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### IN BRIEF

### **AICC** secretary **Jetty Kusum Kumar rules** out elections, says his focus Is on party organisation

Hyderabad, Nov 13 (UNI): Newly appointed AICC Secretary Jetty Kusum Kumar on Thursday made it clear that he has no plans to contest direct elections, saying his interest lies firmly in national politics and organisational work for the Congress.

Speaking to the media at Gadha Bhavan, he said the party leadership has entrusted him with responsibilities in both Odisha and Telangana, specifically asked him to focus on GHMC-level organisational strengthening.

Kumar Kusum expressed confidence that Congress would win the Jubilee Hills byelection, adding that once EVMs arrive, "there will be no chance of rigging." He said the party would also ensure its flag flies high in the upcoming Greater Hyderabad elections.

Calling appointment as AICC Secretary a moment of pride, he thanked all those who supported him and said the move reaffirmed that "in Congress, those who work hard get recognised." He also predicted that Congress would form the government in Odisha, and praised the Revanth Reddy government in Telangana implementing promises that were not even listed in the manifesto.

### Minimum temperatures to dip below normal in **Telangana** over next two days: Met Dep

Hyderabad, Nov 13 Minimum temperatures in isolated pockets of Telangana are likely to fall 3 to 4 degrees Celsius below normal over the next couple of days, the Meteorological Centre said on Thursday.In its daily weather report, the department noted that Adilabad recorded the minimum temperature of 10.7 degrees Celsius on the intervening night of Wednesday and Thursday. Dry weather is expected to prevail across Telangana for the next seven days, and similar conditions were reported over the state in the past 24 hours, the report added.

# CM seeks major investments in urban projects in state



Minister A. Revanth Reddy's pitch for major Reddy's description of Minister spoke of the market, and major investments in Telangana as game-changer projects and extraordinary opportunities destination for GCCs. Come part of his \$1 trillion state their social impact was very that await global investors economy vision by 2034 and impressive. \$3 trillion SGDP by 2047 found Delhi on Thursday.

and tech legend John Summit being oranised by successful Telangana as "bold, clear, showcase

New Delhi, Nov 13

Democratic Alliance (NDA)

(UNI): The National

Hyderabad/ New Delhi, very achievable", and comprehensive vision for great weather, and world-Nov 13 (UNI): Chief promised his fullest support. the state."Earlier, speaking class infrastructure. We are

Dr. Mukesh Aghi, CEO great support and applause at and President, USISPF, said, decade run by the Congress, Congress government in the to the China 1 alternative." the annual conclave of the US- "in response to the or other parties, but we have last 23 months, he said, "my India Strategic Partnership invitation of Telangana CM all supported investments biggest focus for the future speech, the CM said "we Forum (USISPF) at New to our members, most of us and investors for the last 35 will try to attend the years." I represent India's

in Telangana. "We have had Former CEO of Cisco, TelanganaRising Global youngest, most exciting and

Chambers said that Mr at the forum, The Chief the gateway to entire Indian and invest in my state," he said.Listing includes the major security risks. It has best amenities and highest Meta or TCS Infosys Street."

several governments for a achievements of the becoming the global answer

economic will name important roads in empowerment of women, Hyderabad after corporates. best education and skills In India, most roads are states, and urban development, named after political leaders. described the state on December 8 and Telangana. Hyderabad is particular making Hyderabad Let us change that in Revanth Reddy's vision for 9 in Hyderabad to unviel and located centrally. It has no a truly world-class city, with Hyderabad to have Google or

quality of living."Inviting top global academic institutions, Revanth Reddy said, "Once Harvard, Stanford or Oxford sets up an offshore campus in Hyderabad, many students from the Global South can attend these ivy league programs because of easier visa rules and lower costs."

Pitching top projects like Bharat Future city and River Musi rejuvenation, he said, "Bharat Future City will be India's most developed, world-class city, in 30,000 acres. After rejuvenation, Musi river riverfront will match the experience of London, Tokyo, Dubai or Seoul. It will add night economy cycle for the city."

Besides explaining the projects to create a dry port and Hyderabad metro rail, regional ring road and radial roads, and manufacturing zone between RRR and ORR, Mr Reddy said, "Telangana is are aiming to

In his concluding

### Compassion, not control': Maneka Gandhi criticises SC order on stray animals

Branding the Supreme Court's recent directive to remove and relocate stray animals to shelter homes as "impractical," animal rights activist Maneka Gandhi on Thursday urged the adoption of a more compassionate and humane approach towards the country's stray population. The former union minister was addressing the media while announcing the first edition of CineKind, a collaboration between Film Federation of India (FFI) and People for Animals (PFA), to honour acts of kindness and humane storytelling in Indian cinema." (See on page 2)

### **Congress slams govt over Red** Fort blast, asks Shah to own ....



The Congress party on Thursday launched a scathing attack on the union Government's handling of the deadly car bomb blast near the Red Fort, which claimed 13 lives, terming it as a major intelligence failure and a worrying delay in official response. The party has demanded that Home Minister Amit Shah take responsibility for the security lapse. ( See on page 5)

# Today's Chanakya

is poised to secure a landslide victory in the Bihar Assembly elections, with a predicted  $160 \pm 12$ seats, according to a projection by Today's Chanakya, a political research organisation. The RJD-led Mahagatbandhan alliance is expected to win  $77 \pm 12$  seats, while other parties are likely to secure  $6 \pm 3$  seats. The analysis is based on a caste-wise breakdown of voter preferences, which shows the NDA leading among Brahmins, Baniyas, and Rajputs (63 percent), Scheduled Castes (58 percent), and OBCs and EBCs (55 percent). The RJD-led alliance is expected to dominate among Yadavs (67 percent) and Muslims (69 percent). The vote share projections indicate that the NDA is likely to secure 44 percent  $\pm$  3 percent of the votes, while the RJDled alliance is expected to get 38 percent ± 3percent. The margin of error for the seat projections is  $\pm 12$ seats for the NDA and RJD-led alliances, and  $\pm 3$ 

seats for other parties. Earlier on Tuesday, most exit polls painted a clear picture of a comfortable victory for the NDA, led by Chief Minister

Nitish Kumar and the Bharatiya Janata Party. According to multiple exit polls, the NDA was projected to win between 130 and 167 seats, with the Mahagathbandhan (MGB), led by Tejashwi Yadav's Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) and the Congress, trailing behind with 70-108 seats.

The exit polls, conducted by various agencies including Matrize-IANS, People's Insight, and Peoples Pulse, indicate that the NDA's stronghold in Bihar remains intact, with the alliance securing a significant majority in the 243-member Assembly. Exit Poll Projections: Matrize-IANS: NDA 147-167, MGB 70-90, Others 2-6People's Insight: NDA 133-148, MGB 87-102, JSP 0-2, Others 3-6Peoples Pulse: NDA 133-159, MGB 75-101, JSP0-5, Others 2-8NDTV: NDA 145-160, MGB 73-91, JSP 0-3, Others 5-7Times Now: NDA 135-150, MGB 88-103, Others 3-7The exit polls suggest that the NDA's victory is largely driven by its strong performance in the first phase of voting, where it secured a significant lead in several constituencies. The final results of the Bihar Assembly Elections 2025 are slated to be announced

on November 14.

# NDA set for landslide Actor Nagarjuna withdraws defamation victory in Bihar: case against Minister Konda Surekha

actor Akkineni Nagarjuna judicial examination. withdrew the defamation Representatives Court.

when the minister, while Akkineni family. criticising BRS working

(UNI): Forest Minister Taking serious objection, if her words had caused any Konda Surekha received Nagarjuna filed a defamation distress, she sincerely relief on Thursday after film case, which has been under withdrew them.

case he had filed against her Konda Surekha issued a court of his decision to in the Nampally People's public apology on Twitter, withdraw the case. The expressing regret for her matter came up for hearing The controversy began comments about the on Thursday, though it had

She clarified that her December 2. president K T Rama Rao, remarks were not intended Nagarjuna's withdrawal, the made remarks referring to the to hurt, embarrass or controversy appears to divorce of actors Naga damage the family's have come to an end.

Hyderabad, Nov 13 Chaitanya and Samantha. reputation. She stated that

Following her apology, On Tuesday night, Nagarjuna informed the earlier been adjourned to

# Tummala urges Centre to relax procurement norms for soybean, maize & cotton farmers

Hyderabad, Nov 13 the Central Government FAQ norms. highlighting the problems and cotton, urging the severe crop losses caused by cyclones, unseasonal rains and unpredictable weather across Telangana.

harvest due to heavy rains. government to begin direct

(UNI): Agriculture Minister discoloration and wrinkling has procured 48,757 MT, Tummala Nageswara Rao have left large quantities of benefiting 14,519 farmers. has once again written to the produce outside existing

Tummala appealed to faced by farmers in union Ministers Shivraj procuring soybean, maize Singh Chouhan and Giriraj under MSP. Singh to relax the quality Centre to provide special norms and direct NAFED relaxations in view of the and NCCF to procure soybean under revised standards so farmers are not left without support.

The minister said crop covered 6.74 lakh acres, soybean was cultivated in with production estimated at 3.66 lakh acres this season 16.85 lakh metric tonnes. with an average expected However, market prices have restrictions, combined with yield of 7.62 quintals per fallen to Rs 1,959 per quintal, acre, but the crop suffered well below the Centre's MSP extensive damage during of Rs 2,400, forcing the state

Issues such as seed procurement. So far, the state

The minister urged the Centre to permit NAFED and NCCF to procure the full 16.85 lakh metric tonnes

Tummala also raised concerns over the Cotton Corporation of India's decision to limit procurement to 7 quintals per acre, calling it a severe blow to farmers On maize, he said the already struggling with losses from the Montha cyclone.

He CCI's said issues in the L1, L2 and spot booking systems, have compounded farmers' distress.

### **US State Secy Marco Rubio says** 'some concern' in Washington



US Secretary of State Marco Rubio has said "there's some concern" among officials in Washington with regard to the recent spate of settler violence in the West Bank between Jewish nationalists and Palestinians, voicing worries over the possible fallout that could unravel in its aftermath, (See on page 5)

### **Deafalympics becoming more** competitive: Diksha Dagar



Professional golfer Diksha Dagar, who is part of the Indian contingent that will participate at the upcoming Deafalympics in Tokyo, feels that the games are becoming more competitive and stressed that the Deaf should take up sports as a healthy lifestyle.

(See on page 7)

### Court orders FIR against ex-MLA Geeta Jain for slapping MBMC engineer

Mumbai, Nov 13 (UNI): A local court in neighbouring Palghar district on Thursday directed police to register an FIR against former MLA Geeta Jain for slapping a junior engineer of Mira-Bhayander Municipal Corporation in 2023 during a demolition drive to remove illegal hutments.

As the then sitting MLA of the area, she opposed the drive on the ground that the poor residents there would be rendered homeless just before the monsoon season exposing them to inclement weather. The court directive was given in response to a private complaint filed by activists of the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) based on video evidence that had gone viral showing her slapping the engineer Subham Patil and grabbing his collar. This was objectionable as even though she was the area MLA, Jain had no right to slap civic employees publicly and humiliate them. The complaint submitted that the MLA can use all her power and initiate action against government employees if they fail in their duty but she had no right to slap employees publicly.

After hearing the complaint, the court directed the local Kashimira Police to register a case under Sections 323, 352, 353, 504, and 506 of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) pertaining to intentionally causing hurt, intimidatiom of public servants and obstructing them while

performing their duties besides provoking violence against them. The video shows her venting her anger against two municipal engineers who were carrying out the demolition of illegal huts in the slum area near Kakkad Building in the Penkar Pada locality. Many residents including women and children were stranded on the roadside after the destruction of their homes. She questioned officials asking why the civic body was carrying out action despite government orders against demolitions during monsoon season in the light of various court rulings on humanitarian

Apparently provoked by the engineer Patil's smile as he replied, she went into a fit of rage slapping him.

### **Seven rescued** from Sahastrakund waterfall in Nanded

Nanded, Nov 13 (UNI): Seven persons were rescued on Thursday after being stranded at the Sahastrakund waterfall located in Kinwat tehsil of Nanded district in Maharashtra.

According to official sources, all rescued persons, four women and three children, are residents of Ekamba village in Umarkhed tehsil.

Around 3:15 pm the group entered the waterfall area under the mistaken assumption that water levels were low. Despite receiving warnings from local residents about potential dangers, the group continued further into the stream. Their situation became dangerous when water currents gathered strength leaving them trapped and unable to return to safety.

Upon receiving information, the District Disaster Management Authority immediately activated rescue operations. Authorities contacted the irrigation department with instructions to stop water release promptly to reduce flow intensity. The rescue team explored multiple options, including requesting helicopter support for aerial assistance.

