

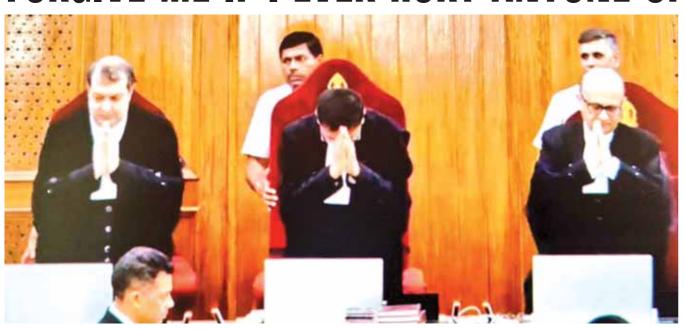
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teary eyes, Chief Justice DY Chandrachud, on

working day as the 50th head of the Indian judiciary on Friday, sought forgiveness if he had hurt anyone. "If I ever hurt anyone of you, I would like to just say please forgive me for something which I didn't intend to ever say or do which may have hurt you," he said.

Heading a four ceremonial Bench, four-judge comprising CJI-designate Sanjiv Khanna, Justices JB Pardiwala and Manoj Misra, which assembled to bid him farewell, the CJI expressed a deep sense of fulfilment, not only for the work accomplished but for the opportunity to serve the country. Justice Chandrachud stepped into the shoes of his illustrious father YV illustrious

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Chandrachud, who served as the longest CJI between 1978 and 1985, on November 9, 2022 and will be demitting office on November 10, a

Later in the evening, speaking at the farewell function organised for him by the Supreme Court Bar Association (SCBA), the outgoing CJI said that he might perhaps be the most trolled judge but that does not deter him and he respects his opponents. "I hope you know the amount of trolling I have received. I am probably the most trolled judge across the system. I will only say a shayari

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sanwarti hai.. Mein dushmano ka bada ehtiram karta hu [Opposition makes personality better, I respect my enemies very much]," he said, adding that the trolls will be unemployed from Monday next

Rich tributes were paid to him by CJI-designate Khanna and Bar leaders, including the Attorney General, the Solicitor General, SCBA president Kapil Sibal and others to mark the pivotal moment in India's judicial history. "You asked me what keeps me going. It is this court which has kept me going, because there is not a single day when you feel that you have not learned something, that you have not had an

opportunity to serve the society. "And there is no greater feeling than being able to serve those in need and the people you would never meet, people you possibly do not even know, people whose lives you have the ability to affect without ever having seen them," a visibly emotional CJI said. In his address, CJI Chandrachud recounted his journey, from sitting in the last row of the court as a young law student to his time on the his age was." revered corridors of the SC.

privilege of serving the country, emphasising that each day spent in the court was an opportunity to learn and grow in both legal knowledge and personal insight. "I was always aware of the overpowering presence of the greats of this court and the responsibility that came with sitting in this chair. But at the end of the day, it is not about the individual, it is about the institution and the cause of justice we uphold here," the CJI He spoke with admiration for

his colleagues, particularly highlighting his time on the bench with Justices Pardiwala and Misra, noting the camaraderie and diversity of perspectives that enriched their collective work. The CJI also expressed his confidence in the future of the court, reassuring the legal community that his successor, Justice Khanna, whom he described as "dignified, stable and deeply committed to justice", would lead the court with equal dedication and vision.

In a heartfelt conclusion, CJI Chandrachud expressed his gratitude to everyone who contributed to his journey, senior advocates, juniors officers and acknowledging that each one of them played a role in shaping his understanding of the law and life.

Justice Khanna wished good luck to the CJI, saying, "He has made my task easy and tough. Easy because of the revolutions ushered in and tough because I cannot walk up to him. He will sorely missed. youthfulness is not known here only but also abroad. In Australia, there were so many who came to me and asked what

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NSCN (IM) threatens to break ceasefire agreement

PTI ■ DIMAPUR

Naga insurgent group National Socialist Council of Nagaland (Isak-Muivah) NSCN (IM) has threatened to break its 27-year-old ceasefire agreement with the government and return to its "armed struggle" if its demands for a separate "national flag and constitution" are not met.

The group, which carried out a violent insurgency in Nagaland soon after India's independence in 1947, entered into a ceasefire pact in 1997 before starting prolonged peace talks with the government's interlocutors.

On August 3, 2015, the NSCN(IM) signed a framework agreement with the government in presence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi to find a permanent solution.

In a statement released on Friday, general secretary of the group and chief political negotiator Thuingaleng Muivah said he and former chairman, late Isak Chishi Swu, went to the negotiating table for the resolution of the conflict through peaceful negotiation and also honouring the commitment of former prime ministers PV Narasimha Rao, HD Deve Gowda, Atal Bihari Vajpayee and others to resolve the issue through peaceful

political negotiation, leaving aside armed movement.

Accordingly, negotiations began on August 1 1997 and since then more than 600 rounds of talks had been held without any pre-conditions both in India and abroad, leading to the signing of the framework agreement of August 3, 2015, he

Muivah alleged that authorities and the leadership in the government have "deliberately betrayed" the letter and spirit of the framework agreement by refusing to recognise and acknowledged the Naga "sovereignty national flag and sovereign national constitution".

He said the benchmark for a political agreement between the government and the NSCN must be according to the letter and spirit of the framework agreement wherein among others, the Naga "sovereign national flag and Naga sovereign national constitution" must be an integral part of the political agreement.

Muivah said today or tomorrow, Naga's "unique history, sovereignty and freedom, sovereign territory, sovereign national flag and sovereign national constitution are non-negotiable".

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Israeli soccer fans attacked, five hospitalised, 62 detained

AP AMSTERDAM

 $\mathbf{I}^{ ext{sraeli}}$ fans and protesters clashed overnight after a soccer match in Amsterdam, five hospitalised and 62 arrested, police said Friday. Dutch authorities said attackers systematically targeted Israeli fans.

It was not clear how the violence began. Dutch and Israeli leaders denounced the violence as antisemitic. Video also showed Israeli fans chanting anti-Arab slogans in the streets at some point.

Amsterdam Mayor Femke Halsema told reporters Friday that the Dutch counter-terror watchdog said there was no concrete threat to Israeli soccer fans before the game. Peter Holla, the city's acting police chief, said at the news conference that the fans were "willfully attacked."

Condemnation of the violence poured in from Jewish groups. Israel's foreign minister left on an urgent diplomatic trip to the Netherlands. Security concerns have shrouded matches with Israeli teams in multiple countries over the past year because of global tensions linked to the wars in

the Middle East. The Amsterdam police said in a post on social media platform X that they have started a major investigation into multiple violent incidents. The post did not provide further details about those injured or detained in Thursday night's violence following the Europa League match between Ajax and Maccabi Tel Aviv.

MOHIT KANDHARI JAMMU

The merciless killing of two Village Defence Group (VDG) members in the higher reaches of the Kishtwar district in the Jammu region has shaken the top brass of the security establishment, close on the heels of multiple attacks on the security forces and led popular government in the Union Territory of Jammu and livestock," Kashmir. So far a total number

of 10 incidents of terrorist violence have been reported across different areas of lammu and Kashmir since October 16. Meanwhile, the dead bodies of two VDGs killed by terrorists were recovered on Friday from near a rivulet in the Pondgwari area in the Keshwan belt. "Two VDG members, Nazir Ahmed and Kuldeen Kumar from Ohliformation of Omar Abdullah Kuntwara, went missing in the upper reaches while grazing spokesperson said.

"My brother and Nazir were abducted and killed by terrorists. They were village defence guards and had gone to graze cattle as usual, Kuldeep Kumar's brother Prithvi, told a news agency. These VDGs form the backbone of the security grid in the entire Jammu region. By targeting them, terrorist them against participating in the ongoing anti-terrorist operations launched in the region to flush them out of



their safe hideouts. According to official sources, over 4,100 VDGs and 32,000

SPOs were engaged in Jammu and Kashmir, with different responsibilities for the protection of civilians and antiterrorist operations under the direct supervision of district Superintendents of Police (SP). A massive cordon-and-search killings. The operation is concentrated in the Kuntwara,

areas of Kishtwar. Director General I and K Police Nalin Prabhat and

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Additional Director General of Police Jammu Anand Jain visited Kishtwar to review ongoing operations on Friday. Knight Corps Commander Lieutenant General Navin Sachdeva also landed in Kishtwar and held a Kishtwar to track down the meeting with the Director terrorists responsible for the General J and K Police to chalk

out their counter strategy. Continued on page 2

India faced 255 days of extreme weather this year

RAJESH KUMAR NEW DELHI

India faced 93 percent days of extreme weather from January to September this year. Of the 255 days out of 274, India experienced extreme weather events marked by heat and cold waves, cyclones, lightning, heavy rain, floods and landslides, almost every day in the first nine months of this year which claimed to 3,200 lives, affected 3.2 million hectare (mha) of crops, destroyed 235,862 houses and buildings, and killed approximately 9,457 livestock.

The report titled "Climate India 2024: An Assessment of Extreme Weather Events" by the Centre for Science and Environment (CSE), based on the India Meteorological Department (IMD) data has come days ahead of the 2024 United



Change Climate Conference or Conference of the Parties (COP29) in Azerbaijan's Baku from November 11 to 22. Compared to this, the first nine months of 2023 recorded extreme weather on 235 of 273 days, with 2,923 deaths, 1.84 mha of crops affected, 80,293 houses damaged, and 92,519 animal deaths. The year 2024 also set several climate records. January was India's ninth driest since 1901. In February, the country recorded its secondhighest minimum temperature in 123 years.

May saw the fourth-highest mean temperature on record, and July, August and September all registered their highest minimum

temperatures since 1901. In the Northwest, January was the second driest, and July recorded the regions second-highest minimum temperature. The Southern Peninsula saw its hottest February ever, followed by exceptionally hot and dry March and April, but with a 36.5 percent surplus in July rainfall and the second-highest minimum temperature in August. According to the report, between January and February, extreme weather events spanned 50 days, a sharp rise from 38 days in 2022 and 28 in 2023. Cold days and cold waves dominated, occurring on 38 days-a 17-day increase from the previous year.

Additionally, lightning and storms were recorded on 17 days, up from 5 days last year.

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Make Congress 'Yuvraj' speak in praise of Savarkar: PM Modi

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Seeking to drive a wedge among the Opposition Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA) constituents over their ideological differences, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday dared the MVA leaders to get Congress leader Rahul Gandhi speak in praise of the contributions made to the country by Veer Savarkar and Balasaheb Thackeray.

Kick-starting his campaign for the State Assembly polls from north Maharashtra where he addressed election rallies at Nashik and Dhuke, PM Modi played the "Maharashtra self-respect and pride card", when he slammed the Congress leaders for denigrating Savarkar and the Shiv Sena (UBT) — which considered Savarkar as its icon — for allying



Taking pot shots at both the Congress and Shiv Sena (UBT), the PM said: "In Maharashtra, Savarkar is a source of inspiration... They [Congress leaders] never allowed Marathi language to get the classical language status. But they abuse Savarkar regularly.

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Shahjahanpur farmer unearths cache of 1857 Revolt-era weapons

BISWAJEET BANERJEE SHAHJAHANPUR

Afarmer in Shahjahanpur, Uttar Pradesh, uncovered a surprising find while plowing his field - a hidden cache of historical weapons believed to date back to the 1857 Indian Rebellion. District authorities have secured the weapons, which are now stored in a safe repository, and have reached out to the Archaeological Department for further examination.

District Magistrate Dharmendra Pratap Singh shared the details on Friday, "Babu Ram, a farmer from Dakhia Parvezpur in Nigohi police station area, was plowing his field Continued on page 2 | recently when he discovered an

iron sword-like object beneath the soil. As he continued digging, he uncovered several more weapons buried underground.

According to Singh, as the excavation continued, more weapons emerged from the soil. In total, the field yielded 23 swords, remnants of 12 matchlock rifles, one spear, and a dagger. The rifles discovered are heavily deteriorated, with only the barrels and some metal fragments intact, suggesting that termites may have consumed the wooden parts over time. Given the style of the gun barrels, experts believe they are indeed matchlock rifles.

Upon learning of the discovery, district authorities dispatched a team led by the sub-divisional



magistrate to the site. The revolutionaries who were in recovered weapons have since been moved to the Nigohi police

station for safekeeping.
Dr. Vikas Khurana, Head of the History Department at Swami Shukdevanand College in Shahjahanpur, suggested that the weapons may be linked to the 1857 Indian Rebellion. "These weapons appear to have characteristics of Rohilla culture. It is possible that when the Pritish forecase during a linker the Rohilla culture. It is possible that when the British forces advanced after defeating the rebels in 1857, the freedom fighters retreated to the forest and may have buried their weapons to avoid capture," Dr. Khurana explained. could confirm their "Victorious armies typically do not hide their weapons, so it is likely these were hidden by the likely these were hidden by the could confirm their significance and possible light on the events of rebellion in the region.

retreat.

Experts believe this discovery could provide valuable insights into the local history of the 1857 rebellion. Dr. Khurana further said:, "If confirmed, these weapons could serve as a crucial link to the area's involvement in the first war of Indian independence. They offer a tangible connection to the courage and struggle of those who fought in the 1857 revolt."

The district administration has written to the Archaeological Department to initiate a detailed analysis of the artifacts, which could confirm their historical significance and possibly shed light on the events of the 1857

Yogi ramps up campaign for UP by-elections, targets SP, Congress

MUZAFFARNAGAR/ MORADABAD/GHAZIABAD,

Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath began his campaign for the upcoming assembly by-elections on Friday with rallies in Mirapur, Kundarki, and Ghaziabad, supporting NDA (RLD) and BJP candidates. During the rallies, Adityanath targeted the Samajwadi Party (SP) and Congress, urging voters to support BJP candidates and trust the government with ensuring development and acquirity in the state. ment and security in the state. Adityanath criticized SP and Congress for creating fear and distrust among communities, remarking, "Wherever SP supporters appear, daughters feel unsafe." He called upon voters to "wipe out" SP in the elections, stating, "SP was a partner in Congress's 'knockout' strategy, but it's time to 'knock out' the SP

He further commented on SP's social media presence, claiming it reveals the party's "true character." Recalling the saying from the SP government era, "If you see a vehicle with an SP flag, assume there's a goon inside," Adityanath



stressed the importance of addressing SP's conduct to ensure community safety. He alleged that SP feels "uneasy" when communities celebrate festivals peacefully, pointing out the Election Commission's decision to postpone the by-election date from November 13 to November 20 to accommodate a Hindu festival. Adityanath said, "If the date is adjusted for Eid, there's no objection, but accommodating Hindu beliefs bothers SP. The Chief Minister also commented on the growing discord between SP and Congress, claiming the alliance is in turmoil after recent incidents in Haryana and Maharashtra, where Congress allegedly advised

Dutch capital to bring the

Israelis home, but later the

prime minister's office said it

would work on "providing

civil aviation solutions for the

return of our citizens". A

statement from Prime

Netanyahu's office said that

"the harsh pictures of the

assault on our citizens in

Amsterdam will not be overlooked," and that

horrifying incident with

added, saying that he had

spoken to Netanyahu and

prosecuted. It is now quiet in

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SP to "stay within its limits." He noted that "this divorce between SP and Congress is now public, and it's time for UP voters to finish the job." Promising development for Western UP, Adityanath highlighted infrastructure projects like the Delhi-Meerut Rapid Rail, which he said would extend Muzaffarnagar. He assured

the public that the NDA government has invested significantly in the region, contrasting it with the previous SP government, which he accused of "dividing society for votes. Adityanath also underscored

the government's support for sugarcane farmers, claiming that over Rs 2.53 lakh crore has been paid to them in the

reaffirmed the government's commitment to promoting peace and prosperity. Emphasizing cultural harmo-

payments from the previous 22-year period. He added that

the government is now cov-

ering the cost of private tube

wells for farmers, further sup-

Addressing employment, Adityanath assured that recent

recruitments, including results

for over 60,200 police posi-

tions expected later this

month, are based on merit. Unlike the previous SP-led

recruitment policies, he said,

these selections offer fair

opportunities for candidates

Muzaffarnagar, Shamli, and

In his speech, Adityanath crit-

icized the INDIA alliance,

accusing it of divisiveness

while contrasting it with

Prime Minister Modi's vision

of a unified India. He con-

demned the alliance's silence

on Article 370 in Jammu and

Kashmir, noting they are vocal

about Palestine but ignore

Adityanath also referenced

the 2013 Muzaffarnagar riots,

claiming the district has since

transformed from being

scarred by communal vio-

lence to thriving as a sugar-

cane-producing region. He accused SP leaders of sup-

district as many residents

including women joined

during the day-long bandh call given by the Sanatan

Dharam Sabha. People in

various areas of Kishtwar

took to the streets to protest

The protesters demanded

'immediate elimination" of

the terrorists involved in the

killings to restore confidence

among the local population.

Lieutenant Governor Manoj

Sinha, Chief Minister Omar

Abdullah, and leaders from

the People's Democratic

Party, Congress, and the

Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)

members' killing. Meanwhile, in Kashmir, a

joint team of security forces

Friday eliminated two more

terrorists in the Sopore area

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ny, Adityanath said that mutual respect across communities is essential, stating, "When Holi and Diwali are celebrated peacefully, Eid should also proceed without issues." In Kundarki, he praised the growth of Moradabad's brass industry, attributing it to BJP's policies and noting the region's current export value of Rs 16,000 crore.

Urging people to avoid voting for SP, Adityanath claimed the party is anti-development and anti-women, asserting, "Every notorious mafia and goon has ties to SP." He emphasized that electing BJP candidates is key to maintaining progress in the state. The Chief Minister concluded by encouraging record voter turnout, urging the public to "bring BJP's candidates to victory by an overwhelming margin." On Friday, Adityanath campaigned for NDA (RLD) candidate Mithilesh Pal in Mirapur, BJP candidate Ramveer Singh Thakur in Kundarki, and Sanjeev Sharma in Ghaziabad, calling for votes to continue progress in these regions.

Eyes on OBC votes, Rahul Gandhi backs Wadettiwar's OBC reservation pitch in Vidarbha

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In what can be termed a significant outreach effort to galvanise the cadre, with an eve on OBC-SC-ST votes in the Vidarbha region, Congress MP Rahul Gandhi on Wednesday addressed a Samvidhan Samman Sammelan here, in presence of hundreds of delegates and workers from the community. It was Rahul's first major campaign program in the state of Maharashtra and beginning his campaign trail in Nagpur, the original turf of the Rashtriya Swayamsewak Sangh (RSS), is being seen as a strategic move by pollsters. The Leader of opposition in Lok Sabha, Rahul Gandhi, spoke at length about equal opportunities to people irrespective of their caste and also advocated giving powers to people as per their population in the region & state. The caste census also took centre stage during his speech. Interestingly, this comes at a

time when Maharashtra is witnessing a slew of protests and demands by various caste groups, including the SC and

OBC groups. The event, part of a series organised nationwide, brings together activists and leaders focused on OBC-SC-ST issues through panel discussions. Vidarbha, where a close contest unfolds in 34 seats between INC and BJP, has seen an intense focus on the

OBC vote. INC leaders have intensified outreach efforts, with LoP in Maharashtra Vidhan Sabha Wadettiwar advocating for a 50% reservation ceiling raise to address demands from diverse communities and emphasising the importance of a caste census for equitable representation. This stance echoes Rahul Gandhi's position and resonates strongly in light of recent movements

tion demands, OBC responses, and the Dhangar community's push for ST status. Adding to the INC's focus on OBC engagement, Wadettiwar

and MPCC President Nana Patole, both prominent OBC leaders, are actively working in the region. Patole has been holding meetings with OBC youth, while Wadettiwar, a well-regarded figure in the OBC community, is facilitating the Sammelan through the OBC Yuva Adhikar Manch. Meanwhile, BJP has launched the Ghar Ghar Samvidhan campaign, underlining its commitment to the Constitution and attempting to counter INC's influence. Rahul Gandhi's participation in the Sammelan is expected to amplify INC's message, with his advocacy for a caste census and dedication to constitutional principles resonating strongly among Vidarbha voters, building on the momentum that previously boosted INC's success in the

The state of Maharashtra goes to polls on November 20, with counting of votes scheduled for November 23.

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Authorities said extra police would patrol Amsterdam in coming days, and security will be beefed up at Jewish institutions in the city that has a large Jewish community and was home to Jewish World War II diarist Anne Frank and her family as they hid from Nazi occupiers. Earlier, a statement issued by

Dutch capital's municipality, police and prosecution office said that the night "was very turbulent with several incidents of violence aimed at Maccabi supporters after antisemitic rioters actively sought out Israeli supporters to attack and assault them". It was not immediately clear when and where violence erupted after the match.

"In several places in the city, supporters were attacked. The police had to intervene several times, protect Israeli supporters and escort them to hotels. Despite the massive police presence in the city, Israeli supporters have been injured," the Amsterdam statement said.

toward Israeli supporters is unacceptable and cannot be defended in any way. There is no excuse for the antisemitic behaviour exhibited last night," it added.

The violence erupted despite a ban on a pro-Palestinian demonstration near the soccer stadium imposed by Amsterdam Mayor Femke Halsema, who had feared that clashes would break out between protesters and supporters of the Israeli soccer club.

There were also incidents involving fans ahead of the match. Dutch broadcaster NOS reported that a flag was Palestinian ripped off a building in the centre of the city and riot blocked Palestinian supporters trying to march toward the Johan Cruyff Arena stadium where the match was being played.

Israel initially ordered that two planes be sent to the Nations League.

NSCN (IM) threatens to...

From page 1 "Nevertheless, even if the odds are against Nagas and the NSCN, we shall take whatever steps that is necessary according to the decision mandated by Nagas and the Naga people will protect and defend the Naga unique history, sovereignty and freedom, sovereign territory, sovereign national flag and sovereign national constitution, by whatever means including armed struggle," he said in the statement.

utmost gravity." He demanded that the Dutch government take "vigorous and swift action" against those involved. Netanyahu's office added that he had called for increased security flag and constitution, a demand rejected by the central for the Jewish community in the Netherlands. Dutch Prime Minister Dick Schoof said on X that he followed reports of the "with horror." violence entering "Completely unacceptable attacks on antisemitic Israelis. I am in close contact with everyone involved," he

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protest

Officials said in New Delhi that the peace talks with the NSCN-IM is currently going nowhere as the group has been insisting for a separate Naga

government. Separately, the government is also holding peace parleys with splinter groups of the NSCN after into ceasefire agreements. The groups which have entered into ceasefire agreements are: NSCN-NK, NSCN-R, NSCN K-Khango and NSCN-K-Niki

overnight operation. The police authorities are yet to On ground zero, tension ascertain the identity of the prevailed in the Kishtwar

slain terrorists. Senior Superintendent of Police, Sopore Divya D said, "Last night we received information about the presence of terrorists in the Panipura area of Sopore. We immediately launched a cordon and search operation along with the Indian army. To prevent any collateral damage we shifted the local villagers to safer locations. During searches in the area, suspicious activity was observed by vigilant troops, and on being challenged terrorists

indiscriminate fire. The operation was halted at night and resumed with the first light early Friday morning. In the ensuing firefight, two terrorists were eliminated. The security forces recovered a huge quantity of arms and ammunition from

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Born on November 11, 1959, Justice Chandrachud has had a distinguished career in the judiciary.

