

## IN BRIEF

### 25 killed in hailstorm and lightning in Bihar, CM announces compensation

Patna, Apr 10 (UNI) Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar announced an ex gratia of Rs 4 lakh to the kin of each 25 people killed during hailstorm and lightning incidents at separate places in Bihar on Thursday.

Expressing deep sorrow over the incidents, Kumar directed the authorities to immediately provide the ex gratia amount to the bereaved families.

He also appealed to the people to take precautions during the inclement weather and follow the guidelines and instructions of the Disaster Management Department.

Eighteen people were killed in Nalanda in hailstorms, whereas lightning claimed two lives in Siwan and one each in Katihar, Darbhanga, Begusarai, Bhagalpur, and Jahanabad.

### EX-MLA Shakil detained at Hyderabad Airport in a case on arrival from Dubai

Hyderabad, April 10 (UNI) : Former Bodhan MLA Shakil Aamir Mohammed, was taken into custody at the Rajiv Gandhi International Airport (RGIA) here on Thursday by the police in a case when he arrived from Dubai to attend the funeral of his mother, who passed away last night.

Later, he was allowed to attend the funeral of his mother at Bodhan.

The police had earlier issued a Look Out Circular (LoC) against Shakil after he allegedly left for Dubai following a case registered in connection with his son, Raheel Aamir alias Sahil, who had rammed a car into a police barricade near Praja Bhavan in December 2023. The former legislator was accused of helping his son evade arrest and was later named in the case.

On his arrival at the RGIA today, immigration officials flagged the LoC and alerted the local police.

The police took him into custody and later allowed him to attend the funeral of his mother.

## Revanth Reddy inaugurates Young India Police School



(Standard Post Bureau) Hyderabad, April 10 : Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy inaugurated the Young India Police School at the Greyhounds Campus in Manchirevula here on Thursday. Speaking at the inauguration ceremony, the Chief Minister emphasised the significance of the police school, stating that it is a vital step towards enhancing the capacity and professionalism of police personnel. He noted that the initiative was part of the government's election manifesto, underlining its commitment to strengthening law enforcement through modern and progressive training facilities.

Revanth Reddy reflected on the transformative power of education in shaping a nation's future. Citing the visionary leadership of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, he said that it was under Nehru's leadership that the foundations of major

universities were laid, which enabled India to reach a level where it now competes with nations across the world.

He observed that while many Prime Ministers and Chief Ministers have served the country, only a few are remembered for their impactful decisions, and it is those defining choices that shape history.

He remarked that every Chief Minister leaves a unique imprint, mentioning N.T. Rama Rao's Rs. 2 per kg rice scheme for the poor, Chandrababu Naidu's role in developing Hyderabad's IT sector, and Y S Rajasekhara Reddy's strong bond with farmers. He added that he too is working to establish his own brand — "Young India" — inspired by the ideals of Mahatma Gandhi.

The Chief Minister reiterated that education and employment are the two pillars of his government's vision. He highlighted the establishment of the Young India Skills University, aimed

at equipping unemployed youth with technical skills.

Business leader Anand Mahindra has been appointed as Chairperson of the university. Revanth Reddy stated that every student who joins the university will have job security and added that the government is determined to make it the best skills university in the country.

He further announced plans to establish a Young India Sports University and Academy to prepare athletes for future Olympics. In addition, Young India Residential Schools will be set up in every constituency, each on a 25-acre campus, to provide quality education.

Addressing the issue of declining enrollment in government primary schools, he revealed plans to reform the school system by introducing a preschool structure starting from Grade 1. Regarding the Young India Police School,

the Chief Minister expressed his vision of developing it on par with Sainik Schools. He assured that the government is prepared to allocate the necessary funds for this purpose and called on private companies to contribute as part of their corporate social responsibility. He proposed the creation of a corpus fund of Rs. 100 crore for the school and confirmed that the government will provide all required permissions to support the initiative.

Earlier, the Chief Minister toured the school premises, inspecting classrooms and playgrounds, and interacted with the students.

Present at the event were Industries and IT Minister Duddilla Sridhar Babu, MP Konda Vishweshwar Reddy, MLC Mahender Reddy, MLAs Prakash Goud and Kale Yadayya, DGP Jitender, Hyderabad Commissioner of Police C.V. Anand, and other senior police officials.

## Successfully secured extradition of Tahawwur Rana to New Delhi

New Delhi, April 10 (UNI) : The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Thursday successfully secured the extradition of Tahawwur Hussain Rana, the mastermind of the deadly 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks, after years of sustained and concerted efforts to bring the key conspirator behind the 2008 mayhem to justice, the NIA said in a statement as a special flight carrying Rana arrived in Delhi from the US. Rana was being held in judicial custody in the US pursuant to proceedings initiated under the India-US Extradition Treaty for his extradition. The extradition finally came through after Rana exhausted all legal avenues to stay the move, the NIA said. The District Court for the Central District of California had ordered his extradition on May 16, 2023. Rana then filed multiple litigations in the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, all of which were rejected. He subsequently filed a petition for a writ of certiorari, two habeas petitions, and an emergency application before the US

Supreme Court, which were also denied. The extradition proceedings were initiated between the two countries after India eventually secured a surrender warrant for the wanted terrorist from the US government, it added. With the active assistance of US Department of Justice, the US Sky Marshal, NIA worked closely with other Indian intelligence agencies, NSG through the entire extradition process, which also saw India's Ministry of External Affairs and Ministry of Home Affairs coordinating with the other relevant authorities in the United States to take the matter to its successful conclusion.

Rana is accused of conspiring with David Coleman Headley aka Daood Gilani, and operatives of designated terrorist organisations Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) and Harkat-ul-Jihadi Islami (HUJI) along with other Pakistan-based co-conspirators, to carry out the devastating terror attacks in Mumbai in 2008.

## Talks with US progressing very well, says Goyal after Trump pauses higher tariff

Mumbai, April 10 (UNI) : As US President Donald Trump announced a 90-day pause on reciprocal tariff, Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal on Thursday said talks with the US are progressing well and India is efficiently handling the tariff related issues.

"India is already handling this issue (trade tariff with the US) very efficiently from the beginning itself. Prime Minister Modi and President Trump had taken this decision in February itself that the two countries would sign a bilateral agreement which will make trade simple and take the two-way trade to \$500 billion which is 2.5 times higher from now," Goyal said. The Minister said that the proposed trade agreement will boost job opportunities for the citizens, further strengthening the economy. "Our discussion (with the US) is progressing very well," Goyal said.

## Conveyor belt extended to SLBC tunnel accident site; rescue and relief operations in full swing

Nagarkurnool, April 10 (UNI) : Special Officer for the SLBC Tunnel project, Shivshankar Loteti, stated that rescue operations are actively underway at the SLBC tunnel accident site located in Domala Penta village, Amrabad mandal, Achampet constituency, Nagarkurnool district.

On Thursday, Special Officer Loteti chaired a review meeting with senior officials from various rescue teams at the SLBC Tunnel Inlet 1 office to assess the ongoing operations.

He informed that rescue personnel are working around the clock to locate and extract those potentially trapped within the affected section of the tunnel. As part of efforts to accelerate the process, a conveyor belt is being extended directly to the accident site, significantly speeding up soil excavation and debris

## KTR slams Cong over delay in SRDP projects

(Standard Post Bureau) Hyderabad, April 10 : BRS Working President K T Rama Rao (KTR) has strongly criticised the Congress government over the alleged slow pace of infrastructure development in Hyderabad under the Strategic Road Development Programme (SRDP).

Taking to Twitter, KTR remarked that while the flyovers and underpasses were initially planned to move at the speed of wind, their construction during the 16-month Congress rule has progressed at a snail's pace.

Highlighting the condition of several key projects, he stated that there is no need to worry about the Falaknuma Road Over Bridge (ROB), sarcastically pointing out that the government's focus seems to be on sending opposition leaders to Chanchalguda jail with illegal cases, rather than completing the flyover situated right in front of it.

KTR also expressed concern over the second-level bridge at Shilpa Layout, which is meant to enhance connectivity to the international airport but remains incomplete and neglected.

He further pointed out that work on the Shastripuram ROB has come to a halt in several areas. While some completed structures were inaugurated with ribbon-cutting ceremonies, the under-construction ones have been left without review or accountability.



## Shah lauds GCCI for inspiring youth in global ....

Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Thursday said the Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCI) has inspired the youth with entrepreneurship, courage, and the enthusiasm to do business anywhere in the world. Addressing the inaugural session of the Annual Trade Expo 2025 of Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry via video conferencing, Shah stated that for 75 consecutive years, the Chamber has upheld that tradition, maintained dialogue with the government, cared for public interest, and stood shoulder to shoulder with the people during natural calamities, an official statement said.

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## Want to give negotiations a chance, says EU chief ....



The European Union will put on hold for 90 days its first countermeasures against President Donald Trump's tariffs, European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen has said. The bloc was due to launch counter-tariffs on US imports from next Tuesday in response to Trump's 25% tariffs on steel and aluminium.

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## Vishy backs Gukesh ahead of Carlsen clash at Norway Chess



In what promises to be the most highly-anticipated encounter in the world of chess, newly-crowned world champion Dommaraju Gukesh is set to take on world no 1 Magnus Carlsen at the prestigious Norway Chess 2025 tournament to be held in Stavanger from May 26 to June 6.

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## Indian engineers team assessing quake-affected .....



After assessing six affected sites in quake-hit Mandalay, the safety and demolition engineers team from India assessed six quake affected sites in Naypyitaw today, as part of Operation Brahma, the MEA said. An Orthopaedic surgeon from the Indian Army Medical team is assisting in the treatment of 70 patients at a Nay Pyi Taw Hospital.

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He pointed out, “MSMEs are our greatest asset, and if we look back, every major industry has once begun as a small-scale enterprise. Gujarat’s small industries have made a significant contribution to the nation’s industrial growth. The Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry should integrate the tradition of small industries with startups and modernize it to create a comprehensive ecosystem

for the youth.”Shah stated that Gujarat today showcases a vibrant and diverse industrial ecosystem—ranging from traditional industries to cutting-edge technology, IT, infrastructure, MSMEs, startups, and pioneering sectors.

He emphasized that entrepreneurs looking to establish industries in Gujarat are assured of a business-friendly environment, free from political interference, supported by efficient systems and a strike-free atmosphere.

He recalled that during Narendra Modi’s tenure as Chief Minister, the Gujarat government prioritised inclusive decision-making by engaging in meaningful dialogue with traders, industrialists, and small business owners through the Chamber of Commerce.

The Home Minister said that under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, India has made remarkable progress over the past 11 years, advancing in various sectors and emerging as a global leader across multiple domains. He stressed that these achievements have been possible due to the holistic, multidimensional, and

whole-of-government approach adopted under Modi’s leadership.

He also acknowledged that Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel has played a key role in firmly upholding and continuing this tradition of development and good governance in Gujarat.

Shah stated that Gujarat has emerged as a pioneer in all the key sectors that will shape the global economy over the next 25 years.He highlighted that the world’s largest renewable energy park has been established in Kutch, while the largest greenfield project—Dholera Smart City—is taking shape in the state.He also mentioned that the Surat-Chennai Expressway, India’s second-longest expressway, originates in Gujarat. Moreover, India’s first international financial hub, GIFT City, has been developed in Gujarat, along with the country’s first bullet train project and the first Nammo Bharat Rapid Rail

He further emphasised that Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel has provided Gujarat with a robust industrial development infrastructure, progressive policies, and an industry-friendly governance model.

# Apni Party moves Supreme Court against controversial Waqf Act

Srinagar, Apr 10 (UNI) A day after two major parties of Kashmir National Conference and People's Democratic Party announced they would move the apex court against the new Waqf Act, Apni Party on Thursday submitted an intervention application to the apex judiciary challenging the legislation.The application, filed on behalf of party president Altaf Bukhari, questioned the constitutional validity of the amendments made to the Waqf Act.“The Apni Party has submitted an intervention application under Order I Rule 8A of the Supreme Court Rules, 2013, before the Chief Justice of India and the companion Justices of the Hon’ble Supreme Court.” a statement issued by the party said.

