

## IN BRIEF

### TVS, OOR Cabs inks MoU to deploy 500 E-3Ws in TN

Chennai, May 22(UNI) : TVS Motor Company on Thursday signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with OOR Cabs Pvt. Ltd., a technology-driven mobility platform, to supply 500 TVS King EV MAX electric three-wheelers during the financial year 2025-26 for intra-city services in Tamil Nadu.

This strategic partnership is aimed at promoting sustainable urban mobility across Tamil Nadu.

As part of the initiative, OOR Cabs will deploy the vehicles for eco-friendly intra-city passenger services, beginning with Trichy, and progressively expanding operations to Madurai and Coimbatore.

The integration of these electric vehicles into OOR Cabs' fleet reinforces both companies' commitment to cleaner, more efficient transportation solutions, according to a release.

### TN Fin Min urges RBI to withdraw new restrictions on gold loans

Chennai, May 22 (UNI) : Tamil Nadu Finance Minister Thangam Thennarasu on Thursday said the nine rigid guidelines imposed by RBI on gold loans was deeply insensitive and urged it to withdraw the new restrictions as it would grvly affect the poor nd middle class who depend on such loans during emergencies.

These measures amounted to systematic injustice against the vulnerable and said the RBI should adopt compassionate people-centric policies, he said.

In a post on X, he said "I urge the RBI to immediately withdraw the newly imposed restrictions on gold loans.""Reducing the loan-to-value ratio to 75% and burdening borrowers with excessive documentation gravely affects poor and middle-class families who depend on such loans during emergencies", Mr Thennarasu wrote.

"At a time when people are still reeling from the earlier rule that disallows re-pledging until full repayment, the introduction of 9 more rigid guidelines is deeply insensitive", he said. "These measures amount to systemic injustice against the vulnerable. The RBI must adopt compassionate, people-centric policies", he added.



In this image via PMO, Prime Minister Narendra Modi meets students during inauguration of the redeveloped Amrit Bharat Deshnoke Railway Station and flagging off ceremony of the Bikaner-Mumbai express train, in Bikaner district.

## PM Modi inaugurates 13 upgraded Amrit Railway stations in SRly

Chennai, May 22 (UNI) : Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurate 13 Amrit Stations coming under the Southern Railway on Thursday.

Mr Modi inaugurated the 13 stations, including 9 in Tamil Nadu, as part of This 103 stations launched by him through video conferencing from Bikaner in Rajasthan.

The 13 Amrit Stations to be inaugurated by the Prime Minister were St.Thomas Mount (Chennai Division), Sullurupeta (Chennai

Division), Samalpatti (Salem Division), Chidambaram (Tiruchirappalli Division), Srirangam (Tiruchirappalli Division), Tiruvannamalai (Tiruchirappalli Division), Polur (Tiruchirappalli Division), Vriddhachalam (Tiruchirappalli Division), Mannargudi (Tiruchirappalli Division), Vadakara (Palakkad Division), Mahe (Palakkad Division), C h i r a y i n k e e z h (Thiruvananthapuram Division) and Kulitturai (Thiruvananthapuram Division). Ceremonial

functions will be held in all the above 13 stations in Southern Railway. Union Minister L Murugan took part at the inauguration at the St.Thomas Mount station along with senior Railway officials.

Cultural events on patriotic themes will be organized and elected representatives and dignitaries from the respective area will grace the occasion.The Amrit Bharat Station Scheme launched in December 2022 by the Ministry of Railways aims to

transform over 1,300 stations into modern hubs with multimodal integration and future-ready facilities.

The foundation stone for these works at different stations was laid between August 2023 and February 2024. Symbolising the transformation of Railways, the upgraded railway stations unveiled in the Phase-1 of Amrit Bharat Station Scheme (ABSS) will feature state-of-the-art infrastructure and facilities offering a world-class travel experience for passengers.

### Shah holds meeting on cleaning of Yamuna, directs to work with holistic approach

New Delhi, May 22 (UNI) Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Thursday held a high-level meeting here and issued directions for the adoption of a holistic approach to clean the Yamuna river, ensure drinking water supply and improve sewage systems in Delhi. During the meeting, Shah said, "Yamuna is not just a river, but also a symbol of faith, which is why its cleanliness is a priority for the Modi government," a Home Ministry statement said.

He said the Ministry of Jal Shakti should develop a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for all Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs), establishing standards for their quality, maintenance, and discharge. He also emphasised that this SOP should also be shared with other states.

Shah stressed that plans for the Yamuna, drinking water, and drainage in Delhi should be made with a 20-year vision. He highlighted the crucial role of the Delhi Jal Board in cleaning the Yamuna and emphasised the need to strengthen it, directing immediate filling of vacant posts in the Board.



### PM to inaugurate NE Investors Summit on today

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate a two-day Summit here on May 23 to highlight India's Northeastern region as a land of opportunity to attract global and domestic investment there.The two-day Rising Northeast Investors Summit will focus on tourism, agro-food processing, textiles, information technology, infrastructure, energy, entertainment and sports. The Summit aims at highlighting Northeastern Region as a land of opportunity and attract global and domestic investment, an official release said.

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### Punjab CM Mann slams Centre's move to deploy CISF at ....



Slamming the BJP-led Union government for what he termed as "hatching conspiracies to ruin Punjab", Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann said the state government will vehemently oppose the Centre's "draconian move" to deploy Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) at the Bhakra Dam, and will not give a single paisa for its expenditure.

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### If terrorist attacks from Pak continue, there will be ....



External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar has said that Pakistan must understand the fact very well that while India wants an end to terrorism, there will be consequences if the terrorist attacks continue.In an interview to the NOS News, he said: "We want a definitive end to terrorism.

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### SC slams Navy for denying Permanent Commission to ....



The Supreme Court has criticised the Indian Navy for not granting Permanent Commission (PC) to Commander Seema Chaudhary, a woman officer from the 2007 Short Service Commission (SSC) batch in the Judge Advocate General (JAG) branch, despite clear directions given earlier by the top judiciary.

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## ED is crossing all limits, violating federal structure: SC stays proceedings against TASMAC

New Delhi, May 22 (UNI) : In a scathing rebuke to the Enforcement Directorate (ED), the Supreme Court on Thursday stayed further proceedings against the Tamil Nadu State Marketing Corporation (TASMAC), observing that the central agency was "crossing all limits" and encroaching upon the federal structure of the country.

A Bench of Chief Justice of India BR Gavai and Justice AG Masih was hearing petitions filed by the State of Tamil Nadu and TASMAC challenging the Madras High Court's April 23 order that had upheld the ED's search operations at TASMAC headquarters.

During the hearing, CJI

Gavai questioned the very basis of ED's case against a g o v e r n m e n t - r u n corporation."Your ED is crossing all limits. How can there be an offence against the corporation?" he asked Additional Solicitor General (ASG) SV Raju.

"You are totally violating the federal structure of the country," he added sternly.

Senior Advocate Kapil Sibal, representing the Tamil Nadu government, argued that the State had already filed 41 FIRs between 2014 and 2021 against individuals running liquor outlets for corrupt practices.

"The State acted. Yet in 2025, the ED entered and raided the TASMAC headquarters, seized

devices, cloned phones all without a case made out against the corporation itself," Sibal said.

Senior Advocate Mukul Rohatgi, for TASMAC, contended that the ED's actions violated the privacy of state officials, alleging that the agency had cloned all phones without legal justification.In response, ASG Raju asserted that the ED was probing a Rs 1000 crore liquor scam and that officials and politicians were being shielded. He said distilleries allegedly funneled unaccounted money to gain supply orders through TASMAC, and the ED acted based on FIRs filed by the Directorate of Vigilance and Anti-

Corruption (DVAC). However, the Bench remained unconvinced. "You may go after individuals, but a criminal case against a government corporation? Where is the predicate offence?" the CJI asked, emphasising that the ED's actions were undermining constitutional boundaries.The Court issued notice on the petition and granted interim relief, "In the meantime, there shall be stay of further proceedings qua the petitioners," the Bench ordered.The controversy traces back to raids conducted by the ED in March 2025, including searches at TASMAC offices and the residences of its Managing Director S. Visakan and film

producer Akash Baskaran.

The ED alleged that TASMAC shops were inflating MRP, accepting bribes, and manipulating employee transfers accusations originally detailed in FIRs filed by Tamil Nadu's own DVAC. TASMAC and the State contended in both the High Court and Supreme Court that the ED's investigation lacked legal backing under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) and was politically motivated to damage reputations ahead of the Tamil Nadu elections. They argued that ED began a "roving and fishing inquiry" without satisfying the legal threshold of a scheduled offence under the PMLA.

## TN TASMAC scam : SC deals hammer blow to BJP's attempts to malign ruling DMK using ED : DMK

Chennai, May 22 (UNI) : Hailing the Supreme Court coming down heavily on the ED and staying its PMLA probe into the alleged Rs 1,000 crore TASMAC scam, the ruling DMK in Tamil Nadu termed it as a hammer blow dealt to the BJP government at the Centre and the Central Investigating Agency.

