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'Actions will certainly have consequences': S Jaishankar warns Pakistan at UNGA

NEW DELHI: External affairs minister S Jaishankar on Saturday tore into Pakistan at the United Nations and warned that its crossborder terrorism policy can and will never succeed. Citing Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif's United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) speech where he accused New Delhi of "escalating tensions" in Kashmir, Jaishankar also warned that Islamabad's "actions will most certainly have consequences".

Addressing the UNGA, Jaishankar said that the "issue to be resolved between the two countries is only the vacation of Pakistan-occupied Kashmir by Islamabad and the abandonment of its long-standing attachment to terrorism.""Some make conscious choices with disastrous consequences. A premier example is our neighbor Pakistan. Unfortunately, the mystics affect others as well, especially the neighbors. When this quality instills such



The issue to be resolved between us is only the vacation of illegally occupied

And it can have no "unilateral and illegal" expectation of impunity. On the contrary, Kashmir, referring to actions will certainly the 2019 revocation of have consequences. The issue to be resolved between us is only the vacation of occupied illegally Indian territory by Pakistan and of course, abandonment of Pakistan's long-standing attachment to terrorism," he added. This comes a day after Shehbaz Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif remarks, calling India to reverse its

actions in Jammu and Article 370, which gave special status to Jammu Kashmir."India spurned Pakistan's proposals for a mutual strategic restraint to the regime. Its leadership has often threatened to cross the line of control and take over Azad Kashmir," Sharif claimed.Soon after his remarks, the first secretary of India's permanent mission.

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fanaticism among its be measured in terms of people, Its GDP can only radicalisation against cross-border terrorism .

"We are talking about a nation that for long hosted Osama bin Laden

"The list is long," Mangalanandan said in retort to Islamabad's unfounded assertions. She further said that there can be "no compact with terrorism" and that Pakistan's cross-border terrorism against India will "inevitably invite con-sequences". "We are talking about a nation that for long hosted Osama bin Laden. A country whose fingerprints are on so many terrorist incidents across the world, whose policies attract the dregs of many societies to make it their h o m е Mangalanandan.

exports in the form of terrorism," Jaishankar said.

"We heard some bizarre assertions from this very forum yesterday. Let me make India's position very clear -Pakistan's policy of

Fast and furious! IPL sensation Mayank Yadav's journey to his first India call-up **NEW DELHI:** Mayank Yadav's journey from the alleys of Delhi to his

maiden India call-up is the stuff of dreams. A fast bowler, who clocks in speeds that send batters ducking for cover, Mayank is now set to don the Indian jersey for the first time in the upcoming T20I series against Bangladesh, beginning October 6.

Known for his blistering pace. Mayank caught the world's attention when he made debut for Lucknow Super Giants (LSG) in the IPL 2024. In that unforgettable match against Punjab Kings, Mayank's fiery deliveries wreaked havoc in such a manner that opponent skipper Dhawan was forced to uplift the excellence.

"We started off well, but Mayank bowled well with his pace. It was nice facing him, I was surprised at his pace," Dhawan said after the match. The numbers speak for themselves - figures of 3/27 in his four overs and a reputation for unsettling even the most seasoned batters.



How Israel executed operation 'New Order' to kill Hezbollah

Israeli Defense Forces

asserting that their

strikes resulted in the

deaths of several

Hezbollah command-

ers, including their

Nasrallah.The death

was confirmed by

Hezbollah hours later.

Iran too reported the

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Abbas

Israel unleashed a Hezbollah, with the series of strikes on Hezbollah positions in eastern and southern Lebanon, claiming to have targeted over 140 sites linked to the mili-

tant group. Residential buildings were reportedly flattened, sending plumes of smoke billowing into the morning sky. The situation was dire for

His impact was felt not just by the crowd, but also by the likes of fastbowling legend Brett Lee, who hailed him as "India's fastest bowler." His flamboyant bowling, backed by smooth action,

continued to inspire in the match against Royal 2024.

'4-5 days before assassination ... ': **Priyanka recalls** Kashmir trip

NEW DELHI: Congress leader Priyanka Gandhi Vadra on Saturday shared an anecdote when she and Rahul Gandhi went for a trip to with former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi just days before her assassina-

tion. While addressing a public rally in Jammu's Bishnah, the Congress leader recounted about her trip and said that her grandmother took her to the temple of Kheer Bhawani. She also said that whenever she comes to Srinagar, she visits Kheer Bhawani Mata to remember her grandmother. "4-5 days before the assassination of my grandmother Indira ji, we were sitting at home, I was 12 years old, Rahul was 14 years old. Suddenly my grandmother said, I feel like going to

Challengers Bengaluru as he swept Australia international But behind the raw speed is a story of perseverance. Injuries side-Mayank for much of his young career, including the latter part of IPL Kashmir.

'Kya idea hai sir ji': Fans hail BCCI's move of introducing Rs 7.5 lakh per game for IPL players

NEW DELHI: BCCl secretary Jay Shah's announcement introducing a hefty match fee of Rs 7.5 lakhs per game for Indian Premier League (IPL) players has sparked a flurry of reactions on social media. In a post shared on Saturday, Shah revealed that players featuring in every match of the IPL season could earn up to Rs 1.05 crore, in addition to their existing contracts.According to reports, the IPL



Shah's announcement was met with widespread approval on social media platforms, with fans lauding Shah's initiative to inject more financial incentives into the IPL

Udhayanidhi Stalin appointed deputy CM of Tamil Nadu

NEW DELHI: Tamil Nadu governor R N Ravi has approved chief minister M K Stalin's recommendations for a cabinet reshuffle, which includes the elevation of Udhayanidhi Stalin to



inducted into the cabinet alongside three new ministers: Dr Govi Chezhiaan, R Rajendran, and S M Nasar.In addition to

Senthil Balaji to the these changes, three council of ministers, two days after the Supreme Court granted him bail in a money laundering case. Balaji, who had resigned earlier this year after his arrest by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) in connection with a cash-forjobs scam, will be re-

ministers, including

assembly elections for a day in solidarity with Palestine and Lebanon following the death of Hezbollah chief Hassan Nasarallah and other martyrs of Lebanon and Gaza. Taking to X, the former J&K chief minister said that her party stands with the people of Palestine and Lebanon in the hour of grief.

Mehbooba cancels J&K

election campaign for a

day after death of Hezbollah chief Hassan

party

People's

chief

DELHI:

Mehbooba Mufti on Saturday

announced that she will not hold

a campaign for ongoing J&K

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Democratic

"Cancelling my campaign tomorrow in solidarity with the martyrs of Lebanon & Gaza, especially Hassan Nasarullah," Mufti said.

"We stand with the people of Palestine & Lebanon in this hour of immense grief & exemplary resistance," she added.

The Israeli military announced on Saturday that it "eliminated" Hassan Nasrallah, the long-time leader of the Hezbollah militant group, in a precision airstrike in Beirut on the previous day. In the statement, the IDF declared, "Hassan Nasrallah will no longer be able to terrorise the world." The strike reportedly targeted a meeting of Hezbollah leaders at their headquarters in

Dahiyeh, a southern suburb of the Lebanese capital.

Meanwhile, elections in Jammu and Kashmir are being held in three phases. Voting for 24 seats was held in the first phase on September 18. The next phase of polling for 26 seats was held on September 25.Voting for the third phase would be held on October 1 while results would be declared on October 8.

Governing Council place in November. meeting scheduled This is seen as a critifor Saturday evening cal juncture for major may finalize decisions franchises Mumbai Indians and on allowing five player retentions and one Chennai Super Kings, Right to Match (RTM) who face tough decioption per team for sions regarding veterthe upcoming mega an players, including auction, likely to take MS Dhoni.

Many ecosystem highlighted how this move would especially benefit emerging and uncapped playlike ers. One fan on X (formerly

initial launch plan to

Twitter) remarked, "BCCI showing why IPL is the biggest and richest league.

and

SpaceX launches rescue mission for stranded astronauts Butch and Sunita Williams at ISS

SpaceX launched a rescue mission on Saturday to retrieve astronauts, two Butch Wilmore and Sunita Williams, who have been stuck at the International Space Station (ISS) after safety concerns

grounded

Boeing spacecraft. The mission involves a downsized SpaceX crew sent to bring them home, although their return isn't expected until early next year. The SpaceX capsule rocketed toward retrieve orbit to Wilmore and Williams, after Boeing's Starliner spacecraft returned to Earth empty earlier this month due to a series of technical including issues, problems thruster and helium leaks. The mission now falls

their



to Nasa's Nick Hague and Alexander have spent more Gorbunov, who will than eight months in fly to the ISS to bring space, despite origithe stranded astronally planning to be nauts back to Earth. gone for just one Since Nasa rotates week as part of ISS crews every six Boeing's first astromonths, the newly naut flight in June. launched flight with Nasa two empty seats deemed reserved for Wilmore Starliner too risky and won't return after the issues until late February. encountered during Officials confirmed its mission to the ISS. that an earlier return Nasa made adjustwas not possible ments to the SpaceX without disrupting mission to accommoother scheduled misdate the astronauts' sions.By the time of return, cutting two their return, Wilmore astronauts from the

space for make Wilmore Williams. As a result, Sunita has since been promoted to commander of the space station, which will soon return to its normal crew size of seven. When Hague and Gorbunov arrive, and Williams will four astronauts who have been living at the ISS since March will depart in their own SpaceX capsule, an event delayed by Starliner's complications."There's always something that is eventually changing. Maybe this Boeing's time it's been a little more visible to the public," Hague noted before the flight, acknowledging the unpredictable nature of spaceflight. Hague, an experienced astronaut, was chosen to lead the

rescue mission.

the post of deputy chief minister. The swearingin ceremony will be held on September 29 at 3:30 pm at Raj Chennai, Bhavan, according to an official communique from the Governor's office. The Zomato co-founder and chief people officer Akriti Chopra

reshuffle also marks the return of V

resigns

Akriti Chopra, cofounder and chief people officer at Zomato, has resigned effective immediately to pursue other interests. Having joined the company in 2011, she played a pivotal role in its financial and operational development. Her resignation follows shareholder concerns about governance issues related to Zomato's acquisition of Blinkit in 2022. Zomato co-founder and chief people officer

Akriti Chopra resigns with "immediate effect": Zomato's chief people officer and cofounder, Akriti Chopra, has announced her resignation from the online food delivery platform effective immediately.

Mano Thangaraj, who held the dairy development portfolio, have been dropped. ment from Raj Bhavan, chief minister Stalin has recommended that Udhavanidhi Stalin, currently the minister for youth welfare.

RG Kar case: West Bengal junior doctors to resume 'cease work' following SC hearing on Monday



NEW DELHI: Junior doctors in West Bengal have announced plans to resume a complete 'cease work' in hospitals across the state following a scheduled Supreme Court hearing related to the case of the alleged rape and murder of a postgraduate trainee doctor at RG Kar Medical College and Hospital.

This comes after junior doctors and nurses at Sagar Dutta Hospital in North 24 Parganas initiated a 'cease work' agitation on Saturday, following an assault on hospital staff by the

family members of a deceased patient. The incident, which occurred on Friday, left three junior doctors and three nurses injured."Following the attack on us by the patient party, we lost all hope in the WB government's assurance of our safety and security," a junior doctor said of the attack.

The decision to resume agitation comes just days after the doctors had briefly returned to their posts in emergency wards after a 42day protest.

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Many veterans to attend Cong meet today

Prayagraj: Under the leadership of National Secretary of the Indian National Congress Party Rajesh Tiwari in the presence of senior leaders of the Congress Party a site inspection was conducted with an appeal to make the public meeting of the Congress Party to be held on 29th September at 12 noon at



Sahashon Lala Bazaar a success. The people present at the site included Senior Vice President of Congress Party Manish Mishra, All India Congress Party member Ashfaq Ahmed, District President Suresh Yadav, Advocate Devraj Upadhyay, Secretary Ramkishan Patel, Imran Khan, Gulab Yadav, Salim Tiger, Bhola Tiwari, Ishtiaq Ahmed, Congress leaders including Ramesh Yadav were present. It is noteworthy that in tomorrow's Constitution Honor Conference, National General Secretary in-charge Avinash Pandey, National Secretary in-charge Rajesh Tiwari, State President Ajay Rai, MP Kishori Lal Sharma, Ujjwal Raman Singh and other senior leaders will participate in the program as the chief guest. People are appealed to come in large numbers to listen to the views of these leaders and make the program a success.