“The application challenged the constitutional validity of the Waqf (Amendment) Act, 2025, which substantially alters the framework of Waqf administration in India, including redefining core concepts, dismantling institutional autonomy, and shifting adjudicatory powers to executive authorities,” the statement reads.The Apni Party had announced on April 7 its intention to approach the Supreme Court over the matter. Meanwhile, NCMP Mian Altaf appealed to all political parties, including rivals, to set aside differences and unite in opposing the Waqf Act.

# Dr. R.K. Nayansana Honoured with Certificate of Excellence for Yahouthengba Khoimu at Telangana Film Festival



(By Asem Bhakta) Hyderabad, April 10 : In a proud moment for the Manipuri film fraternity, Dr. R.K. Nayansana was awarded the Certificate of Excellence for her outstanding work in the Manipuri film Yahouthengba Khoimu at a prestigious film festival held in Telangana.

The film, which captivated audiences with its poignant storytelling and cultural depth, was celebrated for its originality, direction, and heartfelt performances. At the center of the film's success is its producer, Shrimati Rajkumari Nayansana Devi, a distinguished figure

known not just for her contributions to cinema, but also for her vast contributions to literature, public service, and philanthropy.“

Producer’s Profile: Shrimati Rajkumari Nayansana Devi

Born on 1st January 1951 to Rajkumar Pakasana Singh and Haobam Ningol Amureima Shija, Shrimati Nayansana Devi has worn many hats over the decades. A retired Director of the Department of Agriculture, Government of Manipur (1997–2009), and former Chairperson of the Manipur State Social Welfare Board (2010–2013), her journey has been

marked by relentless service to the people and an unwavering commitment to social welfare.

As a philanthropist, author, and ardent supporter of Manipuri arts, her passion extends across literature, theatre, and film. Her literary works—He Mei Eshing Nungshit (2019), Ya Ya Lao-e Chup Lupkhi (2022), and Sanarik Pareng (2022)—have received critical acclaim for their depth, emotion, and authenticity.

Recognized with numerous international, national, and state awards, her contribution to the socio-cultural landscape of Manipur continues to

inspire generations.“

Celebrating Manipuri Cinema on a National Platform

The recognition of Yahouthengba Khoimu not only shines a light on Shrimati Nayansana Devi’s versatile talents but also elevates Manipuri cinema to a broader national audience. The award from the Telangana film festival stands as a testament to the growing appreciation of regional voices in Indian cinema.With her relentless dedication and creative spirit, Shrimati Nayansana Devi remains a beacon of excellence, bridging the worlds of service and storytelling with grace and power.

# Golden Retrievers emerge as new favourite Dog breed, says Justdial

New Delhi, April 10 (UNI) : Golden Retrievers is emerging as new favourite dog breed with 62 per cent surge in searches nation-wide, says search engine Justdial.

India’s pet landscape is experiencing a remarkable transformation, with Golden Retrievers emerging as the nation’s new favourite dog breed. Search data from March 2024 to February 2025 by Justdial, a local search engine, reveals a stunning 62% surge in Golden Retriever searches nationwide, signaling a significant shift in the country’s pet preferences,” Justdial said in a release.

The capital city leads this golden revolution, with Delhi recording an extraordinary 117% increase in Golden Retriever searches. Other major metropolitan areas

follow this trend with Lucknow showing a 32% rise, Kolkata 26%, Hyderabad 18%, and Bangalore 17%. This widespread interest spans diverse geographical regions, indicating a national rather than regional phenomenon.

As Golden Retrievers capture India’s heart, traditional favourites are experiencing a decline. Labrador searches have fallen by 16%, while the once-popular Pomeranian breed has seen a dramatic 25% drop. Even German Shepherds, long considered a staple in Indian households, registered a slight decrease of 2%, further emphasizing the shifting landscape of canine preferences across the country.The trend toward larger, more energetic breeds extends beyond Golden Retrievers,

with Siberian Huskies seeing a 23% increase in searches nationally. Mumbai leads this trend with a 22% surge, followed by Indore (20%), Chandigarh (16%), and Delhi (7%). This growing interest in cold-weather breeds in India’s predominantly warm climate suggests pet enthusiasts are increasingly prioritizing distinctive appearance and personality over environmental suitability.

Beyond canines, India’s avian interests are also evolving. Searches for exotic birds increased by 26% nationwide, with notable growth in Delhi (6%) and Mumbai (4%). Love birds, in particular, have captured significant attention with a 27% national increase, driven largely by Mumbai’s remarkable 68% surge in search interest.

# India, UAE share a bold vision for the future: Dubai Crown Prince Sheikh Hamdan

New Delhi/Mumbai, Apr 10 (UNI) Crown Prince of Dubai, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Defence Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum said that the economic relations between Dubai and India are witnessing a strong upward trajectory on all fronts.“This growth is accompanied by increasing trade and investment across both traditional and emerging sectors, under the guidance and support of the leadership,” he said on Wednesday evening, during an event held by Dubai Chambers in Mumbai.Sheikh Hamdan also held talks with Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal in Mumbai.The

discussions focused on advancing cooperation across a wide spectrum of sectors that are pillars of the India-UAE economic relationship, including trade, energy, investment, manufacturing, logistics, technology and healthcare.

Sheikh Hamdan said, “India and the UAE share more than strong economic ties, we share a bold vision for the future. Our partnership is built on trust, innovation, and a common commitment to shaping resilient, forward-looking economies that advance prosperity and enhance the welfare of the people of the two countries. As we deepen our cooperation across a range of vital sectors, we are not only

unlocking new opportunities for growth, innovation and excellence, but also creating a distinctive model of bilateral collaboration.”The talks explored ways to build on the momentum generated by the Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) and the Bilateral Investment Treaty (BIT), two frameworks that have laid the foundation for a more open, secure, and investment-friendly economic relationship, WAM reported.Both sides welcomed the steady growth in bilateral trade and reaffirmed their common commitment to fostering supply chain resilience.Opportunities to expand investment flows

and enhance commercial cooperation between the two economies were also discussed.

The two sides looked at ways to improve industrial collaboration and improve trade facilitation, including through enhanced logistics infrastructure and more closely linked digital trade platforms, to support mutual growth, economic engagement and investment. In addition, the two leaders discussed closer collaboration in digital infrastructure, payment systems, and smart logistics.The two sides also discussed opportunities for cooperation in artificial intelligence, with a focus on harnessing emerging

technologies to drive future-ready economies.Sheikh Hamdan reaffirmed the UAE’s commitment to deepening bilateral economic ties to serve as a key driver of sustainable development and a contributor to broader global economic stability.

Non-oil trade between the UAE and India grew by 20.5% in 2024, reaching more than AED240 billion, compared to AED199.3 billion in 2023. This significant growth reflects strengthening economic ties and promising trade and investment opportunities.

The UAE-India CEPA, signed in 2022, aims to aim to take non-oil trade to \$100 billion by 2030.

# Major Bengal opposition parties express solidarity with jobless teachers

Kolkata, Apr 10 (UNI) West Bengal’s major opposition political parties - the BJP, Left, Congress - and various civic and social organisations on Thursday expressed their solidarity with the teachers rendered jobless after a Supreme Court verdict and condemned the police lathi charge on them in South kolkata’s Kasba.They opposition parties demanded the Mamata Banerjee government segregate the eligible and non-eligible candidates and restore jobs to the eligible teachers.Meetings and rallies were held in almost all the districts of the state since Thursday morning. Kolkata was flooded with

big and small rallies brought out by the opposition parties.

The BJP and its frontal wings like Yuva Morcha and Mahila Morcha, led a protest at Kasba police station to protest the police lathi charge on the agitating teachers on Wednesday. They demanded for those cops who used batons on the teachers at the District Inspector office in Kasba.

The saffron brigade organised such protests in other areas of the city and in the districts holding Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee responsible for the state of affairs and demanded her resignation.

The CPI(M) and its youth and students wings

also organised rallies condemning the Trinamool Congress government for perpetrating atrocities on the teachers.CPI(M) state secretariat member Sujan Chakraborty slammed the government after the Kolkata Police filed two FIRs against the teachers for indulging in violence in front of the DI office.

Chakraborty said the government should suspend police personnel for using batons and kicking a teacher at Kasba.The Congress also organised a protest rally on the city’s education hub College Street condemning the police actions. The SUCI and its youth wing DSO took part in similar rallies separately.

# HYDRA commissioner unveils ‘HRCSIndia’

Hyderabad, April 10 (UNI) : A.V. Ranganath, Commissioner of HYDRA (Hyderabad Disaster Response and Asset Monitoring and Protection Agency), launched HRCSIndia.com, a free online platform that offers verified, unbiased legal and loan information on real estate properties, here on Thursday.

Developed by HRCS India, a Hyderabad-based, R E R A - c e r t i f i e d organization with 21 years of industry experience, the platform aims to empower property buyers, sellers, and stakeholders with accurate and transparent information at no cost.

Addressing a gathering

of over 150 attendees, Ranganath emphasized that it is unfair to blame HYDRA for the slowdown in Hyderabad’s real estate sector.“HYDRA is not responsible for the stagnation in the market. Many unsold flats existed even before HYDRA was formed. Our role is to protect public assets and ensure transparency,” he said.He appreciated HRCS India for volunteering to provide legal clarity and loan transparency free of cost, comparing their efforts to marriage matchmaking — helping buyers find the right property match safely.

The commissioner stated that HYDRA plans to

sign a MoU with the National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC) to use satellite and remote sensing technology to identify lake encroachments and demarcate Full Tank Levels (FTLs). This will help prevent disputes and protect natural water bodies.He acknowledged that real estate earned a bad reputation due to land grabbers, fly-by-night operators, and a lack of transparency.

“HRCSIndia.com is a first-of-its-kind initiative, created to address the widespread confusion and fear among buyers following recent demolitions.

Many people are unsure whether a property lies within Full Tank Level (FTL) or lake buffer zones. Our platform is designed to bridge this information gap and help people make informed decisions,” said Mr. Harshavardhan Reddy, Founder and CEO of HRCS India on the occasion.

“This must change,” he urged, emphasizing the need to protect people from exploitation.

“If you’re confused about where to buy property in Hyderabad, or worried whether a plot falls within an FTL or buffer zone, we understand your concern. That’s why we created HRCSIndia.com — a completely free,

transparent platform to guide you,” said Harshavardhan Reddy.

He reiterated that HRCS India does not promote or sell any property, but solely aims to educate and empower stakeholders. “This is a no-cost, unbiased, information-first platform meant to help people make safer real estate decisions, especially in the wake of HYDRA demolitions,” he added.

The platform ensures legal clarity and loan transparency for all — buyers, lenders, and other stakeholders.

Ramana Murthy, AGM, SBI Securities, and other dignitaries graced the occasion.



# RePORT India meet highlights urgent need for people-centered approach to tackle TB epidemic

Hyderabad, April 10 (UNI) : Over 3 lakh Indians were estimated to have succumbed to tuberculosis (TB) in 2023, reinforcing the urgency for improved preventive and diagnostic measures in the country that bears the world’s highest TB burden.

Against this backdrop, the 14th annual meeting of the RePORT (Regional Prospective Observational Research for Tuberculosis) India initiative commenced on Thursday at the CSIR-Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology (CCMB) in Hyderabad. The three-day event, running from April 10 to 12, brought together 115 scientists, clinicians, and epidemiologists from India and the USA, all part of the RePORT India consortium. The participants are engaging in discussions on various aspects of TB, ranging from age- and site-specific immune responses in patients to transmission patterns within households. Sessions also include developments in TB vaccine research and the advancement of diagnostic tools.

A decade-long collaborative research effort, RePORT India provides a valuable biorepository of well-characterized biological samples from TB patients. The ongoing meeting showcases key findings derived from these samples, contributing to a more nuanced understanding of the disease. Delivering the keynote address, Dr Anurag Bhargava from Yenepoya University emphasized the need to shift from a pathogen-focused to a people-centered view of TB. “TB deaths are predictable and preventable,” he said, while calling for the establishment of a rural cohort to study the interplay of co-morbidities like diabetes, anemia, and malnutrition in TB patients. Dr. Vinay K Nandicoori, Director of CSIR-CCMB, echoed the sentiment, stressing the need for stronger collaboration between researchers, clinicians, and public health experts. “TB is a challenge that unites us. The barriers between disciplines must dissolve if we aim to make a meaningful impact,” he stated.



Farmer leader Jagjit Singh Dallewal during a visit to the Golden Temple, in Amritsar, Punjab on Thursday.