Launching a tirade at the Centre, the DMK accused the ED of functioning as a blackmailing agency and the Apex Court's order staying

the probe was a hammer blow to the BJP's attempt to brand the DMK government led by Chief Minister MK Stalin as corrupt and reduce its growing popularity ahead of the Assembly elections due in less than an year.Talking to reporters DMK Organising Secretary RS Bharathi said the Union government at the Centre led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, ever since it came to power 11 years back, has been using the Central investigating agencies,

including the ED, against the non-BJP ruled states and their leaders to destabilise them.

Citing the serious indictments by the Apex Court against the ED for "crossing all limits" and encroaching upon the federal structure of the country and state autonomy by targetting a State Corporation, Mr Bharati also claimed that the Centre could not stomach the growing popularity of the Stalin-led DMK's Dravidian

Model governance and the consecutive victories in all the elections starting from the 2019 polls by the DMK-led Front.

Hence it was using the ED to malign them, he asserted. Addressing a separate media interaction, DMK Lawyers' Wing secretary and Rajya Sabha MP NR Elango said the DMK would initiate legal action proceedings against the errant ED officials for misusing the provisions of PMLA.This apex court

order is for the entire country," he said. Mr Ilango said this action by the ED was not based on one case.

They have taken all the cases together as the main case, including the 39 cases filed during the AIADMK regime since 2014 and seven cases filed after the DMK came to power in 2021.

"We say that the raid on the head office of TASMAC without investigating the respective employees is against the state's autonomy", he said.



# UNICEF Convenes National Media Consultation on Road Safety for Children and Youth



(Standard Post Bureau)

Hyderabad, May 22, Creating safer roads for children and young people requires strong partnerships between government, educators and communities in partnership with the media. This was the key message echoed at the National Media Consultation on Road Safety and Systems Strengthening, organized by UNICEF India today in collaboration with the Department of Mass Communication and Journalism, Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU).

Opening the event, Ms. Zafirn Chowdhury, Chief of Communication, Advocacy and Partnerships at UNICEF India, emphasized the role of media in shaping public perception and

accountability. “Children’s safety on the roads demands collaborative, collective action. Safer school zones, stronger emergency care systems, and awareness campaigns all play a role. Media holds a unique power: turning statistics into compelling stories, and stories that encourage individual and societal action. Journalists, RJs, and storytellers can lead a movement for change,” she said.

More than 100 participants, including MANUU faculty and students, nearly 50 Radio Jockeys and producers, media professionals, government officials, civil society representatives, and youth advocates participated in the consultation.

Mr. P Shiv Shankar,

chief general manager regional office NHAI Hyderabad stressed upon the importance of education, enforcement, evidence and engineering as multidintions that should be considered together for making roads safer.

Prof. Syed Ainul Hasan, Vice Chancellor underlined the university’s role in preparing journalists who think deeper and contribute to positive shifts. “Our students are being trained to be sensitive communicators who report with depth and responsibility. Road safety is a powerful lens to connect infrastructure, equity, and justice—and that’s the kind of journalism we must nurture,” he said.

Mr. Ramon Chesa, Chief Executive Officer of

ISADAK – An Abertis Company, Dr Zelalem Taffesse, Chief Field Office Hyderabad, UNICEF, Dr. Syed Hubbe Ali, Health Specialist, UNICEF India Country Office also addressed the gathering.

Prof. Mohammad Fariyad, Dean and Head, School of Journalism and Mass Communication, delivered welcome address. He emphasized the power of community radio and youth-driven campaigns in spreading awareness about road safety and fostering responsible road behavior, particularly among children and adolescents.

A panel discussion on “The Role of Media in Road Safety for Children and Youth” was a key feature of the day. Moderated by senior journalist Srinjoy Chowdhury the panel included representatives from media, schools and public health.

Radio participants co-created radio content through group work, facilitated by Sonia Sarkar and Prosun Sen from UNICEF as well as teachers from MANUU. Participants pledged to amplify child safety narratives and strengthen behaviour change communication through community-rooted formats, especially in underserved areas where the risks are highest.

## Police bust drug smuggling module with Pakistani links, three held with 12.07 kg heroin

Chandigarh, May 22 (UNI) In a major crackdown on the narco-hawala nexus, the Ferozepur Police busted a drug smuggling module, with suspected Pakistani links, following the arrest of three persons and recovered 12.07 kg heroin worth Rs 90 crore and Rs 25.12 lakhs in drug and hawala money, said DGP Punjab Gaurav Yadav here on Thursday.

Those arrested have been identified as Karan Kumar alias Ghanni (22), Rohit Bhatti (24), and Aakashdeep alias Aakash (24), all residents of Bukkan Khan Wala in Ferozepur.

Accused Karan Kumar and Akashdeep have criminal records with cases under NDPS Act and Arms Act registered against them.

DGP Yadav said that an FIR is registered at Police Station Ghall Khurd. Further investigation is underway to trace the forward and backward linkages, he added.

DIG Ferozepur Range Harmanbir Singh Gill said that following rigorous surveillance and intelligence-led operation, Police teams arrested the three accused persons from near Jodhia Nehra Pull and recovered 2.07 kg heroin and Rs 25.12 lakhs drug money from their car.

He said that following the revelations of accused Karan, Police teams recovered another chunk of 10 kg heroin concealed behind the toilet seat at his rented accommodation located at Rikhi Colony in Ferozepur.

SSP Ferozepur Bhupinder Singh said that preliminary investigations suggest their involvement in cross-border narcotics trafficking, with suspected links to Pakistan-based operatives using drones for deliveries.

“The seized consignment was intended for distribution across Punjab. Further investigations are underway to uncover the whole network,” he added.

## Landslide in Amboli Ghat section in Sindhudurg

Kolhapur / Sindhudurg, May 22 (UNI) : Heavy pre-monsoon showers lashing the Sindhudurg district over past few days triggered a landslide in Amboli Ghat section on Amboli-Goa road on Thursday. However, there was no reported casualty in this incident. Due to heavy rainfall over last few days, a landslide occurred near site of famous waterfall in Amboli Ghat, hampering the movement of vehicular traffic on the Amboli-Goa road. Due to landslide, an ambulance carrying a patient was stuck for some time but the passers-by came to its help, moved aside large stones lying on the road and made way for the ambulance. Meanwhile, due to incessant rains, the Amboli waterfall has been flowing in its splendor just like during monsoon months of July-August.

# Punjab CM Mann slams Centre’s move to deploy CISF at Bhakra Dam

Sangrur, May 22 (UNI) : Slamming the BJP-led Union government for what he termed as "hatching conspiracies to ruin Punjab", Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann said the state government will vehemently oppose the Centre's "draconian move" to deploy Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) at the Bhakra Dam, and will not give a single paisa for its expenditure.

“Centre should understand one thing: we neither have any drop of surplus water for other states nor any single penny to pay the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) for the unwarranted CISF,” said the Chief Minister while interacting with the media persons here today.

He said that the state government will never pay this amount as it is a move aimed at "stealing the water of the state" by deploying the central forces on the Bhakra Dam.

He said that "they (Centre) need everything from Punjab in terms of

food grains and others but on the other hand they are trying to snatch the waters of the state through this action".

Mann said that instead of giving any special package to Punjab for its immense contribution, the BJP is meting out "step motherly treatment to the state".

Mann said that he will flag this issue before the Prime Minister in the meeting of the NITI Aayog slated to be held on Saturday.

He accused the BJP of "resorting to such tactics as they are against the state because people of Punjab have never voted for them".

He said that it is surprising to note that though Punjab leads the country in contribution to the food pool besides giving maximum representation in the Indian Army but the BJP-led Centre "has always ignored" the state.

He alleged that the Bhakra Beas Management Board (BBMB) is "a

puppet" in the hands of the Centre, and leaves no stone unturned to harm the interests of the state and the fresh order of MHA is a part of it.

Mann said that 296 cops of the CISF will be deployed at the Bhakra Dam, which will cost Rs 8.58 crore to the state.

"Why should we pay this money to the BBMB when Punjab Police is already ensuring safety of the dam free of cost," he added. Mann said that this move will not be allowed, terming it as "a nefarious design of the BBMB and BJP to steal the waters of the state by deploying CISF".

He said that the BJP leaders including self-proclaimed savior of Water Captain Amarinder Singh, Sunil Jakhar, Manpreet Singh Badal, Union Minister Ravneet Singh Bittu and others should make their stand clear on it.

He described it as a clear attempt by the BJP and BBMB to dilute the stake of Punjab over the waters.