OPPO Reno12 Pro 5G Manish Malhotra Edition

Varanasi: This festive season, OPPO India unveils the OPPO Reno12 Pro 5G Manish Malhotra Limited Edition, the perfect smartphone to celebrate India's vibrant culture and traditions. Inspired by Manish Malhotra's iconic World Collection, this special edition reflects the opulence of Indian design heritage through intricate gold filigree and floral embroidery over an elegant black backdrop. The fusion of OPPO's innovative material design with Malhotra's signature motifs brings together

luxury and craftsmanship in a stunning celebration of India's festive spirit.

Savio D'Souza, Head of Product Communications at OPPO India, shared, "We are excited to introduce the OPPO Reno12 Pro 5G Manish Malhotra Limited Edition

that blends functionality with aesthetics. This collaboration merges Manish Malhotra's craftsmanship with OPPO's advanced technology to deliver a product that is stylish, unforgettable and deeply resonates with our target audience.' Manish Malhotra, sharing his excitement about the association, said, "I have always endeavoured to fuse tradition and opulence, and this collaboration with OPPO India captures that vision perfectly. The OPPO Reno12 Pro Limited Edition melds my passion for intricate detailing with the fine craftsmanship that OPPO brings to the table. With its luxurious design, this phone is the perfect companion for the festive season, combining beauty, elegance, and celebration. Together, we have created something that looks beautiful and feels luxurious to hold and flaunt.' The smartphone's body graphics draws from India's rich artistic traditions, notably the floral motifs of Mughal art and the intricate embroidery techniques from regions like Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh. Patterns inspired by Zardozi and Parsi Gara embroidery in the black and gold celebrations. While black represents timeless beauty and versatility, gold symbolises luxury and grandeur, evoking the opulence and festivity associated with Indian celebrations. This combination not only enhances the OPPO Reno12 Pro 5G's visual appeal but also mirrors the reality of traditional Indian attire to make it the perfect companion for the festive season.

Husband ex-MLA Udaybhan Karwariya lit funeral pyre

Prayagraj including BJP workers and supporters gathered in the last journey of former Bharatiya Janata Party MLA Smt. Neelam Karwaria. The people present in the raining water during the last journey bid her last farewell with tearful eyes and paid tribute to the senior former MP Kapil who came on parole. Muni Karwaria and brotherin-law, former MLC Surajbhan Karwaria, cried as soon as they shouldered his mortal remains. The last rites were performed at Rasulabad Ghat. Husband, former MLA Udaybhan Karwaria performed the last rites at Rasulabad Ghat. At the time of the last rites, both daughters witnessed Sakshi and Samridhi and son and nephew Gaurav.



Karwariya Bhai Nagar Panchayat President Rajapur Sanjeev Mishra along with his family members, District Media Incharge Rajesh Kesarwani said that due to rain, Deputy Chief Minister Keshav Prasad Maurya

and Brajesh Pathak could not attend the last journey due to the helicopter not being able to take off. The cabinet involved in the last journey Minister Swatantra Dev Singh, MP Praveen Patel, MLA Harshvardhan Bajpai,

Vachaspati, Rajmani Kol, Piyush Ranjan Nishad, former MP Rita Bahuguna Joshi, former MP Vinod Sonkar, Mayor Ganesh Kesarwani, District Panchayat President VK Singh, Metropolitan President Rajendra Mishra, Giri

Baba, Former Deputy Mayor Murari Lal Aggarwal, District President Yamuna Par Vinod Prajapati, Ganga Par Kavita Patel Dilip Chaturvedi, Rajesh Kesarwani, Giri Shankar Prabhakar, Raju Pathak, Girijesh Mishra, time.

Varun Kesarwani, Padum Jaiswal, Sunita Chopra, and thousands of supporters present. Paid tribute and prayed to God to rest his soul in peace and to give strength to his family members to bear this sad

Scholars take on antiquity and scientificity of Sanskrit language

sidhyanti karyani na manortheh. Na hi suptasya simhasya pravishanti mukhe mrigah." That is,

Prayagraj: Udyamen hi Under the joint auspices of Uttar Pradesh Sanskrit Sansthan-Lucknow and Ocean Education Committee-Prayagraj, a seminar The number of Lakars in

special guest Professor what are the 14 Shiva Usha Mishra, while telling about the number of Lakars in Sanskrit, said that such



one's work is not accomplished just by desiring - but by the hard work of a person, his work is accomplished. Acharya Pandit Shivendra Saraswat Ji gave the above thought to the children. Seminar organized in Hindustani Academy on pronunciation and importance of Sanskrit language and in children's school.

was organized by Sanskrit scholars on the antiquity and scientific of Sanskrit language in Hindustani Academy. When the gathering was held, the scholars and Batukeshwars who worked for research on Sanskrit and its progress were also honored by covering them with shawls and giving mementos. The very

Sanskrit is ten but out of them five Lakars are used the most, which include Lat, Lit, Lut, Lut, Lot.

Said that there is 'L' in the beginning of these ten Lakars, hence it is called Lakar. Special guest Pandit Madhukar Mishra asked the children questions on their Sanskrit knowledge through questions that

Sutras? What are the Maheshwar Sutras? What is the number of Maheshwar Sutras in Sanskrit. Ocean Education Committee will give the children who answer the questions correctly. And was awarded by program organizer Iftekhar Alam Khan. The seminar started with Shiv Vandana and lighting of the lamp in which the speakers were Shivendra Saraswat, Dheeraj Pandey, Akshat Malviya, Pranjal Malviya, Anjal Malviya, Professor Ashok Pandey, Tej Pratap Tiwari, Abhishek Malviya, Anil Tandon, Arpit Mishra, under the direction of Harish Chandra Malviya. Pandit Yash Maharaj, Srijan Sharma, Kriti Krishna Mishra expressed their views. Iftekhar Alam Khan, Sunil Ahmed Khan, Sardar Charanjit Singh, Advocate MA Ansari of the organizing board expressed gratitude towards the visitors. Many prominent citizens were prominently present in the program.

UP Skill Development Mission honoured with best stall in UP Int'l Trade Show

Prayagraj/Lucknow: Uttar Pradesh Skill Development Mission was honored with the best stall award in the UP International Trade Show organized at India Expo Center and Mart, Greater Noida. In this event, the pavilion of UP Skill Development Mission was the center of attraction among the visitors, where live demonstration of various emerging technical and vocational skills was done. On this occasion, Union Textiles Minister Giriraj Singh and Uttar Pradesh Cabinet Minister, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Khadi and Village Industries, Silk Industry, Handloom and Textile Industry Rakesh Sachan honored Skill Development Mission's Additional Mission Director Priya Singh by presenting her a trophy as a prize for the best stall. This award is a testament to the excellent performance of the Mission and its dedication towards the skill develop-Minister of State for Voca-

tional Education. Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (Independent Charge) Kapil Dev Aggarwal expressed pride in this achievement and said that the Uttar Pradesh Skill Development Mission Through this, the youth of the state are being trained in new technologies, so that they can compete at the global level. The honor received by this stall proves that our state is progressing rapidly in the field of skills.

Principal Secretary Alok Kumar said that many important skills are being demonstrated live in this pavilion, which include medical support, solar panel installation, virtual reality (mining simulator and painting and fire fighting simulator), hand embroidery, foreign language learning, metal working. Engraving, Animation, Drone Technology and Panchakarma Technician. Special interest is being seen among the visitors towards these skills, which is openment of the youth. State ing a new door of possibilities for the youth of the state.



Glottis Limited files IPO papers with SEBI

Varanasi: Energy supply chain logistics company, Glottis Limited has filed Draft Red Herring Prospectus comprising of Fresh Issue of upto ? 2,000 million (Rs. 200 crore) and Offer for Sale of upto 14,571,000 Equity Shares of face value of ? 2 jointly offered by the promoters namely Ramkumar Senthilvel and Kuttappan Manikandan.

Glottis is a leading multi-modal, integrated logistics service provider with a specialized focus on the energy supply chain solutions. It delivers endto-end logistics solutions with multimodal capabilities across verticals to optimize the movement of goods across geographies including ocean freight forwarding; air freight for- porate Purposes.

warding; road transportation; along with other ancillary services, including warehousing, storage, cargo handling, thirdparty logistics (3PL) services and custom clearance, among others. The Company handled 95,000 TEUs during the Fiscal 2024

Glottis proposes to utilize the Net Proceeds from the Fresh Issue towards funding of capital expenditure requirements for purchase of commercial vehicles worth Rs. 530 million; repayment and/or prepayment, in part or full, of certain borrowings availed by the Company to the tune of Rs. 380 million; funding inorganic growth through unidentified acquisitions and General Cor-

1 lakh students will get skill training from Project Praveen

Prayagraj/Lucknow: Yogi government has set a target of training 1 lakh students this year under the 'Project Praveen' program to enhance skill development among students and prepare the youth for the future. By expanding this scheme in the academic session 2024-25, it will be implemented in selected secondary schools across the state. It is noteworthy that Project Praveen is not only providing necessary skills to the youth of the state, but is also enabling them to get better employ-

ment opportunities. The aim of the government is to make the youth self-reliant and make them co-operative in the development of the state. State Vocational Education, Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Minister (Independent Charge) Kapil Dev Aggarwal said that as per the concept of National Education Policy 2020, students studying in government secondary schools and Kasturba Gandhi under Project Praveen to link skill training with formal education. The facility of free skill

training is being provided to the girl students studying in girls' schools along with their regular curriculum. Till now, skill training facilities have been provided to more than 63,000 students studying in 315 government schools. Under this program, short-term skill training of 90 minutes duration daily will be provided to students of classes 9 to 12. Its objective is to equip students with vocational skills, so that they can get better employment opportunities and become self-reliant. Project Praveen was

launched in the year 2022-23, and considering its success, it is being further expanded in the new financial year 2024-25.

Skill Development Mission Director Abhishek Singh said that this program will be conducted in selected schools of different districts of the state with the help of Secondary Education Department. In this regard, necessary guidelines have been issued to the coordinators of all the districts. A maximum of two different job roles will be selected in each school un-

der the programme. In each batch, 35 students will be given training and depending on the number of students, one or two job roles can be selected. The main objective of this scheme is to ensure that the sectors which have more employment potential and in which students are interested are given priority. Giving importance to women empowerment in this scheme, girls' schools will be selected on priority basis to connect more and more girls with this skill development scheme. This scheme will prove to

be especially beneficial in making female students self-reliant. Apart from this, coordination will be established with the school administration to include the students in this program regularly. Under this, necessary changes will be made in the timetable of schools, so that the training program can be conducted without any hindrance. Also, school principals and teachers will be given the responsibility of motivating the students by giving them information about this program.

Mortein with India's First 2-in-1 Spray#

Varanasi: Mortein, one of the world's leading brands in pest control, announced a new campaign, 'Bacche Bacche Ko Pataa Hai', spotlighting its innovative product- Mortein 2-in-1 - India's first 2-in-1 spray#, which provides 100% kill on both mosquitoes and cockroaches~. The new campaign reinforces the convenience and efficacy provided by Mortein 2-in-1 for Indian households to kill both cockroaches and mosquitoes. With growing concerns among Indian parents over the health risks posed by pests-particularly during the monsoon season when diseases like dengue, malaria caused by mosquitoes and typhoid caused by cockroaches are rampant, the new campaign underscores how Mortein's 2-in-1 spray offers an easy and comprehensive solution for protection from both mosquitoes & cockroaches, ensuring peace of mind for families. Saurabh Jain, Regional Marketing Director, South Asia - Hygiene, Reckitt said, "Mortein has always been dedicated to evolving with our consumers' needs. Today, majority of household pest spray users in India use a spray which is exclusively designed for either mosquitoes or cockroaches. Since majority of the Households face both Mosquito & Cockroach problem through the year, it could leave the consumers vulnerable. Our latest campaign highlights the power of India's first 2-in-1 spray# to always deliver all round protection. Mortein 2-in-1 spray provides 100% kill on both Cockroaches and Mosquitoes~ with one spray, providing comprehensive protection to Indian homes.'