# CM proposes preschool education in Govt schools

(Standard Post Bureau) Hyderabad, April 10 : Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy announced plans to introduce a preschool system—comprising Nursery, LKG, and UKG—in government schools across Telangana. He acknowledged the ambiguity in the existing government education policy, even at the primary level, and emphasised the need for early childhood education reforms. Speaking at the inauguration of the prestigious Young India Police School (YIPS) in Manchirevu, Hyderabad on Thursday, the Chief Minister reiterated the government’s commitment to prioritising education, employment, and health. “I strongly believe that the

future of the country lies in the classrooms. Our classrooms must be strengthened if we want a bright future for India,” he said. The Chief Minister highlighted the disparities between government and private schools. Telangana has 29,000 government schools with 18.5 lakh students, compared to 11,500 private schools with over 30 lakh students. “Despite highly qualified teachers in government schools, many parents prefer private institutions. We must introspect and identify what is going wrong,” he observed. He pointed out that the current rule requires children to be at least five years old to enroll in government schools,

whereas private schools offer preschool education much earlier. “Because of this, many parents start their children in private schools from nursery, and later hesitate to transfer them to government schools,” he said. To address this, the government is considering introducing preschool education in government schools. The Chief Minister also proposed free transportation for children from economically weaker sections, similar to private school provisions, to ensure equal access to quality early education. On the establishment of the Young India Police School, CM Reddy stated, “This school is a significant step for the children of our police personnel, from

constables to DGP-level officers. Due to the demanding nature of police duties, many officers are unable to give proper attention to their children’s education. This school is a great opportunity for them.” He emphasised that education should be accessible and inspiring for all children, especially those from police families. “I fully understand the thoughts and concerns of police personnel. Previous Chief Ministers had their own branding; ours is Young India—a brand rooted in future-focused development,” he said. The Chief Minister also shared that a Young India Skills University has been established in collaboration with major companies, and

a Young India Sports University and Sports Academy have also been launched. “Our goal is to ensure that students not only graduate with a degree but also have employment opportunities. The first batch from Skills University saw a 90% placement rate,” he noted. Additionally, 58 Young India Integrated Residential Schools have been launched for SC, ST, BC, and minority students. The Chief Minister proposed setting up a Rs 100 crore corpus fund for the Young India Police school, supported by companies under their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives. “Many companies around Hyderabad benefit from

police security. It’s time they contribute to the future of police families,” he said. He congratulated everyone involved in creating the campus in record time and pledged full support for further development. “I will stand by you as Chief Minister. Let’s build this school from KG to PG, without any hurdles,” he affirmed. The event was attended by Minister Duddilla Sridhar Babu, MP Konda Vishweshwar Reddy, various MLAs, Telangana DGP Jitender, Hyderabad Police Commissioner, YIPS Incharge CV Anand, Additional DG of Greyhounds Stephen Ravindra, senior police officials, and families of police personnel.

# CM remembers Jyotirao Phule's sacrifices, services rendered to society on his birth anniversary

Hyderabad, April 10 (UNI) : On the occasion of Phule’s birth anniversary Friday (tomorrow), Telangana Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy remembered the sacrifices and services rendered to the society by India’s popular social reformer. In a release here on Thursday, Reddy said that the ideals followed by Mahatma Jyotirao Phule are applicable to all. The CM said that Phule, who started as a common man and grew into a wave of a social movement, is an ideal for all. He recalled that the social activist Phule’s fight against caste discrimination is a guiding force for future generations. Phule is a renowned great person who fought throughout his life for equality and also

gave a strong message against discrimination in the society. The path chosen and followed by Phule for the upliftment of the Backward Classes and Dalits is an inspiration to all those who aspire for the welfare of the society, the CM said that the state government launched a slew of innovative welfare programmes with the inspiration of Mahatma Phule. As a mark of respect, the People’s Government named the Pragati Bhavan after Mahatma Jyotirao Phule Praja Bhavan, the CM said, with the inspiration of Phule, the SC classification was already enacted with an aim to provide education and employment opportunities to all sections of the society. For the first time in

the country, a BC caste census was conducted and a bill for 42 percent reservation for BCs was also passed in the Assembly, the CM said. Revanth Reddy said that the state government introduced new schemes for the empowerment of women in every field through the Mahila Shakti Policy, interest-free loans to DWACRA groups, establishment of petrol pumps in their names, allocation of solar power plants, rental buses for RTC. As part of the six guarantees, free bus travel for women under the Mahalaxmi scheme and cooking gas cylinder at Rs 500 scheme have already been implemented and the Indiramma House pattas will also be given in the names of women, the CM added.

# GHIAL wins 'Best Airport Staff in India & South Asia 2025' at Skytrax Awards

Hyderabad, April 10 (UNI) : GMR Hyderabad International Airport Ltd (GHIAL) has been awarded the prestigious ‘Best Airport Staff in India & South Asia 2025’ by Skytrax, marking the fourth time the airport has received this honour. The award was announced at the Passenger Terminal EXPO 2025 in Madrid, Spain, recognizing GHIAL’s continued excellence in passenger service, hospitality, and operational efficiency, a statement said on Thursday. CEO Pradeep Panicker expressed pride in the achievement, attributing the recognition to the tireless efforts of the entire airport team and stakeholders who contributed to delivering an exceptional travel experience. Hyderabad Airport has consistently introduced innovative, passenger-centric services—from digital solutions and city-side check-ins to enhanced lounge facilities and personalized care—ensuring a smooth and memorable journey for all travelers.

# Cyber Crime unit Hyderabad arrests accused in Rs 2 cr stock trading fraud

(Standard Post Bureau) Hyderabad, April 10 : The Cyber Crime Unit of Hyderabad has arrested a person in connection with a major stock trading fraud case. Based on a complaint Cyber Crime police arrested Pakeer Srinivas Reddy (41), a resident of Tilaknagar, Hyderabad under Sections 66(C) and 66(D) of the Information Technology Act, 2008, along with Sections 111(2)(b), 318(4), 319(2), 336(3), 338, and 340(2) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS). He is also reportedly involved in five other fraud cases across different parts of India, a police statement said on Thursday. According to the complaint, the victim was contacted by a woman identifying herself as "Tina Mittal," who claimed to represent a firm named W33 Barclays.

She convinced the complainant to join a WhatsApp group offering stock market investment advice. Lured by promises of high returns, the victim eventually invested a total of Rs 2.01 crore through a trading application promoted by the group. Initially, the platform showed attractive virtual profits and even allowed limited withdrawals to build trust. However, when the victim attempted to withdraw a larger amount, they were asked to pay 5 per cent of the total deposit and profit as a processing fee. Suspecting foul play, the victim filed a complaint with the cybercrime authorities. The fraudsters used a calculated approach to deceive victims. They reached out through social media platforms, Telegram, and WhatsApp messages and calls, offering schemes that promised double or triple profits in a short period. They showcased

high virtual returns and allowed minor withdrawals to gain credibility, eventually coaxing victims into investing larger sums. Once substantial amounts were deposited, the fraudsters blocked access to the funds, cutting off communication entirely. The Cyber Crime Unit

has advised the public to remain vigilant and avoid falling for unsolicited investment offers, especially those that guarantee unrealistically high returns. Investigations are ongoing to identify and apprehend other individuals connected to the fraud network.

## IN THE COURT OF THE IADDL. SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE AT BIDAR

MVC No.241/2023

**Chaitanya Dandi and others .** ....Claimants  
Versus  
**Rajkumar and another.** ..... Respondents

**Sub : - Claim Petition U/S 166 of M. V. Act.**

### NOTICE TO:

**Respodent No.1:**  
**Rajkumar, S/o Tippanna,** Age : Major, Occu: Business, R/o H.No. 16-13-9/75/7, Rahmath Nagar, Chandrayangutta, Bandlaguda, Falaknuma, Hyderabad-TS-500005. Owner of Goods carriage Bearing regd. No. TS.12UD.0752.

Whereas the above named claimants, have filed the claim petition U/s 166 of M.V. Act against the respondents for grant of compensation on account of death of the deceased in the road accident and this Honble court has issued the notices on several times to the respondent No.1 through the court and also through Regd. Post, which were got returned un-served, which shows that you are willfully and deliberately avoiding the service of notice.

Therefore you are hereby directed to appear before this court on **30-05-2025 at 11.00 am**, either in person or through your pleader duly instructed to answer the claim of claimant, failing which the claim petition will be heard and decided in your absence, in accordance with law.

Given under my hand and the seal of the court, this the day of 07-04-2025.

// By order of the Court //

Sd/-  
**Chief Administrative Officer**  
**I Addl. Sr. Civil Judge at Bidar.**

**SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY**  
Tender Notice No: HE-TRD-2024-25-0T-44  
Dated: 04.04.2025  
The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tenders for the following work:  

Item of work	Approx. Value
Design, supply, erection, testing and commissioning of 110kv / 25kv additional Traction Transformers at Hubballi Traction Sub Station.	Rs. 1,37,10,110.44

Last date for submission of bids: Upto 11:00 Hrs. on 02.05.2025

For details log on : [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in)

Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer/TRD/ PUB/25/IAAMO/PRB/SWR/2025-26 Hubballi

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**SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY**  
Publication of Corrigendum to Tender Notice No: CAO/CN/BN/EC/PC/46/2025  
Dated: 09.01.2025  
The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tenders for the following work:  

Item of work	Approx. Value
Tumakuru Station Redevelopment: Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) Agreement for Tumakuru Station Redevelopment including Civil Works, Signal and Telecommunication works and Electrical General Services at Tumakuru Station. (Tender Ref. No: TK-STN-DEVELOP-EPC)	Rs. 74,97,63,438/-

Date of Closing of Tender

Existing	Revised
10.04.2025 (15:00 Hrs)	25.04.2025 (15:00 Hrs)

For details log on : [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in)

Dy. Chief Engineer / Construction / Works / PUB/25/IAAMO/PRB/SWR/2025-26 Bengaluru Cantt.

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**EAST COAST RAILWAY**  
Tender Notice No. VSKP-ELG-TL-AC-25-26-1, Date: 07.04.2025  
**Name of work: SUPPLY, INSTALLATION/MODIFICATION AND COMMISSIONING OF MPCB AND INTERLOCKING IT WITH HEATER CONTACTOR IN LHB TYPE AC COACHES.**  
Tender Value: ₹ 8,34,880/-, Bid Security: ₹ 16,700/-, Completion period: 120 days.  
Tender closing date and time : at 1330 hrs. of 06.05.2025, Date and time of opening of tenders : at 1600 hrs. of 06.05.2025.  
The tender documents complete details available at [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in)  
The tenderers are required to watch the website for any corrigendum's issued.  
Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer (G), PR-23/Q/25-26 Waltair

# Average home price raises 9 pc Y-o-Y in top 9 cities in FY25: PropEquity

Hyderabad, April 10 (UNI) : The weighted average launch price of homes in India’s top 9 cities rose by 9 percent in FY 2024-25 to Rs 13,197 per sq ft, as compared to Rs 12,569 per sq ft in the previous year, said a report by NSE-listed data analytics firm PropEquity. The top nine cities are Bengaluru, Chennai, Hyderabad, Kolkata, Delhi-NCR, Mumbai, Navi Mumbai, Thane and Pune, the report stated. In the last one year, housing prices raised the most in Kolkata by 29 percent, followed by Thane (17%), Bengaluru (15%), Pune (10%), Delhi-NCR (5%), Hyderabad (5%) and Chennai (4%).

Housing Prices fell by 3% each in Mumbai and Navi Mumbai. Samir Jasuja, Founder and CEO, PropEquity said: “Housing prices have appreciated between 10-30 per cent in Bengaluru, Kolkata, Pune and Thane. While the demand and supply have been subdued in the past one year, the rise in input cost, including land, labour and construction material, over the past couple of years have led to firming up of housing prices. The price appreciation has been growing at a slower rate, though. Average housing prices grew by 12 percent in top 9 cities FY24.”



STANDARD POST

Legionnaires' disease health alert issued for Sydney

Health authorities of Australia's state of New South Wales (NSW) have issued a public health alert for Legionnaires' disease in central Sydney.

The NSW health department said that five people with recent cases of confirmed Legionnaires' disease all visited Sydney's CDB during their exposure period.

