

IN BRIEF

Man jumps to death from building

Mumbai Sep 2 (UNI) A 40-year-old man, who was under treatment for depression, jumped to his death today from the fourth floor of a residential building in neighbouring Thane city. According to police, the deceased, identified as Santosh Giri, was living with his mother at Saklaya Apartment located at Louswadi, in Thane.He had started consuming alcohol after both his wives separated from him.Residents rushed to the spot after hearing a loud thud and found him lying in a pool of blood. He was immediately taken to Thane Civil Hospital, where doctors declared him dead on arrival. Shivaji Gaware, Senior Police Inspector of Narpoli Police Station, said: "So far, we have registered an Accidental Death Report. During the investigation, we learned that he had two wives who later left him. He was often under the influence of alcohol.Further investigation is underway."

OBC Leaders accuse Pawar family of backing Maratha Quota agitation

Mumbai Sept 2 (UNI) Maratha reservation protest leader Manoj Jarange Patil has been described as a "ghost raised by the Pawars" by OBC groups. They allege that NCP (Sharad Pawar faction) chief Sharad Pawar, MP Supriya Sule, and Deputy CM Ajit Pawar are behind his movement. In response, OBC Reservation Protection activists, led by Prof. Laxman Hake, announced a large protest in Baramati. Currently, Jarange Patil is leading the Maratha community's demand at Azad Maidan for reservation under the OBC category. Meanwhile, OBC groups across Nagpur and other regions have launched relay hunger strikes to oppose giving OBC quota benefits to Marathas.Prof. Hake accused the Pawars of fueling Jarange Patil's agitation. Meanwhile, BJP spokesperson Keshav Upadhye alleged that the Pawars are deliberately pitting OBC and Maratha communities against each other for electoral gains.The controversy deepened when Supriya Sule, daughter of Sharad Pawar, visited the protest site to meet Jarange Patil. She was confronted by angry protestors, some of whom accused her father of dividing communities and even hurled bottles at her vehicle.

Manoj Jarange declares victory after Govt concedes demands



A doctor checks blood pressure of activist Manoj Jarange Patil during his hunger strike demanding Maratha reservation, at Azad Maidan, in Mumbai on Tuesday.

Mumbai, Sep 2 (UNI) : The Maratha reservation movement spearheaded by Manoj Jarange-Patil has finally attained victory. The state government has accepted six out of his eight key demands. Sub-committee chairman Radhakrishna Vikhe Patil met Jarange and recited the draft proposal. Following this, Jarange announced, "We have won", while insisting that the government issue the official order (Government Resolution) within the next hour.He further declared that the agitation would be called off only after the GR is released. Jarange also appealed to protesters to vacate Mumbai by 9 pm tonight.The state government has announced that the Satara Sansthan Gazette, which covers the entire western Maharashtra region, will be examined from a legal perspective and executed promptly. Authorities assured that a decision on implementation

will be made within the next 15 days.On the issue of criminal cases registered during the Maratha reservation movement, the government clarified that several cases have already been withdrawn, while the remaining will be retracted through the court process. A government resolution (GR) has been issued to ensure that all such cases are retracted by the end of September. Regarding the demands for aid to the families of those who sacrificed their lives during the Maratha quota protests, the government said Rs15 crore in financial assistance has already been disbursed. The remaining families will receive aid within a week. In addition, heirs will be offered government jobs, initially in state transport services.However, protest leaders have demanded that employment should be based on the educational qualifications of the beneficiaries, preferably in

MIDC or other sectors. The government also highlighted that around 58 lakh old records related to Kunbi-Maratha caste validation have been traced. These records will be linked to respective Gram Panchayats, and pending validity certificates will be cleared. Minister Radhakrishna Vikhe Patil informed that district-level meetings will now be held every Monday to resolve caste certificate issues. Earlier, the caste scrutiny committees lacked manpower, but additional staff has now been appointed to expedite the process. Protest leader Manoj Jarange demanded that the Shinde committee be provided with a permanent office, that the genealogy verification committee be given an extension, and that officials be authorized to retrieve records, including those in Modi script, to ensure justice for the Maratha community.

CBI books ex-DGM of Nagpur ordnance factory in corruption case

Nagpur, Sep 2 (UNI) The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) today booked a former Deputy General Manager (DGM) of Ordnance Factory Ambajhari (OFAJ), Nagpur, in a corruption case involving manipulation of tenders and financial irregularities.The FIR, registered on August 25, names Deepak Lamba, former DGM of OFAJ, along with Nagpur-based firm Automation Engineering and Industrial Services and its proprietor Mohit Tholia. According to CBI, Lamba allegedly floated the private firm and ensured tenders were awarded to it by submitting forged and fabricated experience

certificates. Investigators found that he and his family members were engaged in multiple financial and banking transactions connected to the firm. CBI teams carried out searches at four locations, including office and residential premises, and seized incriminating documents and digital evidence. The area is renowned across the country as the land of saints and has been ruled by historically famous dynasties, including Satavahanas, whose capital was at Paithan

described chips as the "digital diamonds" of the modern age. He said that while the last century was shaped by oil, the 21st century is being defined by chips, which hold the potential to empower global progress. With the global semiconductor market which is already at 600 billion US dollars, the Prime Minister said India is rapidly expanding its presence in the sector and is set to make a significant contribution to dominate the global market

World is ready to build semiconductor future with India: PM

New Delhi, Sept 2 (UNI) Prime Minister Narendra Modi today inaugurated 'SEMICON India 2025', marking a major step in India's ambition to emerge as a global semiconductor hub. The PM said, "The world believes in India and the world is ready to build the semiconductor future with India." Addressing the gathering at Semicon India 2025, he noted that India is moving forward with determination in its journey

of development, even as the global economy faces challenges. Highlighting India's strong performance, the Prime Minister said that with a GDP growth of 7.8 per cent and robust progress across sectors such as manufacturing, services, agriculture, and construction, the nation is firmly on track to become the world's third-largest economy. Underscoring the importance of the semiconductor sector, Modi

share in semiconductors. Recalling the government's initiatives, Modi said the Semicon India programme was launched in 2021. Since then, the country has approved its first semiconductor fabrication plan in 2023, followed by several more in 2024, and with additional approvals in 2025, a total of 10 projects have now been sanctioned. These projects have boosted investments and India's emergence as a semiconductor hub. Reiterating his vision,

Three killed in road accident in Raigad

Kolhapur, Raigad, Sept 2 (UNI) : Three individuals, including a woman, were killed in an accident at Kasarmalai in Mhasala tehsil of Raigad district today. According to police, an autorickshaw en route to Kanghar village from Sanderi slammed against a roadside direction indicator after its brake failed on a sharp turn. In this incident, rickshaw driver Santosh Babasaheb Sawant (40), was killed on the spot while five others were injured.Tragically, two of the injured were in a serious condition. Later both of them died during the medical treatment at Mangaon sub-district hospital. The police identified the two deceased as Shantaram Kalidas Dhokate and Sharmilabai Tukaram Dhokate. The three injured were identified as Prakash Dhadve, Kavita Santosh Magar and Santosh Magar. The police are now conducting a further investigation into the incident.

Govt notifies new procedure for Maratha community caste certificates

Mumbai, Sept 2 (UNI) : The Maharashtra government today issued a comprehensive government resolution establishing a detailed procedure for providing caste certificates to eligible members of the Maratha community as Kunbi or Maratha-Kunbi or Kunbi-Maratha caste, based on records found in the Hyderabad Gazetteer. The decision comes as part of the state's efforts to address the long-standing demands of the Maratha community for reservation benefits.The government order, issued by the Social Justice and Special Assistance Department, references the Maharashtra Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Denotified Tribes, Nomadic Tribes, Other Backward Classes and Special Backward Classes (Regulation of Issuance and Verification of Caste Certificates) Act, 2000. The order highlights the historical and cultural significance of the Marathwada region, describing it as a diverse area with rich historical, social and cultural heritage. The region, which merged with India on September 17, 1948, has a unique geographical and social situation different from the rest of Maharashtra. The area is renowned across the country as the land of saints and has been ruled by historically famous dynasties, including Satavahanas, whose capital was at Paithan

(Pratishthan), followed by Vakatakas, Chalukyas and Yadavas. The government resolution acknowledges that Marathwada became part of the bilingual Bombay state on November 1, 1956 and became an integral part of Maharashtra from May 1, 1960.During the Nizam government period, the administrative structure of Marathwada division was controlled by the Nizam government, which had significant differences from the British administrative system.Following recent agitations regarding reservations in the region, the government had appointed a committee under the chairmanship of Justice Sandip Shinde (retired) on 7th September 2023.This committee was tasked with searching for records of Kunbi, Kunbi-Maratha and Maratha-Kunbi communities in all eight districts of Marathwada to provide justice to the people of the region.The Justice Shinde committee conducted extensive fieldwork across Marathwada and made multiple visits to Hyderabad and Delhi to collect relevant documents.The committee visited the Archives Department and Revenue Department in Hyderabad twice and obtained more than 7,000 documents for study. They also visited the Census Office and its library in Delhi to obtain additional documents related to the census during the Nizam period.



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Kolkata feels like a home to me now: MBSG's Manvir Singh



Mohun Bagan Super Giant forward Manvir Singh is into his sixth year with the club and he shed light on his journey with the team which has involved forming a strong bond with the fans and also embracing the local culture in Kolkata.

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Punjab floods wreak havoc, Sukhpal Khaira slams CM



The death count rose to 30 as severe flooding triggered by the raging Sutlej River affected over 3.5 lakh people spread across 1400 villages in 23 districts of Punjab, officials said today. 12 districts have been devastated.The water level at Bhakra Dam is just 3 feet below the danger mark.

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General Manager’s Safety Award for 2 Staff of Solapur Division of Central Railway



(Standard Post Bureau)

Solapur, Sept 2 : General Manager, Central Railway Mr Dharam Veer Meena felicitated 2 Central Railway staff from Solapur Division with Safety Award in a function held at Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus, Mumbai on 02.09.2025.

The Safety awards were presented in recognition of the respective employee’s alertness during duty, their contribution in averting untoward incidents and ensuring safety in train operations during the

previous months. Each award consists of a medal, commendation certificate, a citation of exemplary safety work and cash prize of ₹ 2000/-

Details of the Awardees

1. Shri Manish Kumar, Technician (TRD), Kurduvadi, Solapur Division, during footplate inspection on 06.07.2025, noticed a broken OHE ‘G jumper’ at kilometer 280/10-12 between Boribel-Malthan station. He immediately informed all concerned. A possible accident was averted due to

his alertness.

2. Shri Vikas Kumar Pandit, Technician (TRD), Latur, Solapur Division, during inspection at Harangul yard on 22.07.2025, noticed abnormal movement in the pantograph of goods train. He immediately informed all concerned. On inspection, a deep dent was found in the pantograph strip. Due to his alertness a possible accident was averted.

The General Manager in his address congratulated the awardees and complimented them for their

alertness and dedication towards their duties. He said that such acts of alertness and bravery will motivate others to sincerely work towards the safety of passengers and avert loss of life, freight and railway property.

Additional General Manager Shri Prateek Goswami, Principal Chief Safety Officer Shri Chandra Kishore Prasad, other Principal Heads of Departments and Senior Officers of Central Railway were present on the occasion.

Clarification on Sassoon dock issues

(Standard Post Bureau)

Mumbai, Sept 2 : In light of recent media reports alleging proposed eviction of fish traders from godowns at Sassoon Dock by Mumbai Port Authority (MbPA), it is necessary to clarify the facts and dispel misinformation being circulated in the public domain.

1. About Sassoon Dock

Sassoon Dock, owned by the Mumbai Port Authority, is one of the oldest fishing harbours in India, built around 1875. It remains a major fish landing and marketing centre catering to both domestic and export markets. Unlike most other ports, Sassoon Dock and New Ferry Wharf (BhauchaDhakka) are accessible to the general public.

The Old Sassoon Dock spans approximately 5 Hectares (Ha). Of this, about 2 Ha (40%) is allotted to various tenants/lessees—currently around 74 occupying. All of these tenancies are expired. The allotted spaces are used for fish storage, processing units, ice factories, fishing gear shops, provision stores, and eateries.