His passion for cricket dates back to his childhood, when he reportedly played the sport in the backyard of his father's residence in Lutyens' Delhi. He was designated as a senior advocate by the Bombay High Court in June 1998 and served as the additional solicitor general, before being appointed a judge of the Bombay High Court on March 29, 2000.

He later became the chief justice of the Allahabad High Court on October 31, 2013. Justice Chandrachud holds a BA degree in Economics from Delhi's St Stephen's College, an LLB from the Delhi University's Campus Law Centre and an LLM and a Doctorate in Juridical Sciences (SJD) from the Harvard Law

BJP-led camp over ED prosecution threat sparks row

Bhujbal's claim he switched to

T N RAGHUNATHA

A mid the ongoing election-eering for the Maharashtra Assembly polls, a massive controversy broke out on Friday over NCP (AP) leader Chhagan Bhujbal's claim in a just-published book that he switched over from the Opposition to the BJP-led MahaYuti because of his possible prosecution by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) in an alleged money laundering case.

In his book '2024: The Election that Surprised India, Journalist Rajdeep Sardesai has quoted Bhuibal, who is the State's Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Protection Minister, as saying that he left the Sharad Pawar camp and joined Rebel leader Ajit Pawar to become part of the BJP-led Maha Yuti (NDA) because of a fresh ED notice he had received. In the book, Sardesai writes:

.Just a few days earlier, he had received yet another notice money laundering case. The original case had been filed in 2016, and the matter had been dragging on ever since. Accused, along with his son and nephew, of irregularities in awarding contracts worth over Rs 100 crore to a Mumbai developer, Bhujbal had already spent two and a half years in jail before he was granted bail...." Cashing in on the revelations made by Bhujbal in Rajdeep Sardesai's book, the opposition Maha Vikas Aghadi (MCA) -comprising Congress, Sharad Pawar-led NCP (SP) and Uddhav Thackeray-led Shiv Sena (UBT) - slammed the ruling BJP for "misuse" of central investigation agencies - Income Tax, Central Bureau of Investigations Enforcement Directorate for

political reasons. Speaking on the issue, the NCP (SP) working president and MP Supriya Sule said: "I have told this many times...I have said Parliament...the BJP is misusing ICE to target political opponents...IT, CBI and ED," said Supriya Sule, the NCP (SP) Working President and Lok Sabha MP from Baramati.

Shiv Sena (UBT) Rajya Sabha member Sanjay RaUT said that BJP has misused central agencies and he himself had been a victim. "I did not bow down...I went to jail (and now I am on bail)...there are several others who feared the central agencies and switched over to the NDA camp," he said. NCP (SP) chief spokesperson

Mahesh Tapase said: "It is appalling to see senior leaders openly confessing to joining the ruling party to evade investigation. Such admissions only reinforce the belief that the BJP operates as a 'washing machine' where corrupt leaders enter and emerge spotless. This culture undermines the spirit of democracy and threatens to weaken public trust in the country's legal and judicial systems," Tapse said.

Bhujbal threatens to sue Rajdeep Sardesai

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Finding himself at the centre of the controversy over the revelations made in Rajdeep Sardesais book book '2024: The Election that Surprised India', Maharashtra's senior NCP (AP) minister Bhujbal on Friday threatened to iniitate legal action against the author of the book.

Talking to media persons at Nashik, Bhujbal said: "Right now elections are happening...we are tied up. I have not read it...I don't know what is written and not...once the elections are over, I will surely read it...I will also seek legal advice...my lawyers would take

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visiting Israeli teams led the Between pre-Monsoon March and May, extreme weather events were recorded on 83 Nations League game in days, slightly lower than 2022 September. That game (85 days) and the same as against Israel was played in 2023. Heatwaves occurred on 54 days in 2024, nearly double Hungary with no fans in the the 28 days in 2023. This increase contributed to a The violence in Amsterdam surge in fatalities, with 507 will no doubt lead to a review lives lost, compared to 321 the

matches involving Israeli previous year. teams. European soccer body In terms of event types, the UEFA announced already on past nine months have seen everything from lightning Monday that Maccabi's next Europa League match, scheduled in Istanbul on and storms, spanning 32 states and resulting in 1,021 deaths, to relentless monsoon November 28 against Turkish rains, which led to flooding team Besiktas, would be moved to a vet-to-be-decided across various regions. In neutral venue "following a Assam alone, heavy rains, decision by the Turkish floods and landslides were authorities." Meanwhile, recorded in 122 days, leaving Israel's national team is large parts of the state scheduled to play France in submerged and communities Paris next Thursday in the devastated. Nationwide, 1,376 lives were lost due to floods.

Regionally, Central India faced the highest frequency of extreme events with 218 days, followed closely by the Northwest at 213 days. In terms of lives lost, the Central region had the most deaths (1,001), followed by the Southern Peninsula (762 deaths), East and Northeast (741 deaths) and Northwest (734 deaths).

The report said the impact on agriculture has been severe, with extreme weather affecting at least 3.2 million hectares of cropped land in 2024, a 74 per cent increase from the 1.84 million hectares damaged in 2022.

The report also emphasises the need for climate reparations from highemission countries responsible for much of the damage. Climate models are clear: extreme weather events are set to become more frequent and severe.

Rajit Sengupta, who coauthored the report, said heatwaves claimed 210 lives but the data does not reflect the extended health impacts of prolonged high temperatures on the wellbeing of people in North India, including farmers and labourers, who endured intense heat with little means of relief. "Similarly, the toll of severe cold snaps and frost on crop losses is not captured, highlighting the need for robust compensation systems for weather-induced losses."

Speaking at the launch of the report, CSE director general and Down To Earth editor Sunita Narain said: "These record-breaking statistics reflect climate change's impact, where events that used to occur once every century are now happening every five years or even less. frequency

overwhelming the most vulnerable populations, who lack the resources to adapt to this relentless cycle of loss and damage."

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'Similarly, the toll of severe cold snaps and frost on crop losses is not captured, highlighting the need for robust compensation systems for weather-induced losses." Sengupta underlined that without this support, farmers are pushed into debt. exacerbating their marginalisation

speak in praise of Savarkar: P Make Congress 'Yuvraj'

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In view of the elections, a senior MVA leader asked the Congress disrespecting Savarantees who those who Congress 'yuvraj' to stop consider Savarkar as an icon are with the Congress".

an unmistakable reference to Sena Sena (UBT) chief Uddhav Thackeray, PM Modi said, "I want to challenge the MVA leaders to make the Congress' yuvraj speak for 15 minutes in praise of Savarkar and his sacrifices for the country. Similarly, the yuvraj should also be asked to speak in praise of late Balasaheb Thackeray. Today is November 8... and I will wait for their response". PM Modi's dare to the Shiv Sena (UBT) should be seen

in context of the manner in Minister said that the grand which Rahul Gandhi's criticism of late Savarkar during his initial phase of his "Bharat Jodo Yatra". It community would ensure may be recalled that on that it would not return to November 18, 2022, the then united Shiv Sena's MP Rahul Gandhi's remarks on Savarkar were Veer "unwarranted" and that his of the states, the Congress party did not agree with the latter's stand. However, Congress leader Jairam Ramesh clarified the matter saying that Rahul did not target Savarkar but had only stated a "historical fact". On his part, Rahul himself Bihar or Jharkhand and in refrained from talking about most states, Congress is in a the Hindutva ideologue.

Terming the Congress as a only with the support of Modi as a "parjivi" which other parties," PM Modi was dependent on other parties to survive, the Prime

old party wanted to weaken and divide the OBCs, because as a united power again.
"The Congress is no longer

Sanjay Raut had said that an All-India party... It is parjivi (parasite) which is alive on crutches... In most can fight elections only with the help of other parties, and therefore to save itself, it has resorted to weakening the unity of the SC, ST and OBC in the country. Be it Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, position to contest elections

"The Congress is unable to

digest that Narendra Modi, who is from the OBC, has become the Prime Minister for the third time after 60 years... The Congress can't come to terms with this truth. The truth is that Congress hates OBCs. The Congress has lost its sleep. Its leaders are venting their anger on the OBCs," the PM

Heaping praise on the BJP-led MahaYuti government in Maharashtra, the PM said: "under the Mahayuti government, Maharashtra is setting new records of development.

We are a government which works for the poor..When the poor people prosper, the country also prospers. During the last 10 years, the Modi government at the Centre has brought 25 crore

people above the poverty line... 50 lakh women have benefited because of the Ujjwala scheme and free LPG More than a crore households have got tap water. As many as 7 crore people would be given free ration every month. Similarly poor people have benefitted due to the PM Awaas yojana" The PM exhorted the people

to bring MahaYuti to power as it would provide a "double engine government" which would ensure speedy development and peoplefriendly schemes. "If the MahaYuti is voted

back to power, the benefit to farmers under the Krishi Samman Yojana for farmers will increase from Rs 12,000 to Rs 15,000," he said. Ridiculing the promises

made by the rival MVA, the PM said: "The people of Maharashtra know the reality. On one side there is the manifesto of MahaYuti, while on the other side there is the 'scam letter' of MVA. Wherever Congress and its allies are in power, there will be scams.

These people announce such schemes in which maximum corruption can take place." Alleging that the Congress had opened a "jhoot ki dukan' (shop of falsehood)" in Maharashtra on the lines of Karnataka and Telangana, Modi said that the people have seen in the other two states, where the Congress had failed to fulfil its promises after the polls.

Averring that in the Congress-ruled states, the governments have no money

even to pay the salaries of their employees, the PM said that if the Congress and its allies were voted to power, they would put brakes on the state's growth. He said that the MVA would scrap welfare and development schemes brought out by the Eknath Shinde-led Mahayuti government in the state.

Be aware of the Congress and its allies which are against development and bent on putting brakes on the state's growth," said the PM.

"I appeal to you to vote for the Mahayuti so that it will take the progress of Maharashtra to new heights in the next five years. Only the Mahayuti government can provide the good governance Maharashtra needs. On the

other hand, the Maha Vikas Aghadi vehicle has neither wheels nor brakes and there is a fight even for sitting on the driver's seat. The Mahayuti government, which has taken several decisions to speed up development, will continue to boost the state's growth and also promote the development of various sections," he said. Slamming the Congress for

its pro-Pakistan agenda, the Prime Minister ruled out the possibility of restoration of Article 370 in Jammu and Kashmir. "No force in the world can restore Article 370...let me assure only Babasaheb's Constitution would be followed everywhere in India," PM Modi said addressing a rally in Dhule district.

City transforms into gas chamber: Several regions record 'severe' AQI

With Delhi transforming into a gas chamber due to the ongoing decline in air quality, with several regions recording 'Severe' levels on Friday. Residents in Delhi and neighbouring areas woke up to another day of smog, marking the eight consecutive days of air pollution in a very poor category. Visibility was also reduced due to swallow fog in several areas. PM2.5 concentration stood at 31.7 times the World Health Organization annual PM2.5 guideline value. According to the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) at 7 am, the peak AQI

as the average AQI noted was 380 at 4 pm. Several areas of Delhi including Bawana (440), Mundka (428), New Moti Bagh (427), Rohini (439), Punjabi Bagh (406), and RK Puram (406) witnessed an AQI of over 400, as per data from the System of Air Quality and Weather Forecasting and Research (SAFAR). For comparison, the AQI was 366 on Thursday morning, increasing to 377 by 4 PM. On Wednesday at the same hour, it was 352. The persistent air pollution coincided with chhath puja celebrations.

At present, the major contributors to PM2.5 pollution are most significant contributor at 11.049 percent, as per the Decision Support System data by the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM). While the residential sector contribution is 2, 872 percent, industries contributed 2.637 percent, construction 1. 492 percent, energy sector 1. 376 percent, waste burning 1.053 percent, and road dust 0.82

Local pollution sources in Delhi account for 30.34 percent of the city's air pollution (50.1 percent of which is contributed through transportation), while 34.97 percent orig-



inates from neighbouring NCR districts and 27.94 percent from other areas.

According to Air Quality Early Warning System for Delhi, mainly smog condition with predominant surface wind from variable directions with wind speed reaching 04-06 kmph prevailed during day-time and calm winds during night. Predicted maximum mixing depth is likely to be 1900 m on November 8. "The maximum mixing depth of wind was recorded 1750 m on Friday. The ventilation index lower than 6000 m2/s with average wind speed less than 10 kmph is unfavourable for dispersion of pollutants.

Meteorological conditions are likely to be extremely unfavourable for dispersion of pollutants," it said.

To curb rising air pollution in the national capital, the Delhi government on Friday conducted a testing of 'dronebased mist spraying' at Anand Vihar, one of the city's pollution hotspots. During the demonstration, Delhi Environment Minister Gopal Rai said that pollution levels in the hotspots are higher than the average AQI in the capital. 'Today's demonstration in Anand Vihar -- a known pollution hotspot -- aims to address this issue," Rai said. Currently, more than 200 anti-

Delhi, spraying water along the roads to reduce airborne dust, he added. "However, areas with narrow roadsides or congested spots where trucks cannot reach pose unique challenges. This is where drones can be particularly effective,"

The minister added that if the trial proves successful, the Delhi Pollution Control Committee (DPCC) may consider acquiring more drones for widespread deployment. "If we get promising results of today's testing, we will move forward with formal tenders for procuring additional

Kejriwal has become biggest symbol of VVIP culture: BJP

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An inventory list by the Public Works Department (PWD) of the Chief Minister residence after the AAP supremo Arvind Kejriwal left it reveals that he had televisions worth more than Rs 70 lakhs, beds worth more than Rs 10 lakhs and fifty air conditioner in his residence contrary to his claims of being an 'aam aadmi'. The official data shows that the bungalow built on approxi-mately 21,000 sq ft had eight bedrooms, three meeting rooms, two kitchen, two drawing room, 12 toilets and one dining room. Wooden door and glass doors cost more than Rs 10 lakhs and sanitary installations cost about Rs 20 lakhs.



that there were two foot massagers. The four bed in his cost Rs 13,19,342 and 11 TVs costing Rs 72,81,424.

Attacking the AAP chief, the BJP on Friday claimed that Kejriwal has become "the biggest symbol of VVIP culture" as it slammed the AAP

convenor citing high costs of appliances and items, including toilet seats worth around Rs 12 crore, used in his residence when he was at the helm of the government.

Āt a press conference, BJP spokesperson Gaurav Bhatia dredged up a 2013 social media post of Kejriwal, an anti-corruption activist who had taken the political plunge in 2012, in which he had lashed out at the then chief minister Sheila Dikshit saying she had 10 ACs, including in bathrooms.

He noted that Kejriwal had then accused her of corruption and questioned how can a chief minister live in such comfort when over 40 per cent of Delhi's population lived in jhuggis. He added that the AAP leader has since deleted the post.

Citing official documents after Kejriwal quit as chief minister and left his official residence, the BJP leader said the bungalow had 21,000 sq ft built up area and 50 ACs in addition to a 250-tonne air conditioning plant. "It had toilet seats costing 12 crore and a TV was worth over Rs 28.91 lakh," he

Slamming Kejriwal, he asked, "If Dikshit was wrong and corrupt for having 10 ACs, then how will Kejriwal describe this luxury." He accused him of burying the political ideology that brought him to power.

"He has become the biggest symbol of VVIP culture. Arvind Kejriwal is the most corrupt politician India has seen. If he has moral courage, then he should answer," he said, claiming that people will finish off Kejriwal politically.
"He was a leader who had

sworn in his children's name that he would never use big bungalows like conventional

18 member committee formed to address issues concerning DUSU, its polls defacement throughout the

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi University has I formed an 18-member committee to address issues concerning the DU Students' Union and its elections.

The committee, to be chaired by DU South Campus Director Shri Prakash Singh, will ensure "strict compli-ance with Lyngdoh Committee recommendations" in the upcoming DUSU elections, an official notification said.

It will also nominate a nodal officer "to protect exterior walls of the university and its colleges and to prevent year", read the notification issued on October 30. The committee aims to reg-

ulate the powers of DUSU functionaries, preventing any "misuse of their position in availing benefits from various canteens and booking of university venues for others," it added. Additionally, it will discuss implementing reservations to improve women representation's in the student's union body. This year's elections, held on

September 27, saw DU campuses flooded with printed posters and banners, despite rules strictly prohibiting such

materials, prompting the High Court to intervene.

The court ordered the varsity to compensate civic agencies for the cleanup costs incurred by them due to the defacement during the elec-

It has also stayed the announcement of DÚSU election results, which was scheduled for September 28. The poll results have been stalled for over a month now due to the court order requiring the defacement to be cleared before the results can be announced. This is the first time the results have been

Congress' Delhi Nyay Yatra kicks off from Rajghat with palpable enthusiasm

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¬raversing through the lanes **I** of Purani Dilli, featuring Haksar Haveli in Sitaram Bazar, the ancestral home of former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's mother Kamala Nehru, the inaugural day of the Delhi Nyay Yatra kicked off from Rajghat in the national Capital with palpable enthusiasm, rejigging the cadre that has lost its hold on Delhi since the party got wiped out in 2015 elections. The first day of the yatra, that aims to restore its lost connect with the people of the Capital, saw presence of senior leaders including Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukvinder Singh Sukhu, Rajya Sabha MP and All India Congress Committee

SC Morcha İncharge Rajesh Lilothia, former Northwest Delhi MP Udit raj, former Delhi Congress President and three time Kalkaji MLA Subhash Chopra and AICC SC Morcha incharge Rajesh

A big highlight of the yatra remained many supporters and party workers reminiscing Delhi under former Chief Minister Sheila Dikshit's tenure and wished to see Congress make a comeback in the Yadav carried out a cleanliness

drive at Chhath Ghat in ITO. "Delhi Nyay Yatra will reach all 70 Vidhan Sabha constituencies in the coming days and it has begun today from Rajghat. But before that, to wake up the sleeping government of Delhi, we have come to this Chhath Ghat in ITO and carried out a cleanliness drive as a token," he

Taking a dig at Kejriwal's AAP, former Delhi Congress president and MP Ajay Maken said that Kejriwal, who came to limelight by sporting a tworupee pen, wearing hawai chappals, professing honesty and integrity, promising the implementation of the Lokpal Bill, buried his ideology under the carpet after tasting the fruits of power, and ended up living in a Rs 75 crore worth Sheesh Mahal, committed the liquor scam which sent him to

Addressing the crowd at



Rajghat, Sukhu said, "The Congress party is fighting for your rights. Nyay Yatra is being taken out to ensure employment, rights to the youth and respect for people of all religions. Nyay Yatra aims to mum support price and

A 42 year old Ram Charan Sharma said that the state has been destroyed by the rule of AAP chief Arvind Kejriwal. "Sheila Dixit did so much for Delhi in her tenure including building its infrastructure. How will those rule that are in jail?"

60 year old Pramod shared similar sentiments stating that despite few improvements in the AAP government, the Congress tenure was more impactful for the people of Delhi.Congress loyalists, who have supported the party throughout also made their throughout, also made their way to yatra. An 80 year old man was seen sitting on the

should vote for Congress if they want those days back," he said. waiting since 12 pm for the yatra to start. "For over five On Rajghat, supporters saw a musical stand along with a decades, I have always voted for Congress. I have come here to support Devendra Yadav in this journey and bring back the golden days of Congress," he said. A 64 year old retired Chief petty officer (CPO) of the Navy Surendra Pahlwan asserted that if the people of Delhi want development, they should Sitaram Bazar, Hauz Qazi vote for Congress while if they Chowk, Katra Bariyan, and want just 200 units of free electricity then they can choose

"Keiriwal has destroyed the Delhi that Congress created. We want to remind people through this yatra about the party and its work for the development of the city. People 20 constituencies, respectively.

band. Bottle shaped caricatures with 'Bol rahi hai Bottle, Pol khol rahi hai bottle' written on it and Kejriwal's face painted on it also featured. The yatra passed through the narrow lanes of Delhi Gate, Asaf Ali Road, Turkman Gate,

concluded at Fatehpuri. To ensure maximum accessibility, the Congress has divided Delhi's seven Parliamentary constituencies by Assembly: 16 Assembly constituencies would be the focus of the first two stages, followed by 18 and

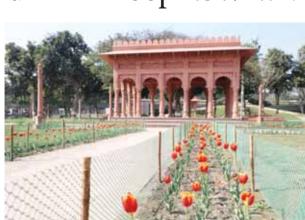
DDA to hold Dilli Deepotsav at Vasudev Ghat on Nov 13

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Inspired by Ayodhya's historic 'Deepotsav', the Delhi Development Authority will 'DilliDeepotsav' at Vasudev Ghat in the evening on November 13, in the run up to 'Dev-Deepawali', Guru Purab and Bhagwan Birsa Munda's 150th Jayanti. Lieutenant Governor Vinai Kumar Saxena will also perform Yamuna Arti on this occasion.

As per plan, over 3,50,000 diyas will be lit at the ghat by people from various walks of life attending the event, which would also include students and artists. A captivating drone and laser show is also planned at the event. A grand Ram Darbar, will be housed in the 'Baradari' at Vasudev Inaugurated in March 2024,

Vasudev Ghat stands as a tes-



tament to Delhi LG's commitment to rejuvenation of the Yamuna and its floodplain by bringing the people of the city closer to the river and making them stakeholders in its cleaning. The Vasudev Ghat showcases India's rich cultural heritage with sculptures and artefacts sourced from various states across the

A grand YamunaAarti, which is now happening twice a week regularly since early this year at the Ghat, accompanied by a mesmerizing drone show, will elevate the spiritual ambiance.

pread over 16 hectares, Vasudev Ghat is part of DDA's initiative to rejuvenate 66 hectares of ghats along the Yamuna riverbank from

Wazirabad to the Old Railway Bridge. Vasudev Ghat is a unique project among the ongoing restoration and rejuvenation projects of the Yamuna floodplains. It not only features green lawns, a 3km cycling track, and a walking area, but also showcases a historic look with captivating artwork.

The landscaping at the ghat has been done in the Charbagh style, incorporating elements like baradaris and chhatris inspired by the adjacent Qudsia Bagh garden. One of the major attractions at Vasudev Ghat is a 250-kg metal bell sourced from skilled craftsmen in Jalesar, Rajasthan. Additionally, there are magnificent elephant structures made of pink Kota stone. Similar sculptures can also be seen at the revamped central verge of Ring Road facing the ghat, giving the area a fresh and distinctive

To enhance the natural beauty of Vasudev Ghat, approximately 1,700 riverine native and naturalized species have been planted along the flood-

The ghat features stairs leading down towards the river, providing visitors with a picturesque view of the Yamuna. In the future, the DDA plans to create a changing area at the ghat for people to use after bathing. This project is part of the 10 restoration projects for the Yamuna floodplain on both sides of the river. Other places developed by the DDA along the river include Baansera and Asita.