The alert said that the five patients developed symptoms between March 30 and April 4 after spending time in central Sydney, reports Xinhua news agency.

It said that "no single source" of the infection has been identified, and it is possible that the cases are "unrelated" but that an investigation of a potential source area is underway.

Legionnaires' disease is a form of pneumonia caused by infection with Legionella bacteria, which is found naturally in freshwater. Symptoms typically develop between 2-10 days after exposure and can initially include headaches, fever and a mild cough.

According to the World Health Organization (WHO), the mortality rate from the disease is usually within the range of 5-10 per cent but can be as high as 80 per cent for untreated immuno-suppressed patients.

NSW Health said that the bacteria could contaminate air conditioning cooling towers, spas, shower heads, and other bodies of water.

"People walking outside or driving past may be exposed if they inhale aerosolised contaminated water," it said.

It advised NSW clinicians to consider Legionnaires' disease as a diagnosis for patients presenting with consistent symptoms, especially those who travel to the Sydney CDB in the 10 days prior to symptoms developing.

New Heartbeat of Kashmir



(Standard Post Bureau)

The mild chill of April and the blooming spring...Snow-capped Himalayan peaks, a pink blanket of blossoms on apple trees, and lush green meadows—this will no longer be just a dream. Soon, you will witness it all firsthand while travelling in the specially designed Vande Bharat train for Jammu and Kashmir.

As the train glides through the valleys of Pahalgam, the greenery-draped landscapes, vast pine forests, and glimpses of shepherds will make you pause in awe. With Vande Bharat slicing through the serene silence of the deodar forests, you will soon experience a breathtaking fusion of technology and nature.

A Marvel of Engineering

Manufactured under the “Make in India” initiative at the Integral Coach Factory (ICF), this semi-high-speed train is equipped with state-of-the-art technology and top-tier amenities. Designed for both speed and comfort, it glides smoothly while ensuring a safe and efficient journey. This remarkable innovation by Indian Railways is bound to fill every Indian with pride, proving that New India’s engineering is truly extraordinary!

Ensuring Connectivity in Every Season

This Vande Bharat Express is equipped with state-of-the-art technology and advanced features to ensure reliability, safety, and passenger comfort.



Designed to facilitate smooth travel in the challenging climatic conditions of the Kashmir Valley, this train reflects Indian Railways’ commitment to innovation, enhancing regional connectivity, and introducing a new era of modern rail services. With this, reaching the Kashmir Valley in any season will now be easier, with ehanced passenger services and tourism experiences in the region.

Seamless Rail Services Even in Sub-Zero Temperatures

To ensure smooth rail operations in cold regions like Jammu and Kashmir, this Vande Bharat train has been equipped with special technical features:

**Silicone Heating Pads:** These prevent water from freezing in the water and bio-toilet tanks. They also come with overheat protection sensors to ensure uninterrupted operations even at zero or sub-zero temperatures.

**Heated Plumbing Pipelines:** Self-regulated heating cables prevent water from freezing even at temperatures below zero degrees.

**Auto-Draining Mechanism:** This mechanism prevents water from freezing in plumbing lines, ensuring smooth and obstruction-free operations.

Safe and Comfortable Travel

To ensure the safety and convenience of the driver in Kashmir’s challenging conditions, this Vande Bharat train is equipped with cutting-edge technology for seamless travel:

**Embedded Heating Elements:** Installed in the front lookout glass, these elements defrost the windshield in cold weather, providing a clear vision for safe train operations.

**Anti-Spall Layer:** This layer ensures driver safety during snowfall or storms, aiding in secure train operations.

**Safe and Comfortable Work Environment:** The train is specially designed to withstand extreme weather conditions, providing railway staff with a safe and comfortable working experience.

Next-Gen Technology & Passenger Amenities

Several technical advancements have been incorporated for the

smooth operation of this Vande Bharat train and to enhance passenger comfort:

**Air Dryer System Heating:** Maintains the efficiency of the air brake system in extreme cold. Additionally, the Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) ducts ensure a comfortable journey for passengers.

**5 kVA Transformer:** Specially installed under the frame to ensure the

smooth operation of key train components and maintain efficiency in cold weather.

**Fully Air-Conditioned Coaches:** Equipped with semi-high-speed capabilities (up to 160 km/h) for fast and timely travel.

**Modern Features:** Wide gangways, automatic plug doors, mobile charging sockets, infotainment systems, and CCTV facilities enhance the passenger experience.

A Journey of Development

The launch of Vande Bharat Express in the Kashmir Valley marks a historic transformation in rail travel. This service will ensure seamless connectivity in all seasons, overcoming challenges such as heavy snowfall, extreme cold, and rugged mountainous terrain. With modern amenities and climate-specific adaptations, this train will offer passengers a superior travel experience. By unprecedentedly linking the Kashmir Valley with the rest of the country, Vande Bharat Express will bridge geographical and economic gaps, bringing development closer to the region.

Piyush Goyal to Inaugurate India’s Largest Building Material Expo

(Standard Post Bureau)

India’s largest building material expo – Vibrant Buildcon 2025 – is set to be inaugurated by Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon’ble Minister of Commerce and Industry, on 13th April 2025 at the Yashobhoomi Convention Centre, New Delhi. The event will be a landmark gathering of the global construction and infrastructure industry, featuring over 250 exhibitors, 50,000+ domestic visitors, and 700+ international buyers across a vast 27,000 sq. m exhibition area.

A curtain raiser for the exhibition was recently held in New Delhi, attended by key stakeholders and industry leaders. Prominent guests included:

Ramesh Mittal, Chairman, Capexil  
Nilesh Jetpariya, Sr. Vice Chairman (Ceramic Panel), Capexil & Member-Board of Trade (Government of India)

Harpal Singh, Secretary, Capexil

Narendra Sanghat, Western Region Committee Member, Capexil

Vishal Acharya, Global Business Head, Vibrant Buildcon

Titendra Kathiriya, Director, Vibrant Buildcon

Vijay Aghara, Director, Vibrant Buildcon

The expo will bring together buyers from over 60 countries, including the USA, Mexico, Brazil, UK, Spain, UAE, and other regions across North America, Latin America, Europe, Africa, South East Asia, and more. It offers unmatched export, OEM, and joint venture opportunities for Indian manufacturers.

With Bollywood icon Suniel Shetty as its brand ambassador, Vibrant Buildcon 2025 is set to be a

game-changer, providing a premium global stage for India’s booming building materials industry. The exhibition will showcase 10+ product categories, including:

Ceramics, Tiles, & Sanitaryware  
Marble, Granite & Stone CP, Pipe & Fittings  
Hardware, Bath Fittings & Sink  
Plywood, Laminates, Timber, & Floorings  
Paints  
Glue, Adhesive & Construction Chemicals  
Cement & TMT Bars

India’s construction market, currently valued at USD 884.72 billion (2023), is on a high-growth trajectory, expected to touch USD 2,134.43 billion by 2030, growing at a CAGR of 12.6% from 2024 to 2030. Rapid urbanization and large-scale infrastructure projects including roads, railways, and industrial corridors are propelling this momentum.

Ramesh Mittal, Chairman, Capexil, said "India's infrastructure growth is creating a robust ecosystem for building materials. At Capexil, we are committed to supporting manufacturers and exporters to showcase their excellence to the world. Vibrant Buildcon is a testament to India’s global potential in this sector."

Nilesh Jetpariya, Sr. Vice Chairman, Ceramic Panel – Capexil & Member-Board of Trade (Government of India), stated, "The ceramic and tile segment from India is gaining remarkable traction globally due to its quality and innovation. Vibrant Buildcon 2025 will further strengthen our global outreach, offering a strategic opportunity to highlight India's leadership in ceramics and allied products."

Centre For Sight Brings World-Class Eye Care to Prayagraj

(Standard Post Bureau)

Centre For Sight, India’s leading super-specialty eye care network, has officially launched its state-of-the-art hospital in Prayagraj. With this expansion, the people of Prayagraj and nearby regions now have access to advanced, world-class ophthalmic services without the need to travel to metropolitan cities. The new centre represents Centre For Sight’s continued commitment to making premium eye care accessible across India.

The inauguration ceremony was graced by the esteemed presence of Shri Nand Gopal Gupta (Nandi Ji), Hon'ble Cabinet Minister, Government of Uttar Pradesh (Minister of Industrial Development, Export Promotion, NRI, and Investment Promotion), who served as the Chief Guest. Prof. (Dr.) R N Mishra, Former Director of MD Eye Hospital, Prayagraj, was the Guest of Honour for the event.

Speaking at the launch, Shri Nand Gopal Gupta lauded Centre For Sight’s modern infrastructure, advanced medical equipment, and expert team



of doctors. He emphasized that this facility marks a new era for eye care in Prayagraj, ensuring that patients receive high-quality, accessible, and dependable treatment.

Prof. (Dr.) R N Mishra also expressed his appreciation, noting that the launch of such a well-equipped hospital, supported by a distinguished medical team, would significantly benefit the residents of Prayagraj

and surrounding districts.

The newly launched hospital offers a wide range of comprehensive ophthalmic services under one roof. It is equipped with cutting-edge technology to perform advanced cataract surgery using micro-incision phacoemulsification, along with premium intraocular lens options such as Trifocal, Multifocal, Toric, and EDOF IOLs. It also provides specialized

treatment for glaucoma, retina and vitreoretinal conditions and management of complex disorders like keratoconus. In addition, the centre caters to paediatric and adult patients alike with focused services in paediatric ophthalmology and squint correction. One of the centre’s key highlights is the introduction of advanced LASIK technology, making it the first facility in

Prayagraj to house this next-generation refractive platform for vision correction.

Prof. Dr. Mahipal S. Sachdev, Chairman and Medical Director of Centre For Sight Group of Eye Hospitals, expressed his pride at the Prayagraj launch, stating, “India accounts for nearly one-third of the world’s visually impaired population. Our goal at Centre For Sight is to ensure that every Indian,

regardless of location, has access to expert-led, technology-driven eye care. With the increasing rise of conditions like myopia and cataracts, we cannot afford to overlook preventive care. This centre reflects our commitment to offering the best in diagnosis, surgery, and long-term visual outcomes. When it comes to vision, no one should compromise.”

Echoing the sentiment, Prof. Dr. Kamaljeet Singh, Medical Director at Centre For Sight, emphasized that the opening of the Prayagraj facility is a step toward realizing the organisation’s vision of making quality eye care available across every region. He noted that early diagnosis and timely treatment are crucial in preventing irreversible blindness, especially in conditions such as glaucoma and retinal disorders. With a dedicated team of experienced doctors and world-class technology, the Prayagraj centre is set to become a trusted destination for comprehensive eye care in the region.



South Korean ex-opposition leader announces bid for presidential election

Seoul, April 10 (UNI) : Lee Jae-Myung, South Korea's former opposition leader, announced his bid on Thursday for the presidential election, which is scheduled in June, according to the Korea Herald.

This came a day after he resigned from the chairmanship of the Democratic Party.

In a 10-minute video message, Lee said, "I do not just want a country that only carries the name 'Republic of Korea' but I want to help build a real Republic of Korea.""Such a Korea is created by its people and I hope to become a great tool, the best tool, of our people," he added.Last Friday, former South Korean President Yoon Suk Yeol was ousted by the Constitutional Court, upholding South Korea's Parliament's impeachment motion against him.In 2022, Lee lost the presidential race to Yoon by a thin margin.

11 killed in clash between rival criminal gangs in Mexico

Mexico City, April 10 (UNI) : At least 11 people were killed in a shootout between suspected rival criminal groups in the southern Mexican state of Guerrero, local authorities said.

The bodies of 11 men were found late Tuesday in the community of Rancho Viejo, in the municipality of Tecoanapa, located in the Costa Chica region, according to a statement from the Guerrero State Prosecutor's Office. Preliminary reports suggest the violence stemmed from a conflict over territorial control between criminal organizations.State investigators and forensic teams were dispatched to the scene to carry out official procedures.Guerrero remains one of Mexico's poorest and most violence-affected states, with a long history of organized crime activity, according to local media reports.

Pakistan disowns ex-Army officer and 26/11 key plotter Tahawwur Rana, says he is a Canadian national

Islamabad, April 10 (UNI) : In its first response to 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks key plotter Tahawwur Rana's extradition to India, Pakistan has disowned its former Army officer and doctor, saying he is a Canadian citizen.

