp drop in speed sparked a domino effect, leading to congestion across services operating in the area. A Central Railway official admitted, "The 30 km/h limit in that zone hampered punctuality during peak hour."

Commuters are now urging the railways to enhance technical monitoring systems to avert such disruptions during rush hours.

Masked Pigeons Make a Point

Mumbai : Amidst the Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation's (BMC) ongoing restrictions on pigeon feeding and closure of traditional kabutarckhanas, PETA India staged a unique silent demonstration on Tuesday.

Five volunteers from the animal rights organization wore pigeon masks and dressed like regular Mumbaiikars—an autorickshaw driver, a woman in a navvri sari, and others—each holding placards that said, "We Are Mumbaiikars Too, Please Be Kind to Us."

The protest was aimed at challenging the abrupt feeding ban, which PETA India claims is causing undue suffering to the birds.

"Pigeons are as much a part of Mumbai's ecosystem as any of us, and suddenly stopping their feeding after generations is harmful," said Utkarsh Garg, Campaigns Coordinator at PETA India. The group emphasized that regulated feeding with proper sanitation would be a more balanced approach than a total ban.

PETA also disputed the health concerns often linked to pigeons, calling them overstated. Data ob-

tained from an RTI filed with Mumbai's top three civic hospitals indicated that only 0.3% of respiratory illness cases in 2024 were related to pigeons. International research, they noted, has consistently found minimal health risks from these birds, even among those in close proximity.

The group proposed a multi-pronged solution: establishing regulated feeding hours and zones, maintaining strict hygiene standards, and placing educational boards in multiple languages. They also urged the state to consider dovescotes where



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**NOTICE OF 53rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
REMOTE E-VOTING AND BOOK CLOSURE INTIMATION**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") and Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 ("Rules"), notice is hereby given that:

- The 53rd Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of the Company will be held on **Tuesday, 30th September, 2025 at 03.30 p.m. (IST)** through Video Conferencing ("VC") / Other Audio-Visual Means ("OAVM"), without physical presence of the Members at a common venue to transact the business as set out in the Notice of the 53rd AGM dated 5th September, 2025, in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Act and Rules made thereunder read with all applicable circulars issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA") and the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI") in this regard.
- In compliance with the Act, Rules made thereunder and applicable circulars, copies of the Notice of the AGM along with Annual Report for the financial year ended 31st March, 2025 have been sent through e-mail to all the members whose email addresses are registered with the Company, Depository Participant and Registrar & Share Transfer Agent ("RTA") of the Company. The said Annual Report along with the Notice convening the 53rd AGM is also available on the website of the Company viz. www.vipulorganics.com, website of Central Depository Services (India) Limited ("CDSL") viz. www.evotingindia.com and on website of Stock Exchange i.e. BSE Limited viz. www.bseindia.com.
- Members holding shares either in physical form or dematerialized form, as on cut-off date i.e. Tuesday, 23rd September, 2025 may cast their vote electronically on the Ordinary and Special business as set out in the Notice of the 53rd AGM through electronic voting system of Central Depository Services (India) Limited ("CDSL") from a place other than venue of AGM ("remote E-Voting").
- All the members are informed that:
 - the Ordinary and the Special business set out in the Notice of 53rd AGM may be transacted through voting by electronic means i.e. remote e-voting;
 - the remote e-voting shall commence on Saturday, 27th September, 2025 at 9.00 a.m.;
 - the remote e-voting shall end on Monday, 29th September, 2025 at 5.00 p.m.;
 - the cut-off date for determining the eligibility to vote by remote e-voting and at the AGM is Tuesday, 23rd September, 2025;
 - any person, who acquires shares of the Company and becomes member after dispatch of the Notice of the AGM and holding shares as on the cut-off date i.e. Tuesday, 23rd September, 2025, may obtain login ID and password by sending a request at helpdesk.evoting@cdsindia.com. However, if a person who is already registered with CDSL for e-voting then existing user ID and password can be used for casting vote;
 - members may note that : a) the remote e-voting module shall be disabled by CDSL after the aforesaid date and time for voting and remote e-voting shall not be allowed beyond the aforesaid date and time; and once the vote on a resolution is cast by a member, the member shall not be allowed to change it subsequently; b) the facility for e-voting will also be available during the AGM; c) the members who have cast their vote by remote e-voting facility may also attend the AGM through VCO/OAVM but shall not be entitled to cast vote again at the AGM; and d) a person whose name is recorded in the Register of Members and List of Beneficial Owners as on the cut-off date i.e. Tuesday, 23rd September, 2025 shall only be entitled to avail the facility of remote e-voting as well as voting at the AGM through e-voting system at the AGM;
 - The manner of remote e-voting and e-voting by the members holding shares in dematerialized mode, physical mode and for the members who have not registered their email address is provided in the notice of the AGM;In case of queries, members may refer to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for members and e-voting user manual for members at the helps Section of <https://www.evotingindia.com> or call on helpdesk at toll free no: 1800 225 533 or contact Mr. Rakesh Dalvi, Sr. Manager, CDSL, A Wing, 25th Floor, Marathon Futurex, Mafatlal Mills Compounds, N.M.Joshi Marg, Lower Parel (West), Mumbai-400013 at the designated e-mail Id: helpdesk.evoting@cdsindia.com, who will also address the grievances connected with the voting by electronic means.

- Pursuant to the provisions of Section 91 of the Act and Regulation 42 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the Register of Members and Share Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from Wednesday, 24th September, 2025 to Tuesday, 30th September, 2025 (both days inclusive) for the purpose of 53rd AGM and payment of dividend; if approved in the AGM.

For **VIPUL ORGANICS LIMITED** Sh/-
Manasi Kirankumar Sadh
Place: Mumbai
Date: 10th September, 2025
Company Secretary and Compliance Officer

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Ceiling Collapse Sparks FIR Against PWD

Thane : A criminal case has been filed against Public Works Department (PWD) officials after a chunk of ceiling collapsed at the government residence of an Industrial Court judge in the Bara Bangla colony, Kopri, on Sunday afternoon.

According to authorities, the judge's family had raised several complaints with the PWD about urgent repair needs in the aging government quarters, but critical maintenance work had remained pending. The incident occurred around 4:45 pm when a loud thud was heard from the bedroom. The judge's spouse discovered that part of the ceiling slab had caved in, leaving behind chunks of cement across the floor. Luckily, the room was unoc-

EV: Driving Mumbai's Green Future

Mumbai : Maharashtra Transport Minister Pratap Sarnaik has said that the electric vehicle (EV) revolution is set to bring a cleaner, healthier, and economically stronger future to Mumbai.

Speaking at the "Wheels of Change" event, he highlighted that EVs are not just a solution for air pollution but also a powerful tool for economic empowerment for drivers, a key focus for the state's EV policy. He explained the direct economic benefits for drivers, noting that EVs offer more stable and predictable running costs compared to traditional vehicles that are tied to fluctuating fuel prices. This financial

stability, he emphasized, will significantly improve the livelihoods of Mumbai's auto and taxi drivers. He also stated that this initiative is a core part of the government's plan to transform Mumbai into a leading green mobility hub.

Sarnaik stressed that this transformation requires a collective effort from all stakeholders, including government, industry experts, and the drivers themselves. By addressing their concerns and ensuring their active participation, the state can move towards a sustainable future with clean air and economically empowered citizens, making Mumbai a model city for green transport.

Luggage Loot Shock

Mumbai : Over 15 senior and middle-management officials at Mumbai International Airport Ltd. have been asked to resign after being caught on CCTV taking confiscated items from airport security checks for personal use. The items—ranging from coconuts

and oil bottles to lighters, toys, and scissors—were deemed Security Restricted Articles and should have been either marked for disposal or handed to NGOs.

MIAL's HR team reviewed the footage and confronted officials, many with 10–20 years of

service, directing them to step down or face termination.

One affected official, speaking anonymously, said they thought these were nuisance items and didn't expect such severe action. Legal experts, including Advocate Ashok Shetty, criticized

Ticket, Please: Viral Metro Pup Wins Hearts

Mumbai : A photo of a dog patiently waiting at Motilal Oswal Metro Station along Metro Line 2A has captured the hearts of thousands online. The viral image shows the furry friend sitting with his head down, seemingly waiting for a ride, prompting one social media user to comment: "He could not get a metro ticket, so he is sitting with his face down. Someone please give him a ticket."

As the image gained momentum, the Maha Mumbai Metro Operation Corporation Ltd (MMMOCL) joined the fun with a heartwarming clarification. In a playful social media post, the metro authority said, "We spoke to the doggo and found out he was visiting a friend from our canine squad."

The metro's canine unit, which comprises 30 trained dogs, is tasked with ensuring commuter safety across the rail network. Though this little visitor isn't part of the official team, it seems he knew exactly where to find familiar



faces—and maybe a few treats.

The adorable exchange between commuters and metro officials sparked an outpouring of affection. From poetic tributes to simple comments like "Cute," social media users celebrated the moment. However, a few users raised concerns, with one saying, "Maha Metro talks to Gully boys? Won't end up good for your easy canines."

Despite mixed reactions, the moment served as a reminder of the deep emotional connections people share with animals—even in the hustle of daily urban life.

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PUBLIC NOTICE E-AUCTION FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E – Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Asset/s under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8(6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

15 Days' Notice is hereby given to the Public in general and in particular to the Borrowers/Co – Borrowers/Guarantors that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, Fedbank Financial Services Limited, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Fedbank Financial Services Limited, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "wherever there is" on 01/10/2025 from 10 am to 10.30 am, for recovery of Rs. 88,90,544/- (Rupees Eighty Eight Lakhs Ninety Thousand Five Hundred Fifty Four Only) in Loan Account No. FEDMUMLAP0503377 as on 01/07/2025 with interest and expenses thereon from 02/07/2025 due to Fedbank Financial Services Limited, Secured Creditor, from (1) MALHOTRA ENTERPRISE (Borrower) Through its Proprietor, (2) MANPRIT SINGH B. MALHOTRA (Co - Borrower); (3) BHUPINDER SINGH MALHOTRA (Co - Borrower); (4) GURMEET KAUR MALHOTRA (Co - Borrower); (5) GAGANDEEP SINGH MALHOTRA (Co - Borrower).

LAST DATE, TIME AND VENUE FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS WITH SEALED OFFER/ TENDER WITH EMD Till 29th September, 2025 latest by 05:00 P.M. at – Fedbank Financial Services Limited, Unit No. 1101, 11th Floor, Cignus, Plot No. 71 A, Powai, Paspoli, Mumbai - 400087 | BID INCREMENTAL AMOUNT Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand and Only)

LAST DATE FOR PAYMENT OF 25% OF ACCEPTED HIGHEST BID FOR CONFIRMED SUCCESSFUL BIDDER(INCLUSIVE OF EMD)
The payment should be made latest by next working day from the date of bid confirmation
LAST DATE FOR PAYMENT OF BALANCE 75% OF HIGHEST BID Within 15 days from the date of bid Confirmation

INSPECTION OF PROPERTIES 25th September, 2025 Before 5 PM | Auction Date 01/10/2025 from 10 am to 10.30 am

Reserve Price (IN RS.) Rs. 55,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Five Lakhs Only) Earnest Money Deposit (IN RS.), Through DD/PO/RTGS In Favor Of 'FEDBANK FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED' RRs. 5,50,000/- (Rupees Five Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only)

Description Of The Immovable Property : All That Premises Bearing Flat No. 602, Admeasuring about 821 sq. Ft. Built – Up Area (including Balcony, Cupboard Etc.) On The Fifth Floor In The Building Siddhivinayak Tower Of Siddhivinayak Tower Co – Op. Hsg. Soc. Ltd., Standing On The Plots Of Land Bearing Survey No. 44/2 Lying, Being And Situated At Revenue Village Vadavali, Thane West, Within The Limits Of Thane Municipal Corporation And Within The Registration District Thane And Sub – District Of Thane.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in Fedbank Financial Services Limited (FEDFINA) Secured Creditor's website i.e. www.fedfina.com & Link <https://www.fedfina.com/public-notice-for-auction-cum-sale/under-auction-for-any-enquiry-information-support-procedure-and-training-kindly-coordinate-with-authorised-officer-of-fedbank-financial-services-limited-is-are-mr-swagnil-more-9321789407>, Email Id- swagnil.more@fedfina.com.