Simultaneously, a ground rescue team was assembled comprising police personnel, revenue department staff, local volunteers, experienced young men from the Bhoi community known for their water rescue capabilities.

Through coordinated efforts of all involved agencies and community members, the operation concluded successfully by 5:15 pm with all seven

### **AIIMS Nagpur** PG student commits suicide

Nagpur, Nov 13 (UNI): A postgraduate medical student at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) in Nagpur allegedly died by suicide at her private apartment, police said on Thursday.

The deceased has been identified as Dr. Samruddhi Krishnakant Pandey (25), daughter of CRPF Deputy Inspector General (DIG) Krishnakant Pandey, who is posted in Pune.

According to the police, the incident took place on the evening of Wednesday at Manjira conducted an inquest, and sent the body for postmortem examination at a

# Delhi cabinet okays new policy for compassionate employment to dependants of anti- Sikh riot victims

New Delhi, Nov 13 (UNI) The Delhi Cabinet, in its meeting chaired by Chief Minister Rekha Gupta, has approved a policy to provide compassionate employment to the dependants of those who lost their lives in the 1984 anti-Sikh riots.

Announcing details of the Cabinet decision, Gupta has said that the new policy marks a concrete step towards expediting longpending cases employment assistance that remained unresolved since the cabinet decision of 2007. According to the CM, a key feature of the new policy is that dependants of the victims, who are now above 50 years of age and unable to take up employment will have the option to nominate a member of the next generation such as a son, daughter, daughter-in-law, or son-in-law for the job.

This provision ensures that the benefit of employment genuinely reaches the family and that the intended purpose of assistance is effectively fulfilled. The clause has been introduced in recognition of the fact that many eligible dependents have now grown elderly.

CM has said that for the past 18 years, the process could not be completed due to various administrative reasons, and to end this prolonged delay, the government has now introduced a clear, structured, and time-bound policy, to ensure that eligible families receive employment assistance promptly.

The CM further stated that necessary relaxations in age and educational qualifications have also been incorporated into the policy, and all the provisions will comply with the directions of the Delhi High Court and the prescribed legal framework.

Additionally, transparent and welldefined mechanism has been established for verification, grievance redressal, and departmental allocation to ensure that the process of appointments is fair, accountable, and efficient, she added.

Gupta emphasised that this decision reflects her government's empathy for the victim families and its unwavering commitment to their dignity, justice, and economic rehabilitation."Our government is determined to ensure that no eligible family faces further delays. By extending employment opportunities to the next generation, we aim not only to provide financial support but also to restore the self-respect of these families," she said.

# **Rotary Launches Bold Initiatives Empowering Women and Expanding Access to Healthcare**



empowerment — offering

(Standard Post Bureau) Mumbai, Nov 13: Rotary District 3141 created a recent history with a powerful showcase of graced by the august presence of Rotary International President Rtn. Francesco Arezzo along with Rotary District Governor Dr Manish Motwani and other

Rotary Dignitaries. At a grand event in Mulund, President Arezzo flagged off 10 "Pink Autos" under Rotary's pioneering PINK AUTO INITIATIVE, a project that is changing lives by empowering women from modest backgrounds to become self-reliant entrepreneurs. Each beneficiary receives 50% funding support from Rotary for the vehicle down payment, with the balance arranged through state-run loans.Beyond financial assistance, the training in driving, commercial skills, customer obtaining licenses and vehicles. The initiative is already being hailed as a transformative step toward women's economic independence and dignity, with ripple effects expected to uplift entire families for generations. Speaking on the occasion, Rotary District Governor Dr Manish Motwani said, "Rotary's mission is to create lasting change — in individuals, communities, and across the world. The presence of our International President today adds great inspiration to our journey of service."In another momentous first for the 80 years in Mumbai, Rotary

program ensures holistic two Rotary District Hospitals — a Multi-Specialty Heart Hospital in Deonar and an Eye Hospital service, and self-defense, in Mulund — both set to service and empowerment, along with assistance in revolutionize access to affordable healthcare in Mumbai. Both of these are part of the vision and dream projects of the District Governor, Dr Manish Motwani.Planning had started two years ago and coming to fruition now

The Deonar Heart Hospital, located amidst underserved communities, will become a major regional hub offering advanced cardiac care, including pediatric heart surgeries for underprivileged children. The Mulund Eye Hospital will spearhead citywide screening and awareness campaigns aimed at eliminating avoidable blindness particularly cataract-related through timely intervention and education.

# PIB Imphal Holds "Vartalap" Workshop to **Bridge Gap Between Government and Media**

(Standard Post Bureau) Imphal, Nov 13: The

Press Information Bureau (PIB), Imphal, organised a one-day media workshop, "Vartalap", on Thursday to enhance awareness among local journalists about various Central government schemes and policies being implemented Manipur. programme, held at the Sangai Hall of Hotel Imphal, formed part of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting's media outreach initiative aimed at fostering a closer interface between the government and the public through the media.The workshop brought together over 40 journalists from different media houses across the state. The event commenced with the collective singing of Vande Mataram and was graced by Director of Information and Public Relations (DIPR), Government of Manipur, Ngangom Uttam Singh, as the chief guest. Dr. Engam Pame, IIS, Director of PIB Imphal, presided over the function, while Asem Bhakta Singh, President of the All Manipur Working Journalists' union (AMWJU), and Yumnam Rupachandra Singh, General Secretary of the

Uttam Singh lauded PIB Imphal for organising the workshop, describing it as an effective platform for dialogue between the media and the government. He emphasised that journalists must possess in-depth knowledge of government schemes and policies to ensure accurate dissemination

Editors' Guild Manipur,

attended as guests of

information at grassroots. "Misinformation and incomplete information are dangerous," he cautioned, urging media professionals to uphold their role as facilitators of truth and transparency.

Dr. Engam Pame highlighted the pivotal role of the media in building public awareness and trust government programmes. He stated that the success of any policy depends on the active participation of the people, which can only be achieved when citizens are well informed. "Vartalap seeks to create an interface between government stakeholders and the media, developing a smooth information flow and empowering journalists with authentic data," he said.Dr. Pame further noted that this was the 11th Vartalap organised by PIB Imphal and that the initiative is part of a broader strengthen factual communication in the digital era. He observed that false or misleading information poses serious challenges in today's media environment and urged journalists to lead the fight against disinformation through verification and

Pushpa Maibam, Media and Communication Officer of PIB Imphal, delivered the keynote address and welcomed the dignitaries and participants. She expressed confidence that Vartalap would serve as a meaningful platform for government departments and media professionals to engage in constructive discussions aimed at

fact-checking.

the ensuring that welfare NIELIT Imphal, delivered a schemes reach their intended beneficiaries.

The technical session that followed the inaugural ceremony featured three resource persons who presented papers on diverse subjects, ranging from cultural preservation to sports development and cyber security.

G. Dharmadas Sharma, Joint Director of Art and Culture, Government of Manipur, elaborated on the department's efforts to promote cultural harmony and preserve the rich heritage of the state. He underscored the role of the Manipur State Kala Akademi in fostering artistic excellence and spoke about the various Central and state-level providing schemes financial assistance to artists and cultural organisations.

Dr. Mayengbam Veto Singh, Director of Youth Affairs and Sports, Field Office Chandel, who highlighted Manipur's outstanding achievements in sports, noting that the state has produced 19 Olympians, including three medallists — the highest in the Northeast.

He said that the Khelo India Centre of Excellence at Khuman Lampak Sports Complex is playing a vital role in nurturing future champions strengthening the sporting ecosystem.

He added that the department continues to create better infrastructure, training facilities, and employment opportunities for sportspersons, with support from both the state and Central governments.

On the theme of cyber awareness, Dr. Angom Buboo Singh, Scientist-E at presentation on "Cyber Security." He defined cyber security as the practice of protecting computer systems, networks, and data from digital attacks and emphasised journalists, being custodians of sensitive information, are often highvalue targets for hackers. He cautioned that in an age of increasing digital surveillance, journalists must prioritise both digital and physical security. Dr. Angom also highlighted NIELIT Imphal's initiatives in promoting cyber safety awareness in schools, colleges, and law enforcement agencies, including cyber forensic training for personnel.

The presentations

concluded with remarks

from Moirangthem Rustum

Singh, Assistant Director,

Central Bureau of

Communication (CBC), discussions and reiterated importance collaboration between the media and the government in ensuring the effective implementation of welfare policies. Through Vartalap, PIB Imphal reaffirmed its commitment strengthening government-media partnership by fostering informed journalism and countering misinformation. workshop The underscored the crucial role of the media as the "fourth pillar of democracy" in bridging the communication gap between the government and the people, ensuring that policies not only reach the public but also resonate with their needs and

# 'Abki Baar, AQI 400 Paar': AAP attacks Delhi govt over rising pollution

announced the launch of

New Delhi, Nov 13 (UNI) The Municipal Corporation of Delhi's (MCD) monthly meeting turned chaotic on Thursday as Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) councillors staged a protest inside the House, wearing black masks to condemn the city's deteriorating air quality and alleged inaction by the Bharatiya Janata (BJP)-led Party administration.

Led by Leader of Opposition (LoP) Ankush Narang, AAP members raised slogans of "Abki Baar, AQI 400 Paar" as they accused the BJP

government of neglecting Delhi's worsening pollution crisis.

"Despite a so-called 'four-engine' government, the residents of Delhi are forced to breathe toxic air," Narang said, adding that children and the elderly are falling ill while authorities "sit silent."

As per the statement of Narang, air quality in several parts of Delhi, including the mayor's own ward of Timarpur, has crossed the 'severe' category with AQI levels above 700.

"Every Delhiite is

inhaling pollution equivalent to smoking 15.5 cigarettes a day," he claimed. "Three out of every four families are battling pollution-related illnesses.

The LoP accused Mayor Raja Iqbal Singh of evading accountability after adjourning the session instead of holding a discussion on the crisis.

"When the Aam Aadmi Party sought a debate on this life-threatening issue, the Mayor chose to run away. Is this how a responsible government behaves?" Narang asked.

Apartments in the Shiv Kailash Nagar area of the city, where the student was residing.Dr. Pandey was a first-year postgraduate student in the Department of Dermatology at AIIMS Nagpur.Her flatmate, Dr. Suhani Sanjay Jaiswal, found the door to their shared apartment locked from inside. On entering through the rear door, she discovered Dr. Pandey hanging from the ceiling fan and immediately informed the college administration and the police. A team from Sonegaon Police Station reached the

government hospital.

### Delhi BJP condemns Saurabh Bharadwaj's alleged 'costume' remark on plaster cast of person injured in blast

New Delhi, Nov 13 (UNI) Hitting- out at AAP leader Saurabh Bharadwaj over his remark related to an injured being treated at the LNJP hospital following the blast near Red Fort, Delhi BJP spokesperson Praveen Shankar Kapoor on Thursday criticized the AAP leader's statement accusing him of questioning the doctors of the hospital, by calling a 'plaster cast' a 'costume.' Kapoor strongly condemned a post on social media platform X, made by the AAP leader Bharadwaj, where he shared photographs of a person said to have been injured due to the blast near Red Fort. According to Kappor, one picture was from November 10 and another November 12, and in a post on X, Delhi BJP spokesperson stated that, "Saurabh, you have been posting many political posts against BJP leaders till date, but this one is shameful."Kapoor stated, "by calling a plaster cast" a costume, you are also questioning the credibility of the doctors."The BJP leader mentioned that it takes some time in some cases to determine the right line of treatment, and he mentioned that back in 2022, he had got injured, and the doctor had decided to put a plaster cast on his leg after three days. The BJP leader has sought explanation from Bharadwaj, asking on what medical basis did he call the plaster cast on the injured patient's hand on November 12 a "costume." Sharpening his attack on the party, Kapoor alleged that only AAP leaders like him can mock a victim in this way, like earlier AAP national president Arvind Kejriwal had demanded proof of army's valour. Kapoor said that Bharadwaj, who is a political follower of Kejriwal, who once demanded proof of the Army's bravery, has now posted two photos of an injured patient taken on different days, insinuating that the patient was made to wear a "costume."

aspirations.

The spokesperson further said that by making such a low comment about one of those who got injured due to the Red Fort blast, Bharadwaj has not only cast aspersions on the character of the patient, but also tarnished the reputation of the doctors at the LNJP hospital.

### **Eight held** for running fake currency racket in **Hyderabad**

Hyderabad, Nov 13 (UNI) The city police have busted a counterfeit currency racket by arresting eight persons. Police seized Rs 4.75 lakh in fake Rs 500 notes, a car, three two-wheelers and nine mobile phones from their possession.

In a joint operation, the Mehdipatnam Police and the Commissioner's Task Force (South West Zone) arrested eight suspects at Eidgah Grounds on Wednesday night when they were in possession of counterfeit notes.