2. Infrastructure Support by MbPA

- MbPA has developed and maintained key infrastructure for the fishing community, including Fish landing berths, boat holding areas, and bunkering facilities, Fish auction halls, internal roads, footpaths and parking areas. Public utilities such as urinals, fish waste collection points, and a fish waste processing plant.

- Additionally, MbPA executed the project of New Sassoon Fish Harbour (3.7 Hectares) to accommodate growing trade and reduce congestion at the old dock. A modernization project worth ₹ 100 crore is currently underway under Government of India & State Government schemes.

- Recent and ongoing improvements works include Repairs & Reconstruction of auction sheds (₹ 80 lakh), Quay wall repairs (₹ 50 lakh) and annual solid waste management (₹ 1 Crore per year).

- Electricity bill is borne by MbPA and also the security is given by MbPA.

- At BhauchaDhakka, MbPA is constructing a new fish jetty for fishermen and terminal for fishermen with an approach trestle, at an estimated cost of ₹ 137 Crore.

3. Community Support

MbPA has permitted free-of-cost use of its building space at the old Sassoon Dock to provide amenities such as restrooms and crèches for fisherfolk. To promote cultural engagement, MbPA has also hosted art festivals and exhibitions at the Dock, transforming the historic site into a vibrant public and tourist space, which gave Sassoon

Dock a global recognition.

4. Fishing Operations

Approximately 1100 fishing boats registered at Sassoon Dock and New Sassoon Fish Harbour. MbPA facilitates these operations and collects monthly license fees as per the approved Scale of Rates. Ancillary licenses are issued for fish-related activities.

5. Compliance and Legal Proceedings

- All allottees are required to adhere to the terms of letting, including timely payment of rent. In cases of default, MbPA initiates eviction proceedings as per law. The ongoing controversy pertains to Rent Roll (RR) No. 1773 (approx. 2,720 sq.m.), where tenants have committed multiple violations such as Unauthorized constructions, unauthorised& illegal change of use, subletting & huge outstanding dues. Eviction proceedings were initiated in 1999, and a final eviction order was passed in 2009. The order was upheld by all appellate courts, including the Hon’ble Supreme Court, which in 2014 granted six months to vacate. The lessee/occupants have failed to comply with the ruling to date.

- Though meetings were held in 2014 with all stake holders and it was envisaged to clear MbPA dues, MbPA has not received any payments inspite of follow-up. There are only about 36 unauthorized illegal occupants in the RR No. 1773 premises.

Against the orders of Hon’ble Supreme Court of India, some of these occupants, for personal agendas, are spreading misinformation claiming the eviction affects 25,000 people—this is factually incorrect and misleading.

- Except the above mentioned small shed, fish related activities will continue as it is in Sassoon Dock. This shed will also reallocated for fish related activities through transparent process of tendering.

6. MbPA’s Commitment

Contrary to the false narrative, MbPA has no intention of shutting down fishing activities or displacing legitimate occupants for any redevelopment. MbPA is committed to supporting the fishing industry, and a 50% rental concession has been extended to all fish-related tenancies, making the current rates significantly lower than the State Government Ready Reckoner rates of the area.

7. MbPA with Fishing Community

The recent media reports are misinformed, exaggerated, and factually inaccurate. Mumbai Port Authority remains fully committed to supporting the fishing community while ensuring compliance with legal and regulatory frameworks. All actions taken by MbPA are strictly in accordance with legal procedures and court directives.

Illegal mining thriving under political patronage, will not be spared: Himachal CM

Shimla, Sep 2 (UNI) Himachal Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu on Tuesday told the Assembly that illegal mining operations flourishing under the shadow of certain public representatives have now come under police scrutiny.

He asserted that no matter how powerful or influential the people involved may be, the state government will ensure the toughest action against them.

The CM was replying during Zero Hour to an issue raised by MLA Ranjit Singh Rana. He informed the House that acting on a secret tip-off, the police raided a stone crusher in Sujampur which, although officially closed since July last year, was still operating illegally.

The unit, he said, was being run by people who considered themselves having political clout. During the raid, the police seized a Poklane excavator, two JCBs, four tippers, a mixer machine, around 50 tippers of freshly mined boulders, and other equipment.

The Chief Minister revealed that the crusher belonged to Praveen Sharma, who had handed it over to his nephew Umesh Sharma through a power of attorney on November 4 last year. He claimed that Praveen Sharma is the uncle of Hamirpur MLA Ashish Sharma.

The police are currently investigating Mahavir Stone Crusher, the company linked to this operation. He further stated that Praveen Sharma, Umesh Sharma, and their associates Satish Sharma and Sanjay Kumar have all applied for anticipatory bail in court to avoid arrest.

The investigation, he said, is ongoing and directed at holding every guilty person accountable.

The Chief Minister also admitted the possibility of collusion by some officials and employees in facilitating such illegal activities, terming it “unfortunate.”

Sukhu stressed that no one connected with illegal mining would be spared and that the probe by police and administration is being conducted impartially.

“The strictest provisions of law will be invoked, and protecting the state’s natural resources along with the rights of its people is our top priority,” he said. On the other hand, MLA Ashish Sharma accused the police of acting out of political vendetta. He argued that the stone crusher mentioned by the Chief Minister had already been shut down for over a year and a half, and claimed that he was being targeted because he had voted against the Congress candidate during the Rajya Sabha elections.

Odisha Government intensifies efforts to boost irrigation Capacity, modernize water management

Bhubaneswar, Sep 2 (UNI) The Odisha Government has intensified its efforts to enhance irrigation capacity and modernize water management across the state. Development Commissioner-cum-Additional Chief Secretary Anu Garg chaired a high-level review meeting with senior officials today and finalized the roadmap for implementation.

The review emphasized the timely completion of ongoing projects to achieve targets set under the state’s Five-Year Irrigation Plan. As part of the directive, five major, 15 medium, and 100 minor irrigation projects have been identified for accelerated execution.

The Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources, has been entrusted with monitoring both ongoing works and new initiatives, while the Engineer-in-Chief (Procurement) has been instructed to expedite the tendering process to ensure early implementation.

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Gauhati HC becomes curious as Cement company buys 3000 bighas of land at Rs 2 lakh per bigha in Assam's Sixth Schedule area

Guwahati, Sept 2 (UNI) : A Gauhati High Court judge today questioned how a private company can buy 3000 bighas of land from an autonomous council under the Sixth Schedule area of Indian Constitution.

Justice Sanjay Kumar Medhi of the Gauhati High court was hearing a writ petition over alleged sale of 3000 bighas of land in Assam’s Dima Hasao district to a Cement company. A s s a m ’ s Advocate General Devajit Saikia while representing the state government, informed the court that the cement company bought the 3000 bighas of land from North Cachar Hills

Autonomous Council Autonomous Council (NCHAC). “How can the cement company buy 3000 bighas of land? Where does the ceiling act then?” said Justice Medhi.

The counsel for the NC Hills Autonomous Council on Tuesday produced a few papers related to the allotment of 3,000 bighas of land to a cement factory in Dima Hasao, but the Gauhati High Court directed it to produce the entire file which contained the decision to allot the “huge chunk” of the land in a Sixth Schedule area to the private firm.

“The counsel for the NCHAC produced some papers. The objective of the last order was not to look at a few papers, but to look at the file which contains the decision to allot the huge chunk of land,” Justice Medhi said, directing the council to produce the file at the next hearing. State’s advocate general told the court that the State government had constituted a three-member committee to investigate the matter after the court’s concern last month and it has submitted a report.

Saikia wanted to file an affidavit “to clarify if allotment of 3,000 bighas was justified or not”.

The NCHAC counsel further informed the court that in the year 1998, 6,000 bighas of land were allotted to the industry department. As the land was not utilized, the council’s executive committee decided to curtail the land and allot 3,000 bighas to the company. However, Justice Medhi questioned: “Where is the environment clearance from the Government of India? How do you start a cement factory? How do you care about a Sixth Schedule land? What is about Umrangho? It is an ecological hotspot. How do you have a cement factory there of 3,000 bighas? Show us the records.”

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The conflict has left over 260 people dead, displaced more than 60,000, and carved deep social and political divides.

While Manipur authorities have yet to formally confirm the visit, top-level reviews of preparations are already underway.

Security has been placed on maximum alert. A directive issued by the Director General of Police has ordered all police and paramilitary personnel to remain on duty between September 7 and 14, with leave cancelled except in emergencies.

Officials indicated that Modi could also inaugurate the newly constructed Manipur State Secretariat along with other key projects during his stay.

For the BJP-led Centre, the visit is not just about development announcements but also about signalling the Prime Minister’s engagement with Manipur at a time when trust deficit, displacement and sporadic violence remain unresolved.

For Mizoram, the visit comes ahead of a politically crucial period. The state, which went to polls in late 2023, has often expressed anxieties about connectivity gaps, disaster resilience, and the economic fallout of regional instability, particularly the spillover effects of the Manipur

violence and refugee influx from Myanmar.

The railway link is seen as a landmark achievement in addressing some of these long-standing concerns.

Reports from Imphal said the Manipur government had started preparing for the visit. Officials, however, say the visit is not yet confirmed. Preparations have already begun at Kangla, Imphal, and Churachandpur district headquarters. Chief Secretary PK Goel convened a meeting on August 30 to discuss the planned visit. However, the meeting only mentioned the visit of a VVIP, according to a state government official.

Security arrangements are being put in place at both places. Beautification of road medians have begun along with road repairs. Special arrangements have also been made at both the venues for internally displaced persons and sitting arrangements for about 15,000 people have been made at Kangla and about 9,000 at Churachandpur.

The government is planning to construct about ten welcome gates and preparations for proper maintenance of helipads have also started.

Meanwhile, the Army, Assam Rifles and Manipur Police have been asked to ensure adequate security, sources said.

Fire engulfs accident relief medical coach, train services hit

Gondia, Sep 2 (UNI) : A major fire broke out in an accident relief medical coach (ARMC) parked on platform number three of Gondia railway station on the busy Howrah–Mumbai rail route today, affecting train services, Railways officials said.

The incident occurred around 11 a.m..

As soon as smoke and flames were spotted, railway staff and officers rushed to the spot and launched firefighting operations on a war footing.

After sustained efforts, the blaze was successfully brought under control.

No casualties were reported, the officials said.

The incident severely disrupted train services along the Mumbai line. The Bilaspur–Nagpur Vande Bharat Express was halted before reaching Gondia, while the Lokmanya Tilak Terminus–Shalimar Jnaneshwari Express was stopped at Gangadhari station.

Authorities also suspended power supply to overhead electric lines in the Gondia section for a few hours to ensure safety, leading to further delays.

While lives were spared, the accident relief medical coach suffered significant damage in the fire, officials confirmed.

Gondia Railway Station Master Mrityunjay Rai expressed disappointment over the absence of municipal firefighting support. "After the fire broke out, the Gondia Municipal Corporation's Fire Department was informed. We waited for their fire engine, but it never arrived. Our staff and officers continued the efforts and finally managed to douse the flames," Rai said.



Priests perform 'abhishek' at the Bade Hanuman Mandir during the Monsoon season, in Prayagraj on Tuesday.

Marathas celebrate as Fadnavis Govt accepts key demands made by Jarange-Patil

Mumbai, Sept 2 (UNI) : Maratha protesters at Mumbai's Azad Maidan began celebrating after a delegation of Maharashtra cabinet ministers led by Water Resources Minister Radhakrishna Vikhe Patil, who heads the cabinet's sub-committee on Maratha quota, met fasting Maratha quota protest leader Manoj Jarange-Patil today and assured him that a Government Resolution (GR) will be issued, granting Kunbi OBC status to Marathas of Marathwada region.

Jarange-Patil withdrew his agitation on its fifth day after he received a draft of an official government resolution (GR) on the implementation of the Hyderabad Gazette, granting Kunbi OBC status to Marathas of the Marathwada region, which was given to him by the delegation of ministers at Azad Maidan this evening.

The delegation of ministers assured Jarange-Patil at Azad Maidan that a Government Resolution (GR) will be issued to implement the Hyderabad Gazette recommendation to give Kunbi OBC status to Marathas of the Marathwada region in an hour's time.