Pakistan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs' spokesperson Shafqat Ali Khan, on being asked about Rana's extradition to India, said "Tahawwur Rana has not renewed his Pakistani documents for over two decades. His Canadian nationality is very clear."

A Pakistani-Canadian national, Rana, 64, was convicted in the US for his association with operatives of the banned terrorist outfit Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT), and for providing material support to the group responsible for the Mumbai attacks that killed over 170 people.Rana is being extradited from the US to India today on board a special flight.

He was incarcerated for 14 years in the US for a foiled 2009 attack on a Danish newspaper for publishing a cartoon of Prophet Mohammad.

However, Rana's links with officials of the Pakistan Army, the Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI), and Lashkar-e-Taiba can prove to be highly damaging and possibly reveal the active involvement of the Pakistani government in the heinous incident.Rana initially served as a doctor in the Pakistan Army before emigrating to Canada in the late 1990s. After obtaining Canadian citizenship, he settled in Chicago, where he operated various businesses, including an immigration consultancy, according to reports. Pakistani-American terrorist David Coleman Headley, prime accused in the 2008 attack, had said that Rana had extended logistical and financial support for the terror attacks and in its run-up.Headley had conducted a recee of Mumbai before the attacks by posing as an employee of Rana's immigration consultancy.

India sends back four Bangladeshi trucks from Benapole land port

Dhaka/New Delhi, April 10 (UNI) : India has sent back four Bangladeshi trucks carrying goods from the Benapole land port check post, a day after New Delhi revoked the use of its transshipment facility for the export of Bangladeshi goods via its land routes.

Rashedul Sajib Nazir, deputy director of Benapole Port, in Jessore district of Bangladesh, said that the Indian government's cancellation of the transshipment facility on April 8 led to the Petrapole Customs (on the Indian side) refusing clearance for third-country goods, bdnews 24 reported.He, however, mentioned that the export trade for goods intended for the Indian market is still operating normally.

Benapole Land Port Deputy Director (Traffic) Mamun Kabir Tarafder said the four Bangladeshi trucks were sent back from the gate of the Indian land port at Petrapole on Wednesday evening.

"The trucks carrying the goods belonged to Dhaka-based exporter DSV Air & Sea Limited. The trucks contained ready-made garment products, which were being exported to Spain," said Benapole Clearing and Forwarding Agent Staff Association General Secretary Sajedur Rahman.Kartik Chakraborty, general secretary of the Petrapole Clearing and Forwarding Agents Staff Welfare Association of India, said: "The Indian Finance Ministry has issued a letter to the Petrapole customs authority to stop transit facilities through the land port."

Brazil to end visa-free entry for US, Canadian, Australian travellers

Brasilia, April 10 (UNI) : Starting Thursday, Brazil will reinstate visa requirements for travellers from the United States, Canada and Australia, ending a six-year visa-free entry for those countries.

The decision was based on the principle of reciprocity since these countries still require Brazilian nationals to obtain visas, said Brazil's Foreign Ministry. "Brazil does not offer unilateral visa exemptions," it said and stated that negotiations are underway to establish reciprocal visa-free travel agreements.

"We're still in talks to have the United States lift its visa requirement for Brazilians, which would allow us to reciprocate," Brazil's Minister of Tourism Celso Sabino was quoted by state-run Agencia Brasil as saying.

According to Embratur, Brazil's tourism promotion agency, the country received 728,537 US visitors, 96,540 Canadians and 52,888 Australians in 2024.

UNI XINHUA AKTSS Starting Thursday, travelers from these three countries arriving by air, land or sea must apply for an e-visa via the official eVisa portal. The visa costs 80.9 US dollars and allows a stay of up to 90 days.

Dhaka/New Delhi, April 10 (UNI) : The Bangladesh Ministry of Commerce held an emergency meeting in Dhaka after India withdrew its trans-shipment facility that allowed Bangladesh to export its goods to third countries such as Nepal, Bhutan, and Myanmar via its land routes.

The emergency, held at the office of the Export Promotion Bureau (EPB) in Karwan Bazar, Dhaka, on Wednesday, was attended by key business leaders and senior representatives from the country's Ministry of Commerce, the Dhaka Tribune reported.

India's Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs

Want to give negotiations a chance, says EU chief, announces 90-days hold on tariff countermeasures

Brussels, April 10 (UNI) : The European Union will put on hold for 90 days its first countermeasures against President Donald Trump's tariffs, European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen has said.The bloc was due to launch counter-tariffs on US imports from next Tuesday in response to Trump's 25% tariffs on steel and aluminium."We want to give negotiations a chance," von der Leyen said on X."While finalising the adoption of the EU countermeasures that saw strong support from our Member States, we will put them on hold for 90 days."

European shares surged on Thursday after Trump announced an immediate 90-day pause on reciprocal tariffs for most trading partners, prompting a massive relief rally after days-long market rout, news reports said.

However, the EU chief's broader message signalled that the EU's strategic pivot away from US-centric trade would continue.

President Trump's decision to pause tariffs has come amid growing tensions with trading partners over what the US has described as unfair trade practices. The move is aimed at calming volatile

markets and initiating renegotiations with key economic allies.Trump's reciprocal tariffs—comprising a 10 percent baseline and a 10 percent retaliatory layer—were imposed on the EU and dozens of other trading partners, spurring stock market losses and fears of a broader recession.

On Wednesday, the White House paused these tariffs for 90 days, excluding China, to facilitate negotiations with partners who had contacted the administration to work out new terms.The pause came just hours after the European Commission authorised retaliatory measures against the US over separate 25 percent steel and aluminium tariffs, planning to hit a wide range of US exports with new duties starting mid-April

Meanwhile, Beijing's 84% tax on imports of US goods came into effect - although Trump insisted a "good deal" will be struck between the superpowers.

The move from China came hours after the US President raised its tariffs on imports from Beijing to 125%, while blinking in the face of markets turmoil and announcing a 90-day pause of more punitive levies against dozens of other nations.

Death toll in Dominican Republic's nightclub roof collapse rises to 184



Santo Domingo, April 10 (UNI) : The death toll rose to 184 amid ongoing search and rescue operations after the roof of a popular nightclub collapsed during a concert on Tuesday, according to the Dominican Republic Emergency Operations Centre.

The national police said at least 155 people were

injured in the Jet Set nightclub roof collapse in the capital, Santo Domingo.

The incident happened around midnight when renowned Dominican merengue singer Rubby Perez was performing at the concert. Perez, 69, was found dead in the collapsed club, according to the national police.

"We deeply regret the

tragedy that occurred at the Jet Set nightclub," the Dominican Republic President said in a social media post.

He informed that he has been closely following the incident since it occurred. All relief agencies have provided necessary assistance and are working tirelessly in the rescue effort, he said.

France could recognise Palestine state by June: President Macron

Paris, April 10 (UNI) : French President Emmanuel Macron has said that his country could recognise a Palestinian state by June.

Macron, who recently travelled to Cairo to hold extensive talks with Egyptian President Abdel Fattah-El Sisi and Jordanian King Abdullah on the ongoing Gaza war, said, "We must move towards the recognition of the Palestinian state and we

will do so in the coming months. I am not doing it to please anyone, but I feel this is the right time to do so," he told France 5 Television in an interview.

"And because I also want to take part in a collective dynamic that should also enable those who defend Palestine to recognise Israel in their turn, something that many of them are not doing," he added."Our aim is to chair this conference with Saudi

Arabia in June, where we could finalise this movement of mutual recognition (of a Palestinian state) by several parties," he added.Though Palestine has been recognised as a sovereign state by almost 150 countries, most major Western powers have not, including the United States, Britain, France, Germany and Japan. Among countries that do not recognise Israel are Saudi Arabia, Iran, Iraq, Syria and Yemen.

Former Pak PM Nawaz Sharif asked to tackle Balochistan insurgency

Islamabad, April 10 (UNI) : Former Pakistan Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif has been asked to tackle the Balochistan insurgency, which has been worsening day by day, despite attempts to resolve the issue.The call came from a delegation of the National Party (NP), led by party president Dr Abdul Malik Baloch, amid the Balochistan National Party-Mengal's (BNP-M) sit-in, which on Wednesday entered its 12th consecutive day, according to the Express Tribune.

Nawaz Sharif, President of the reigning Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N), has called for a "political solution" to the issues in Balochistan, and vowed to play a key political and democratic role in fostering peace in the province, which is gripped with turmoil, according to Dawn.Sharif made this statement during a meeting with former Balochistan Chief Minister and National Party President Abdul Malik Baloch at his Jati Umra residence on Wednesday, a day after army chief Gen Asim Munir assured foreign investors that Pakistan would provide robust security to protect their interest amid heightened unrest in the mineral-rich province.

The former Balochistan CM said that Sharif assured him he would personally take interest in the matters of the province. "I told Mr Sharif that his

role is crucial given the current situation in Balochistan. We held an in-depth discussion on the political affairs of the province. There is an ongoing sit-in in Balochistan, and many people are imprisoned. Nawaz Sharif should play his part in resolving these issues," the former CM said, adding that the elder Sharif agreed to play his role.He was referring to the Balochistan National Party-Mengal (BNP-M) sit-in led by Sardar Akhtar Mengal against the arrest of Baloch Yakjehti Committee (BYC) leaders and activists, including Mahrang Baloch, and a police crackdown on their sit-in in Quetta,

Talking to reporters after the meeting in Lahore, PML-N leader Khawaja Saad Rafique said that Dr Baloch shared his views and requested that Nawaz Sharif play an active role in resolving the issues of Balochistan.

"Nawaz Sharif assured that he would play his political and democratic role in promoting peace in Balochistan. When Nawaz Sharif was prime minister and Abdul Malik Baloch was CM, Balochistan that era witnessed development. Unfortunately, democracy was disrupted that led to the current situation," Rafique said, adding that Sharif had assured him that he would personally take interest in resolving the Balochistan issues.

and Ports. Logistical delays and higher costs were hindering our own exports and creating backlogs. The facility, therefore, has been withdrawn with effect from April 8, 2025.

"And let me clarify here, I saw some reports. These measures do not impact Bangladesh's exports to Nepal and Bhutan transiting through Indian territory. It has no impact on Nepal and Bhutan trade as far as Bangladesh exports are concerned...There is a particular reason why it has been brought in because we are facing congestion on our side, and we have to create more space for our own exports."

restlessness amongst Bangladeshi entrepreneurs and political leadership. The cancellation virtually meant that all of the country's land exports to Bhutan, Nepal, and Myanmar were almost completely cut off.

However, India had clarified that this order was not going to affect Bangladesh's exports.

In his briefing yesterday, the spokesperson for India's Ministry of External Affairs, Randhir Jaiswal, said "The trans-shipment facility extended to Bangladesh had over a period of time resulted in significant congestion at our Airports

BNP to meet Bangladesh CA Mohd Yunus to discuss election roadmap

Dhaka, April 10 (UNI) : Citing its fears over a possible delay in holding national elections, the Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) is set to meet with the country's Chief Advisor Mohammed Yunus on April 16, to discuss the election roadmap.

As the CA and his interim cabinet have not issued any clear directives on elections, the meeting will press for a clear and specific roadmap for the upcoming national elections, as well as resolve any confusion surrounding the polls, according to The Daily Star.

Party leaders said they

will clearly state their demand for the national election to be held by December this year and seek clarity on the government's position and intentions regarding the matter, as well as discuss various other issues, including the ongoing reform process.

The meeting will take place at the Chief Advisor's official residence, State Guest House Jamuna, according to the BNP's Standing Committee member Salahuddin Ahmed.

Addressing the press today, Ahmed said "We will certainly want a

specific roadmap for the upcoming national parliamentary election before December from the chief advisor."

"Given the confusion due to various statements from different parties, we will urge him to clearly present the roadmap through a proper process into the sense of instability and uncertainty," he added.

The BNP leader said a roadmap should be formally presented to the nation to help restore political stability and boost economic activity, adding "Earlier, we discussed with the Election Commission, and they said preparations

would be complete by June. The chief advisor also assured us they are working to hold the election by December."

The holding of electoral rolls has been a contentious issue between the army-backed Interim Government and its political allies which include the BNP, the Jamaat-e-Islami-Bangladesh, and the National Citizen Party.