Students proved their talent in the quiz competition organized at BRC

Sikrara (Jaunpur): Under the National Invention Campaign, with the objective of promoting curiosity based education, developing scientific attitude and providing various opportunities for experimentation among children of class six to eight, a block level quiz

competition of three children each from all composite and pre-secondary schools was organized in a fair manner at the Block Resource Center on Saturday under the guidance of Block Education Officer Ajit Kumar Singh and supervision of SRG Ajay Kumar Maurya. The competition was organized in two phases. In the first phase,

all the children were

quizzed and the selected twenty five children were interviewed in groups of five, the scoring of which was done by ARP Anupam Srivastava and Sushil

Bharatpur were finally selected for the district level quiz competition. Darshan Yadav Chandpur, Aman Yadav Dehjahaniya, Jayant



Babhanouli, Anubhav

Upadhyay.

After the interview, Samrat Lajipar were suc-Anuj Yadav Dehjahania, cessful in making place in Vishwakarma the top ten. The block edu-Raniit Jamalpur, Lakshmi cation officer distributed Modanwal and Amit Bind certificates, geometry box, Damrua and Shazmeen science books to the children. The top five teams will also be sent funds in the school management committee's account for making the model in the district level competition. District President of Primary Teachers

Association Amit Singh, Block President Mrityunjay Singh, ARP Shailesh Chaturvedi, Suresh Yadav, Shailendra Yadav, Anant Prasad Yadav, Sandeep Singh, Jai Prakash Yadav, Gayatri

Shrivastava, Indu Das, Sanjay Singh, Shivkant Singh, Deshbandhu Yadav, Pramod Singh, Shubendra Singh, Shivkant Dubey, Chandrashekhar Maurya etc. contributed in the program.

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Seminar on Business Ethics beyond Legal Framework at **SHUATS on Sept 30**

Prayagraj: A seminar on Business Ethics Beyond the Legal Framework is being organized by the Department of Commerce, Joseph School of Business Studies & Commerce on 30th September 2024 at 10.00 AM. The Chief Guest Vice Chancellor Most Rev. Prof Rajendra B. Lal will inaugurate the seminar at SHUATS Auditorium, JIBB on Monday. Giving this information the Convenor Dr. Regina John, Associate Head, Department of Commerce, informed that this seminar is being organised along with Co Convenors Dr Sebastian. T Joseph and Dr. Harshit E. Williams and the resource persons from Varanasi, and MNNIT Prayagraj etc., will share their insights and technical information and suggestions during the seminar. Researchers, Acedemicians, Professionals across the State will participate in the seminar.

Mass cleanliness drive by HQ CAC under SHS 2024 Campaign Sanginis of IAF also took part in the event

is not just about cleaning

our surroundings; it's about

fostering a sense of respon-

sibility and community

spirit. Towards this, Central

tion Drive" at Umri Village,

through lecture, demonstra-

tion and distribution of Hindi

educative pamphlets to the

villagers. Together, we can

make a significant impact

and inspire others to adopt

sustainable practices, in-

formed Samir Gangakhedkar,

Group Captain, Public Rela-

tions Officer, Ministry of De-

Prayagraj: In a con- community. This campaign certed effort to promote cleanliness and environmental sustainability under Swachhata Hi Sewa 2024 Campaign, Headquarters Central Air Command conducted a mass cleanliness



drive on Saturday on Grand Trunk Road near HQ CAC. A large number of Air Warriors and Civilians of HQ CAC and CAC (U) participated with fervour and enthusiasm. Sanginis of IAF also took part in the event. The initiative aims to engage all personnel and families in collective action to create cleaner and healthier fence, Prayagraj.

Death of ex-MLA Neelam Karwariya, very sad: Ranjit Singh

Prayagraj: After the sudden demise of former MLA Neelam Karwariya, the mortal remains of former MLA | ise of social justice and in-Neelam Karwariya reached Prayagraj yesterday evening

HC seeks response on drafting master plan in land use register and superimposing revenue map on map of development authority

Prayagraj: Activist and numbers from the map of Advocate Imtiaz Hussain, the development Authority, filed PIL before the regarding the usage of the honourable High Court for plot. The next available opsuper imposing the revenue

maps over the maps which tion is to find out the plot are available in the develnumbers from the revenue opment Authority as well as maps which are available in in the master plan 2031, to the revenue department, enable a Bona fight probut however, in absence of spective buyer to find out any coordination between the land usage of the land, the development authoriwhich is the subject matter ties and the revenue departof the proposed sale deed. ments, it is again impossible to find out from the Maps This is essential because many times, the land available in the developusage is changed by the ment Authority, the plot development authorities as number in which an indirequired under the UP urvidual or a proposed buyer

ban planning and developis interested. ment act, 1973 and the no-The procedure, which, as of now being adopted by tices are issued and though widely circulated in newsthe development authority paper inviting Objections or is to provide a satellite imsuggestions, against the agery and by way of differproposed change in land ent colours, the usage is usage; but however, the indicated; but however, no maps which are made availplot numbers are mentioned able along with the notice in the maps, which makes it or in the development auimpossible for Common man to find out the plot numbers thority, it is almost next to impossible for a common of which he may either have the ownership or is proman to find out the plot

posed to be purchased by way of sale deed. The PIL seeks to imple-

ment government orders issued from time to time for superimposition of the revenue map over the maps available in the development Authority. This would achieve dual purpose. Firstly the map which is available in the development authority or the master plan, which is in enforce at the relevant time, would show the exact usage of the

land along with its plot num-

ber, which would prevent any illegal sales of land, which are of public utility; and secondly, as and when objections or suggestions are invited during the process of preparation of the master plan, the proposed usage of the land in relation to a particular plot number can be identified and the interested person can file an objection or their suggestions, and it is only then it can be said that a reasonable opportunity as con-

templated under the UP urban planning and development act, 1973 has been afforded to the interested per-

The PIL seeks to address a larger issue of illegal sale and resale of land



which have been earmarked as public utility land, for example, parks, open lands, Greenbelt, etc., and at the same time, gives the protection to a Bona fide purchaser to know the exact nature of the land and its usage before he is duped in purchasing the land. Shri Siddharth Nandan Advocate, counsel for the petitioner vehemently argued that if the State, which is a welfare State, discharge its duties and ensure that the revenue maps are super imposed over the existing master plans, this will not only give a reasonable opportunity to the public at large, but also curb the menace of illegal encroachment, constructions, sale and resale of plots which are otherwise prohibited being a public utility land. Honourable High Court took cognizance of the matter and directed the Prayagraj development Au-

thority as well as the State of UP to file their response and has fixed 18 November 2024, for further hearing. Imtiaz Hussain advocate, who is espousing

cause of the public at large, informed that the National Green tribunal had also taken cognizance of the issue in relation to District Meerut and wherein the State of UP had taken a policy decision to superimpose the revenue maps over the master plan, and had also issued letters to the Registrar, Stamp and Registration, to ensure that before registering any sale deed, the land usage is specifically mentioned in the sale deed and thereafter it also casted a duty on the registering authority to cross check the land usage with the development authorities.

However, in absence of any coordination between the revenue department and the development authorities, there is rampant registration of illegal sale deeds with respect to public utility lands and at the same time, the officers of the development authorities for the reason best known to them, permits the continuation of the illegal sale deeds and on pick and choose basis, they issue notices sometimes as late as 20-30 years. The compliance of the policy decision taken by the state government will put an end to such kind of illegal sale

leads and encroachment.

Vinita Kudesia extends helping hand to poor & needy

Mahila Chetna Club IFFCO Phulpur, Vinita Kudesia, donated 21 beds and 21

Prayagraj: President of phan people. On this occasion, Mahila Chetna Club President Vineeta Kudesia said that human service



mattresses in the old age should be the basis of life, it Meerapur, which went to home "Aadhar Shila" Naini uplifts both the individual Union Minister Jayant | Prayagraj on Friday. Apart and the society. Rama Vaish, Chaudhary's Rashtriya Lok | from this, food was pro- Sunita Mishra, Meenu vided to 500 poor and disabled people at Sangam through the organization "Dal Bhaat Parivar". Mahila Chetna Club is always ready to help poor and or-

Bhandari, Mrs. Alka Gupta, Mrs. Poonam Sharma, Mrs. Anamika Mishra, Mrs. Vibha Sahi, and Mrs. Mamta Raj Singh were also present in this program.

BJP intends to fool public by propagating false rumours about Cong-SP split: Shekhar Bahuguna They are infact living in a fools' paradise

Prayagraj: "The BJP and RSS are deceiving people by claiming that the Congress and SP alliance would split apart, which is bogus propaganda and lacks any substance. They are infact living in a fools' paradise. Our alliance is getting stronger and we are fighting upcoming bypolls together. In Uttar Pradesh, the SP-Congress combination became a sponge, soaking up people's unhappiness with the BJP and Modi. It was successful in presenting itself as a credible and inclusive option to the OBCs, Dalits, and minori-

ties. Rahul Gandhi's promclusion must become the said senior Congress leader,

a new cadre reflecting of India's varied population. This radical move would not only increase the party's appeal among marginalized populations, but it would



also demonstrate a genuine commitment to solving their plights and ambitions,"

Sammelan' in Prayagraj (Allahabad).

Replying to media queries, he said, "During the just finished 2024 Lok

Sabha elections in Uttar Pradesh, the Congress engineered a remarkable performance, getting more votes than the BSP while competing in less than one-fourth of the seats and winning six. The Lok Sabha elections have brought forth several changes. We have votes, which are critical

been able to regain a portion of Dalit and OBC in UP politics, and the minority community (Muslims) is also looking to us. Seek-

but the Congress is optimistic in resurrecting its strong link with the region, which was earlier represented in

the Lok Sabha by Jawaharlal Nehru, Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, and Kamla Bahuguna. We want the bypoll constituencies divided equally. Apart from the Khair and Ghaziabad assembly seats, which the BJP won two years ago, we also want the other seats that the NDA won in 2022: Phulpur, which the BJP won, Manjhwan, which went to the NISHAD Party, and ing seats from SP, which

"The SP believes it has

a better chance in Phulpur,

and today her husband former MLA Udaybhan Karwariya performed the last rites at Rasulabad Ghat by giving Mukherjee. 1 Where thousands of supporters and many dignitaries gathered on the banks of Ganga, MP Phulpur Praveen Patel, MLA Guru Prasad Maurya, MLA Harshvardhan Bajpai, former MLA Prabhashankar Pandey, former MLA Sanjay Gupta, Yogesh Maurya, State Coordinator Law Cell Ranjit Singh said in his statement that the former MLA passed away. It is very sad to happen. May God give peace to his soul and give strength to the family to bear the tragic incident. All the people kept 2 minutes silence at the ghat and paid their respects. On the said occasion, Councilor Pawan Srivastava Gaurish Ahuja Sawan Jogi Sanjay Mishra Many workers including Sandeep Chauhan Vijay Patel Shyamchand were present.

Curtains draw over National Invention Campaign, Quiz Competition

Prayagraj: Science quiz competition of development blocks Kaurihar and Shringverpur was concluded at BRC Nawabganj under the leadership of Block Education Officer Kaurihar Kshama Shankar Pandey. In this competition, the winning team will compete at the district level. 10-10 children from both the development blocks will compete in some competitions. Selected and honored as the best student. The program was coordinated by ARP Jai



Singh and Prabhashankar Sharma. Vandana Kanjiya, Satyanjali Mishra, Ajay Kumar etc. played prominent roles in the role of judge. During the program, science/mathematics teachers from all 41 schools including Ajmal Amin Ansari, Vishnu Kumar Mishra, Shakeel Ahmed, Rajesh Shukla, Krishna Kumar Maurya, Shalini Srivastava, Madan Mohan Shukla, Uday Narayan Mishra, Akhilesh Prajapati were present. List of children of the winning team selected in the Development Block Kaurihar Pratham Quiz Competition 1-Srishti Tripathi, Upper Primary School Nawabganj 2-Shalini Gautam, Upper Primary School Nawabganj 3- Nancy, Kasturba Gandhi Girls' School 4-Rimjhim, Kasturba Gandhi Girls' School 5-Shiva Maurya, Composite School Madhesha.

foundation of the Congress's resurrection. The Congress Party is rekindling its relationship with the voters by marginalizing change-resistant leaders and cultivating

Shekhar Bahuguna while interacting mediapersons on Saturday, a day before the arrival of LoP Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi to attend a 'Samvidhan

were with the BJP and allies with the situation," he added. Samman

is not an unreasonable demand." The party has already dispatched coordinators from each of the ten seats to the field to examine

Dal (RLD). We have made a suggestion to contest five seats with the BJP and its partners. The remainder is up to the party leadership to determine," he said, citing new ground realities.

hence have come among

you to appeal to Congress

for victory. After that, Shri

Neelam's life to inspire women

Prayagraj: Professor Rita Bahuguna Joshi today reached the residence of former MLA Neelam Karwariya in Prayagraj to express condolences and pay tribute on her untimely demise. Professor Rita Bahuguna Joshi said



that the participation of women in politics is very less, in such a situation, late Neelam Karwariya had joined politics. Making her mark, she won the MLA election. She was a popular and sensitive leader. Her life will continue to inspire women participating in the social sector. We pray to God to give peace to his soul and give strength to his family to bear this loss.