Date : 10.09.2025. Place: Mumbai

Sd/- Authorised Officer Fedbank Financial Services Limited

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that **MS. GEETA NARAIN GIDWANI**, has agreed to sell to my clients an ownership residential Flat No. 1302 admeasuring about 1137.82 sq. ft. (equivalent to 105.75 sq. mtrs.) carpet area on 13th Floor along with 02 (two) Car Parking Spaces bearing Nos. 168 and 242 in podium of the Tower known as AQUA of the society called **AQUA CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING SOCIETY LTD.** having Registration No. **MUM/WEHSG/(TC)/8948/2009-10**, situate, lying and being at Tower No. 2, C.S. No. 1960, Planet Godrej, Keshav Rao, Khadye Marg, Malahakni (East), Mumbai - 400011, on the piece and parcel of freehold land bearing C.S. No. 1960 of Byculla Division in the Registration District & Sub-district of Mumbai City in the 'E' Ward of Mumbai Municipal Corporation, together with Ten (10) fully paid-up shares of Rs. 50/- each of the said Society bearing Dist. Nos. 221 to 230 embodied in the Share Certificate No. 23 dated 31-07-2016.

ALL PERSONS having any claim in respect of the above referred Flat and the Shares by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, charge, gift, trust, inheritance, maintenance, possession, lease, lien, custodian interest or otherwise howsoever, are hereby requested to inform the same in writing to the undersigned having his office at C/o. Mr. Dinesh Jain, Office No. 410, Kakad Market, 4th Floor, 306, Kalbadevi Road, Mumbai - 400002 within 07 days hereof with proof thereof against accountable receipt or by registered A/D post, failing which the claim or claims, if any of such person/s will be considered to have been waived and/or abandoned and sale/transfer will be completed without any further reference in the matter.

Mumbai, Dated this 10th day of September, 2025. (Mahendra C. Jain)
Advocate & Solicitor



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Bank of Maharashtra
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By Regd. A.D./Courier/Hand Delivery

- Mr. Suresh Baban Shelke**, Flat No.-604 6th Floor NavDurga CHS Ltd Sector 18 Plot No 27 Kamotho Navi Mumbai Tal Panvel Dist Raigad 410209 M. No.: 9819085598/ 8779792379 Email Id: mailnar.lbs@gmail.com
- Mr. Baban Gangaram Shelke**, Flat No.-604 6th Floor NavDurga CHS Ltd Sector 18 Plot No 27 Kamotho Navi Mumbai Tal Panvel Dist Raigad 410209 M. No.: 8779792379
- M/s Krushiraj Agro Products**, Prop: Mr. Suresh Baban Shelke Flat No.-604 6th Floor NavDurga CHS Ltd Sector 18 Plot No 27 Kamotho Navi Mumbai Tal Panvel Dist Raigad 410209 M. No.: 9819085598/ 8779792379 Email Id: mailnar.lbs@gmail.com

Dear Sir/ Madam,
Sub: Notice U/s. 13 (2) of Securitisation & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Act 2002

- That at your request, the following credit facilities have been sanctioned by Bank of Maharashtra, Thakurli Branch to Nos.1 and No. 2 of you. Also Cash Credit Facility given to No. 3.
- That the details of the credit facilities, the securities charged in favour of the Bank and the present outstanding dues are as under –

Sr. No	Nature & Amt. of credit facility	Securities	Present outstanding (as on 02.09.2025)
1.	Cash Credit – Rs.15,00,000/- Account No.- 60401744095	Primary Security: Hypothecation of Stock and Book Debts Collateral Security: Equitable Mortgage of Flat No.- 604 6th Floor NavDurga CHS Ltd Sector 18 Plot No 27 Kamotho Navi Mumbai Tal Panvel Dist Raigad 410209 M. No.: 8779792379 Owner of the Property: Mr. Suresh Baban Shelke Mr. Baban Gangaram Shelke	Ledger Balance Rs.1448360.76 Unapplied interest Rs.258756.00 Total - Rs.1707117.00
2	Term Loan (Housing) – Rs.40,30,000/- Account No.- 60395607427	Equitable Mortgage of Flat No.- 604 6th Floor NavDurga CHS Ltd Sector 18 Plot No 27 Kamotho Navi Mumbai Tal Panvel Dist Raigad 410209 M. No.: 8779792379 Owner of the Property: Mr. Suresh Baban Shelke Mr. Baban Gangaram Shelke	Ledger Balance – Rs.3743260.00 Unapplied interest Rs.479960.00 plus charges Total - Rs.4223397/-
3	Term Loan (Top Up) – Rs.10,00,000/- Account No.- 60401215437	Equitable Mortgage of Flat No.- 604 6th Floor NavDurga CHS Ltd Sector 18 Plot No 27 Kamotho Navi Mumbai Tal Panvel Dist Raigad 410209 M. No.: 8779792379 Owner of the Property: Mr. Suresh Baban Shelke Mr. Baban Gangaram Shelke	Ledger Balance – Rs.851377.01 Unapplied interest Rs.110642.00 Plus charges Total - Rs.962197.00
	Total Amount		Rs.6892711.00

NPA Date – 31.03.2024

- That in consideration of the said credit facilities availed, the borrowers have executed the necessary documents in favour of the bank including the following documents and also created charges and securities in favour of the Bank as above mentioned.

For Cash Credit Account No. - 60401744095
a) New HP1 Composite Deed of Hypothecation for All Facilities dated 07.12.2021
b) RF – 46/47 Demand Promissory Note dated 07.12.2021
c) New AX4 Application/ Request Letter for Making Credit Facility Available dated 07.12.2021
d) New D04 Guarantee for All Facilities Except Agricultural Facilities dated 07.12.2021
e) RF 1766 Power of Attorney dated 08.12.2021

CERSAI ASSET ID – 200068440817 (For Hypothecation) 200058879248 (For Mortgage)

For Term Loan Account No. - 60395607427
a) HLS D2 Agreement for Housing Loan dated 24.09.2021
b) HLS D1 Application/Request Letter for making credit facility available dated 24.09.2021
c) RF – 46/47 Demand Promissory Note dated 24.09.2021
d) HLS D5 Receipt Dated 24.09.2021

CERSAI ASSET ID- 200058879248

For Term Loan Account No. - 60401215437
e) FA-1 (H) Facility Agreement for Term Loan (Overdraft) dated 02.12.2021

CERSAI ASSET ID – 200058879248

The details of the creation of charges are as under
1) Name of the executants - Mr. Suresh Baban Shelke & Mr. Baban Gangaram Shelke
2) The nature of charge: Equitable Mortgage of Flat
3) Description of the property mortgaged:
Flat No.-604 6th Floor Nav Durga CHS Ltd Sector 18 Plot No 27 Kamotho Navi Mumbai Tal Panvel Dist Raigad 410209
4. That you have failed to adhere to the terms and conditions of sanction and made defaults and accordingly your account has been classified by the Bank as NPA in accordance with the prescribed norms issued by Reserve Bank of India. In spite of our repeated demands, you have not paid the outstanding amount in your account.
5. You have still not repaid the dues of the Bank and hence in exercise of powers conferred on the Bank under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (SARFAESI) and without prejudice to the rights of the Bank and to the pending proceedings mentioned above, the Bank hereby calls upon you to repay in full the amount of Rs.6892711/- plus future interest thereon @ 9.45% p.a. w.e.f. 02.09.2025 within 60 days from the date of receipt of this notice; failing which, in addition to and without prejudice to the other rights available to the bank, the bank shall be entitled to exercise any/ or all of the powers under Sub-Sec.(4) of Sec. 13 of the aforesaid Act in respect of these securities / properties enforceable under the Act, in which case you shall also be liable to further pay all costs, charges and expenses or other incidental charges, which please note.

The powers available under the Act inter alia include -
a) To take possession of the secured assets wherein the security interest has been created as above mentioned together with the right to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale, for realizing the secured asset.
b) To take over the management of secured assets including right to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale and realizing the security.
c) To appoint any person as Manager to manage the secured assets, the possession of which will be taken over by us and the Manager shall manage the secured assets and any transfer of secured assets shall vest in the transferee all rights in or in relation to, the secured assets, as if the transfer had been made by you.
d) To write to or issue notice in writing to any person, who has acquired any of the secured assets against which security interest has been created from whom any money is due or may become due to you to pay us the money.
6. Please take a note that as per Section 13 (13) of the Act, after receipt of this notice, you are restrained from disposing off or dealing with the securities without our prior written consent.

**FOR BANK OF MAHARASHTRA
CHIEF MANAGER & AUTHORISED OFFICER - THANE ZONAL OFFICE**

Editorial
AI with Green Energy

As artificial intelligence (AI) is rapidly expanding around the world, the huge energy required for its use is becoming a major need. In this context, the confluence of the green energy sector with artificial intelligence is revolutionary not only for India but also for the world. With the help of solar and wind energy, artificial intelligence can get cheap, eco-friendly and consistent energy supply. This has created an opportunity to take data centers, startups and computing businesses to new heights along with protecting the environment. In today's fast-paced era, technology is revolutionizing many sectors. Artificial intelligence (AI) is one such sector, which is relatively new but is spreading very rapidly. Initially limited to the computing sector, this use has now also been successful in the green energy sector. Green energy, which is becoming an important sector not only in terms of protecting the environment but also economically, has given a new direction to industries and businesses due to the addition of artificial intelligence. This is a synergy where two advanced technologies are complementing each other.

Currently, the domestic energy demand is increasing at a rapid pace. At the same time, the spread and use of artificial intelligence is also increasing rapidly. Both these things are happening simultaneously. To meet the growing demand in the energy sector, the Indian government is promoting green energy, and this policy is complementing the growing use of artificial intelligence.

To effectively use artificial intelligence, there must be a continuous supply of electricity. Green energy sources like solar energy and wind energy can meet this need easily and at a relatively low cost. According to one statistic, in the next 5 years, about 5 percent of the total energy consumption globally will be used for the artificial intelligence sector. Therefore, it is clear that the importance of green energy is going to increase further in the near future. As the use of artificial intelligence is increasing today, the electricity required for it can be generated more effectively from the green energy sector. One important reason for this is that solar and wind power projects are set up in less time than conventional power projects. This makes energy available at a lower cost and time, which can easily benefit advanced artificial intelligence and the commercial sectors based on it. Speaking from India's perspective, the government has set a strategic goal of increasing the generation and use of green energy by 50 percent by 2030 and its implementation has also begun. India's project management is at the top of the world due to its capacity and efficiency. This will directly benefit the green energy generation sector, which is a strong point. Along with this, we also have hybrid projects that generate wind and solar energy in combination. Given India's geographical structure and climate, about 300 days of sunlight are easily available in a year. This is a special advantage for India in the global energy sector. In addition, the erstwhile regional or state-level power transmission system has now been connected to the national power transmission system, which has made it possible to easily supply green energy across the country.