# All-party delegation holds meetings with UAE leadership as part of global outreach against terrorism

Abu/Dhabi, May 22 (UNI) A high-level all-party delegation led by Shiv Sena MP Dr. Shrikant Shinde arrived in Abu Dhabi today, as part of the first stop of the four-nation diplomatic outreach against terrorism. The delegations held meetings with the UAE leadership and media to brief on the significance of Operation Sindoor and reaffirm India’s firm stance against cross-border terrorism. Earlier, the UAE was among the first countries to issue a statement categorically condemning the Pahalgam terrorist attack. UAE leaders, President Mohamed Bin Zayed Al Nahyan and Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Sheikh Abdullah Bin Zayed Al Nahyan personally conveyed their condolences to PM Narendra Modi and EAM S Jaishankar over phone calls. The delegation comprised Bansuri Swaraj, ET Mohmd Basheer, Atul Garg, Sasmit Patra, Manan Kumar Mishra, Surendrajeet Singh Ahluwalia, and former

Ambassador Sujan Chinoy.

Earlier today, the delegation met with Sheikh Nahyan Mubarak Al Nahyan, Minister of Tolerance and Co-Existence, who conveyed his deep condolences for the Pahalgam terrorist attacks. The delegation highlighted the perpetration of cross-border terrorism and efforts to cause social disharmony in India by Pakistan.

Sheikh Nahyan Mubarak Al Nahyan commented, “India and UAE will tackle terrorism together. The UAE will always stand by India.”

The delegation held substantive discussions with Dr. Ali Rashid Al Nuaimi, Chairman of the Defence, Interior & Foreign Affairs Committee of Federal National Council and other senior Emirati parliamentarians. The delegation underscored the precise, measured, and non-escalatory nature of Operation Sindoor against the barbaric terrorist attack on the tourists in Kashmir on April 22. Nuaimi stressed, “India-UAE

relationship is beyond trade and culture, and encompasses security and strategic issues. Terrorism is against the whole of humanity and international community must act now.”

The delegation held discussions with Dr. Jamal Al Kaabi, Director General, National Media Office and addressed concerns over misinformation campaigns emanating from Pakistan.

They presented factual evidence to counter the disinformation and exposed Pakistan’s propaganda machinery.

Dr. Shrikant Shinde, as the leader of the delegation, gave an interview to The National, UAE’s leading newspaper, drawing the complete timeline of India’s long battle against cross-border terrorism and setting of new normal by the Prime Minister against cross-border terrorism with Operation Sindoor.

The day concluded with an interaction with the Indian community based in the UAE recognising their vital contributions and reaffirming India’s commitment to its diaspora.

# Jobs have been 'deleted' from UP by BJP govt: Akhilesh

Lucknow, May 22 (UNI) : Samajwadi Party (SP) President Akhilesh Yadav on Thursday said that jobs and employment for the youth are not on the agenda of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) government in Uttar Pradesh.

In a statement issued here, Akhilesh said, "Just as the posts (social media) about jobs have been deleted, similarly jobs have also been deleted from UP. The outrage born out of the state government's false advertisement of 1,93,000 teacher recruitment is the political calculation of the BJP's defeat in the 2027 assembly elections."

He said that if we assume that there were at least 75 candidates for one post, then this number would be 1,44,75,000, and if only the parents of a candidate are added, then a total of 3 people will be affected by this; that is, this number will be 4,34,25,000.

The SP chief said, "All of them will be adults, so if we consider them as 4,34,25,000 voters and divide them by the 403 assembly seats of UP, then this figure will be around 1,08,000 votes per seat and if we consider even half of them as BJP voters, since it has been talking about 50 percent voters, then half of 1,08,000 means the party is sure to lose 54,000 votes on every seat. BJP will be limited to only 10 seats in the 2027 assembly elections."

He said that in the case of police recruitment, this maths

# BJP-led govt moves SC to withdraw seven cases filed by previous AAP regime challenging LG's role

New Delhi, May 22 (UNI) The BJP-led Delhi Government has approached the Supreme Court seeking to withdraw seven petitions filed during the tenure of the previous Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) regime challenging the constitutional authority and role of the Lieutenant Governor (LG) in various government bodies and decisions. Appearing before a bench comprising Justice Surya Kant and Justice N. Kotiswar Singh, Additional Solicitor General (ASG) Aishwarya Bhati informed the court that the Delhi Government now seeks to withdraw all seven pending cases. “These matters should not trouble this Court anymore,” she submitted. ASG Bhati while requesting the court to take

the withdrawal request on record. Responding to the submission, the Supreme Court bench directed the matter to be listed on Friday for further consideration. One of the seven cases included in the withdrawal plea relates to the Supreme Court’s earlier stay on the National Green Tribunal’s (NGT) direction that had appointed the Lieutenant Governor of Delhi as the Chairman of a High-Level Committee constituted for the rejuvenation of the Yamuna River. The AAP government, under whose tenure the appeal was filed, had challenged this appointment under Section 22 of the NGT Act, contending that the order violated the constitutional scheme governing Delhi’s administration.

# President confers six Kirti Chakras and 33 Shaurya Chakras

New Delhi, May 22 (UNI) President Droupadi Murmu on Thursday conferred six Kirti Chakras and 33 Shaurya Chakras to the personnel of the Armed Forces, Central Armed Police Forces and State Police.

Four of the Kirti Chakras and seven Shaurya Chakras were conferred posthumously.

The Gallantry awards were given to the personnel for displaying raw courage, unparalleled bravery and total disregard to personal safety in the line of duty, a Defence Ministry statement said.

They displayed their bravery during various operations related to counter-terrorism and counter-insurgency in J&K and the North-East. Dreaded terrorists were neutralised and

apprehended during these operations, and arms and ammunition were recovered. The Indian Navy officers led anti-piracy operations, resulting in the surrender of pirates and the rescue of hostages, while also demonstrating bravery during fire-fighting operations on a burning oil tanker.

Awardees from the Indian Air Force showed utmost courage in life-threatening circumstances during the rescue of aircraft while manoeuvring away from civilian areas to avoid any loss of life and property.

The CRPF officers performed their gallant act in various operations in areas affected by Left-Wing Extremism. Maoist insurgents were apprehended and weapons recovered.



# In World's first, Chennai hosp performs Robotic liver transplant on 5-year-old

Chennai, May 22 (UNI) : Perhaps for the first time in the world, the Chennai-based leading multi-speciality Rela Hospital has successfully performed a Robotic Liver Transplant on the youngest recipient to date-- five-year-old child. This marked a major milestone in the field of robotic and paediatric transplant surgery, combining cutting-edge technology with complex surgical expertise to deliver faster recovery and improved outcomes.

Talking to reporters here on Thursday, its Chairman Prof Mohammed Rela said the hospital has achieved a historic milestone by becoming the first hospital in the world to perform a robotic liver transplant on a five-year-old child. This makes the child the youngest recipient of a robotic liver transplant globally, marking a major



advancement in both paediatric and robotic surgery.

The patient (recipient), a five-year-old boy, was diagnosed with a rare genetic condition called Urea Cycle Defect, in which the liver cannot properly process proteins from food, leading to a harmful buildup of ammonia in the blood--a condition that can severely affect the brain.

A liver transplant offered a definitive cure. The surgery proceeded smoothly without any complications, and the child was discharged within a week.

In contrast, the conventional approach typically requires a hospital stay of 14 to 21 days, he said. The fact that the robotic surgery was performed on a child makes

this achievement even more significant, as pediatric bodies offer far less space than adults', posing greater challenges for the insertion and maneuvering of robotic instruments.

Remarkably, even the procedure to harvest a portion of the liver from a living donor was carried out using robotic assistance. The donor also had a brief hospital stay and was

discharged within five days.

Prof. Mohamed Rela said this was the first time in the world, Pediatric liver transplantation has been successfully performed completely using the Robotic Platform. This is a major milestone in the field of surgery itself.

This is an extremely complex surgery with delicate microvascular anastomosis techniques. To add to the complexity the operation was also performed as an Auxiliary Liver Transplant which is the most technically complex of all liver transplant operations.

This advancement in the field of liver transplantation not only offers rapid recovery with less pain, but also helps with normal psycho-social development of these children during their teen years without a large scar in their abdomen.

## VITU, Gleneagles Hosp inks MoU for AI-driven neuroscience innovation

Chennai, May 22 (UNI) : In a major step aimed at transforming India's healthcare ecosystem, the Vellore Institute of Technology University (VITU) and the Gleneagles Hospital Chennai signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Thursday to collaborate on research and innovation at the intersection of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Neurosciences.

The MoU aims to accelerate the development of affordable, AI-enabled healthcare technologies, focusing on enhancing diagnostic precision, optimizing treatment protocols, and ultimately improving patient outcomes while reducing the cost of care.

The MoU was signed by Dr. Nageshwar Rao, CEO, Gleneagles Hospital and Dr. T. Thyagarajan, Pro Vice-Chancellor of VITU, according to a press release. Dr.

Nageshwar Rao said the need of the hour is a strong tie-up between technology and the healthcare system in India. "This collaboration reflects our commitment to bringing cutting-edge, affordable solutions to real world clinical challenges. This partnership aims to create a strong, sustainable framework where clinicians and engineers co-develop solutions to some of the most complex neurological and chronic conditions affecting patients today", he said.

The collaboration will focus on several key areas of research and development, including neuroinformatics and brain imaging, AI and machine learning applications in healthcare, wearable and IoT-based medical devices, rehabilitation and gait-assistive technologies, and AR/VR-based diagnostic frameworks.