A police statement said the prime accused, Kasthuri Ramesh Babu, a car mechanic from Tandur, was manufacturing the fake notes at his residence with the help of his sister. He had previously been arrested in similar cases in Gujarat and Hyderabad.

During interrogation, he led the police to his house, where equipment used for printing counterfeit notes was found.

Ramesh scanned original Rs 500 notes, edited them using Photoshop, printed them on JK Bond paper and added a fabricated green security thread made from gift-wrapping material. After drying the sheets with a heat gun, he bundled them to resemble genuine currency.

It said Ramesh promoted the illegal trade through Instagram, where he shared a video and his contact number. His associates — Waheed. Taha, Sohail, Fahad, Imran, Omer and Altamash — helped circulate the fake notes in Hyderabad using a tiered distribution system with ratios ranging from 1:4 to 1:2, allowing each level to profit illegally.

The accused were produced in a court on Thursday. Efforts are underway to trace any other individuals linked to the racket, the statement added.

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY Tender Notice No. HE-TRD-2024-25-0T-32-1 Dated: 07-11-2025 The undersigned, on behalf of the

President of India, invites E-Tenders for the following items. Name of the Work of Insulated Overlaps in Hubballi Division

Upto 16:00 Hrs on 04-12-2025

ror details log on: www.ireps.gov.in
eep visiting the website for any corrigendum till closing date
Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer/
Traction Distribution/Hubballi Download the UTS Mobile App from Google Play Store for ease of booking of unreserved tickets

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### **CENTRAL RAILWAY**

SOLAPUR DIVISION E-Tender Notice Tender Notice No. GEM/2025/B/6862206

dated 10.11.2025 DRM(M)'s office, Central Railway, Solapu on behalf of the President of India invites sealed tender from the reputed firms/ contractors for the following work.:- Name of work with its locality: The contract services in reserved class coaches primary maintained trains of Solapur and Kalabur coaching depot of Solapur division for a period of 28 Month on manpower basis rough GeM. **System of tendering** - Two packet system., <u>Approximate cost of</u> work - Rs.9,08,47,596.19/-, <u>Cost of the</u> Tender form - Nil, Address of the office from where the tender form can be purchased - DRM(M)'s office, Central Railway, Solapur, Earnest money to be deposited - Rs. 6,04,238/-, Completion period of the work - Two years from the date of commencement of the work. Date and Time for submission of tender 02.12.2025 at 09.00 hrs., <u>Date and time</u> of opening of tender - 02.12.2025 at 09.30 hrs. Website particulars & notice board location where complete details

of tender can be seen - www.gem.gov.in



Fans pose with their tickets on the eve of the first Test cricket match of a series between India and South Africa, near Eden Gardens in Kolkata.

# Minister Ponnam pushes RTC to boost non-fare revenue

Hyderabad, Nov 13 (UNI) Transport Minister Ponnam Prabhakar has directed RTC to step up efforts to increase nonticket revenue, pointing out that while the Maha Lakshmi scheme has supported the corporation. long-term financial stability requires fresh income streams.

Women have availed 237 crore free tickets so far, with the government reimbursing Rs 7,980 crore to RTC. At a review meeting with top officials, the minister asked RTC to expand advertisements on buses, stations ticketing systems.

He also instructed officials to introduce new routes in fast-growing city areas, prepare for the arrival of 2,000 new e-buses, charging upgrade infrastructure, and deploy new buses in high-demand corridors.

Prabhakar pushed for faster recruitments, speedy completion of major bus station works including Mulugu, Manthani, Madhira, Huzurnagar and Kodad and strict driver monitoring to reduce accidents.

RTC MD Nagi Reddy announced the formation of a special committee to examine the reasons behind losses in depots such as Tandur, Vikarabad, BHEL, Miyapur, Kushaiguda, Dilsukhnagar Hakimpet. The committee will assess local conditions and recommend steps to revive these units.

He also briefed the minister on preparations for the Medaram Jatara, where RTC plans to run 3,800 buses to handle an expected 20 lakh passengers, and on the expansion of rental buses operated through women's groups. Special Chief Secretary Vikas Raj and senior RTC officials took part in the meeting, an

### Cyberabad police bust massive inter-state GST fake ITC scam

Hyderabad, Nov 13 (UNI): The Cyberabad Police has busted a major inter-state GST fraud network that created ten fake GST-registered firms and fraudulently claimed Input Tax Credit (ITC) worth Rs 11.79 crore.

Sohil Muradali Lakhani alias Sonu(34), a resident of Abids in city but a native of Bhavnagar, Gujarat, is the organizer and financial handler of the scam, police said. Another suspect is Hyderabad-based document courier Mohd Akram Hasnuddin. Both were arrested Wednesday.

A. Muthyam Reddy, Deputy Commissioner of Police (Ecnomic Offences Wing, Cyberabad) said in a release on Thurday that the mastermind, gang's Abdullah, a resident of Delhi, Syded Mujtaba Hussaini alias Azam, technical expert, and Ayiti Raja Shekar, a technical operator, are absconding.

The firms never existed in reality but were created using forged documents to show fake invoices and fabricated turnover, Reddy

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entities, the accused fraudulently claimed and passed on Input Tax Credit (ITC) worth ?11,79,76,284, causing a heavy loss to the portal, government. The accused operated a well-planned network across several The gang used fake

Aadhaar cards, PAN cards, electricity bills, rent agreements, and other forged documents, and manipulated government portals using computers to carry out the large-scale GST fraud.Police said the accused created 10 fake GST-registered firms by fabricating identities using altered Aadhaar cards, PAN cards, electricity bills, rental agreements, GHMC licences, and labour department certificates.

states, police added.

Using these forged

documents, they obtained SIM cards in false names and completed OTP-based verification on the GST successfully registering GST numbers for firms that never existed in reality.After obtaining these fake GST numbers, they generated bogus purchase and sales invoices, created fake turnover, and claimed ITC without any physical movement of goods.

To support the deception, they created fake E-Waybills using real vehicle numbers with tampered chassis details. Around 52 firms are involved in the scam from eight states including Telangana, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Haryana, Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Karnataka, and Gujarat, the release added.

rankings. This recognition

### **UoH ranked 246th in Asia**

Hyderabad (UNI): The University of Hyderabad (UoH) has secured a significant milestone in the QS Asia University Rankings 2026 by placing 246th in Asia and 5th among India's Central Universities.

The university has also emerged as the highestranked institution from Telangana in the latest

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY CAO/CN/BNC/133/2025 Dated: 29-07-2025 Name of the Work Approx. Value RFP for Construction Rs. 964,51,54,197/-RFP for Construction New Broad Gauge line ncluding Electrical, Signal 8 Telecommunication works between Jumlapur Road (Excl) Ch: 75400 and

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Bengaluru Cantonment

reflects UoH's sustained commitment to high-quality postgraduate education, interdisciplinary research and an inclusive learning environment. With strong research output, modern infrastructure and faculty of international repute, the university continues to push the boundaries of knowledge while addressing contemporary challenges. Vice-Chancellor Professor B J Rao expressed happiness over the achievement, saying it reaffirms the institution's dedication to excellence and its efforts to nurture a academic diverse community.

He noted that the university will continue to focus on impactful research and global engagement.

### **CM Revanth Reddy extends** Children's Day greetings, pays tribute to Nehru

Hyderabad, Nov 13 (UNI) Telangana Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy extended warm greetings to children on the occasion of National Children's Day on Friday, while remembering India's first Prime Minister and freedom fighter Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru on his birth anniversary.

In a message, the Chief Minister said the state government is working in line with Nehru's vision of treating children as the nation's greatest wealth and ensuring a brighter future for them.

He noted that the government has initiated significant reforms in the school education sector, inspired by Nehru's belief that "today's children are tomorrow's citizens."

Revanth Reddy said strengthening education system remains a key priority, as progress for the poor and weaker sections is possible only through education. He called upon everyone to contribute to nurturing children into responsible and capable citizens.

### **Green Gold Animation** unveils 'Learn with Bheem', a learning app for children

Hyderabad, Nov 13 (UNI): Green Gold Animation, creators of the popular Chhota Bheem franchise, has launched 'Learn with Bheem', an interactive learning app aimed at children aged 2 to 8 years.

The app marks the studio's entry into the edtech space, blending structured early learning with playful, characterdriven activities.

Available globally on the Google Play Store and Apple App Store, the app features age-based modules covering language, numeracy, creativity, memory, and problem-solving. Younger children learn basics like colours, shapes and numbers with Mighty Little Bheem, while older age groups engage with math, language games, crosswords, logic puzzles and creative tasks featuring Bheem and his friends.

The app offers free access with ads, alongside subscription options for an ad-free experience and premium content.

Founder and CEO Rajiv Chilaka said the goal is to extend the emotional connection of Green Gold's characters into meaningful early learning, creating a safe and enjoyable environment for children. The launch reflects

Green Gold Animation's expansion from entertainment into interactive learning solutions for young audiences, a company statement said on Thursday.

# Il set for Jubilee Hills by-election vote counting on Nov 14: DEO

Hyderabad, Nov 13 candidates in the fray, the (UNI) District Election Officer and GHMC Commissioner R V. Karnan on Thursday said that all arrangements have been completed for the counting of votes polled in the Jubilee Hills by-election held on November 11.

Addressing the media at the DRC Centre in Kotla Vijayabhaskar Reddy Indoor Stadium, Yousufguda, he said counting will begin at 0800 hours on Friday, starting with postal ballots.

Karnan said votes from With

407 polling stations will be

Election Commission granted special permission to set up 42 counting tables, and the process will be completed in 10 rounds.

A total of 186 staff members have been deputed for the task. The results will be uploaded periodically on the EC website, and a large LED screen has been arranged for the media to display updates.

City Joint Commissioner of Police Tafseer Iqbal said 250 police personnel and 15 platoons will be deployed at the counting centre. Section 144 will be in force in and around the premises, and only authorised persons will be allowed entry. He warned that strict action will be taken against anyone attempting to disturb peace.

The by-election saw a slight increase in turnout compared to the 2023 Assembly polls. Against 47.49 per cent polling last year, the latest by-poll recorded 48.49 per cent, a marginal rise of one per cent. Of the 4.01 lakh voters in the constituency, 1,94,632 people cast their votes, including 99,771 men, the highest among voter groups.

### **INCOIS** hosts curtain-raiser for IISF-2025

Hyderabad, Nov 13 (UNI): The Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS) on Thursday organised a curtain-raiser event ahead of the India International Science Festival (IISF) 2025, scheduled to be held in Chandigarh from December 6 to 9.

The event highlighted the growing importance of ocean science and technological innovation in tackling climate change, improving coastal preparedness, and driving India's expanding Blue Economy.

In his chief guest address Prof Yuichiro Tanioka, Chair of the Joint Tsunami Commission and Emeritus Professor at Hokkaido University, praised India's rapid strides in scientific capability.

He highlighted the Indian Tsunami Warning Centre, operated by INCOIS, as one of the most advanced and reliable warning systems in the world, providing real-time alerts to several Indian Ocean nations under international frameworks.

Prof. Tanioka said such achievements demonstrate how science can be converted into robust services that directly protect lives and livelihoods

INCOIS Director Dr T M. Balakrishnan Nair, emphasised that the festival's theme, "Vigyan Se Samriddhi: Aatmanirbhar Bharat," aligns strongly with INCOIS's mission to advance scientific research for national growth and self-reliance.

He noted that INCOIS's initiatives from high-resolution ocean weather forecasts and tsunami early-warning systems to climate projections and marine ecosystem modelling-are playing a transformative role in safeguarding coastal communities and supporting marine sectors such as fisheries, shipping and offshore energy.IISF-2025 chief organiser Surayachandra Rao provided an overview of the upcoming festival, noting that it will include scientific exhibitions, thematic sessions, innovation showcases, student-scientist interactions, and outreach programmes aimed at fostering scientific temper among the public.Jagvir Singh, Advisor at the Ministry of Earth Sciences and Chief Coordinator of IISF-2025, and Naresh Chafekar of Vignan Bharati, said the festival will bring together researchers, innovators, industry experts and science communicators from across the country.

The curtain-raiser was held as a special session during the ongoing International Tsunami Symposium 2025, which is being hosted by INCOIS from November 12 to 14. Participants of the symposium, along with INCOIS researchers and students from various institutions, attended the event.

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SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

Dated: 06.11.2025

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# Singareni bags National-Level Award in 'Swachhata Special Campaign 5.0'

Hyderabad, Nov 13 (UNI): Under the aegis of the Ministry of Coal and Mines, the state-owned Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) has been adjudged the Best Performing Company at the national level in the "Swachhata Special Campaign 5.0," conducted among Coal India subsidiaries, Singareni, and other mining organizations.

the awards ceremony held in New Delhi on Thursday evening, union Minister for Coal and Mines, G. Kishan Reddy, presented the Best Swachhata Company Award to Singareni Chairman and Managing

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Director N. Balram.