Artificial intelligence-based businesses have now gained momentum in India. Currently, the number of AI-based startups in the country has reached over 1,000. It is noteworthy that 20% of the total professionals working in this field globally are in India. This growth is also being supported by the country's computing services and education sector. At the same time, with the growing business needs, the data management business in India has also seen 'good days'. According to a survey conducted by Markets and Markets, its data collection and processing center in Pune is completely powered by solar energy. Many clients who have consulted this center have shown interest in using solar energy. According to their experience, the use of solar energy in important and continuously running businesses like computer processing centers is also economically viable. A global data processing center in Hyderabad is also successfully using solar energy for energy consumption.

Due to these experiences, emphasis is now being placed on operating data collection and processing centers using solar or green energy in other places in India. This brings triple benefits of environmental protection, uninterrupted power supply required for artificial intelligence use and availability of energy at low cost. Therefore, leading and advanced businesses of the world are looking at it with optimism. However, although this is the first and successful experiment in the field of green energy in India, it would not be right to be completely satisfied with this.

In any scientific or technical field, it is important to get the latest knowledge of the relevant subject, skills and their right combination at the right time. This includes new skills like information technology, data collection and processing. Since these fields are new, there is a big shortage of skilled and experienced manpower in these fields. But, an important and positive side for India is that India has made good progress in the field of wind energy along with solar energy. From startups, government and corporate companies have already recognized the commercial importance of green energy. The government has now started providing policy support and encouragement to these commercial efforts. Implementation of these decisions has started at the central and state levels.

Against the backdrop of all this positive environment, there is an important matter for India to work on as a priority. That is, to use the progress of the established green energy sector in India to develop the commercial sector of advanced artificial intelligence. This effort will be a new guide not only for India, but for the entire world. By combining green energy and artificial intelligence, India will not only achieve economic growth, but will also create a sustainable and environmentally friendly future. The combination of artificial intelligence and green energy can be a "golden opportunity of the future" for India. On the one hand, India has set a strategic goal of doubling green energy production by 2030, while on the other hand, AI-based businesses are growing rapidly in India. The convergence of these two sectors is a crucial step towards strengthening India in all three directions: economic progress, environmental protection and technological leadership. However, the real test of this journey will be the trained manpower, development of skills and implementation of effective policies.

“Growth of Civil Aviation infrastructure and enhanced connectivity are giving wings to the aspirations of North East India”



North East Region Ministers' Conference on Civil Aviation 2025 & 3rd North East Aviation Summit, organised by Ministry of Civil Aviation, Government of India, was held today in Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh. The conference was graced by the presence of Shri Pema Khandu, Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh, as the Chief Guest and Shri Ram Mohan Naidu, Minister for Civil Aviation, as the guest of honour. Shri Tesam Pongte, Speaker, Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly remained present at the inaugural function. Shri Lalduhoma, Chief Minister of Mizoram; Shri Tsering Thendup Bhutia, Minister of Civil Aviation, Govt of Sikkim and Shri Jogen Mohan, Minister of Hill, Development and Cooperation, Govt of Assam graced the Conference and led the respective State Govt delegations for the interaction with the Ministry and the Aviation Industry. Shri Balo Raja, Minister of Civil Aviation, Arunachal Pradesh presented the State's perspective.

In the inaugural, Chief Guest Shri Pema Khandu, Chief Minister, Arunachal Pradesh emphasised that transportation connectivity is the most critical sector for development of the NER. In the last 10 years, aviation infrastructure and connectivity status of NER has seen unprecedented growth. Having airports in Arunachal Pradesh was a long cherished dream of the people which got realised because of the active support of the Ministry of Civil Aviation under the visionary leadership of the hon'ble PM. Progress in creation of aviation infrastructure and path breaking schemes like UDAN have been instrumental in transforming the socio economic aspirations of the NE region.

Shri Rammohan Naidu Kinjarapu, emphasized the need for deepening Centre-State-Industry collaboration for the accelerated growth of the Civil Aviation sector in the North East Region. He emphasized that enhanced air connectivity is vital for improving accessibility to remote and border areas, promoting tourism, facilitating cargo and logistics, and driving industrial as well as socio-economic growth in Arunachal Pradesh and the North East Region. To realise its strong tourism potential, North East Region should solve its connectivity challenges in fast pace. Also there is need for accelerating skilling initiatives for fast tracking employment generation among the

youths of the region. An industry driven aviation ecosystem would be able to cater to both these needs.

The Minister expressed pride in informing that the number of operational airports in the region has grown from nine in 2014 to 16 at



present. Aircraft movements have nearly doubled, while domestic passenger traffic has increased more than threefold since 2014.

Encouraging the states to harness on the region's tourism potential, the Minister stated: "You have not seen India until you have seen North East India. The natural beauty, vibrant culture, warm hospitality and the strong essence of Indian-ness found here are unmatched." He urged the states to focus on developing tourism infrastructure and hospitality services to complement expanding aviation connectivity.

Highlighting future support for infrastructure creation, the Minister shared that For the North Eastern group of states, we have decided to offer four pre-feasibility studies for Greenfield Airport development every financial year, free of consultancy or other charges. This will encourage states to plan and build new airports and take full advantage of the growth momentum.

He assured continued support from the Central Government and emphasized that aviation is no longer a luxury—but a critical enabler of Viksit Bharat @2047. Highlighting India's transformation into the

third-largest domestic aviation market, he pointed to initiatives like UDAN, expansion of airports, growth of regional carriers, focus on Aviation skilling and efforts to incentivise MRO sector as key pillars of progress.

As part of Session on Opportunities for states, officials from Ministry of Civil Aviation and AAI presented various airport development models and opportunities like HEMS and skilling of youth to the states. It was followed by One on One interaction with the state delegations. Parallel interactions of the states with Industry partners were also organised.

During the interaction with the Ministry, Shri Lalduhoma, Chief Minister, Mizoram, highlighted that the development and betterment of aviation in the North East is not only a matter of improving air travel but a vital step toward unlocking the region's true potential. Enhanced aviation connectivity



Improved air cargo facilities will provide new avenues for the export of horticultural produce, handicrafts, and other local products, thereby boosting regional trade and commerce.

Shri Tshering Bhutia, Minister of Tourism, Civil Aviation & Indus-

tractions between State Governments and key industry players, with a focus on investment facilitation and identifying implementation bottlenecks.

The event had participation of senior officials from Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Tripura and Sikkim. Also senior officials from Ministry including, Shri Faiz Ahmed Kidwai, DG DGCA, and Shri Vipin Kumar, Chairman, Airports Authority of India attended the Conference. Over 70 industry stakeholders, including airline and helicopter operators, OEMs, FTOs, MROs, cargo players, and drone companies, participated actively—highlighting the importance of public-private collaboration in driving regional aviation development. FICCI provided the vital industry interface for organising the Regional Conference.

The conference included presentations by the Ministry of Civil Aviation on Airport and Helipad Development Models, UDAN, Skilling in Aviation, and Helicopter Emergency Medical Services (HEMS) providing states with sectoral insights and implementation pathways.

Adding further momentum to the Ministry's forward-looking initiatives, attention was drawn to the upcoming flagship event — Wings India 2026, jointly organised by the Ministry of Civil Aviation, Airports Authority of India and the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI), Wings India 2026 is scheduled to take place from 28th to 31st January 2026. The event will serve as a premier platform to showcase the growth and opportunities in the Indian civil aviation sector, bringing together key players from across the globe to foster partnerships, innovation, and policy dialogues.

In the morning, prior to the main event at Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly, Hon'ble Union Minister along with Hon'ble Chief Minister visited the new Terminal Building of Donyi Polo Airport as it commenced operations for passenger movement. Built over 4100 sq m, the passenger handling capacity has now increased to 1 million passengers per annum and the Peak Hour capacity to 800. He inaugurated the UDAN Yatri cafe and a creche for toddlers. He also inaugurated AVSAR shop (Airport as Venue for Skilled Artisans of the Region) within the terminal building. The Indigo flight to Delhi today took off from the new Terminal.

Ministry of Coal hosts Star Rating Award Ceremony in Mumbai



The Ministry of Coal today hosted the Star Rating Award Ceremony in Mumbai to honour outstanding coal and lignite mines for their exemplary achievements in safety, environmental sustainability, and operational excellence.

The Chief Guest Union Minister of Coal and Mines Shri G. Kishan Reddy, in the presence of Minister of State for Coal and Mines Shri Satish Chandra Dubey and Secretary, Ministry of Coal, Shri Vikram Dev Dutt, presented the awards that recognize mines that excelled in key parameters such as safety, environmental manage-

ment, scientific mining, productivity and community welfare. On this occasion, the newly designed CCO Website, along with an Interactive Dashboard, was inaugurated to enhance transparency, efficiency, and accessibility of information for stakeholders.

The Star Rating Award Ceremony recognized mines that have demonstrated exceptional performance in safety, environmental stewardship, and productivity. Certificates and awards were also distributed to other high-performing mines, reinforcing the Ministry's commitment to promoting

best practices in the sector. Union Minister of Coal & Mines, G. Kishan Reddy, presented the Five-Star Awards to the top-performing mines and commended their role in ensuring the Nation's energy security while upholding global standards of safety and sustainability. He emphasized that the Star Rating initiative is not merely an award but a benchmark for responsible mining, urging all mines to strive for Five-Star status. The event also featured award presentation to the winners of the Hackathon on Carbon Capture, Utilisation and Storage (CCUS), and R & D, under-

scoring Coal Ministry's commitment to fostering innovation in sustainable technologies.

Adding to these milestones, two important frameworks were unveiled - L.I.V.E.S, which is a comprehensive practitioner's guide formulated to serve as a benchmark for responsible and sustainable mine closures in alignment with global best practices, and AR-THA, which is a Green Financing Framework aimed at channeling investments towards transforming reclaimed mines into productive and environmentally friendly assets. In his keynote address, Union Minister of Coal and Mines G. Kishan Reddy congratulated all award recipients for their exceptional performance in ensuring operational excellence while adhering to the highest safety and environmental standards. He emphasized on accelerating coal gasification and the adoption of clean-coal technologies to add value, reduce emissions and open new industrial avenues.

The Union Minister said that the time has come to move from dependence on imports towards building capacities for coal exports, while simultaneously improving coal quality through

greater use of washeries. Shri G. Kishan Reddy also highlighted the importance of community-centric and progressive mine closure activities, large-scale afforestation, worker safety and welfare, and embedding innovation, environmental responsibility, sustainability and competitiveness at the heart of mining operations. By embracing innovation, he said, India's coal sector can match global benchmarks while optimizing resource utilization. Calling "Reform, Perform, Transform" not merely a slogan but a duty, he urged all stakeholders to continuously strive for excellence and actively contribute towards Prime Minister's vision of Aatmanirbhar and Viksit Bharat. MoS for Coal and Mines Shri Satish Chandra Dubey, while addressing the Star Rating Award Ceremony for coal and lignite mines for the performance year 2023-24, emphasized that responsible mining must give equal priority to environmental protection, scientific mine closure, and community welfare along with production efficiency.

He underlined that the Star Rating Policy serves as a benchmark not only for efficiency but also for ensuring land restoration, biodiver-

sity conservation, safety of workers, and the welfare of project-affected families. He reiterated the importance of replicating best practices across all mines so that the benefits of efficiency, safety, and environmental care can be realized nationwide. Congratulating the award-winning companies, the Minister stated that mining should act as a catalyst for socio-economic development, creating employment opportunities and improving the quality of life in coal-bearing regions.

The Secretary, Ministry of Coal, Shri Vikram Dev Dutt, commended the award-winning mines for setting new benchmarks of performance, transparency and aligning with global best practices. He highlighted that the Star Rating framework acts as a catalyst for continuous improvement, motivating every mine to go beyond compliance and embed excellence across all operations.

He noted that India has achieved a historic milestone of over one billion tonnes of coal production and supply in the last year, reflecting the sector's steady growth and resilience. He underlined that mining today must be responsible, sustainable.