Ex-MLA Anugrah paid tribute to Neelam

Prayagraj: Former MLA Anugrah Narayan Singh and Metropolitan Congress President Shri Pradeep Mishra Anshuman visited Neelam Udaybhan Karwaria's Kalyani Devi residence on her sudden demise and paid tribute to her with tearful eyes and said that may God give strength to her family to bear this unbearable grief. The demise of Neelam Udaybhan Karwariya is an irreparable loss for the society and Prayagraj. Among those who paid tribute, the prominent ones were employee leader Subhash Pandey, Anand Ghildiyal Anu, Vinay Pandey, Kamal Sharma, Dilip Patel, Ram Asare Mishra, Vishwanath Pandey, Shivdutt Pandey.

Cong going to form govt in Haryana with huge majority: Parvez Ansari | participating in social sector: Ex-MP

Prayagraj/Panipat: In and whatever Congress support of Congress candidate from Panipat Rural Assembly, Sachin Kundu, observer Parvez Akhtar Ansari, appointed by All India Congress Committee, while addressing a public meeting today at Beri Wali Masjid in Ashok Vihar, Panipat Rural, said that today there is a need for brotherhood. The government of Bharatiya Janata Party, which is promoting communal frenzy, has to be uprooted and a government of brotherhood and development has to be brought in. Addressing the gathering, Mr. Parvez Ansari said that the Congress govern-

ment will work to implement the guarantees given by Rahul Gandhi to the people of Haryana. Mr. Ansari said that in whichever state there is a Congress government

leader Rahul Gandhi has done, A guarantee was given in that state, the guarantee has been fulfilled, under Rahul Gandhi's guartoday there is a need that by trusting the guarantee of Rahul Gandhi, we should make the Congress candidate from Panipat rural area, Sachin Kundu, successful



antee, Rs 2000 will be given to women every month, 300 units of electricity will be given for free, free treatment up to Rs 25 lakh, widow and old age pension will be given at six thousand rupees and the disabled will also be given Rs. 6000 will be given, 2 lakh permanent jobs will be given every year. Mr. Ansari said that

with maximum votes and in Haryana. Development of Haryana can be possible only if we work to form Congress government, farmers can get MSP, players can get encouragement, senior Congress leader Dr. Omvir Singh Pawar presided over the meeting. He said that this time the people of Haryana want change and

rural area. Mr. Parvez Ansari has appealed to the general public to make the meeting a success. On this occasion, a large number of colony residents, mainly Bhopal Rathi, Master Qadir, Umardin, Gulzar Malik, Vikas Karna, Mahmood Khan, Roshan Lal Pandit, Israel, Anif, Habib, Pappu Ansari, Hajji Gulfam, Nasir, Chand Chaudhary etc. were present

Shrimad Bhagwat Katha concluded with Purnahuti Havan and Bhandara

Prayagraj: The seven-day Shrimad Bhagwat Katha organized by Shri Prachin Dadhikando Mela Committee, Krishna Nagar Triveni Marg, Kidganj concluded with Purnahuti Havan. On this occasion, Mayor Ganesh Kesarwani along with his wife, former councilor Savita Kesarwani, Public Welfare Havan was performed for the good wishes of the deceased, after



which Bhagwat Bhandare Prasad was organized in which thousands of people took Prasad. On this occasion Manish Kesarwani Krishna Sahu Ajay Jaiswal Amresh Jaiswal Lallan Jaiswal Rajesh Kesarwani Councilor Mukesh Kasera Ayush Agrahari Ajay Agrahari and all the workers of the committee were present.

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Why Celebrities Are **Seeking Legal Protection** For Their Personality Rights

The Delhi High Court recently issued an order safeguarding the personality and publicity rights of film actor Jackie Shroff, restraining several social media accounts, AI Chatbots, and e-commerce websites from exploiting the actor's name, voice, or image for commercial purposes without his consent. Shroff petitioned the court against the unauthorised use of his name and persona, seeking protection against various individuals and entities utilising and misusing his identity without permission. The proliferation of AI-generated deepfake videos has exacerbated concerns for celebrities. Jackie Shroff's isn't the first instance of a film star resorting to legal action to protect their personality rights. Over the past two years, the Delhi High Court has issued interim orders to prevent the unauthorised use of Amitabh Bachchan and Anil Kapoor's name, image, and voice. The question arises: why are some celebrities turning to courts for the protection of their personality rights, while others refrain? "Where there is demonstrable misuse, people are approaching. Personality right is a facet of publicity right," says advocate Ameet Naik, who has represented Bachchan, Kapoor and now Shroff in their respective personality rights suits. In India, laws regarding personality rights are still evolving, with courts deriving principles from Article 19(1)(a) (freedom of speech and expression), Article 21 (protection of life and personal liberty), and intellectual property rights laws. "A few celebrities may choose not to pursue legal action due to various reasons such as the perceived insignificance of unauthorised use, the costs involved in litigation, or a desire to avoid negative publicity," says Shoeb Masodi, Partner, M&P IP PROTECTORS. Personality rights, as the name implies, pertain to the rights associated with the personality of a well-known individual, primarily applicable to celebrities whose names, images or voices are prone to misuse for profit. The concept dictates that only the owner or creator of these attributes has the right to derive monetary benefits from them. Personality rights have gained importance alongside the right to privacy given the kind of fame celebrities enjoy today. In 1995, the Supreme Court recognised a person's right to control the commercial use of one's identity in the R Rajagopal vs. State of Tamil Nadu case, commonly known as the Auto Shankar case. In 2015, the Madras High Court intervened to protect actor Rajinikanth's personality rights, halting the release of the movie Main Hoon Rajinikanth. The filmmakers had utilised the actor's name and style without his express permission. with the title itself serving as a clear indication of its connection to Rajinikanth. In yet another case involving actor Amitabh Bachchan, the Delhi High Court in November 2022 restrained the use of the actor's name, image, voice, or any of his characteristics without his consent. It is crucial to note that in intellectual property right cases, it's often impractical to name all infringing parties, leading affected parties to seek blanket injunctions or ban orders, known as 'John Doe' orders. Originating from the UK, John Doe orders are passed by a court against unknown defendants and the world at large. In September 2023, the Delhi High Court ruled in favour of actor Anil Kapoor in a case filed by him to protect his image and personality from misuse by third parties. Kapoor had petitioned the court, stating that several parties were using aspects of his personality, including popular terms from his dialogues.

Issue was 'political presents' for the local authorities

Though historically intimately linked, two separate events took place recently, nearly 1,000 miles away from each other. e central sector of the Indo-Tibet boundary in Uttarakhand, Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) General Anil Chauhan directed Army formations to work for the rehabilitation of the border villages of Nelang and Jadung, near the Line of Actual Control in Chamoli district.

During the 1962 Indo-China war, both villages were abandoned, and their residents were relocated to safer nearby areas.

Far away in the east, at the Tawang War Memorial in Arunachal Pradesh, the Indian Army, along with the Tawang administration and the local Monpa population, commemorated the 74th anniversary of the arrival of Maj Bob Khathing in the area In 1951, the Manipuri Naga officer took over the administration of the border town of Tawang, south of the McMahon Line; a communiqué of the Defense PRO in Guwahati thus explained, "After the valiant Major undertook a treacherous march from the plains of Assam to Tawang, negotiating Sela and Bomdila passes during peak winters, leading a contingent of 200 Assam Rifles troops and 600 porters for a difficult maiden mission, thus materialised the formal establishment of Indian civil administration at Tawang."



linked as the takeover of both places' administration is the result of a decision of the Himmasinghji Border Defence Committee created by the Army Headquarters on November 12, 1950.

Let us remember the facts On October 7, 1950, the communist troops advanced in eastern Tibet, and after smashing the ill-trained and ill-equipped Tibetan army, Chamdo, the capital of Kham Province, fell to the invaders. On November 7, Sardar Patel, the deputy prime minister, despite his poor health, sent a long letter to the prime minister about the implications of the Chinese invasion of Tibet for India's northern border. Five days later, the dying Sardar (who passed away on December 15) constituted this committee to examine the possibility of Chinese communist troops occupying the areas south of the McMahon Line or elsewhere on the Indo-Tibet border and "to consider the feasibility or advancing outposts of the Assam Rifles in order to forestall such ingress".

esides Maj Gen Himmatsinghji, deputy minister of defense (chairman), it included Lt Gen Kulwant Singh, K Zakaria, head of the Ministry of External Affairs' historical division, SN Haksar, joint secretary also from MEA, Group Captain MS Chaturvedi from the Indian Air Force, and Waryam Singh, deputy director of the Intelligence Bureau. After discussing at great length the advisability of pushing forward a post to Tawang, it was decided to go ahead. It was also decided to send troops to Nelang (then written Nilang) and Jadung (then Jadhang), two tiny villages south of the Tsangchok-la, the pass marking the watershed in the area, in the Chamoli district. The Role of Jairamdas

Daulatram

One man was central in the setting up of Maj Khathing's expedition to Tawang; it was Jairamdas Daulatram, the governor of Assam. It is sad that his role has been more or less forgotten today. On December 10, 1950, he managed to get the concurrence of the Ministry of External Affairs headed by Nehru; a Joint Secretary concurred with the Committee, "We cannot agree to a unilateral occupation of Tawang by the communists." The ball then started rolling, and preparations for the expedition began. Maj Khathing received detailed instructions from Nari Rustomji, the advisor to the governor, on behalf of

Daulatram himself. Precise tasks were given to the young and bold officer. The first task was to occupy Tawang. Khathing was asked to explain to the local population and Tibetan officials that he was "doing no more than is being done by the administration in other parts of Indian territory;" in 1914, Tibet had agreed to the McMahon Line, north of Tawang being the boundary. The major was ordered to "treat any Tibetan or other officials you may meet with courtesy, but nevertheless let them understand that jurisdiction in the area vests in you and not in them." He was directed to submit detailed reports about the Tibetan 'influence' in the area and the

nature of taxes collected. He was further told to abolish all existing taxes and substitute them with lighter taxes to be paid to the Political Officer, representing the Indian government: "There will be no forced labour and everything needed will be duly paid for." An important task was to communicate to the local people that "none of their religious practices The sixth point was that in case Khathing met with armed opposition, he was to cable Shillong (the governor's office) immediately, "indicating the strength and position of opposing forces." Fortunately, due to Khathing's intelligence and diplomatic skills, this would not be nec-

essary, and 74 years later, he was still considered by the Monpas as their liberator. Khathing was also asked to keep daily wireless telegraphic contact with Daulatram after crossing the Se-La pass. It is what Khathing did, and his dispatches and cables still make fascinating reading. Finally, Daulatram asked Khathing to "conduct [the] operation with tact,

firmness, and discretion". The logistics of the expedition were not easy; for example, the question of porters and loads was difficult to coordinate. One can imagine having as many as 200 troops and 600 porters to feed.

Another issue was 'political presents' for the local authorities.

Snatching Mamata's OBC Pie for Muslims, Starving Vote-Bank Politics

By cancelling all Other Backward Classes (OBC) certificates issued by the West Bengal government after 2010, the Calcutta High Court has Rao government. The the Calcutta High Court struck at the darkest Sachar instincts of appeasement of not just the Mamata Banerjee government but of Indian polity in general. Remember, the Left was still in power in 2010 in Bengal, when the legislation was created. Nakedly soliciting Muslim votes by misusing the OBC quota is not unique to West Bengal. Karnataka and many other states have been brazenly doing it. Taking advantage of the ambiguity in the Constitution in defining 'Backward Classes' and bending the guar-

on the basis of religion, race, caste, or gender, Muslims were brought under the OBC quota by the PV Narasimha Committee report was used as

shall not discriminate ond largest religious group in India with a global Ummah of nearlv two billion. eat into the share of OBCs? That is precisely what ruling questions by cancelling all OBC certificates issued during the tenure of the Trinamool Congress administration led by Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee since 2011. The Bench struck down many parts of the West Bengal Backward Classes (Other than Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes) (Reservation of Vacancies in Services and Posts) Act, 2012. But the most remarkable part of the judgment by the division bench of Justice Tapabrata Chakraborty and Justice Rajasekhar Mantha was the blunt wording.