Expressing his delight, Balram congratulated all the officers and employees who contributed to the successful implementation of the campaign across Singareni. He stated that it is a

matter of pride that the organization, which is already excelling in coal, power, and green energy production, has also earned a distinguished name in cleanliness environmental care.

The campaign, organized for 30 days from Gandhi Jayanthi last month, was conducted across coal

The undersigned on behalf of the President of India, invites E-tenders EAST COAST RAILWAY for the following works. Sl. Name of the Work | Approx. Value

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### **STANDARD POST**

# Public health of Indians at risk due to substandard imports of PVC Resin

Extensive dumping of poor quality PVC resin, containing carcinogenic compounds, in India, poses a significant risk to public health, the Centre for Domestic Economy Policy Research (C-DEP.in), has said.PVC (Poly-vinyl chloride) is a synthetic resin commonly used in plastic products. It is hazardous throughout its lifecycle, from production, through usage, and as a waste product. Resins are used in varnishes, adhesives, food additives, incenses and perfumes. PVC resins can cause severe health problems, including cancer, endocrine disruption, endometriosis, neurological damage, birth defects, impaired child development and reproductive and immune system damage.

PVC currently contributes nearly 30 percent of India's economy, with widespread use across water, sanitation, irrigation, healthcare, construction and infrastructure. The C-DEP.in, in a report highlights how high levels of Residual Vinyl Chloride Monomer (RVCM), a Category 1A carcinogen (as per Internation Agency for Research on Cancer) continue to be present in PVC resin brought into the Indian market, with concentration up to five times higher than globally accepted safety limits.

The report titled "Balancing Growth and Public Health Safety: Criticality of PVC QCO in India" was launched at IIT Delhi on Thursday.

"The Modi government has been championing the Zero Defect, Zero Effect by adopting Quality Control Order (QCO). Such a policy step by the government is strengthening consumer safety and industrial standards while promoting exports from India that are dependable and of high quality," Dr. Jaijit Bhattacharya, President of C-DEP.in, said.

The report notes that the proposed Quality Control Order (QCO) on PVC resin was notified by the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals (DCPC) in August 2024, and subsequently deferred thrice. The order is now scheduled to be enforced in December.

"Quality Control Orders (QCOs) should not be limited to finished goods alone. It is equally or more important to cover raw materials as the quality of a final product is only as strong as the materials that go into it. To truly protect public safety and establish fair competition for domestic producers, QCOs must encompass the entire value chain, ensuring quality and accountability at every stage of production." Anil Sharma, of The Swadeshi Jagran Manch, said at the launch of the report.

Anil Sharma said the Swadeshi Jagran Manch (SJM) is committed to achieving a self-reliant India.

"We are focused on prioritizing the protection of domestic industries and actively encouraging the use of indigenous products. Our mission is to influence policy, thereby strengthening national economic independence and ensuring Indian businesses are successfully positioned in the global market," he added.C-DEP research indicates that over 39 overseas players have already procured the required BIS certification for exporting to India making BIS-certified capacity at 3.4 times the current domestic demand for PVC. Full enforcement of the standard, therefore, would not disrupt supply, instead, it would strengthen predictability, trust, and quality assurance across the manufacturing chain.

Moreover, the proposed framework aligns with international best practices. The European union and countries like the United States and Thailand regulate Residual Vinyl Chloride Monomer (RVCM) levels in PVC resin within a stringent range of 0.5 ppm to 3 ppm, ensuring safety in water and food-contact applications.

India, however, does not yet have a binding national limit on RVCM which has allowed imports of PVC resin from China with concentrations reported between 5 ppm and 10 ppm. This difference in quality benchmarking has resulted in continued inflow of lower-grade resin into the domestic market, reinforcing the need for timely implementation of the PVC QCO to ensure Indian standards are at par with global safety benchmarks.

In this context, the report's release contributes to the ongoing dialogue on quality standards, consumer safety and public health in India.

# Children's Day: More Than Celebration ; A Commitment for future

(A.Ibrahim Sheriff IRPFS/

Standard Post Bureau) Every year, 14th November is celebrated as Children's Day in India, commemorating the birth anniversary of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, a leader who cherished children and believed in nurturing them as the architects of India's future. On this joyful day, schools resound with laughter, parks fill with colour, and communities gather to celebrate the spirit of childhood. But amidst the festivities, there exists a silent, vigilant force 'one that works round the clock, not with balloons or sweets, but with courage and compassion 'to protect the innocence of children in one of the busiest public spaces in the world ie. the Indian Railways'. We are talking about the Railway Protection Force (RPF), the

property.

"The children of today will make the India of tomorrow."

unsung heroes who

safeguard more than just

passengers and railway

– Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru

RPF protect dreams and they protect children. But in the corners of railway platforms, under staircases, in waiting rooms and on moving trains, are thousands of children who know nothing of this celebration. Children who are trafficked in broad daylight, unseen by rushing crowds, Children who have run away from abuse, only to fall into another trap, Children who are abandoned, lost, or coerced into child labour, their innocence stolen long before its time. For these forgotten faces, Children's Day is not a celebration, it is a plea for help. The group answering this call are men and women in khaki of the Railway Protection Force (RPF).

RPF: Where Duty Meets

Compassion While the RPF is known for its role in railway security, many are unaware of its pivotal contribution to child protection. Railway stations, often overcrowded and chaotic, can become danger zones for children, places where they may get separated from families, fall prey to traffickers, or simply go unnoticed in distress. It is here, in these very spaces,



A.Ibrahim Sheriff IRPFS, DIG-Cum-CSC, RPF/ Southern Railway

that RPF personnel become lifelines, stepping in not just as law enforcers, but as guardians, mentors, and caregivers.

The RPF: From Property
Protectors to Child
Rescuers:

The RPF, established in 1957, was originally mandated to safeguard railway property and further entrusted with the responsibility to ensure passenger security. But over the years, it has evolved into something more powerful, a lifeline for thousands of endangered children moving through India's massive railway system.

Why the Railways? Because traffickers, child labour agents, and abductors prefer trains. They offer anonymity amid large crowds. They cross state lines quickly, complicating jurisdiction. They provide access to remote rural sources and large urban destinations of exploitation. The Indian Railways with over 67,000 km of track, 12,000 + trains and 7,000 stations is both a miracle of public transport and tragically, a corridor of vulnerability forchildren. That's where the RPF steps in as India's first line of defence against child trafficking, child labour, and exploitation on the rails.

Operation Nanhe Farishte: Hope in Khaki

The RPF's nationwide initiative, Operation Nanhe Farishte, is a shining example of child focused policing. In 2017, Indian Railways launched a transformative initiative under the RPF called Operation Nanhe Farishte-literally meaning "Little Angels". Its mission to To rescue, rehabilitate and protect children in distress on railway premises.

Since its inception, Operation Nanhe Farishte has rescued over 1.6 lakh children, including thousands trafficked for labour, marriage or abuse. Prevented untold numbers of potential child trafficking and child labour cases. Partnered with Childline (1098), District Child Protection Units, and NGOs for rehabilitation.

Created Child Help Desks at key stations -Child Help Desks: Small Booths with Big Hearts

At major stations, Child Help Desks have become havens for vulnerable children. Operated jointly by RPF, police, 1098 and NGOs to offer- Immediate shelter, food, and medical care, Registration into child protection systems, Connection to Child Welfare Committees and legal aid and tracking of missing child complaints. Children rescued here are not just "handed over." They are cared for, comforted and heard. Thousands of RPF personnel trained in child rights, trauma care and soft skills in this context. But behind every number is a story, a life, a child with a name and a constable with a conscience.

Children at Risk: Why the Indian Railways Is Ground Zero

India is home to over 472 million children and a large number of them belong to economically and socially vulnerable families. In this environment, children fall prey to Trafficking for bonded labour in factories, eateries, construction sites and homes. Sexual exploitation including being sold into prostitution. Forced begging as part of organized rackets. Early and illegal marriages, especially of girls. Neglect and abandonment due to poverty, addiction or family conflict.

The vast railway network becomes the route through which these illegal transitions take place and the RPF becomes the last hope for interception. On the frontlines, real life heroism by RPF include:

Bangalore, 2022:

A routine patrol on the Yesvantpur platform led to the rescue of 8 boys aged 10–14, who had been promised jobs at a garment factory. In truth, they were destined for bonded labour. Their freedom was restored before it was taken away.

Kanpur, 2023: RPF personnel, trained to spot suspicious behavior, noticed an agitated 13-year-old girl with a man who claimed to be her uncle. A discreet inquiry and careful questioning revealed she was being trafficked for forced marriage. She was rescued, the trafficker arrested and she is now in school under state care.

Chennai Central, 2024:

A crying 2-year old was found abandoned near the vending stalls. Constable Praveena, a young woman RPF officer, held the child for hours, fed him milk and helped locate his family through CCTV footage. She is now fondly called "Amma" by the boy's mother.

These are not cinematic tales. These are everyday miracles, performed by ordinary people doing extraordinary work.

Women RPF Personnel: Angels in Uniform

Perhaps the most impactful change in child protection by RPF has come through its increasing number of women constables and officers. With their presence and empathy, children feel safer and more comfortable opening up. Young girls, especially victims of abuse, receive nurturing care. The RPF presents a more balanced, humane face to victims. These women are not only protectors but also they are sisters, mothers and counselors rolled into one.

Whether it's a constable calming a lost child on a crowded platform or an Inspector chasing down a suspected trafficker, these daily acts of heroism have brought hope and safety/secuirity to countless young lives. These stories rarely make it to primetime news, but they are testaments to the human spirit in uniform.

Child Labour: A Crisis Hidden in the Open

Even today, thousands of children are illegally employed, some as young as 8 years old. They are sweeping floors in stalls, stitching clothes in shops, washing utensils in trains/ hotels, Breaking bricks in remote sites. They are often transported by trains, their fate sealed before they even know the meaning of "labour." The RPF, in partnership with labour enforcement authorities and police has rescued thousands of these children and ensured legal

action against exploiters.

Beyond Rescue:
Rehabilitation and Hope

Saving a child is only

the first step. The RPF also ensures documentation and FIRs to prosecute traffickers, Medical and psychological support for trauma recovery, Family tracing and safe return where possible, Long-term rehabilitation through government schemes and NGOs. In many cases, RPF personnel maintain contact with rescued children, witnessing transformation from victims

The Silent War Against Child Trafficking

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trafficking is a shadow crisis, often unnoticed by the public. Traffickers target children from rural or poor families and transport them by train, betting on the anonymity of crowded compartments. But the RPF, with heightened vigilance, intelligence networks andtech support, has emerged as a first line of defense. Special antitrafficking drives are conducted regularly at stations identified as trafficking hotspots.Traffickers often operate in silence, masking their victims under the guise of family or employment. The RPF has become adept at reading between the lines of lies and fear. RPF Anti-Trafficking

actions include, Functioning of Anti Human trafficking Units (AHTUs) at identified railway stations, Deploying plainclothes officers on suspicious trains, Monitoring high-risk routes and border states, Using CCTV, facial recognition, and passenger analytics to identify patterns. Questioning passengers when a child's distress is visible even a tear is enough to intervene. In 2024 alone, over 9,000 children were rescued by RPF across India. Many were just hours away from being lost forever to factories, brothels, or criminal networks.

Empowering to Protectors:

Recognizing the importance of their role, the Ministry of Railways has invested in specialized child protection training for RPF personnel.

constables, especially in sensitive zones, strengthening station infrastructure with CCTV, signage and awareness campaigns, enhanced coordination with District

Child Welfare Officers and

juvenile justice boards. The

aim is clear to make Indian

Recruitment of more women

Railways not just a transport network, but a safe corridor for every child. The Children's Day

Message, We Must All

It's easy to celebrate Children's Day with songs, balloons, and speeches. But the real tribute to children is ensuring their security, dignity, and future. Let us, this

Children's Day:Acknowledge the unseen children in distress on our railway platforms. Salute the RPF warriors who are rescuing lives, not just property. Let's pledge to support and spread awareness of child rights and protection and encourage citizens to report suspicious cases by calling RPF Helpline 139 or Childline 1098.

The Railway Tracks of Hope

The Indian Railways may be built of steel, but it carries the dreams of India's children. While it moves people across the nation, the RPF ensures that no child is moved into danger. This Children's Day, let us remember:-

The childhood must never be lost in transit as long as the RPF is on duty, it won't be. Let the world celebrate the beauty of childhood. Let the RPF continue safeguarding it one child, one rescue, one future at a time.