Jarange-Patil accepted the assurance and said that as soon as the GR is issued, he would leave Mumbai

along with his supporters.

The Fadnavis government has accepted six out of eight demands made by Jarange-Patil. "The scholars have looked at the draft. We have accepted the draft. Now the government should issue the Government Resolution (GR). If any fraud is found in the GR, then not a single minister will be allowed to roam around in Maharashtra," Jarange-Patil told his supporters.

Earlier, the Bombay High Court accepted a request made by senior advocate Satish Maneshinde and other lawyers on behalf of Maratha quota activist Manoj Jarange-Patil and his supporters for some time to engage in dialogue with the state cabinet committee on Maratha quota. The court also adjourned the hearing on a plea against permission granted for protests at the designated site at Azad Maidan in South Mumbai till tomorrow, 1 pm.

The Bombay High Court also allowed Jarange-Patil to stay at the Azad Maidan protest venue till tomorrow morning.

The Maharashtra government stated that it has agreed to withdraw cases against protestors, even as the police came in huge numbers today and cleared out protesters near

the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus (CSMT) railway station and the roads near the Bombay High Court building.

Addressing his supporters after he accepted the assurance of the delegation of ministers, Jarange-Patil said, "Our demands were already presented to the government in written form. The first issue was the immediate implementation of the Hyderabad Gazette, which we had demanded. The government has now decided on this. Minister Vikhe Patil has assured that the government will issue a Government Resolution (GR) on it. The cabinet sub-committee has decided to approve the proposed demand for the implementation of the Hyderabad Gazette. According to this government decision, an action plan is proposed under which individuals from the Maratha community in the village will be issued Kunbi caste certificates after verification, if their relatives, clan members, or people from the same village have already been issued such certificates".

Notably, the Hyderabad Gazette was issued by the pre-Independence Hyderabad Nizam-era government in 1918, granting Kunbi other

backward caste (OBC) status to Marathas of the Marathwada region, which used to be part of the erstwhile Hyderabad State ruled by Nizam Mir Osman Ali Khan until 1948. This document is still considered valid and is accepted as a reference in many ongoing legal cases. The Hyderabad Gazette has noted that the Maratha community has historically been socially and educationally backward.

The Maharashtra government has assured Jarange-Patil that the Hyderabad Gazette will be implemented through a government resolution (GR), while implementing recommendations of the other three gazettes, namely the gazettes issued by Satara, Bombay, and Aundh, granting Kunbi OBC status to Marathas, would take at least a month.

However, Maharashtra Food & Civil Supplies Minister Chhagan Bhujbal, who is a senior OBC leader, warned that lakhs of OBC community members will stage protests if the reservation quota meant for OBCs is diluted by the Maharashtra government in any way. Bhujbal said Marathas should not be accommodated in the quota meant for OBCs, adding that only 17 per cent reservation is available for 374 communities in the state of Maharashtra.

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Upadhye today alleged on social media that certain forces were trying to use Manoj Jarange Patil's agitation as a tool for electoral benefit. He appealed to Jarange Patil to withdraw the protest and cooperate with the government to avoid further embarrassment.

"The same Maratha community that once organized peaceful silent marches is now being portrayed differently over the past few days in Mumbai. The unruly acts of a few miscreants have raised questions about the community's image," Upadhye wrote in his post.

He emphasized that the government has responded positively by granting 10% reservation after recognizing the Maratha community's concerns, and that most demands have already been accepted. The BJP, he said, has a clear stance: Marathas will be given legally sustainable reservation without disturbing the quotas of other communities.

Upadhye further questioned whether Shiv Sena (Uddhav Thackeray faction) chief Uddhav Thackeray and NCP (Sharadchandra Pawar faction) chief Sharad Pawar support granting Maratha reservation under the OBC category.

He claimed Thackeray lacked proper understanding of the issue and would remain silent, while MVA parties continue to adopt evasive positions. "Every movement requires some give and take, and sometimes a pause. Even Mahatma Gandhi suspended his agitations at times. Now is the right time to step back," Upadhye added.

Shiv Bhojan Thali' centres face closure after 8 months without Govt grants

Nagpur, Sept 2 (UNI) The Maharashtra government's delay in releasing funds for the "Shiv Bhojan Thali" scheme has pushed many centres in Nagpur to the brink of closure.

Operators say they haven't received grants for the past eight months, leaving them unable to bear the operational costs.

The scheme, launched in January 2020 to provide affordable meals to the poor at Rs 5 per plate, is now struggling due to financial constraints. Many centres in the city have either scaled down operations or are on the verge of shutting down completely.

Contractors allege that despite repeated appeals, the government has not cleared their dues.

Maratha agitation brings Mumbai to standstill: HC

Mumbai, Sep 2 (UNI) The Bombay High Court today observed that the ongoing Maratha agitation had brought Mumbai to a standstill and created fear among citizens while directing Maratha reservation activist Manoj Jarange and his protestors to vacate the city by 3 pm, warning of strict consequences if the order was not followed. A bench of Acting Chief Justice Shree Chandrashekhar and Justice Aarti Sathe came down heavily on both the protestors and the state government, and warned of taking action, including initiating contempt of court and imposing exemplary costs.

Senior advocate Satish Maneshinde, appearing for Jarange, tendered an apology for the misbehaviour of some protestors. He said Jarange never intended to cause inconvenience or a law-and-order situation.

"Our visit to Mumbai was planned a month in advance, yet no facilities were provided. People who landed here did not come with the idea of creating trouble. There was no designated area for 500 vehicles. Permission was for 5,000 people," he argued. The bench, however, questioned how the number of protestors swelled to tens of thousands. "When more people came, what steps did you take to restrict the gathering to 5,000? Did you have a list of participants? When one lakh people thronged Mumbai, what did you do?" the court asked.

Maneshinde responded that he had appealed through the media and assured the court he would prepare participant lists in future. The bench was not satisfied.

"After 3 pm we will not allow anyone to remain. This is completely illegal. Citizens and judges alike cannot be put under siege," the court remarked, warning that contempt proceedings may be initiated.

Stating that normalcy must be restored immediately, the court directed both the state and Jarange to show compliance by ensuring protestors leave the city.

Mumbai police ban flying drones

Mumbai Sep 2 (UNI) As Mumbai continues its grand Ganeshotsav celebration, the Mumbai Police today issued an order banning flying drones, remote-controlled microlight aircraft, para gliders and hot air balloons for a month to prevent any sabotage attempt.

The order, issued under section 163 of the Bharatiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita, will be in force from September 6 to October 5, an official said.

According to the order, terrorists and anti-social elements might make use of drones, remote-controlled microlight aircraft, para gliders in their attacks and target VVIPs, endangering people's lives, as well as to destroy public property and cause law and order disturbances in the Mumbai Police Commissionerate area.

The order, issued under section 163 of the Bharatiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita, will be in force from September 6 to October 5, an official said.

Violations of the directive will lead to prosecution under Section 223 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita for disobeying lawful orders, officials said further. The ban, however, excludes aerial surveillance carried out by the Mumbai Police or any activity that has received written permission from the DCP (Operations). To ensure maximum awareness, the commissionerate has circulated the order across all police stations, municipal wards, and public notice boards.

Jarange-Patil can continue protest at Azad Maidan till today : HC

Mumbai, Sep 2 (UNI) The Bombay High Court today granted Maratha quota activist Manoj Jarange-Patil and his supporters permission to continue their protest at Azad Maidan and engage in talks with a state cabinet sub-committee until tomorrow. However, it warned that any breach of its earlier orders would not be tolerated.

A bench of Acting Chief Justice Shree Chandrashekhar and Justice Aarti Sathe was hearing a plea challenging the permission granted for the protest in South Mumbai, where Jarange-Patil and his followers have been demanding Kunbi certificates for Marathas to avail reservation benefits under the OBC category.

The court adjourned the matter until tomorrow at 1 pm after senior advocate Satish Maneshinde, representing the organisers, requested more time. "Please adjourn the hearing and give us some

breathing time until tomorrow at 11 in the morning," Maneshinde urged, stating that his client needed to engage in dialogue with the cabinet sub-committee, which includes Ministers Radhakrishna Vikhe Patil, Manikrao Kokate, and Shivendra Rajee Bhosale.

The bench sternly stated, "We must indicate that this court would be constrained to pass any orders and to go to any extent to uphold the majesty of the law, as any breach of the order passed by this court shall not be tolerated, and appropriate action shall be taken against violators." The court added that the organisers would have to address the issues it had raised.

The bench also questioned the Maharashtra government, asking why it had not acted when the number of protesters exceeded the permitted 5,000 and swelled to over one lakh.

Most tehsils in Marathwada receive above-average rainfall

Ch. Sambhajanagar, Sept 2 (UNI) : The Chhatrapati Sambhajanagar division has received 113.8 per cent of its normal rainfall during the current monsoon season from June to September, according to the daily rainfall report generated today.

The division recorded 584.6 millimetres of actual rainfall against the normal expectation of 513.5 millimetres during the June-July-August period. Rainfall analysis covering all districts and tehsils in the division shows significant variations across different areas.

In Chhatrapati Sambhajanagar district, nine tehsils recorded rainfall ranging from 99.8 per cent to 137 per cent of their normal expectations. Kannad tehsil led with 137 per cent of normal rainfall, receiving 594 millimetres against its

normal of 430.9 millimetres. Soegaon recorded the highest absolute rainfall at 556.7 millimetres, achieving 102.1 per cent of its normal.

Jalna district performed exceptionally well with all eight tehsils recording above-normal rainfall. The district average stood at 117.4 per cent of normal, with Badnapur leading at 139.6 per cent after receiving 596.3 millimetres of rainfall against its normal of 427.3 millimetres. Jafraabad and Jalna tehsils also showed strong performance with 121.8 per cent and 119.4 per cent of normal rainfall respectively.

Beed district recorded 121.1 per cent of normal rainfall across its eleven tehsils. Shirur Kasar performed best with 133.6 per cent of normal rainfall, receiving 470.7 millimetres against its normal of 352.3

millimetres.

However, Ashti tehsil significantly underperformed, recording only 69.8 per cent of normal rainfall with 261 millimetres against its normal of 373.8 millimetres.

Latur district achieved 106.4 per cent of normal rainfall with notable variations among its ten tehsils. Shirur Anantmal recorded the highest at 131.1 per cent with 643.9 millimetres of rainfall. However, Latur tehsil itself recorded only 92.8 per cent of normal rainfall, receiving 459.3 millimetres against its normal of 495.1 millimetres.

Dharashiv district recorded 122.1 per cent of normal rainfall across eight tehsils. Washi tehsil led with 150.8 per cent of normal rainfall, receiving 649.6 millimetres against its normal of 430.9 millimetres. Lohara also performed exceptionally

well with 152.6 per cent of normal rainfall.

Nanded district, comprising sixteen tehsils, recorded 123.3 per cent of normal rainfall. Ardhapur achieved the highest at 146.3 per cent with 848.6 millimetres of rainfall. Kinwat recorded the highest absolute rainfall in the district at 957.9 millimetres, representing 122.6 per cent of its normal. Mahur tehsil recorded 848.1 millimetres against its normal of 837.3 millimetres.

Parbhani district showed mixed results with 96.1 per cent of normal rainfall across nine tehsils. Pathari performed best with 123.9 per cent of normal rainfall, while Manvat recorded only 88.9 per cent of its normal expectations. The district received 569 millimetres against its normal of 592.3 millimetres.

Hingoli district

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Many pre-schoolers get ADHD medication before therapy

Despite clear clinical guidelines recommending six months of behavioral therapy before initiating medication for young children diagnosed with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), a significant number of pre-schoolers are being prescribed medication almost immediately after diagnosis, a new Stanford Medicine-led study has revealed.

Published in JAMA Network Open, the study highlights a troubling trend: many children aged four and five years are starting pharmacological treatment far earlier than advised, in direct contradiction to guidelines issued by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP).

Researchers analysed the medical records of nearly 10,000 preschool-aged children across eight pediatric health networks in the US. The findings were stark: 42.2% of these children received ADHD medication within just one month of diagnosis. Alarming, only 14.1% began medication after completing the recommended six-month period of behavioral therapy.