Punjab to Andhra to Telangana state govts' spending on freebies harming India's growth story

Lok Sabha election is at ernment is also being ments (central and its peak. Every vote is accused of not giving important, and, there- money to the state, the guarantees given by fore, political parties are whereas the reality is them) was Rs 231.7 lakh trying to woo every sec- that the state govern- crores, which was 85.1 ment is irresponsibly spending on freebies to garner votes. The situation is the same in Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Rajasthan, West Bengal, Bihar, and Jharkhand. Meanwhile, the central government is not in favour of states taking more loans because it is against the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) Act 2003. The states in debt due to expenditure on freebie schemes are unable to spend on the necessary responsibilities. Industries in Punjab are incurring high electricity bills because the AAP government is giving free electricity to nearly 60 lakh people. Infrastructure development in the state is getting badly affected too. Punjab, once the state with the highest per capita income in the country, has slipped to the 19th position. Other debt-ridden states are suffering a similar fate. In its 2024 election manifesto, Congress has announced Rs 1 lakh as an unconditional cash transfer to the poor every year as part of its Mahalaxmi Scheme. If the party comes to power, the implementation of such a scheme can be frightening. It's notable that as of 31 March 2023, the total

The heat of the 2024 loans. The central gov- debt on the governstate) in India (including per cent of GDP at current prices. Out of this, the total debt of the central government is equal to 57.1 per cent of the GDP and the rest is of the state governments (nearly 28 per cent of GDP). According to the FRBM Act, the target debt-GSDP (gross state domestic product) ratio, in any state, should not exceed 20 per cent. But as per the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG), in many of the states of the country, this ratio is much more than the targeted one. It reached 48.98 per cent in Punjab, 42.37 per cent in Rajasthan, 37.39 per cent in West Bengal, 36.73 per cent in Bihar, 35.30 per cent in Andhra Pradesh, 31.53 per cent in Madhya Pradesh, 27.80 per cent in Telangana, 27.27 per cent in Tamil Nadu, and 26.47 per cent in Chhattisgarh in 2020-21. If the debt on state government enterprises and the guarantees given by the state governments are also added, then by 2020-21, the debt to GSDP ratio in Rajasthan would be 54.94 per cent and in Punjab, it would be 58.21 per cent. In Andhra Pradesh also it has been estimated at 53.77 per cent; it is 47.89 per cent in Telangana,

groundwork for the abomination. The Rao government was in overcompensation mode since the fall of the Babri masjid, bringing in a slew of constitutional blunders like the Places of Worship Act, the suicidal new Waqf Act, and the OBC lollipop for Muslims. All this not only robbed the share of the genuinely backward, but also brazenly incentivised conversions to Islam and demographic change, placing Bharat's destiny on a doomed path. Why should Muslims, the antee under Article 15.1 that the State 200-million strong sec-

A changing Kashmir votes and vents about education, aspiration, and 3 de-hyphenations

The metaphor Writings On economy's state and change. trust you enough to talk. ly users can't get the weapons TheWall came from 30 years of travel, especially in poll-bound India. This installment comes from Kashmir. It's my first time witnessing an election in such a sensitive, important, and fascinating location. What is Writings On The Wall? It involves literally gazing at the walls to see what's changing, what's not, and what people want and don't want. The walls reveal what people are buying (branded underwear, Nitish's Bihar, 2010) or if they're too broke to buy anything (Lalu's Bihar, 2005). That shows an

For improvement in Kashmir. Read all the previous reports in this series here. Three things stand out in the Kashmir Valley, where Srinagar and Baramulla have already voted and Anantnag-Rajouri votes on Saturday. Say three de-hyphenations stand out, but only one can be read from the walls. The other two require entry. Three de-hyphenations: First, a large portion of Kashmiri youth have distanced themselves from radicalism, separatism, resentment, and grievance. Don't think it's over. It waits until young people

Education, competitiveness, jobs, and careers are priorities. Pakistan's de-hyphenation is noteworthy. Political instability, Imran Khan's detention despite his popularity, and economic collapse are hot topics. It also stems from Pakistan's tragic decline and India's ascent. Third, security agencies' tactical and ground-level achievements in de-hyphenating weapons and people. Everyone knows there are lots of weapons in the Valley and many trained and motivated users. For now, that cord is cut, or de-hyphenated. The like-

and vice versa. Coaching academy hoardings and posters are common in most of India, except in the north, especially Punjab, where immigration/visas/IELTS dominate. I don't think they're as prominent anywhere as in Kashmir. Allen Career Institute, Chanakya IAS Academy, Elite IAS, Emerge Institute of Coaching, The Commercians, Vedantu, Nucleus Institute Of Excellence—hundreds of brands line walls, trees, unipoles, and anywhere else you can hang something

tion of society. Earlier, political parties used to make announcements about their proposed policies in their election manifestos. But for the last one and a half to two decades, they have started making announcements for free schemes to woo voters. It's beyond doubt that providing free electricity, water, or travel to everyone could ruin government budgets and increase debt too. Today, there is an ongocompetition ing between political parties about freebies, and in an effort to woo voters and gain power by hook or by crook, many Indian states are already getting burdened with debt. As a result, on the one hand, they are failing to fulfil their promises completely, and on the other, the development work and essential government activities in those states are getting affected. During the 2022 assembly election in Punjab, the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) made many promises, including free electricity. After the formation of the AAP government, some of these were implemented, but today, the situation is such that the debt burden on the government is continuously increasing and the state is trying to take more

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Sebi categorises dues worth Rs 76k crore as tough to recover



Delhi : Capital markets regulator Sebi has segregated dues to the tune of Rs 76,293 crore under difficult to recover (DTR) category at the end of March 2024, marking an increase of 4% from the preceding year. Of this, a huge chunk is on account of cases pending before courtappointed committees.

Difficult to recover (DTR) dues are those that could not be recovered even after exhausting all modes of recovery.

"Segregation of such DTR dues is purely an administrative act and the recovery officers from recovering the amount so segregated as DTR as and when there is a change in any of the DTR parameters," Sebi said in its annual report for 2023-24. As of March 31, 2024, Sebi identified 807 cases as DTR, with a total outstanding of Rs 76,293 crore, up from 692 cases amounting to Rs 73,287 crore the previous year, according to the report. Among these 807 cases, 36 are pending due to ongoing proceedings in State PID courts,

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this will not preclude Law Tribunal (NCLT), National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) involving Rs 12,199 crore. Additionally, 60 cases before courtare appointed committees, with Rs 59,970 crore at stake. These two categories together account for 95% of the total amount yet to be recovered. With regard to 140 DTR certificates falling under untraceable category, 131 relate to individuals and nine relate to companies amounting to Rs 13.3 crore and Rs 15.7 crore, respectively. The Sebi has been disseminating data.

The Supreme Court ordered PSUs, miners to pay state royalties, taxes from 2005

Delhi : The Supreme Court ordered public undertakings sector and private entities engaged in mining and those using mineral produce as raw material to pay states arrears of royalty and tax on mineral-bearing land from 2005 in a staggered manner over the next 12 years. With Justice B V Nagarathna dissenting, a nine-judge bench of CJI DY Chandrachud, Justices Hrishikesh Roy, A S Oka, J B Pardiwala, Manoj Misra, Ujjal Bhuyan, S C Sharma, and A G Masih declared the arrears would not include interest on prin-



cipal or late payment penalties"The levy of interest and penalty on upheld a 2004 fivedemands made for the judge period before July 25, (Kesoram case) to allow 2024, shall stand states to tax and collect waived for all the royalty on mineralassessees," stated. The bearing land by an 8-1 bench overturned a majority.

Small business payment rules to change by centre

Delhi: An exporter in Chennai with multiple units was forced to tax deregister one of its entities on Udyam, the portal for micro, small, the and medium enterprises, because some large buyers did not want to be caught in a government mandate requiring actual payment of

all dues to MSMEs have little leverage in within 45 days to claim negotiating with large deduction for enterprises that set expenditure. Several pricing and payment terms. Others argued small businesses across country the standards were are protesting that the govagainst business pracernment's well-intentices in particular sectors or in specific parts tioned attempt to ensure prompt payof the country where ments is being used 60-90-day payments against them since they are common.



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375 million subscribers' details are reportedly for sale, however Bharti Airtel disputes any data breach

Delhi: In the midst of accusations of a significant consumer data leak, telecom giant Bharti Airtel has denied any security system compromise. A claim has surfaced suggesting that there has been a compromise of Airtel customer data. This is nothing more than vested interests' desperate attempt to damage Airtel's brand. An Airtel representative clarified the rumors of a data breach that have been circulating since yesterday, telling Moneycontrol, "We have done a thorough investigation and can confirm that there has been no breach whatsoever from Airtel systems." Unverified claims claimed that the Aadhaar number, phone number, email address, and address of 375 million Airtel subscribers were out for grabs on the dark web. Moneycontrol was unable to confirm the veracity of the report on the data leak. A database was purportedly offered for sale on a dark web forum by a threat actor going by the handle "xenZen," who apparently demanded \$50,000 for the material.

Ola leaves Google Maps and relocates to its own Maps Ola

Delhi :: The ride-hailing company Ola has replaced its Google Maps integration in its app with its own internal map system, Ola Maps, according to a statement made by CEO and founder Bhavish Aggarwal. Aggarwal claimed in a post on X that the action had allowed the business to save Rs 100 crore a year.

"We have completely moved away from Google

Domestic flyers up 5% this year despite higher airfares

"Travel industry insiders say domestic airfares are 10-25% higher for the coming festive season"

Delhi : Last month saw almost 1.3 crore passengers flew within in the country, 7.3% more than July 2023, DGCA data showed. The first seven months of this calendar year have seen 9.2 crore domestic flyers, 4.7% more than Jan-July 2023's 8.8 crore — in spite of higher airfares. Travel industry



insiders say domestic air- VP, fares are 10-25% higher for Federation of India. the coming festive season. "This is the lean travel

Travel Agents

Rise in domestic passen-

adds to the equation as significant part of airlines' costs are dollar-denominated like lease rentals. With two mega airlines, India's aviation landscape has changed from earlier fight for market share by offering low (often below cost) airfares — that eventually led to collapse of big airlines like Kingfisher and Jet (GoAir was a different story) — to now what airlines call "pricing discipline" of not repeating that

Arm India's techies with AI skills on war footing

Delhi : India's IT sector is sitting at the edge of the next big inflexion point with the AI revolution all set to take off. But the country could fall woefully short of the manpower needed to cash in on this opportunity if it doesn't beef up its AI talent pool many times over. A joint report Nasscom and by Deloitte, exclusively accessed India's AI talent pool is expected to grow to over 1.25 million by 2027 from around 6 lakh to 6.5 lakh currently. But the AI market is expected to grow at 25%-35% CAGR, resulting in a sig-

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decision



nificant gap in terms of skilled manpower. The report titled 'Advancing India's AI skills: Interventions and programmes needed' says the global AI market for products and services is expected to reach \$500 billion by 2027. The estimated market potential for AI services for India could be in the range of \$25 billion. The global AI

market stood at \$120 billion in 2023 with AI services accounting for 24% at around \$29 billion. At the same time, India's software product exports, which stood at only around US\$15 billion in FY24, could hit \$100 billion by 2030 driven by higher penetration of deep tech such as AI and GenAI, Blockchain.

quarter and airlines have come out with sales.

But, these sales mostly offer lower fares on flights that do not see much demand," said Anil Kalsi,

gers To be sure, India continues

to have a very high-cost operating environment for airlines especially due to jet fuel prices.

A weaker rupee

mistake.

India now has two wellfunded mega airlines -Tata-backed Air India-led group and IndiGo - that between them have 91% of domestic market share.

Rural income growth to drive demand: RBI report

Delhi : According to RBI's State of the Report, Economy aggregate demand conditions are gathmomentum ering with revival in rural consumption on the back of growing incomes and are expected to reinvigorate the hitherto subdued participation of the private sector in total investment.