The Ghat features landscaped gardens, kuccha walking paths and cultural spaces, making it a perfect destination as an open public green that are being developed all across the city by DDA under the LG's guidance..



Members of the Centre for Cultural Resources and Training (CCRT), an autonomous body of the Union Culture Ministry, performed at the valedictory ceremony of Ek Bharat Shreshta Bharat event as part of the week long National Cultural Festival held in the CCRT premises in the national Capital on Friday. Renowned Kuchipudi exponent Vanashree Rao graced the occasion as Guest of Honour in the presence of CCRT Director Rajiv Kumar and Ministry of Culture Director (AKAM) Priyanka Chandra. Participants, CCRT scholarship holders from across the country were also present.

Domestic help arrested for stealing jewellery from employer's house

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24-year-old domestic ser-Avant was arrested for stealing gold and diamond jew-elleries from his employer's house in south Delhi. According to the police on

Friday, the accused, who has been identified as Ganesh Dutt, was staying at his employer's house showing himself as innocent and to hoodwink police investigation. Police have recovered golden

pendant, gold beads ancestral necklace, gold earrings, gold ring, diamond ring, two diamond bangles, eight silver and four gold coins were recovered from his sister's house.

"A 92-year-old woman had



ed the matter at Lodhi Colony police station," said the police

Police further registered an FIR and launched an investi-

gation into the matter. Team visited the crime spot and gathered more information about the incident and also checked the CCTV footage of the crime spot as well as surrounding areas, said the officer. "From the analysis of CCTV footage, there was no trespass in the complainant's house during the time of incident. The complainant was questioned thoroughly. Team suspected Ganesh Dutt, a domestic house helper. Initially he declined his involvement in the crime but on sustained interrogation he confessed. On his instance, the stolen jewelleries were recovered from his sister's residence in Ghitorani," said

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20-year-old man lost his Alife in an alleged dispute for asking a 'beedi' in Jwala Nagar of Delhi's Shahdara after he was struck by a stone in his head.

According to the police on Friday, the victim had requested a 'beedi' (handrolled cigarette) from a local near Jwala Nagar samshan ghat (crematorium) which led to an argument that escalated into a physical alterca-tion, resulting in death of the man. The deceased has been identified as Sunny, who had previously been involved as a juvenile in a case of murder registered against him in Vivek Vihar area. Police have nabbed the accused, identified as Rajesh and started fur-



ther investigation to know more about the brawl. Sharing facts about the incifound dead.

dent, Deputy Commissioner He added that the team from of Police (Shahdara) Prashant Gautam said, "On Thursday, a PCR call was received at Vivek Vihar police station from an ambulance stating that one person was found unconscious near shamshan He said that blood was ooz-

ghat in Jwala Nagar and on checking the person was

Man killed in dispute over asking for beedi in Shahdara

the police station was immediately rushed to the spot and one boy was found dead. "He was later identified as Sunny, a resident of Kasturba Nagar area," said the DCP.

spot was inspected by crime team and forensic science team. "The dead body was pre-

ing out of his nose and the

served in Subzi Mandi mortuary and was handed over to his family members after postmortem.

During inquiry and detailed investigation, team nabbed one Rajesh, a resident of Jwala Nagar as the main suspect of

the case," said the DCP.
Rajesh told police that Sunny approached him and asked to provide him a 'beedi'. "This

request enraged him and a verbal spat broke out between both of them, leading to a physical confrontation," he

"On detailed investigation it was disclosed that both sustained injuries during the

rapidly. In a fit of rage, Rajesh picked up a large stone and struck Sunny, delivering a fatal blow. This severe impact resulted in

quarrel, which escalated

blunt force trauma, causing Sunny's death on the spot," said the DCP. According to the police, Sunny, had a history of

involvement. He had previously been involved as a juvenile in a murder case and Arms Act.

"We have registered an FIR under section 103(1) of the BNS at Vivek Vihar police station. Alleged Rajesh was taken in custody, investigation going on for collecting more evidences and ascertain more details about the brawl occurred between both of them," he added.

AMU minority status: **SC** defers question to new bench, overturns earlier judgment

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE **NEW DELHI**

The Supreme Court (SC) on The Supreme Court (30, 5... Friday in 4:3 majority judgment deferred the question of Aligarh Muslim University's (AMU) minority status to a new three bench and overruled the 1967 judgment that said the university cannot be considered a minority institution since it was created by a Central law. The majority judgment authored by CJI DY Chandrachud, also on behalf of Justices Sanjiv Khanna, JB Pardiwala and Manoj Misra, said, "The view taken in Azeez Basha (1967 verdict) that an educational institution is not established by minority if it derives its legal character through a statute, is overruled." Before pronouncing the judgment by bench, CJI Chandrachud said there were including three dissenting verdicts. The majority verdict headed by the CJI laid down tests for considering the issue of AMU's minority status. The outgoing CJI asked the case's judicial records to be placed before the regular bench, after receiving instructions from the new CJI after

on the administrative side, for



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educational

institutions. "I would like to

make it very clear that my

judgement is neither an

assenting nor a dissenting

judgement. It is my personal

opinion based upon the law,

the judgements cited and the arguments and the facts on the subject," clarified Justice

The issue of AMU's minority

status has been caught in a

legal maze for the last several

decades. The SC had on

February 12, 2019, referred to

a seven-judge bench the

contentious issue. A similar

reference was made in 1981.

however, got back its minority

status when the Parliament

the

(Amendment) Act in 1981.

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fabled

The

passed

deciding the issue on the minority status besides adjudicating appeals against a 2006 verdict of the Allahabad

High Court. In his dissent, Justice Surya Kant opioned the reference of the matter to a seven-judge bench by a division bench of the SC was incorrect. Justice Dipankar Datta too echoed a similar sentiment saying it might set a "dangerous precedent". "A two-judge bench tomorrow may say I doubt the basic structure (Kesavananda Bharati verdict). I refer it to a 15judge bench. This is what would happen if we accept the majority opinion. Can it be done?" asked Justice Datta.

Justice Datta in the

concluding part of his verdict

wrote, "In terms of clause 5 of Article 145, it is my firm opinion that not only do the references do not require an answer, it is also declared that AMU is not a minority educational institution and that the appeals seeking minority status for it should fail." Pronouncing a separate opinion on the matter, Justice Chandra Sharma agreed with the two other

of reference. The establishment of an institution by the minority is necessary for the said minority to claim right of administration under Article 30 (of the Constitution)," he opined. Article 30 of the Constitution deals with right of minorities to establish and

dissenting judges on the point

Congress-led UPA The government at the Centre had moved in appeal against the Allahabad High Court's 2006 verdict. The university filed a separate petition against it. BJP-led government informed the SC in 2016 that it would withdraw the appeal filed by erstwhile dispensation. It had cited the apex court's 1967 judgment in the Basha case to claim that AMU was not a minority institution since it was a central university funded by the government. In 1967, a five-judge Constitution Bench in the S Azeez Basha Vs. Union of India said AMU was a Central university and couldn't be considered a

minority institution.

President Murmu bats for prompt legal action against corrupt



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A sserting that delay or weak action encourages unethical people, President Droupadi Murmu on Friday said prompt legal action against corrupt is

extremely important.
Addressing the vigilance awareness week function of the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC), she said properties worth over USD 12 billion have been seized in the last ten years under the Prevention of Money laundering Act (PMLA).

President Murmu said trust is the foundation of social life and the source of unity. "Public trust in the government's work and welfare schemes is the source of power for governance. Corruption is not only an obstacle to economic progress, it also reduces trust in society. It adversely affects the feelings of fraternity among people. It also has a widespread impact on the country's unity and integrity," the president said.

She said every year on Sardar Patel's birth anniversary on October 31, "we take a pledge to keep the country's unity and integrity intact".

"This is not just a ritual. It is a pledge to be taken seriously. We all have a collective responsibility to fulfill it," the president said.

Murmu said prompt legal action against the corrupt is encourages unethical persons. But it is also necessary that every action and person should not be viewed with suspicion. We should avoid this. Keeping in mind the

Military museums to be digitally linked soon: CDS

action should be motivated by malice. The objective of any action should be to establish justice and equality in the society," she said. The president said in "our

President Murmu said comprehensive approach will have to be adopted to eradicate corruption. "We will have to go to the root of this disease. It will not be effective to cure it only through symptoms. The eternal values of the Indian society like integrity, ethics, compassion and transparency have to be strengthened. There is a need for strengthening of these life values," she said.

Citing Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) and e-tendering, she said the Centre has taken several measures to check corruption.

President Murmu said if any work is done with the right spirit and determination, success is certain.

"Some people considered uncleanliness to be the destiny of our country. But strong leadership, political will and contribution of citizens have brought good results in the field of cleanliness. Similarly, to consider the elimination of corruption as impossible is a pessimistic attitude of some people, which is not right," the president said.

She expressed confidence that the government of India's policy of 'zero tolerance against corruption' will eradicate the roots of this

President Murmu said that morality is the ideal of Indian society. "When some people start considering accumulation money or property the standard of a good life, then

they deviate from this ideal

and resort to corrupt activities. Happiness lies in living life with self-respect by fulfilling the basic needs," she said.

society, integrity and discipline are considered the ideals of life". About 2,300 years ago, Megasthenes (ancient Greek historian) wrote about Indian people that they dislike indiscipline and follow the law, she said. There is simplicity and austerity in their lives. Similar mentions have been made by Fa-Hien about our ancestors. In this context, this year's theme of CVC 'Culture of Integrity for Nation's Prosperity' is very apt, Nation's

President Murmu said. Probity watchdog CVC observed the vigilance awareness week from October 28 to November three, this year. Along with the vigilance awareness week, commission organises a three-month campaign on preventive vigilance which has been undertaken by the ministries, departments, organisations of the Central government from August 16 and will continue till

November 15. The five focus areas of the campaign are capacity building, identification and implementation of systemic improvement, up-dation of circulars, guidelines, disposal manuals, June 30, 2024 and dynamic

Commissioner Kumar Vigilance Commissioner A S Rajeev, among others, were

Rahul congratulates Trump



PIONEER NEWS SERVICE **NEW DELH**

eader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi has written to US Presidentelect Donald Trump, congratulating him on his victory and expressed confidence that under his leadership, the two nations will further deepen cooperation in areas of mutual interest

"I would like to congratulate you on your election as the 47th President of the United States of America. The people have placed their trust in your vision for the future," Rahul friendship" rooted in our commitment to democratic values, his letter mentions.

"Under your leadership, we are confident that our nations will further deepen cooperation in areas of

mutual interest. I also hope that we will continue to work towards expanding avenues and opportunities for both Indians and Americans," the former Congress chief wrote in his letter to Trump, dated

November 7. "I wish you the very best during your second term as President of the United States of America," Rahul Gandhi

Trump, 78, won the race to the White House, trouncing his Democratic rival Kamala Harris. The Republican leader has also served as the 45th | PIONEER NEWS SERVICE President of the US after his | NEW DELHI

Rahul Gandhi has also written to outgoing US vice president Kamala Harris congratulating her on her spirited presidential campaign and said her unifying message of hope will continue to inspire many.

LK Advani turns 97, PM Modi extends greetings



Veteran BJP leader LK Advani, who as the party president crafted its rise to become a central force in national politics, turned 97 on Friday, with Prime Minister Narendra Modi lauding him as

India and Australia through

interoperability in conduct of

operations in semi-urban

environment and semi-desert

terrain under Chapter VII of

the UN mandate. The exercise

will focus on physical fitness,

joint planning and joint

conducted in two phases -

combat conditioning and

tactical training phase, and validation phase. Drills aspects to be rehearsed during

the exercise will include response to a terrorist action

of capturing a defined territory; establishment of a Joint Operations Centre; conduct of joint counter terrorism operations like Raid and Search and Destroy

and Search and Destroy

Missions; securing of a

helipad; employment of

drones and counter drone

measures and Special Heli

Borne Operations.

exercise will be

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tactical drills.

year is even more special because Advani was conferred the Bharat Ratna for his outstanding service to the nation. "Among India's most admired statesmen, he has devoted himself to furthering India's development. He has always

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hief of Defence Staff(CDS)

statesmen who devoted himself been respected for his to furthering the country's intellect and rich insights. I his guidance for many years. I pray for his long and healthy life," the prime minister said in a social media post.

Former president Ram Nath Kovind, also greeted Advani at the latter's residence and described him as a statesman. | dignity of the person, no

Manipur violence: Fresh arson, attacks in Jiribam

PTI ■ IMPHAL

At least six houses were torched and residents of a tribal village were attacked by a group of armed militants in ethnic strife-torn Manipur's Jiribam district, police said on

The incident occurred on Thursday evening in Zairon Hmar village after the group of militants set the houses on fire, a senior officer said. "Preliminary

suggested that villagers managed to flee during the attack and took shelter in nearby forest. At least six houses were severely damaged due to the arson. An investigation is underway," he said.

Kuki-Zo organisations claimed that a woman, a resident of the village, was killed during the attack but the report of death has not been confirmed by the district police.

Manipur has been rocked by ethnic violence since May last year and over 200 people were killed.

The violence erupted on May 3 after a 'Tribal Solidarity March' was organised in the hill districts to protest against the Meitei community's demand for Scheduled Tribe (ST) status.

India, Australia hold military



PIONEER NEWS SERVICE **NEW DELHI**

The third edition of joint military exercise between India and Australia named AustraHind commenced at Foreign Training Node, Pune on Friday, defence ministry said here. The exercise will end on November 21.

Giving details, officials said the exercise is an annual event conducted alternatively in India and Australia. Last edition of the same exercise was conducted in Australia in December 2023.

The Indian contingent comprising 140 personnel will be represented mainly by a battalion of the Dogra Regiment and 14 personnel from the Indian Air Force from the Indian Air Force. Australian Army contingent comprising 120 personnel will be represented the 13th Light Horse Regiment of the 10th Brigade

of 2nd Division. Aim of the is to promote

exercise AustraHind in Pune

General Anil Chauhan on Friday said work is underway to virtually link the various military museums to one e-platform under a project that aims to spread awareness about India's glorious military heritage. In his keynote address at the inaugural ceremony of the

second edition of the Indian Military Heritage Festival here, the CDS also pitched for creating military fiction work that combines literary fiction with military events of the past to make them more accessible to the masses.

"We, in the armed forces, with an intent to spread awareness of our glorious history and heritage, have initiated a project of e-linking of our military museums. already e-linked about eightten of these military museums, and shortly we are going to e-link all 47-48 military museums. So, they will be available at one site, you need not have to go there," General Chauhan said. The CDS said, "We are also thinking of e-linking all the war museums" to a national platform, so that it would be available to people, who wish to visit these sites virtually. Similarly, to familiarise people with military valour, a hybrid model has been

adopted for

"battlefield

tourism", he added.

"This includes online links of various battlefields where the armed forces have fought, and actual field tours of those battlefields will also be organised for those wanting further information on the exploits of the Indians armed forces in theses theatres of war," the CDS said.

The event also witnessed the launch of Project Shaurya Gatha which is an initiative of the Department of Military Affairs and think-tank USI. The project aims to conserve and promote India's military heritage through education and tourism, it said. The festival aims to engage

global and Indian thinktanks, corporations, public private and undertakings, non-profit organisations, academicians, research scholars focusing on India's national security, foreign policy, military history and military

heritage The CDS, underscoring the importance of art in war said, the British not only practised the art of war but also patronised art works related

Sir Stanley Spencer served as an official war artist in World War 1 and World War 2. His works depicted daily lives of soldiers and emotional toils of the war," he said. The British in India had also developed a company school of painting that depicted daily and military lives. The CDS also recalled the

contribution made by Colonel Arul Raj, whose paintings adorn the walls of military establishments from the South Block to Manekshaw Centre. Perhaps, there is a need to create a catalogue or organise a retrospective exhibition of his art works, he

The CDS further emphasised that military literature plays a significant role in preserving and interpreting experiences, values and ethos of the

military. Poetry and prose, each offer a unique insight into the military experience, he said.

What I think is missing is the military fiction or the art fiction part of it. When I was very young, I remember authors like Manohar Malgaonkar and his books like 'Distant Drum', 'A Combat of Shadows', 'Spy in Amber', where he combines Amber', where he combines military historical events along with fiction to make it easily readable for the ordinary audience, or the citizens. That I think is missing in the Indian context and we need to do more about it," the CDS said.

Haryana minister refutes Opposition parties' claims of shortage of DAP fertiliser supply

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Refuting opposition parties' claims that there was a shortage of Diammonium Phosphate (DAP) fertiliser in the state, Haryana minister Shyam Singh Rana said the government has taken proactive steps to ensure adequate supply to farmers.

Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Minister Rana accused opposition leaders of spreading misinformation on the supply of DAP fertilisers in the state to "mislead the farming community".

government is Haryana maintaining an committed to uninterrupted DAP supply to support a successful Rabi season, he said.

On Thursday, senior Congress leader Randeep Singh Surjewala blamed the BJP for the shortage of DAP fertilisers, saying the crisis was caused by a reduction in the fertilisers' import and stock, as well as slashing subsidies on

In a statement, Rana said contrary to Surjewala's assertions, the Haryana government has already released 2.38 lakh metric tonnes (MT) of DAP, last year's requirements.



meeting a significant portion of the total 3.48 lakh MT required for the ongoing Rabi season, which runs from September 24 to March 25.

The minister said wheat and mustard crops, covering approximately 24 lakh hectares and 10 lakh hectares respectively across the state, have been well-supported with fertiliser stocks

The agriculture minister referred to departmental data, emphasising that the state's DAP supply is on track with

2,29,086 MT of DAP was consumed. As of November 7 this year, Haryana has received 1,71,002 MT which includes releasing stocks of 53,970 MT of fertilisers till October 1, he

Currently, 26,497 MT of DAP is available in various districts, with an additional 14,574 MT expected to arrive by November 11, Rana said. Rana also highlighted that apart from DAP, farmers use a range of fertilisers,

superphosphate (SSP). Haryana has received 65,200 MT of NPK and currently holds a stock of 26,041 MT. SSP supplies are also abundant, with a current stock of 71,380 MT across districts, the minister said.

He also denied Surjewala's allegations that there was any police action against farmers in Uchana and rubbished claims of unrest among farmers in Narwana, Guhla Cheeka and Kaithal.

No such incidents occurred as per ground reports and no police involvement against farmers was reported, Rana claimed.

Rana also dismissed baseless accusations that DAP was being distributed through police stations in Bhiwani, Charkhi Dadri and Narnaul.He emphasised that local officials in these areas have reassured farmers of sufficient DAP stock while efforts were underway to address any concerns. "For example, between October 1 and November 7, Sirsa district received 15,794 MT of DAP, with 1,573 MT still in stock. An additional 2,419 MT is expected to arrive shortly to meet local demand,"

Six people arrested for allegedly raping college student in Odisha

ix people, including a minor, Swere arrested for allegedly raping a 19-year-old college student several times and videographing the act in Odisha's Cuttack district, police said on

The woman lodged complaint with Badambadi police station in Cuttack, alleging that the accused people, including her boyfriend, raped her.

The college student claimed that she had gone to a cafe within Purighat Police Station limits in Cuttack during the Dussehra festival to celebrate her birthday, and her boyfriend, allegedly with help of the cafe owner, captured in his phone some of their intimate moments there.

They blackmailed the woman by showing her those intimate videos and raped her several times, Cuttack Jagmohan Meena told reporters.

Based on the complaint lodged on November 4, the boyfriend of the woman, the cafe owner, a boy and three others were arrested during

the next two days, he said. They have been booked under various sections of the BNS, IT Act and Scheduled Caste

Scheduled (Prevention of Atrocities) Act. The police also recovered the videos from their mobile phones which were sent to the State Forensic Laboratory in Bhubaneswar for examination, the officer added.

Meena said in a press conference that the accused persons have sexually assaulted the victim twice. The DCP appealed to any woman, who is being

and country don't matter. They have a soft corner for

happening? What has happened to the Congress

party, have they lost their mind?," he asked.

Manippady, as the then chairman of the Karnataka

State Minority Commission,

had prepared the report and

government in March 2012

when the BJP was in power. It

was later tabled in the

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legislature.

Harichandan in Bhubaneswar said that the government will ensure that the culprits are punished

blackmailed, to come forward

and lodge a complaint without

Law Minister Prithivirai

any fear and hesitation.

The government will take very strong action in Cutatck gang rape case. Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi on various occasions directed the police to take stringent action

against people involved in

crimes against women," the

Efforts are on to declare Odisha a crime free state for women by 2036, the minister

minister said.

Palakkad by-election: Tension rises amid party conflict and allegation

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN PALAKKAD

 $R^{\text{esentment}} \ \text{in the Indian} \\ \text{National Congress over the} \\$ selection of party candidate, ire among the CPI(M) cadres against the decision of party leadership to field a political turncoat who was abusing Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan, party state secretary MV Govindan and other leaders and the intra party turf war between leaders in the BIP have made the November 20 by-poll for the Assembly constituency in Palakkadu a keenly contested

The Palakkad Assembly seat fell vacant following the resignation of sitting member Shafi Parambil who was elected from the Vadakara Lok Sabha constituency in the 2024 General Election. Parambil Assembly election by a whisker scraping past E Sreedharan, the Metro Man who was fielded by the BJP. While Parambil, who has

Assembly constituency since should have been given the 2011, polled 54,079 votes (38.06 per cent), Sreedharan, a first timer sprang a surprise by polling 50, 220 votes (35.34 per cent). The CPI(M) candidate was relegated to the third place, polling 36,433 votes (25.64 per cent). Parambil who had won the 2016 election with a majority of 17,483 votes, had to content with just 3,859 votes. What is of interesting is that the Hindutva party's vote percentage had shown gradual increase over the last three

In 2011, the BJP candidate polled 19.86 per cent while the 2016 election saw the Hindutva brigade's share increasing to 29.08 per cent. Nothing surprising in the CPI(M) deciding to field P Sarin, who crossed over to the Marxist camp because the party high command denied him the candidature to contest the by-poll. Sarin, a medical doctor-turned-civil servantturned Congressman was party ticket from Palakkad and he alleges that Shafi Parambil "manipulated" the selection process of candidate.

The CPI(M) leadership's decision to field Sarin, a suave and civilized face in the hustings has caused a lot of heart burning among the cadres. Then there is the corruption charges against Pinarayi Minister Vijayan and his daughter Veena Mohammed Riyaz, who is under robe by the Serious Fraud Investigation Office Ministry under the Corporate Affairs connection with charges of kick back linked to a black sand mining company.