Dr Yair Barnett, assistant professor of paediatrics and the study's lead author, expressed serious concerns about this practice. "Starting ADHD treatment with a behavioural approach is beneficial; it has a big positive effect on the child as well as on the family," he said.

Behaviour therapy focuses on modifying the child's environment and routines, training parents to manage behaviours effectively through positive reinforcement and structured schedules.

Moreover, stimulant medications, commonly prescribed for ADHD, tend to cause more side effects in younger children. Children under six years metabolize these drugs less efficiently, resulting in irritability, emotional instability, and aggression. Dr Barnett noted, "While toxicity is not a major concern, treatment failure is high because families often discontinue medication due to these side effects."

ADHD is characterised by hyperactivity, impulsivity, and difficulty maintaining attention. Early diagnosis and effective treatment are crucial, as children with ADHD face higher risks of academic struggles and school dropout. Research confirms that appropriate management improves long-term outcomes in education, employment, relationships, and legal behaviour.

The American Academy of Pediatrics endorses parent training in behaviour management as the first-line treatment for preschool children with ADHD. This evidence-based therapy equips parents with skills to nurture positive behaviours and ignore negative ones, providing tools such as visual schedules to help children organise daily tasks.

Medication serves a complementary role, alleviating core ADHD symptoms. Its effects are temporary and dependent on consistent dosing. Most children with ADHD benefit from a combination of behavioural therapy and medication, but behavioural intervention should precede pharmacological treatment, especially in young children.

The study's analysis could not determine why doctors frequently prescribed medication early. However, informal conversations with physicians revealed that limited access to behavioural therapy is a major factor.

In many regions, therapists trained in behavioural management are scarce, and insurance coverage is often inadequate.

Dr Barnett stressed the importance of educating paediatricians on available resources, including free or low-cost online behavioural training for parents. "If behavioural therapy is unavailable, doctors sometimes feel compelled to prescribe medication rather than offer no treatment at all."

While this study focused on 4- and 5-year-olds, behavioural therapy remains vital for older children with ADHD.

For those aged six and above, guidelines recommend combined behavioural and medication treatment to provide both symptom relief and long-term coping skills.

Dr Barnett concluded, "Medication is never the sole solution for ADHD. Behavioural therapy teaches the child and family long-term skills that will help them in life." In other words, behavioural therapy builds lifelong skills that medication alone cannot provide.

Robotic Era Redefines Urological Surgeries: Global Experts at "Robo-Lap" Conference by AINU

One of India's largest Urology Conferences dedicated to advancing excellence in urological laparoscopy and robotics surgery



(Standard Post Bureau)

The era of robots in urological surgeries has arrived, and patients, whether from urban or rural areas, increasingly demand minimally invasive surgeries with smaller incisions. International medical experts noted that the perception of robotic surgery as less painful and offering faster recovery is now widely accepted. Asian Institute of Nephrology and Urology (AINU), India's largest single-specialty hospital chain for urology and nephrology, successfully hosted the Robo-Lap 2025 conference—one of the country's most significant gatherings dedicated to robotic and laparoscopic advancements in uro care. More than 1,000 Urologists across India, the England, USA, Belgium, Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka attended the conference, where complex urology cases were

discussed with the esteemed panel of experts. This unique conference led by AINU became a vibrant hub for exchanging clinical knowledge, future-ready surgical practices, and global perspectives to redefine patient outcomes in this specialty.

The two-day academic exchange featured complex case discussions, workshops, and high-level deliberations on future technologies shaping urology and nephrology.

Speaking about the conference, Dr. Mallikarjuna C, Managing Director & Chief Consultant Urologist, AINU, said, "At AINU, we have always believed that advancing patient care begins with advancing clinical knowledge. Robo-Lap 2025 was not just about showcasing surgical innovations—it was about creating a forum where specialists from across the

globe could engage, share insights, and collectively reimagine the future of Urology care. By curating platforms of this scale, we ensure that the urology community has access to the latest breakthroughs in robotics and minimally invasive surgery. Clinical knowledge exchange lies at the heart of AINU's mission, and this conference reaffirms our commitment to shaping the future of care in India and beyond. A trailblazer in laparoscopic and robotic urological surgery."

"Today, whether—urban or rural—patients are asking for smaller incisions, because they know it reduces pain, ensures faster recovery, and helps them return quickly to normal life. However, training in such procedures, particularly in the urology field, has not traditionally been part of medical college education.

For this reason, the conference proved extremely useful to practitioners who enhanced their knowledge and skills and are now better equipped to return to their states or countries and provide satisfactory treatment to patients there." He added.

Sandeep Guduru, Chief Executive Officer at AINU, said, "The 'Robo-Lap' initiative reflects AINU's commitment to clinical excellence, continuous learning, and technological innovation in the fields of urology. At AINU, we believe in pushing the boundaries of innovation, and Robo-Lap is a shining example of that spirit."

The conference also served as a vital knowledge-sharing platform on the management of advanced uro-oncology surgeries, reconstructive surgeries, complex pediatric surgeries. Renowned experts deliberated on surgical solutions for challenging cases, demonstrating how robotic and laparoscopic techniques are transforming precision, reducing invasiveness, and enabling faster patient recovery.

Robo-Lap 2025 stands as a testament to AINU's thought leadership in fostering collaboration, innovation, and academic rigor for the benefit of the global urology and nephrology community.

Kharge slams BJP at Voter Adhikar Yatra finale, says Bihar to uproot 'double-engine corrupt govt'

Patna, Sept 2 (UNI) ; In a fiery address marking the conclusion of the 16-day-long Voter Adhikar Yatra today, Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge attacked the BJP-led central and state governments, asserting that Bihar will lead the nation in uprooting what he claimed a "double-engine corrupt government".

Addressing a massive crowd here alongside leaders of the INDIA bloc, Kharge congratulated all those who participated in the yatra, describing it as a "people's awakening".

"This yatra wasn't just a protest, it was a movement to reclaim democracy and the fundamental right to vote. Wherever it passed, crores poured onto the streets. The people of Bihar made it a resounding success," he said.

Kharge further accused the Modi government of systematically dismantling democratic institutions over the past 11 years, alleging the misuse of agencies like the ED, CBI, and Income Tax Department to destabilise Opposition governments.

"First, they stole from the poor and handed public wealth to a few industrialist friends. Then, they used that money to topple elected governments. Now, they've moved from theft to outright robbery," he alleged.

He also took aim at the recent legislation passed in Parliament, calling it a tool to silence the Opposition and deflect from the government's failures.

The Congress president also praised Rahul Gandhi for consistently standing up for the oppressed, linking the Voter Adhikar Yatra with previous campaigns like Bharat Jodo Yatra, Bharat Jodo Nyay Yatra, and Jai Babu – Jai Bhim – Jai Samvidhan.

"Every time the rights of the marginalised are under threat, Rahul ji raises their voice whether it's Dalits, tribals, backward classes or women. This yatra continues that legacy," he said.

Equating the alleged voter fraud in Bihar with the theft of people's basic rights, Kharge said, "Stealing your vote means stealing your ration, your pension, your right to housing, and your MGNREGA wages. Voting is not just a right, it's your dignity".

Referring to the recent Special Intensive Revision (SIR), Kharge said the Opposition had been vindicated by the Supreme Court and criticised the BJP for shielding the Election Commission from scrutiny.

Kharge also slammed Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar, and said, "He lacked the courage to fight against injustice. Abandoning the socialist ideology, he aligned himself with the RSS and BJP. The people of Bihar have realized that these are 'partners in crime'. Not just Bihar, from Kashmir to Kanyakumari, people have seen their true face".

Darasing Khurana Hosts Heart-stirring Donor–Recipient Meet In Pune, Calls For More Blood Stem Cell Donors



(Standard Post Bureau)

Actor, emcee, and philanthropist Darasing Khurana, Brand Ambassador for DATRI Blood Stem Cell Donors Registry, led an emotional donor–recipient meet organized by DATRI in collaboration with Sahyadri Hospital. The highlight was a rare reunion where twin sisters Shaurya and Aarya, both diagnosed with Acute Lymphoid Leukemia at three-and-a-half, met their lifesaving donor Mr. Meeneshwar of Hyderabad, who had donated his blood stem cells and "gave them a second chance at life." Addressing attendees, Khurana saluted the resilience of the twins' parents and urged more Indians to register as voluntary blood stem cell donors, noting that each new registration can be a potential match for a patient fighting a fatal blood disorder. His appeal aligns with his long-running advocacy as DATRI's Brand Ambassador, a role publicly featured by the organization. The Sahyadri medical team, led

by Dr. Kannan Subramanian with guidance from Dr. Shashikant Apte, performed the unique transplants and emphasized the critical need for expanding India's donor base. "With every new donor, we increase the chance of saving lives," said Dr. Subramanian.

For the family, the meet was profoundly personal. "We could never imagine that one person's selfless act would give us back our children," the parents shared, thanking DATRI, Sahyadri Hospital, and the donor. Mr. Meeneshwar called the reunion "the most emotional moment" of his life. Since inception, DATRI has facilitated more than 1,645 blood stem cell donations and built a registry of over six lakh donors, underscoring the momentum behind such lifesaving measures. About Darasing Khurana: Winner of Mister India International 2017, Khurana is a known advocate for youth and health causes and frequently fronts DATRI's awareness efforts across events and campaigns.

Interactive session on Latest Advancements in Neurosciences concludes successfully



(Standard Post Bureau)

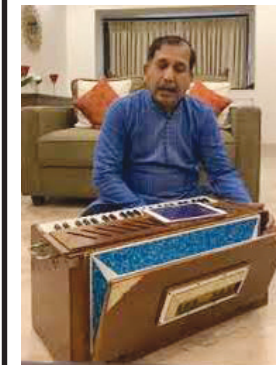
Artemis Hospital Gurugram in association with CRREST neuro services, Neurological society of Agra, IACM – Agra recently spearheaded an interactive session in the city focusing on 10 commandments of Brain health. The seminar aimed to shed light on cutting-edge treatments for various types of neuro related disorders, making them more accessible, reliable, and safer than ever before.

The session was orated by Dr. Aditya Gupta, Chief Neurosurgery & CNS Radiosurgery & Co-Chief – Cyberknife centre, from

Artemis Hospitals, who spoke on the topic Collaborative cases in neurosciences. Dr. Aditya Gupta, Chief Neurosurgery & CNS Radiosurgery & Co-Chief – Cyberknife centre, Artemis Hospitals emphasized the significance of cyberknife radiosurgery in tackling complex neurosurgical cases, said "M6 Cyberknife Radiosurgery is precise, painless, and non-invasive radiation treatment. It is extremely efficient for the treatment of inoperable cancerous and non-cancerous tumors, requires no anesthesia & incision and has no reported risks or side effects. This

therapy has a proven clinical success rate of over 95% of the brain tumor patients and works best for tumors up to 2.5-3 cm in size. The seminar aimed to create awareness among both the medical community and the public about these advancements, ultimately striving to enhance patient care and outcomes. Artemis Hospital Gurugram remains committed to pushing the boundaries of medical excellence and introducing state-of-the-art technologies to ensure accurate and effective treatment options for patients worldwide.

Harmonium Performance by Dr. Dilip Gayatonde



(Standard Post Bureau)

On behalf of the Dadar Matunga Cultural Centre, a solo harmonium performance by Dr. Dilip Gayatonde is being organized in memory of Nana and Bhau Rajadhyaksha, supported by the Rajadhyaksha family. The event is scheduled for Sunday, September 7, 2025, at 5:00 PM at the Centre's V.V. Gokhale Auditorium. Sunil Jayaphalkar will accompany on the tabla.

This program is open to all. The Centre warmly invites music enthusiasts to attend and enjoy the performance. For more information, contact: 7700994495, 24304150.