There have been accusations by both the Interim Government's political allies, as well as the ousted Awami League, that the army backed CA is trying to further stall the national elections to remain in power.



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# False flattery at work can ruin your Career

Sycophancy may get you noticed but it will do no wonders for your career in the long run. ?



leaders realise their mistake and take corrective actions, or become hugely unpopular and ineffective in the organisation." Harvey Deutschendorf, author of 'The Other Kind of Smart: Simple Ways to Boost Your Emotional Intelligence for Greater Personal Effectiveness and Success' tells us why professionals adopt sycophancy, "People may have started out with the notion that talent and abilities will be recognised when it comes to promotions, but then they witnessed others who they see as less capable but more pleasing to their superiors being chosen above them. As a result of observing this, they may have come to see sycophancy as being the path of least resistance and

the easiest way to get ahead." Undeserved promotions are the most critical consequence of sycophantic employees. Vivian Fernandes, HR head, Opus Consulting, explains, "As bosses, it may sometimes be difficult to see the right picture immediately, but with experience, it becomes easy to understand who is a sycophant and who the real hard workers are. If an organisation has clearly chartered out the parameters KRAs for promotions and does stringent reference checks, such situations of unwarranted promotions can be avoided." Rajiv Burman, managing partner, Lighthouse Partners gives some tips on dealing with sycophantic peers, so as to not let them dictate one's behaviour or career: Firstly, it is important to recognise that there is no point in talking to the sycophantic peers as they behave in the manner that they do because they think it gets them brownie points from the boss. The best step is to talk to your boss in a non-confrontational way with facts and figures about your performance and express your disappointment that a lesser deserving peer has been given preferential treatment. If this does not work, then seek a meeting with the skip-level boss; if this too fails, then talk to the HR manager. If none of these measures bring favourable results, then it is best to look for another job. Thus, it is important for an organisation to encourage a merit-based culture, rather than sycophancy among their employees.

Every workplace has its share of sycophantic employees; these are the people who use tools like flattery, deference and obsequiousness towards their superiors to accelerate their careers. They build a special relationship with their bosses and utilise the same to create an unwarranted, elevated place for themselves in the organisation. Udit Mittal, MD, Unison International tells us the potential effects on one's career if one is surrounded by sycophantic peers, "Being surrounded by sycophants might bring negative effects to one's career because there is a possibility of remaining unnoticed by seniors in the bleak environment created by flattery. Sycophancy creates emotional disturbances and eventually affects performance." As bosses, it is important for professionals to not be susceptible to sycophancy from their juniors. Chitbhanu Nagri, global head HR, Tavant Technologies, explains, "For leaders who want to achieve overnight success, sycophants act like 'fuel to fire'; they create an illusion of grandeur and make them believe that everything is hale and hearty. Leaders rationalise this as the organisational sentiment, get defensive when they hear divergent views and ultimately, the ones with differing views either distance themselves or move on to take up other opportunities. Sycophants can use this opportunity to get a larger share of the pie. However, reality catches up soon; either the

Lethargic employees can not only affect a team's output, but also individual attitudes towards work. Lalitha balsubramanian shares tips on how leaders can re-align the focus of such workers and improve their performance



Very often, employees have to endure colleagues who spend time lazing around or talking endlessly on their cell phones during office hours. Besides being a source of irritation, their laziness could sometimes dampen the congenial atmosphere at the workplace. **Impact on team** Additionally, such workers can make an otherwise efficient team under perform. Says Kala R, an employee with a leading financial consultancy firm, "In processes where projects are supposed to be completed by a team, the major pre-requisites for success is teamwork, cooperation and mutual understanding between colleagues, and shirking any of these responsibilities by even one member can cause the project to fail." It is usually the team leader who bears the brunt of the issue, as such problems may not be as easily solvable as lodging a complaint with the senior management. Such exercises tend to create a sense of apprehension among team members and dampens the cordial atmosphere at the office. So, how do you deal with such colleagues?

**Key concerns** Advises K Ramakrishnan, vice president, Hazira Central Services, Larsen & Toubro Ltd, "It is imperative to communicate to the employee that the interest of the organisation is paramount. Arranging a meeting with the employee and senior members of the group is one of the best ways to deal with such a situation. He she must be given appropriate feedback about how their attitude is impacting the team's efficiency. It is also equally important to assure the employee of any help they may require." However VR Ganapathi, retired senior manager, Andhra Bank, offers a counter view, "Many a time, a colleague could face genuine issues in executing the tasks entrusted to him her. Many are hesitant to express their discomfort in the presence of other team members. Hence, confronting such workers should be

## How to deal with lethargic Employees

done in private and steps should be taken to either clear their doubts and apprehensions while also allowing them to switch to other projects if the scope to do so exists."

**Remotivate the employee** Ganapathi says, "A good way to realign an employee's focus towards work is by illustrating the achievements of the organisation's top executives who have reached their present positions through sheer hard work. This could motivate the reluctant worker to show renewed interest at work."

However, most efforts to remotivate employees who give into laziness crash when one fails to gauge the worker's response to such initiatives. Even a slight change in their attitude or productivity can signal success. According to Ramakrishnan, "If the member does step up and do a good job, the leader must recognise his her efforts. A positive response is often appreciated and acts as a motivator. A weekly or monthly review of his her work could further improve a lazy worker's performance."

**Lend them a ear** Many a time, those who work sincerely, suddenly start showing signs of negligence. However, it may not be advisable to dismiss their under productivity as laziness. Personal issues, such as caring for ailing parents or tending to their own health problems are often a cause for an apparent disenchantment from work. Lending a ear to their problems and counselling them can relieve their tension and bring their focus back to the job at hand. tions, it is time for strict actions. Inform the senior management of such colleague's behaviour and illustrate instances where their negligence has impacted their work.

**However, be sure to back your claims with evidence.** Concludes Ramakrishnan, "If you are the boss, or the team leader, deal with the situation by giving them a clear message --perform or perish--as the organisation cannot afford to suffer due owing to one employee's negligence."



Preparing for a new role at a new office is both exciting and intimidating. The enthusiasm of starting something new, establishing fresh credentials as an add-on to one's existing achievements, meeting new people and gathering new experiences is undebatable. The intimidation often comes from not knowing the everyday work culture, the fear of being judged by existing employees, the uncertainty of how the organisation and

Familiarising oneself with a new workplace is akin to finding one's way through a maze. here are a few steps that can help you settle in at your new office.

teams work and whether one would fit in. Clearly, settling and adjusting well when moving in to a new workplace is an adventure with a few hiccups.

So how does one take steps to familiarise oneself with the new work environment?

### Connect with employees

It pays to be better-informed before joining the workplace. Says Naresh Garg, AVP, Grex Alternative Investments Private Ltd, "Doing some prior research on the organisation you will be joining makes it easier to adapt to the culture of the place. It helps one prepare for any surprises that may crop up." He adds, "Just like in my case, often friends refer

# How to Settle in at your new office

you for jobs. In such a case, it is easy to talk to the people who have informed you about the opening as well as existing employees to get some first-hand information about the work culture. For places, where you don't know anyone personally, online forums and social media groups are good arenas to begin with. One may get insights from existing or previous employees who are often willing to share information."

### Accept the environment and people

While prior research can be a great place to start, the real adventure of adjusting to a new place only begins on entering the office. Keep an eye out for the enthusiastic popular colleague who is willing to introduce you to any and every other employee. In case that does not happen and you are left with an employee handbook or organisational processes handouts to study before any real human interaction takes place, accept the scenario. Not having expectations can be helpful. Most organisations conduct induction sessions for new employees. Make sure to attend one to not only to understand the organisation's goals, but also clarify

your doubts on everyday procedures and protocols. Who knows, you may also end up making new friends among the other joiners.

### Avoid comparisons

Trying to seek all the positives one had at the old workplace or drawing comparisons is a strict no-no. Seeking interactions is a must, be it with colleagues in the next cubicle, on the lunch table or even with one's own team leaders/seniors. Interacting with colleagues and people around will help you build a network in office. Advises Nandini Saraf, who recently joined a publishing house as a copy editor, "In spite of knowing that some of the friendships you form during your initial days will not last long, it is important to make friends from day one. You need to mingle and avoid being alone. Your new friends will give you a clear picture of how things are. At times, they may also become your go-to buddies when you are given a whole lot of work that you are initially not well acquainted with."

### Be honest

Lastly, the traditional advice of being honest, acknowledging mistakes, asking questions, taking notes, dressing well, etc, holds true even today.

To sum up, adjusting to a new role takes some time. All you need is to be patient with the processes and people around.



# Indian Women's Hockey Team set to tour Australia for five-match series

New Delhi, April 10 (UNI) : The Indian Women’s Hockey Team is all set to embark on an exciting tour of Australia for a five-match series scheduled from April 26 to May 4.

India will open the series with two matches against Australia A, followed by three encounters against the senior Australian team.

The tour will begin with back-to-back matches against Australia A on 26 and 27, followed by three high-intensity encounters against the world No.5 ranked Hockeyroos on 1st, 3rd, and 4th May. All fixtures will be held at the Perth Hockey Stadium.

Currently ranked ninth in the FIH World Rankings, the Indian team will look to build on their recent momentum and continue their strong performances on the international stage. The tour will serve as vital preparation ahead of their European leg of the FIH Pro League 2024-25, which kicks off in June.

India enters the series on a high after a spirited performance against world No.1 Netherlands, securing a 2-2 draw and clinching the bonus point in a thrilling shootout in Bhubaneswar—marking a confident end to their home leg of the Pro League.

India also have recent success against Australia to draw confidence from. In their last encounter during the FIH Pro League 2023-24, India emerged 1-0 winners. Notably, they had scripted history at the Tokyo Olympics 2021, defeating the three-time Olympic champions 1-0 in the Semi-Finals to reach the

bronze medal match.

Despite a close battle in the 2022 Commonwealth Games Semi-Final that ended in a 1-1 draw during regulation time, Australia clinched the win in the shootout.

Historically, however, Australia holds the upper hand, having won 10 out of the 16 matches played between the two sides since 2013. India has registered three wins while three matches have ended in draws.

Speaking on the tour, Harendra Singh, Head Coach of the Indian Women’s Hockey Team, said, “This tour is an important step in our preparations for the European leg of the FIH Pro League.

Playing against a strong side like Australia will test our players and give us valuable insights into where we stand. We’ve seen how this team can rise to the occasion, like we did against the Netherlands recently, and we want to build on that momentum.”

“Our matches against Australia have always been competitive, and while they’ve had the edge historically, we’ve shown in recent years that we can go toe-to-toe with them.

The team is motivated and working hard in camp to fine-tune key aspects of our game before we head to Perth,” he added.

Ahead of the tour, the Indian players are undergoing intensive training at the ongoing Senior Women’s National Coaching Camp at SAI, Bengaluru, working to sharpen strategies and enhance on-field synergy.

## Lewandowski praises FC Barcelona after massive win over Dortmund

Warsaw, April 10 (UNI) : Polish striker Robert Lewandowski expressed his satisfaction after FC Barcelona took a 4-0 home win over Borussia Dortmund in the Champions League quarterfinal first leg.

The team coached by Hansi Flick is just a small step from securing their spot in the best four after a great performance at home ground. Lewandowski led his team to triumph by scoring twice after the break. “We worked hard for it and played very well. We were looking for our chances. In the first half we had a few, but Dortmund also tried to oppose us a few times. Of course in the second half, when we increased the pace and scored those three goals, it was hard to stop us,” Lewandowski told Polish media on Thursday.

The 36-year-old stressed that Barcelona had prepared for the season in order to be in top form for the most important matches. “I won’t hide the fact that I was focused on this final phase, although we still have a dozen or so matches ahead of us. It would be difficult to keep such a high form throughout the season. March, April, especially May are the most important months and you have to be ready,” the forward concluded. On Wednesday evening, Lewandowski scored his 98th and 99th goal for Barcelona in his 140th appearance for the team. “I am happy with this achievement. I know that I still have a long way to go. I’m happy that I play in the club, that I can score so many goals. I would like to cross that barrier of 100 goals as soon as possible and I hope that it will happen soon,” Lewandowski concluded.