These innovations will support specialties such as epilepsy care, neuro-oncology, neurorehabilitation, and cognitive health monitoring, enabling timely intervention and improved long-term patient outcomes.

# Classmate partners with GMs Pragganandhaa, Vaishali, launches 30-City eduGAMES campaign

Chennai, May 22 (UNI) : Partnering with Chess Grand Masters GMs R.Praggnanandhaa and his sister R.Vaishali, leading notebook and stationery products brand ITC Classmate on Thursday launched a 30-city campaign eduGAMES Infinity, an innovative gamified notebook that seamlessly blends play with education.

It encompasses a fun and engaging initiative aimed at transforming learning into a delightful experience. Classmate eduGAMES Infinity is now launching a unique campaign, participation in which will provide a chance to visit Hong Kong Disneyland, a once in a lifetime opportunity.

It was launched at a media conference in Chennai and attended by the two GMs and Mr Vikas Gupta, Chief Executive, Education and Stationery Products Business Division, ITC Ltd.

The campaign will be rolled out across digital platforms, regional print and TV and influencer partnerships, ensuring wide visibility across participating cities.

This leg of the campaign will run in tandem with the national Disneyland EduGAMES campaign, which continues to reward curiosity, consistency, and clever thinking.

At the core of Classmate eduGAMES Infinity is the idea that learning should be joyful igniting the fun side of learning. Building on the iconic last page of Classmate notebooks--loved by generations of students--eduGAMES Infinity takes this concept to a new paradigm by making last page puzzles interactive, gamified, and

rewarding.

Students can scan the last page of the notebook and play a new game every day.

To bring this to life, Classmate is rolling out a 30-city campaign starting today, inviting students to join the movement by simply buying a Classmate notebook and playing eduGAMES Infinity.

This season, the campaign gets even more exciting with a special opportunity to play with world champions.

The celebrated sibling duo--R Pragganandhaa and R Vaishali--will also dive into eduGAMES Infinity for 30 days, sharpening their minds daily through the power of puzzles. They believe that engaging the mind with puzzles is a great way to stay focused and mentally agile. Pragganandhaa said, "Classmate eduGAMES Infinity is not just about games--it's a fun and effective way to train your mind. I'm excited to take on a new puzzle every day and see how students across the country challenge themselves too." Vaishali said "We grew up solving puzzles at home, and they really helped us stay sharp and focused. It's amazing to see Classmate bring that joy of learning to life for today's generation in such an engaging manner." Vikas Gupta said "At Classmate, we have always believed that learning should be joyful and must keep alive the spirit of creativity, curiosity and fun endeavour brings that belief to life." He said Pragganandhaa and Vaishali are perfect role models and their success and achievements are a reflection of the fact that focus, agility and the right tools can shape champions.

## About 7.85 lakh birds belonging to 798 species counted in Wetland, Terrestrial Bird census in TN

Chennai, May 22 (UNI) : About 7.85 lakh birds belonging to 798 species were counted in Wetland and Terrestrial Bird census in Tamil Nadu, the Forest Department announced on Thursday. It was conducted as part of the annual Synchronized Birds Census 2025 across various locations. A release from the office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden said Wetland birds census was conducted in 934 locations and 5,52,349 birds belonging to 397 bird species were counted in the estimation. Out of this, 1,13,606 birds were migratory birds and 49 per cent of the birds counted were from coastal districts.

Little egret, Little cormorant, Asian open bill, Black headed Ibis, Glossy Ibis and Indian pond Heron were the most common birds sighted among resident birds.

Grey lag Goose, Greater Flamingo, Eurasian Curlew, Pied Avocet, Lesser Crested Tern and Eurasian Spoon bill were the most common birds sighted among migratory birds, it said.

During the Terrestrial birds census conducted in 1,093 locations, a total of 2,32,519 birds belonging to 401 bird species were counted in the estimation. Out of this, 1,13,606 birds were migratory birds.

House crow, Common Myna, Rose Ringed Parakeet, Rose Vented Bulbul, Yellow-billed Babbler, Asian Palm Swift, Black Drango, Little Egret, Indian Pea fowl, Spotted Dove were the most common birds sighted. This year the census has been done in the month of March towards the end of the migratory season, with the objective of spreading bird counts in different months of the season, so that a fairly good assessment is made over a period of time for bird sightings during various months.

# Fresh sexual harassment case surfaces involving ruling DMK functionary in TN

Chennai, May 22 (UNI) : After the Anna University sexual assault case caused some embarrassment for the ruling DMK, a fresh case has surfaced, this time at Arakkonam in Ranipet district following a complaint filed by the victim, a college student, allegedly naming a DMK functionary.

The victim, a college student from Kavanur village, has named DMK functionary R Deivaseyal, since removed from the post of DMK Youth Wing Deputy Organiser's post, accusing him of coercing her to marry him a couple of months back and exploiting her, with the promise of helping her in the divorce case filed by her against her first husband.

Deivasayal and his wife Kanimozhi, who was also said to be connected in the case and apprehended arrest, secured an anticipatory bail from the Madras High Court in the case on Wednesday evening.

As the fresh sexual exploitation case issue created a furore and triggered strong condemnation from the Opposition parties, with the AIADMK staging a protest demonstration demanding a CBI probe and the arrest of all the culprits involved in it, the National

Commission for Women (NCW) too has taken a very serious view of the incident.

The NCW, taking suo motu cognisance of the incident, issued a directive to the Tamil Nadu DGP to submit a detailed action taken report, along with the FIR copies, in three days.

The NCW said considering the grave nature of the charges and the political affiliation of the accused, it directed the DGP calling for an immediate, impartial and transparent investigations into the case, besides constituting an Independent Investigation team, prevent any political interference and take prompt actions under the relevant provisions of BNS, 2023.

Meanwhile, Union Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting L. Murugan alleged that the Tamil Nadu police were attempting to cover up the Arakkonam case involving a DMK functionary.

He also pointed out that the NCW had taken suo motu cognisance, seeking a detailed action-taken report.

Speaking to reporters on the sidelines of the inauguration of redeveloped railway stations under the Amrit Bharat scheme here, Mr. Murugan said in both the

Anna University sexual assault case and the Arakkonam case, DMK functionaries were involved.

"There were a few more people linked to the Arakkonam case, but the State police is attempting to cover it up", Mr Murugan claimed.

Even as the dust was yet to settle down in the case relating to the sexual assault on a second year engineering student in the state-owned iconic and prestigious Anna University campus, in which a DMK sympathiser was arrested, the DMK regime is facing backlash following the Arakkonam sexual exploitation incident, and another political embarrassment.

The fresh controversy arose after the victim came forward to lodge a complaint accusing Deivaseyal, of abducting and forcibly marrying her.

Apart from revealing that she was subjected to continued abuse, she had made a startling allegation that about 20 other young women too were subjected to similar exploitation and abuse.

Though the DMK, as a damage control exercise acted swiftly and promptly removed Deivasayal from the party Young Wing post, it did not go down well with the Opposition

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## Two day training prog on Chemicals

Chennai, May 22 (UNI) : A two-day residential training program on "Chemical and Petrochemicals Industrial Safety" was inaugurated by Dr. Sanjeev Gupta, Former Chief Scientist, Central Leather Research Institute here on Thursday.

In all 114 participants from 66 Chemical and Petrochemical Industries which were identified as Major Accident Hazard Units (MAH) participated.

The Central Institute of Petrochemicals Engineering and Technology (CIPET) is a premier National Institution functioning under the Department of Chemicals

and Petrochemicals, Union Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers, and is an ISO 9001:2015 QMS certified, ISO/IEC 17025, ISO/IEC 17020 accredited premier National Institution fully devoted to Skill Development, Technology Support, Academic and Research (STAR) activities for the growth of Polymer and allied industries in the country.

Under the country's action plan of Viksit Bharat@2047, the Department has prioritized strengthening the training required to ensure safety standards in the chemicals and petrochemicals sector. This initiative

underscores the Union Government's commitment to ensuring safety, sustainability, and accountability in the chemicals and petrochemicals sector.

It reflects a proactive approach toward fostering a secure and environmentally responsible industrial landscape, a PIB release said.

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SUMMONS

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(i) To show cause within thirty days of the service of summons as to why relief prayed for should not be granted;  
(ii) To disclose particulars of properties or assets other than properties and assets specified by the applicant under serial number 3A of the original application;  
(iii) You are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured assets or such other assets and properties disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application, pending hearing and disposal of the application for attachment of properties;  
(iv) You shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise, except in the ordinary course of his business any of the assets over which security interest is created and/or other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application without the prior approval of the Tribunal;  
(v) You shall be liable to account for the sale proceeds realised by sale of secured assets or other assets and properties in the ordinary course of business and deposit such sale proceeds in the account maintained with the bank or financial institutions holding security interest over such assets.  
You are also directed to file the written statement with a copy thereof furnished to the applicant and to appear before Registrar on 23/07/2025 at 12:00 P. M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your absence.  
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## STANDARD POST

### Birth control pill may triple risk of cryptogenic stroke in women

Taking birth control pills or combined oral contraceptives containing both oestrogen and progestin may triple the risk of cryptogenic stroke in young women, according to a study.