According to the report, persistent geopolitical tensions, fears of a potential recession in key economies, and financial market volatility driven by divergent monetary policies are casting a shadow on global economic prospects. Despite these

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challenges, inflation moderated, has albeit grudgingly, across countries. "Headline inflation moderated from its



spike in June to 3.5% for capex purposes in July, but this was also increased compared to the previprimarily due to the downward statistical ous quarter. pull of base effects," Noting that India the world's the report said. was The outlook for prieconomy largest with the highest vate capital expendiis positive share of global GDP according to the from 1 to 1,000 AD, report. In the first the report added that after intermitquarter of 2024-25, the total cost of projtently. ects sanctioned or falling to second assisted was Rs position in the sub-1,01,433 crore sequent centuries, higher than the India had regained quarterly average of the top spot by 1,700 AD with 24.4% of Rs 97,745 crore dur-2023-24. global GDP, before Additionally, funds colonial rule led to a raised through IPOs long decline.

Air cargo from India increases amid Red Sea crisis, aiming for 10 mn tonnes by 2030



Delhi:

Air freight from India has more than doubled since the Red Sea crisis, allowing the country to reach its 2030-31 goal of transporting 10 million tonnes (MT) of air cargo. India's air freight peaked at above 3.5 MT in 2017-18 and has recovered COVID-19. from President of the Air Cargo Forum of India (ACFI) Yashpal Sharma stressed the significance of minimizing trans-shipment carriage times and allowing foreign freighter

aircraft to reach numerous Indian destinations. Air transport accounts for less than 2% of worldwide freight. A half-percent adjustment will improve aviation cargo volumes after the Red Sea crisis. India has a huge chance but must address the hurdles, especially speeding up trans-shipment, which takes 2-2.5 days "Sharma stated Thursday at the ACFI Annual Conclave 2024 in New Delhi. India's air freight sector is unique, with foreign

imports, exports, and domestic cargo each accounting for onethird of volume. Less than 15% of aviation cargo is carried by freighters; most is in passenger planes' bellys.

Freighter aircraft numfluctuated, bers according to aviation ministry senior economic advisor Piyush Srivastava. Before COVID, India had six freighters. This number grew to 28 during the pandemic as airlines shifted passenger planes to cargo.

Oberoi Group on 90th anniversary launches scholarship programme



Delhi : On its 90th anniversary, the Group Oberoi has launched "The Oberoi Group Scholarship Program" to "honour the legacy of its founders and nurture the next generation of hospitality leaders". The group was founded by Rai Bahadur Mohan Singh Oberoi and his legacy was taken forward by his son, Prithvi Raj Singh Oberoi. To honour them, the group will offer two scholarships: "Rai Bahadur Mohan Singh Oberoi - 'Dare to Dream' Scholarship:

Named after the pio-

neering founder, this scholarship is open to hotel operations employees from hotels outside The Oberoi Group in India. It aims to encourage individuals to dream big and pursue excellence in their careers, reflecting Rai Bahadur's belief in the power of ambition and hard work," the group said in a statement

"Prithvi Raj Singh Oberoi - 'Be the Best' Scholarship: Named in honour of the visionary leader who put India on the international luxury traveller's map.

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Sarveshwar Foods Ltd. Expands Product Range with **New Rice-Based Solutions for Health-Conscious**

CHANDIGARH: Sarveshwar Foods Limited (BSE: 543688, NSE: SARVESHWAR), an emerging player in the agrifood sector based in Jammu, is pleased to announce that it will Expand Product Range with New Rice-Based Solutions Health-Conscious for Consumers in response to the increasing demand for healthier, convenient, and diverse food options, Sarveshwar Food is introducing a series of new products as a part of Sarveshwar Food's robust new product development (NPD) strategy, designed to enhance and expand its product portfolio while delivering nutritional benefits and authentic culinary experiences. "Our approach to new product development is both strategic, futuristic, and consumer-centric," said Mr. Rohit Gupta, Chairman of Sarveshwar Food Ltd. "With these new products, we are reinforcing our commitment to

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delivering value-driven, healthconscious, and convenient meal solutions that resonate with current global trends, and reflects our dedication to enhancing the culinary experience with natural ingredients, exceptional flavors.'

Sarveshwar Food's new product range is designed to reinforce its leadership in innovative food solutions. Each product, developed through thorough market research and a commitment to sustainability and quality, blends high-quality ingredients with traditional and functional elements like spices and herbs. This

approach addresses diverse dietary needs while upholding the company's core values of quality and authenticity. The company anticipates that the new product range will generate Rs. 700-800 million in annual revenue with improved profit margins.

These products, will soon be launched under the 'NIMBARK' brand, and made available across India at high-end domestic retailers and select international markets through the wholly owned subsidiary 'Himalayan Bio Organic Foods Limited' this festive season. Additionally, Sarveshwar Food

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stunning

in Italy,

inspired from Roman

Architecture.

will showcase these offerings in its stores and at upcoming food expos, providing consumers and industry professionals with an opportunity to sample the new flavors. New Rice Based Product Range Includes:

1. Turmeric Rice: Infused with the warm, earthy flavor of turmeric, this rice offers antiinflammatory benefits while adding a distinctive taste and vibrant color.

2. Spice Mix Rice: A savory blend of aromatic spices combined with high-quality rice, delivering a robust flavor profile that's ideal for those who enjoy easy-to-prepare, convenient, testy and flavorful meals. 3. Khichadi Rice: A comforting blend of rice and lentils spiced with traditional seasonings, perfect for a nutritious and quick meal. This product combines convenience with a balanced mix of proteins and carbohydrates.

Vishal Fabrics Ltd. Allots Convertible Warrants to FPI North Star **Opportunities Fund, amongst Others**

Fabrics Ltd. (BSE: 538598), a premier supplier of top quality stretch denim fabric, has announced that its board has allotted compulsorily convertible warrants at a floor price of Rs. 30.60 per warrant to persons belonging to non-promoter category, aggregating to Rs. 153 Cr. FPIs North Star **Opportunities Fund VCC** Bull Value Incorporated VCC Sub-Fund, Eminence Global Fund PCC- EUBILIA Capital Partners Fund, and other public category persons Elysian Wealth Fund (Formerly Silver Stallion Ltd) & Vikasa India EIF I Fund. Recently, the board Qualified approved Institutions Placement (QIP) for aggregate amount of up to Rs. 100 Crores, in one or more tranches. The fund-raise will be subject to approval of the Company's shareholders and receipt of applicable

CHANDIGARH: Vishal

regulatory approvals. Further, the company announced stellar earnfor Q1FY25 ings (Quarter ended 30 June 2024). The Revenue from operations were reported at Rs. 33991.60 Lakhs. EBITDA grew 28% YoY, from Rs. 2080.93 Lakhs (Q1FY24) to Rs. 2668.71 Lakhs (Q1FY25). PAT jumped 106% YoY, from Rs. 231.86 Lakhs (Q1FY24) to Rs. 477.83 Lakhs (Q1FY25).Earlier, Vishal Fabrics Ltd acquired a 37.72 per cent stake (1,170,500 shares at Rs 135 per share) in Chiripal Textile Mills Pvt Ltd on March 30, 2024, for a total of Rs 158.02 crore. This acquisition makes Chiripal Textile Mills an associate

company of Visha Fabrics. Chiripal Textile Mills is a manufacturer and trader of various varns and fabrics, with a turnover of Rs 539.03 crore for the financial year ending March 31, 2023. Vishal Fabrics Ltd, a textile company established in 1985 and part of the Ahmedabadbased Chiripal Group,

and distributes a wide range of fabrics including dyed yarn, denim, and custom textile work. Certified for quality and sustainability, they specialize in dyeing, printing, and

manufactures

processing denim and other fabrics for both their collections and client-specific jobs.



JK Cement Celebrates 140 Years of Global **Innovation and Market** Leadership of JK Organisation



DUROPLY LAUNCHES A CONTEMPORARY RANGE OF DYED VENEERS 'ROMA COLLECTION'

New Delhi : Duroply, India's premium and experienced most among the leading plywood companies, has launched a contemporary range of Dyed Veneers - 'Roma Collection'. This pre-mium range of dyed veneers is a celebration of the intricate and timeless beauty of Italian architecture, embodying the sophisticated charm that Italy is renowned for. Launched under the flagship Duro Nature's Signature Brand, these veneers are for the discerning audiences who value elegance and beauty



in their day-to-day life. Announcing the launch of 'Roma Collection', Mr. Akhilesh Chitlangia, MD and CEO of Duroply, said, "Our research suggested that urban India was looking for a premium range of exquisite dyed veneers that will enhance beauty and add elegance to their



These enhance beauty and add class to the home of the discerning audience who aspire to live their life in style with grace and sophistication. designed these veneers are available in eight colors, all

HDFC Bank Targets Income Boost for 5 Lakh Marginal Farmers by 2025 Under 'Parivartan' CSR Initiative

HISAR/AMBALA: HDFC Bank has set a goal to increase the income of 5 lakh marginal farmers earning less than ?60,000 annually by 2025, as part of its corporate social responsibility initiative, Parivartan. This announcement comes as the Bank commemorates 10 years of Parivartan, which has already positively impacted the lives of over 10 crore people across India. The Bank's focus on rural development reflects its continued commitment to fostering sustainable growth and uplifting vulnerable communities. "Today, business performance profit making for

grown into one of India's largest CSR programmes, active in 28 states and 8 Union Territories. It has made significant strides in key areas such as education, skill development, healthcare, and financial inclusion, aligning its efforts with 9 of the 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Launched in HDFC Bank 2014, 'Parivartan' was established with the vision to contribute to the socio-economic development of communities across India. With CSR expenditure of over INR 5,100 crore over the last decade, Parivartan has consistently aimed to empower individuals by creating sustainable livelihoods, fostering sustainable development. and creating real-life change. то GOALS BE ACHIEVED BY 2025 Building on its decadelong legacy of interventions, HDFC Bank has outlined the following key objectives to be achieved by 2025:

NCP's Amol Mitkari Attacks Mahayuti

Delhi: The BJP and Shiv Sena are fighting for Mahayuti alliance domination, while the Nationalist Congress Party (NCP) is being marginalized. Ajit Pawar adviser proposed he form an alliance with Vanchit Bahujan Aghadi (VBA) president Prakash . Ambedkar for the assembly elections, fueling the flames. This proposal has raised concerns about the NCP leaving Mahayuti. NCP spokesperson Amol Mitkari openly criticized Mahavuti and

hinted at internal dis-

cord. "Some want Ajit

Pawar to leave

Mahayuti. He is being

singled out for the

alliance's Lok Sabha

performance.

According to a viral

video, Mitkari said

this will revolutionize

Maharashtra politics.

worth more than Rs 3 lakh crore

Govt will sanction highway projects

New Delhi: Govt will sanction highway projects worth more than Rs 3 lakh crore this financial year as it continues its focus on investing in creating the country's transport infrastructure, road transport and highways minister Nitin Gadkari has said. Recently, govt approved eight high-speed corridor projects totaling 936km worth Rs 50,655



crore and four other large projects costing another Rs 60,000 crore are likely to be placed before the cabinet in the next couple of weeks.

These include the Surat-Solapur corridor in Gujarat and Maharashtra costing over Rs 20.000 crore. and the Shillong-Silchar.

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ABAD : Mahindra &

Mahindra Ltd., India's

leading manufacturer of

utility vehicles and lead-

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ment, today announced

the launch of the

Mahindra Veero, starting

at ? 7.99 Lakh. Designed

redefined. Social impact is an integral part of business performance. HDFC Bank Parivartan comprises multiple programmes with a focus on giving back to the community as well as supporting sustainable developexplained ment," Kaizad M Bharucha, Managing Deputy Director, HDFC Bank. Since its inception in 2014, Parivartan has

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enterprises

His comments have raised suspicion about Ajit Pawar leaving the Mahayuti to run in Income enhancement the assembly elecfor 5 lakh marginal tions alone. farmers earning.

KARNAL / ROHTAK : JK Cement Ltd. a leading building material company, one of India's leading manufacturers of Grey Cement in India and one of the largest White Cement manufacturers in the world, celebrated 140 years of JK Organisation's remarkable legacy at a grand event in the capital.

The event honoured the group's rich history, its significant contributions to multiple sectors of the Indian economy, and the unwavering dedication of its employees and partners.