The alleged suicide of Naveen Babu, additional district magistrate of Kannur because of the public humiliation meted out to him by the CPI(M) belle PP Divya has turned many fellow travelers against the party. If these votes are cast on the lotus symbol, firmly of the view that he the BJP is likely to make its

presence felt in the Legislative Assembly. But fir that to happen, the Hindutva party has to show some semblance of unity and cohesion. "as on today, the BJP resembles a rudderless ship," said F Sujathan, author and veteran

editor of Kerala Kaumudi.

What has upset the Congress

workers is the party leadership opting for Rahul Mamkoottathil hailing from Adoor in Southern Kerala as the candidate from Palakkad overlooking the interests of local talents. Moreover, Rahul using derogatory terms against Kalyanikutty Amma, spouse of late Congress leader Karunakaran has antagonised party faithful for whom the

latter was an obsession. The Palakkad by-election is poised for a keen finish as the three main contenders viz the Congress, the CPI(M) and the BJP facing handicaps of similar nature. Every day brings in reports of Congress workers leaving the party to join the CPI(M) and vice versa.

New kind of 'Jihad' in Karnataka through Waqf Board, alleges Union Minister Pralhad Joshi

PTI ■ BALLARI (KARNATAKA)

Union Minister Pralhad Joshi on Friday alleged that a new kind of "Jihad" is taking place across Karnataka with the Waqf Board claiming ownership of lands belonging to farmers, temples and others. Hitting out at the Congress government headed by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, he said the ruling party has reached "height of appeasement politics," and alleged that it has in a way made appeasement minorities its "goal."

"Across the state a new kind of Jihad is happening through Waqf. Looking at the conduct of the Congress party and Siddaramaiah, they come across as hypocrites," Joshi told reporters here.

Congress leaders are claiming that BJP had promised in its manifesto that it will protect the Waqf properties, he said. 'Yes. We had said. It is on record...What we have said is existing Waqf properties that have been encroached upon the Congress party, the state



and looted by senior Congress leaders will be saved."

They (Congress leaders) have taken illegal gratification worth thousands of crores (of rupees) from these lands, in the form of lease and rent," Joshi alleged.

The Anwar Manippady report says that Waqf properties have been misused by senior Congress leaders, Joshi said. 'We had said that we will protect those lands. What are you (Congress govt) doing now? lands of Mutts and temples are being claimed by ľm asking Siddaramaiah, what are you trying to do?"Joshi asked. This is a big conspiracy. For

"What is now happening (now) is, using Waqf, lands belonging individuals, temples, Mutts, and in some cases entire villages, are being claimed," Joshi alleged.

There were allegations by a section of farmers from Vijayapura district that their lands were marked as Waqf properties. Similar charges have surfaced from a few other places subsequently, and also organisations and religious

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, directed officials that all notices issued to farmers be immediately revoked, and any unauthorised amendments in land records without due notice must also be nullified. Joshi also claimed that the Congress government in the state is now preparing to withdraw cases booked in KG Halli and DJ Halli riots cases, in which a Congress Dalit MLA's house was burned. "I have credible information that they are withdrawing

those cases also." He pointed out that in spite of the ban on Students' Islamic Movement of India (SIMI) and the court upholding it, 125 cases against them were withdrawn by the Congress government earlier. Also, criminal cases filed in Hubballi riot incidents involving a mob attack on the police in 2022, including those booked under Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act

(UAPA), were withdrawn

Tourism Department says Goa attracting travellers from new international destinations through charter flights

PTI PANAJI

The Goa Tourism Department has said that the state is increasingly attracting international travellers from a growing number of countries.

The department in a media

statement issued here has said that new charter flights from key markets, including Russian Moscow Ekaterinburg, London, Uzbekistan, and Kazakhstan, support international arrivals.

arrive in the coastal state on November 8. These flights signify Goa's appeal beyond beach tourism, drawing visitors to the state's scenic hinterlands and popular sites like Dudhsagar falls, it

A Polish charter flight is set to

said. To enhance international accessibility, Goa is focused on

connectivity with key overseas markets and collaborations with major airlines and international travel platforms are underway, the tourism

connectivity requires further support from the government of India, which we are actively seeking to make Goa an even more attractive, accessible, and connected

travel unprecedented disruptions due to the COVID-19 pandemic, impacting foreign tourist numbers worldwide, Goa's international tourism is on a

better department spokesman said. "However, establishing robust

international globally condestination," he added.

The spokesman said that while faced steady path to recovery. "In 2023, foreign tourist said.

direct arrivals rose to over 4,50,000, a significant increase from pandemic lows, as travel restrictions eased and global mobility improved," he said. According to the department, Goa saw over 8 million domestic visitors in 2023.

spokesperson downplayed comparisons between destinations in Goa and countries like Sri Lanka. Such comparisons may yield an inaccurate perspective, he said. "Goa does face some challenges. For example, limited scheduled international air connectivity. The state government is working closely with the Centre to relook at point of call and additional seat entitlement for Goa, to establish more robust international connections," he

hold mock session after staging a walkout MOHIT KANDHARI

The five-day-long maiden session of the Jammu and Kashmir Legislative Assembly ended on a stormy note on

Friday. The main opposition, Bharatiya Janta Party (BJP) staged a walkout from the House in the first half of the session after some of its members were marshaled out of the house again while they were protesting against the passage of a resolution over the special status.

As the house reconvened on Friday witnessed acrimonious scenes for the third day in succession. A few

members from the PDP and Peoples Conference attempted to display a banner in the house while BJP MLAs raised slogans like 'Pakistani agenda nahi chalega. As chaos prevailed some of the BJP MLAs jumped into the well of the House following which Speaker Abdul Rahim Rather directed that they marshalled out.

Soon after they were evicted, other BJP MLAs walked out of the House in protest. The house proceedings went on smoothly as other members participated in the discussion on the Lieutenant Governor's address. Later, BJP legislators held a mock session on the lawns of the Jammu and



and K Assembly session ends, BJP legislators

Kashmir Assembly.

Speaking one by one the BJP legislators described the House resolution on the restoration of special status as "illegal" and unconstitutional"

BIP leaders said the mock assembly was to protest against the National Conference which had "hijacked the House".

'The House is hijacked by the NC. We won't allow this to happen. A constitutional crisis

has been brought about by the NC. They have violated the rules," BJP MLA Balwant Singh Mankotia said. In the second half of the day, NC president Farooq Abdullah attended the Assembly proceedings from the Speaker's gallery.

"I see a very prominent personality Dr Farooq personality Dr Farooq Abdullah in the Speaker's gallery. I request all members" to join me in welcoming him," Speaker Abdul Rahim Rather said. Meanwhile, Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Friday expressed disappointment over the recent criticism of his party's resolution in the Legislative Assembly, stating that those

congratulated and supported him for bringing Article 370 resolution had now started NC of accusing the compromising.

In an address to the assembly, Abdullah said that bringing any resolution that would never be accepted in Parliament was foolish. He stated that such resolutions should instead Parliament to reconsider the

issue.

Referring to the growing controversy surrounding the resolution, Abdullah urged young political leaders to be cautious of the influence of social media platforms, especially WhatsApp and Facebook.

CM Pema Khandu urges police to help government in ending 'bandh' culture

PTI ■ ITANAGAR

runachal Pradesh Chief AMinister Pema Khandu on Friday exhorted police personnel to help the state government in ending the bandh culture by implementing the existing laws.

Addressing the 52nd Raising Day of the Arunachal Pradesh Police at Indira Gandhi Park here, the CM said his government will never tolerate bandh culture in the state which has adverse effects on the society and the people.

"The state police should strictly implement all the existing laws to curb the menace. Bandh is not the ultimate solution to place grievances. Organisations should adopt other means to place their grievances before the government.



on the society and the state incurs heavy loss due to a strike," Khandu said. Appreciating the state police

its glorious journey despite various challenges, Khandu said his government had invested a lot in the past nine years to strengthen the force. Referring to drug abuse as a curse to the state, the chief minister called upon the police to deal with the problem strictly.

"In the last nine years, 1,678 vehicles were provided to the department, besides implementing the comprehensive surrender

policy. The government has also installed CCTVs in all the police stations and established a battalion of National Disaster Response Force at Hollongi where as many as 1,100 volunteers were trained to help the disaster," the chief minister said.

He added that seven women police stations are already functional in the state and more are in the pipeline.

As many as 2,993 posts under various categories were created and the recruitment process was completed to strengthen the state police, Khandu said. government had

instituted the Arunachal Ratna award to honour police officials, who made supreme sacrifice on duty, by providing ex gratia of Rs 50 lakh. chief minister

The appreciated the state police for peaceful conduct of the recently concluded Assembly and Lok Sabha elections in the state and for maintaining law and order. Khandu added that the state cabinet recently approved changing the nomenclature of the Special Investigation Cell (Vigilance) to the Anti-Corruption Bureau to curb and check all sorts of corruption in the state.

The cabinet also gave its nod for granting special grades to police constables and assistant sub-inspectors to ensure timely career progression, he said.

base with Annapurna Yojna promise SAUGAR SENGUPTA KOLKATA cadres to explain to the homemakers the Rs 3,000 leaders have instructed their

Tn an apparent bid to dent the **⊥**woman vote bank of Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee, much of which hinges on her women-centric schemes, the Bengal BJP too has gone to town (red villages) peddling its patent Annapurna Yojna plan so as to lure the better half of the Bengali society to its fold ahead of 2026 Assembly elections.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah on October 27 inaugurated the party's membership drive in the state. Christened "Amar Poribar, BJP Poribar (My Family, BJP family)," the special drive aims at netting one crore members

by the year end. In fact party state president and Union Minister Sukanto Majumdar in an organisational scheme under Annapurna Yojna prompting the TMC leaders to ask if he had already forgotten the oath of office administered by the President when he became a Union minister. Majumdar asked the workers

to "go to people and ask them to be BJP members... if they ask why... Tell them that bringing BJP means bringing Narendra Modi to office... and if that happens in Bengal then women would be able to get the benefit of Annapurna Yojna." He also asked the workers to fill up the BJP's membership form so as to become the beneficiaries of the Annapurna Yojana that entailed a monthly receipt of

Rs 3,000. meeting in Burdwan asked the Accordingly, the subaltern BJP

foot soldiers to go house-tohouse promising Rs 3,000 under Annapurna Yojna should they join the saffron party, insiders said. Incidentally

BJP targets Mamata's women voter

campaign was made by State Opposition Leader Suvendu Adhikari in 2023 Panchayat elections - albeit with a limited success - when he said that if BJP came to office, they would implement Annapurna Yojna in Bengal, providing Rs 3,000 per month to each beneficiary. To feed a cash and industry-

starvedstate Mamata Banerjee had quite successfully introduced a "dole politics" in Bengal through what she called "janomukhi" (pro-people) "janomukhi" (pro-people) schemes – like Kanyashree, Rupashree and not least Laxmir Bhandar – reaping rich electoral harvests in successive years, said political analyst BN Chakraborty. The BJP expects that its

proposal to offer thrice the amount paid by the TMC government via Laxmir Bhandar could be its trump card. TMC government directly transfers Rs 1,000 – which was earlier Rs 500 - to the bank accounts of eligible women. Apart from Laxmir Bhandar,

Mamata Banerjee runs a highly popular scheme called Kanyashree aimed at disincentivising marriage till at least the age of 18 by offering scholarships to the girls. To match Kanyashree the Chief Minister has also devised Rupashree for women who have come of age by providing them a one-time grant of Rs 25,000 during marriage.

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Rape capital

Despite countless promises and policies, the capital continues to fall short on women's safety

n yet another harrowing incident that highlights Delhi's persistent reputation as the rape capital" of India, a young woman was allegedly gang-raped by three men near" the busy ITO chowk. On October 10, 2024, the survivor, a community leader and researcher from Puri, Odisha, was assaulted and then abandoned near the Sarai Kale Khan area. It would take more than three weeks for Delhi Police to apprehend the suspects in what was an elaborate and challenging investigation. This case, though one among many, casts an intense spotlight on Delhi's persistent challenges with women's safety. Despite widespread public outrage, nationwide protests, and even legislative reforms spurred by the 2012 Nirbhaya case, the city remains one of the most dangerous places for women. This incident underscores the gaps in ensuring safety, accountability, and justice for women, despite heightened scrutiny and the promises made over the years. In the wake of the Nirbhaya gang rape, public demands for justice led to



significant legal reforms, including amendments to the Criminal Law in 2013. These included harsher punishments for sexual offenders and the establishment of fast-track courts. The Delhi Police increased surveillance, deployed women patrol teams, and set up additional helplines. However, cases like this illustrate that systemic changes alone haven't proven sufficient to curb these crimes. Although police presence has increased, patrols are often sparse in secluded areas where many such crimes occur.

There are also challenges with delayed response times and gaps in the training and sensitivity of law enforcement officials towards victims of sexual violence.

Crimes against women are frequently dismissed or downplayed, especially in cases where victims are perceived as "easy targets." The perpetrators in this case allegedly targeted the survivor believing she was mentally unwell. Many survivors face severe trauma, which impacts their ability to recount details of the assault or pursue legal recourse effectively. While authorities in this case took extraordinary steps to support the survivor, such efforts are still rare. Establishing accessible and widespread trauma-informed support systems is crucial for the safety and wellbeing of survivors. This horrific incident should prompt a critical examination of the measures that have failed Delhi's women. Reforms need to extend beyond legal frameworks and involve deeper societal and systemic changes. Expanding surveillance to cover secluded areas, introducing real-time monitoring could enhance response times and deter potential offenders. Law enforcement must receive adequate training in trauma-informed approaches, victim sensitivity, and rigorous investigative procedures. Transforming societal attitudes towards women and sexual violence is critical. Public campaigns and educational programmes that challenge stereotypes and promote empathy can help change the culture that enables such violence.



India 2047: Towards a unified developed nation



Achieving 'Viksit Bharat' will demand a collective effort to foster religious harmony, address environmental threats and navigate global tensions

ndia awaits 2047 as it aspires to become one of the developed nations, and obviouslv. that would mean striving, sincerely and collectively for the welfare of each of its citizens. Hopefully, in the Viksit Bharat, none would need a free ration, and freebies doled out as allurements for votes would become history. It would also unhindered availability of potable water, clean air, an all-weather roof over their heads, and freedom from a 'no-work-to-do' situation. Hunger, ill health and malnutrition would become history! India would have a system of education that would ensure equality of access and success at the same level' for the children of the Lutyens zone and those in the Jhabua Village!

Education shall no longer remain a 'necessary utopia'! Moving in this direction necessitates getting rid of communal disharmony and socio-cultural exclusion of every kind. We expect a nation that no longer suffers the minoritymajority concerns! Having seriously studied various aspects of social cohesion and religious amity - or social and religious cohesion and amity - in India, there is no escape from acknowledging that it is a very complex conundrum of communal curvatures that are resistant to various well-intentioned initiatives to smoothen it out.

There are human values that are common to every religion, and these could become the ground for cementing comradery without in any way interfering with the ways of faith and religious practices. The global rise of fundamentalism, terrorism, and fanaticism, and the consequent expansion of distrust, oppression and seclusion are certainly not conducive to a better life for the people, no matter how many more gadgets are made available in their

Sadly enough, it was very clear at the turn of the millennium that in days ahead, things would get tougher for leadership to handle, and the very survival of the numan race would be at stake. In — the fragile relationship that has the third decade of the 21st cenexisted all along, was fuelled tury, humanity and the planet during the freedom struggle Earth confront the challenges and led to the partition of



The tensions, turmoil and anxiety that all of this creates are now being experienced everywhere, particularly in the West, which accepted the refugees and intruders with open arms, many of them are now repenting their policies of the past! The rise of distrust and apprehension constitutes greater danger than sporadic violence the instances of which are increasing in European

These examples give some indications of the world before the young of today, and those who would wield power tomorrow!

India is a major Asian nation that suffers from a huge influx of illegal migrants, and most of them get support from several political parties. It is clear that this support is based purely on communal considerations, and is certainly not in the national interest. It adds to



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gious amity remained elusive. The two-nation theory was elaborated in an oft-quoted speech of Sir Syed Ahmad Khan in his Meerut speech delivered in March 1888, his view of the scenario that may emerge after the British leave: "Is it possible that under these circumstances two nations the Mohammadans and the Hindus – could sit on the same throne and remain equal in power? Most certainly not." Sir Syed was one of the most respected and admired of the leaders of the Muslim community who had opened the doors of modern education for them, and hence, the enlightened Muslim youth adored him. The essence of the above represented the prevailing sentiments of the Muslim community, and these were perpetuated by others, particularly by those who opposed the views of Sir Syed on modern educa-

India, the possibility of achiev-

ing social cohesion and reli-

idea of two nations! Subsequently, in the same lecture, Sir Syed elaborates his views further: the principle of a representative government is 'that it is government by a nation, and that the nation in question rules over its own beopie and own land. It is as simple as that: there could be no possibility of any representative government elected by

They, however, grabbed the

Hindus and Muslims together ever ruling over India consisting not only of the nations of Hindus and Muslims but others who should also constitute nations of their own. Indian democracy establishes that communal harmony is possible, and the two communities are equally enlightened to work together.

While Sir Syed deserves and gets praise for his futuristic outlook on modern education and its dire need to uplift the Muslims, it would certainly remain a matter of serious debate whether his definition of two nations did create a lasting impact on the psyche of the community that persists even

The doctrine of the two-nation theory finally got buried with the formation of Bangladesh, and emerging multi-religious societies in Europe. If there is one nation that could present a functional model of religious unity it is India, the Hindus and the Muslims of India. Nowhere else, the equality of all religions is so deep-rooted in thought and deed as in the ancient Indian culture. It could be revived by the hereditary dialogical tradition which has excelled historically.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITO

India's AI dilemma: Balancing innovation with job security



As AI transforms industries globally, it also raises concerns about job displacement in India, especially within sectors like IT, management and creative fields

rtificial intelligence (AI) is reshaping Lindustries across the globe and India is no exception. The introduction of AI promises growth opportunities, new business models, and enhanced competitiveness in the global market. However, it also raises significant concerns, especially around job security. This is particularly true for workers in sectors perceived as more susceptible to automation, such as IT, management, writing, and entertainment.

The duality of optimism for AI's potential and anxieties over job displacement is a pressing issue for India as it seeks to balance these per-

spectives In the business sector, AI is primarily used to automate routine tasks and streamline management functions, resulting in improved decision-making capabilities. Middle management roles are especially vulnerable to automation as AI takes on complex tasks, such as supply chain, data, and customer management, with minimal human intervention. By optimising these operations, companies achieve greater control



potential cost of middle-management jobs.

Similarly, the creative industries are feeling the impact of AI. Fields such as modeling, advertising, voice acting, and content creation face increasing competition from AIgenerated graphics, voices, and written content. AI models are now advanced enough to produce realistic images, draft coherent articles, and even mimic human voices, reducing the need for human involvement in creative tasks. This shift leaves specialists in these areas concerned about future employment prospects. The challenge lies in adapting to these changes, harnessing the benefits of AI while mitigating job loss.

The Indian government recognises the implications of

AI on job creation and is actively working to address these challenges. One of its main strategies is to focus on human capital development and workforce preparedness. Initiatives like the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojna (PMKVY) aim to upskill a significant portion of the population, emphasising AI, machine learning, and robotics. These initiatives intend to create new job opportunities in AI while managing its impact on the workforce. The private sector is also contributing to this effort. Major Indian IT firms, such as Ínfosys, Wipro, and Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), have launched extensive upskilling programmes to prepare their employees for

the digital future. Infosys, for instance, has developed a global training initiative to help its workforce keep pace with advancements in Al and other emerging technologies. These transformation-focused programs prioritise skills in AI, cloud computing, and data science, equipping workers to stay relevant in a rapidly evolving

iob market. Some companies are also

finding ways to integrate AI that enhance, rather than replace, human productivity. Transitioning to an AI-driven economy has its benefits and challenges. On one hand, AI is expected to spur economic growth and innovation, creating new opportunities. On the other hand, it raises concerns about job security and the redistribution of work. Addressing these challenges requires a collaborative effort among workers, businesses, and the government.

For workers, adaptability is key, requiring a willingness to acquire new skills and embrace evolving work environments. For businesses and policymakers, there is a shared responsibility to invest in reskilling initiatives and create jobs that align with AIdriven changes. By prioritising human capital and fostering a proactive approach to workforce development, India can position itself to benefit from AI while minimising the risk of widespread job displacement.

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SC UPHOLDS MADARSA ACT

Madam — Recently, the Supreme Court, in its landmark judgement has upheld the constitutional validity of Uttar Pradesh Board of Madarsa Education Act 2004, reversing an Allahabad High Court ruling that" it was nconstitutional." The Madarsa Act provides a legal framework for these institutions in UP. The Allahabad High Court had said in its judgement that the Act made it compulsory for students to study Islam and more modern subjects were made optional, which is a violation of the right to free compulsory education under Article 21A of the Constitution.

By upholding the educational rights of minority communities in Uttar Pradesh, the Supreme Court has now confirmed the state can regulate the madarsa education board to ensure standards of excellence. Also, SC observed that though minorities have a right under Article 30 of the Constitution to establish and administer madarsa to impart religious or secular education, the right is not absolute. SC has also said that so long as the regulation is reasonable and rational, states can regulate aspects of education in minority institutions without violating their rights to handle the administration. At the same time, in a significant move, SC has struck down a part of the Madarsa Act's section 9 which allows the Board to grant degrees as it is against UGC norms. In general, the SC verdict not only safeguards the right of madarsa students to pursue education but also affirms the constitutional principles that protect religious minorities and their educational institutions.