CM Revanth Reddy pays tribute to YSR, vows to continue his welfare legacy



(Standard Post Bureau)

Hyderabad, Sept 2 : Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy today evening participated in the YS Rajasekhara Reddy Memorial Award 2025 programme held at Hotel Daspalla, where he paid rich tributes to the former Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister and recalled his welfare-driven governance. Addressing the gathering, Revanth Reddy praised the late Y S Rajasekhara Reddy as a leader who transformed the lives of farmers. “YSR worked for farmers and proved that agriculture is a festival, not a crime. Free electricity, fee reimbursement, Arogyasari, and Rs 2 rice remain etched

in the people’s hearts as his legacy,” he said. The Chief Minister highlighted the role of K V PRamachandra Rao, YSR’s close aide, calling him a leader of rare loyalty and sacrifice. “From student days to his death, KVP stood by YSR like a shadow. For this generation, there will be only one YSR and one KVP,” he remarked. Revanth Reddy drew parallels between YSR’s vision and Telangana’s welfare schemes, pointing out that his government has waived off Rs 20,617 crore worth of loans benefiting 25.35 lakh farmers. “We promised to waive loans up to Rs 2 lakh within

three months of coming to power, and we fulfilled it. We gave a bonus of Rs 500 per quintal on fine paddy and ensured every last grain was bought,” he said. He reiterated his government’s commitment to completing pending irrigation projects like SLBC and carrying forward natural farming initiatives. “YSR had declared that his life’s ambition was to see Rahul Gandhi as the Prime Minister. I, along with YS Sharmila, will work tirelessly to make that vision a reality,” Revanth said. Recalling his early days as an opposition MLA, Revanth said YSR always responded to criticism with thoughtfulness and

without arrogance. “When in power, he answered the opposition with reason, not with anger,” he added. The Chief Minister stated that his government’s ongoing welfare and farmer-centric initiatives carried forward the “spirit of YSR” in Telangana. The event was attended by former Haryana Chief Minister Bhupendra Singh Hooda, Deputy CM Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka, TPCC President Mahesh Goud, Minister D Sridhar Babu, former Rajya Sabha member KVP Ramachandra Rao, and senior Congress leaders including former PCC chief N Raghuvendra Reddy.

‘Heavy rain likely in Telangana over next 48 hours’

Hyderabad, Sept 2 (UNI) Heavy rainfall is likely to occur at isolated places in several districts of Telangana over the next 24 to 48 hours, the Meteorological Centre said on Tuesday. According to a daily weather report, heavy rains are expected in Adilabad, Bhadradri Kothagudem, Hanumakonda, Jangaon, Jayashankar Bhupalpally, Kamareddy, Khammam, Komaram Bheem Asifabad, M a h a b u b a d , M a h a b u b n a g a r , Mancherial, Medak, Mulugu, Nirmal, Nizamabad, Peddapalli, Sangareddy, Vikarabad and Warangal districts in the next 24 hours. On Wednesday, similar conditions are likely in Adilabad, Bhadradri Kothagudem, Jagityal, Jayashankar Bhupalpally, Karimnagar, Komaram Bheem Asifabad, Mahabubabad, Mancherial, Mulugu, Nirmal, Nizamabad, Peddapalli and Rajanna Sircilla districts. The report further said light to moderate rain or thundershowers are expected at many places across Telangana during the next seven days. T h u n d e r s t o r m s accompanied by lightning and gusty winds, with speeds of 30–40 kmph, are likely at isolated places during the next five days. The southwest monsoon has been active over Telangana. Heavy rainfall was recorded at many places in Adilabad and at a few places in Kumaram Bheem district in the last 24 hours. Rain also occurred at most places across the state during the same period, the report added.

Premature baby weighing 860 grams recovers in hospital

Hyderabad, Sep 2 (UNI) A Hyderabad-based hospital today said it has successfully treated and discharged a premature baby born at just 28 weeks of gestation, weighing only 860 grams at birth. The baby, delivered at Sri Sri Holistic Hospitals (SSHH) Nizampet, was shifted in a very critical condition to SSHH Kondapur, on the first day of life, the hospital said in a release. At admission, the baby was diagnosed with severe sepsis, shock, and respiratory failure, requiring mechanical ventilation. The newborn was kept in an incubator and managed with intensive care for nearly 50 days. To save the infant’s life, the caregivers administered advanced antibiotics, surfactant therapy for lung support, and medications for heart stabilisation, and the baby gradually improved. During the hospital stay, the baby developed jaundice three times and was managed successfully with intensive phototherapy. Importantly, no major complications such as bronchopulmonary dysplasia were observed. After 50 days of NICU care, the baby was discharged at a healthy weight of 1.57 kg, accepting feeds well, with good neurological status. The mother was trained in Kangaroo Mother Care (KMC), paladai feeding, and home care techniques to ensure continued healthy growth, the release added

Cement, steel firms urged to partner in Indiramma Housing Scheme: Deputy CM

(Standard Post Bureau) Hyderabad, Sept 2 : Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka Mallu has appealed to cement and steel industries in Telangana to join hands with the government in making the Indiramma housing scheme a success. Speaking at a special meeting held at the Dr B R Ambedkar Secretariat on Tuesday, attended by Industries Minister D Sridhar Babu and senior officials, Bhatti said the ambitious welfare programme aims to build 4.5 lakh houses at a cost

of Rs 22,500 crore. The Deputy CM stressed that the scheme, taken up with a humanitarian vision, requires quality steel and cement at reduced prices. “Industries have flourished in Telangana with government support. Now, it is time for them to give back by partnering in this welfare mission,” he said. Industries Minister Sridhar Babu added that all companies, big and small, should supply cement and steel at uniform rates without compromising quality. He

highlighted that nearly 50 lakh metric tonnes of cement and 27.75 lakh metric tonnes of steel will be required for the project. Representatives of the cement and steel companies welcomed the initiative and assured support, saying they would soon meet under the Industries Department to finalise prices. Chief Secretary Ramakrishna Rao, Industries Department Director Nikhil Chakravarthy and others participated in the review meeting, an official statement said.

Bandi Sanjay slams CM Revanth Reddy’s remarks on Naxalism

(Standard Post Bureau) Hyderabad, Sept 2 : Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Bandi Sanjay Kumar today launched a sharp attack on Telangana Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy over his recent remarks on Naxalism. In a post on social media platform X, Sanjay said, “CM Revanth Reddy Garu calling Naxalism a “philosophy & cannot be finished” is an insult to the memory of thousands of innocents, tribals, police and security personnel brutally killed by Naxalites. Your own party leaders’ families were killed by Naxals.” He reminded that

even family members of Congress leaders had fallen victim to Naxal violence. “Does the CM who is also Home Minister not owe respect to Telangana police who fought and sacrificed their lives fighting against Naxalism?” Sanjay asked. The union Minister further alleged that former Naxalites had found place in the state cabinet, one Naxalite had even been recommended for a Padma award, and people with Naxal sympathies were inducted into the Education Commission. He also claimed that the vice presidential candidate fielded by the ruling party

was a person of similar ideology. “This is not accidental, it’s a conspiracy to drive Telangana’s youth back into Naxalism,” he alleged. Reiterating the Centre’s stand, Sanjay said the union government was committed to eliminating extremism. “Home Minister Amit Shah has made it clear: Extremism will be eradicated by 2026 under PM Modi’s leadership. Telangana must never again be allowed to become a den of Naxalites. The Constitution and democracy stand above violent extremism,” he said.

TGSRTC to add 275 more electric buses in Hyderabad : VC Sajjanar

Hyderabad, Sept 2 (UNI) : Public transport facilities in Hyderabad’s IT Corridor are set to be further strengthened, with the addition of 275 new electric buses in the coming days, said Telangana State Road Transport Corporation (TGSRTC) Managing Director VC Sajjanar. Currently, 200 electric buses are already operating in the area. Speaking at a meeting held at the Tech Mahindra Campus in Hi-Tech City on Monday evening, Sajjanar said that bus services are being planned in line with the transportation needs of software employees. He noted that IT companies have been given the facility to rent buses to safely transport their staff. In addition to electric buses, Metro Deluxe buses are

also available for hire, and companies were encouraged to make use of these services. Sajjanar pointed out that heavy traffic congestion in the IT Corridor is largely due to the widespread use of private vehicles. He emphasised that public transport is the only effective alternative to reduce traffic issues while also contributing to environmental protection. He urged IT companies to actively promote the use of public transport among employees and suggested that incentives be considered for those who choose buses over private vehicles. During the meeting, senior RTC officials gave a detailed presentation on existing transport services

in the IT Corridor. Representatives of several IT firms offered suggestions and recommendations, which officials assured would be taken into consideration. The meeting was jointly organised by TGSRTC, the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM), and the Telangana Facility Management Council (TFMC). Among those present were ASSOCHAM Southern Sector Co-Chairman and Virtusa Vice President Krishna Edula, TFMC President Satyanarayana Madala, Tech Mahindra HR Head Vinay Agarwal, RTC Executive Directors Muni Shekhar and Rajasekhar, and Chief Traffic Manager Sridevi, a TGSRTC statement said on Tuesday.

CBI nabs two GST/Customs Officials bribery Case

Hyderabad, Sept 2 (UNI) : The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) on Tuesday arrested a Senior Accounts Officer and a Senior Assistant of the GST/Customs Department in Hyderabad for allegedly demanding and accepting a bribe. According to the CBI statement here, the case was registered the same day against the accused and others based on a complaint filed by a retired Assistant Commissioner of the department. The complainant alleged that the officials sought a bribe of Rs 30,000 for releasing arrears related to a pay parity bill, which was later negotiated down to Rs 25,000.

Telangana Media Academy to hold AI workshop for Journalists on today

(Standard Post Bureau) Hyderabad, Sept 2 : The Telangana Media Academy (TMA) will conduct a training program titled “Artificial Intelligence (A.I.) Workshop – Tools & Techniques” for journalists on Wednesday at 1000 hours am at the Media Academy Auditorium in Nampally. Media Academy Secretary Nagulapalli Venkateswara Rao said in a statement on Tuesday that the workshop will provide detailed guidance on modern tools, techniques, and professional skills related to journalism. The training is aimed at enhancing the professional capabilities of journalists in line with emerging technologies. The Academy has clarified that the program is being organised initially for journalists from Hyderabad. Only those who have registered in advance will be allowed to participate, while unregistered individuals will not be permitted. The session will be held from 1000 to 1300 hours at the Media Academy Auditorium, 5th Floor, Nampally. Rao urged journalists to take advantage of this opportunity to gain new knowledge and skills in the evolving field of journalism.

Birthday cheers for Pawan Kalyan: CM Naidu, Chiranjeevi, Allu Arjun and Shruti Haasan extend greetings

(Standard Post Bureau) Hyderabad, Sept 2 : Telugu superstar and Andhra Pradesh deputy CM Pawan Kalyan is celebrating his 53rd birthday today. CM Naidu to his elder brother Chiranjeevi and co-stars like Allu Arjun and Shruti Haasan, many celebrities have penned warm messages to mark the occasion. CM Naidu posting on his X wrote, "Friends, heartfelt birthday wishes to Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan garu. The side of the common man at every step... The smallest social consciousness... Sharpness in words... Action in deeds... Courage for the people's army... A philosophy that is bound by words... The foundation of values in politics... A responsive heart... With the blessings of fans, activists and people who believe in Pawanism when all comes together, may you flourish for a full hundred years... May you reach many more peaks of success. Letting you know that your contribution in governance and in the development of the state is unforgettable.....Happy birthday to you." Megastar Chiranjeevi took to social media X to share a throwback picture with his younger brother, expressing his love and admiration. "As a leading actor in the film industry, as Janasena in public life, Happy birthday to Kalyan Babu, who is continuously serving the people as the Deputy Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh," his post read. "The dedication you show in public service is memorable. With the blessings and affection of all the people, I wish you a long life and good health for a hundred years as a guide to the people. Long live the Lord", he added. Actor Allu Arjun also extended his greetings, "Heartfelt Birthday Wishes to our Powerstar and Deputy CM Pawan Kalyan Garu."

Actress Shruti Haasan, who has worked alongside Pawan Kalyan in films, shared a sweet note appreciating his kindness and charisma. She wrote, "Happy birthday Pawan Kalyan sir may You always continue to shine and be exactly who you are." Fans across the globe have flooded timelines with wishes, fan art, and celebrations, with hashtags related to Pawan Kalyan’s birthday trending since midnight. Known not only as a Tollywood superstar but also as a political leader, Pawan Kalyan enjoys a massive following, and his birthday has once again turned into a festival for his admirers.