The celebration gathered dignitaries, industry leaders, employees, and key stakeholders to reflect on JK Organisation's journey from its inception to its present status as a global leader. Lieutenant Governor of New Delhi, Mr. VK Saxena, who himself started his career at JK Cement, along with Mr. Rajeev Shukla, Member of Rajya Sabha, graced the occasion. Key leaders of the JK Organisation, including Dr. Nidhipati Singhania, Vice President, JK Organisation, Dr. Raghavpat Singhania, Managing Director, JK Cement, and Mr. Madhavkrishna Singhania, Joint MD and CEO, JK Cement, were present to mark this significant milestone. economic advancement. Shri. VK Saxena, Lieutenant Governor, New Delhi, who was invited as the Chief Guest said "It's an honour for me to be part of this landmark celebration for a company where I started my career as an Assistant Officer in Gotan, Rajasthan and worked for 11 years in different capacities with its White Cement plant. This exposure gave me insights of a corporate working, faster decision making and team work, which has helped me throughout my various stints thereafter. I wish all the best to JK Cement for all their Future endeavors in Nation Building"

Hindu refugees in India, stateless for over 50 years

GADCHIROLI: Bijoy Das was 20 when he found himself left in the middle of the treacherous Dandakaranya forests of central India. More than 50 years later, he still shudders to think of the circumstances that forced him and countless other Hindus to leave their ancestral home in the then East Pakistan and seek India. refuge in Circumstances that are echoed again in the reports of violence against minorities in Bangladesh following the recent ouster of PM Sheikh Hasina. As more Bangladeshi Hindus mass at the border to seek shelter in a new country, the settlers from the previous

decades find themselves reliving their story of loss, displacement and the long wait for legal recognition from Indian govt. 'No Choice But To Flee' Now 72, Das's voice still guavers when he recalls the funeral of his sister back in his village.

to redefine the LCV <3.5 "They dragged her t segment, the Veero away. She kept screamoffers unparalleled saving for help. As a young ings with best-in-class boy, I could only stand mileage, exceptional petrified. She was raped performance powered and killed. Her name by robust multiple was Dulaan. We later engine options, industryfound her body in the leading safety features, river," he says staring enhanced occupant proout of the window of his tection, and a premium hut in Pakhanjore village cabin experience. on the southern tip of Mahindra's innovative the Maoist heartland of Urban Prosper Platform Bastar. The area is more than 1,400km away (UPP) is India's first ground-up multi-energy from the home.

Mahindra launches All-New Veero, Redefining the LCV<3.5 t segment; Prices start at 7.99 Lakh



modular CV platform. Designed to offer bestin-class total cost of ownership and segmentfirst safety beyond regulations, the platform sets a new benchmark in the industry.

It is engineered to support payloads from 1 t to 2 t+ in multiple deck lengths and accommodates multiple powertrain options, including

diesel, CNG, and electric. Mahindra Veero sets a new industry standard with first-in-segment tech and features such as a driver-side airbag, reverse parking camera, a 26.03 cm touchscreen infotainment system, steering-mounted controls, and power windows. The Mahindra Veero also boasts bestin-class features, includ-

ing a payload capacity of 1,600 kg, 3035 mm cargo length, 18.4 km/l* mileage for diesel, and a 5.1 m turning radius, making it highly versatile and ideal for urban operations. Veejay Nakra, President - Automotive Division, Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd., said, "The Mahindra Veero will further strengthen our leadership in the LCV <3.5 t segment. Built to help

maximise customers earnings, it offers bestin-class payload, exemplary mileage, and superior maneuverability. With multiple segmentfirst technology and feathe vehicle tures, ensures a premium cabin experience.

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Students celebrated Green Consumer Day by participating in cycle rally: Message of clean environment given by planting trees

Chandigarh: Maharishi Davanand Public School, Daria, in collaboration with the Environment Department, Chandigarh

Administration, organized a cycle rally and planted trees on the occasion of Green Consumer Day. Most of the students of Eco Club of the school participated in the cycle rally. On this occasion, as the chief guest environment lover Pradeep Triveni, Dayanand Maharishi Public School Principal Dr. Vinod Sharma, school staff and students were present . A cycle club was also formed in the school. Pradeep Triveni planted trees with the students



on Consumer Day and told them that trees have a special significance in our lives. Along with Triveni, students took a pledge to celebrate their birthday by planting trees. Throwing light on the importance Consumer Day, of Triveni said that we should reuse the used things so that we can

save the rapidly changing climate. He said that while cooking vegetables at home, the leftover peels should not be mixed with plastic in the garbage but should be kept separately so that it can be transferred to the compost. He said that notebooks should not be thrown away but the leftover pages should be

reused and pages should be taken out from different notebooks and a notebook should be made so that trees can be saved from being cut. We will move forward only with small efforts. He also praised the cycle club established in the school. During the cycle rally, Dr. Vinod Sharma said that cycling keeps a person healthy. Today people use vehicles to complete small tasks. This is increasing pollution. The environment has become unbalanced due to the smoke coming out of these vehicles. People are suffering from many diseases. He told the students that they should also use cycles a lot in their daily

lives. Use only the cycle track while riding a bicycle. The students said that they will use bicycles in future and will also inspire other people to ride a bicycle by making them aware of its benefits. The students told the people that they should also include cycling in their daily routine. They appealed to cooperate in making the environment clean by planting as many trees as possible. Anju Modgil, the Vice Principal of the school said that only trees can give us a clean environment. They are our true well-wishers. All creatures can be happy only if trees and plants are safe.

Sultan Jadoula was given a grand welcome in his village Dhand, **Faral and Pabnawa**

Pundri: As part of the election public relations campaign, Congress candidate from Pundri Assembly Constituency, Sultan Singh Jadaula was given a grand welcome in villages Dhand, Faral and Pabnawa including many other villages and was honoured with flower garlands, turban and memento by people from 36 communities who gave their open support and announced to make him win with record breaking votes. Sultan Jadaula participated in the refreshment celebrations organized at hundreds of places in the aforesaid villages and appealed to the people of 36 communities to vote in his favour. While addressing the villagers, Congress candidate Sultan Singh Jadaula said while reiterating the resolution of the Congress that party's State in-charge Deepak Babaria, Leader of Opposition and former Chief Minister Choudhary Bhupinder Singh Hooda,

President Congress Choudhary When the Congress government comes under the leadership of Udavbhan and MP Deepender Singh Hooda, the elderly will get the highest old age pension of Rs. 6000 in the country, old pension scheme for employees, free plots of 100 vards each and 2 room houses worth Rs. 3.5 lakhs to poor families, MSP guarantee for farmers, 300 units of free electricity to every family, players will be linked with the Bring Medal, Get a Post policy, every housewife will get a domestic gas cylinder for Rs. 500, timely appointment of youth on 2 lakh vacant government posts, every village, city and Pundri assembly constituency of state will be linked with the development of the previous Hooda government. Sultan Jadoula said that he has never done caste politics and will never do it in his life. Taking every section along,

Association of Physicians of India (API) and **Glenmark Pharmaceuticals Launch "National** BP Screening Day" on the 18th of Every Month as Part of the "Take Charge @ 18" campaign

GURGAON: Glenmark Pharmaceuticals Limited (Glenmark), a researchled, global pharmaceutical company, and a leader in cardiovascular disease management, today launched the "Take Charge @18" movement at the Gateway of India. This Hypertension Awareness initiative emphasizes the critical importance of early blood pressure monitoring beginning at age 18. The Association of Physicians of India(API) has designated the 18th of every month as "Take charge at 18 - BP Screening Day" encouraging all adults to prioritize regular blood pressure checks to protect heart health. This collaboration represents a significant effort by Glenmark and API to enhance hypertension awareness and diagnosis. The movement was inaugurated with a

Rate of unemployment unchanged at 3.2% in year ending June 2024

NEW DELHI: The unemployment rate in the country for those in the 15 years and above category remained unchanged at 3.2% in 2023-24, while joblessness rate for women inched up to 3.2% from 2.9% in the previous year, official data showed on Monday. The Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) annual report for July 2023 to June 2024 released by National Sample Survey Office also showed that the labour force participation rate (LFPR) for both females and males rose to a seven year high during 2023-24. The LFPR is defined as percentage of person's working or seeking or available for work in the population. The PLFS annual report, which covers both rural and urban areas, showed LFPR for women rose to 41.7% in 2023-24, up from 37% in previous year. Rate of joblessness down from 5.3% in 2017-18 to



dynamic two-hour 3D video projection at the Gateway of India, effectively illustrating the critical importance of early blood pressure monitoring. This innovative display served as a powerful visual call to action, reinforcing the campaign's commitment to raising awareness and educating people about hypertension. This impactful event was livestreamed, reaching over 1,00,000 healthcare professionals across various platforms. Glenmark aims to educate 10 crore Indians about hypertension through this initia-

This tive Campaign addresses a crucial gap in awareness regarding the appropriate age to begin blood pressure monitoring. Many young adults are currently at risk of developing hypertension[1] and its lifethreatening complications, including heart attacks, which have surged among Indian youth. Glenmark's comprehensive approach includes connecting approximately 1,00,000 healthcare professionals to emphasize the importance of early blood pressure screening among youth.



'3 lakh laddus daily, Rs 500 crore revenue annually': Tirupati's sacred sweet takes a sour turn after ghee adulteration charges

NEW DELHI: The 'laddu prasadam' offered at the sacred shrine of Lord Venkateswara in Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh, renowned for its unique taste, is cherished by devotees across India and beyond. These iconic laddus are meticulously prepared in the temple's kitchen, known as the 'Potu.' Distribution Making of Tirupati laddus The preparation process, called 'dittam', dictates the specific ingredients and their quantities. The recipe has only been altered six times in its history. According to a 2016 TTD report, the laddus have a divine fragrance. Initially, the boondi made from besan and jaggery syrup was created to increase the prasadam's shelf life. Later, almonds, cashews, and raisins were added to enhance both flavor and nutritional value.

2021 post-poll violence: 'Showing as if there is hostile environment in whole Bengal

NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court on Friday pulled up the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) seeking transfer of West Bengal post-poll violence cases on the ground that there is a "hostile environment" in the state courts. The top court rapped the central investigation agency's remark, saying not liking a particular state "does not allow them to cast aspersion on the entire state judiciary"."Mr Raju (additional solicitor general) what kind of grounds are taken in this? That all courts in West Bengal

have hostile environment? Blanket averment that courts are illegally granting bail.

that the entire judiciary is under hostile environment," Justice Abhay Oka was quoted as saying by. Additional solicitor general SV Raju, representing the CBI, said the application was badly drafted and withdrew it.Several incidents of violence were reported at various places after the announcement of the assembly poll results on May 2, 2021. After the incident, the

This is casting aspersions

Union home ministry sought a detailed report from the Bengal government on the "post-election violence targeting opposition political work-

ers in the state" that left 11 people dead by the evening of the result day. BJP reported six deaths in the alleged backlash, including of a party worker in Kolkata who was lynched soon after he posted videos on Facebook narrating how goons killed his pet dogs, and of an elderly woman in North 24-Parganas trying to save her son.

Mamata's olive branch to doctors fails

to end RG Kar impasse

NEW DELHI: Meeting between West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee and protesting junior doctors failed to take place at the last to have a meeting moment as deadlock between the live telecast and video recording continued.

The impasse, which and no meeting was almost seemed nearing its end on Saturday evening, now remains ing, Mamata Banerjee as protestors, not will- tried persuading the ing to relent on their medics to attend the

demands initially, had talks, with an assurto leave CM Mamata's house. However, the protesters claimed that they had agreed without video recording but were told by a same. government official that "it was too late budge possible now".In the beginning of the meet-

ance that she would provide the video of the meeting, filmed by her government, once the Supreme Court gives nod for the The doctors did not their on demands for at least three hours -- resulting in the meeting to be called off. Mamata Baneriee on Saturday made a surprise visit.

'3 Lakh laddus, Rs 500 crore sales'

Each day, TTD prepares and distributes around 3 lakh laddus at Tirumala, earning approximately Rs 500 crore annually from laddu sales. Each day, TTD prepares and distributes around 3 lakh laddus at Tirumala

History

The offering of Tirupati laddus dates back over 300 years, starting in 1715. In 2014, the Tirupati laddu received GI status, preventing anyone else from selling laddus under that name.

Quality control

A state-of-the-art food testing laboratory ensures the quality of each batch of laddus, which must contain precise amounts of cashew, sugar, and cardamom, and weigh exactly 175 grams. TTD was paying Rs 320 per kg for ghee from the blacklisted contractor, but now procures it at Rs 475 per kg from Karnataka.