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TRUMP'S HISTORIC WIN

Madam— Apropos to "Trump wins hands down" published on November 7. Someone who has so many serious cases against him that even his candidature was not confirmed, and from that situation to secure candidature, surviving two

Gambling's global impact



ambling, casinos, and betting, once limited and far less accessible, have now become available 24 hours a day through social media, mobile phones, and gambling apps. In the past, individuals had to travel and stand in queues to participate in such activi-

hate him, but he is here to stay.

this verdict cannot be construed against

Kamala Harris, it is more against the Joe

Biden administration. She hardly had 100

days to prepare, campaign, and fight. The

world would hope that Trump walks the

talk and plays a big role in ending the war

Trump's policies would be keenly

watched because if he follows America's

first policy, then Indian exporters in tex-

tiles, pharma and automobiles may feel

the pinch and H1-B rules could further

in Ukraine-Russia

ties. This easy access has significantly accelerated the harmful impact of gambling. To date, an estimated 450 million people worldwide have faced negative consequences, including severe financial losses, deteriorating physical and mental health, broken family relationships,

and, tragically, suicide. These alarming trends paint a grim and toxic picture of our global future. The issue doesn't spare any age group. Research shows that 15.8 per cent of adults are addicted to gambling, with an even higher rate of 26.4 per cent among adolescents. Given the severity of the situation, it is imperative for the world to introduce and implement comprehensive strategies to address this crisis. Learning from the past, it must act decisively to safeguard future generations and build a healthier, safer society

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assassination attempts and becoming be tightened, which could mean Indian President again is a massive turnaround IT professionals and companies will be and achievement, and it would be an adversely impacted. understatement to call Trump a proverbial phoenix. He is now the oldest per-**DELHI CONGRESS NYAY YATRA** son in US history to be elected president. He may have been out of power from Madam — The Delhi Congress com-2020 to 2024, but he was never away from menced a month-long 'Nyay Yatra' on

November 8, with the goal of tending to America's psyche. Either you love him or residents' concerns and advocating for His main poll planks were reviving the governmental action. Senior leaders such US economy, vanishing inflation, and illeas Mallikarjun Kharge, Rahul Gandhi, gal immigration, and all these seem to have resonated with US voters. Moreover,

and K C Venugopal have been invited to spearhead the troop, which will traverse all 70 Vidhan Sabha constituencies. This was disclosed by state unit chief Devender Yadav. Congress workers will engage with locals to listen to their concerns and collect suggestions. Running until December 4, the campaign will showcase a variety of community mem-

bers and act as a precursor to the upcoming Assembly elections. Neha Tomar | Ujjain

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TRUMP 2.0: IMPACT ON INDIA

Trump's return could offer India a pivotal role in global tech and manufacturing



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he third time is a charm, as the saying goes and we are not talking about PM Modi coming back to power for three consecutive terms, but his close friend, the 47th President of the US, Donald Trump. Having successfully dodged a couple of bullets (quite literally), impeachments, and felony charges, President Trump, triumphed over the collective choice of the most powerful economy in the world the United States of America. While the right-wingers across the globe, including in India celebrated his victory, as a literal victory for the "RIGHT" and what they saw as the tyranny of the so-called "left" liberals, President Trump 2.0 is most likely to be more nuanced than his version one. What it means for India is a mixed box of chocolates which can be bitter or boldly sweet depending on the pick.

President-elect Trump is known to be a hard negotiator, particularly on trade topics and he has famously described India as one of the highest offenders on this front. He is a businessman with decades of experience and has a transactional approach to trade, something not alien to Indian politicians particularly, from the Western regions. Trump's presidency 1.0 and the humungous growth in India-US bilateral commercial relations, plus a business-oriented Indian government at the centre, for now over a decade, has also served as a training ground for several tough negotiators to emerge from the bureaucratic class in India. Therefore, while officials in the government are aware of the tough negotiations ahead with the US on trade-related matters or import tariffs or say restrictions, they are hopeful, of finding a middle path given their familiarity with the President's style of functioning.



The dragon in the room would be cagey, as President-elect Trump in the run-up to the elections has vowed to impose stiff tariffs on imports from China. This may be great news for India, especially with the current government's focus being on making Bharat the manufacturing hub for electronics hardware, at least for the region.

Indian bureaucrats pushing the manufacturing envelope are deeply aware, that developing India into a hub, is a long-term game that may outlive the current regimes in DC and Delhi. They are also acutely aware that, by allowing friendshoring to India, by large US companies in the China plus one model, Trump will have an advantage. He could negotiate this card by pressuring India to buy perhaps more hydrocarbons or defence technology from the US. While the technology partnership was not primarily the centrepiece of India US bilateral relationship under Trump 1.0. his successor Joe Biden created a delectable topping with cooperation on critical and emerging technologies as an important element of the partnership. Initiatives such as iCET (initiative for critical and emerging technologies) which are directly monitored by the heads of both countries have put an unwavering sanctity to the tech partnership between the two democracies.

President Trump could either encourage US tech to keep fulfilling India's avowed target of being the next global electronics manufacturing hub while holding it as a bargaining chip, or, he may find a creative solution to persuade some of these companies to shift back some of their factories to domestic shores. The latter possibility seems unlikely as Donald Trump has, traditionally been a huge supporter of creating more jobs for Americans in the old manufacturing sectors. Much of President Trump's technology policy is likely to be curated by his biggest donor and tech czar Elon Musk. Elon Musk has business interests in China where he has some of his largest Tesla factories, besides, he has been trying to enter the Indian automobile market with little success. His other business interests including satellite-based telecommunication services, have struggled to start beaming in India. Many of these factors would determine the crucial next four years of the Modi-Trump era

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Trump's return: A radical shift in US foreign policy KS TOMAR



As Donald Trump returns to the White House, he may redefine the boundaries of American leadership and influence in an increasingly multipolar world

rump's return to the White House in 2024 sparks a torrent of questions about the future of NATO, the American economy, relationships with allies, and the trajectory of the Ukraine war. Trump's previous tenure exhibited a strong tilt toward "America First" policies, frequently challenging long-standing global alliances and multilateral commitments. A Trumpled presidency, therefore, could dramatically shift the geopolitical landscape, leaving allies like NATO in uncertainty, reorienting America's economic policies, testing India's balancing act, and redefining

The Future of NATO: Endurance or Erosion? NATO, the cornerstone of Western defence since 1949, stands as a central topic of speculation with Trump's return. During his presidency, Trump questioned the alliance's relevance, particularly its financial obligations, going as far as to imply a possible US withdrawal if members didn't contribute "their fair share." This stance generated unease among NATO allies, who rely on the US for critical defence resources, particularly amid heightened Russian aggression. As Trump resumes office, his approach to NATO could undergo even bolder recalibration. The European defence structure, largely dependent on the US, might face significant strategic and funding shifts, possibly prompting European powers to take on more defence responsibilities. A reduction in US military and financial support for NATO might embolden adversarial actors, especially Russia. A scaled-back US commitment could mean vulnerabilities for Eastern European countries like Poland and the Baltic states, which depend on NATO's security umbrella to counter Russian expansionism. The impact on NATO, therefore, hinges heavily on Trump's strategic decisions regarding alliance burden-sharing and his capacity to persuade European allies to increase their defence expenditures.

The Global Stakes: A Pivotal Crossroads The implications of Trump's return extend far beyond America's borders. With China's rise and Russia's ambitions continuing to shape global security dynamics, Trump's foreign policy choices will carry weighty consequences. His transactional approach to alliances, "America First" economics, and unpredictable stance on defence alliances could reshape international relationships, with traditional allies rethinking their reliance on US support. His handling of NATO's commitments, the Ukraine war, and relations with global powers like India and China will determine the future stability of Western influence and the global balance of power.

China and India: Competing powers: Under Trump, the US-China relationship could revert to one defined by rivalry, as he has consistently advocated a tough stance on China's trade practices and global ambitions. Trump may reassert his strict tariffs on Chinese goods and impose even tighter restrictions on Chinese companies operating in the US, aiming to curb china's influence in areas like technology and manufacturing. For India, Trump's return poses a mix of opportunities and challenges. His administration was notably warm toward India, fostering stronger economic and defence ties through agreements such as the "2+2" Dialogue. A renewed focus on countering China could make India a key strategic partner, particularly in the Indo-Pacific. Trump might offer India more defence cooperation or



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technology transfers, potentially strengthening India's military and economic positioning in Asia. However, India's balancing act between the US and Russia given India's defence ties with Moscow—could be complicated if Trump takes a firm stance against the Ukraine conflict. India's careful neutrality on the Russia-Ukraine issue might attract scrutiny, with Trump possibly expecting more alignment with US strategic priorities.

Economic Fallout-America's Financial Future: Trump's economic approach has traditionally leaned toward protectionism, focusing on restoring jobs, renego-tiating trade deals, and limiting dependence on foreign supply chains. This economic philosophy could be reinvigorated if he returns to the Oval Office, with potential implications for trade, inflation, and employment in the US. One ossible outcome is the continuation or even intensification of tariffs on China, aimed at reducing the US trade deficit. However, these tariffs historically contributed to increased costs for American consumers and businesses, raising prices on imported goods and creating inflationary pressures.

Another protectionist push could have similar consequences, forcing Americans to pay more for everyday products as companies pass on tariff costs.

Trump's "America First" approach could also mean tax reforms or incentives for companies to manufacture domestically. This reshoring could create jobs but would also drive up production costs due to higher wages, potentially making US goods less cominternationally. Furthermore, a rigid stance on trade could strain relations with economically integrated allies, terms perceived as fair to the US., which could disrupt existing agreements and introduce new economic tensions globally.

Allies under Pressure: A Reshaped Global Order?

The Trump administration's approach to alliances was often unpredictable, blending close relationships with some leaders while alienating others. His "transactional" foreign policy style prioritised immediate gains over long-standing partnerships, which led to fractures with allies. Now Trump's return could mean intensified pressure on allies to prioritise bilateral deals over multilateral cooperation, transforming relationships with the EU, Japan, South Korea, and other allies. Trump's policies toward Europe might manifest in demands for favourable trade deals or concessions on defence spending.

For Japan and South Korea, his reemergence could signal heightened pressure to contribute more to their defence arrangements, potentially testing their security alliances with the US. Even Middle Eastern allies, like Saudi Arabia, could face new expectations under a Trump administration more interested in specific, tangible returns on US. support rather than abstract commitments.

The Ukraine War: A Fractured Consensus?

Trump's return to the White House could introduce an alternative perspective on the Ukraine conflict, deviating from the largely unified Western support for Ukraine. Trump has openly criticised high US financial aid to Ukraine, signalling his belief that European countries should shoulder more of the burden.

With the conflict consuming bil-

ment, putting pressure on European allies to increase their support and potentially compelling Ukraine to consider negotiations. A Trump-led administration might seek to avoid confrontation with Russia, which could weaken Ukraine's position on the battlefield. Trump's emphasis on diplomacy over confrontation with Moscow could affect NATO's cohesion, with some members potentially favouring a stronger stance against Russia while the US takes a more hands-off approach. This scenario could embolden Russia, who might see a shift in US leadership as a chance to pursue more aggressive tactics in Ukraine or even attempt to influence other former Soviet territories.

The fate of the Ukraine war, therefore, would depend largely on Trump's approach—whether he chooses to maintain US. support ior Kyiv or pivot toward encour aging negotiations, potentially shifting the course of the conflict and signalling a new era of US-Russia dynamics. In many ways, Trump's presidency would signify a recalibration of American foreign policy, returning to his brand of nationalism mixed with pragma-

However, this approach could generate friction with allies, alter the global economy, and challenge existing diplomatic norms. Whether this path will foster a stronger, more self-reliant US or an isolated and fragmented world order remains to be seen. As Trump is poised to start second term, his return promises to redefine the boundaries of American leadership and influence in an increasingly multipolar world. (The writer is strategic affairs analyst and political analyst based in

Expanding healthcare for India's elderly: A new phase for PM-JAY

Comprehensive healthcare needs of India's rapidly growing elderly population require further policy evolution, aiming for a holistic, sustainable healthcare system for the aging citizens

ndia is home to a significant elderly population, **▲** with approximately 138 million people aged 60 and above, including more than 10 crore individuals over the age of 70. This segment of the population has unique and pressing healthcare needs. As people age, they are increasingly susceptible to multiple chronic conditions that require specialised care and consistent medical attention. According to the Longitudinal Ageing Study of India (LASI), every fourth Indian over 60 years and every fifth Indian over 45 years reports poor health. Additionally, 75 per cent of the elderly have one or more chronic diseases, and 40 per cent experience disabilities. 1 in 4 elderly individuals has treatments and consistent make it increasingly chal-



multi-morbidity, with diabetes and cancer rates rising, particularly in urban areas. As per the Global Health Estimates data of 2019, noncommunicable diseases such as ischemic heart diseases, stroke, and diabetes are leading causes of disabilityadjusted life years (DALYs) lost among individuals over 60. This highlights the growing need for specialised

medical attention for agerelated disorders. The rising prevalence of hypertension, heart disease, and respiratory issues among the elderly increases the need for hospitalisation and specialised care, placing immense pressure on healthcare providers and overwhelming the eldery and their families. The financial burden associated with recurrent hospital visits and treatments is a significant challenge.

Also, India's current medical inflation rate, standing at approximately 14 per cent which worsens the healthcare difficulties confronting the elderly. Escalating medical costs, including those for hospitalisation, doctor consultations, and medications,

lenging for this vulnerable population to access necessary care. Inflation, coupled with the high cost of living, leaves many elderly individuals struggling to afford even basic healthcare ser-

Additionally, as medical inflation continues to rise, insurance companies are compelled to cover higher expenses for medical procedures and treatments. This, in turn, results in increased premiums for policyholders. For many elderly individuals, these higher insurance costs compound the financial burden, deepening the overall healthcare affordability crisis.

While the expansion of the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana



(AB PM-JAY) is a significant step towards improving healthcare access, covering an additional 6 crore individuals from 4.5 crore families, and focusing on seniors aged 70 and above, several challenges persist in the insurance market. Current insurance products are limited, particularly for individuals over the age of 70. Preexisting diseases (PED) such

as diabetes, cardiovascular conditions, and cancer often result in waiting periods or outright denial of coverage. Furthermore, insurance premiums for senior citizens are substantially higher due to the associated health risks, making insurance unaffordable for many. Denial of insurance based on PED, combined with exorbitant premiums, often forces elderly individuals to rely on personal savings or government schemes, leaving them without adequate financial protection against serious

According to the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), India's elderly population is projected to nearly triple by 2050, reaching 320 million. This demo- age, many individuals may

graphic shift will necessitate more comprehensive solutions to safeguard the wellbeing of the nation's senior citizens. While the expansion of PM-JAY is a welcome development, it does not fully address the broader geriatric needs of India's aging population.

AB PM-JAY is largely limited to inpatient care. The scheme does not cover outpatient services, which make up a considerable portion of healthcare costs. Research published in İnternational Journal of Preventive Medicine shows that outpatient care accounts

for 40-80 per cent of health

expenditures in India.

Consequently, even with the

enhanced insurance cover-

hospitalisation. There is an urgent need to expand coverage to include services such as long-term care, outpatient services, mental health support, palliative care, and rehabilita-

continue to face out-of-

pocket expenses for treat-

ments that do not require

the elderly. Additionally, the government must focus on reducing financial barriers to healthcare, such as high insurance premiums, and ensuring the inclusion of PED coverage without long waiting periods.

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New law allows Israel to deport kin of attackers | Israeli police, French consulate

Experts expect it to be struck down

srael's parliament passed a law early Thursday that **⊥** would allow it to deport family members of Palestinian attackers, including the country's own citizens, to the warravaged Gaza Strip or other locations.

The law, which was championed by members of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's Likud party and his far-right allies, passed with a 61-41 vote. However, legal experts said that any attempt to implement the legislation would likely lead to it being struck down by Israeli courts.

The law would apply to Palestinian citizens of Israel and residents of annexed east Ierusalem who knew about their family members' attacks beforehand or who "express support or identification with the act of terrorism."

They would be deported, either to the Gaza Strip or another location, for a period of seven to 20 years. The Israel-Hamas

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Addressing the plenary ses-

sion of the Valdai Discussion

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Putin has said.

war is still raging in Gaza, where tens of thousands have been killed and most of the population has been internaldisplaced, often multiple

It was unclear if the law would apply in the occupied West Bank, where Israel already has a long-standing policy of

demolishing family homes of attackers, which critics decry as collective punishment. Palestinians have carried out scores of stabbing, shooting and car-ramming attacks against Israelis in recent years. Oded Feller, a legal adviser to the Association for Civil Rights in Israel, dismissed the law as "populist nonsense." He said it was unlikely to be applied, because there is no legal way for the Interior Ministry to send an Israeli citizen to another country or to Gaza.

His organisation doesn't plan to challenge the law unless authorities try to enforce it, in which case he expects any court challenge to succeed. Eran Shamir-Borer, a senior

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Calling India a great country, Putin said: "We are develop-

ing relations with India in all

directions. India is a great country, now the largest in terms of population: 1.5 bil-lion people, plus 10 million every year.

He said India is leading the

world in economic growth.
"Our vision of where and at

what pace our relations will develop is based on today's

realities. The volume of our

cooperation is increasing

many times over, every year," Putin was quoted by Russian

every year.

further growth," he said.

researcher at the Israel Democracy Institute and a former international law expert for the Israeli military, agreed that the law was likely to be struck down by the Supreme

He said that if a resident of east Jerusalem was deported under the law, it could be seen by many in the international community as a violation of the Fourth Geneva Convention, because they view the area as occupied territory, although Israel does not.

The deportation of an Israeli citizen could be seen not only as a violation of their constitutional rights under Israeli law, but also as a breach of their human rights under international law, he said.

The law could also be seen as a form of collective punishment and as discriminatory, because it appears to only apply to Arab citizens and residents, and not to family members of Jews convicted under terrorism laws. The bottom line is this is completely nonconstitutional and a

Putin added that the contacts

between India and Russia in

the security and defence

Look at how many types of

Russian military equipment

are in service with the Indian

armed forces. There is a great

degree of trust in this relation-

ship. We don't just sell our

weapons to India; we design

Putin named the BrahMos

cruise missile project as an

"In fact, we made it [the mis-

sile] fit for use in three envi-

ronments - in air, in sea and

on land. These projects, con-

ducted for the benefit of

sphere are developing.

them jointly," he said.

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clear conflict to Israel's core values," Shamir-Borer said. Israel's national security min-

ister, Itamar Ben-Gvir, a Jewish West Bank settler leader who was himself convicted of terrorism crimes as a political activist years ago, praised the new law, noting that a member of his Jewish Power party was among the sponsors. "Jewish Power is making history!" he wrote on

Israel captured Gaza, the West Bank and east Jerusalem in the 1967 Middle East war - territories the Palestinians want for their future state. It withdrew settlers and soldiers from Gaza in 2005, but has reoccupied parts of the territory since Hamas' attack on October 7, 2023 triggered the war.

Israel annexed east Jerusalem in a move not recognised by most of the international community. Palestinians there have permanent residency and are allowed to apply for citizenship, but most choose not to, and those who do face a series of

India's security, are ongoing,

"This is widely known and no

one has issues with that, but

these projects demonstrate a

high level of mutual trust and

cooperation. So this what we

will keep doing in the near

term, and, I hope, will continue to do in the more distant

Putin acknowledged certain

difficulties on the border

between India and China, the

However, he said wise and

competent people who keep

the future of their nations in

mind, are searching for com-

promises and will eventually

future," he said.

agency reported.

Palestinians living in Israel make up around 20 per cent of the country's population. They have citizenship and the right to vote but face widespread discrimination. Many also have close family ties to those in the territories and most sympathize with the Palestinian cause. A second law that was passed

Thursday allows minors between the ages of 12 and 14 to be sentenced to prison for murder or attempted murder under terrorism laws, though they must be held in a secure facility before being transferred to prison at age 14.

Previously, minors of those ages were not allowed to be sentenced to prison, according to Adalah, a legal advocacy group. It claimed the law was motivated by "revenge" and said it would affect Palestinian citizens of Israel and residents of east Jerusalem.

Palestinians in the occupied West Bank can already be sen-

tenced from age 12 under Israeli military laws in the territory, Adalah said. Putin greets

Russian President Vladimir Putin on Thursday congratulated Donald Trump on his election victory in his first public comment on the US vote, and he praised the president-elect's courage during the July assassi-

"His behaviour at the moment of an attempt on his life left an impression on me. He turned out to be a brave man," Putin said at an international forum following a speech in the Black Sea resort of Sochi. "He manifested himself in the very correct way, bravely as a man," he added. Putin also said that what Trump has said "about the desire to restore relations with Russia, to help end the Ukrainian crisis, in my opinion,

Trump on poll victory

nation attempt.

deserves attention at least."

time when we all need to make progress in the region on the road to peace," Barrot told reporters in

Jerusalem. Barrot was meeting with Israeli officials Thursday in the city, where he pleaded for a cease-fire

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visit to the site.

Netanyahu.

coming days.

Armed Israeli police forced their way into a French-

owned church compound in the

contested city of Jerusalem on

Thursday, the French foreign

ministry said, briefly detaining

two consulate employees and

prompting the top French diplo-

mat to abandon his planned

The unusual incident threat-

ened to further strain relations

between Israel and France weeks

after French President

Emmanuel Macron's call for an

arms embargo on Israel prompt-

ed backlash from right-wing

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin

The French Foreign Ministry said

it would summon the Israeli

ambassador in protest in the

A strongly worded statement

from France said Israeli security

forces had intruded on the court-

vard of the Church of the Pater

Noster, angering French Foreign

Minister Jean-Noël Barrot and

prompting him to abandon his

scheduled visit there. The min-

istry said Israeli police detained

two staff members of the French

Consulate in Jerusalem despite

their diplomatic status, adding

that the employees were released

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only after Barrot intervened.

mer French protectorate that Israel invaded last month in its broadening military campaign against the Iran-backed Hezbollah militant group. "These actions are unacceptable," the French Foreign

staff clash at Jerusalem church

ic solution in Lebanon — a for-

Ministry statement said of Thursday's fracas between Israeli security forces and French diplomatic staffers. "France condemns (these actions) all the more vigorously as they come at a time when it is doing everything it can to work towards de-escalating the violence in the region." Israeli police portrayed the con-

troversy as a misunderstanding, saying that two church workers who declined to identify themselves had refused entry to Israeli security guards accompanying Minister Barrot on his church visit. Israeli police said they held the men for some 20 minutes and released them once they were identified as employees of the French Consulate in Jerusalem, which is the protector of French religious communities and four holy sites in the city.

The Israeli police said all foreign ministers on official visits to Israel are assigned Israeli security guards for their trips. It said the logistics of Barrot's visit were worked out beforehand with the French Embassy in Israel, warning the public against contributing to "misleading narratives" about the altercation.

The compound that Barrot had planned to visit — on the Mount of Olives overlooking the Old City of Jerusalem — holds a church originally built by Crusaders that believed the site to be where Jesus taught the Pater

to stop the Israeli bombardment Noster, or Lord's Prayer. It was later acquired by Princess Héloïse of Gaza and called for a diplomatde la Tour d'Auvergne, who had the prayer written in calligraphy in numerous languages on the walls of the cloisters and courtyard, also home to the the ruins of the Byzantine Eleona Church. The site was entrusted to French Carmelite nuns in 1874.

This domain is not only one that has belonged to France for over 150 years," Barrot said. "It's one where France has ensured security and maintenance with enor mous care.

Thursday's incident was reminiscent of several others skirmishes over the years between irritated French officials and assertive Israeli bodyguards.

In 2020, President Macron lost his temper at Israeli security officers who had insisted on accompanying him inside another French church in Jerusalem. In 1996, then-French President Jacques Chirac accused Israeli security forces of pushing and shoving his entourage in a spat that even drew an apology from a young Prime Minister Netanyahu during his first year in office.