The true strength of a nation is reflected in how it treats its most vulnerable. The RPF is not just a security force, it is a symbol of India's conscience in uniform. By guarding railway platforms, they are guarding childhood itself. Through its tireless rescue efforts, anti-trafficking operations and empathetic outreach, the RPF ensures that no child is invisible, and no cry goes unheard.

The RPF steps in not just as security personnel, but as saviours.

Let us recognize, support andhonour their work - not just on Children's Day, but every day.

Jai hind

# Mr. Satish Singh Honored with Dr. Vipul Trikha Memorial Sahitya Sadhna Award



(Standard Post Bureau)

On November 9, 2025, during a Kavi Sammelan and felicitation ceremony at RKSD College on Ambala Road, Kaithal, Haryana, Mr. Satish Singh from Mumbai, a banker, senior economic columnist, and literary figure, was awarded the "Dr. Vipul Trikha Memorial Sahitya Sadhna Award" by Sahitya Sabha, Kaithal.

Mr. Singh received the award from Dr. Chandra Trikha, Director of the Haryana Sahitya Akademi. Literary figures such as Dr. Pal Kaur, Sumedha Kataria, and K.K. Rishi also

attended. Currently, Mr. Singh is the Assistant General Manager at the State Bank of India's Corporate Centre in Mumbai. He has been involved in literary pursuits for 30 years and in financial literacy for 17 years.

He has published over 2,500 articles, more than 60 stories, and more than 250 poems in newspapers and magazines. Additionally, seven of his music albums have been released on OTT platforms. Mr. Singh has received more than a dozen awards for his work in promoting financial literacy and the Hindi language. He has also published three books.

# India, Nepal Ink Deal to Boost Rail Trade Connectivity

New Delhi, Nov 13 (UNI) India and Nepal on Thursday inked a deal amending the Protocol to the Transit Treaty between the two countries facilitating movement of railbased freight between Jogbani (India) and Biratnagar (Nepal).

At a meeting between Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal and Nepal's Minister for Industry, Commerce and Supplies, Anil Kumar Sinha, interchanged a Letter of Exchange (LoE).

This liberalization extends to key transit corridors-Kolkata-Jogbani, Kolkata-Nautanwa (Sunauli), and Visakhapatnam-Nautanwa (Sunauli), thereby strengthening multimodal trade connectivity between the two countries and Nepal's trade with third countries. The LoE enables direct rail connectivity along the Jogbani-Biratnagar rail link for both containerized and bulk cargo, facilitating transport from the ports of Kolkata and Visakhapatnam to the Nepal Customs Yard cargo station located in Morang District, near Biratnagar in Nepal.



People ride boats in the polluted Yamuna river, in New Delhi.

### Union Minister Patel urges scientists to push frontiers in Al-driven healthcare, genomics

New Delhi, Nov 13 (UNI) union Minister Anupriva Singh Patel on Thursday called on the scientific community to harness AI and genomics for next-gen healthcare and ensure India leads the world in these futuristic technologies.

Speaking at the Health Research Excellence Summit 2025 here, Patel said, "India should not only contribute to global science but lead it."

Drawing attention to India's emerging role as a major player in health research over the past decade, she highlighted initiatives such as MedTech Mitra and and the COVID-19 vaccines, as a testament to India's growing prominence in the global health research landscape.The union Minister emphasised the Government's commitment to ensuring that the benefits of science and research reach people at all levels. "India is becoming increasingly self-reliant in MedTech biomedical innovation sectors. The country is not only innovating but also demonstrating the capacity to deliver solutions at

innovations like Rotavac

At a day-long summit organised by the Department of Health

scale," she added.

Research (DHR) in collaboration with the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), Dr Vinod Kumar Paul, Member (Health), Niti Aayog, urged the DHR to focus on priority areas such as noncommunicable diseases (NCDs), hypertension, and trauma care.

He chalked out a tenstep roadmap to achieve this vision, including measures such strengthening primary healthcare through 1.8 lakh fully functional Ayushman Arogya Mandirs (AAMs), offering comprehensive packages for cancer, hypertension, oral health, and more, promoting

medicine, and leveraging frontier technologies such as AI and robotics for innovative health solutions, among others. The summit also witnessed the unveiling of several DHR-ICMR initiatives, including MedTech Mitra's innovator's guidebook for in-vitro diagnostic (IVD) medical devices, and an assessment kit for evaluating Upper Limb functions that was developed indigenously by the Centre of Advanced Research & Excellence -Disability & Assistive Technology (CARE-DAT) at IIT Delhi and AIIMS Delhi

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# ANTF conference in Nagaland to lay roadmap to fight drug menace in NE

Dimapur, Nov 13 (UNI) In a renewed effort to fight the scourge of drugs in the Northeast region, a twoday regional conference of heads of Anti-Narcotics Task Forces (ANTF) of the Northeast West Bengal commenced Chumoukedima police complex on Thursday.

The conference aims to strengthen coordination and develop effective strategies and lay a roadmap to curb drug trafficking and substance abuse across the region.

Jointly organised by the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) and the Nagaland government, participants from various central and state law enforcement, intelligence, and security agencies are in attendance.

**Particulars** 

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Place: Mumbai

Date: 13 November, 2025

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(after Exceptional /Extraordinary item)

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Delivering the keynote address, Nagaland DGP Rupin Sharm observed that drug trafficking and use are no longer merely law and order issues but a direct threat to our internal security and the future of

He pointed out that the Northeast's long and porous 1,643 km border with Myanmar, combined with challenging terrains and the governance turmoil in Myanmar, and its close proximity to the Golden Triangle (Myanmar-Laos-Thailand), make the states of the region, including Nagaland, extremely

vulnerable. He said the drugs and drug money flowing through these routes feed the nexus of organised crime, insurgency, and narcoterrorism."Dismantling the

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CIN: L99999MH1985PLC035905 E-mail: mansoontradingltd@gmail.com. Website: www.mansoontrading.co.in Unaudited Financial Results for the quarter and half year ended 30th September, 2025

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These Unaudited Financial Results for the quarter and half year ended 30th September, 2025 have been reviewed by the Audit Committe

The Statutory Auditors of the Company have carried out a Limited Review of the above results for the quater and half year ended 30th

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and subsequently approved at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on 13th November, 2025

September, 2025 and have issued unmodified opinion on the same.

cartels synonymous enhancing national security," he added.

Sharma said Nagaland alone has an estimated 1.2 lakh drug users, who consume heroin, locally known as 'shaanflower' or 'SF', because of its traditional origins in the Shaan province Myanmar.

The DGP proposed three key pillars for the conference - coordination, enforcement, accountability. He stressed that coordination among agencies, coordination among the various pillars of the criminal justice system, coordination between law enforcement and civilian wings of government with the public are key to fighting the drug menace.NCB director

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general Anurag Garg, in his address, highlighted the significance of coordinated efforts among the northeastern states to strengthen enforcement mechanisms intelligence sharing in the fight against narcotics.

He stated that a 2019 survey conducted by the ministry of social justice and empowerment showed higher rates of drug abuse in the NE states as compared to the other states of the country.

R Sudhakar, DDG (NER), NCB, emphasised the need for constructive discussions in formulating effective strategies and a comprehensive roadmap to tackle the drug problem in the Northeast, viewing the conference as opportunity for the states to unite in this common

### **Congress slams** govt over Red Fort blast, asks Shah to own responsibility

New Delhi, Nov 13 (UNI) The Congress party on Thursday launched a scathing attack on the union Government's handling of the deadly car bomb blast near the Red Fort, which claimed 13 lives, terming it as a major intelligence failure and a worrying delay in official response. The party has demanded that Home Minister Amit Shah take responsibility for the security lapse.

"Forty-eight hours after the blast shook the national capital, the union Cabinet finally acknowledged what the entire nation already knew: this was a terror attack," said Pawan Khera, Chairman of the AICC's Media & Publicity Department in a statement issued at a press conference.

"The people of India deserve to know why it took so long for the Government to call this what it was, and why it failed to prevent yet another terror strike in the heart of the capital," he

Khera questioned how 2,900 kilograms of explosives were recovered in connection with the module behind the Red Fort bombing, highlighting serious and repeated intelligence failures.

He pointed out that this incident comes just seven months after the Pahalgam terror attack, which the Congress also termed a major intelligence failure.

The Congress leader directly challenged Amit Shah's continued tenure as Home Minister, citing several major terror attacks that have occurred under his watch, including the 2015 Gurdaspur attack and the 2019 Pulwama attack.

To ensure a unified national response, the Congress has put forth three demands:

\*The government must act on the "new normal" doctrine to deliver justice

\*The Prime Minister should convene an all-party meeting to build a unified national response

\*The government should prepone the Parliament session to discuss the Delhi Red Fort blast and address growing internal security concerns

"Unity in action, in the wake of adversity, is the need of the hour," Khera said, emphasizing that the terror attack necessitates a cohesive approach with all political parties and state governments.

# Mukul Roy's disqualification historic, says Suvendu Adhikari

Kolkata, Nov 13 (UNI) Describing the disqualification of TMC MLA Mukul Roy from the West Bengal Assembly over defection, leader of Opposition Suvendu Adhikari today said the Calcutta High Court ruling is historic.

In a statement, Adhikari said the ruling of the division bench comprising Justice Debangsu Basak and Justice Md. Shabbar Rashidi's disqualification of Mukul Ray as an MLA owing to his defection was historic in a hotly contested writ petition filed

The court ruling also quashed an order passed by the Speaker of the assembly, who had refused to do the same and had delayed his decision in the defection petition

delayed. The court, while preserving sanctity of the Constitution, especially the Tenth Schedule, has also left no doubt about the partisan attitude of the Speaker in deciding defection cases. I wholeheartedly welcome this

### Ayush Institute at Bengaluru to conduct Madhumeha Vimarsha

New Delhi, 13 Nov (UNI) The Ministry of AYUSH on Thursday said that the Central Ayurveda Research Institute (CARI), Bengaluru, will observe World Diabetes Day 2025 with a special programme titled "Madhumeha Vimarsha" on November 2025.

According to officials for the Ministry, the oneday event will feature the ongoing research, clinical work, and outreach initiatives taken up by the institute in the area of Diabetes mellitus.

Outlining the current measures taken by the government to develop and implement, the ministry noted that the centre has taken an integrative approach for prevention management of diabetes through Ayurveda, Yoga, and lifestyle interventions.

"So far, around 6,000

patients have availed services at the Institute, with more than 25% from the Economically Weaker Sections (EWS)," read the press statement.

Drawing attention to institutions' outreach efforts beyond clinical care, ministry officials said that facility the strengthened outreach through digital health initiatives, benefiting over 6 lakh people via e-medical records, teleconsultations, SMS alerts, information accessible on its website and social media platforms. Speaking ahead of the event, Dr Sulochana Bhat, In-charge, CARI Bengaluru, said, "Our focus has been on combining traditional wisdom with scientific research to address diabetes in a holistic yet evidence-based manner. The Centre's initiatives reflect how integrative healthcare can

support prevention and improve quality of life for those at risk."

She further highlighted the collaborative studies that are underway with CSIR-CFTRI, Mysuru, and IISc Bengaluru on selected food products and Ayurvedic formulations. "An integrated framework for the prevention and management Madhumeha has been developed and is in press, while a study on Prakriti and diabetic peripheral neuropathy is also under publication," the statement noted. Underscoring the institution's achievements in assessing diabetes risk, CARI has developed a machine learning-based predictive system. Once the validation is complete, a mobile app will be developed to enable individuals to monitor their health more effectively, the ministry noted.

# Game-Changer' Mudh-Nyoma Airbase boosts India's air power along China border

New Delhi, Nov 13 (UNI) After Chief of Air Staff Air Chief Marshal A.P. Singh successfully landed a C-130J Super Hercules aircraft on the newly built Mudh runway, the Indian Air Force (IAF) formally opened the strategically important Mudh-Nyoma airbase in eastern

Air Marshal Jeetendra Mishra, Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of the Western Air Command, accompanied him on the historic flight on Wednesday.

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh has called the airbase, which is 13,700 feet above sea level and only 25 kilometres from China's Line of Actual Control (LAC), a "game-changer."

The facility, which was built at a cost of Rs 218 crore by the Border Roads Organisation (BRO), has a 2.7-kilometer runway that can handle fighter jets, transport planes, and helicopters.

Now that Mudh-Nyoma is operational, India's aerial capabilities in the high-altitude region are greatly enhanced as Ladakh is home to four important Air Force bases: Leh, Kargil, Thoise, and Nyoma.