Strokes without a known cause are called cryptogenic. It accounts for up to 40 per cent of all ischaemic strokes in young adults. Despite its prevalence, the contribution of sex-specific risk factors, such as contraceptive use, has remained underexplored.

The findings add to a growing body of evidence linking hormonal contraception to vascular risk in women of reproductive age.

“Our findings confirm earlier evidence linking oral contraceptives to stroke risk,” said lead author Dr. Mine Sezgin, Department of Neurology, Istanbul University.

“What’s particularly notable is that the association remains strong even when accounting for other known risk factors, which suggests there may be additional mechanisms involved – possibly genetic or biological,” she added.

The research included 268 women aged 18-49 years with cryptogenic ischaemic stroke (CIS) and 268 age-matched stroke-free controls across 14 centres in Europe.

Of the participants, 66 patients and 38 controls were using combined combined oral contraceptives.

While the researchers note that further prospective studies are needed, they advise clinicians to exercise caution when prescribing combined oral contraceptives to women with known vascular risk factors or a history of ischaemic stroke. “Our findings should prompt more careful evaluation of stroke risk in young women, particularly those with additional risk factors,” Dr. Sezgin said.

Next, the researchers plan to explore biological and genetic mechanisms underlying the observed association between combined oral contraceptive use and increased stroke risk to better understand how hormonal contraceptives may independently elevate stroke risk.

The findings were presented at the ongoing European Stroke Organisation Conference (ESOC) 2025 in Helsinki, Finland.

## Growing Cancer Burden in India with Oral and Breast Cancer on the Rise

(Standard Post Bureau)

India faces a serious increase in cancer cases as Oral (Mouth) and Breast cancers stand out as primary sources of this health challenge. The Indian Council of Medical Research reported in 2024 that India will experience a 12.8% increase in cancer cases by 2025 end, which reveals a troubling growing trend. Improper access to screening facilities, along with lifestyle changes and cultural habits, has formed a perfect storm that has thrust these cancers into top public health priorities. A failure to implement decisive action will cause the healthcare system to become overwhelmed, while a large number of preventable deaths will occur.

Tobacco use, including smokeless products like betel quid, Ghutka, Khaini, Paan Masala etc remains the main factors in which Oral cavity cancer continues to hold the highest position in Indian cancer statistics. Cultural and behavioral patterns explain why Oral cancers strikes men at higher rates than women. Regulatory measures against tobacco use have not yet produced sufficient results because tobacco consumption still



Dr Surender Kumar Dabas, Vice Chairman – Oncology & Chief – Robotic Surgery, BLK-Max Super Speciality Hospital, Delhi

remains widespread in rural and semi-urban areas, which leads to growing Oral cavity cancer cases.

Breast cancer stands as the primary cancer affecting Indian women today. Urbanisation, growth combined with sedentary lifestyle patterns together with delayed 1st childbirth beyond 30 years and Low awareness regarding screening programme creates this alarming trend. The main problems in cancer detection persists because of Advanced stage at identification due to shortages in healthcare

access and inadequate public awareness campaigns.

India expects cancer cases to rise from 1.46 million in 2022 to 1.57 million by 2025. Addressing this surge will require a multi-pronged approach, including:

Public Health Campaigns: Targeted educational initiatives should inform people about dangers of Tobacco use and emphasize early detection importance for cancer prevention.

Enhanced Screening Programs: Implementing cost-effective and

reachable cancer screening facilities throughout underserved areas which will lead to better cancer detection outcomes.

Policy Enforcement: Existing tobacco regulations must be strengthened while developing new policies that promote healthier lifestyle choices.

Research and Innovation: Research investment should support the development of regional treatment methods alongside enhanced availability of newer medical treatments

India faces an urgent public health challenge because both Oral and breast cancer cases continue to increase, which requires immediate and continuous intervention. India will make substantial progress against cancer if it boosts prevention efforts through education while increasing early detection capabilities and strengthening tobacco control regulations.

Through combined policy efforts, healthcare innovation, and community outreach, the nation can build a future where cancer has reduced effects and millions experience improved health outcomes.

## Blood Clots Pose a Major Threat... Can Be Controlled with Walking

Every year, 100,000 people die from DVT in the U.S.



(Standard Post Bureau)

Blood clots in veins can pose a severe health risk, but daily walking can help prevent them, said Dr. Bollineni Bhaskar Rao, CMD of KIMS Group of Hospitals. To raise awareness on this issue, KIMS Hospital organized a Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT) awareness walk at Jalavayu Vihar on Necklace Road in Hyderabad on Sunday at 7 AM. Minister Raja Narasimha attended as the chief guest, while KIMS Hospitals CMD Dr. Bollineni Bhaskar Rao and KIMS Vascular Surgery Head Dr. Narendranath Meda, Surgical Oncologist Dr. Nagendraparthani, Dr. Francis Sridhar, Dr. Jagadessh participated as honorary guests.

DVT Cases Even in Developed Countries

Dr. Rao highlighted that even in developed countries like the U.S., DVT is a significant issue. “Every year, around 900,000

people are affected by DVT in the U.S., with 100,000 losing their lives. It is a major cause of preventable deaths. Early detection, effective treatment, and daily walking can help overcome this issue. Blood clots in veins are not just a medical condition but a growing public health crisis,” he stated.

Lifestyle Changes to Prevent DVT

Dr. Rao, highlighted that although DVT is more common in older individuals, young people are also at risk due to sedentary lifestyles, long-haul flights, and extended bed rest. The 2025 theme for Blood Clot Awareness Month is “Do Your Part to Stop the Clot: A Call to Action!”, urging everyone—patients, doctors, and the public—to play an active role in prevention. Regular walking is essential, and during long journeys, people should take breaks

to move around. Those already at risk should wear compression stockings and take prescribed blood thinners. Advanced treatments like Catheter-Directed Thrombolysis can help dissolve or remove clots.

importance of early detection and treatment to reduce the risks associated with DVT. He noted that DVT can also occur in the arms and abdominal areas, not just the legs. Symptoms like shortness of breath and chest pain may indicate a severe condition. Those traveling for over three hours by car, train, or plane should take precautions. Even without clear risk factors, DVT can occur, making daily movement and proper posture critical. If taking blood thinners, it is advisable to delay air travel for 2-3 weeks.

DVT Symptoms and Prevention

Dr. Narendranath Meda, Consultant Vascular

and Endovascular Surgeon at KIMS, explained that conditions like Acute Venous Thromboembolism (VTE), Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT), and Pulmonary Embolism (PE) can lead to long-term complications and even death. Due to sedentary lifestyles and unhealthy habits, DVT is increasingly seen in the general population. March is observed globally as DVT Awareness Month. DVT occurs when a blood clot forms in one or more veins, usually in the legs, leading to restricted blood flow. These clots can travel to the heart or lungs, becoming life-threatening. Many people fail to recognize DVT, mistaking it for simple leg swelling. However, symptoms include leg pain, swelling, discoloration, and warmth. In many cases, the lack of noticeable symptoms delays treatment, increasing fatality risks.

## President confers six Kirti Chakras and 33 Shaurya Chakras

New Delhi, May 22 (UNI) : President Droupadi Murmu on Thursday conferred six Kirti Chakras to the personnel of the Armed Forces, Central Armed Police Forces and State Police.

Four of the Kirti Chakras and seven Shaurya Chakras were conferred posthumously.

The Gallantry awards were given to the personnel for displaying raw courage, unparalleled bravery and total disregard to personal safety in the line of duty, a Defence Ministry statement said.

They displayed their bravery during various operations related to counter-terrorism and counter-insurgency in J&K and the North-East. Dreaded terrorists were neutralised and

apprehended during these operations, and arms and ammunition were recovered.

The Indian Navy officers led anti-piracy operations, resulting in the surrender of pirates and the rescue of hostages, while also demonstrating bravery during fire-fighting operations on a burning oil tanker.

Awardees from the Indian Air Force showed utmost courage in life-threatening circumstances during the rescue of aircraft while manoeuvring away from civilian areas to avoid any loss of life and property. The CRPF officers performed their gallant act in various operations in areas affected by Left-Wing Extremism. Maoist insurgents were apprehended and weapons recovered.

## If terrorist attacks from Pak continue, there will be consequences: EAM Jaishankar

The Hague/New Delhi, May 22 (UNI) External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar has said that Pakistan must understand the fact very well that while India wants an end to terrorism, there will be consequences if the terrorist attacks continue.

In an interview to the NOS News, he said: “We want a definitive end to terrorism. Our message is therefore: yes, the ceasefire has put an end to military actions against each other for now, but if the terrorist attacks from Pakistan continue, there will be consequences. The Pakistanis must understand that very well.”

PM Modi was supposed to visit the Netherlands this week to strengthen Indian-Dutch ties, but he cancelled the visit due to the escalating tensions with Pakistan. EAM visited the Netherlands to prepare for PM Modi’s visit later this year.