## Vishy backs Gukesh ahead of Carlsen clash at Norway Chess

Mumbai, April 10 (UNI) : In what promises to be the most highly-anticipated encounter in the world of chess, newly-crowned world champion Dommaraju Gukesh is set to take on world no 1 Magnus Carlsen at the prestigious Norway Chess 2025 tournament to be held in Stavanger from May 26 to June 6. Addressing a curtain-raiser event jointly hosted by Norway Chess and the Sports Journalists’ Association of Mumbai (SJAM) here on Thursday, five-time world champion Viswanathan Anand threw his weight behind Gukesh and predicted a thrilling battle between the Indian teenager and the Norwegian maestro.

“I expect a very exciting battle,” Anand said. “Gukesh will not lack motivation or the determination to go after Magnus Carlsen. But Magnus is also highly motivated by the challenge of playing against our young players. I’ve seen him in Kolkata and in the World Rapid Blitz—he eagerly looks forward to these match-ups. So, we have the perfect storm. I

think we have the right to expect some great battles.”

Gukesh, 18, has been in scintillating form over the past year, scripting history by becoming the youngest world champion in classical chess after triumphing at the Candidates Tournament and clinching the world title in Singapore last December. He also led India to gold at the Chess Olympiad and bagged the prestigious Tata Steel Masters earlier this year.

Norway Chess 2025 will feature a galaxy of stars including Carlsen (Norway), Hikaru Nakamura (USA), Fabiano Caruana (USA), Gukesh D (India), Arjun Erigaisi (India), and Wei Yi (China) in the men’s event, while the Norway Chess Women lineup will see Ju Wenjun (China), Lei Tingjie (China), Humpy Koneru (India), Anna Muzychuk (Ukraine), Vaishali Rameshbabu (India), and Sarasadat Khademalsharieh (Spain).

Both events will run concurrently at the same venue, follow an identical six-player double round-robin format, and offer equal prize money, a rarity in global chess tournaments.

## Chelsea defender Wesley Fofana out for rest of season

London, April 10 (UNI) : Chelsea manager Enzo Maresca has confirmed a hamstring injury will rule centre-back Wesley Fofana out for the rest of the season.

On Saturday, the club confirmed the 24-year-old France defender had undergone “successful surgery”.

While Chelsea will have to do without Fofana, Maresca is hopeful midfielder Romeo Lavia and striker Marc Guiu could play again before the end of the campaign, the BBC reported.

“Unfortunately, Wes will be out for the rest of the season,” said the Blues boss, before Thursday’s Europa Conference League quarter-final first leg in Poland against Legia Warsaw. “Hopefully we can get [back] Romeo very soon. I don’t know if for the next game, but he looks quite good in terms of being back soon.

“We need to support both and then at the end of the season we will see.

“We have good news on Marc. From today he looks quite good, much better, and he can be back before the season finishes.”

Lavia, 21, has also been struggling with a hamstring problem and suffered a setback during his comeback as a substitute against Arsenal last month, while 19-year-old Spanish forward Guiu’s last appearance was against West Ham in February.

languishing in the ninth spot in the points table. Dhoni was re-appointed as Captain following an injury to present skipper Ruturaj Gaikwad who took over the mantle from his illustrious captain last year. However, an injury to Ruturaj in the last match, has ruled him out for the rest of the IPL. After Dhoni, who led the team right from its inception, it was briefly led by Ravindra Jadeja before Ruturaj Gaikwad was made the skipper.

# DC crush RCB by 6 wickets in Rahul masterclass

Bengaluru, April 10 (UNI) : KL Rahul’s scintillating unbeaten 93 off 53 balls, peppered with audacious strokeplay and ice-cold finishing, powered Delhi Capitals to a dominant six-wicket victory over Royal Challengers Bengaluru in an Indian Premier League (IPL) clash at the M Chinnaswamy Stadium here on Thursday.

Chasing 164, DC had to a stuttering start, losing Faf du Plessis (2), Jake Fraser-McGurk (7), and Abhishek Porel (7) inside the Powerplay, with Bhuvneshwar Kumar and Yash Dayal exploiting early movement. At 30 for 3, the visitors were under pressure.

But Rahul – calm, calculative, and then completely ruthless – rebuilt the innings and turned the chase into a one-man show. A flurry of boundaries against Josh Hazlewood in the 15th over signalled the shift in gears as Rahul smashed 4, 4, 2, 4, and then a majestic six over mid-off to bring up DC’s lead over DLS, in a match briefly threatened by rain.

Tristan Stubbs joined the party, striking an elegant 38 not out off just 23 balls, and added 111 runs for the unbroken fifth-



wicket stand with Rahul. Stubbs launched Suyash Sharma for a six and four in the 16th, before drilling Bhuvneshwar for consecutive boundaries in the 17th, all but sealing RCB’s fate.

With 12 needed off the final over from Yash Dayal, Rahul reverse-scooped him for four, then launched him for a thunderous six, and finished the match in style with another maximum—a low full toss whipped over long leg, followed by a roar and chest-thump that sent DC fans into delirium. A wide ball in between had already levelled the scores.

Earlier, a late blitz from Tim David (37 not out off 20) had lifted RCB to 163/7 after they had slipped to 125/7. Philip Salt had given the hosts a flying start with 37 off 17, but Kuldeep

Yadav (2/17) and Vipraj Nigam (2/18) applied the brakes through the middle overs.

Virat Kohli (22), Rajat Patidar (25), and others faltered against DC’s disciplined attack, until David hammered Axar and Mukesh Kumar for 32 runs in the final two overs, giving RCB something to bowl at.

But in the end, It wasn’t enough.

Brief Scores:  
RCB: 163/7 in 20 overs (Philip Salt 37, Tim David 37\*; Kuldeep Yadav 2/17, Vipraj Nigam 2/18)

DC: 169/4 in 17.5 overs (KL Rahul 93\*, Tristan Stubbs 38\*; Bhuvneshwar Kumar 2/26)

Result: Delhi Capitals won by 6 wickets

Player of the Match: KL Rahul (Delhi Capitals)

# Different states of mind for Barca & Real Madrid ahead of La Liga matchday 31

Madrid, April 10 (UNI) : Matchday 31 in La Liga sees leaders FC Barcelona and second-placed Real Madrid in very different situations and states of mind for their weekend matches.

Barcelona travels to Leganes on Saturday night to defend a four-point lead at the top of the table, with less than 72 hours rest after Wednesday night’s 4-0 thrashing of Borussia Dortmund in the Champions League.

Hansi Flick is likely to make some changes to his starting 11. He will be able to bring in players such as Eric Garcia, Gavi, Gerard Martin or Ronald Araujo and his side has its morale sky high after its brilliant midweek performance.

Lamine Yamal probably won’t start after asking to be substituted in the closing minutes of Wednesday’s win, although the club has still to confirm if he has suffered an injury. Real Madrid’s

situation is very different as it prepares to visit Alaves on Sunday afternoon. Carlo Ancelotti’s side travels to the Basque Region after a disastrous week that saw a LaLiga defeat at home to Valencia followed by a 3-0 loss away to Arsenal in the first leg of its Champions League quarterfinals.

That means Madrid needs something special in next Wednesday’s return leg against Arsenal, and Ancelotti will also have to make squad rotations, with Arda Guler, Brahim Diaz and Fran Garcia all back in the starting 11 against a rival that is battling to avoid relegation, but tough to beat at home.

Atletico Madrid is seven points behind Barca and three behind Real Madrid. It has a home match on Monday against bottom of the table Valladolid - a side that is almost certain to be relegated and with squad issues as shown by last weekend’s incident when

two players almost came to blows in the dugout.

Valencia looks to capitalize on last weekend’s win in the Bernabeu on Friday with a home match against Sevilla. Sevilla’s European ambitions seem to have disappeared and coach Garcia Pimienta could be sacked if his side slips to a fourth consecutive defeat.

Las Palmas coach Diego Martinez has clung onto his job, despite his side dropping to second from bottom after failing to win in 2025. Las Palmas travels to play a Getafe with three wins in four games.

Real Sociedad is at home to Mallorca in a match between two sides with European ambitions, although Mallorca is hampered by an injury to strike Vedat Muriqi.

Celta Vigo’s excellent recent performances and results have lifted them up to seventh, with forwards Fer Lopez and Alfon Gonzalez both in excellent

form ahead of a home game against Espanyol, that travels to the Balaidos Stadium after a morale boosting 4-0 win away to Rayo Vallecano.

Rayo visits an Athletic Club Bilbao side in Europa League action on Thursday night, and that in LaLiga has the chance to extend its lead over sixth place Betis and Villarreal who play each other on Sunday.

Betis highlighted its excellent form with a 1-1 draw in Barcelona last weekend, while despite being held 0-0 at home to Athletic, Villarreal’s attack of Ayoze Perez, Alex Baena and Thierno Barry has actually got better results on the road than at home.

With both teams packed with pace in attack this could be the best game of the weekend. Finally, Osasuna entertains Girona in a match between two sides that are struggling to get the win they both need to probably ensure their top-flight survival for another year.

# Great Britain bid for BJK Cup Finals place

London, April 10 (UNI) : Great Britain will face Germany and the Netherlands as they bid for a place in the Billie Jean King Cup Finals.

Anne Keothavong’s side travel to the Hague in the Netherlands for the round-robin event, with the top team advancing to September’s eight-team finals in Shenzhen, China.

The tournament is usually held in November but has been brought forward to the start of the WTA Tour’s Asian swing, the BBC reported.

The remaining two teams will compete in the play-offs to secure a place in the 2026 qualifiers.

Katie Boulter will lead the team but Britain are

without Emma Raducanu, who withdrew from the squad to “look after her body”. Boulter is joined by Sonay Kartal, Harriet Dart, Jodie Burrage and doubles specialist Olivia Nicholls.

Both of Britain’s ties on the indoor clay will be shown live on the BBC, alongside live text commentary on the website and regular updates on Radio 5 Live.

Kartal is set to make her BJK Cup debut following Raducanu’s withdrawal, a year after a health issue meant she had to watch GB’s qualifier against France from afar.

After three months out, the 23-year-old staged an impressive comeback, breaking into the top 100

and winning a WTA title on her way to a current career-high ranking of 60.

“It’ll be a really proud moment for me - having the opportunity to play for your country is the greatest honour,” Kartal said.

“There are a few goals in my career that stand out

more than others and this is one of them.”

Britain reached the semi-finals of the BJK Cup last year, losing to eventual runners-up Slovakia.

Defending champions Italy have already secured a spot in November’s finals, as have hosts China.

# Ahead of ISL final, Mohun Bagan SG spend time with RFYS U15 Champions in Kolkata



Kolkata, April 10 (UNI) : As excitement builds for the Indian Super League 2024-25 Final, Mohun Bagan Super Giant – ISL Shield winners and one of this season’s finalists – took time out to inspire the next generation of footballers.

The team met with the U15 champions of the Reliance Foundation Youth

Sports 2024-25 Kolkata Leg – SP One Foundation (U15 Girls) and Mohun Bagan Super Giant (U15 Boys) – in a special interaction at their training session on Thursday.

The young champions were thrilled to meet their footballing idols up close as they walked onto the training ground, cheered

them on during practice, and wished them luck ahead of the high-stakes final against Bengaluru FC at the iconic Salt Lake Stadium. The experience got even more memorable as the children had a chance to pose with the coveted ISL Trophy on the pitch – bringing them one step closer to their ISL dream.

# Dhoni returns back as CSK skipper

Chennai, April 10 (UNI) : Talismanic M S Dhoni, who had guided Chennai Super Kings (CKS) to a record five IPL titles, has been re-appointed as the team’s captain on Thursday evening after Ruturaj Gaikwad was ruled out for the rest of the tournament due to an injury.

He returns back at the helm of CSK team after a gap of two years. This was announced by Head Coach Stephen Fleming ahead of match against KKR. CSK is now

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## Western Railway sets new Benchmark in ticket checking and non-fare revenue segment

**WR stands second over Indian Railways in Non-Fare Revenue performance**

(Standard Post Bureau)

Mumbai, April 10 : Western Railway continues to lead by example in ensuring revenue optimization and promoting passenger discipline. In a remarkable achievement for the financial year 2024-25, Western Railway detected a total of 25.17 lakh cases of ticketless and irregular travel, including unbooked luggage cases, resulting in a record-breaking fine of ₹150.86 crore through ticket checking drives. WR also has the distinction of being second over Indian Railways in Non-Fare Revenue performance.