Such stand-offs take on symbolic significance in Jerusalem, among the most fiercely contested swaths of real estate on earth. Israel has viewed Ierusalem as its "unified, eternal" capital since capturing east Jerusalem, which includes the Old City, in the 1967 Mideast war, along with the West Bank and Gaza. Palestinians want those territories for their future state, with east Jerusalem serv ing as their eventual capital. Israel annexed the eastern part of the city in a move not recognized internationally



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Athat five people were hospitalised and 62 arrested after authorities said antisemitic rioters attacked Israeli supporters following a soccer match.

The police said in a post on X that they have started a major investigation into multiple violent incidents. The post did not

those injured or detained in Thursday night's violence. Earlier, a statement issued by the Dutch capital's municipality, police and prosecution office said that the night following the Europa League match between Aiax and Maccabi Tel Aviv "was very turbulent with several incidents of violence aimed at

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semitic. Israel announced it was sending planes to the Dutch capital to fly fans home. It was not immediately clear when and where violence erupted after the match

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protect Israeli supporters and escort them to hotels. Despite the massive police presence in the city, Israeli supporters have been injured," the Amsterdam statement said. 'This outburst of violence

toward Israeli supporters is unacceptable and cannot be defended in any way. There is no excuse for the antisemitic behaviour exhibited last night by rioters who actively sought out Israeli supporters to attack and

assault them," it added. Authorities said extra police would patrol the city in coming days and security will be beefed up at Jewish institutions in the city that has a large Jewish community and was home to Jewish World War II diarist Anne Frank and her family as they hid

from Nazi occupiers. The violence erupted despite a ban on a pro-Palestinian

demonstration near the soccer stadium imposed by Amsterdam Mayor Femke Halsema, who had feared that clashes would break out between protesters and supporters of the Israeli soccer club. There were also incidents

involving fans ahead of the match. Dutch broadcaster NOS reported that a Palestinian flag was ripped off a building in the centre of the city and riot police blocked pro-Palestinian supporters trying to march toward the Johan Cruyff Arena stadium where the match was being

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Philippine President signs new laws to secure sea territory

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 $P_{\text{Ferdinand Marcos Jr}}^{\text{hilippine}} \stackrel{\text{President}}{\text{Marcos Jr}}$ signed two laws on Friday reaffirming the extent of his country's maritime territories and right to resources, including in the South China Sea, where the new laws clash with Beijing's extensive territorial claims.

The move angered Beijing, and China's foreign ministry said it summoned the Philippines ambassador to China to lodge a "stern protest." The ministry condemned the move as an attempt to "solidify the illegal ruling of the South China Sea arbitration case through domestic legislation."

Confrontations between Chinese and Philippine coast guard and naval forces in the disputed sea passage have spiked alarmingly since last year. That has sparked fears that the United States — Manila's longtime treaty ally — may get drawn in a major

conflict The laws, called the Philippine Maritime Zones act and the Philippine Archipelagic Sea Lanes act, were signed by Marcos in a nationally televised ceremony attended by top military and national security offi-

They further cement Manila's rejection of China's claims to virtually the entire sea pas-

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disclosed publicly.

and stiff fines for violators. "These signal our resolve to protect our maritime resources, preserve our rich biodiversity and ensure that our waters remain a source of life and livelihood for all Filipinos," Marcos said.

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Mao Ning said the move "seriously infringes on China's territorial sovereignty and maritime rights and interests in the South China Sea."

"China strongly condemns and firmly opposes it," she

In a new national map it released last year, the Chinese government demarcated its claim to virtually the entire South China Sea with vague dash lines that drew protests and rejections from rival coastal states and government, including Malaysia, Vietnam, Taiwan, Indonesia and the Philippines.

The maritime zones act demarcates key parts of the Philippine archipelago's territory and outlying waters where it has full sovereignty and sovereign rights under international law and the 1982 UN Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS), Philippine officials said.

Those zones include the country's Exclusive Economic Zone, a 200-nautical-mile its claims.

boost slowing economy

China on Friday approved a 6 trillion yuan (\$839 billion) plan to help local govern-

ments refinance their mountains of debt, in

the latest push to rev up growth in the world's

The plan will be implemented over the next

three years, Xu Hongcai, vice-chairman of the

National People's Congress's financial and eco-

nomic committee, said at a news conference

Finance minister Lan Fo'an estimated that the

hidden debt of local governments was 14.3 tril-

lion yuan (\$2 trillion) at the end of 2023.

Hidden debt refers to debt that has not been

Lan said 2 trillion yuan would be allocated

each year from 2024 to 2026 to help local gov-

ernments resolve their debts. He estimated that

the amount of hidden debt will drop to 2.3 tril-

lion yuan (\$320.9 billion) by the end of 2028.

Officials also said Friday that the ceiling to

issue special bonds will be raised to 35.52 tril-

lion yuan (\$4.96 billion) from 29.52 trillion

Lan said that the implementation of such a

large-scale replacement measure indicates a

"fundamental shift" in China's approach to

debt restructuring and said that China's gov-

Analysts have called for bold, multi-trillion-

vuan measures to reinvigorate the world's sec-

ond largest economy, which has yet to bounce

back fully from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Local government debts have ballooned part-

ly due to high spending and low tax revenues

during the pandemic, but also due to a

downturn in the property industry, since sales

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The central bank loosened restrictions on bor-

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sage, and stipulate jail terms (370-kilometer) stretch of water, where a coastal state like the Philippines has exclusive rights to tap energy and other resources.

Foreign ships and aircraft have an internationally recognised right known as "innocent passage" to pass through such a zone, as long as the coastal state's security would not come under threat.

The archipelagic sea lanes

act allows the Philippines to designate sea lanes and air routes in the archipelago where foreign ships and aircraft could transit under its regulation and in compliance with international law. These legal instruments solidify our territory and enhances our ability to protect our country against any infringement," National

Ano said. Marcos said the laws comply with international law and the UNCLOS, but many of their provisions stand in stark contrast to Beijing's claims in the South China Sea and would likely be rejected and

Security Adviser Eduardo

defied by China. It's unclear how the Philippines could enforce the laws, which take effect 15 days after their publication in the government's official gazette or in a newspaper, given China's increasingly aggressive actions to push

Copies of the laws signed by Marcos were not immediately available but a final version of the maritime zones bill stated that "all artificial islands constructed within the Philippine EEZ belong to the Philippine government." China has transformed seven disputed reefs into what are now missile-protected island bases, including the Mischief Reef, which lies within the Philippines' Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ).

The law based the Philippines' maritime rights on UNCLOS, Philippine laws and a 2016 international arbitration ruling that invalidated China's extensive territorial claims based on historical grounds.

China refused to participate in that arbitration, rejected the ruling and continues to defy it.

Its massive coast guard, navy, air force and suspected militia fleets have used water cannons, military grade lasers and dangerous sea and air maneuvers to intimidate rival forces it accuses of straying into what Beijing calls its

Washington has repeatedly warned that it's obligated to defend the Philippines, its oldest treaty ally in Asia, if Filipino forces, aircraft or ships come under an armed attack in the disputed waters.

China approves \$840b plan to PUBLIC NOTICE , Ravindra Kumar S/o Dharmveer

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Government officials have indicated that could come at this week's meeting of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress, which must give official approval to any new spending.

The economy has shown signs of life in the past two months. Purchase subsidies offered to people who trade in old cars or appliances for new ones helped auto sales rebound in September. A survey of manufacturers turned positive in October after five straight months of decline, and exports surged 12.7% last month, the largest increase in more than two

For most of the year, the ruling Communist Party appeared more focused on addressing long-term structural issues with the economy rather than short-term ones. Previous steps to boost the economy were piecemeal, seemingly aimed at keeping the economy afloat rather than sparking a robust recovery. In recent weeks, the party has signaled a growing concern about the economy's sluggishness as it tries to meet its goal of achieving growth of around 5% this year. The I, KM. Pooja D/o Rajendra 's monetary easing lowed by government pronouncements that it still has ample funds to pump into the econ-

Still, the longer-term goals of transforming China into a high-tech and green energy economy seem likely to remain the chief aims of the Communist Party, which doesn't face election pressures like the ones that toppled the Democrats and swept Donald | the address. Mobile no Trump's Republicans to power in America | 8882002233.

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कार्यालय नगर निगम, देहरादून

नगर निगम, देहरादून द्वारा शहरी क्षेत्रान्तर्गत 184 यूनिपोल / होर्डिंग के माध्यम से विज्ञापन एवं 35000 विद्युत पोलों पर पोल क्योस्क के माध्यम से विज्ञापन प्रदर्शित किये जाने हेतू दिनांक 09.11.2024 को आमंत्रित ई० निविदा सम्बन्धी शुद्धि पत्र हेतु सार्वजनिक सूचना।

नगर निगम, देहरादून में यूनिपोल / होर्डिंग के माध्यम से विज्ञापन कार्य में सम्मिलित होने वाले समस्त विज्ञापन निविदादाताओं को सूचित किया जाता है कि नगर निगम देहरादून 184 यूनिपोल / होर्डिंग के माध्यम से विज्ञापन प्रदर्शित किये जाने हेत् कार्यालय पत्र सं०–158/भृमि०–2024–25 दिनांक 26.10.2024 तथा 35000 पोल क्योस्क के माध्यम से विज्ञापन प्रदर्शित किये जाने हेतु कार्यालय पत्र सं0–157 / भूमि–2024–25 दिनांक 26.10.2024 द्वारा समाचार पत्र दैनिक जागरण हिन्दुस्तान टाईम्स एवं पाईनियर के अंक दिनांक 27.10.2024 में प्रकाशित सार्वजनिक निविदा सूचना में दिनांक 09.11.2024 को विज्ञापन सम्बन्धी दोनों ई०निविदायें आमंत्रित की गयी है।

उक्त के क्रम में समस्त विज्ञापन निविदादाताओं को सूचित किया जाता है कि उपरोक्त निविदाओं में देनांक 13.11.2024 को सांय 4:00 बजे नगर आयुक्त नगर निगम देहरादून के कार्यालय कक्ष में प्री–बिड बैठक आहुत की गयी है। इच्छुक निविदादाता दिनांक 13.11.2024 की सांय 4:00 बजे बैठक में प्रतिभाग कर सकते हैं जिस हेत् उपरोक्त दोनों निविदाओं में दिनांक 08.11.2024 को सांय 4:00 तक मूल रूप में उपलब्ध करायी जाने वाली निर्धारित धनराशि की सी०डी०आर०/एफ०डी०आर० एवं तकनीकी दस्तावेजो को अग्रिम तिथि दिनांक 18.11.2024 को सांय 4:00 बजे तक नगर निगम कार्यालय में उपलब्ध कराये तथा निविदा भरने की अन्तिम तिथि दिनांक 09.11.2024 की अपरान्ह 2:00 बजे के स्थान पर ई०-निविदा की वित्तीय निविदा भरने की अन्तिम तिथि दिनांक 19.11.2024 की अपरान्ह 2:00 बजे तक निर्धारित की जाती है। नगर आयुक्त,

पत्रांक:-234 / भूमि-2024-25 दिनांक 08.11.2024

नगर निगम, देहरादून

Total Number of Securities: 441

UGRO UGRO Capital Limited 4th Floor, Tower 3, Equinox Business Park, LBS Road, Kurla, Mumbai 400070

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES BY PRIVATE TREATY

SALE NOTICE OF 15 DAYS FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSET(S) ["SECURED ASSET(S)"] BY PRIVATE TREATY UNDER THE SECURITIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 READ WITH PROVISO TO RULE 8 AND 9 OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Bo that the below described Secured Asset(s) mortgaged / charged to U GRO Capital Limited ("Secured Creditor") and POONAWALLA FINCORP LIMITED, having corporate identification number L51504PN1978PLC209007, holding a license to carry on business as a non-banking financial company registered with Reserve Bank of India and having its registered office at 601, 6th Floor, Zero One IT Park, Survey No. 79/1, Ghorpadi, Mundhwa Road, Pingle Wasti, Pune-411036, the possession of which has been taken by the authorised officer of Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is what is" and "As is where is" and "Whatever there is" basis, by way of private treaty after 15 days from this notice, for recovery of Rs. 70,22,922/- as on 07.09.2023 and further interest and other expenses thereon till the date of realization of amount, due to Secured Creditor from the Borrower(s) and nely 1) Deepu Furniture 2) Satish Kumar 3) Beena Devi. The Reserve Price will be Rs. 55,00,000/- and the earnest money deposit will be Rs. 5,50,000/-.

Description of Secured Asset(s):

All that Piece and Parcel of immovable property bearing House No. DB-83, (as Mauka Patwari Report area measuring 149.11 sq. yds (11.11 Sq. Yds + 138 Sq. yds), Gali No.5, situated at village Dabua, abad known as Lal Dora, Tehsil and District Faridabad, Haryana. Butted and Bounded on the East by Plot of Nathi, on the West by Plot of Rajpal Singh, on the North by Plot of Nathi, on the South by Road." For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in U GRO Capital Limited/Secured Creditor's website. i.e. www.ugrocapital.com or contact the undersign **Authorised Officer, UGRO Capital Limited**

Date: 09-11-2024, Place: Haryana

STORES E-PROCUREMENT E-procurement Tender Notice No. S/66/013/24-25 Dated:

New Jalpaiguri, NFR Qty: 18 KM.

06-11-2024. E-tenders are invited by the undersigned for the following works.

Tender No. KT245503 Closing/Opening date: 02-12-2024 Brief Description: PVC insulated Armoured Unscreened, under

ground Railway Signaling cable 12 core 1.5 sq mm copper to Spec.

no. IRS:S-63/2014 (Rev-4.0) with latest. Consignee: - SSE/SIG/

Note: For full details of tender notice and tender documents, tenderer may log on to the website (www.ireps.gov.in). Prospective bidder who intend to participate in above tender are required to log on themselves with the above website and submit their offer electronically, if they are already registered with IREPS. In Case they are not registered with IREPS, they are advised to obtain class-III Digital Signature Certificate from the certifying agencies under Govt, of India IT Act 2000 and participate in the above tenders.

> Dy. CMM/New Jalpaiguri **NORTHEAST FRONTIER RAILWAY**

E-Tender Notice

GURU NANAK DEV UNIVERSITY, AMRITSAR SHORT TERM E-TENDER NOTICE FOR SOPHISTICATED **EQUIPMENTS**

Term E-Tenders are invited for the purchase of Calenderin Machines, Computer Color Matching System, Single Color Roto Flat Printing Machine, Garment Design Software, Lab Coating Machine, Pad Thermo Fixation Range, Universal Testing Machine, High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC), Archery Equipments, Fencing Equipments and Sports Training Facility be submitted online latest by 23/11/2024 upto 4:00 p.m. Detailed information can be obtained from website www.eproc.punjab.gov.in. Any corrigendum/Addendum related to these e-tender will be uploaded, if required, on Punjab Govt. website eproc.punjab.gov.in

NA/12/26181/2023/38844 Dated CHD :- 11/8/2024

SIT&C of Prefabricated cold room/freezer room, Milk Chiller, crean Pasteurizer, Triple jacketed Cream Storage tank, Crate conveyor, S.S. pipp line/ Valves & fittings/CIP pump, Electric panel & cables at Dehradun Dair

SIT&C of Prefabricated cold room/Blast freezer room, Multi Purpose Mill Pasteurizer, Ghee Cattle and Ghee Clarifier at Khatima dairy plant

SIT&C of On line Cream separator at Almora dairy Plant

Indiabulls Enterprises Limited (CIN: U71290HR2019PLC077579)

					(Rs. in Crores	
Particulars	Quarter ended 30-Sep-24	Quarter ended 30-Jun-24	Quarter ended 30-Sep-23	Year to date 30-Sep-24	Year to date 30-Sep-23	Year ended 31-Mar-24
	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited
Total Income from operations	13.87	15.55	13.82	29.42	30.12	58.76
Net (Loss)/Profit for the period (before Tax, minority interest and Share of Profit / (Loss) of associates, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(13.36)	(2.97)	(2.94)	(16.33)	(2.94)	(25.20)
Net (Loss)/Profit for the period (before Tax, minority interest and Share of Profit / (Loss) of associates (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items))	(13.36)	(2.97)	(2.94)	(16.33)	(2.94)	(25.20)
Net (Loss)/Profit for the period (after Tax, minority interest and Share of Profit / (Loss) of associates (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items))	(11.97)	(3.39)	(3.92)	(15.36)	(5.04)	(25.24)
Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	(311.94)	(3.39)	(3.45)	(315.33)	(4.57)	(25.33)
Equity share capital	39.67	39.67	39.67	39.67	39.67	39.67
Reserves (excluding revaluation reserve) as shown in the audited Balance Sheet						206.07
Earnings per share (EPS) of Rs.2 each from continuing operations - Basic (Amount in Rs.)	(0.64)	(0.17)	(0.18)	(0.81)	(0.22)	(1.37)
Diluted (Amount in Rs.) Earnings per share (EPS) of Rs.2 each from discontinued operations	(0.64)	(0.17)	(0.18)	(0.81)	(0.22)	(1.37)
- Basic (Amount in Rs.)	0.04	(0.00)	(0.02)	0.04	(0.03)	0.10
- Diluted (Amount in Rs.)	0.04	(0.00)	(0.02)	0.04	(0.03)	0.10

Place : Gurugram

Date : 08 November 2024

1. The above results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and subsequently approved at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on 08 November 2024 (Rs. in Crores 2. Key Standalone Financial Information:

Quarter Unaudited Unaudited Unaudited Audited Total Income 48.43 Profit/(Loss) before Tax (10.73)(33.00)1.03 (4.15)(33.39)

3. The above is an extract of the detailed format of quarterly/half yearly financial results filed with the stock exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly/half yearly Financial Results are available on the Company's websit (https://www.indiabullsenterprises.com) and on the website of BSE (https://www.bseindia.com) and NSE (https://www.nseindia.com).

Registered Office: 5th Floor, Plot No. 108, IT Park, Udyog Vihar, Phase-1 Gurugram, Haryana 122016

By order of the Board of Directors

STORES E-PROCUREMENT

Tender Notice No.: S/25/2024-25; Dated: 05-11-2024. E-Tenders are invited by the undersigned for the following works:

SN. 1; Tender No. 30/24/1121A/OT/207/2024-25; Closing/ Opening Date: 14-11-2024

Brief Description, P.L. No. & Qty: Set of Flex Ball Cable with end connector for LHB Bogie consisting of Flexible Remote Control G-2333mm & G-4024mm to Knorr bremese Part No. I.P.1605 & I.P.1606 or FTRTIPL Part No. 0267.05.00.00, 0267.06.00.00 or M/s Escorts 3EB8066 & 3EB8065. Quantity - 01 no each per Set in one Power Car. Mat. Spec.:- RDSO/2011/CG-04 Rev-03. [Warranty Period: 30 Months after the date of delivery]. [Inspection Agency: TPI, Stage Insp: No, Stages: 0]. i) Qty- 34 Nos for Dibrugarh Town Workshop Depot, NFR (Assam). ii) Qty- 20 Nos for Pandu GSD, NFR (Assam), iii) Qty- 169 Nos for New Bongaigaon Workshop Depot, NFR (Assam). iv) Qty- 03 Nos New Jalpaiguri GSD, NFR (West Bengal). v) Qty - 12 Nos for Katihar GSD, NFR (Bihar). P.L. No. - 33502638.

> SN. 2; Tender No. ML245110A/OT/208/2024-25; Closing/ Opening Date: 09-12-2024

Brief Description, P.L. No. & Qty: Supply, erection, installation, testing and commissioning of 3 ton Pillar mounted JIB Crane with Electric Hoist as per MLDT Spec No:-DLS/MLDT/EL/JIB Crane/004/2024. Qty :- 2 Nos for Dy. CMM/Malda Town/e-Tender/03.

> SN. 3: Tender No. 30/24/1091/OT/209/2024-25: Closing/ Opening Date: 18-11-2024

Brief Description, P.L. No. & Qty: Secondary spring (OUTER) for AC-Chair Car (LWFCZAC & LWSCZAC) hot buffet (LWCBAC), AC 2nd Class Sleeper/EOG (LWACCW), AC 1st Class Sleeper/EOG (LWFAC) as per Drg. No. 1269514 Ver. 2R1 Mat Spec.:- RDSO/2017/CG-01 (Rev-2). [Warranty Period: 30 Months after the date of delivery]. [Inspection Agency: TPI, Stage Insp: No, Stages: 0]. i) Qty- 108 Nos for Dibrugarh Town Workshop Depot, NFR (Assam). ii) Qty- 20 Nos for Pandu GSD, NFR (Assam), iii) Qty- 61 Nos for New Bongaigaon Workshop Depot, NFR (Assam). iv) Qty- 11 Nos for New Jalpaiguri GSD, NFR (West Bengal). v) Qty- 06 Nos for Katihar GSD, NFR (Bihar). P.L. No. - 33503060. SN. 4; Tender No. 40/24/0584/OT/210/2024-25;

Closing/ Opening Date: 22-11-2024

Brief Description, P.L. No. & Qtv: Set of Return & Fresh Air filter for LHB type AC coaches, conf. to RDSO Spec. no. RDSO/PE/SPEC/AC/0055-2003 (Rev.2) with drg no. RDSO/PE/SK/AC/0073-2004 (Rev-1) and RDSO/PE/SK/AC/0074-2004 (Rev-1) or latest. as per Drg.No. RDSO Spec. no. RDSO/PE/SPEC/AC/0055-2003 (Rev.2) w specn: RDSO Spec. no. RDSO/PE/SPEC/AC/0055-2003 (Rev.2) with drg no. RDSO/PE/SK/AC/0073-004 (Rev-1) and RD I Warranty Period: 30 Months after the date of delivery]. [Inspection Agency: TPI, Stage Insp: No. Stages: 01, i) Oty-528 Set for Dibrugarh Town Workshop Depot, NFR (Assam). ii) Qty- 480 Set for New Bongaigaon Workshop Depot, NFR (Assam), iii) Qty- 10 Set for New Jalpaiguri GSD, NFR (West Bengal). P.L. No. - 45210639.

SN. 5; Tender No. 40/24/0555B/OT/211/2024-25; Closing/ Opening Date: 25-11-2024

Brief Description, P.L. No. & Qty: MICROPROCESSOR CONTROLLER FOR ROOF MOUNTED AC PACKAGE UNIT FOR LHB COACHES AS PER RDSO SPECIFICATION NO. RDSO/PE/SPEC/AC/0139 2009 (REV-1) as per Drg.No., Nil specn: RDSO SPECIFICATION NO. RDSO/PE/ SPEC/AC/0139 2009 (REV-1) [Warranty Period: 30 Months after the date of delivery]. [Inspection Agency: TPI, Stage Insp: No, Stages: 0]. i) Qty- 15 Nos for New Bongaigaon Workshop Depot, NFR (Assam). ii) Qty- 25 Nos for Dibrugarh Town Workshop Depot, NFR (Assam), PL No - 45212119

SN. 6; Tender No. 50/24/0696A/OT/212/2024-25; Closing/ Opening Date: 28-11-2024

Brief Description, P.L. No. & Qty: Shunt LED Signal Lighting unit retrofittable in existing CLS housing Specification: RDSO/SPN/153/2023 Rev. 5.0. [Warranty Period: 30 Months after the date of delivery]. [Inspection Agency: TPI, Stage Insp: No, Stages: 0]. i) Qty- 137 Nos for Pandu GSD, NFR (Assam), ii) Qty- 117 Nos for New Jalpaiguri GSD, NFR (West Bengal), iii) Qty- 172 Nos for Katihar GSD, NFR (Bihar), iv) Qty- 70 Nos for Dibrugarh Town Workshop Depot, NFR (Assam). P.L. No. - 56468015.