The issue of Dutch arms supplies to Pakistan was raised during Minister of Defence Ruben Brekelmans’s visit to Delhi in March by his Indian counterpart Rajnath Singh.

On India stating that terrorist groups active in Pakistan receive support from the Pakistani state, EAM Jaishankar said:

“I am not suggesting that, I am stating that. Suppose that there were large military centres in the middle of a city like Amsterdam where tens of thousands of people gathered for military training, would you say that your government knows nothing about that? Of course not.”

“We should not go along with the narrative that Pakistan does not know what is going on. The most notorious

terrorists on the United Nations (UN) sanctions list are all in Pakistan. They operate in the big cities, in broad daylight. Their addresses are known. Their activities are known. Their mutual contacts are known. So let’s not pretend that Pakistan is not involved. The state is involved. The army is up to its neck in it.”

Asked if the Kashmir issue should be resolved first in order to be able to combat terrorism, he said:

“No, for us terrorism is an independent, completely unacceptable international crime that should not be condoned or justified.

“The terrorists targeted the vibrant tourism industry in Jammu and Kashmir with their attack. So they are prepared to destroy things in Kashmir for their own, very limited, selfish purposes. They also deliberately gave the attack a very religious tint. The world should not accept such practices.

“As for Jammu and Kashmir, it is a historical fact that it joined India when India and Pakistan separated in 1947. Our position is that the illegal occupiers should return their illegally occupied parts to the rightful owner. And that is us.”


Asked if the international community could mediate on the Kashmir issue, he said:



“No, it is a bilateral issue between the countries involved.”

On if India is not going to accept US President Trump’s offer to mediate, he said:


“As I said, this is something we will do together with Pakistan.”







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Beauty

# Skin care regime for a beautiful skin

Rains could be synonymous with romance and reason to rejoice for some. But for others, it could be the harbinger of maladies, diseases, bad-hair days and dull skin. Try these skincare tips this monsoon for healthy and beautiful skin.

**Happy feet** An important area to look after during monsoons is the feet, say specialists. "Especially in between the toes - it is susceptible to fungal as well as bacterial infection because of direct contact with contaminated rain water," says dermatologist Dr Jamuna Pai. One should try and keep the feet dry at all times. Aesthetician Ritu Tanwar says, "The best way to properly clean your feet is by immersing them in lukewarm water with a few drops of antiseptic for 10 minutes. Then, scrub lightly with an

anti-bacterial soap and thoroughly dry your feet and apply a moisturising cream."

**Happy hands** Tisha Khurana, a beauty consultant, says, "Like any other body part, hands should also be kept clean during monsoons. Soak your hands in warm water for 15 minutes. The water should contain few drops of a liquid hand- wash and some fresh lemon juice. Complete this routine by applying a nail cream. Avoid pushing the cuticles, as nail fungal infections are very common in monsoons. Cuticle oil must be applied as cuticles become very dry."

**Care for your hair** Dr Sandeep Sattur, hair restorative surgeon,

says, "Wash your scalp frequently with PH-balanced mild shampoos." The idea is to cleanse the scalp gently without causing damage.

**Use sunscreen always** Dermatologists say our faces can get fairly oily because of humidity and we should use cleansers effective for this condition. Dr Desai cautions, "Always use a sunscreen as UV rays penetrate even through clouds."

QUICK TIPS

-Wash your face two to three times a day with a mixture of green gram powder and channa powder (equal proportion) made into a paste with water. -Make a paste of papaya, honey and milk. Apply it on your face, leave for 15 minutes and then wash off. -A paste of neem leaves mixed with honey can be used as a face pack. Remove the pack before it dries up on your skin. -Use a mixture of honey and curd for body massage before shower.

## Renew Beauty regime for monsoon

Visit a spa or salon once in a while to rejuvenate. Here are a few tips:

- Get funky with your hair colour this monsoon. Get an ombre look or highlight your hair with full head highlights or colour stripping treatments.
- Brighten up your gloomy day with vibrant nail art in bold colours.
- During monsoon, the hair becomes limp and loses its sheen. Also, tame your tresses with an oil massage.
- Keep your make-up to a bare minimum. Humidity and frequent downpours can accelerate oil-secretion, so, using non-greasy and light make-up provides a clean matte finish. Also, always opt for waterproof brands.
- Some home remedies can also come in handy:
- Papaya works as a great

de-tanner; curd clears blemishes; aloe vera soothes the skin; and lavender boosts rejuvenation.

- To eliminate roughness, try this - take some almond paste, mix this with some milk to make a smooth and thick paste. You can also mix almond oil with milk cream to make a winter face pack. Apply the pack to get a smooth and flawless skin.

The monsoon season poses a challenge for many to look tip-top all the time, but you can ease your woes by following some tips for your hair and skin.

## Are you using the right foundation for your skin?

A woman's vanity box is empty without a foundation which acts as a base for makeup. However, since there are many varieties of foundations which are available in the market, that come in different formulations — cream, mousse or dry ones — you need to know the one that matches your skin tone and suits your skin texture the best. Understand your skin

**Normal skin**  
- Even complexion.  
- The surface of the skin is neither too oily nor too dry.  
- Lotion-based foundations are best-suited.

**Oily skin**  
- The face will have an all over shine.  
- Prone to pimple and can easily develop pigmentation near the cheeks.  
- Water-based foundations are advised for those who have oily skin. They last longer and do not make the face look greasy.

**Dry skin**  
- The face can feel dry and parched, at times.  
- Cream-based liquid foundations are advisable.  
- Compact-based foundations are a no-no.  
Select one based on your skin tone

**Dusky**  
- A sheer foundation and a good concealer are musts for creating the illusion for a perfect skin.  
- While applying foundation, your aim should be for a lighter coverage.  
- Add a drop of water to the foundation to blend well.  
- Dab compact after the foundation is applied. This will give the skin sheen and will not make it look too heavy.  
- Avoid applying too much of compact powder. And dust off all the excess.  
- Liquid foundation is the best one for women with a dusky complexion. Also, it is very important to keep in mind that the shade of the foundation should be very close to that of the skin tone, to avoid looking pale white.

**Wheatish**  
- Choose a concealer and foundation which have yellow pigments.  
- Earthy shades go very well with those who have wheatish

complexion.  
- Never use a foundation which has a pinkish tone, this will make your skin look grey.

- Apply a compact after the foundation to lend a smooth surface to your skin.

**Fair**  
- Determine whether your fairness is rosy pink or yellowish.  
- Select warmer tones for an even

- Should be applied with the help of a powder brush. The bristles should be dense.

**Mineral foundation**  
- Ideal for all skin types, except oily. It is specially suited for those with sensitive skin or Rosacea.

- Lends a matte finish look.  
- Has a light to medium coverage.  
- Evens out the skin tone, moisturises, protects and absorbs the excess oil.

- Use a brush to buff it on.  
**Tinted moisturising foundation**

- Ideal for normal and dry skin.  
- It is well-suited for those who need extra hydration and just a touch of colour to pull it off.  
- Lends a sheer to light coverage.  
- Lightly evens out the skin tone, giving a nude or a natural look.

What you must keep in mind Minimal application of foundation is not only good for your skin but it also does not make you look cakey.

However, while choosing a foundation, make sure that you sample it under natural light. While trying out the foundation in a store, always apply it on your jawline and not on your wrists or hands to check for the seamless blend.

Give your musical instruments some TLC

- Always return the instrument to its protective case when not being played.

- Don't leave your musical instrument where it can be knocked or sat on by people or animals.

- Take care to store musical instruments in a place of even temperature.

- Clean your musical instrument with in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

- Make sure your musical instrument has an annual check-up with your retailer.

- If a wind instrument is supposed to be assembled before its usage, then ensure that all joints are cleaned before they are assembled.

Apply grease in very small proportions on corks if required.

- Have your instrument professionally valued at least once every three years. Then make sure you review your insurance policy to ensure your sums insured are up to date.

complexion.  
- Here are more tips on how to choose the right foundation

**Types of foundation**

**Cream foundation**  
- Ideal for normal, combination and dry skin types. It is specially suited for women with uneven pigmentation, or those requiring a heavy coverage.

- Lends medium or full coverage.  
- The best part about this foundation is that it lends a dewy finish.

- Covers and conceals discolourations and imperfections on the skin and provides a flawless finish.

**Liquid foundation**  
- Is ideal for all skin types. It is well-suited for dry or mature skin.  
- Lends a light to medium coverage.

- Has a satin, matte or dewy finish depending on the formulation.  
- It soothes the skin and also lends an even coverage to your complexion.

**Pressed powder foundation**

- Is ideal for those who have oily skin.

- It lends a light to medium coverage.

- Has a matte-finish look.

- Evens out the skin tone, hides the imperfections and absorbs the excess oil.





# KTR accuses Congress Govt of corruption and governance failures

Hyderabad, May 22 (UNI) : BRS Working President K T Rama Rao launched a scathing attack on the Congress government, accusing it of turning governance into a "commission-driven circus" and using notices to former Chief Minister K Chandrashekhar Rao as a diversionary tactic.