Badminton teaches life lessons, says Minister Sridhar Babu

Hyderabad, Sept 2 (UNI) : Badminton is not just a sport but a powerful teacher of life lessons, said IT and Industries Minister and President of the Badminton Association of Telangana (BAT) D Sridhar Babu. He was speaking at the inauguration of the Yonex-Sunrise 79th South Zone Inter-State Badminton Championship–2025, held on Tuesday at the Heartfulness Gopichand Badminton Academy, Kanha Shantivanam, Ranga Reddy district. The event was organised under the aegis of BAT. Drawing a parallel between life and the game, Sridhar Babu remarked that a shuttle rising every time it falls is a metaphor for resilience. “Legends like Prakash Padukone, Pullela Gopichand, P V Sindhu, Saina Nehwal, Satwik,

Chirag, and Srikanth have brought immense glory to India through badminton. Young players must emulate their spirit and play not just for points but for the pride of the nation,” he said. The Minister stressed that discipline is the real coach, hard work the true sponsor, and self-belief with determination the greatest strength of an athlete. He also reiterated the State government’s commitment to building world-class sports infrastructure to position Telangana as a global sports hub. The inaugural ceremony was attended by Shadnagar MLAK Shankaraiah, TUFIDC Chairman Challa Narsimha Reddy, BAT General Secretary and National Chief Coach Pullela Gopichand, along with several dignitaries.

OBC Front blames govt for Maratha-OBC quota deadlock

Nagpur, Sept 2 (UNI) The OBC Front today accused the Maharashtra government of deliberately creating the ongoing deadlock between the Maratha and OBC communities over reservation and demanded that it take immediate steps to resolve the issue. Addressing mediapersons here, OBC Front leaders alleged that the government’s lack of clarity and political

manoeuvring have intensified tensions between the two communities. They emphasised that whilst the OBC quota is a constitutional right, granting Maratha reservation by encroaching upon it would be unacceptable. The Front reiterated that it is not opposed to Maratha reservation but insisted that it must come from a separate quota and not at the cost of OBCs.

Relationships



Your child should not be clueless when she has her first period. And with kids having periods as early as ten years old, it is necessary for parents to make their kids aware. As you start seeing your child having mood swings and getting irritated for no rhyme or reason, it is time that you sit down and have a chat with her.



Here are some ways how you can initiate a conversation about periods with your daughter.

Start the chat early

Menstruation is a part of growing up and there is absolutely no harm if you start the talk early, in small portions. It is quite a scary experience for a child to discover one fine day that she is bleeding. Says child counsellor, Ronita Chatterji, "The poor thing may not even know where the blood is coming from. She might think that she is terribly sick and that she is going to die. So, it is important that you begin the chat as soon as you see some changes in your daughter's body like pubic hair and breast development. She might even ask questions about these slight changes. When you are answering such questions you can discuss periods as well."

Prepare yourself first

It is important that you prepare yourself first when you start the conversation. Talk about your own experience and be prepared to answer all questions. You might require to go surf the net to study the female reproductive system. Says psychologist, Seema Hingorrani, "Mental preparation for parents is very important when they sit down for a chat with their kids. Make them feel that it is absolutely normal and maintain eye contact while talking about it." Since having periods means the onset of sexual maturity, it is important that you inform your daughter about sex and how to be careful. There are a lot of questions that might come to a child's mind: How much it hurts? How often it happens? Will she be able to play outside with her friends? Clear all doubts that are playing in your daughter's mind. Hold your

head high when you have the period chat with your daughter, since you don't want her to feel that it is something that she should be ashamed of.

Avoid bombarding her with too much information

Do not give too much information that the child gets confused. In fact, the best time to start is when there is a sanitary napkin ad playing on television. Don't give a long lecture about periods in one sitting. Start with small talk, which is easy for your daughter to absorb. Tell her that these are little changes in the body which every girl undergoes, as she gradually becomes a woman. Find out from your daughter's teachers if they are covering anything about the reproductive system in their school. If they are, it gets easier for you as the mother to explain the topic as you know that your daughter has some information about it. Don't forget to have an age-appropriate discussion with your daughter.

Inform her about basic hygiene

It is important that you teach your child how to use a pad during menstruation and how often she needs to change it. Parents should tell the child about washing her hands thoroughly and to keep her private parts clean so that there is no infection. Teach her the right disposal method.

Common questions that you may have to answer:

- Why do only girls get periods?
- Does it hurt?
- How long does it last?
- Can I play during this time?

Ways to deal with PMS

Premenstrual syndrome (PMS) can be severe for some girls. Nutritionist Sheela Tanna suggests the following tips:

- She must have at least three servings of calcium-rich food a day, such as low-fat milk, cheese, yogurt, fortified orange juice, and soya milk
- Don't stop her from being physically active. Help her maintain a healthy body weight
- Make sure she avoids processed food
- Increase her water intake
- She should avoid junk food

Time for some pet Etiquette

Pets are adorable but they can get equally annoying if not trained properly. We share some tips to turn your pet into a great companion:



A recent study claimed that dog owners get the same surge of emotions when looking at their pooch as mothers do with their infants. While most of the pet owners will nod in agreement, you may find a few disagreeing. "I love my pet but he's such a nuisance. He will bark his lungs out in the middle of the night, chew on everything he gets his hands on and trouble my guests. I don't know what to do with him," says PR executive Aashish Sen who owns Peddle, a Pomeranian.

But you can set aside such worries. Dogs can adapt to human society. We share with you some useful tips to minimize your pet worries:

Exercising pet is a good pet:

Your pet needs regular exercise to get rid of his excessive energy. Do not take him out just to litter, let him run, have fun. "This is the only way to release his excessive energy which if not released could make him irritable. It amounts to building stress which will be exhibited through excessive barking and unwanted pouncing," says Delhi-based senior veterinarian, Dr James Rappai.

No loud business:

When you are feeding or talking to your pet, do not raise your voice. Make him adapt to commands but say it once and say like you mean it. It should be firm not loud. And if you keep saying it, he won't listen unless you snap at him. "Be careful about the commands and the words you use. Don't confuse them. If you use the command 'Sit' to make him sit, do not use 'Heel' instead," says Chennai based dog trainer J Rangarajan.

Attention with care:

Some pets are in a habit to bark to grab your attention. They will bark when hungry, while greeting you, wanting to play with you. Says Pet groomer Geetika Nigam, "This habit must be modified simply by not providing positive reinforcement when he is barking for no reason."

Even your pet needs toys:

If you see your pet chewing furniture or your favourite shoes, don't snap at him. Instead give him alternatives to chew on like pet friendly toys. Spread them all over the floor and if he still goes for your shoes, give him a chewy. Says Delhi-based dog trainer Raju Sinha, "If he still goes, then direct him to a chewy. In a way, your pet is trying to teach you to be more careful with treasured items."

Never hit him:

Don't hit your pet when you are angry with him. The next time you get angry, first tell him firmly that he's incorrect, ignore him, and nudge him off if he comes to you. This will disorient him and he will know that the behaviour is not acceptable. "Remember, you should never resort to hitting your pet," adds J Rangarajan.

Eating habits:

Never feed him while you are eating. This might be taken as a cue that he can take food from your plate.

Make him a social pet:

Don't restrict his exposure just to family else he will get really uncomfortable in front of your guests or might behave awkwardly. And remember never ask your friend if you can get your pet along to a get together or party. If they want him to come, they will say it.



Tips to teach table manners to kids

Here are some tips which will help you teach your kids table manners and etiquette

Table manners and dining etiquette are an important aspect every person should have. Starting early with kids can come in handy. Here are some tips on how you can imbibe table manners in your kids early -

Fixed time:

Fix a day and a meal where you can tell your kids about table manners - how to place the napkin, how to eat with a fork, knife and spoon, how to eat with their mouth closed, how to pass food to others, etc.

When you're out:

If you are dining out with your family, choose a kid-friendly restaurant. Let your kids order food for themselves, help them if required. This will make them feel grown-up and responsible.

Avoid the phone:

Avoid using your cellphone or tablet or any other technology

while dining with your family. Kids mostly see and learn. You don't want them to grow up to talk on their phone while eating.

Politeness works:

Teach them to use words like 'please' and 'thank you' while asking for food or passing it to others even at a family meal. They will make a habit out of it when you go

out with others for a meal.

See and learn:

Take out time to teach your kids more about food and cooking also, as this will help them understand food better. Talk to them while you are cooking, teach them bits and pieces, make them help you with small matters in cooking.

3 signs you are spoiling your kid

- The first sign is that you never use the word 'No' when it comes to your little one. Perhaps you don't have the heart to but whenever they ask for something that isn't a necessity or could be bad for them, you give in because you can refuse them. This will eventually become a habit and when they grow up, they will expect that things will always be the way they want, because they have never been refused or denied it.
- You buy them too many toys and gifts. Sure, it's their birthday and they want that big doll house or the latest iPad, but spending big money on your child doesn't mean you love them more. It's the time that you give them and the moments that you share together that count.
- They constantly whine and are never happy with the things they have. Even if you are doing everything you can for them and giving them the world, if you see that your kids are always complaining about things that they don't have, it is

You might want to give your children the best, but in this process are you raising a spoilt child? Read on to identify the warning signs.



time to realise that you have over pampered your child.

India ready for Korean challenge in Super 4s

Rajgir (Bihar), Sep 2 (UNI) The unbeaten Indian Men's Hockey Team are all set to take on Korea

in the first Super 4s match on September 3 here at the Asia Cup Rajgir 2025.

Dragflick sensation Harmanpreet Singh-led side has comfortably won their pool stage matches, having beaten China 4-3, Japan 3-2 and Kazakhstan 15-0 to top Pool A. Meanwhile, Korea come into this game with a 7-0 win against Chinese Taipei, 1-4 loss against Malaysia and 5-1 win against Bangladesh.

Speaking about the upcoming tie, India's Chief Coach Craig Fulton said, "It is nice to get through

the pool phase without any injuries. Especially in a game like the one yesterday (against Kazakhstan) but two good games in the afternoon, in warm conditions, changes when we come back to play at night. The energy is really high in the team. Back-to-back wins, I think was refreshing for everyone."

"Now we are on to the next challenge in the tournament.

We will have a fresh approach for this phase. We play Korea first. We scored some really good goals against Kazakhstan, leading the game from the front, that was most important," explained

Fulton. On any concerns specific to their playing style from the first three games here, he said, "We had enough training in the areas we wanted to improve; this game (against Kazakhstan) came at the right time because it gave us a lot more focus on the final third. Players are feeling a bit more confident, and have a bit more feel of working together. That was lacking, I think, in the other two games." In their second Super 4s match on September 4, India will take on Pool B toppers Malaysia, who were the finalists of the previous edition of Asia Cup held in Jakarta 2022. In their last Super 4s match, they play China on September 6.

Captain Harmanpreet Singh, talking about the Super 4s said, "All of them are tough opponents in this tournament. Although we have not played Malaysia and Korea a lot in the past one year, we did get a good game against Malaysia in practice match ahead of the tournament. We obviously played against China and know what they can bring to the table. We are fast learners, which is good.

So, when we play a team twice, it is good for us. It's just about preparing well against Korea. Only focus is one game at a time."

Kolkata feels like a home to me now: MBSG's Manvir Singh

Kolkata, Sep 2 (UNI) : Mohun Bagan Super Giant forward Manvir Singh is into his sixth year with the club and he shed light on his journey with the team which has involved forming a strong bond with the fans and also embracing the local culture in Kolkata.

The 29-year-old has made 111 appearances for the Mariners in the ISL, contributing 23 goals and 18 assists in the process and has won the ISL League Shield and the Cup twice. Having started his ISL career with FC Goa, Manvir blossomed in Kolkata with Mohun Bagan Super Giant and has become one of the most threatening Indian forwards in the ISL. "This is my sixth season (in Kolkata) and I feel like home here," Manvir told MBSG TV.

"Kolkata is called the Mecca of Indian Football. The atmosphere here is totally different. It's notlike this even in the Premier League the way our fans come to every match and support us," he added. "Football is a festival for the people of Kolkata and that's why Kolkata's football is totally different," he continued.

Apart from the footballing side, Manvir has also embraced the cultural side of Kolkata.

"I love to go out during Durga Puja," he said.