SN. 7; Tender No. 61/24/5453/OT/213/2024-25;

Closing/ Opening Date: 29-11-2024 Brief Description, P.L. No. & Qty: 10mm thick Composite Grooved Rubber Sole Plate for Wider Base PSC Sleepers conforming to RDSO Drg No. T-8747 for use with Wider PSC Sleepers suitable for 52kg and 60kg (UIC) Rails with latest alterations if any as on date of closing of the tender.

Specification IRS Specification No. RDSO/M&C/RP-200/2007 (Provisional) with Amendment No. 1 of 2018 and latest amendment if any as on date

of closing of the E-tender. This is a safety item. [Warranty Period: 30 Months after the date of delivery]. [Inspection Agency: TPI. Stage Insp: No,

SN. 8; Tender No. 61/24/5416/OT/214/2024-25; Closing/ Opening Date: 28-11-2024

Stages: 0]. Qty: 1349988 Nos for SSE/P-WAY/TD/Bongaigaon, NFR (Assam). P.L. No.:- 60110831.

P.Way/TD/Bongaigaon, NFR (Assam), P.L. No.-60010241.

Brief Description, P.L. No. & Qty: Manufacture and supply of PSC Monoblock Concrete sleeper (pretension type) for wider base Bridge Approach sleepers as per RDSO%u2019s Drawing No. RT-8971 to 8978 along with latest alteration to suit 60kg UIC Rail and IRS Specification No.-T-39 (Sixth revision-March 21) if any. [Warranty Period: 30 Months after the date of delivery]. [Inspection Agency: CONSG, Stage Insp: NA, Stages: 0]. i) Qty: 132 Set for SR. DEN/C/Katihar, NFR (Bihar). ii) Qty: 160 Set for DRM/W/Alipurduar Jn., NFR (West Bengal). iii) Qty: 50 Set for Sr. DEN/C/Lumding, NFR (Assam). iv) Qty: 28 Set for CH. OS/G/Engg/Rangiya, NFR (Assam). P.L. No.: 600301610016.

SN. 9; Tender No. 30/24/1471A/OT/215/24-25;

Closing/ Opening Date: 28-11-2024

Brief Description, P.L. No. & Qty: Glass unit for emergency window to RCF's drg.no.LW-54138, item No-2, Alt-d, or latest. Mat. Spec.:-AS PER DRG. RCF's drg.no.LW-54138, item No-2, Alt-d. [Warranty Period: 30 Months after the date of delivery]. [Inspection Agency: TPI, Stage Inso: No, Stages: 0]. i) Qty- 1040 Nos for Pandu GSD, NFR (Assam). ii) 1510 Nos for Dibrugarh Town Workshop Depot, NFR (Assam). iii) Qty- 34 Nos for Katihar GSD, NFR (Bihar), iv) Qty- 494 Nos for New Bongaigaon Workshop Depot, NFR (Assam), v) Qty- 89 Nos for New Jalpaiguri GSD, NFR (West Bengal). P.L. No.: 33566756

SN. 10; Tender No. 50/24/0696A/OT/216/2024-25; Closing/ Opening Date: 28-11-2024

Brief Description, P.L. No. & Qty: Shunt LED Signal Lighting unit retrofittable in existing CLS housing Specification: RDSO/SPN/153/2023 Rev. 5.0. [Warranty Period: 30 Months after the date of delivery]. [Inspection Agency: TPI, Stage Insp: No, Stages: 0]. i) Qty- 137 Nos for Pandu GSD, NFR (Assam). ii) Qty- 117 Nos for New Jalpaiguri GSD, NFR (West Bengal). iii) 172 Nos for Katihar GSD, NFR (Bihar). iv) Qty- 70 Nos for Dibrugarh Town Workshop Depot, NFR (Assam). P.L. No.: 56468015.

SN. 11; Tender No. 61/24/5454/OT/217/2024-25;

Closing/ Opening Date: 28-11-2024 Brief Description, P.L. No. & Qty: Manufacture and supply of 60 kg Metal Liners conforming to RDSO Drg. No.T-8748 (Alt1) with latest alterations Specification IRS T-562020 with latest alterations. The term latest alterations wherever used will mean the alteration up to the actual date of opening of tender . [Warranty Period: 30 Months after the date of delivery]. [Inspection Agency: TPI, Stage Insp: No, Stages: 0]. Qty- 2312683 Nos for SSE/

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PCMM/ Maligaon



Swiggy

Sensex, Nifty fall for second day amid foreign fund exodus, muted corporate earnings

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m for\ the\ second\ straight}$ Friday foreign relentless outflows and losses in blue-chip stocks such as Reliance Industries, ICICI Bank and State Bank of India.

Benchmark BSE Sensex declined by 55.47 points or 0.07 per cent to settle at 79,486.32.

During the day, it tanked 424.42 points or 0.53 per cent to 79,117.37 The NSE Nifty dipped 51.15 points or 0.21 per cent to

From the 30-share Sensex Asian Paints, Tata Steel, State Bank of India, Reliance Industries, NTPC, Tata Motors, ICICI Bank and



biggest laggards. Mahindra. Mahindra Titan, Tech Mahindra. Nestle Hindustan Unilever were among the gainers. Institutional

Investors (FIIs) offloaded equities worth Rs_4,888.77 Thursday, on according to exchange data. 'Consolidation continued in the market as investors stayed cautious due to disappointment in earnings

and the flight of FIIs. The US Fed continued its ratecutting cycle to stimulate the economy," Vinod Nair, head of research, Geojit Financial Services, said.

In Asian markets, Seoul, Shanghai and Hong Kong settled lower while Tokyo ended in the positive territory.

European markets were trading lower. Wall Street ended mostly higher on Thursday. Global oil benchmark brent

crude declined 1.28 per cent to USD 74.66 a barrel.

Rupee falls five paise to hit new

The BSE benchmark tanked 836.34 points or 1.04 per cent to settle at 79,541.79 on been created at Ranchi," a Thursday. The Nifty dropped 284.70 points or 1.16 per cent to finish at 24,199.35.

Comptroller and Auditor General inaugurates sports complex in Ranchi

PTI ■ RANCHI

Comptroller and Auditor General of India Girish Chandra Murmu on Friday inaugurated a sports complex here and dedicated it to the people of the country.

The complex has been constructed for CAG's cricket, football and hockey The CAG has a pool of

talented sportspersons and its teams play in tournaments against the best teams in the country like that of railways.
"Therefore, a dedicated

centralised sports facility, where the teams can practice on a regular basis,

CAG official said. The facility will be solely dedicated promotion



competitive sports, not recreational, can be held. It will work as a hub for all outdoor the Indian Audit & disciplines where local players can also practice. Facilities for inde indoor disciplines like badminton

in the near future. recruitment sportspersons under sports quota was resumed in the Indian Audit and

and table tennis are

proposed to be taken up

Accounts Department in 2010 with a goal to bring laurels to

Department Accounts (IA&AD) in five disciplines hockey, cricket, football, badminton and table tennis. Since 2010, the IA&AD recruited has meritorious sportspersons in these five disciplines. many

sportspersons recruited in 2023.

subscription, as per NSE data till 1418 hrs on Friday..
The portion for Qualified Institutional Buyers got subscribed 4.16 times while Retail Individual Investors

The quota for non-institutional investors fetched

anchor investors. Bengaluru-based

company's IPO has a price range of Rs 371-390 a share.

The valuation of Swiggy has been pegged at about USD 11.3 billion (about Rs 95,000

be allocated for anic growth and

Tata Group-owned IHCL to manage iconic hotel 'The Claridges' in Delhi



PTI NEW DELHI

Tata Group-owned Indian Hotels Company Limited (IHCL), the country's largest hospitality firm, has signed a management contract for the hotel Claridges commencing April 2025, aiming to enhance its presence in key metro cities with iconic

The Claridges, an epitome of elegance contemporary luxury, was built over six decades ago in 1955. This iconic hotel blends old-world charm with modern sophistication with 119 rooms and suites.

This signing aligns with our growth strategy to enhance IHCL's presence in key metro cities with iconic assets. The Claridges, a distinguished landmark in Lutyens' Delhi, provides a unique opportunity to expand our footprint at the expand our footprint at the nation's most prestigious address, while also paving the way for potential expansion of our brandscape by growing The Claridges brand"," Puneet Chhatwal, Managing Director & CEO, IHCL said. IHCL will manage The IHCL will manage The Claridges, New Delhi in April 2025 under a hotel operating agreement.

Suresh Nanda, Claridges Hotels Pvt Ltd, said, "We are honored to extend our partnership with IHCL, globally renowned and celebrated for its world-class hospitality to jointly grow The Claridges brand. Under IHCL's management, we believe that The Claridges will build on its prestigious

all-time low of 84.37 against US dollar

Declining for the third straight session, the rupee dropped 5 paise to hit a new lifetime low of 84.37 (provisional) against the US dollar on Friday, weighed down by persistent foreign fund outflows and a muted trend in domestic equities. Forex traders said the US Federal Reserve's recent decision to cut interest rates signals a shift in the global financial landscape.

Moreover, with Donald Trump's tax and trade policies influencing global markets, volatility could reenter the rupee's trajectory. At the interbank foreign exchange, the rupee opened at 84.32 against the US dollar. During the session, the local currency touched a high of 84.31 and a low of 84.38. It finally settled at 84.37 (provisional), a loss of 5 paise

against its previous close. On Thursday, the rupee slipped 1 paisa to close at a fresh lifetime low of 84.32 against the US dollar. In the last three sessions, the

local unit has lost 28 paise against the greenback. The rupee hit a record low on account of extending sell-off continuous foreign fund outflows. Overnight gains in crude oil prices also weighed on the rupee, said Anuj Choudhary Research Analyst at Śharekhan by BNP Paribas.

However, the softening of the US Dollar Index cushioned the downside. The dollar softened as the US Federal Reserve cut interest rates by 25 bps in line with street estimates. The Fed Chair Jerome Powell said in his presser that the US economy was strong and some downside risks seemed to have diminished.

In its latest monetary policy announcement, the US Fed reduced its benchmark rate by 0.25 basis points to a target range of 4.5 per centin the domestic markets and 4.75 per cent.

In its accompanying statement, the Fed adopted a statement, unc... neutral-to-dovish tone, balanced acknowledging balanced risks in inflation and employment.

"We expect the rupee to trade with a negative bias on overall strength in the US dollar and weak domestic markets. FII outflows may also weigh on the rupee. However, any intervention by the Reserve Bank may support the rupee at lower

levels," Choudhary added. Meanwhile, the Dollar Index, which gauges the greenback's strength against a basket of six currencies, was trading 0.01 per cent lower at 104.50. brent crude, the global oil benchmark, fell 1.10 per cent to USD 74.80 per barrel in futures trade.

In the domestic equity market, the 30-share BSE Sensex fell 55.47 points, or 0.07 per cent, to close at 79,486.32 points, while Nifty declined 51.15 points, or 0.21 per cent, to settle at 24,148.20

Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs) were net sellers in the capital markets Thursday, as they offloaded shares worth Rs 4,888.77 crore, according to exchange data.

Reliance Power shares drop 5 pc, hit lower circuit limit

PTI NEW DELHI

Shares of Reliance Power Ltd fell by 5 per cent on Friday as the company and Reliance NU BESS Ltd have debarred been participating in Solar Energy Corporation of India Ltd (SECI) tenders for three years for allegedly submitting fake documents.

The stock tanked 4.99 per cent to Rs 41.47 - its lower circuit limit - on the BSE.
On the NSE, shares of the firm dropped 5 per cent to hit the lowest trading permissible limit for the day at Rs 41.58. In a note, SECI said, "Based on the examination of documents submitted by Maharashtra Energy

Generation, now known as Reliance NU BESS (for a project), it was discovered that as per the tender requirements, endorsement of the Bank Guarantee against EMD (issued by a foreign Bank), as submitted by the Bidder, was

The issue is related to the RfS issued by SECI for setting up



1000 MW/2000 Standalone BESS Projects tariff-based under competitive bidding.

Since the above discrepancy was discovered subsequent to the e-reverse auction, SECI was constrained to annul the tendering process. SECI said it has debarred

Reliance Power and Reliance NU BESS from participating in tenders issued for a period of three years. As per the tender conditions,

the above submission of a fake document as part of its response to RfS rendered the bidder eligible for debarment from future tenders issued by

IPO fully subscribed



PTI ■ NEW DELHI

 $T^{
m he\ initial\ public\ offer}$ (IPO) of food delivery and quick-commerce major Swiggy got fully subscribed on the third day of the share sale on Friday. The Rs 11,327-crore initial

share sale received bids for 40,59,18,888 shares against 16,01,09,703 shares on offer, translating into 2.54 times

received 1.03 subscription.

30 per cent subscription. Swiggy on Tuesday said it has collected Rs 5,085 crore from

The company's IPO (Initial Public Offer) has a fresh issue of shares worth Rs 4,499 crore along with an offer for sale of Rs 6,828 crore.

crore) at the upper end of the price band. Going by the draft papers,

the company plans to utilise proceeds from the fresh issue for investing in technology and cloud infrastructure; brand marketing and business promotion; and debt payment; and funds will also inorganic general corporate purposes. Kotak Mahindra Capital Company Ltd, JP Morgan India Pvt Ltd, Citigroup Global Markets India Pvt Ltd, BofA Securities India Ltd, Jefferies India Pvt Ltd, ICICI Securities Ltd, and Avendus Capital Pvt Ltd are the book-running lead

managers to the offer.

Ultra-Luxury Projects coming up

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

Noida has emerged as a prime destination for real estate investments in India, driven by rapid development and strategic planning. The city, which is part of the National Capital Region (NCR), has seen significant infrastructural advancements, making it highly attractive for developers and investors alike. Key factors contributing to this growth include improved connectivity, robust urban planning, and government-backed

incentives.
One of Noida's biggest draws is its connectivity. With easy access to Delhi, Gurgaon, and other NCR cities, along with expanding metro services and proximity to the upcoming Noida International Airport in Jewar, the city offers unmatched access for businesses and residents. Major highways, such as the Noida-Greater Expressway and the Yamuna Expressway, further enhance

its logistical appeal. CRC Group, a prominent real estate developer in India, has unveiled its latest project, CRC Maesta, a high-end residential development in Central Noida with an investment of Rs. 525 crore. Designed by renowned architect Hafeez Contractor, CRC Maesta blends luxury with eco-conscious design, aiming to redefine upscale living in the NCR region.

Chandigarh University emerges as top Indian University, secures 11th position in QS Asia University Rankings 2025

PTI ■ CHANDIGARH

Shining bright in the firmament of academics, Chandigarh University (CU) has emerged as one of the top universities in Asia, by rising 29 places to achieve the 120th rank among all Asian universities in the coveted QS Asia University Rankings 2025, published by the London-based university ranking organization QS on ranking organization QS, on Wednesday. stellar

Delivering Delivering a stellar performance, Chandigarh University has been ranked 1st among all Indian private universities and took a giant leap to secure the 11th position among all public and private universities in and private universities in

Chandigarh University has been ranked India's top university based on its remarkable performance in 11 indicators, including employer reputation, international faculty ratio, international research international network, student ratio, academic reputation, faculty student ratio, outbound exchange students, inbound exchange students, papers per faculty, citations per paper and staff with PhD.

with PhD.

In academic reputation, CU has jumped 1st place from last year's ranking and secured 13th rank in 2025 (with a score 54.2) as compared to 14th rank in 2024 (with score of 28.6) 2024 (with score of 28.6) among all Indian HEIs.

CU was accredited with an A+ rating by the National Assessment Accreditation

Council (NAAC), placing it among the top 5 percent universities in India to get NAAC A+ Accreditation. CU also holds accreditation

big data, analytics and fintech, machine learning, virtual reality, bioinformatics, information & network security, grid computing, structural engineering, geo-technical engineering, transportation engineering, construction technology, environmental

from

(NBA). CU

the

Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology

(ABET), placing it among the top 0.1 percent of Indian universities with accredited

engineering programs and accredited by the National Board of Accreditation

programs in emerging areas

offers

such as AI, Blockchain,

US-based

academic

engineering, and GIS. Water Resource Engineering, among others, is specially designed by industry giants themselves.

In the international faculty ratio, climbing 2 places from 4th rank in 2024 (with a score of 60.4) to secure 2nd rank in 2025 (with a score of 72.4), CU has made a significant improvement in international student ratio collaborations

from 3rd place in 2024 to 2nd place in 2025. Similarly, marking significant improvement in

the International Research Network parameter, CU has climbed 21 places from 52nd rank in 2024 (score of 8.7) to 31st rank in 2025 (score of 55.9). Research-intensive

innovation-driven, CU has more than 14,700 research publications to its credit and more than 4,300 patents have been filed in varied domains by the students and faculty members of the varsity. CU has more than 1300 visiting international faculty

members, which includes 560 international research network scholars. CU houses 60 centres of research, and more than 3,000 international students from 65 countries study at

the varsity. The vast research network of CU is not only restricted to India but also transcends beyond borders; the varsity has established

international

global prestigious universities, to arm its students with global academic and research exposure. In Employer Reputation, CU has secured 5th place with a score of 90.5 in 2025 to 68.8 in 2024 in this year's

rankings. With over 30 industry-sponsored high-tech labs and 32 centres of excellence, Chandigarh University has been laying major thrust on experiential and practical learning of students.

In the academic session of 2023-24 alone, students at CU received a whopping 9124 job offers from 904 leading brands and MNCs, with one student securing a salary package of Rs 1.74

The students of CU have also introduced more than 150 in different start-ups domains. The university figured among top HEIs in Citations

per Paper, Papers per Faculty and Staff with PhD in this year's rankings. Chandigarh University Chancellor and Member of abroad.

Parliament (Rajya Sabha) Satnam Singh Sandhu said, "Research and Innovation are the two cornerstones of academic ethos nurtured here at Chandigarh University. The significant improvement in various performance indicators in QS Asia

University Rankings placed have Chandigarh University among the elite league of higher education institutions in the

Securing 2nd rank both in International Faculty Ratio and International Students' Ratio speaks volume about CU's in

about

commitment to nurture academic ethos that provides international exposure to its students." 'Chandigarh University allocates Rs 15 Crores for research projects on an

annual basis. The research projects at CU get strengthened by additional 52 Crore of funded research by the government bodies and corporates.

The research is conceded at both in the department itself and at University Centre for Research & Development and at the 60 Research centres within the campus," added Sandhu.

"Chandigarh University is dedicated to cultivating a culture of innovation and discovery through its research-driven academic through its approach.

With collaborations with universities CU offers renowned worldwide, students unparalleled research internships opportunities in leading brands both in India and

FICCI HEAL 2024 conference wrapped upsubscribed

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE

The 'FICCI HEAL 2024' conference wrapped up after two days of impactful discussions focusing on transforming India's transforming healthcare sector under the theme 'Swasth Bharat, Viksit Bharat'.

Attendees included healthcare leaders, policymakers, and innovators, all aiming to enhance the nation's health systems.One of the Sessions highlighted primary healthcare, cancer care for women, and crossdisciplinary healthcare education.

A plenary session by (Hony) Brig Dr. Arvind Lal, Chair of FICCI's Swasth Bharat Task Force, emphasised scaling primary healthcare and digitisation, showcasing a 300 per cent increase in testing capacity at the Sarojini Nagar CHC hub lab since 2021. Key speakers, such as former

Health Secretary Mr. Rajesh Bhushan, addressed infrastructure gaps, while Mr. Partha Sharma, Principal Secretary of Uttar Pradesh Health, discussed advances in rural healthcare.

NITI Aayog Senior Adviser Mr. Rajib Kumar Sen emphasized quality in healthcare, advocating for private sector collaboration and innovations like AI and telemedicine.

The conference spotlighted medical education reforms led by Dr. Vijay Oza of the National Medical Commission and digital health solutions, with Dr. Suchita Markan from ICMR underscoring partnerships for accessible healthcare. Supported by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, FICCI HEAL reaffirmed its commitment to sustainable healthcare continuing its legacy as

India's premier healthcare

LIC to finalise stake buy in health insurance firm in FY25

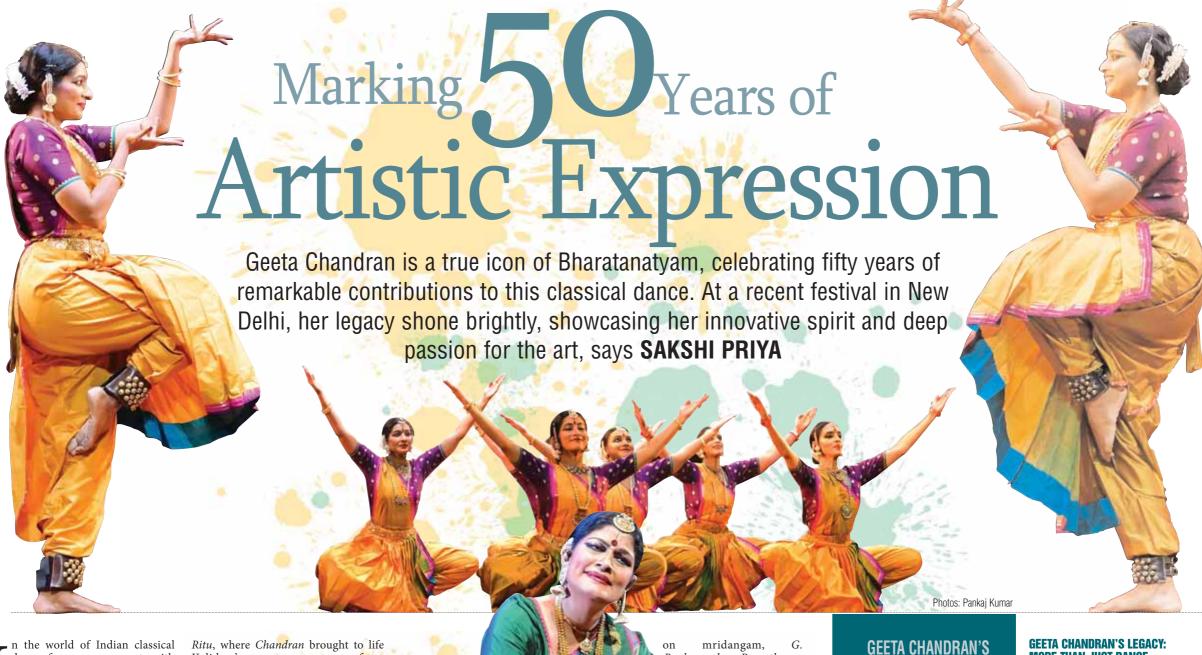
PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Life Insurance Corporation MD and CEO Siddhartha Mohanty on Friday said the state-owned company will take a call on buying a stake in a standalone health insurer in the current financial year.