The airbase's activation follows a year after China and India resumed joint patrols in the Demchok sector, signalling a slow thaw in ties following the fatal clashes in 2020 that killed 20 Indian soldiers in the Galwan Valley and Pangong Tso region. Military deployment on both sides of the LAC has increased as a result of those clashes, which were brought on by disagreements over infrastructure development close to the Galwan River Valley

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1	Total Income	6.907	-	17.871	6.907	72.691	131.984
2	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period (before tax and						
	Exceptional items)	2.015	(8.088)	13.381	(6.073)	59.397	109.540
3	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period before tax, (after						
	Exceptional items)	2.015	(8.088)	13.381	(6.073)	59.397	109.540
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_	and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	10.990	(13.009)	8.446	(2.019)	61.400	105.084
6	Equity Share Capital	4070.005	4070 005	4070.005	4070 005	4070 005	4070.005
7	(Face Value of Shares : Rs. 10/-)	1976.625	1976.625	1976.625	1976.625	1976.625	1976.625
/	Earnings Per Share (of Rs. 10/- each)	0.000	(0.044)	0.000	(0.040)	0.000	0.504
	(a) Basic	0.030	(0.041)	0.068	(0.010)	0.300	0.521
	(b) Diluted	0.030	(0.041)	0.068	(0.010)	0.300	0.521

Place : Mumbai Date : 13th November, 2025

The above is an extract of the detailed format of Financial Results for the quarter and half year ended 30th September, 2025 filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Financial Results are available on the website of Stock Exchange i.e BSE at www.bseindia.com and the Company's website www. mystic-electronics.com. The above results were reviewed and recommended by the Audit Committee and were approved by the Board of Directors at their respective meetings held or 13th November, 2025. The same can also be assessed through the QR Code given below

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[Rs. In Lakhs Except EPS] Half Year Year to Quarter Quarter 30.09.2025 30.06.2025 30.09.2024 30.09.2025 .03.2025 Unaudited (Unaudited) ( Audited Total Income from Operations ( Net) 4.52 4.52 1.50 Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (4.29)(1.35)(27.29)(after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items#) (2.94)(9.58)[Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)] (2.94)(1.35)(4.29)(27.29)Paid up equity share capital-220.84 220.84 220.84 (Face value of Rs. 10/-each) 220.84 220.84 Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of the previous year (1,507.02)(1,490.54) (1,509.96)(1,505.67) (1,509.96)Earnings Per Share (of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing and discountinued operations (Not Annualised) (0.06)(1.24)(a) Basic (b) Diluted

Place: MUMBAI

Date: 13.11.2025

- The above result were reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors at its meeting held on 13th
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For MANSOON TRADING COMPANY LIMITED VIKAS KULKARNI Managing Director DIN: 08180938

"Ultimately, truth triumphs, though it may be a little historic judgment," the Nandigram MLA said.

### IEA raises global oil demand growth forecast for 2025

Paris, Nov 13 (UNI/SPUTNIK): The International Energy Agency (IEA) has upgraded its forecast for global oil demand growth in 2025 to 790,000 barrels per day, and now expects demand at 103.884 million barrels per day, the organization said in its fresh report on Thursday." Accordingly, the non-OECD is set to remain the key driver of a global 2025 consumption increase of 790 kb/d y-o-y," the report read. According to the updated data, global oil demand by the end of 2025 will amount to 103.884 million barrels per day.

### Turkish military plane crashed in Georgia without sending distress signal

Ankara, Nov 13 (SPUTNIK/UNI): A Turkish military aircraft that crashed in Georgia did not send any distress signals prior to the crash, and its wreckage will be transported to the Erkilet airbase in Turkey's city of Kayseri for a technical investigation, the Turkiye pro-government newspaper reported on Thursday, citing unnamed sources.

On Tuesday, the Turkish Defense Ministry said that a Lockheed C-130 Hercules military transport aircraft had crashed in Georgia. Ankara is reportedly coordinating the search and rescue operation with Tbilisi. The investigation into the cause of the crash will be conducted with the utmost care, Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan's office stated. On Wednesday, Erdogan said that the bodies of 19 people killed in the crash had been found.

Videos, reportedly filmed by a shepherd and shared on social media, depict the aircraft's tail section detaching first. The main fuselage of the four-engine plane, emitting smoke, is then seen spiraling downward, as per the newspaper report.

An analysis of the crew's radio communications and data from the onboard black box is expected to reveal key details behind the incident, Turkiye reported. Eyewitnesses said there was no explosion or fire while the plane was airborne. The fire broke out only after the fall, accompanied by an explosion, the report added

### Israeli airstrikes target Beit Lahia in Northern Gaza

Jerusalem, Nov 13 (UNI/SPUTNIK): Israeli aircraft have carried out new air raids on the city of Beit Lahia in the northern Gaza Strip and the eastern districts of Khan Yunis in the south, Al Jazeera broadcaster reported

According to the report, large-scale bombings of homes are underway in the city of Rafah in southern Gaza and in eastern Gaza City. No casualties were reported. Since the start of the truce, the Israeli military has violated the ceasefire over 280 times, resulting in 245 deaths, according to Gaza Strip authorities.

A ceasefire agreement between Israel and the Palestinian movement Hamas in the Gaza Strip came into effect on October 10.

Under the terms of the deal, Hamas released 20 hostages who had been held in Gaza since October 7, 2023, thereby freeing all remaining living captives. In response, Israel released about 2,000 Palestinian prisoners, including individuals convicted of terrorism and serving life sentences.

Following the announcement of the ceasefire, the Israel Defense Forces (IDF) have repeatedly carried out strikes on the Gaza Strip. According to IDF statements, these actions were taken in response to Palestinian ceasefire violations.

### Iranian military sharpens rhetoric, vows Israel's destruction

Tehran, Nov 13 (UNI): Vowing Israel's total annihilation, Iranian military spokesperson Abolfazl Shekarchi, in a marked sharpening of Tehran's military rhetoric, said that Iran's core aim remains the extinction of the Jewish state.

Making his remarks at a ceremony marking the 14th death anniversary of former IRGC commander Hassan Tehrani Moghaddam, who was killed by the IDF in Nov 12, 2011, in an IRGC base explosion, the official said that the deceased commander had "carried the wish to see Israel wiped out," to his grave, adding "With God's help, this wish will be fulfilled."

Claiming that Tehran's aerospace forces have continued to become "more powerful by the day," he remarked that with each loss, the Islamic Republic becomes stronger, emboldened by the blood of martyrs.

"We never become weak — with every martyr we become more steadfast," he said, reports Iranian-Israeli media.Other senior commanders used the same gathering to revisit the 12-day June war with Israel. Deputy IRGC chief Ali Fadavi said "all the world stood with Israel but they did not succeed," adding that Iran had "acted on its duty" during the fighting and that "when duties are carried out, the promises of God are fulfilled."Vahid Azizi, head of parliament's national security committee, added that Tehran viewed the conflict as "an opportunity to understand the shortcomings and the needs" of the military, and will boost its capabilities in as per its findings, to "prepare for what may come next."The comments mark a deepening of Tehran's anti-Jerusalem rhetoric, as many senior political and military officials have spoken about the prospects of another war with its nemesis sometime in the future, which they have said will be far larger in scope and scale, than the recent one.

Israeli officials had likewise made similar comments, as PM Benjamin Netanyahu had called the Islamic Republic a lingering threat for the country, during a session at the Knesset, while IDF officials warned that any mischief by Iran will be met with a "far more destructive" disproportionate response by Tel Aviv.



People react as a convoy carrying the hostages released from the Gaza Strip arrives at a military base near Reim,

# Bangladesh to hold referendum on 'July Charter' alongside national polls in Feb 2026: Yunus

Dhaka, Nov 13 (UNI): Bangladesh Chief Advisor Muhammad Yunus on Thursday said that the country will hold a national referendum implementing its 'July Charter' and other reforms alongside the national elections on the same day in the first half of February

In a televised address to the nation, Yunus said the interim administration is preparing for an "inclusive, festive and fair" vote and will take the necessary legislative steps to enable the referendum.

He added that, in line of a Constitutional Reform

with the July Charter, the Commission to implement government has already framed the referendum questions to be placed on the ballot.

Yunus said the Council of Advisers have approved 'July Charter Implementation Order 2025', and it will be implemented depending on the outcome of the referendum.

Yunus said that the 'July Charter Implementation Order provides for a referendum constitutional reform proposals drawn from the July Charter and the subsequent establishment

amendments following the vote. The July Charter, which includes over 80 reform proposals, was drafted by a National Consensus Commission led by Yunus after consulting with several political parties, including the Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) of former prime minister Khaleda Zia and the Jamaat-e-Islami.

Later on Thursday, Bangladesh formally issued the July National Charter Implementation Order, 2025, with the government publishing the gazette.

The notification was

released by the Legislative and Parliamentary Affairs Division of the Ministry of Justice Law, Parliamentary Affairs, giving legal effect to the order.On October 17, the charter was signed by representatives of 24 political parties, including the BNP and Jamaat-e-Islami, at the South Plaza of the Jatiya Sangsad.

Later that day, the charter was also signed by the chair of the National Consensus Commission and Chief Adviser, Dr Muhammad Yunus, completing the political endorsement process.

# US govt ends 43-daylong shutdown as Trump signs bipartisan deal

Washington, Nov 13 (UNI): US President Donald Trump on Wednesday night signed into law a bipartisan funding bill to reopen the federal government, officially the 43-day shutdown — the longest in the country's history.

House Representatives passed the measure earlier in the day by 222 votes to 209, before sending it to the President's desk for signing the accord into effect.

Trump signed the bill during a ceremony at the White House, surrounded by senior Republican lawmakers, including House Speaker Mike Johnson.

"Shutting down the government is no way to run a country," the President said before signing, reports Axios. "I hope we can all agree that the government should never be shut down again."

The Wednesday vote marked the House of Reps' first session in 54 days, as lawmakers had been in recess throughout the shutdown. Following the end of the shutdown, lawmakers are expected to return to Washington by next week to address the massive backlog legislative businesses.

The bill funds the government through thousands of federal worker layoffs that began after October 1, and provides full-year funding for several key federal agencies.

The shutdown — now concluded after nearly seven weeks - had left hundreds of thousands of federal employees without pay and disrupted essential services, from food assistance to air travel, across the country.

The vote also reflected deep divisions within both parties. Two Republicans, Thomas Massie (R-Ky.) and Greg Steube (R-Fla.), voted against the bill, joining the majority of Democrats.

Meanwhile, Democrats — Jared Golden (D-Maine), Adam Gray (D-Calif.), Don Davis (D-N.C.), Marie Gluesenkamp Perez (D-Wash.), Tom Suozzi (D-N.Y.), and Henry Cuellar (D-Texas) — crossed the aisle to vote in favour of the deal.

The bill's passage came after eight Senate Democrats broke ranks to negotiate with Republicans and the White House, agreeing to reopen the government in exchange for a promise of a Senate vote in December on extending Affordable Care Act (ACA) tax credits before they expire at year's end.

# Pakistan asked Taliban leader Hibatullah Akhundzada to issue fatwa declaring war

against it 'illegal

Kabul, Nov 13 (UNI): A senior Taliban official said that the Pakistani delegation, during the two sides' recent talks in Istanbul had asked Taliban leader Hibatullah Akhundzada to issue a fatwa against the ongoing Afghan-Pakistan conflict, declaring any attacks on their fellow Islamic neighbour "illegal".

Rahmatullah Najib, head of Afghanistan's negotiation team and deputy interior minister in the Taliban administration, said the delegation rebuffed the request, telling Islamabad that Akhundzada "issues orders and decrees, not fatwas.""The Afghan Taliban cannot declare the war in Pakistan either legitimate or illegitimate," Najib said, adding that the conflict "does not belong to the Taliban." Additionally, in a mockery of the request, he told the Pakistani side to formally submit its desire for a fatwa issuance to the Taliban's Dar al-Ifta - its principle religious authority - if it was serious about the request.

He added that the Dar al-Ifta's rulings are impartial and "are issued according to Sharia principles, not political preferences," so Islamabad should not expect a biased ruling "tailored to its wishes."

Najib said one of the main topics discussed during the second round of the Istanbul talks was "control" of all the rogue elements on both sides of the border, with Kabul and Islamabad agreeing to restrain all elements considered "malicious" by authorities. The Afghan minister said that the Taliban presented their Pakistani counterparts with two very "clear and achievable" demands during the talks, both of which were "simple and practical," blaming Pakistan for the failure of all dialogue due to its "unrealistic expectations."The Taliban's demands included the elimination of all the ISIS camps operating in Pakistan along with the detention of all its leaders, and an end to Pakistani military's constant violations of sovereign Afghan airspace, amid the recent bombings by the PAF fighter jets in various civilian areas in Afghanistan.