BJP says Sanjay Raut ‘prematurely’ celebrating VP election outcome

Mumbai : Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Media Cell chief Navnath Ban today took a dig at Shiv Sena (UBT) spokesperson Sanjay Raut for “prematurely” celebrating the Vice Presidential election outcome in Delhi, and predicted a significant win for the NDA’s Vice-Presidential candidate.

At a press conference at the BJP’s state office, Ban said that Raut is beating the drums despite some parties remaining neutral.

He cautioned Raut to wait for the results, as the NDA candidate is poised to win.

Ban mocked Raut, saying his ‘mathematics is always weak’ and he consistently makes mistakes.

He suggested Raut should crunch the numbers for his candidate’s chances.

Ban predicted the election results would be clear



by evening, bursting the IN-DIA alliance’s bubble of joy.

He also ridiculed Raut’s claim of being the architect of the Maha Vikas Aghadi, saying his “political market would collapse.”

He also said that Shiv Sena (UBT) chief Uddhav Thackeray had “stabbed Devendra Fadnavis in the back”.

After a shocking setback, Devendra Fadnavis made a remarkable comeback, rising like a phoenix to become the Chief Minister of Maharashtra, a “true testament to his resilience and determination”.

Ban criticized Sanjay Raut, labeling him a ‘vulture’ over allegations related to COVID-19 centers.

Maharashtra BJP sends aid to J&K flood victims

Mumbai : The Maharashtra unit of the BJP today dispatched daily necessities, food grains, and other relief material to support the flood-affected people of Jammu and Kashmir.

Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis and state president Ravindra Chavan symbolically flagged off the first truck carrying the relief material from the state BJP office.

Fadnavis said that the state BJP is committed to the rehabilitation of people affected by the floods in Jammu and Kashmir.

He added that Chavan had spoken to the Jammu and Kashmir BJP president to understand the needs of



the people there, and the required materials were being sent accordingly.

“Many trucks carrying this relief material will leave from different parts of the

state for Jammu and Kashmir,” he stated, adding that the state unit would extend

all necessary help.

Fadnavis also commended how people from various states come together during a crisis and congratulated Chavan for his prompt decision to send the aid.

Chavan said he had spoken to the Jammu and Kashmir BJP President Satpal Sharma and Leader of the Opposition in the Assembly Sunil Sharma to assess the exact requirements of the flood victims.

Several BJP office bearers, including Sumant Ghaisass, Sunil Karjatkar, Navnath Ban, Omprakash Chouhan, Asif Bhambale, Mukund Kulkarni, and Bharat Raut, were also present at the event.

Sena (UBT) leader moves anticipatory bail plea in abetment to suicide case

Mumbai: Dhananjay Borde, the Shiv Sena (UBT) Kalyan president, today moved an anticipatory bail application before a sessions court in a case related to the alleged abetment of an advocate’s suicide.

The prosecution, along with the victim’s husband, strongly opposed the plea. Borde, along with four others, has been booked in the case but has denied all charges, his lawyer said.

Borde and four co-accused were booked by police after advocate Sarita Khanchandani allegedly jumped to her death from the seventh floor of a build-

ing in Ulhasnagar on August 28.

According to police, a complaint filed by the deceased’s husband, Purshotam Khanchandani, names Jiya Gopalani, Ulhas Falke, Shivani Shukla Falke, lawyer Raj Chandwani, and Dhananjay Bodare. They have been booked under sections 108 (abetment of suicide) and 3(5) (common intention) of the Bharatiya Nyay Sanhita.

Police confirmed that a suicide note was recovered, in which Sarita wrote, “The above-named accused are responsible for my death. I have not done anything

wrong.

I have not taken even a single rupee from any mandal or neta. Jiya Gopalani and Ulhas Falke are falsely framing me.”

In his bail plea, Borde denied the allegations, describing the suicide note as “vague and omnibus.” The plea argued that since the deceased, her husband, and daughter are all advocates, they would have produced the note immediately if it were authentic.

“The note appears to be an afterthought, fabricated to falsely implicate the applicant,” the bail plea

stated.

However, advocate Purshotam Khanchandani alleged that Borde and others systematically harassed his wife over a property dispute, claiming they illegally encroached on government land and attempted to seize part of her property.

The objection claimed that the accused “deliberately created an atmosphere of fear and pressure, instigating Sarita to take the extreme step.” It further alleged that they used “political clout” to intimidate her.

After hearing arguments from both sides, the court reserved its order.

Vikhe Patil hits back: ‘Baseless criticism of Maratha quota must stop’

Mumbai : Radhakrishna Vikhe Patil, chairman of the Maharashtra cabinet sub-committee on Maratha reservation, launched a scathing attack on OBC leader Prof Laxman Hake, accusing him of avoiding dialogue and spreading hatred for the Maratha community.

Vikhe Patil said after the state government issued a resolution implementing the Hyderabad Gazette to facilitate Kunbi caste certificates for Marathas, OBC leaders have expressed fears about threat to their own quota. “Instead of constructive dialogue, some leaders, particularly Prof. Hake, have resorted to constant criticism of the government and the Maratha community,” he alleged.

Defending the Maratha community’s agitation, Vikhe Patil stressed the Marathas were fighting for their rights.



“There is no reason to criticize them. When OBCs were granted reservation, the Maratha community never opposed it.

The government has assured that OBC quotas will remain intact. Therefore, Prof. Hake must stop making baseless statements,” Vikhe Patil said.

National lok adalat to be held in Nashik on Sept 13

Nashik : As per orders of Maharashtra State Legal Services Authority, the National Lok Adalat has been organized.

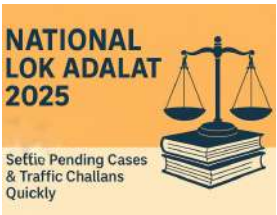
By the District Legal Services Authority on Saturday, September 13 in all courts of the district.

Chief District and Sessions Judge SD Jagmalani has appealed to citizens to participate in the Lok Adalat and settle their pending cases and disputes.

This information has been given by Suhas Bhoale.

Senior civil judge and District Legal Services Authority, through a government press release.

Various cases are being addressed in Lok Adalats held across district courts, including recovery cases, criminal compromises, elec-



tricity theft compromises, land acquisition disputes, accident insurance claims, matrimonial issues, cheque dishonour cases, and tax recovery cases.

Lok Adalats are also handling recovery cases related to Bharat Sanchar Nigam, banks, and financial institutions at Gram Panchayats and Municipal Corporations.

Lok Adalats are also addressing pre-filed cases, including recovery cases related.

To gram panchayats,

Mahavitaran, financial institutions, banks, telephone dues of Bharat Sanchar Nigam and private companies, as well as matrimonial disputes.

For the settlement of these cases, panels have been set up in district court, the court.

At Nashik Road, all taluka courts in Nashik district, industrial/labour court, family court, cooperative court and motor vehicle court.

Chief District and Sessions Judge SD Jagmalani has also appealed to all parties, lawyers, presidents and office-bearers of the lawyer’s association and government officials related to these cases.

In the district to participate in the Lok Adalat and try to resolve the cases amicably.

Malegaon blast victims challenge acquittal in Bombay High Court

Mumbai : More than a month after all seven accused in the 2008 Malegaon blasts case were acquitted, the victims have challenged the decision in the Bombay High Court today.

The appeal was filed by victims Nisar Ahmed Haji Syed Bilal, Sheikh Li-aquat Mohiuddin, Sheikh Ishaq Sheikh Yousaf, Usman Khan Ainullah Khan, Mushtaq Shah Haroon Shah, and Sheikh Ibrahim Sheikh. They were represented by the Jamiat Ulema Maharashtra (Arshad Madani) Legal Aid Committee, which had been assisting the victims in the case. In their appeal, the victims urged the court to set aside the order passed by the NIA court, alleging that it had not considered the depo-



sitions of ATS witnesses. They also claimed that the prosecution had suppressed vital facts and asked the high court to exercise its power to recall witnesses and record their fresh statements.

The initial investigation was conducted by the Maharashtra Anti-Terrorism Squad (ATS) before being transferred to the National

Investigation Agency (NIA). Both agencies, at crucial stages, added new contours to the prosecution’s theory and frequently included and dropped witnesses. The Maharashtra government has not yet challenged the acquittal. On July 31, Special Judge Abhay Lahoti of the NIA court had acquitted the seven accused, citing a “lack

of evidence.” The acquitted individuals include former BJP MP Pragya Singh Thakur, retired Military Intelligence official Lt Col Prasad Purohit, and five others: Sudhakar Dhar Dwivedi, Maj Ramesh Upadhyaya, Sameer Kulkarni, Ajay Rahirkar, and Sudhakar Onkar-nath Chaturvedi.

During the trial, which occurred on September 29, 2008, on the eve of Navratri and during the month of Ramzan, claimed the lives of six people and injured 101 others at Malegaon, in Maharashtra’s Nashik district.

During the trial, the court noted that while the prosecution proved a blast occurred, it failed to prove that the bomb was placed in a motorcycle or that the

vehicle belonged to Pragya Singh Thakur. The court also found no evidence that explosives were stored or assembled at Lt Col Purohit’s residence.

The accused faced trial under various sections of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) and the Indian Penal Code (IPC), including charges related to murder, criminal conspiracy, and committing a terrorist act. The charges under the Maharashtra Control of Organised Crime Act (MCOCA) had been previously dropped.

The court also directed the Maharashtra government to provide compensation of Rs 2 lakh to the families of those killed and Rs 50,000 to those injured in the incident.

Marathwada records 128.2 pc normal rainfall

Sambhajinagar : The Marathwada region has recorded 128.2 per cent of its normal rainfall for the June to September period, with a total of 722.2 millimetres (mm) against the average of 679.5 millimetres, according to the daily rainfall analysis released by the Revenue Department.

Beed district recorded the highest rainfall at 153.9 percent of normal, receiving 686.0 mm against the average of 566.1 mm, according to data released at 10.06 am this morning. Between June and August, Beed received 478.9 mm, which is 121.5 percent of the normal 394.1 mm.

However, September rainfall remained low at just 9.3 mm, which is only 18.0 percent of the monthly normal of 51.6 mm.

Jalna district followed with 145.1 percent of normal rainfall, recording 730.9 mm against the normal 603.1 mm. From June to August, the district received 543.8 mm, 117.9 percent of the normal 461.3 mm. In



September, it received 37.8 mm — 88.9 percent of the normal 42.5 mm, with 3.8 mm recorded on the reporting day.

Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar district received 140.9 percent of normal rainfall, with 671.3 mm against the normal 581.7 mm. Between June and August, the district got 480.1 mm, 111.3 percent of the normal 431.2 mm. September rainfall was 35.3 mm, which is 78.2 percent of the normal 45.2 mm.

Dharashiv district recorded 131.4 percent of normal rainfall, with 622.7 mm against the expected 473.9 mm. June to August rainfall stood at 510.8 mm, 122.1

percent of the normal 418.4 mm, but September saw only 8.8 mm — just 15.9 percent of the normal 55.4 mm.

Latur district received 712.7 mm of rainfall, 123.0 percent of the normal 706.0 mm. June to August saw 558.5 mm, 106.4 percent of the normal 525.0 mm. September rainfall remained critically low at 9.7 mm — 17.9 percent of the monthly average of 54.3 mm.

Hingoli district registered 120.2 percent of normal rainfall, with 826.0 mm against the average 795.3 mm. The district received 722.2 mm in June to August, 112.7 percent of the normal 640.6 mm, while September

rainfall was 38.2 mm — 82.3 percent of the 46.4 mm normal.