"The ground work is going on search for suitable health insurance company is going on we will finalise stake within this financial year," he said during post result media conference. Asked about the quantum of stake LIC will have in health insurance company, he said it

would depend on various factors, including valuation. Once all the groundworks are done, he said, LIC would approach the board for its approval to foray into the health insurance segment. February parliamentary committee recommended

implementation of composite insurance licenses to reduce expenses and regulatory burdens insurance providers. At present, life insurance companies are restricted to offering extended health insurance benefits.



the world of Indian classical dance, few names resonate with the passion and innovation of Geeta Chandran. As she marks her 50th year of performing Bharatanatyam, her influence goes beyond the mastery of movement, it's a legacy of reimagining and rejuvenating an ancient art form for the contemporary stage. Celebrated with a two-day festival at New Delhi's Kamani Auditorium, Chandran's golden jubilee was a journey that began with her Arangetram at age 12 and has flourished through decades of performance, teaching and cultural advocacy. Organised by Natya Vriksha, her beloved dance institution, the event became a dynamic expression of Bharatanatyam's enduring power, where tradition met innovation and art

DAY ONE: PRAVAHATI — THE FORWARD FORCE

The first day's performance, titled Pravahati, was both meditative and exhilarating. Having seen Geeta Chandran perform numerous times, Pravahati offered something deeply personal and expansive - it was as though the dance itself became a vessel of her mastery and message. The programme began with an evocative Mallari in praise of Shiva, drawing the audience into a space of contemplation as Chandran and her collective invoked the deity through precise footwork, graceful arms and powerful expressions. The performance felt timeless, a moment where past and

present intertwined. The journey continued with Varsha

Ritu, where Chandran brought to life Kalidasa's monsoon verses from Ritusamhara.It was a celebration of Bharatanatyam's storytelling power, capturing both the gentleness and force of nature. Watching her, it was as though each movement held a mirror to nature's dance, immersing us fully in its changing rhythms.

Then came Vahati, a piece that celebrated tradition as a dynamic, flowing stream, one that carries the past forward while moving into the future. Chandran's steps seemed to reimagine Bharatanatyam, presenting it as a continuously evolving art. This piece struck a powerful chord, a reminder that Bharatanatyam is not static but ever relevant. Finally, the evening closed with an exuberant Tillana, which radiated pure joy and the applause stayed long after she took her bow.

Throughout, Pravahati felt like more than a dance performance. It was a powerful statement on the evolving nature of art and the artist's role in pushing the boundaries of tradition. Chandran's words echoed through the performance: "Dance, much like life, should not be limited by tradition; it must evolve and be reinterpreted through the artist's unique

DAY TWO: A SOLO PERFORMANCE BY VIDUSHI GEETA CHANDRAN

The second day offered a more intimate experience with a solo performance by Chandran herself. Accompanied by an ensemble of musicians, Varun Rajasekharan on Nattuvangam, Smt. Sudha Raghuraman on vocals, Manohar Balatchandirane

mridangam, Raghavendra Prasath on violin and G. Raghuraman flute, she brought Bharatanatyam's most intricate expressions to musician's beautifully complemented her dance, amplifying the emotion and story she

In these solo pieces, Chandran laid bare the depth of her devotion to Bharatanatyam. The abbinaya or expressive storytelling, was stunning, transforming familiar narratives into powerful, moving moments. In one piece, she portrayed a waiting heroine and her portrayal struck a delicate balance between anticipation and longing, vividly capturing the subtle tension between presence and absence. Her gestures and expressions spoke of a deep connection to the emotions within the dance, giving the audience an experience that went beyond mere observation.

conveyed.

After the performance, Chandran spoke about her journey, saying, "As I approach this milestone of completing five decades of dancing since my Arangetram, I pay tribute to my Gurus who shared this invaluable art with me, and also gave me the freedom to question and reinterpret it." These words reflected her approach to Bharatanatyam: a constant, respectful re-exploration of tradition that brings new life into ancient forms.

GEETA CHANDRAN'S LEGACY: MORE THAN JUST DANCE

IMPACT ON BHARATANATYAM

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EDUCATION, AND CULTURAL

CONVERSATIONS

Geeta Chandran's impact Bharatanatyam goes well beyond her dazzling performances.

As the Founder-President of Natya Vriksha, she has created a strong connection between dance and social causes, education, and cultural conversations. Her commitment to nurturing young talent and engaging with diverse communities is evident in her outreach programmes. Chandran's numerous accolades, such as the Padma Shri and the Central Sangeet Natak Akademi Award speak volumes about her standing in the classical dance

community. Yet, for those fortunate enough to witness her anniversary celebration, her most significant achievement lies in her ability to breathe life into Bharatanatyam, ensuring it remains not just relevant but profoundly impactful. Her performances are not just technical showcases; they are deeply immersive experiences that offer

insights into the human condition. As the curtains fell on her 50thanniversary celebration, the audience erupted in applause, many visibly moved by her lifelong dedication to this art form. This event was not just a milestone; it was

passion and grace. Geeta Chandran is more than a dancer or teacher; she is torchbearer, lighting the way forward while remaining deeply connected to the essence of Bharatanatyam. Her legacy will undoubtedly inspire future generations to explore, honour and expand the possibilities of this beautiful, enduring art.

a tribute to a life defined by resilience,

The Four: The Legacy of Innovation and Expression

The art exhibition, 'The Four' is the living tribute to the legacy of the masters of modern Indian art, writes ABHI SINGHAL

¬he art galleries escalate your thoughts when you see painting thoughts in the liveliest way possible. All the canvases depict a different story, a different world of emotions, and a different language. The same canvases are interpreted by the viewers in their own way, their own thoughts and that's the beauty of art. The art communicates without words, leading people to find words in patterns and strokes. 'The Four' exhibition presented by the Progressive Art Gallery in collaboration with The Raza Foundation celebrated the birth centenary of four icons of modern Indian art.

The Four exhibitions was the celebration of all the four legendary artists namely, Francis Newton Souza,

Subramanyan, Ram Kumar, and Vasudev Ś. Gaitonde. The guests explored the historic and remarkable legacy of the four artists. The common ground of all the celebrated artists is that they were all born in 1924. The exhibition is opened at Triveni Kala Sangam, New Delhi commemorating the 100 years since the birth of these modern masters. The Goan artist, Francis Newton Souza oil on canvas Man are an exemplary notion that











drew people to his distinctive style evolved into a more paintings Still Life, Profile of a expressive and abstract approach, using vibrant colours and bold



brushstrokes. Being in name for exploration of human figures, often depicted in a raw and unfiltered manner, F.N. Souza's painting Profile of a Man is an example of the same. Souza's style was characterised by strong lines, distorted forms and a dark



human emotion, social hypocrisy and religious paradoxes. K.G. Subramanyan known for his polymorphic works made in diverse media ranging from

paintings, water colours and

reverse painting on glass to murals



palette, which he used to explore is showcased in his work of Ragini Vibhas and Peacock Throne displayed at the Progressive Art

Inspired through his travels from Varanasi, Ram Kumar depicts human figures to capture the inner essence and spirituality



of landscapes. The untitled paintings of Kumar are an example of the same. The fourth but not the least V.S. Gaitonde's

paintings assume no shape and form and evoke nothing other than themselves and beautiful patterns. He represents a dynamic force in modern Indian painting, capturing the essence of an independent nation and its cultural awakening.
The show is curated by art historian Yashodhara Dalmia, and

was inaugurated by H.E. Dr. Philipp Ackermann, Ambassador of Germany to India. It is on public view till November 10, 2024.

Together the birth centenary of these four artistry icons is all about diverse thoughts and mindful thinking. 'The Four' exhibition honours these artists but also celebrates the strength and originality of Indian art over the

Ageing Kohli, Rohit must rekindle youthful mindset to rediscover lost glory: Greg Chappell

s Virat Kohli and Rohit Sharma prepare for one their career's defining challenges in Australia in the upcoming Test series, former India head coach Greg Chappell believes stalwarts can "rekindle" the energy and focus of their youth to rediscover their lost glory.

Wounded by an unprecedented 0-3 home series defeat to New Zealand, India will look to defend the Border-Gavaskar Trophy in the marquee five-match Test series in Australia beginning on November 22.

According to Chappell, the ageing Sharma and Kohli must summon the same drive and focus that once marked their prime years if India hopes to reclaim its form on foreign soil.

Reflecting on a conversation with Indian legend Sachin Tendulkar in 2005, Chappell shared insights into the hurdles players face as they

Tendulkar had sought Chappell's perspective and asked "Greg, why does batting become harder as you get older? Surely it should get

"I explained to him that the mental demands of batting intensify with age," Chappell wrote in a column for 'Sydney Morning Herald'.

"Batting gets harder because you realise how hard it is to make runs at this level and how difficult it is to maintain the mental focus that is



required to be successful," the Australian batting legend

He said "it's not the eyesight or the reflexes that drop off" when a players starts ageing but "it's the intense focus that is required that becomes harder to sustain.

"When one is younger, the mind is focused on making

As you age, the opposition has put work into finding your weaknesses, and you are more aware of the conditions and the situation of the game.

"As a young player, you don't worry about the conditions or the situation of the game, you only see the ball and how to make runs," Chappell wrote, describing Rohit, Kohli and

Australian batting stalwart

Steve Smith as the "giants" of

current times. 'If you want to play like you did as a younger player, you have to rekindle the attitude and the thought processes that you had as a younger player. That is the greatest challenge for the ageing player," Chappell had

explained to Tendulkar.

Chappell said the upcoming five-match Test series in Australia "will be as much a battle of wits and endurance as it will be of skill, with each player needing to summon the drive and adaptability of their younger selves.

"This sentiment captures what Sharma, Kohli and (Steve) Smith will confront this series. They know teams have opposition scrutinised their techniques, studied their weaknesses and developed

specifically to exploit even minor chinks.

Against New Zealand, Kohli endured his lowest-ever aggregate in a home Test series where he batted at least six times, scoring only 93 runs at an average of 15.50, with one half-century.

This poor run has lowered his Test average to 47.83 from a peak of 55.10 in October 2019 the first time it has dipped below 48 since November

Kohli dropped eight spots to 22nd in the rankings while Rohit slipped to 26th.

For Kohli, the task is one of rejuvenation. Known for his unmatched intensity, passion and high standards, Kohli's recent travails will have annoyed him," Chappell

"The aggressive mindset that propelled him to greatness must now coexist with patience and focus.

He enters this series hungry to reiterate his authority as India's most formidable batsman of his generation." For Rohit, according to Chappell, the challenge lies in balancing his aggressive instincts with the calculated caution that Test cricket demands.

"As captain, he must maintain his own form while shouldering the pressure of leadership – a delicate balance he'll need to master if India is to thrive.

This Test series, then, is more than just another chapter in cricket; it is a testament to the challenges that father time presents to even the most skilled players.

Each player is more than a celebrated cricketer; they are icons of the determination and skill that defines our game. This series will be a defining chapter in their legacies.
"For Sharma, Kohli, and

(Steve) Smith, the true battle He has dropped out of top-20 batters in ICC Test rankings itself," Chappell wrote

KL Rahul's horror run continues as India A suffer another top-order collapse



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m with\ the\ bat\ continued}^{
m L\ Rahul's\ horror\ run}$ as he got out in a bizarre fashion to leave India A at a shaky 73 for five on the snaky /3 for five on the second day of the second unofficial Test against Australia A here on Friday. Seeking to open the batting for India in case skipper Rohit Sharma skips the first Test against Australia in Perth, Rahul endured a disastrous outing in the tune-up to the Border-Gavaskar Trophy and managed just 14 runs across two innings, having got out for 10 in India A's second

innings. struggles against the moving ball also did not help India A's cause as they led by only 11 runs with half the side back in the dressing recomb Abhimanyu Easwaran's back in the dressing room in their second innings. After bowling out India A

for 161 on the opening day, Australia A managed 223, not a total the home team had hoped for, but it still gave them a substantial firstinnings lead of 62 runs.

Coming out to bat for the second time in the game, the top-order disappointed again as the Australian bowlers struck some vital blows to help

series sweep. Australia A won the opening match by seven wickets.

Looking completely out of sorts. Rahul was bowled in a bizarre fashion after facing 44 balls at the Melbourne Cricket Ground.

Rahul misjudged a tossed up delivery and offered no shot as the ball ricocheted off his pads to hit the stumps, leaving the batter embarrassed while he walked back to the dressing room.

Getting bowled between the

legs has compounded his ahead of the blockbuster series. Abhimanyu, who was picked as a backup opener for the Down Under, also failed to deliver, following his firstinnings duck with a 17 from 31 balls

Indian top-order struggled against quality spin and pace, leaving them at 56/5 early in the second innings.

Wicketkeeper-batter Dhruv Jurel (19 batting) and Nitish Kumar Reddy (9 batting) ensured there was no further setback by negotiating the remaining overs before the stumps were drawn for the

Earlier, India A's pace attack, spearheaded by Prasidh Krishna's four-wicket burst and Mukesh Kumar's three-wicket haul, dominated the Australian batting, dismissing them for 223 in 62.1 overs.

Marcus Harris was the standout batter for Australia A, scoring a gritty 74 off 138 balls, while lower-order batter Rocchiccioli provided late fireworks, hitting 35 off 28 balls, including two sixes and three fours.

In response, India A lost openers Abhimanyu and Sai Sudharsan cheaply to disciplined bowling from Nathan McAndrew and Reau Webster.

Abhimanyu's misreading of McAndrew's pace led to his dismissal at gully, adding to

Devdutt Padikkal (1) also fell cheaply, as both Webster (2/14) and McAndrew (2/22) tore through India's batting lineup.

However, Jurel and Reddy then held firm.

Resuming the day on 53/2, Harris translated his overnight score of 26 into a well-constructed innings, showing resilience against a sharp Indian pace attack.

Brief Scores: India A 161 and 73/5 in 31 overs (Dhruv Jurel 19 batting; Nathan McAndrew 2/22, Beau Webster 2/14). Australia A 1st innings: 223 all out in 62.1 (Marcus Harris 74; Prasidh Krishna 4/50, Mukesh Kumar 3/41, Khaleel Ahmed 2/56).

Rauf and Ayub star in Pakistan's resounding nine wicket win over Australia

AP ■ ADELAIDE (AUSTRALIA)

defeated Australia by nine wickets in the second one-day international on Friday. Australia was 163 all out in 35

overs against Rauf's relentless pace and left-hander Ayub smashed six sixes and five fours as Pakistan cruised to 169-1 in 26.3 overs to level the three-match series. Former captain Babar Azam

(15 not out) clinched the victory with a pulled six off Adam Zampa with Abdullah Shafique staying unbeaten on better than run-a-ball 64 featured boundaries and three sixes.

The series decider will be played at Perth on Sunday with Australia resting five frontline players to prepare for the five-match home test series against India, starting from Nov. 22 at Perth.

The opening pair of Ayub and Shafique had been criticized for run of low scores in test matches, but both blunted the Australian pace with a matchwinning stand of 137 runs after Pakistan kept faith on the duo in the white-ball format.

Ayub took his time against Hazlewood and Mitchell Starc before he grew in confidence



Starc and Aaron Hardie for sixes and also smashed Zampa for two big hits.

The left-hander, who made his ODI debut at the Melbourne Cricket Ground on Monday, got a reprieve just before reaching a half century when Zampa dropped a sitter at third man, but he offered a tame catch at short third man just when he looked set for a

Earlier, Rauf, who nearly pulled off a victory for Pakistan in the first game, found the outside edges of the bats consistently by hitting the right lengths.

Captain Mohammad Rizwan took five catches — four off Rauf's bowling — and could have had a sixth had he not dropped a top-edge off Zampa (18) before Australia was dismissed after Pakistan won the toss and elected to field on a lively Adelaide

wicket. Shaheen Shah Afridi (3-26) provided the breakthrough inside the first power play. Jake Fraser-McGurk hit three crisp boundaries on the off side in Naseem Shah's first over to get Australia rolling before Ăfridi's twin strike pushed back Australia. Afridi dropped Matt Short at

deep fine leg when the ball burst through his hands to the boundary but the left-arm fast bowler made amends when he had Short caught at covers after trapping Fraser-McGurk plumb leg before wicket. Afridi ended Australia's

below-par innings when Zampa played a full ball back onto his stumps. Zampa flicked Naseem Shah for a six and a four in an over which enabled the home team to cross the 150-run mark.

Rauf sliced through the middle-order with only Steve Smith scoring 35 off 48 balls short ball of Mohammad Hasnain and edged behind the wicket.

Fast bowler Josh Hazlewood replaced Sean Abbott in the only change Australia made from the team which edged Pakistan in the first game. Marnus Smith,

Labuschagne, Cummins and Hazlewood all will be rested for the final game of the Sunday. series on Wicketkeeper-batter Josh Inglis was named interim captain for the last ODI at

Inglis will also lead the side in next week's three T20s against Pakistan Mitchell Marsh and Travis Head away on paternity leave.

Kiran George enters semifinals of Korea Masters



Lcontinued his spectacular run in the Korea Masters badminton tournament as he stormed into the men's singles semifinals with a straight-game win over fifth seed Takuma Obayashi of Japan here on Friday.

The 24-year-old, ranked 41st, beat world number 34 Obayashi 21-14 21-16 in just 39 minutes to register yet another upset win in the BWF World Tour Super 300 event. George runs into Thailand's top seed and world number five Kunlavut Vitidsarn --who won 21-15 21-11 against Liu Liang of China -- in the semifinals on Saturday.

The Indian had beaten third seed Chi Yu Jen of Chinese Taipei

George, the lone Indian

1-1 scoreline, he was always in the lead in the first game. When George zoomed to 15-6 lead, Obayashi made a brief resistance, closing down the gap to 12-16. But that was all the Japanese could do as George notched four straight points to take the first game. The second game was a much closer affair as the duo

tournament, was in control of

the match throughout. After

George was initially 7-3 ahead but Obayashi fought back to make it 8-8. After that, it was a neck-and-neck contest. But from 17-16, George grabbed four straight points to seal the second game and the match.

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upcoming five-match rubber Man United ends winless run in Europe and Osimhen scores two as Galatasaray beats Tottenham

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m anchester}$ United secured its first win in Europe for more than a year by beating PAOK 2-0 in the Europa League. Two secondhalf goals from Amad Diallo sealed the victory at Old Trafford on Thursday and boosted United's hopes of progressing in competition, while

Tottenham's 100% start was ended by a 3-2 loss at Galatasaray. United's last win in Europe was against Copenhagen Champions League on Oct. 24 last year.

"We addressed that in the dressing room and it was time to change that, so we did," United interim head coach Ruud van Nistelrooy said.

Diallo's looping header beat PAOK goalkeeper Dominik Kotarski in the 50th minute and he followed that up with a deflected shot from outside the area that nestled into the bottom corner in the 77th. It's two wins from three games for United under Van

Nistelrooy, who has one more match — against Leicester on Sunday — before handing over to Ruben Amorim. It is not clear if there will be a role for the Dutchman after his temporary reign, but he is doing what he can to ensure

that United is in the best possible position for when Amorim takes charge. Erik ten Hag was fired last week after a woeful start to the campaign left the team in 14th place in the Premier League and without a win in

secondary

Europe's

competition the Europa

League. Amorim was quickly hired in his place, but it has been left to Van Nistelrooy to fill the gap while the Portuguese serves a notice period at Sporting Lisbon.

He has delivered wins in the English League Cup and the Europa League either side of a draw with Chelsea in the league. Osimhen double Earlier, Victor Osimhen scored twice in eight minutes

to help Galatasaray beat Tottenham 3-2 in Turkey. Osimhen scored his first goal in Europe for Galatasaray after his transfer from Napoli with a precise low shot inside the right post to give the host a 2-1 lead in the 31st minute and added his second eight minutes later by heading home a curled cross from the

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right by Dries Mertens. It was Tottenham's first loss in the competition after three wins. Galatasaray remains unbeaten with three wins and

Every game on Thursday was preceded by a moment of silence to honor the victims of the devastating flooding in Spain. In Istanbul, Yunus

Akgün put Galatasary ahead in the sixth minute when Spurs failed to properly clear a free kick by Mertens and the midfielder volleyed home from outside the area past goalkeeper Fraser Forster.

Tottenham equalized in the 19th minute through Will Lankshear, who made only his second senior appearance stoppage-time equalizer as

netted from close range after a cross from Brennan Johnson. However, Lankshear was later sent off for a second yellow card on the hour mark.

Substitute Dominic Solanke pulled a goal back for Tottenham with a backheel finish in the 69th.

Lazio perfect Lazio is the only team to maintain a perfect record with four wins after Pedro Rodríguez scored in injury time to secure a 2-1 victory over Porto. Ajax had five different goal scorers in a 5-0 rout of Maccabi Tel-Aviv while three substitutes netted for Alkmaar in its 3-1 victory over Fenerbahce, the first loss of the competition for Jose Mourinho's team.

Latvia's RFS salvaged a 1-1 draw with Anderlecht with a

for the London club and the Belgian side dropped points for the first time. Earlier, Eintracht Frankfurt

beat Slavia Prague 1-0 thanks Marmoush's Omar second-half goal, while Roma was held to a 1-1 draw at Union Saint-Gilloise, another disappointing result after a 3-2 loss to Hellas Verona in Serie A over the weekend. Rangers held last year's

Conference League champion Olympiacos to a 1-1 draw in Greece. Athletic Bilbao beat Ludogorets 2-1 to stay unbeaten with three wins and a draw, while Qarabag upset Bodø/Glimt 3-1 in Norway to earn its first

points. Nice drew 2-2 with Twente with both teams finishing the game reduced to 10 men. Conference League

Conference League. Chelsea took a 6-0 lead in the first half on two goals from João Félix, and one a piece from Tosin Adarabioyo, Marc Guiu, Axel Disasi and

Armenian club Noah 8-0 to

set a record for the biggest

victory in the third-tier

Mudryk. Christopher Nkunku added two more in the second half, the second from the spot. Nordsjaelland had the previous record, beating Ludogorets 7-1 last season. Chelsea is one of six teams with three wins after three games. Vitória beat Mladá

Boleslav 2-1, Jagellonia defeated Molde 3-0 and Heidenheim won 2-0 at Hearts. Earlier, Legia Warsaw routed Dinamo Minsk 4-0 and SK Rapid eased past Petrocub 3-0.

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