"Three years ago, I went pandal hopping wearing a mask with Vishal (Kaithi) and Deepak (Tangri). It's a huge festival and I enjoy being a part of it. It's amazing to see how much people invest in making a pandal. There's a healthy competition for that," he added.

Manvir's dedication on the field hasn't gone unnoticed with the fans who adore him every time he dons the green and maroon jersey and the Punjab-born forward acknowledges the love he gets from the stands.

"When the team's performance is down, the fans turn up for the training sessions and push us to give our 100%. I won't say that it's a pressure but I would say it's a motivation," he said.

"When we step out from the tunnel, the fans' noise hits us like a wave. It gives us confidence and motivates us. When a player sees himself or his name on a tifo, he gets a feeling that the fans are doing so much for us and we have to give it back to them," he added.

The close bond with the fans means Manvir and Co feel the emotions that the fans undergo especially after defeats and wins. Addressing the recent defeat to arch-rivals East Bengal FC in the quarter-finals of the Durand Cup, Manvir felt it has driven the players to do even better.

"Mohun Bagan Super Giant is a team of that level that we can't lose a match. We have to win every match. Even when we draw a match, the atmosphere in the dressing room gets very serious. No one in the club will be happy to reach the semi-finals. Our sole motive is to win trophies. From the owner to the manager, everyone wants us to win," he said. The Mariners have been the most successful teams in the last three seasons winning the ISL League Shield and Cup twice while also claiming one Durand Cup title.

Sports take centre stage at IMT Ghaziabad's Climate 11 summit



Ghaziabad, Sep 2 (IANS) With extreme weather events such as floods and heatwaves affecting the country, IMT Ghaziabad hosted the Climate 11 Summit, the first initiative in India to explore how sports can drive the fight against climate change.

The summit put sports at the heart of climate action, showing how athletes, federations, and the wider industry can become global leaders in sustainability.

Inaugurating the event, Atish Chattopadhyay,

director of IMT Ghaziabad, said the institute was committed to tackling environmental challenges through partnerships between academia, business, and sport.

The sessions were led by Kanishka Pandey, Head of the Centre for Sports Research, who explained the interdependence of sports, society, and climate. "If we make environmental issues a part of the identity of sports, we will not only save sports but also lives, communities and futures," he said.

The discussions

featured powerful voices from the global sporting landscape. Renowned author David Goldblatt warned that worsening climate crises could darken the future of sports. Piara Power, Trustee of the Chelsea Football Club Foundation, emphasised that the massive reach of sport must be used to raise climate awareness. Arhan Bagati, founder of the Bridging Gaps Foundation, urged young people to contribute to conservation through sport, while Shaji Prabhakaran of the Asian Football Confederation and

Neeraj Jha, Head of Sports at Warner Bros.

The summit ended with key resolutions designed to position sports as a game-changer in climate action. These included creating a global knowledge network linking sports bodies with universities and experts, building green stadiums and eco-friendly infrastructure, promoting climate education through grassroots sport, driving green finance into the industry, and ensuring India emerges as a global leader in merging sustainability with sport.

Dabang Delhi K.C. partners with TechnoSport as Official Kit Partner

New Delhi, Sept 2 (UNI) : Strengthening the synergy between Indian sports and homegrown brands, TechnoSport, India's fastest growing activewear brand, has joined hands with Dabang Delhi Kabaddi Club (DDKC) as the Official Kit Partner and Powered By sponsor for the Pro Kabaddi League (PKL) Season 12.

Kabaddi, a sport deeply rooted in India's culture and celebrated for its grit, agility, and full-contact intensity, demands apparel that combines performance with comfort. TechnoSport, known for its highly functional activewear, is a perfect fit for this

association. As the segment continues to redefine fashion trends in the 21st century, this partnership symbolises the perfect confluence of heritage, modernity, and performance.

As the Official Kit Partner for Dabang Delhi, TechnoSport will equip its players with a complete performance kit crafted from its most advanced fabric innovations and athletic apparel.

The kit integrates next-gen technologies such as UPF50 sun protection, anti-bacterial and odour-free finishes, moisture-wicking properties, and four-way stretch for peak agility and comfort. Players will sport

high-performance activewear across fabric technologies like Matpiq, Ventmesh, Elastoplus and Elastolite, including performance socks and caps, all designed to deliver durability, flexibility, and cooling comfort under the intense demands of kabaddi.

Speaking on the association, Puspun Maity, CEO, TechnoSport, said, "The Pro Kabaddi League has rapidly grown into one of the most watched sports leagues in India, bringing a native sport from our soil to the global stage. At TechnoSport, we see this as more than a sponsorship, it is a natural fit between a sport that embodies India's

grit and resilience, and a brand that is shaping the future of Indian activewear.

"As the country's fastest-growing performance-first activewear brand, we are proud to power Dabang Delhi K.C. with innovation-driven kits that reflect our shared spirit of strength, speed, and endurance. Together, we aim to inspire millions of Indians to embrace an active lifestyle while celebrating a sport that is truly our own," Maity said.

Dabang Delhi K.C. has been a driving force in shaping kabaddi's rise as one of India's most celebrated sports. As champions of Season 8 and

one of the most followed franchises, the team has played a pivotal role in elevating the game from local akharas to the national stage.

With TechnoSport as its Powered By and Official Kit Partner, Dabang Delhi K.C. is further strengthening its mission to nurture the sport by equipping players with world-class performance wear that enables them to play with greater endurance, agility, and confidence, while inspiring the next generation of kabaddi talent across the country.

Adding to this, Prashant Ramesh Mishra, CEO - Dabang Delhi K.C., said, "We are delighted to

welcome TechnoSport as our Powered By Sponsor for Season 12.

Over the years, kabaddi has evolved into one of India's most popular sports, and Dabang Delhi K.C. has grown into a strong, recognisable brand that premium partners want to associate with.

Kabaddi demands peak performance, agility, and resilience, and having a partner like TechnoSport—committed to innovation, functionality, and comfort in athleisure wear—makes this association truly meaningful.

Their vision aligns perfectly with our team's spirit and the intensity of this high-energy sport."

Bhambri, Venus reach US Open men's doubles pre-quarters

Vinay Yadav & Lakshya Nagar to hold joint lead in round one at Patna Golf

Patna, Sep 2 (UNI) Delhi's Vinay Kumar Yadav and Noida's Lakshya Nagar shot scores of four-under 68 to hold the joint lead in round one of the sixth event of the PGTI NEXGEN season being played at the Patna Golf Club.

Chandigarh's Amrit Lal carded a two-under 70 to be placed third. The Patna Golf Estate is a par-72 nine-hole course where the nine holes are played twice to comprise a round.

Vinay Kumar Yadav today made two birdies on the front-nine thanks to a couple of quality chip-putts and then went on to add two more birdies on the back-nine with courtesy another top-class chip-putt and an outstanding drive on the Par-4 14th that found the green. Vinay, who is employed with the Indian Railways, said, "I played some solid golf today as I hit most of the fairways and greens. I made a lot of good chip-putts today. I've been feeling good about my putting off late and today I converted putts at crucial moments.

New York, Sept 2 (UNI) India's Yuki Bhambri, partnering New Zealand's Michael Venus, advanced to the pre-quarterfinals of the US Open 2025 men's doubles event here today.

The 14th-seeded duo defeated the unseeded pair of Colombia's Gonzalo Escobar and Mexico's Miguel Angel Reyes-Varela 6-1, 7-5 in an hour and 25 minutes at the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Centre.

Bhambri, India's top-ranked men's doubles player at world No. 32, and Venus broke their opponents twice to take a 3-0 lead and sealed the opening set 6-1. Escobar and Reyes-Varela fought back in the second set, but Bhambri and Venus held firm, winning 7-5 to secure their spot in the last 16. They will next face fourth-seeded Germans Tim Puetz and Kevin Krawietz.

In their opening round, Bhambri and Venus had easily defeated the USA's Marcos Giron and Learner

Tien 6-0, 6-3. Last year, Bhambri, partnering Frenchman Albano Olivetti, had also reached the pre-quarterfinals, losing to Spain's Marcel Granollers and Argentina's Horacio Zeballos in straight sets. Bhambri has yet to progress beyond this stage in a Grand Slam event.

Meanwhile, Indian duo Anirudh Chandrasekar and Vijay Sundar Prashanth exited the tournament after a 6-4, 6-3 loss to Brazil's Fernando Romboli and Australia's John-Patrick Smith on August 31, having earlier stunned eighth-seeded Americans Evan King and Christian Harrison in the first round.

Other Indian entries faced early exits as veteran Rohan Bopanna and Monaco's Romain Arneodo lost in the opening round on August 30, while Arjun Kadhe and Ecuador's Diego Hidalgo also bowed out in their first match.

India's quest to create AFC U23 Asian Cup qualification history begins with Bahrain clash

Doha (Qatar), Sep 2 (UNI) :The Indian men's U23 team will take on Bahrain in their AFC U23 Asian Cup Saudi Arabia 2026 Qualifiers Group H opener on September 3, at the Suheim bin Hamad Stadium here, at 20:45 IST.

The Blue Colts, led by head coach Naushad Moosa, are aiming to qualify for the AFC U23 Asian Cup for the first time ever.

In the previous six attempts, India have not made it past the Qualifiers, so Moosa and his youngsters will be gunning to create history in the Qatari capital.

Hosts Qatar and Brunei Darussalam are the other two teams in Group H. The group winners and the four best runners-up across all 11 groups will qualify for the final tournament, to be held in January 2026, in Saudi Arabia.

In the pre-match press conference today, Moosa said, "I don't think any team is 'big'. It's important to respect every opponent.

Lovlina, Zareen to spearhead Team India at World Boxing Championships

Bengaluru, Sept 2 (UNI) Tokyo 2020 bronze medallist Lovlina Borgohain and Nikhat Zareen will spearhead a 20-member Indian contingent at the World Boxing Championships 2025, scheduled to begin September 4 in England. The inaugural edition of the championships, organised by World Boxing – the newly formed global governing body for the sport – will take place at the M&S Bank Arena and conclude on September 14. Over 550 boxers from more than 65 nations, including 17 Paris 2024 Olympic medallists, are set to compete across 20 weight divisions (10 men's and 10 women's).

The India squad was finalised in July following a week-long assessment at the National Institute of Sports (NIS) in Patiala. Borgohain will compete in the 75kg category, Zareen in 51kg, while Olympian Pooja Rani will box in the 80kg category. This marks the return of Borgohain and Zareen to international competition since Paris 2024.

Other notable Indian boxers include Asian Games bronze medallist Narender Berwal (90 kg) and World Boxing Cup gold medallists Hitesh Gulia (70kg) and Abhinash Jamwal (65kg). The championships will follow a knockout format, with semi-final losers awarded bronze medals. Each bout will feature three three-minute rounds, judged using the "Ten Point Must" system. Quarter-finals start on September 10, semi-finals on September 12-13, and finals on September 14.

Live streaming of the championships will be available on the World Boxing YouTube channel in India. There will be no live TV broadcast in the country.

Indian squad – World Boxing Championships 2025: Women: Meenakshi Hooda (48kg), Nikhat Zareen (51kg), Sakshi (54kg), Jaismine Lamboria (57kg), Sanju Khatri (60kg), Neeraj Phogat (60kg), Sanamacha Chanu (70kg), Lovlina Borgohain (75kg), Pooja Rani (80kg), Nupur Sheoran (80 kg)

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Western Railway to Run Festival Special Train Between Vatva and Raxaul

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Mumbai, Sept 2 : For the convenience of passengers and with a view to meet the travel demand especially during the festive season, Western Railway will run a Special Train on Special Fare between Vatva & Raxaul. Also, the trips of Special Train on Special Fare between Udhna & Raxaul has been further extended on existing timings, halts & composition.

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

Train No. 05562/05561 Vatva – Raxaul Weekly Special [32 Trips]

Train No. 05562 Vatva - Raxaul Special depart from Vatva, every Wednesday at 23:30 hrs and will reach

Raxaul at 16:00 hrs, on Friday, the third day. This train will run from 17th September to 31st December, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 05561 Raxaul – Vatva Special will depart from Raxaul every Tuesday at 11:20 hrs and will reach Vatva at 20:00 hrs, the next day. This train will run from 16th September to 30th December, 2025.