According to a press release issued by Chief Public Relations Officer of Western Railway, Mr Vineet Abhishek, maintaining this momentum, the month of March 2025 alone saw the detection of 2.72 lakh cases, generating ₹16.57 crore as fines. This consistent performance underscores Western Railway's commitment to safeguarding the interests of genuine passengers while curbing ticketless travel.

In a passenger-friendly move aimed at enhancing onboard comfort and reducing overcrowding in reserved compartments, Western Railway implemented a key policy shift in June 2024. Instead of penalizing irregular



**Shri C.K. Sinha**  
Dy. Chief Ticketing Inspector,  
Surat



**Shri Laxman Kumar**  
Dy. Chief Ticketing Inspector,  
Borivali



**Shri Ashutosh Kumar Singh**  
Dy. Chief Ticketing Inspector, HQ

passengers up to their destination, they are now charged only up to the point of detection and are promptly de-boarded. This approach has helped ensure a more comfortable and seamless journey for reserved ticket holders. To further strengthen enforcement, special intensive ticket checking drives are conducted during weekends and festive periods, ensuring greater compliance and reinforcing passenger discipline across the network.

The tireless efforts of Western Railway's ticket checking team has also significantly contributed to this achievement. Shri C.K. Sinha, Dy. Chief Ticketing Inspector (Dy.CTI) from Surat achieved the impressive milestone of detecting 10,682 cases and collecting Rs. 74.87 Lakhs as penalties from travelers traveling without proper tickets and carrying unbooked luggage. The

other top performing staff include Shri Laxman Kumar, Dy. CTI, Borivali for detecting 10,603 cases & realizing fines of approx. Rs. 67.36 Lakhs and Shri Ashutosh Kumar Singh, Dy.CTI, Headquarters who detected 6,687 cases & realizing an amount of Rs. 66.13 Lakhs in fines. Over Mumbai Suburban section, approx. 11 lakh cases were detected and Rs.47.43 crores were realized as fines in FY 2024-25.

Shri Vineet further added that surprise ticket checking efforts are being made frequently in AC local trains to prevent unauthorized entry of general tickets holders in these trains. As a result, during the period from April 2024 to March 2025, approx. 65,000 penalty cases were detected and Rs. 209.52 Lakhs was collected in fines. Besides this, Western Railway stands second over Indian Railways in Non-Fare

Revenue (NFR) performance. The Railway surpassed its NFR targets by achieving revenue of Rs.112.17 Cr during the FY 2024-25 against the given target of Rs. 105 Cr. This is almost 7% higher than the target and 11.27% more than last year's revenue of Rs. 100.81 Cr. Innovative NFR initiatives such as Restaurant on Wheels, advertisements through digital AI kiosks, Battery Operated Carts, Gaming Zone with Relaxation Units, Porter On Call, etc. have led to this magnanimous achievement.

With these record-breaking achievements, Western Railway continues to be at the forefront over Indian Railways in Non-Fare Revenue generation as well as remaining dedicated to improving travel experience, passenger satisfaction, operational efficiency and commercial innovation, setting higher standards year after year.

## Indian engineers team assessing quake-affected sites in Myanmar

Nay Pyi Taw/New Delhi, April 10 (UNI) : After assessing six affected sites in quake-hit Mandalay, the safety and demolition engineers team from India assessed six quake affected sites in Naypyitaw today, as part of Operation Brahma, the MEA said.

An Orthopaedic surgeon from the Indian Army Medical team is assisting in the treatment of 70 patients at a Nay Pyi Taw Hospital.

The Indian Army Field Hospital at Mandalay has treated 281 patients, and conducted seven major and 38 minor surgeries.

A total of 1,651 patients have been treated till April 9 evening at the Army Field Hospital, the MEA said.

The Indian Army Engineer team (19 ER) and one Ortho Specialist from Field Hospital moved from Mandalay to Nay Pyi Taw for meetings with the Myanmar Ministry of Construction on demolition assessment of select buildings, and Health Ministry on specialist prosthetics advice for 70 patients, respectively.

Myanmar was hit by a massive 7.9 magnitude earthquake on March 28, and several aftershocks on the following days. Over 3,000 people have died, and hundreds are injured and missing.

## Central Railway Achieves Major Infrastructure Milestones in FY 2024-25

(Standard Post Bureau)

Mumbai, April 10 : Central Railway continues its relentless focus on passenger safety, convenience, and infrastructure upgradation, achieving significant milestones in the financial year 2024-25.

### Foot Over Bridges (FOBs)

To enhance passenger safety and ease of movement, new Foot Over Bridges have been commissioned at 14 stations, viz:

- Mumbai Division: Govandi, Khandi, Badlapur, Kaman Road

- B h u s a w a l Division: Anka

- Nagpur Division: Teegaon, Pandhurna, Bharatwada

- Pune Division: Yeola, Nimblak, Akolner, Vilad, Patas Additionally, 3 new FOBs have been constructed in the Mumbai suburban section to control trespassing:

- Between Wadala – Kings Circle (Mid-Section)

- Between Govandi – Mankhurd (Mid-Section)

- Between Shahad – Ambivli (Mid-Section)

### Station Upgrades

- M a j o r redevelopments at CSMT, Nagpur, and Ajni underway.

- Soft upgradation at 22 stations in progress

- A high-level platform has been constructed at Hotgi station.

- Nashik Road station has undergone significant enhancement with an improved front façade and circulating area.

- At Khandwa, a new Second Class Waiting Hall and Booking Office have been provided on Platform No. 6.

### Track Infrastructure Enhancement

Central Railway has made substantial progress in upgrading its track infrastructure to support higher speeds and safer operations.

### Speed Upgradation

Sectional speeds have been increased as follows:

- Butibori–Umrer (31 km): from 50 to 75 kmph

- P a n v e l – J N P T (28.06 km): from 65 to 95 kmph

- T i l a k n a g a r – Panvel (32.53 km): from 80 to 95 kmph

- P a n v e l – K a r j a t (26.18 km): from 105 to 110 kmph

- B a d n e r a – Amravati (9.00 km): from 90 to 110 kmph

- J a l a m b – Khamgaon (12.34 km): from 90 to 110 kmph

- B h u s a w a l – Khandwa (122.8 km): from 110 to 130 kmph

### Track Renewal and

### Safety Measures

- 434 km of track renewal completed

- 702 km of deep screening

- 893 turnouts renewed

- 11.16 lakh cum of ballast inserted

- Rail fractures/weld failures significantly reduced to 65 cases

### Bridge Works

Central Railway has completed the rehabilitation of 212 bridges. This includes:

- 5 Important Bridges

- 54 Major Bridges

- 153 Minor Bridges

This is the highest number of bridge rehabilitations achieved in the last five years.

### Elimination of Level Crossings

As part of its mission to enhance safety, Central Railway has eliminated 31 manned level crossings in FY 2024-25:

- 6 through Road Over Bridges (ROBs)

- 22 through Road Under Bridges (RUBs)

- 3 through road diversions

These developments mark a significant leap in Central Railway's journey toward creating a safer, faster, and more efficient rail network for passengers and freight alike.

## Additional Member of Railway Board Inspects Visakhapatnam Railway station : ECoR



inspection, Dr. Nawal Srivastava reviewed various passenger amenities, Non-Fare Revenue (NFR) initiatives, and key operational offices at the station. He interacted with officials and staff to assess and review the innovative revenue-generation models and projects implemented by the Division to enhance overall railway revenue.

Later, Dr. Srivastava held a meeting with Shri Lalit Bohra, Divisional Railway Manager of Waltair Division, along with branch officers, at the DRM Office. The meeting focused on reviewing the Division's revenue-generating activities, particularly Non-Fare Revenue projects and other innovative models. Waltair Division also delivered a detailed presentation showcasing their initiatives and achievements in this domain.

(Standard Post Bureau)

Visakhapatnam, April 10 : Dr. Nawal K. Srivastava, Additional Member (Revenue), Railway Board, inspected

Visakhapatnam Railway Station today (10.04.2025). He was accompanied by Finance Advisor & Chief Accounts officer (Traffic)/ ECoR, Shri P Ramachandra

Rao, Shri Manoj Kumar Sahoo, ADRM (Operations), Shri E. Santharam, ADRM (Infrastructure), and other senior officials. During the

(Standard Post Bureau)

Mumbai, April 10 : In a significant step towards strengthening regional rail and road infrastructure, Shri V. Somanna, Hon'ble Minister of State for Railways and Jal Shakti, laid the foundation stones for two important Road Over Bridges (ROBs) in the Tumakuru region. These include the ROB in lieu of LC Gate No. 58 at Pura near Nittur Station and LC Gate No. 86 at Sharada Nagar, Tiptur.

The Hon'ble Minister of State for Railways and Jal Shakti, Shri V. Somanna, also flagged off Train No. 16240 Yesvantpur–Chikkamagaluru Express with an additional stoppage at Nittur Station, marking a significant step towards enhancing rail connectivity in the region.

During his address at ground breaking ceremony, Shri V. Somanna emphasized that these ROB will significantly enhance connectivity across key areas.

These long-pending demands of the people of Tumakuru region have now been fulfilled, marking a milestone in the region's infrastructural development.

The ROB at LC 58 (Pura Village) will be constructed at an estimated cost of Rs.50.57 crore and will link Sira and Mayasandra. The ROB at LC 86 (Sharda Gate) will be built at an estimated cost of Rs.89.32 crore and



will connect Chikkanayakanahalli and Hassan.

He stated that these bridges will improve the daily commute and ensure faster, safer, and more efficient transportation options for residents of Tumakuru, Sira, Mayasandra, and Chikkanayakanahalli.

The Minister reaffirmed his vision to make the Tumakuru Lok Sabha Constituency a model for infrastructure development.

He appealed for public cooperation in ongoing and upcoming development works and issued clear instructions to contractors to maintain the highest standards of quality and complete all projects within the stipulated timelines.

Shri Somanna also shared that a total of 15 ROB and RUBs are currently being undertaken in the Tumakuru region, with a total allocation of Rs.125 crore by the Central Government for various

developmental projects.

Additionally, he informed the gathering that a new MEMU train is under active consideration to operate between Hassan–Tiptur–Nittur–Tumakuru–Bengaluru, enhancing regional rail connectivity.

Highlighting progress on the Rayadurga–Tumakuru new railway line, he said that 83 km of the line has already been completed, and the remaining stretch will be completed soon. Furthermore, the proposed Tumakuru–Davangere via Chitradurga new railway line is scheduled for completion by 2027.

Shri Somanna also announced that Tumakuru and Gubbi stations have been selected to be redeveloped under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme and will be modernized with world-class amenities at an combined estimated cost

of Rs. 40 crore. Across Karnataka, a total of 61 stations under ABSS are being developed at an approximate total cost of Rs.1000 crore.

The Foundation Stone Laying Ceremony and Flagging off of Train no 16240 Yesvantpur–Chikkamagaluru Express with an additional stoppage at Nittur station was graced by several dignitaries and senior railway officials, including Shri Jyothi Ganesh Hon'ble MLA Tumakuru City (Attended Flaffing off Train no 16240, Shri Ajay Sharma, Chief Administrative Officer (Construction), and Shri Pradeep Puri, Chief Engineer, at Nittur Station Yard and Sharada Nagar, Tiptur. Shri Amitesh Kumar Sinha, Divisional Railway Manager, Bengaluru Division, attended the event at Nittur Station, while Shri Mudith Mittal, Divisional Railway Manager, Mysuru Division, was present at Sharada Nagar, Tiptur.

## A.Chandrasekhar appointed As South India Chairman of Adileela Foundation

(Standard Post Bureau)

National President Adileela Foundation Mr Adi Narayana has appointed Mr A. Chandrasekhar As a Chairman for South India of Adileela Foundation to look after the Socio- Cultural and all related activities in South India to expand its activities to the District level.

He was a Social Leader for so many activities in the Bank, where he was worked earlier. He has Organised So many Blood donation Camp to the needy people and helped So many Patients . He Retired in 2022 After Working in different departments of Banking. He has Offered Social service activities carried since 1985 to till now. Helped poor students financially and also helped them to get jobs. We feel very happy to appoint him for Southern States and to help lot of people through Adileela Foundation..