Furthermore, spouting the same predictable rhetoric, Pakistan's Defence Minister Khawaja Asif, during the second round of talks announced that Islamabad was seeking Taliban's cooperation to curb Tehrik-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) activity, and asked Afghanistan to officially designate the TTP as a terrorist organisation and expel its members from Afghanistan.

The Taliban has repeatedly denied harbouring any foreign fighters on its soil, stating that it won't allow Afghan soil to be used by any third country for nefarious purposes, and have so far refused to label the TTP a terrorist group, calling the group Pakistan's internal matter.

### **India** performs better in emission cut goal than China and US

Belem (Brazil), Nov 13 (UNI): India is making notable strides in reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, particularly as global carbon dioxide (CO2) levels are expected to peak in 2025, said a vital report released at the Cop30 here on Thursday.

According to the latest Global Carbon Budget report, carbon emissions from fossil fuels are set to rise by 1.1% in 2025, hitting a staggering 38.1 billion tonnes in the world.

India's emissions are

projected at 3.2 billion for contrasting sharply with China's anticipated 12.3 billion tonnes and the USA's 5 billion tonnes. The European union is expected to contribute the least, at 2.4 billion tonnes, as highlighted in the 20th Global Carbon Budget report issued by Future Earth and the World Climate Research Programme. Despite the legally binding commitments outlined in the Paris Agreement, global emissions have risen by 10% since its signing in 2015, indicating that developed nations are not on the right track. The report offers important insights, revealing that India's annual carbon emissions climbed to 3,193.5 million tonnes in 2024, with projections suggesting an increase to 3,229.3 million tonnes in 2025.Interestingly, amidst overall global emissions growth, China and India are projected to see relatively modest increases in emissions of only 0.4% and 1.4%, respectively, due in part to a significant uptake in renewable energy sources.

### India assures Botswana of easy access to quality, affordable medicines, ARVs Gaborone (Botswana), requested by Government Botswana's access to

Nov 13 (UNI): India has of Botswana." assured Botswana, a country in southern Africa signed a Memorandum of that faces one of the highest HIV prevalence rates in the world, that it will provide it with easy access to quality and affordable medicines, most importantly ARVs or Anti-Retroviral therapy.

This assurance was given during the visit of President of India, Droupadi Murmu to

Gaborone. Speaking at a joint press briefing with her counterpart, President Duma Boko, President Murmu stated that Botswana and India have entered into an agreement to help "In providing easy access of good quality and affordable Indian medicines to the citizens of Botswana. I also conveyed to President Boko, India's decision to send essential

The two countries have medicines. "We Understanding (MoU) for cooperation in the health space in response to the current medical supplies shortage in Botswana. This was revealed by

President Advocate Duma Boko at the official talks with President Murmu, who is in Botswana on a threeday state visit."India is one foremost the manufacturers pharmaceutical products, especially generic drugs, thus, we will strengthen the relationship and converge in many areas of mutual interest," President Boko said.President Boko said Botswana was thankful for the two countries' cooperation, particularly in the health sector as cemented by the signing of the MoU, which would, medicines as among others, facilitate

affordable and quality confident that agreement would be able to address some of the crises currently bedevilling our health system," he added.

He therefore, commended India for the visit, citing that it afforded Botswana the opportunity to reaffirm its appreciation to India for the support in many aspects.

Notably, Botswana has made significant progress in its fight against HIV, becoming a global leader in treatment and prevention efforts, yet it continues to face one of the highest HIV prevalence rates in the world. The national HIV prevalence rate among adults (ages 15-49) is approximately 19.7-20.8%, one of the highest globally, with about 329,000 adults living with HIV. Females are disproportionately affected.

# **US State Secy Marco Rubio says** 'some concern' in Washington

(UNI): US Secretary of Gaza." Certainly, there's State Marco Rubio has said some concern about events among officials in over and creating an effect Washington with regard to that could undermine what the recent spate of settler we're doing in Gaza," Rubio violence in the West Bank told reporters in a press between nationalists Palestinians, voicing worries over the possible fallout that could unravel in ceasefire. He further hailed its aftermath, potentially undermining all efforts by Israeli President Isaac

Washington, Nov 13 the volatile ceasefire in "there's some concern" in the West Bank spilling Jewish briefing on Wednesday, and adding that hopefully the recent bout of violence will not undermine the the condemnations issued being made at maintaining Herzog and other senior

IDF commanders against the settler violence, a day after dozens of Israeli nationalists launched a large-scale arson attack on the residing Palestinians in the region, targeting factories and farmland between the major cities of Nablus and Tulkarem, reports Times of Israel. Despite Herzog's remarks, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and the rest of his coalition have declined to comment on the matter.



### **Shillong Lajong** maintain dominance against Rangdajied by winning SSA **Super Cup final!**

Shillong, Nov 13 (UNI): Shillong Lajong maintained their dominance over rivals Rangdajied United by winning the final of the inaugural SSA Super Cup 2025 3-1 at the SSA Stadium at First Ground, Polo, here on Thursday evening.

It was far from an easy contest as the local giants thrilled the thousands of spectators who packed into the stadium with a highly competitive match. To win, SLFC had to overturn a one goal deficit when Denelson Pyngrope (25') gave Rangdajied the lead.A penalty conversion by Iohborlang L Lyngkhoi (45' 2) just before the break and two goals in the second half from Player of the Final Wilbert Marbaniang (55', 72') sealed the result in Lajong's favour.Chief Minister Conrad Sangma, Sports and Youth Affairs Minister Wailadmiki Shylla, Adviser to the Chief Minister Paul Lyngdoh MLA and SSA President Banteidor Lyngdoh MLA were among the dignitaries present. As champions, Lajong were awarded Rs 2 lakh while Rangdajied received Rs 1 lakh.

Meanwhile, the prize distribution ceremony that followed the final was also utilised to honour Langsning, who won the Shillong Premier League 2025 title last month. They were awarded Rs 6 lakh as champions, with Lajong, who were the runners-up, taking home Rs 3 lakh. An individual award was also presented to Loving Suting of Mawlai as the Top Scorer with seven goals.

The SSA was also honoured to have the Chief Minister present to officially unveil the trophy of the new SSA Champions Cup, the exciting leaguecum-knockout tournament that will feature the top two teams from each of the SSA's five men's divisions. The tournament will start in the last week of November at the conclusion of the First Division.



Harmanpreet Kaur, captain of Women's ODI World Cup 2025-winning Indian cricket team, interacts with students during a felicitation ceremony, at a school in Chennai

# **India gear up for Billie Jean King Cup battle**

Bengaluru. Nov 13 (UNI): The air in Bengaluru is charged with anticipation — and perhaps a touch of nervous energy — as India prepares to host one of its most important women's tennis showdowns yet.

The Billie Jean King Cup Playoffs are here, and Group G — featuring India, the Netherlands, and Slovenia — promises drama, emotion, and maybe even a few goosebumps. At the SM Krishna

Tennis Stadium, the tricolour will wave proudly as India chases history on home soil. They'll take on Slovenia on Saturday and then the Netherlands on Sunday. The reward for the group winner? A coveted place in the World Group qualifiers — tennis' version of the big league.

For India's captain Vishal Uppal, this isn't just another tie something more.

"It's definitely an us to be playing the Billie Jean King Cup Playoff in Bengaluru," he said, with unmistakable pride. "India women's tennis is on the right path. Playing in India is a privilege, and we're very excited to be here."

It's been months since the team last gathered in Pune, but the camaraderie hasn't dimmed."We've stayed in touch, tracking each other's progress," Uppal added. "Now, it's about becoming one cohesive unit and focusing on what we can control our effort, our energy, and our attitude."

If his words sound measured, the vibe inside the camp is anything but subdued. There's a quiet confidence, and young star Sahaja Yamalapalli embodies it.

"It's great to have a team around you. You can fall back on each other, and it really changes the way you approach the game," she said, smiling as she spoke about the spirit that binds them. Meanwhile, the visitors have already settled in. The Slovenians. led by world No. 19 Tamara Zidansek, were the first to arrive, determined to acclimatise."We came early because the conditions are unique — a bit of altitude, bouncy courts, and lively honour and very special for balls," Zidansek explained. "It's been great to get those extra days to adjust."

> The Dutch, however, aren't here just to participate — they're here to stamp their authority. Ranked 14th in the world, the Netherlands arrive with confidence and experience, led by the assured Elise Tamaela."Every match is different, and last year gives

us confidence," she said. "But country ties are unpredictable — anything can happen. What matters is that we've prepared well, and we have.'

The tone has been set.

The courts are gleaming under the Bengaluru sun. The practice sessions have grown louder. India and Slovenia have been training since November 8, while the Netherlands joined on November 10 — all finetuning their strokes on the quick, high-bouncing hard courts.And now, the stage is ready for three afternoons of pure tennis theatre — starting tomorrow, when Slovenia and the Netherlands square off. India steps in on Saturday against Slovenia, before the grand finale on Sunday: India Netherlands, 3 PM.

It's more than just tennis. It's pride. It's home advantage. It's a shot at the world stage.

Squads:

India: Sahaja Yamalapalli, Shrivalli Bhamidipathy, Ankita Raina, Riya Bhatia, Prarthana Thombare.

Netherlands: Suzan Lamens, Arantxa Rus, Anouk Koevermans, Demi Schuurs.

Slovenia: Tamara Zidanšek, Kaja Juvan, Dalila Jakupovic, Nika Radisic.

### Esha & Manu **Bhaker** in contention for finals

New Delhi, Nov 13 (UNI): Esha Singh and Manu Bhaker are in strong contention for a place in the final of the women's 25m Sport Pistol event at the ISSF World Championship Rifle/Pistol 2025, currently underway at the Olympic Shooting Range in Cairo, Egypt.After the completion of the Precision stage on Thursday, Esha stands fourth while Manu is placed seventh among the lineup of 85 shooters.Olympian Esha shot 294-11x (98, 97, 99) while double Olympic medalist Manu shot 292-11x (98, 96, 98) to keep herself within striking distance of the leaders. The third Indian in the fray, Rahi Sarnobat, is currently placed 56th with 284-7x (95, 96, 93).

Currently leading the qualification is Turkey's Sevval Ilayda Tarhan, who was flawless with a near perfect 299-12x (100, 100, 99), followed by Paris Olympic silver medalist Camille Jedrzejewski of France (98, 99, 98) and Iran's Haniyeh Rostamiyan (99, 99, 97) both with 295-13x, the French shooter taking second place on countback.Iran's Golnoush Sebghatollahi and Mina Ghorbani are placed fifth and sixth respectively, both with 292-13x, while Lin Jou-Yu of Chinese Taipei completes the top eight with 292-9x (97, 97, 98).

The top eight shooters after the completion of the qualification rounds will advance to the medal round. The Rapid stage will take place tomorrow, followed by the final scheduled for Friday (Nov 14, 2025) at 4:30 PM IST.

New Delhi, Nov 13

(UNI): Buoyed by a 45-

the Sports Authority of

Sports in Patiala, two-time

Zareen is all geared up for

held from November 14 to

world champion Nikhat

Boxing Cup finals to be

India's Netaji Subhas

National Institute of

the upcoming World

21 at Greater Noida's

Shaheed Vijay Singh

member Indian

Pathik Sports Complex.

Nikhat is part of 20-

contingent- 10 men and 10

women- that trained from

October 1 to November 14

Nikhat, who lost in the

at SAI NSNIS Patiala for

51 kg quarterfinals of the

World Championships in

the World Boxing Cup.

### India U23 men's head coach **Naushad Moosa** announces 23member squad for Thailand friendly

New Delhi, Nov 13 (UNI): India U23 men's national team head coach Naushad Moosa on

Thursday announced the 23-member squad ahead of the side's travel to Thailand. The Blue Colts will play Thailand in a friendly match on November 15, at the Thammasat Stadium in Pathum Thani.

The All India Football Federation has taken up the initiative of arranging training camps and friendly matches for the India U23s during every FIFA International Window, as part of their preparations for the 20th Asian Games, to be held in Aichi-Nagoya, Japan, next year.

India U23 men's squad for Thailand friendly: Goalkeepers: Dipesh Chauhan, Kamaludheen AK, Mohanraj K.

Defenders: Harsh Palande, Joseph Justin, Raj Basfore, Ronney Kharbudon, Sumit Sharma Brahmacharimayum, Sanatomba Singh Yanglem, Yaipharemba Chingakham.

Midfielders: Ayush Dev Chhetri, Lalrinliana Hnamte, Manglenthang Kipgen, Shami Singamayum, Vinith Venkatesh, Shivaldo Singh Chingangbam, Vibin Mohanan, Mohammed Aimen.

# **De Minaur bounces** back to keep ATP Finals bid alive

Turin, Nov 13 (UNI): Alex de Minaur recovered from "a dark place" to keep alive his hopes of progressing at the ATP Finals, while confirming Carlos Alcaraz's place in the knockout stages here.