Parbhani district recorded 116.3 percent of normal rainfall with 747.6 mm against the average of 643.0 mm. During June to August, it received 569.9 mm, 96.2 percent of the normal 592.3 mm. In September, rainfall was 21.7 mm — 42.8 percent of the normal 50.7 mm.

Nanded district reported 115.2 percent of normal rainfall, with 803.0 mm against the normal 696.8 mm. June to August rainfall was 798.6 mm, 123.4 percent of the normal 647.0 mm, and September rainfall reached 44.2 mm, 88.0 percent of the 50.2 mm normal, with 4.4 mm recorded on the day of reporting.

As a whole, the Marathwada division received 581.8 mm of rainfall during June to August, which is 113.3 percent of the normal 513.5 mm. However, September rainfall fell short, with only 26.2 mm recorded — 52.6 percent of the normal 49.8 mm.

Workshop highlights benefits of active ageing

Nashik: A workshop on ‘Healthy Ageing’ was organised for the officers and employees of the Maharashtra University of Health Sciences (MUHS) yesterday to mark World Physiotherapy Day.

The workshop was conducted by physiotherapist Dr Sagar Mahajan from the university’s health centre.

Dr. Mahajan said that regular physical activity reduces the risk of many serious health problems, includ-

ing heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes, some types of cancer, and bone diseases. He stressed the need for people to take the help of a physiotherapist to make the journey of healthy ageing easier.

He further stated that exercises should focus on strength, balance, coordination, and flexibility. According to him, physiotherapy not only prevents weakness but also helps in managing it, and the “misconception

that old age means only resting or being inactive should be removed.”

“With modern science and physiotherapy treatment methods, we can stay enthusiastic,” he said. “To live a healthy and long life, everyone should exercise at least 2-3 days a week to increase strength and improve balance for all muscle groups.”

University Medical Officer Dr Sachin Gaikwad said that exercising according to physiotherapy methods

helps in reducing back pain, a common problem among many people.

Public Relations Officer Dr Swapnil Torne said that everyone needs to take care of their body as they grow older through proper exercise and regular movement.

Several university officials, including Mr. Nitin Shinde, Mr. Chandrashekhar Dalvi, Mr. Sandeep Tatar, Mrs. Laxmichhaya Jagadgir, and others, were present at the workshop.

Gadchiroli police launch literacy, skill drive for ex-Maoists

Nagpur: To rehabilitate former Maoists and integrate them into the mainstream, Gadchiroli police in Maharashtra have launched Project Sanjeevani, a literacy and skill development programme for surrendered cadres, a senior official told UNI today.

The initiative, inaugurated on International Literacy Day on September 8, aims to teach basic reading and writing to over 100 ex-Maoists, many of whom are either illiterate or school dropouts.

Classes are being conducted at the police headquarters’ Eklavya Hall, covering education up to the fifth standard, with plans to extend to the eighth standard.



Officials said literacy will enable the surrendered cadres to access training under the Maharashtra State Skill Development Society (MSSDS), which requires at least a fifth-standard qualification. A district-level literacy test, scheduled for September 21, will also assess around 8,000 people, including former Left-wing radicals. Along-

side literacy, vocational courses such as sewing, driving, animal husbandry and beauty services are being offered. Authorities are also extending support for housing, livelihood, and access to government schemes to ensure long-term rehabilitation. The move is part of a larger shift in the state’s anti-Maoist strategy, focusing on rehabilitation along with security measures. In June this year, 12 senior Maoist commanders surrendered before Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis. Officials estimate that active Maoist presence in Maharashtra has now shrunk to just 16 talukas, with only around 30 armed cadres remaining in Gadchiroli and Gondia.

Jonathan Bailey steps away from acting to champion LGBTQ philanthropy

Mumbai : Jonathan Bailey, whose career has soared from the Regency allure of “Bridgerton” to the high-octane worlds of “Jurassic World Rebirth” and “Fellow Travelers”, has announced that he will be stepping back from acting to prioritise his philanthropic pursuits.

His packed schedule has taken a toll, Bailey confided in an interview with GQ. “I’ve been working non-stop for about three years, which is incredible and mind-boggling,” he told the outlet.

“But with everything that’s going on in the world at the moment, I’m going to stop acting for a bit next year and concentrate solely on Shameless Fund.”

“Over the next few months, I’ll be focusing on staffing and making sure we have all the right people in



all the right places.”

Bailey continued, before adding a striking statistic: “Of every £100 raised in the UK, only one penny goes to the LGBTQ community. We really have to dig deep to find solutions, and I sincerely

believe that Shameless Fund is exactly the place to do that.”

Founded in 2024, Shameless Fund is Bailey’s brainchild, an initiative designed to bolster LGBTQ organisations through in-

novative creative alliances.

In its first year alone, it has drawn high-profile supporters including Cara Delevingne, Kylie Minogue, Scarlett Johansson, and Cynthia Erivo, reports VANITY FAIR.

For the actor who played Viscount Anthony Bridgerton, giving a deeper meaning to his profession has become indispensable. Offering his help to others and valuing those who take action daily have become vital to Bailey.

“These are real heroes who work for associations and initiatives capable of reaching very specific audiences,” he said.

“How do you raise funds without just asking for donations, but by inviting people to discover art and beautiful, inspiring, naughty and exciting collaborations?”

By stepping back from acting, Bailey may paradoxically reinforce his place in the cultural landscape, not merely as an actor but as a figure who leverages his voice to amplify causes be-

‘Jagran Film Festival 2025 Delhi Chapter’: Concludes with 4 days of cinematic excellence

Mumbai : The Delhi chapter of the 13th edition of Rajnigandha Presents Jagran Film Festival (JFF) concluded at Siri Fort Auditorium after four days of cinematic celebration, masterclasses, premieres, and emotional storytelling.Cementing its reputation as the world’s largest traveling film festival, JFF 2025 turned the capital into a vibrant hub of Indian and global cinema. The festival opened with JFF Little Lights for children and the world premiere of Inspector Zende, attended by stars Manoj Bajpayee, Jim Sarbh, and Chinmay Mandekar.Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw inaugurated the festival, praising it as a powerful platform for aspiring filmmakers, particularly from smaller cities. Day 2 featured the premiere of Kiran Rao’s Humans in the Loop, a panel on AI in storytelling, a tribute to Guru Dutt by R. Balki, and



a lively live audition session with Mukesh Chhabra.Day 3 brought emotional depth with a session anchored by Tanvi The Great writer Ankur Suman, moving audiences to tears. Engaging conversations with Jaideep Ahlawat, Rajat Kapoor, and Inayat Verma followed, with Kapoor’s film Putul leaving a lasting impact.The grand finale celebrated 50 years of Sholay, unveiled Love in Vietnam starring Shantanu Maheshwari and Avneet Kaur, and hosted marquee sessions with Kajol, Umesh

Bist, Divya Khosla Kumar, and Umesh Shukla. Premieres of Ek Chatur Naar and French drama Valensole 1965 closed the chapter.

Independent filmmakers like Devyani Anant (Bicycle Days) and Mayur Popat (Yun, Hum Mile) were also spotlighted. Masterclasses on VFX, AI, and virtual production added a tech-forward edge.With Delhi’s successful run complete from 4 - 7 September, JFF now heads to Kanpur and Lucknow continuing its mission to democratize cinema

Akshay Kumar expresses heartfelt gratitude to fans on his 58th Birthday

Mumbai : Bollywood superstar Akshay Kumar marked his birthday today by expressing deep gratitude to his fans for their unwavering love and support over the years.

The actor, who turned 58, took to social media to share a heartfelt message that resonated with millions.

Posting the picture, he captioned it, “Good morning, everyone! 58 years in the making, 34 years in this industry, over 150 films & counting. To everyone that ever believed in me, who bought a ticket, who signed me, produced me, directed me and guided me, this is your journey as much as mine. I’m just here to say an eternal ‘Thank You’ for every kind action, unconditional support, and words of encouragement. I am nothing without you, my Birthday is a dedication to all those that still believe me. Love & Prayers, Your Akshay.Jai Mahakal”

He also thanked Rahul Nanda for creating the picture capturing his journey in the film industry, “P.S.: Many thanks to the very talented Rahul Nanda for capturing my life’s work for my favourite people on the planet, my Fans.”

After his post, many fans filled the comment section to wish Khiladi Kumar on his birthday.

One of his fan wrote, “Happy Birthday inspiration”, while another commented, “You always my first best hero”

Known for his disciplined lifestyle and philanthropic efforts, Akshay Kumar has built a legacy not only through his blockbuster films but also through his

strong connection with his audience.

Akshay Kumar is all set to return to the big screen with the highly anticipated Jolly LLB 3, where he will be seen sharing screen space with Arshad Warsi.

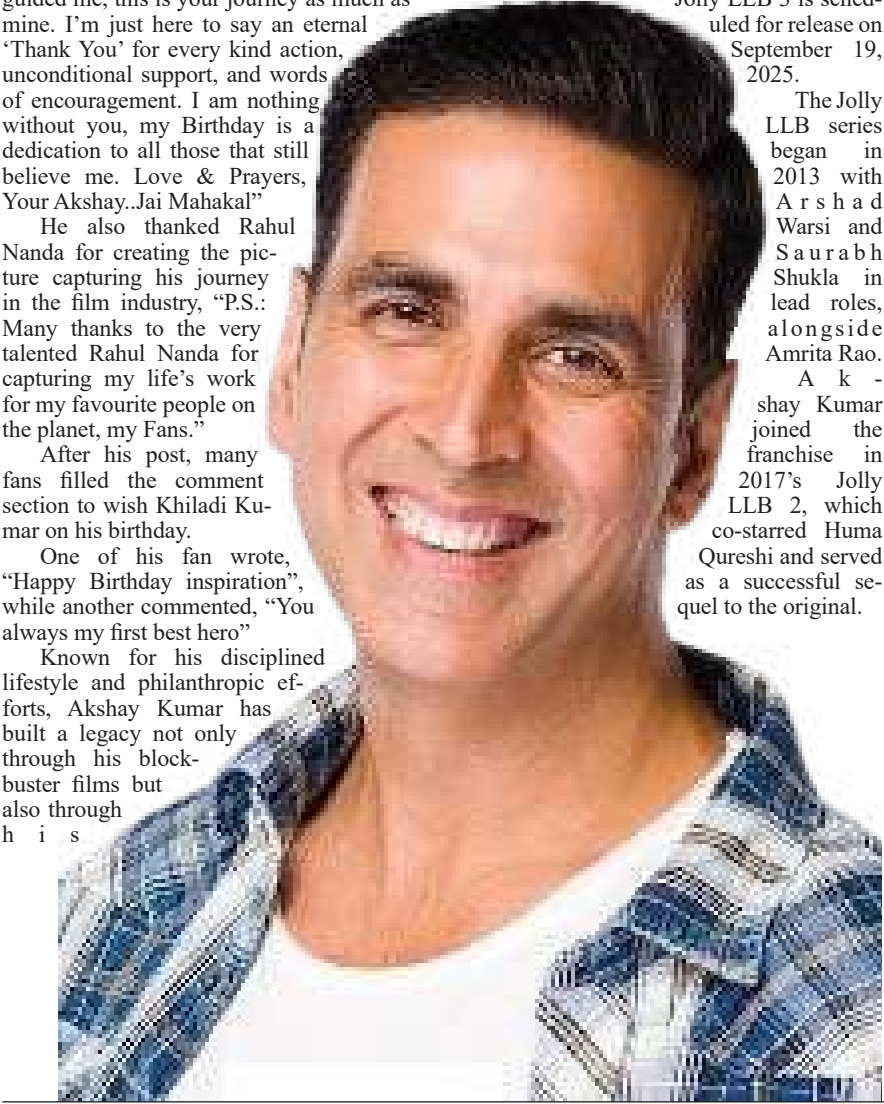
The teaser for the third installment of the courtroom comedy-drama dropped on August 12, offering fans a glimpse of the humorous yet intense showdown between the two actors.