Speaking to the media in Nalgonda, KTR alleged that the Congress regime is steeped in corruption, with commissions of 20–30 per cent becoming routine.

“Even their own MLAs and ministers admit that no work happens without commissions,” he said, pointing to a recent protest by contractors at the Deputy CM’s office as evidence of widespread graft.

KTR claimed that the Congress-BJP alliance is conspiring to tarnish the Kaleshwaram Project and

that notices to KCR are part of this political agenda.

He asserted, “Truth and justice will prevail—we have full faith in the judiciary.”

H i g h l i g h t i n g governance lapses, KTR cited failures such as the collapse of the Sunkishala retaining wall, the submergence of the Vattem pump house, repeated damage to the Pedda Vagu project, and the government’s inaction in the SLBC tunnel tragedy, where bodies remain unrecovered months later.

He further accused the Congress of using inquiries and committees to avoid delivering on its six electoral guarantees. “We will not stop until every promise is fulfilled—from Rs 2,500 for women to pensions and gold for brides,” KTR declared, warning that continued failures could provoke public revolt.

# Seethakka praises academic excellence of Tribal students

Hyderabad, May 22 (UNI) : The Academic Success Meet 2025 was held at Komaram Bheem Adivasi Bhavan in Banjara Hills under the aegis of the Tribal Welfare Department on Wednesday.

The event celebrated the academic achievements of tribal students from various educational institutions who excelled in the 10th standard, Intermediate, EAMCET, and JEE Mains examinations.

Panchayat Raj, Rural Development, Women and Child Welfare Minister Dr Dhanasari Anasuya Seethakka was the chief guest at the ceremony. She felicitated the high-performing students and congratulated the dedicated teaching staff for their unwavering support in helping tribal students outperform even their peers from private institutions. In her address, Minister Seethakka emphasised the transformative power of education. “For a long time, tribal communities were held back due to a lack of access to quality education. We were unfairly branded and pushed to the margins. But today, tribal students are standing shoulder to shoulder with others, proving their excellence,” she said.

She lauded the efforts of teachers who went the extra mile to ensure students achieved top marks, calling their dedication pivotal to this success. As a token of appreciation, students from the Tribal Gurukula Fine Arts College presented the Minister with a saree featuring traditional tribal artwork.

The event concluded with Minister Seethakka and other dignitaries sharing a festive lunch with the state rankers, marking a moment of pride and unity.

# DGP Jitender felicitates 52 police personnel for outstanding performance

Hyderabad, May 22 (UNI) : Director General of Police (DGP) Dr Jitender felicitated 52 police personnel for their exceptional performance in crime investigation, detection, and other critical areas of policing.

The ceremony was held at the DGP Office on Wednesday, where the officers were presented with certificates of appreciation and cash rewards.

Speaking at the event, Dr Jitender noted that the Telangana Police has emerged as the top-performing police department in the country, as per the India Justice Report 2025. He also highlighted the Department’s leadership in mobile phone recovery, attributing these achievements to the

dedication and consistent efforts of police personnel across the state. He urged officers to continue striving for excellence, uphold integrity, and strengthen public trust through sincere service.

Director General of CID, Shikha Goel, elaborated that the 52 officers were chosen after a detailed review of their performance in 2024. The evaluation covered key areas such as grave crime detection, securing convictions, liquidation of undetected cases, execution of non-bailable warrants, timely disposal of POCSO cases, high performance in National Lok Adalats, recovery of funds in cybercrime cases, and detection of property offences.

In addition to individual recognitions,



Security personnel display the preparedness near the International Border, during a media tour, on the outskirts of Jammu .

# Saraswati Pushkaram enters 7th day amid devotion and spiritual fervour in Kaleshwaram

Hyderabad, May 22 (UNI) : The sacred Saraswati Pushkaram has entered its seventh day in Kaleshwaram, a revered Trilinga Kshetra known for its spiritual, historical, and natural significance.

Thousands of devotees are continuing to throng the Triveni Sangam—the confluence of the Godavari, Pranahita, and Saraswati rivers—to take holy dips and offer prayers, with the Saraswati Aarti emerging as a key attraction.

The government has also made the divine ritual accessible through live-streaming. Kaleshwaram holds a unique place in

Indian spiritual geography. Here, the Saraswati River—revered as Brahmapatni—joins the Godavari and Pranahita rivers. According to mythology, this site witnessed the simultaneous manifestation of Yama and Shiva in the form of lingams on a single panavatta. The temple town thus symbolises both salvation and judgment, making it one of the most spiritually potent locations in the country.

The presence of Saraswati here is particularly significant. Although the river is believed to have

disappeared due to geological shifts centuries ago, legends state that it still flows underground in Kaleshwaram. This has made the town the only location in southern India where Saraswati Pushkarams are officially observed. It is also one of the few places in the country where Saraswati is worshipped in her form as Maha Saraswati, while her other forms, Gyana Saraswati and Bala Saraswati, are worshipped in Basara and Kashmir respectively.

Devotees, young and old, have been seen bathing in the sacred confluence with chants of

"Hara Hara Mahadeva" echoing across the ghats. The atmosphere has been filled with devotional fervour, as conch shells are blown and prayers are offered to the river goddess and Lord Shiva.

On the seventh day of the festival, tradition holds that charity and good deeds carry special merit. Elders have long maintained that bathing alone does not bring spiritual benefits unless coupled with acts of kindness and giving.

History and local beliefs suggest that donating food, clothing, bedding, or even symbolic homes on this day brings

immense blessings. While the ritual has evolved into a community sentiment over time, its original purpose—cultivating compassion and humanity—remains relevant. The natural landscape of Kaleshwaram enhances the spiritual experience. Unlike the upper reaches of the Godavari, which receive limited inflows, the region sees a significant volume of water due to the confluence with the Pranahita River.

This ensures a consistent water supply for the Pushkaram festivities and reduces the risk of waterborne

diseases. Though the river appears narrow due to wide sandbanks stretching over two to three kilometres, the volume and purity of water make Kaleshwaram an ideal location for such a holy event. With the Telangana state government’s official organisation of the Pushkarams, Kaleshwaram’s spiritual legacy is now receiving broader recognition. As pilgrims continue to flock to the site, Saraswati Pushkaram in Kaleshwaram remains a profound expression of faith, tradition, and community spirit.

# BJP slams CM Revanth Reddy’s remarks on national security

Hyderabad, May 22 (UNI) : BJP Legislative Party leader Eleti Maheshwar Reddy strongly condemned Telangana Chief Minister Revanth Reddy’s remarks, alleging that the Modi-led central government yielded to pressure from former US President Donald Trump in its response to Pakistan.

In a media statement issued on Wednesday, Maheshwar Reddy described the comments as “ignorant, irresponsible,

and bordering on treason.”

He said that the Indian Army’s retaliatory strikes on terrorist camps in Pakistan following the Pulwama and Pahalgam attacks stand as evidence of the Modi government’s firm stance against Pakistan-sponsored terrorism. He accused CM Revanth Reddy of parroting a script written by Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, aimed at appeasing party leadership while undermining national security. Maheshwar Reddy

alleged that Congress leaders, including Rahul Gandhi and Mallikarjun Kharge, have repeatedly made statements in a “pro-Pakistan tone,” which he said reflects the party’s “bankrupt politics.”

He also criticised Congress’s historical handling of Kashmir, blaming leaders like Nehru and Indira Gandhi for past policy failures, and credited the Modi government for decisive actions like the abrogation of Article 370.

# Panchayat Secretary caught red-handed while accepting a bribe

Hyderabad, May 22 (UNI) : In another case, the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) on Wednesday caught a Panchayat Secretary from Gottumukkala Village in Nizamabad district red-handed while allegedly accepting a bribe of Rs 18,000.

The accused officer, Katkam Ganga Mohan, was apprehended around 12 pm when he allegedly demanded and accepted the bribe from a complainant in return for improperly allotting a house number and assessment number to an open plot, bypassing due procedures necessary for further registration.

Initially, the officer had demanded Rs 20,000, which was later negotiated down to Rs 18,000. The tainted amount was recovered from his possession during the trap operation, based on information provided by the complainant.

A chemical test confirmed the presence of the bribe traces on both of the officer’s hands and the left pocket flap of his trousers, which had come into contact with the money. The ACB stated that the officer had acted dishonestly and in violation of his official duties to secure an undue advantage.

The complainant’s identity has been withheld for security reasons. The accused officer was being arrested and produced before the II Additional Special Judge for SPE & ACB Cases, Nampally, Hyderabad.

# Rainbow Children’s Hospital completes eighth gene therapy for Spinal Muscular Atrophy

Hyderabad, May 22 (UNI) : Rainbow Children’s Hospital (RCH) on Wednesday said it has successfully administered ‘gene therapy’ to a child diagnosed with Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA), marking the eighth such treatment carried out at the hospital, a significant milestone in paediatric healthcare. The therapy was administered under the supervision of Dr. Ramesh Konanki, Consultant Pediatric Neurologist, Rainbow Children’s Hospital, Secunderabad, the hospital said in a release here. As part of the treatment

protocol, the child received Zolgensma, a one-time gene therapy specifically developed to treat Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA) by replacing the defective SMN1 gene responsible for the condition.