Presence of foreign fats

In July, lab tests revealed the presence of foreign fats in the ghee supplied by AR Dairy Foods, leading TTD to blacklist the contractor and switch to Karnataka Milk Federation.

Earlier, TTD was paying Rs 320 per kg for ghee from the blacklisted contractor, but now procures it at Rs 475 per kg from Karnataka.

In July, lab tests revealed the presence of foreign fats in the ghee supplied by AR Dairy The latest controversy

On Thursday, the Andhra Pradesh government under TDP released lab reports showing the presence of foreign fats, including lard (pig fat), tallow (beef fat), and fish oil in the ghee supplied during the YSRC regime.

The analysis, conducted on July 23 after complaints about the laddu's taste, also found fats from vegetable sources like coconut, linseed, rapeseed, and cottonseed. In June, the TDP government appointed senior IAS officer J. Syamala Rao as the new executive officer of TTD.

Gurgaon horror: SUV on wrong side kills biker on **Golf Course Road, tragic** crash caught on camera

old man died after his rate bikes. The duo first bike had a head-on collision with an SUV being driven on the wrong side on Golf Course Road in DLF 2 at Ambience Mall. early on Sunday morning. The SUV driver was detained and later released on bail. Police said biker Akshat Garg was from Pochanpur in Dwarka. The SUV driver, Kuldeep Kumar Thakur (25), is a resident of Ghitorni and the co-founder of a PR around 5.25am. company. According to A Mahindra XUV 300 police, Garg and his car, driven by Thakur, Pradyuman suddenly friend Kumar (22) left Dwarka early on Sunday morned head-on.

GURGAON: A 23-year- ing for a ride on sepawent to DLF Downtown, following which they planned to meet a group of riders Kumar said Garg had taken all precautions and was wearing a helmet and other safety gear. Kumar was following him on another motorcycle on Golf Course Road when the accident happened near Belvedere Towers appeared and Garg's bike collid-

American EduGlobal School Announces its Ambitious Expansion Plan: 100 New Campuses in 5 Years

CHANDIGARH

EduGlobal American School (AES) is proudly recognised as India's first truly USA based School. A school designed for future solidifying its commitment by announcing their plan of opening 100+ new campuses across India over the next five years. AES currently has two operational campuses in Ghaziabad and Anantnag, Jammu & Kashmir. Next year, additional campuses will begin operational in Sirsa, Pune, Bangalore, and Hyderabad. Mr. PK Samal, Founder and Managing Director of American EduGlobal School, expressed his enthusiasm about the upcoming



expansion, we are excited to bring our innovative education model venture to PAN India. Our mission is to empower students with the skills and knowledge necessary for the 21st century. The planned campuses will span across five regions of India: Central, North, South, West, and East India, including major cities such as Delhi - NCR,

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Delhi car buyers left in the dark as EV policy expires

Delhi: Since the EV scheme expired last year, Delhi car purchasers have been without the incentive for six months. The policy, which gives EV financial buyers advantages, expired on December 31, 2023, and was supposed to be extended in January. Transport Kailash minister Gahlot said bureaucratic hurdles prevented the extension, depriving the public of subsidized benefits for six months. "This should be expedited so that the people can benefit and Delhi can continue to be the No. 1 state in terms of EV added. The state cabi-

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executive order for the policy extension, but the model code of conduct for the Lok Sabha elections prevented its implementation, a transport penetration," Gahlot department official said. "We have now net approved the sent the extension used the vehicle num-

proposal again for approval," the person said, expecting approval in a week. The bank managing the EV subsidy webpage had difficulty, the spokesman said.

ber as a unique ID number, which may have led to discrepan-"The cies," stated. bank caused the delay. But now the is fixed." portal Electric two-wheelers "The portal hadn't receive a Rs. 5,000 subsidy per kWh of

battery capacity (maximum Rs. 30,000) under the EV program. A Rs. 30,000 subsidy is given to three-wheelers regardless of cost or battery capacity. The four-wheeler incentive was just for the first 1,000 EVs registered in Delhi under that plan, thus it no longer applies. After the present policy expired in August, the administration sought to create EV Policy 2.0 in October.

It even consulted stakeholders, but that failed, extending the previous policy again. After CNG from petrol and diesel, EVs are the biggest change in capital automobile use.

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NCP's Amol Mitkari Attacks Mahayuti

Delhi: The BJP and Shiv Sena are fighting for Mahayuti alliance domination, while the Nationalist Congress Party (NCP) is being marginalized. Ajit Pawar adviser proposed he form an alliance with Vanchit Bahujan Aghadi (VBA) president Prakash Ambedkar for the assembly elections, fueling the flames. This proposal has raised concerns about the NCP leaving Mahayuti. NCP spokesperson Amol Mitkari openly criticized Mahayuti and hinted at internal discord. "Some want Ajit Pawar to leave Mahayuti. He is being singled out for the alliance's Lok Sabha performance. According to a viral video, Mitkari said this will revolutionize Maharashtra politics. His comments have raised suspicion about Ajit Pawar leaving the Mahayuti to run in the assembly elections alone.

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Delhi: The Union government will lend Rs 75,000 crore interestfree for 50 years to States to implement 'Viksit Bharat' reforms. The government wants to build India by 2047. Finance Minister proposed this in her Lok Sabha Budget address. To achieve 'Viksit Bharat', states require more economic and development-enabling reforms.

Patnaik's Party MP: "No More Support To BJP, Only Opposition"

Delhi: BJD president Naveen Patnaik met with his party's nine Rajya Sabha MPs and urged them to form a MPs will discuss "vibrant and strong" opposition in the Upper House. Mr. Patnaik also asked parliamentarians to he said. "The Centre properly raise state has interests during the meeting. After the meeting, Rajya Sabha Losing their leader Sasmit Patra told reporters, "The BJD MPs this time will not be confined to speaking on issues ordered the nine only, but are determined to agitate if the BJP-led government at the Centre Parliament,

ignores Odisha's interest." In addition to demanding special status for Odisha, BJD issues including inadequate mobile connectivity and low bank branch density, disregarded Odisha's coal royalty request for 10 years. just share, state residents are suffering "he added. Mr Patra said Naveen Patnaik has Rajya Sabha MPs to fight for state citirights zens' in

forming a powerful opposition. He remarked, "No more support to BJP, only opposition." BJD previously supported the BJP-led administration on issues. For Odisha's interests, we'll do everything. Later, Mr. Patra told PTI, "BJP support is impossible. The BJD president urged us to form a robust resistance if the NDA ignores Odisha's legitimate demands. The BJD has nine

Rajya Sabha MPs but failed to win a Lok Sabha seat for the first time since 1997.

Andhra, Chhattisgarh want new capitals, Kerala a special grant



Delhi: Andhra Pradesh Chhattisgarh and requested help building new state capitals, while Tamil Nadu, Haryana, and Odisha requested project-specific funding. Kerala requested a Rs 24,000 crore special package to address a financial issue. With TDP, a key constituent of NDA govt at Centre, back in power in Andhra, a special package for the widely state was expected, but sources said the state finance minister only sought support for several projects, including a new capital in Amravati and Polavaram dam project. In contrast, Kerala made the to Union demand minister finance Nirmala Sitharaman before the Budget. "Considering the state's contribution in varied spheres in keeping up national pride,

including HDI, SDG, start up and innovation, a special package of at least Rs 24,000 crore may be announced in Union Budget 2024-25 to tide over the current liquidity stress by scheduling it over two years from 2024-25," Kerala finance minister K N Balagopal said in a speech, urging centre to review market borrowing cap. To secure uomestic supply, states like Chhattisgarh advocated easing rice and other farm product export restrictions. While seeking district mineral fund spending norm changes, the BJPruled state demanded Naya Raipur monies. Capex funding has been requested by several states from the Centre. Haryana FM Prakash Dalal Jai requested special financial assistance from the Centre.



Bungle in Banswara: Why Congress is opposing its own man

BANSWARA

Known as Rajasthan's tribal heartland, Banswara likely stands out as the only constituency nationwide where Congress is campaigning against its party nominee, and in favour of a fledgling Bharat Adivasi Party (BAP).Internal conflicts within the grand old party, lack of coordination between its state and central units, and high command's hesitance compelled it to tie up with the five-month old BAP on the latter's terms.Congress' own candidate, Arvind Damor, , remains in the fray as well.A similar scenario is unfolding in the bypolls to the

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Bagidora seat, an assembly constituency under Banswara LS segment. Here, Congress workers are engaged in door-to-door campaigning for BAP candidate Jaikrishn Patel, opposing their own nominee Kapur Singh. Both seats go to polls on April 26.After defeat in the 2023 assembly elections, Congress initiated talks to form an alliance with BAP, a party that secured three seats in the tribal region. The talks hit a roadblock as BAP insisted on three LS seats - Udaipur, Banswara and Chittorgarh — for its candidates in exchange for backing Congress candidates in the remaining 22 parliamentary seats.Former CM Ashok Gehlot, state president Govind Singh Dotasra, Sachin Pilot and local office-bearers, sources said, were wary of a tie up with BAP, with a section labelling the tribal party as "ambitious"

.Congress decided to bet on four-term MLA and former cabinet minister Mahendrajeet Singh Malviya as its LS nominee from Banswara. and in the first week of Feb, the party's core committee in Banswara and Dungarpur endorsed his candidacy. However, on Feb 19, Malviya defected to BJP, allegedly bitter over not being made leader of the opposition in the assembly.

"Upon his crossing over to BJP, it became evident that Malviya would be picked as the saffron party's candidate in Banswara. Congress not only bid farewell to a prominent figure

., but also a chunk of voters. This led to a renewed debate on the need to discuss an alliance with BAP," a party source said.By Feb, BAP had made it clear that its founding member and two-term MLA, Rajkumar Roat, would contest the parliamentary election from Banswara. "Poor coordination between state office-bearers and central decision makers delayed alliance talks," Roat.

, who filed his nomination on April 3, told TOI. "Many times, Congress functionaries rescheduled the time and date of negotiations," said BAP's national president, Mohanlal Roat.

"It left us with no hope for an alliance, which is why we fielded our candidates in Banswara, Udaipur and Chittorgarh," he added.Snip 1 (4) Jittery over BAP's candidature, Congress empowered its district units in Banswara and Dungarpur to finalise candidates for Lok Sabha and assembly bypoll .seats the night .

BJP rejects leadership change in Maharashtra

Delhi: Following the ing the leadership of the party's dismal performance in the most recent The choice was made Lok Sabha elections, the BJP ruled against chang-

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state of Maharashtra. after a meeting of the Maharashtra BJP core committee that includ-Union ed Home Minister Amit Shah and party president JP Nadda. Reporters were informed by Union Minister Piyush Goyal at the BJP headquarters that "there will be no change in leadership in Maharashtra." State BJP chairman Chandrashekhar Bawankule, along with senior leaders Sudhir Mungantiwar, Chandrakant Patil, Pankaja Munde, and Vinod Tawde, were present at the meeting. In the most recent Lok secured nine seats.

TMC and Congress to work together against BJP in Parliament

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Delhi: After a con- Congress chief Adhir Vadra, who is run- Samajwadi Party's general election season in West Bengal and comments seat of Baharampur brother from both sides, the to the TMC, former two key INDIA bloc Union minister P allies have reached Chidambaram met out to each other to Banerjee to improve formulate relations. According issue strategies and to the sources, the the two leaders dis-Opposition's united cussed the enoroffensive against the mous number of government in the measures passed in the past decade that upcoming Parliament session, needed reconsideration and greater TMC chief coordination Mamata Banerjee Parliament. The pulled out of the Congress even alliance in West requested Banerjee Bengal amid repeatto campaign for ed barbs by Bengal Priyanka

Ranjan Chowdhury. ning in her first elec-Weeks after the lat- tion in Kerala's ter lost his home Wayanad, which her Rahul Gandhi deserted this week for Rae Bareli in Uttar Pradesh. In the last INDIA meeting before elections, Banerjee advised Priyanka Gandhi to face Modi in Varanasi. The TMC also wants the Opposition alliance downplay the to Left. Congress has 125 MPs in both Houses of Parliament, followed by Gandhi TMC's and

41. "There is a large section of the Congress leadership that wants a good relationship with the Trinamool," Derek O'Brien, TMC Rajya Sabha leader. The Lok Sabha defeat of Adhir Chowdhury eliminated a key "roadblock" in the TMC-Congress alliance, according to TMC leaders. In the session starting June 24, the Opposition will attack the government over the

issue.

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