Saurabh Shukla will reprise his iconic role as Judge Tripathi, adding continuity and charm to the beloved franchise.

Jolly LLB 3 is scheduled for release on September 19, 2025.

The Jolly LLB series began in 2013 with Arshad Warsi and Saurabh Shukla in lead roles, alongside Amrita Rao.

Akshay Kumar joined the franchise in 2017’s Jolly LLB 2, which co-starred Huma Qureshi and served as a successful sequel to the original.



Farhan Akhtar meets Battle of Rezang La survivors in heartfelt gesture

Mumbai: Actor Farhan Akhtar, who will be seen portraying Param Vir Chakra awardee Major Shaitan Singh Bhati in his upcoming film ‘120 Bahadur’, recently paid a heartfelt visit to the surviving heroes of the legendary Battle of Rezang La, Subedar Honorary Captain Ram Chander Yadav and Havildar Nihal Singh.

The Battle of Rezang La marked a pivotal confrontation during the 1962 Sino-Indian War.

Yesterday, Farhan shared a couple of pictures on Instagram of the meeting, and wrote, “Was an honour spending an afternoon in the

inspiring company of the two surviving heroes of the Battle of Rezang La, Subedar Honorary Captain Ram Chander Yadav ji & Havildar Nihal Singh ji, SM... Was special to introduce them to Sparsh Waliaa and Atul Singh .. our reel Charlie boys who portray them in the film.”

He added, “Once again, I thank them for blessing us with their permission to portray them in the film and bring their stories to the screen.”

Directed by Razneesh ‘Razy’ Ghai and produced by Ritesh Sidhwani, Farhan Akhtar, and Amit Chandra, ‘120 Bahadur’ is a war drama



ma inspired by the legendary Battle of Rezang La.

The Battle of Rezang La, fought on November 18, 1962, remains etched in the nation’s memory, especially

for the supreme sacrifice of 114 out of 120 Indian soldiers who fought to the last man and last bullet.

The film pays tribute to the 120 soldiers of Charlie

Rasika Dugal slips back into ‘Beena’s world’ as she begins ‘Mirzapur: The Film’ shoot

Mumbai : Actress Rasika Dugal has started shooting for the first schedule of the film adaptation of popular web series ‘Mirzapur’ in Mumbai.

A source close to Rasika, who plays the role of Beena Tripathi in the “Mirzapur” franchise, shared: “Rasika has prepped for the role really well and slipped back into Beena’s world with ease. There’s a lot of anticipation to see the entire cast come together, but what’s exciting is how impactful her role is shaping up to be.”The source added: “From everything we’ve seen so far, it feels like Beena Tripathi will bring something never seen before in the Mirzapur universe.” The cast also includes Ali Fazal and Pankaj Tripathi reprising their characters of Guddu Pandit and Kaleen Bhaiya. As per ongoing chatter, actors Jitendra Kumar and Ravi Kishan have also joined the cast of the film. However, their roles are currently underwraps.Talking about the crime-thriller series “Mirzapur”, The story follows Akhandanand “Kaleen” Tripathi, a crime boss and businessman who is the proverbial ruler of Mirzapur district in the Purvanchal region of Uttar Pradesh state in India.In the first season, the main cast features Pankaj Tripathi, Ali Fazal,

Divyendu Sharma, Vikrant Massey, Shweta Tripathi, Shriya Pilgaonkar, Rasika Dugal, Harshita Gaur and Kulbhushan Kharbanda.The second season retains the principal cast from the first season, excluding Massey and Pilgaonkar, with a new cast consisting of Vijay Varma, Isha Talwar, Lilliput, Anjum Sharma, Priyanshu Painyuli, Anangsha Biswas and Neha Sargam.The series was filmed mostly across Uttar Pradesh, primarily shot in Mirzapur, and other locations including Jaunpur, Azamgarh, Ghazipur, Lucknow, Raebareli, Gorakhpur, and Varanasi.The film adaptation of the series is reportedly scheduled for a 2026 release.Talking about the actress, Rasika made her screen debut with Anwar in 2007 and went on to appear in crit-

ically

acclaimed films like No Smoking, Qissa, Tu Hai Mera Sunday, Hamid and Manto.



IMPPA seeks PM’s intervention for ‘The Bengal Files’ release in West Bengal

Mumbai : The Indian Motion Picture Producers’ Association (IMPPA) has urged Prime Minister Narendra Modi to intervene and ensure the free and fair release of the film ‘The Bengal Files’ in West Bengal, alleging that despite having received certification from the Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC), the movie is facing indirect restrictions and intimidation that amount to a de facto ban.In a strongly worded letter, IMPPA President Abhay Sinha said the film, produced by I AM BUDDHA Entertainment & Media LLP, has every legal right to be exhibited across the country. “Despite CBFC certification, the film is not being allowed to release in West Bengal. Though not officially banned, it is facing obstacles and indirect restrictions, with distributors and exhibitors under pressure,” the letter stated. The producers, according to IMPPA, are encountering resistance from theatre owners and distributors who fear law-and-order issues. The association alleged that the West Bengal government



has failed to ensure a conducive atmosphere for public screenings, thereby denying audiences their constitutional right to choose what to watch.“Crores of rupees have been invested in the making of this film. Blocking its release will not only cause irreparable financial losses to

producers and distributors but also send a chilling signal to filmmakers across India,” IMPPA warned.The association reminded that under the Cinematograph Act, once a film has been cleared by the CBFC, no state government can unilaterally stop its exhibition unless law-and-order

concerns are formally notified and addressed through due process.This controversy echoes earlier disputes surrounding politically sensitive films. West Bengal had previously denied screenings of ‘The Kerala Story’ in 2023, while ‘The Kashmir Files’ too faced stiff resistance in certain quarters before the Centre stepped in to ensure wider release. Both cases triggered heated debates over freedom of expression, political sensitivities, and the powers of state governments vis-a-vis certified works of art.Industry observers note that the latest episode is part of a recurring pattern where films with political or historical narratives face roadblocks in select states despite central certification. The IMPPA has framed this as a test case for the credibility of the CBFC and the uniformity of film distribution rights across India.Calling for immediate intervention, IMPPA urged the Prime Minister to uphold the sanctity of certification and protect filmmakers’ rights. “The state has a vital role in ensuring that certified works

of art are not throttled by indirect means.

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UP Yoddhas aim to spark resurgence, look for third win, as they face Puneri Paltan

Vizag : UP Yoddhas will face Puneri Paltan in their Pro Kabaddi League (PKL) Season 12 fixture at the Vishwanadh Sports Club in Vizag on September 10, at 9:00 pm IST. The Yoddhas currently sit fifth on the points table with four points from three games, having secured two wins. Paltan, placed second with six points, have already played five matches and head into this contest on the back of an 11-point defeat against Patna Pirates.

UP have made a promising start to the new season, registering back-to-back wins over Telugu Titans and Patna Pirates before showcasing their attacking prowess in a high-octane battle with Haryana Steelers.

The Yoddhas' defensive strength has drawn attention



from rival coaches across the league. They boast a tackle success rate of 42.02% and have executed three super raids, ranking fourth-best in both categories. Skipper Sumit Sangwan leads the league in tackle points (15) as well as High 5s (2).

On the attacking front, Gagan Gowda has been a consistent threat, averaging

11.33 raid points per game and delivering three super raids.

"Puneri Paltan are a team that plays as a well-coordinated unit. We need to prepare our plans keeping that in mind. Both sides are strong in attack, so I believe that whichever team commits fewer mistakes will emerge victorious," UP Yoddhas assistant coach Upendra Malik said ahead of the clash.

UP Yoddhas have ticked the instrumental boxes on all ends of the mat in their three games till now. With an astute strategic approach and a youthful side keen to chase their maiden title, they will hope to come together and perform in unison to overcome their next hurdle in the group stages of the tournament.

Spain shows World Cup credentials through just two qualifying matchesa

Madrid : Spain is only two matches into its FIFA World Cup qualifying campaign, but Luis de la Fuente's side already looks like one of the clear favorites for next summer's finals.

The reigning European champion has taken a major step toward qualification after winning what were arguably its two toughest fixtures - away to Bulgaria and Turkey.

Even more impressive has been the manner of those victories. Spain hit three past Bulgaria before routing Turkey 6-0 in the traditionally hostile atmosphere of Konya on Sunday.

De la Fuente has built a team that appears complete across the pitch. Dean Huijsen has slotted into central defense with the assurance of a veteran, while full-backs Marc Cucurella and Pedro



Porro provide pace and width going forward. In midfield, Martin Zubimendi, Pedri and Mikel Merino combine control, creativity and goals - with Merino scoring a hat-trick on Sunday and Pedri adding two more. The depth in reserve, including Rodri, Fermin Lopez, Dani Olmo and Champions League winner Fabian Ruiz, underlines the squad's quality.

Up front, Spain has thrived without a traditional center-forward. Mikel Oyarzabal's movement across the line creates space for wingers Nico Williams and Lamine Yamal, whose pace and one-on-one ability stretch defenses and open opportunities for midfield runners like Merino.

Rachel second Vanuatu player with T20I fifty and hat-trick

Suva (Fiji): Vanuatu captain Rachel Andrew delivered a record-breaking allround performance as her side narrowly defeated Indonesia by seven runs in the opening match of the ICC Women's T20 World Cup East Asia Pacific Qualifier, being held in Fiji.

The win marked a memorable start to Vanuatu's campaign for a spot in the 2026 ICC Women's T20 World Cup Global Qualifier.

Rachel, 27, played a pivotal role in both innings. With the bat, she anchored Vanuatu's innings, scoring an unbeaten 85, the backbone of the team's total of 131. Her innings was marked by controlled strokeplay and aggressive finishing, enabling Vanuatu to post a competitive score.

However, it was with the ball that Rachel etched her name in cricket history. She claimed a hat-trick, finishing with figures of 3/10, becoming only the second Vanuatu player to achieve the feat in Women's T20 Internationals. Rachel also became the



second player globally for Vanuatu to combine a fifty and a hat-trick in a single T20I match, replicating a rare achievement earlier recorded by her national teammate Selina Solman, who scored an unbeaten 56 and took 4 wickets for no runs against France earlier this year.

Indonesia had begun their run chase strongly, with openers Maria Corazon and Desi Wulandari putting together a 55-run opening stand. But the Vanuatu bowlers, particularly Rachel and Nasimana Navaika, turned the match in Vanuatu's favour. Navaika contributed with three crucial wickets

India's Rifle and Pistol Mixed Teams misses out on medal in Ningbo

New Delhi : The Indian mixed teams in both the rifle and pistol events missed out on medals on the opening day of the international shooting season's fourth and final International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) World Cup Rifle/Pistol stage at the Ningbo Olympic Sports Center in Ningbo, China, with neither pairs making it to the medal matches.

In the pistol mixed team event, the Indian pairs finished 11th and 13th in qualification, while in the rifle mixed team, the Indian pairs were placed 14th and 34th.

In the Air Pistol Mixed Team event, India's first pair of Surbhi Rao (284) and Amit Sharma (290) registered a combined qualification score of 574-20x to finish 11th. The second pair, Olympian Rhythm Sangwan (289) and Nishant Rawat (282), finished 13th with a score of 571-15x.

The gold medal went to China's in-form pair, Qianx-



un Yao and Kai Hu, who claimed a dominant 17-5 victory over Czechia's Veronika Schejbalova and Jindrich Dubovy. This was back-to-back World Cup golds for the Chinese pair after their triumph in Munich, adding to their silvers in Buenos Aires and Lima earlier this year.