Administered through an adeno-associated viral vector, the therapy enables the production of the SMN protein, which is essential for survival of motor neurons and thus the muscle function. With a cost of around Rs 14 crore per dose, Zolgensma is considered one of the most expensive therapies currently available worldwide.

# Modi Govt committed to total eradication of terrorism: Union Minister Bandi Sanjay

Karimnagar, May 22 (UNI) : Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Bandi Sanjay Kumar on Wednesday said that the Narendra Modi-led central government is firmly committed to eradicating terrorism in all its forms.

He was speaking at an Anti-Terrorism Day rally organised by the Karimnagar District Cricket Association.

Launching the rally by waving the national flag, the Union Minister said the mindset of the people across the country has changed significantly after the Pahalgam incident, with citizens now expressing readiness to support the fight against terrorism alongside the armed forces.

He lauded the Indian Army’s swift and precise

action in crossing into Pakistani territory to destroy terrorist camps without harming civilians.

"The credit for these successful operations goes entirely to our brave soldiers. Their use of advanced technology and strategic precision has ensured the safety of our borders," he stated.

Highlighting Pakistan’s continued support for terrorism, Kumar said, “That country has become a safe haven for terrorists, providing both shelter and financial assistance.

The Modi government recognised this threat and took decisive steps to dismantle terrorist infrastructure across the border.

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# Twelve Redeveloped Railway Stations under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme Inaugurated by Prime Minister Across Central Railway in Maharashtra

(Standard Post Bureau)

Mumbai, May 22 : Maharashtra witnessed a landmark moment in railway infrastructure development today with the inauguration of 12 redeveloped stations across Central Railway. These include five stations each in the Mumbai and Bhusaval divisions, and two in the Pune division. The event was part of a nationwide event where the Hon'ble Prime Minister dedicated 103 redeveloped railway stations to the nation under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme.

Distinguished dignitaries graced the occasion at various locations across the state to mark this significant milestone.

**In the Mumbai Division:**

**At Parel Station,** Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan, Hon'ble Governor of Maharashtra, and Shri Devendra Fadnavis, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Maharashtra, attended the event along with Shri Dharam Veer Meena, General Manager, Central Railway, and Shri Hiresh



Meena, Divisional Railway Manager, Mumbai Division. "To engage and inspire the younger generation, essay and drawing competitions were organized in schools as part of the event. Prizes were distributed today by Shri Dharam Veer Meena, General Manager, Central Railway, recognizing the creativity and enthusiasm of participating students.

**At Chinchpokli Station,** Shri Madhukar Mohol, Hon'ble Minister of State for Civil Aviation and Cooperation, and Shri Arvind Sawant, Member of Parliament, were present.

**At Savada Station,** Smt. Raksha Khadse, Union Minister of State for Youth Affairs and Sports, were present.

**At Murtizapur Station,** Shri Anup Dhotre, Member of Parliament, were present.

**At Vadala Road Station,** Shri Kalidas Kolambkar, Hon'ble MLA, were present.

**At Shahad Station,** Shri Kumar Ailani, Hon'ble MLA, were present.

## Western railway introduces superfast express between Bandra Terminus and Bikaner

(Standard Post Bureau)

Mumbai, May 22 : For the convenience of passengers and with a view to meet the travel demand, a superfast express is being introduced between Bandra Terminus and Bikaner station.

According to a press release issued by Chief Public Relations Officer of Western Railway, Shri Vineet Abhishek, the details of this train is as under:

Train No. 21903/21904 Bandra Terminus – Bikaner Superfast Weekly Express

Train No. 21903 Bandra Terminus - Bikaner Superfast Express will depart from Bandra Terminus every Monday at 23.25 hrs and reach Bikaner at 20.40 hrs, the next day. This train will run from 26th May, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 21904 Bikaner – Bandra Terminus Express will depart from Bikaner every Wednesday at 08.50 hrs and arrive Bandra Terminus at 06.45 hrs, the next day. This train will run from 28th May, 2025.

Enroute this train will halt at Borivali, Vapi, Surat, Bharuch, Vadodara, Anand, Nadiad, Sabarmati, Mahesana, Palanpur, Abu Road, Falna, Marwar, Pali Marwar, Jodhpur, Merta Road, Nagaur, Nokha and Deshnoke stations in both directions.

This train comprises of AC 3-Tier (Economy) and AC Chair Car Coaches.

The booking of the Train No. 21903 will open from 23.05.2025 at all PRS Counters and on IRCTC website. For detailed information regarding timings of halts and composition, passengers may please visit [www.enquiry.indianrail.gov.in](http://www.enquiry.indianrail.gov.in).

## WR extends trips of Weekly special trains between Mumbai Central and Katihar

(Standard Post Bureau)

Mumbai, May 22 : For the convenience of passengers and with a view to meet the travel demand, Western Railway has extended the trips of Train No. 09189/09190 Mumbai Central – Katihar Weekly Special on the same composition, timings, halts and path.

According to a press release issued by Chief Public Relations Officer of Western Railway, Mr Vineet Abhishek, details of the trains are as under:

1. Train No. 09189 Mumbai Central – Katihar Special has been extended up to 27th September, 2025
2. Train No. 09190 Katihar – Mumbai Central Special has been extended up to 30th September, 2025.

## SC slams Navy for denying Permanent Commission to woman JAG Officer

New Delhi, May 22 (UNI) : The Supreme Court has criticised the Indian Navy for not granting Permanent Commission (PC) to Commander Seema Chaudhary, a woman officer from the 2007 Short Service Commission (SSC) batch in the Judge Advocate General (JAG) branch, despite clear directions given earlier by the top judiciary.

A bench comprising Justice Surya Kant and Justice N. Kotiswar Singh took serious note of the Navy's inaction, making it clear that the court's previous direction to "consider" the officer's case could not be used as an excuse to avoid action.

"Enough is enough... we give you one week to grant her Permanent Commission," Justice Kant stated sternly during the hearing.

The case revolves around Commander Seema Chaudhary, who has faced prolonged legal battles and filed nearly five petitions seeking justice. Her counsel, Senior Advocate Rekha Palli, argued that while male

officers are inducted directly into Permanent Commission, women officers are only taken in through Short Service Commission. She added that currently, there are no women JAG officers in the Navy.

After reviewing Chaudhary's service record and performance reports, the court questioned why she was denied PC, especially when she was found fit in all respects.

In defence, Senior Advocate Dr. R. Balasubramanian, representing the Navy, pointed to three Annual Confidential Reports (ACRs) that included adverse comments.

However, the court noted that these ACRs had already been overruled by the reviewing authority.

Justice Kant also criticised the bias reflected in the ACRs, implying a male superior had unfairly assessed the officer's work. "She was graded well in all parameters, and one officer's personal opinion cannot undo her service," he remarked. The bench

reminded the Navy that a 2024 Supreme Court order had already directed reconsideration of the officer's case under Article 142 of the Constitution. The court had ordered that Chaudhary's case be decided independently, as she was the only 2007-batch JAG woman officer eligible for PC.

The judgment also permitted the Navy to proportionally increase the number of PC vacancies to accommodate her, ensuring that no other officer would be displaced and that this move would not set a precedent.

Justice Kant reminded the Navy's counsel, "This is not about ego. The 2024 judgment has reached finality. It cannot be ignored at the whims of authorities."

The petitioner alleged that her PC was being denied as retaliation for a workplace harassment complaint she filed against a male officer. A Board of Inquiry reportedly found merit in her complaint, yet she was transferred within a day of filing it, while the accused officer remained in the same post.

## Solapur Railway Division started a public awareness campaign with rally onwards to World Environment Day

(Standard Post Bureau)

Solapur, May 22 : Today on Thursday, Solapur Railway Division organised a rally from the DRM office to Solapur Railway Station for public awareness campaign onwards to the occasion of World Environment Day.

The rally was started by Solapur DRM Dr. Sujet Mishra. While guiding the rally, he told everyone that we all need to make efforts to prevent environmental degradation and secure our future. ADRM Solapur Shri Anshumali Kumar said that only by planting trees and protecting them, we can get relief from rising temperatures, so everyone should plant as many trees as possible and try to take care of them.

Railway Civil Defense Solapur team participated enthusiastically and raised various slogans related to environment. RPF department provided security for the entire rally. Mechanical Engineering Department (EnHM wing) successfully planned this rally with the cooperation of everyone. Shri Ramlal Pyase, Sr DME Solapur thanked all the people present and appealed to come forward for environmental protection.

Other railway officials, employees, social organizations and around 150 people participated in the rally.



A walkathon was organised by Solapur Division from the DRM Office to Solapur Railway Station onwards to #WorldEnvironmentDay2025 to raise public awareness. DRM, ADRM and other officials actively participated.