Enroute this train will halt at Anand, Chhayapuri, Godhra, Dahod, Ratlam, Nagda, Ujjain, Maksi, Sant Hirdaram Nagar, Bina, Saugor, Damoh, Katni Murwara, Satna, Manikpur, Prayagraj Chheoki, Pt Deen Dayal Upadhyaya, Buxar, Ara, Danapur, Patliputra, Hajipur, Muzaffarpur and Sitamarhi stations in both directions.

This train comprises of AC 3-Tier, Sleeper Class and

General Second Class Coaches.

Extension of Train No. 05560/05559 Udhna – Raxaul Weekly Special [26 Trips]

Train No. 05560 Udhna - Raxaul Special has been extended further from 5th October to 28th December, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 05559 Raxaul – Udhna Special has been extended further from 4th October to 27th December, 2025, on existing timings, halts & Composition

The bookings for Train No. 05562 & the extended trips of Train No. 05560 opens from 03.09.2025, at all PRS Counters and on IRCTC website. For detailed information regarding timings of halts and compositions, passengers may please visit www.enquiry.indianrail.gov.in

Rajnish Kumar Goyal takes over as Principal Chief Electrical Engineer of WR



(Standard Post Bureau)

Mumbai, Sept 2 : Mr Rajnish Kumar Goyal, an officer of 1991 batch of Indian Railway Service of Electrical Engineers (IRSEE) has taken over the charge of Principal Chief Electrical

Engineer of Western Railway. Prior to this, he was working as Chief Electrical Service Engineer of Central Railway.

Mr Goyal is highly skilled and has vast experience in different areas

of working on Indian Railways. A pioneer of Open Access over Indian Railways, he has been instrumental in its implementation which has resulted in savings of more than 30,000 crore over the last 10 years. Shri Goyal has shouldered the key responsibility of Divisional Railway Manager of Mumbai Division, Central Railway, which is one of the biggest and busiest divisions of Indian Railways. During his tenure as DRM of Mumbai Division of Central Railway, he is remembered for decongestion of platforms, pioneering work on reduction of casualties on tracks and making suburban train operations possible even with flooding on tracks, including innovations in various fields.

He completed his graduation in Electrical Engineering with (Hons.). He holds a Masters in “Power Electronics, Electrical Machines and Drives” from Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi.

Restoration of Halts of a few trains at Udhna Station from today

(Standard Post Bureau)

Mumbai, Sept 2 : Udhna station is undergoing complete transformation & is being developed into world class station. The work in connection with the Udhna station redevelopment on Platform No. 1 (Phase – II) has been completed. In view of this, the halt of a few trains that were temporarily discontinued at Udhna station is being restored back with effect from 3rd September, 2025.

According to a press release issued by the Chief Public Relations Officer of Western Railway, Shri Vineet Abhishek, Phase II of ongoing Udhna redevelopment work on Platform No. 1 has been completed. The halts of some of the DOWN trains that were temporarily skipped at Udhna station due to the block undertaken in view of this work, are being restored from 3rd September, 2025. The details of these trains are as under:

1. Train No. 19033 Valsad – Ahmedabad Gujarat Queen Express
2. Train No. 59049 Valsad – Vadodara Passenger
3. Train No. 19101 Virar – Bharuch Express
4. Train No. 19015 Dadar – Porbander Saurashtra Express
5. Train No. 69151 Valsad – Surat MEMU
6. Train No. 19417 Borivali – Vatva Express
7. Train No. 12921 Mumbai – Surat Flying Rani Express
8. Train No. 69141 Sanjan – Surat MEMU

GM, Dharam Veer Meena, presents Safety Award to 10 employees of Central Railway



(Standard Post Bureau)

Mumbai, Sept 2 : Mr Dharam Veer Meena, General Manager, Central Railway felicitated 10 Central Railway employees i.e. 6 from Mumbai Division, 2 from Solapur Division and 1 each from Nagpur & Pune Divisions, with Safety Award in a function held at Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus Mumbai on 02.09.2025. “The Safety awards were presented in recognition of the respective employee’s alertness during duty, their contribution in averting untoward incidents and ensuring safety in train operations during the previous months. Each award consists of a medal, commendation certificate, a citation of exemplary safety work and cash prize of Rs 2000/-.

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Mumbai Division

1. Shri N Prasad, Motorman, Kalyan, Mumbai division, while working on Khopoli local KP-1 on 30.07.2025, felt an unusual jerk at kms 74/26 and stopped the train. Close inspection revealed a broken rail head. He immediately informed all concerned thus helping avert a potential mishap.

2. Shri Gangesh Kumar, Train Manager, CSMT, Mumbai division, while working on Dombivli local DL-10 on 31.07.2025, noticed a track maintainer waving & running on the tracks at kms 41/0. Sensing danger, Shri Gangesh Kumar took immediate steps to halt Kalyan local no K-71 coming on the Down Fast line. The track Maintainer had detected a rail fracture at kms 41/0 on the Diva-Mumbra section. Shri Gangesh Kumars’ alertness and sharp

thinking helped prevent a potential mishap.

3. Shri Vinod Kalu Mhatre, Track Maintainer, Kalyan, Mumbai division, while on duty on 31.07.2025 on the Diva-Mumbra section, noticed a rail fracture at kms 41/0. He took immediate steps to protect the track and informed all concerned thus helping avert a potential mishap.

4. Shri Naresh Vasant Ghare, Track Maintainer, Karjat, Mumbai division, while on monsoon patrolling duty on 19.06.2025, noticed dislocation of track formation. He took immediate steps to protect the track and informed all concerned thus helping avert a potential mishap.

5. Shri Ram Anant Mune, Track Maintainer, Neral, Mumbai division, while on duty on 03.07.2025, noticed a rail fracture at kms 77/14 on the Badlapur-Vangani section. He took immediate steps to protect the track and informed all concerned thus helping avert a potential mishap.

6. Shri Vishal Bansode, Electric Signal Maintainer (ESM), Kalva, Mumbai division, while on signal maintainance duty on 26.06.2025, noticed a rail

fracture at kms 36/140. He took immediate steps and informed all concerned thus helping avert a potential mishap.

Solapur Division

7. Shri Manish Kumar, Technician (TRD), Kurduwadi, Solapur division, on 06.07.2025, during Foot Plate Inspection noticed a broken G-Jumper of the Over Head Equipment (OHE) at kms 280/10-12 on the Boribel-Malthan section. He immediately informed all concerned thus helping avert a potential mishap

8. Shri Vikas Kumar Pandit, Technician (TRD), Latur, Solapur division, on 22.07.2025, during Inspection at Harangul Yard, noticed unusual movement of the pantograph of a Goods train. Close inspection of the same revealed a big dent on the pantograph plate. He immediately informed all concerned thus helping avert a potential mishap.

Nagpur Division

9. Shri Nilesh, Pointsman, Malkhed, Nagpur division, while on duty on 01.08.2025, during exchange of signals with a Goods train, noticed a hot axle in one of the wagons. He immediately showed red

flag and informed the Station Master. His alertness helped avert a possible mishap.

Pune Division

10. Shri Vishwamitra Kumar Yadav, Technician (C&W), Daund, Pune division, on 15.08.2025, during rolling in examination of a goods train, noticed something unusual about the CBC Coupling of a wagon. Close examination revealed a broken yoke. He immediately informed all concerned thus helping avert a potential mishap.

Congratulating the awardees and complementing them for their alertness and dedication towards their duties, the General Manager said that such acts of alertness and dedication will motivate others to sincerely work towards the safety of passengers and avert loss of life, freight and railway property.

Shri Prateek Goswami, Additional General Manager, Shri Chandra Kishore Prasad, Principal Chief Safety Officer, Other Principal Head of Departments and Senior Officers of Central Railway were present on the occasion.

Punjab floods wreak havoc, Sukhpal Khaira slams CM Bhagwant Mann

Chandigarh, Sep 2 (UNI) : The death count rose to 30 as severe flooding triggered by the raging Sutlej River affected over 3.5 lakh people spread across 1400 villages in 23 districts of Punjab, officials said today. 12 districts have been devastated.

The water level at Bhakra Dam is just 3 feet below the danger mark.

The Punjab Meteorological Department during the day issued a heavy rainfall alert for the next 36 hours, warning of further downpours across several regions.

The most affected districts include Amritsar, Gurdaspur, Moga, Pathankot, Tarn Taran, Firozpur, Hoshiarpur, Patiala, Mohali, Kapurthala, Jalandhar, and Ludhiana.

A 100-year-old building collapsed in Amritsar, captured on CCTV, and the Nangal Bhakra feeder canal in Rupnagar’s Sri Anandpur Sahib area has been inundated at 12 locations, flooding roads.

Among the 1,400 affected villages, Gurdaspur reported 324,

Amritsar 135, Barnala 134, and Kapurthala 115, with other districts also heavily hit.

Over 3.5 lakh people are affected, with Gurdaspur (1.45 lakh), Amritsar (1.17 lakh), and Firozpur (38,112) among the worst impacted.

Pathankot has reported the highest death toll at 6, followed by Ludhiana with 4. Three people remain missing. The crop damage spans 1.48 lakh hectares, with Gurdaspur, Amritsar, Mansa, and Fazilka facing the brunt. The government has yet to assess losses to livestock and homes.

Rescue operations have involved 23 NDRF teams, 14 Army companies (with 8 on standby), 35 helicopters, and BSF units in Gurdaspur. Amid the crisis, MLA Sukhpal Singh Khaira launched a scathing attack on Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann. In a tweet, Khaira stated, “If CM Bhagwant Mann is so helpless and shedding crocodile tears, he has no moral right to remain in power. Instead of crying, he should ensure fair compensation for losses to crops, livestock, and homes.”

Western Railway Extends the trips of special train between Bandra Terminus Ajmer

(Standard Post Bureau)

Mumbai, Sept 2 : For the convenience of passengers and with a view to meet the travel demand especially during the festive season, Western Railway has extended the trips of Special Train on Special Fare between Bandra Terminus & Ajmer on existing timings, halts & composition.

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

Train No. 09622/09621 Bandra Terminus - Ajmer

(Weekly) Special [18 Trips]

Train No. 09622 Bandra Terminus - Ajmer Special departs from Bandra Terminus every Monday at 09: 35 hrs and reaches Ajmer at 08.50 hrs, the next day. The trips of this train have been extended from 06th October to 1st December, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 09621 Ajmer – Bandra Terminus Special departs from Ajmer every Sunday at 06.35 hrs and arrives Bandra Terminus at 04.15 hrs, the next day. The trips of this train have been extended from 05th October to 30th November, 2025.

Enroute this train will halt at Borivali, Vapi, Valsad,

Surat, Vadodara, Ratlam, Vikramgarh Alot, Bhawani Mandi, Ramganj Mandi, Kota, Sawai Madhopur, Jaipur and Kishangarh station in both directions.

This train comprises of AC 2-Tier, AC 3-Tier, AC 3-Tier (Economy), Sleeper Class and General Second Class coaches.

The booking for the extended trips of Train No. 09622 will open from 04.09.2025 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.

Additional stoppage provided to Bandra Terminus Ahmedabad Lok Shakti Express

(Standard Post Bureau)

Mumbai, Sept 2 : For the convenience of passengers, Western Railway has provided an additional stoppage at Saphale station to Train No. 22927/22928 Bandra Terminus – Ahmedabad Lokshakti Express. w.e.f 04th September, 2025.

According to a press release issued by Chief Public Relations Officer of

Western Railway, Shri Vineet Abhishek, the details are as under:

Train No. 22927 Bandra Terminus – Ahmedabad Lokshakti Express will halt at Saphale station for journey commencing from Bandra Terminus on 04th September, 2025. The train will arrive Saphale station at 21:07 hrs and depart at 21:09 hrs.

Similarly, Train No. 22928 Ahmedabad – Bandra

Terminus Lokshakti Express will halt at Saphale station for journey commencing from Ahmedabad on 04th September, 2025. The train will arrive Saphale station at 03:47 hrs and depart at 03:49 hrs.

For detailed information regarding the timings, halts & composition of the above trains, passengers may please visit www.enquiry.indianrail.gov.in.