Hungary's Veronika Major and Akos Karoly Nagy secured the bronze, defeating the Neutral Athletes' team of Lana Enina and Anton Aristarkhov 17-13.

In the Air Rifle Mixed

636.9, The Norwegian duo added to their gold in Lima and bronze in Munich. China's Peng and Sheng, meanwhile, collected a second successive silver. Italy's Carlotta Salafia and Danilo Dennis Sollazzo completed the podium with bronze.

Strong international line-up awaits Indian shooters in second day's competitions

India will look to open its medal account on Wednesday when Amit Sharma, Nishant Rawat, and Samrat Rana take to the range in the Men's 10m Air Pistol. The field will feature a high-quality line-up of 65 athletes, including China's World No.1 Hu Kai, winner of the last three World Cups' Gold, Neutral Athlete and World No.5 Anton Aristarkhov, and World No.6 Jason Solari of Switzerland, silver and bronze medalists respectively in Buenos Aires. Brazil's Felipe Almeida Wu, currently ranked World No.8 and silver medalist in Lima,

Messi future unclear as Scaloni plans ahead

Quito : Argentina manager Lionel Scaloni that he did not know if Lionel Messi would be a part of the Albiceleste squad that will seek to defend its FIFA World Cup crown next year.

The 38-year-old Argentina captain has not yet committed to the tournament in the United States, Mexico and Canada, having hinted in recent interviews that he could retire beforehand. "I haven't spoken with Messi about the next World Cup. Whatever he decides is fine," Scaloni told

a news conference ahead of his team's final World Cup qualifier against Ecuador in Guayaquil on Tuesday.

He added that there could still be openings for new players in Argentina's World Cup squad, but admitted the core would remain the same.

"We're still a long way off," he said. "Many things can happen, but



we have a base and that won't change much. When we know how many players can go to the World Cup, we'll make decisions."

Argentina won 3-0 against Ven-

ezuela in Buenos Aires while Ecuador drew 0-0 with Paraguay in Asuncion in the previous round of qualifiers last Thursday. The Albiceleste leads the 10-team South American qualifying group and Ecuador is fourth, with both teams already securing a World Cup berth.

Messi will be rested for the match at the Monumental Stadium while defender Cristian Romero is out suspended. Scaloni said he would use the fixture to give opportunities to players with limited recent playing time.

"I think those who have played less deserve to play, that's the idea," he said. "Lautaro Martinez will have a chance to play tomorrow and Alexis Mac Allister is available. We'll see what system we'll go with."

He added that Ecuador would provide a stern test, praising the work of Argentine manager Sebastian Beccacece. "Ecuador is one of the best national teams in the world and they're going to make things difficult not only for us but for any team," he said. "They've had a very clear way of playing for a long time."

Brazil faces altitude test in Bolivia qualifier

Rio De Janeiro : Brazil manager Carlo Ancelotti said his team would be playing to win in its final World Cup qualifier against Bolivia on Tuesday, despite the challenge of playing at more than 4,000 meters above sea level.

Brazil is second in the South American qualifying standings and already guaranteed a berth in football's showpiece tournament in the United States, Canada and Mexico next year. Bolivia, eighth in the 10-team group, must win to have any chance of securing a playoff spot.

Ancelotti said, "every game counts" as his team steps up its World Cup preparations. "A national team plays roughly 10 matches per year so we can't allow ourselves to think that some games are more important than others," the Italian said. "Every game matters. Tomorrow's match is very important, and the next game after that is too."

Brazil beat Chile 3-0 at Rio's Maracana

Stadium while Bolivia fell 3-0 to Colombia in Barranquilla in the penultimate round of qualifiers last Thursday.

Ancelotti admitted Brazil would adopt a different game plan in the rarefied air of the Municipal Stadium in El Alto, on a plateau overlooking the capital, La Paz.

"We're going to change not only the strategy but also some players," he said. "We have to play differently to the way we did against Chile, which was a very intense and high-pressure game. That can't be done at altitude."

Ancelotti, who has never previously been to Bolivia, said he was relying on others to provide advice on how to approach the match.

"It may be new to me, but Brazil has played many games there, and we have many people with that experience, including players, doctors and physiotherapists," he said. "I have to trust people who have more information than I do."

Jr Men's World Cup hockey to begin in Madurai, Chennai with Germany-SA, India-Chile matches

Chennai : The Junior Men's World Cup Hockey to be held in Chennai and Madurai from Novemehr 28 to December 10, with a match between Title holders Germany and South Africa in Madurai on November 28.

India will launch its campaign with a match against Chile the same day followed by the key mach against Pakistan, the next day.

India will play its last league match against Switzerland in Madurai on December two.

The tournament fixtures were released by Tamil Nadu Deputy Chief Minister Udhayanidhi

Stalin at a press conference here last night with FIH President Tayyab Ikram in attendance along with Hockey India President Dilip Tirkey, Secy General Bholanath Singh.

The World Cup for the first time, will see participa-



tion from 24 teams from around the world and will be played in Chennai and Madurai in Tamil Nadu.

The six teams were divided into six groups of four each and India was placed in Group-B along with Pakistan, Chile and Switzerland.

Mr Tayyab Ikram said the launch of the match schedule for the FIH Hockey Men's Junior

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and skill on the global stage. This is where future stars of international hockey will take their first steps toward greatness, inspiring millions of fans and the next generation of players.

"I'm sure Tamil Nadu, with its rich culture and love for hockey, will provide a truly exceptional backdrop for this celebration of youth, skill, and international friendship", he said.

Udhayanidhi Stalin said "We are committed to working closely with Hockey India and the International Hockey Federation (FIH) to ensure that this tournament becomes one of the most memorable editions in history."

On Pakistan's participation in the tournament, Dilip Tirkey said the FIH and the Indian government have welcomed the Pakistan team and you could see their name in the fixtures, though a confirmation from Pakistan Hockey Federation was awaited.

USA to host new marquee cricket league in November

Florida (USA) : The United States is gearing up to host an electrifying new cricketing spectacle as the Mayor's New World T20 Cricket League kicks off in November 2025.

The 12-day tournament promises to redefine cricketing entertainment with a thrilling mix of international legends and local talent in the USA.

The Mayor's New World T20 Cricket League will see four franchises battling it out for glory, featuring a pool of 60 dynamic players, including international stars, USA-based cricketers and local talent.

With representation from cricketing powerhouses such as India, South Africa, England, West Indies, and the USA, the tournament promises world-class action and diversity on the field.

Speaking about the Mayor's New World T20 Cricket League, Chairman & League Commissioner, Brijesh Mathur said, "We are committed to create pathways for young and aspiring cricketers. The Mayor's New World T20 is also an opportunity to



unearth local talent and give them the invaluable experience of sharing the field with world-class players."

"We believe this mix of legends, international stars, USA National team and emerging USA cricketers will inspire the next generation," he added.

Organised by Pramanit Global Ventures USA Inc the Mayor's New

World T20's goal is to provide a platform that fosters the growth of cricket in the region and brings the sport to new audiences.

Played in the fast-paced 20-over format, each match will deliver 180 minutes of pure cricketing action, packed with boundaries, wickets, and thrilling moments for fans across the globe.

BSE Sensex		Nifty 50		Nifty 500		Nifty Next 50		Nifty 100		Nifty Bank		Nifty Midcap 100	
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80,787.30	81,129.69	24,773.15	24,864.10	22,878.65	22,949.55	67,366.05	67,512.40	25,402.00	25,488.70	54,186.90	54,330.55	57,361.15	57,491.95
High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
81,181.37	80,927.97	24,891.80	24,891.80	22,964.05	22,893.05	67,578.80	67,256.60	25,508.45	25,432.55	54,350.65	54,079.45	57,554.85	57,230.90

Top Gainers

Company	Current	% Gain
Infosys	1,504.30	4.98
Dr Reddys Labs	1,291.30	3.25
Wipro	249.15	2.73
Tech Mahindra	1,498.20	2.57
Adani Ports	1,380.90	2.42

Top Losers

Company	Current	%Loss
Trent	5,218.50	-1.82
Eternal	325.70	-1.20
Jio Financial	307.95	-1.01
Titan Company	3,630.10	-0.76
NTPC	324.10	-0.80

Commodities

Commodity	Price	Change (%)
Gold Oct 03	109,254.00	736.00 0.68
Silver Dec 05	125,747.00	176.00 0.14
Crudeoil Sep 19	5,542.00	51.00 0.93
Naturalgas Sep 25	278.20	4.30 1.57

Jyotiraditya Scindia launches UPI-UPU integration project at Universal Postal Congress

New Delhi : Communications Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia today unveiled the UPI-UPU integration project at the 28th Universal Postal Congress in Dubai.

It is a landmark initiative set to transform cross-border remittances for millions worldwide.

This initiative, developed by the Department of Posts (DoP), NPCI International Payments Limited (NPL) and the Universal Postal union (UPU), aims to integrate India's Unified Payments Interface (UPI) with the UPU Interconnection Platform (IP).

Addressing the event, the minister called it “ more than a technology launch, but a social impact.”

“The reliability of the postal network combined with the speed of UPI means families across borders can send money faster, safer, and at much lower cost. It reaffirms that public infrastructure built for citizens can be linked across borders to serve humanity better,” the minister said.Scindia highlighted India's vision for a modern, inclusive postal sector, anchored in four verbs:“To connect through seamless data-driven logistics; to include by delivering affordable digital financial services to every migrant and digital enterprise; to modernise with AI, DigiPIN and machine learning; and to cooperate through

South-South partnerships with a UPU-backed technical cell.”

Highlighting India Post as a powerful example of scale and inclusion, under the vision of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Digital India, the minister added, “ With Aadhaar, Jan Dhan and India Post Payments Bank, we have opened over 560 million accounts, most in women's names. India Post delivered over 900 million letters and parcels last year. This is the scale and spirit of inclusion we bring to the global stage.”

The Minister also announced financial support, committing 10 million dollars during this cycle to channel technology into innovation, with special focus on e-commerce and digital payments.Taking forward the motto of ‘Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Prayas’, he reiterated how India stands ready with resources, expertise, and friendship.Scindia also announced India's candidature for the Council of Administration and Postal Operations Council of the UPU.Concluding his address, the minister said, “ India comes to you not with proposals, but with partnership. We believe in resilience, enabling interoperable solutions that avoid costly fragmentation, and in trust, linking payments, identity, addressing, and logistics so that global commerce becomes seamless.”

Tokyo Electron to set up new semiconductor hub in Bengaluru

Bengaluru: Tokyo Electron, the world's fourth-largest semiconductor equipment manufacturer, has announced the establishment of a new development hub in Bengaluru, a move set to give a significant boost to India's semiconductor ambitions and strengthen Karnataka's position as a key player in the global chip ecosystem.

This was announced by Karnataka IT Minister Priyank K Charge on social media.

The new hub in Bengaluru will focus on multiple strategic areas, including software development, equipment design, and simulation. In addition, the centre will engage in collaborative research with local universities, fostering stronger ties between industry and academia. This partnership aims to accelerate innovation, enhance technical expertise, and nurture homegrown talent in the semiconductor sector.Tokyo Electron, which holds nearly 21% of the global market share and dominates the coater-developer segment, is expected to bring advanced technology, global best practices, and investment into Karnataka. Its presence is anticipated to complement India's ongoing efforts to develop a self-reliant semiconductor ecosystem under national and state policies.Karnataka already plays a leading role in the Electronics System Design and Manufacturing (ESDM) sector. The state contributes more than 35% of India's ESDM exports and hosts over 400 chip design firms. Its ESDM Policy, aimed at fostering innovation, research, and investment, provides a conducive environment for companies like Tokyo Electron to expand operations and collaborate with local institutions.Priyank highlighted that the hub aligns perfectly with the state's vision of promoting advanced technology, enhancing semiconductor capabilities, and creating high-quality employment opportunities.He noted that such initiatives will not only strengthen Karnataka's global semiconductor footprint but also contribute to India's broader goal of technological self-sufficiency.

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Nifty50 ends above 24,850; BSE Sensex up over 300 points

Mumbai : The Indian stock market ended Tuesday on a positive note, as both the Nifty50 and the BSE Sensex closed in the green. The gains were largely supported by a rally in the IT sector and optimism surrounding an expected interest rate cut by the US Federal Reserve later this month.

The NSE Nifty climbed 95.45 points, or 0.39 per cent, to settle at 24,868.60. With this move, the index recorded its fifth straight session of gains, underscoring strong market sentiment.

Similarly, the BSE Sensex advanced by 314.02 points, or 0.39 per cent, closing at 81,101.32. During the day, the index even touched an intraday high of 81,181.37 before settling slightly lower.Infosys was the top performer among Sensex companies, rising by 5.03 per cent. The surge came after the IT giant revealed that its

board would review a proposal for an equity share buyback on September 11, sparking renewed interest from investors.Tech Mahin-



dra, Adani Ports, HCL Technologies, Tata Consultancy Services, and Bajaj Finserv also contributed to the gains, adding further strength to the benchmark indices.However, not all heavyweights participated in the rally. Stocks such as Trent, Eternal, Ultra-Tech Cement, and NTPC witnessed declines, limiting

the overall upside.The broader Asian market picture was mixed. South Korea's Kospi and Hong Kong's Hang Seng posted gains, of-

fering some regional support. In contrast, Japan's Nikkei 225 and Shanghai's SSE Composite Index ended in the red, reflecting caution in select markets.Across Europe, the performance was uneven, with some indices showing modest gains while others slipped into negative territory. The global cues

highlighted the ongoing uncertainty in international markets.On Wall Street, however, sentiment was more upbeat. US markets closed higher on Monday, continuing their recent positive momentum amid expectations of monetary easing from the Federal Reserve.“Markets closed higher on Tuesday, buoyed by strength in IT stocks following Infosys' announcement that its board will consider a share buyback on September 11. The news lifted sector sentiment,” said Hariprasad K, Research Analyst and Founder of Live-long Wealth.The strong performance of IT stocks stood out as a major driver for Indian markets. Investors showed confidence that a buyback by Infosys could not only boost shareholder value but also signal optimism in the sector's long-term outlook.

TCS partners with CEA to infuse innovation in physical AI solutions

New Delhi : Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) today signed a partnership agreement with CEA to accelerate innovation and industrialisation of Physical AI Solutions.

CEA or French Alternative Energies and Atomic Energy Commission is a public French research and development organization focused on four key areas:- defence and security, low-carbon energy (nuclear and renewable), technological research for industry and fundamental research in life and physical sciences.

On partnership, Alexandre Bounouh, Director of CEA-List, said “ We are delighted to collaborate with TCS to accelerate the diffusion of physical AI technologies in industry. This part-



nership will enable us to connect cutting-edge research with the concrete needs of businesses and to jointly invent the intelligent systems of tomorrow. By transforming collaboration between humans and machines, AI solutions applied to physical systems will op-

timise the production chain, thereby contributing to one of our core missions: boosting the resilience and competitiveness of French and European Businesses.”

The official statement said “ Together, TCS and CEA intend to offer organizations concrete solutions

based on Physical AI, proof of concept (POCs), as well as training and technological support programs.”

“ Key areas of collaboration include:- Versatile Robots, Advanced Human-Robot Collaboration and Socially Assistive Robots.”

Rammohan Gourmei, Managing Director of TCS France said “ Our commitment to technological innovation is reflected in strong partnerships with key players like CEA.

Physical AI is a key technology for the future of Industry, as it combines the power of AI with the intelligence of physical systems.

This partnership marks an important step in supporting our clients in their industrial transformation.”

According to the state-

ment, this partnership will leverage the TCS Pace Port Paris research and innovation centre at the heart of the French technology ecosystem.

This hub brings together experts, startups, researchers and large companies to accelerate the development of next-gen solutions on a large scale.

‘Physical AI’ refers to the integration of artificial intelligence with physical systems like robots and autonomous vehicles to enable them to perceive, understand and physically interact with the real world.

TCS is an Indian multinational technology company specialized in providing information technology (IT) and consulting services.

Murdochs reach deal in succession battle over media empire

New York : A years-long succession battle within Rupert Murdoch's conservative media empire has drawn to a close, with his son Lachlan set to control the news group.

The deal, which the family announced on Monday, will ensure the ongoing conservative leaning of Fox News, The Wall Street Journal and The New York Post even after 94-year-old Rupert's death, reports BBC.

Under the agreement, Lachlan will control a new trust while siblings Prue MacLeod, Elizabeth Murdoch and James Murdoch will cease being beneficia-

ries of any trust with shares in Fox or News Corp.

It follows years of tension between the media mogul and three of his children over the future of the family-owned newspapers and television networks.

Lachlan is currently the chair of News Corp, which counts The Wall Street Journal and The Times among its slew of publications. He is widely seen as the most politically conservative of Rupert's oldest children.

Lachlan's more politically moderate oldest siblings are poised to sell their holdings in Fox and News

Corp in the coming months. They will also be named as beneficiaries of a new trust, which will receive cash from the sale of about 14.2 million shares of News Corp. and 16.9 million shares of Fox Corp.

The sale of their shares will add to the three siblings' existing inheritance, but prevent them from having any influence over the political bent of the family's media conglomerate.James has in recent years distanced himself from his family's business, citing disagreements over editorial content.Of Rupert's six children, the oldest four

have been implicated in the legal turmoil over the company's future. His younger children from his marriage to Wendi Deng Murdoch, Chloe and Grace, are also named as beneficiaries in the new family trust.He wanted to ensure his empire would fall solely into Lachlan's hands rather than to all four of oldest children, but in December last year a Reno court rejected that bid saying Rupert and Lachlan had acted in "bad faith" in trying to amend the trust. Monday's deal was a "mutual resolution of the legal proceedings", according to the companies.

SBI announces listing of ‘Regulation S’ bonds on NSE-IX

New Delhi : (SBI) today announced the listing of its USD 500 million of ‘Regulation S’ bonds, recently issued at a coupon rate of 4.50 pe at NSE-IX in Gift City, said an official statement.SBI's ‘Regulation S’ bonds are foreign currency bonds issued to non-US investors outside of the United States, exempt from US (SEC) registration requirements under Regulation 'S' of the Securities Act of 1933.The official statement said, “The bond is priced at a spread of 75 bps over the benchmark and is listing on SGX-ST and NSE-IX.

The Notes carry 'BBB' and 'BBB-' from S&P and Fitch, respectively.”‘BBB'

and 'BBB-' are credit ratings assigned by agencies like S&P and Fitch indicating a 'moderate level of safety' for financial obligations with a moderate credit risk.A 'BBB' rating signifies adequate financial capacity, while a 'BBB-' is the lowest of the investment-grade ratings. Commenting on the transaction, Rama Mohan Rao Amara, Managing Director (IB, GM and T), SBI, said, “ The successful issuance of USD 500 million is a testament to the strong appetite for bonds of SBI and reflects the confidence of the global investors in India's growth story in general and the credit quality of the Bank in particular.

Kelachandra to showcase Indian coffee at SCAJ 2025

Bengaluru: Kelachandra Coffee, India's largest privately held coffee plantation company, will showcase its premium, sustainably grown Indian Specialty Coffee at the Specialty Coffee Association of Japan (SCAJ) Conference & Exhibition 2025, Asia's largest specialty coffee platform, scheduled from September 24-27 at Tokyo Big Sight, Japan.

The company will present hand-harvested, shade-grown varieties including Chandragiri, S.795, HDTx-Catuai, Paredenia, and CxR, sourced from Karnataka estates certified by the Rainforest Alliance and compliant with the European union Deforestation Regulation (EUDR)."With Indian specialty coffee gaining global recognition, SCAJ 2025 is the perfect platform to introduce our traceable, high-quality beans to Japan," said Neeema Rana George, Head of Coffee Works and Technology at Kelachandra Coffee. "Our estates combine traditional cultivation with technologies from Colombia and Brazil to bring out the finest flavors defining Indian coffee."Kelachandra Coffee integrates sustainable practices including agroforestry, intercropping, water and energy conservation, and ecosystem restoration, while employing a

workforce where 55% are women.

"Japanese coffee enthusiasts value not just taste, but the story behind each bean. For seven generations, we have blended agrarian tradition with innovation, uplifting local communities and preserving India's coffee heritage," said Ryana Kuruvilla, Head of People and Culture.

Rishina Kuruvilla, Head of CSR and Sustainability, added, "Sustainability is embedded from seed to cup. SCAJ 2025 allows us to reinforce India's position as a producer of ethically sourced, premium specialty coffee."SCAJ 2025 will feature exhibitors from 30 countries and welcome visitors from nearly 70 nations. Under the theme "Belong Together in Coffee!", the event offers Indian producers a key opportunity to strengthen trade ties with Japan. Kelachandra Coffee will be at Booth 1203 for tastings and collaborations.Kelachandra Coffee, a division of the historic Kelachandra Group (est. 1786), cultivates over 6,500 acres across 14 estates in Karnataka and Kerala, producing more than 2,000 MT of premium coffee annually, including 30 MT of specialty micro-lots, with exports to Japan, Denmark, Norway, and Australia.

T-CHIP submits semiconductor roadmap to Telangana govt

Hyderabad : In a landmark move to position Telangana at the forefront of India's semiconductor revolution, Sundeep Kumar Makthala, Chairman & MD of T-CHIP (Technology Chip Innovation Program), today submitted a comprehensive Detailed Project Report (DPR) on semiconductors to Telangana IT and Industries Minister D Sridhar Babu, at the Secretariat here.

Sridhar Babu appreciated the T-CHIP delegation for their well-researched and detailed study report, underscoring its importance for Telangana's ambitions to become a semiconductor hub.

The DPR, based on the T-CHIP delegation's high-level visits to Taiwan and Hong Kong, captures

strategic insights from global leaders including TSMC, ARM, Synopsys, Faraday Technology, PUFSecurity, PUFacademy, GUS Technology, LiteMax, Supermicro, National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University (NYCU), Taiwan Semiconductor Research Institute (TSRI), and TAIROS (Taiwan Automation Intelligence and Robot Show).The delegation's interactions included global giants such as TSMC, ARM, Synopsys, Faraday Technology, PUFSecurity, PUFacademy, GUS Technology, LiteMax, Supermicro, National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University (NYCU), Taiwan Semiconductor Research Institute (TSRI), and participation in TAIROS (Taiwan Automation Intelligence and Robot



Show).These engagements provided deep insights into advanced chip design, secure architectures, manufacturing models, and cutting-edge applications across sectors.The

DPR proposes a Four-Pillar Semiconductor Strategy to drive this mission forward including -- Training 1,000 professors and 10,000 students in semiconductor technol-

ogies to address the global shortage; Establishing design hubs with access to state-of-the-art EDA tools and IP libraries in partnership with global leaders like ARM and Synopsys; Drawing inspiration from TSMC and Faraday's models, while integrating secure frameworks from PUFsecurity; and Leveraging collaborations in EV batteries (GUS Technology), transparent displays (LiteMax), AI-ready servers (Supermicro), and advanced robotics (TAIROS) to boost industrial adoption.Makthala emphasized that Telangana, under the vision of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy and the leadership of Sridhar Babu, is poised to become the launchpad for India's semiconductor revolution.