Requiring a straight-set victory to remain in contention, Australia's De Minaur ended American sixth seed Taylor Fritz's tournament with an impressive 7-6 (7-3) 6-3 win on Thursday, according to a BBC news.

Spain's Alcaraz faces Lorenzo Musetti in the final match in the Jimmy Connors Group later on Thursday, when Italian Musetti will seek to denv De Minaur qualification for the semi-finals.

Although already qualified, Alcaraz will be highly motivated to achieve a third consecutive win - not only to top the group, but to also guarantee the year-end world number one ranking.

De Minaur will be

among those willing Alcaraz to victory after maintaining his interest in season-ending competition despite opening with back-to-back defeats. The 26-year-old was reluctant to trust the news that he would qualify with an Alcaraz win when he was initially informed in his post-match interview.

De Minaur had lost his

past 16 matches against top 10 players, and each of the five matches he had previously played at the ATP Finals.

A painful defeat by Musetti on Tuesday, in which De Minaur held a 5-3 lead in the deciding set before losing four consecutive games to concede the match, had rocked his confidence.

But, against an

opponent whom he had lost the two previous meetings, De Minaur reset mentally to produce an inspired display against Fritz."It means a lot. A couple of days ago I was in a pretty dark place," De Minaur told Sky Sports. "More than anything, I feel proud of my efforts. Not for just coming out and winning, but also the mindset. I made peace with what had happened and just committed."

Speaking in his postmatch interview, he said on court: "I've dealt with a fair bit of heartbreak recently. "I've worked really hard, so it was good to get a positive reward for that.

"The loss to Musetti was a tough pill to swallow. I didn't overthink today, I just went out and committed to what I needed to do. I continued to back myself and, whether it worked or it didn't, I was going to leave it

all out there today.'

# **Deafalympics becoming more** competitive: Diksha Dagar

New Delhi, Nov 13 (UNI): Professional golfer Diksha Dagar, who is part of the Indian contingent that will participate at the Tokyo, feels that the games are becoming more competitive and stressed that the Deaf should take up sports as a healthy lifestyle.Diksha Dagar who suffers from hearing impairment and uses hearing aids, is looking forward to representing a country at the event. In an exclusive chat with

UNI on the sidelines of the Indian contingent's official jersey and kit unveiling ceremony at Jawaharlal Nehru stadium here, Diksha who has represented India at the Deafalympics on two occassions and the (able bodied) Tokyo Olympics in 2021, said competitive

intensity is different in during the 2021 Summer Deafalympics compared to Olympics"Competitive intensity is different in Deafalympics compared to upcoming Deafalympics in Olympics, obviously the Serbian tennis legend latter is more competitive. But the Deafalympics are becoming more and more competitive. I played in the 2017 Turkey Deafalympics and then the Caxias do Sul(Brazil) Deafalympics in 2022, there was a marked difference. In India too, earlier people were not aware about the Deafalympics, now there is more awareness and more tournaments.'

Diksha, the first golfer ever in history to have competed in both Olympics and Deaflympics, won a Silver for India at the 2017 Deafalympics.She claimed the gold medal in the women's individual event Deaflympics after defeating USA's Ashlyn Grace in the final.Diksha also spoke about her inspiration, Novak Djokovic. "Apart from Golf another game that I follow is tennis, I find Novak Djokovic to be very inspirational. I have read his biography, how he struggled to cope with his breathing problems during childhood yet became a champion. He is mentally very tough, never gives up. His mother believed so much in him that she had had predicted in advance that her son would become a World champion." Stressing that the Deaf should take up sports as a healthy lifestyle she advised people to be patient and not expect immediate results.

# Naisha wins back-to-back crown; Akshay wins U15 title in National TT Championship

Panchkula, Nov 13 (UNI): Fourth-seeded K. Akshay Bhushan, the lone surviving seed in a demanding 128-player draw, rose to the occasion and clinched the Under-15 Youth Boys title at the fourth UTT National Ranking Table Tennis Championships at the Tau Devi Lal Multipurpose Indoor Stadium.

The Tamil Nadu paddler showcased composure and tactical maturity, overcoming Maharashtra's unseeded but impressive Nilay Pattekar with a 3–1 victory in the final.

In the Under-15 Girls category, top seed Naisha Rewaskar reaffirmed her dominance by successfully defending her title, securing back-toback championships. The Maharashtra youngster delivered a commanding performance against second-seeded Ankolika

Chakraborty of West Bengal, sealing the final with a straight-games 3–0

Incidentally, the two ran into each other in the final at Indore. Naisha's consistency and control throughout the tournament underscored why she remains the benchmark in her age

Bhushan edged out a tight opening game, weathered Pattekar's comeback in the second, and then tightened his grip on the match with disciplined shot selection in the next two games. His strong finish in the fourth game sealed a well-earned title run.

Rewaskar maintained steady leads in all three games, using her placement and tempo variation to keep Ankolika under constant pressure. Though the West Bengal paddler fought hard,

Rewaskar's superior consistency helped her close out the match in straight games.

The Boys and Girls competitions delivered a thrilling day of top-quality table tennis, with several standout performances in the quarterfinals and semifinals setting the stage for the highly anticipated finals. Akshay and Nilay

booked their places in the U-15 boys' final after strong semifinal displays. Akshay looked in complete control as he defeated statemate Sanjey Arwindh 11-5, 11-7, 11-7. In the other semifinal, Nilay displayed grit under pressure, overcoming West Bengal's Rishaan Chattopadhayay in straight games, 11-7, 11-9, 12-10. The quarterfinals

showcased intense

battles. Sanjey impressed

with a commanding 3-0

win over A.B. Tharoon,

also from Tamil Nadu, 11-3, 11-4, 11-4. Akshay advanced after a fourgame fight against Rundranil Jana of West Bengal, winning 11-9, 10-12, 11-8, 11-6. Rishaan edged past Vatsal Duklan of Haryana in a tight fivegame contest 11-6, 7-11, 9-11, 11-6, 11-9, while

Nilay defeated Akash Rajavelu of Tamil Nadu 11-9, 6-11, 12-10, 11-8. In the girls' category,

Naisha and Ankolikha sealed their spots in the championship match following contrasting semifinal encounters. Naisha delivered one

of the most dominant performances of the day, brushing aside Maharashtra's Myraa Sangelkar 11-1, 11-7, 11-5. Ankolikha, meanwhile, had to dig deeper in her semifinal clash, defeating Sreejani Chakraborty of West Bengal 11-6, 12-10, 10-12, 11-5.

Nikhat Zareen eyes World Boxing Cup finals gold at home Liverpool recently, is determined to revive her day-long national camp at season with a first international medal in

> In Liverpool, Nikhat lost 5-0 to two-time Olympic silver medallist Buse Naz Çakiroglu of Turkiye. "Boxing World

World Boxing Cup finals.

Championships in Liverpool was my first international competition after a one-year sabbatical. It was a great lesson as I lost to twotime Olympic medallist in the quarters. So, my current focus is the Boxing World Cup finals and I aim to win gold and start my comeback from there this season," said Nikhat in a chat with SAI

Media in Patiala on Wednesday.

"India is hosting the World Boxing Cup finals in Greater Noida, so I am very excited to participate in it. After 2023 World Championships, I am going to compete in India for the first time, so competing in front of the home crowd is a different experience altogether. As there are lot of expectations from Indian fans, I want to give it my best to bring a smile on their faces," Nikhat said.

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# Central Railway realises over Rs.141 Crores as Penalty from 23.76 Lakh Cases of unauthorised and ticketless travellers during FY 2025-26



(Standard Post Bureau)

Mumbai, Nov 13: Central Railway, in its unwavering commitment to provide a safe, smooth and comfortable travel experience to its valued passengers, has stepped up its efforts to curb unauthorised and ticketless travel across its network. "Through intensified and systematic ticket checking drives, Central Railway has achieved significant results during the financial year 2025-26 (April to October 2025)

During the FY 2025-26, Central Railway's dedicated ticket checking teams apprehended 23.76

lakh passengers travelling without ticket, with improper or invalid travel authority, as against 22.09 lakh passengers during FY 2024-25 which is an

increase of almost 8%. A record amount of Rs.141.27 crores was realised as penalty during FY 2025-26 as against an amount of Rs.124.36 crores realised during FY 2024-25 which is an increase of almost 14 %

During the month of October- 2025, Central Railway ticket checking teams have apprehended 3.71 lakh passengers travelling without ticket, with improper or invalid travel authority as against



3 lakh passengers in October -- 2024 indicating an increase of almost 24%

A sum of Rs.24.81 crores have been realised as penalty from the offenders in the month of October-2025 as against Rs.12.74 crores in October-- 2024, indicating an increase of almost 95%.

Division wise details for the FY-2025-26(April to October 2025) of passengers caught travelling without ticket / valid ticket and penalty amount realised from them are as follows:

- Bhusaval division Rs.51.74 crores from 6.07 lakh cases,
  - Mumbai division

Rs.40.59 crores from 9.63 lakh cases,

- Nagpur division Rs.15.62 crores from 2.53 lakh cases
- Pune division Rs.15.57 crores from 2.67 lakh cases
- Solapur division Rs.6.72 crores from 1.41 lakh cases and Headquarters

Rs.11.03 crores from 1.45

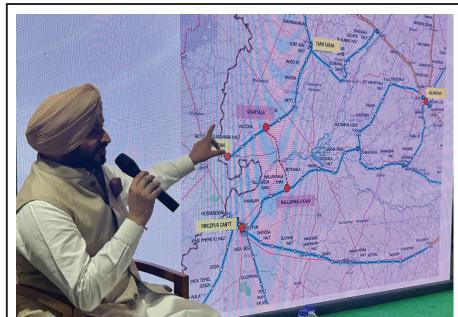
Central Railway adopts a multi-pronged strategy to detect unauthorised travel which includes station checks, ambush checks, fortress checks, intensive checks, and mega ticket checking drives. These operations

Mail/Express trains, Passenger trains, Special trains, as well as Suburban trains in Mumbai and Pune divisions."

In addition Central

Railway has introduced a dedicated AC Local Ticket Checking Squad to address issues related to irregular traveling in AC suburban trains on Mumbai Division. The Mumbai Suburban Network of Central Railway runs 1810 services daily including 80 AC local services. This special squad has been deployed to respond promptly to commuter concerns, aided by a dedicated 24/7 WhatsApp complaint number, 7208819987. The AC Local Ticket Checking Squad recovers an average amount of Rs.1.19 lakhs as penalty from approximately 368 cases of passengers travelling without ticket / without valid ticket daily.

Central Railway appeals to passengers to travel with dignity and responsibility by purchasing proper and valid tickets to avoid inconvenience and penalties. The Railway reiterates its zerotolerance policy towards ticketless travel and remains committed to ensuring that passengers enjoy a comfortable and dignified journey.



# **Ministry of Railways Sanctions** Ferozepur-Patti Rail Link Project (25.72 km): S Ravneet Singh Bittu

(Standard Post Bureau)

Mumbai, Nov 13: The Ministry of Railways has sanctioned the Ferozepur-Patti Rail Link Project, covering a total length of 25.72 km at an estimated cost of ?764.19 crore, including ?166 crore towards land acquisition to be borne by the Railways. Announcing this at a media briefing today, S. Ravneet Singh Bittu Union Minister of State for Railways and Food Processing Industries, said that the project holds strategic and economic importance, significantly reducing the distance between Ferozepur and Amritsar from 196 km to about 100 km, and shortening the Jammu-Ferozepur-Fazilka-Mumbai corridor by 236 km. It will serve as a crucial link between the Malwa and Majha regions of Punjab, enhancing regional mobility and logistics efficiency.

hanking Hon' Prime Minister of India Sh. Narendra Modi ji, Home Minister Sh. Amit Shah ji, Railway Minister Sh. Ashwini Vaishnaw ji for this historic gift to Punjab, Bittu said that the new rail line will connect the Jalandhar-Ferozepur and Patti-Khemkaran routes, providing a direct and alternative connection close to the international

border. Passing through areas of strategic defence significance, it will facilitate rapid movement of defence personnel, equipment, and supplies.

Ravneet said that Beyond strategic benefits, the project promises significant socio-economic gains, benefiting nearly 10 lakh people and creating approximately 2.5 lakh employment opportunities. It will serve 2,500-3,500 daily passengers, particularly students, employees, and patients from nearby villages. The rail link will spur trade and industrial growth, reduce freight transportation costs, and improve access to agricultural markets, thereby boosting investment in education, healthcare, and essential infrastructure. It will also link Amritsar, a major commercial, educational, and religious hub attracting over one lakh tourists daily, with Ferozepur, ensuring faster connectivity and stronger regional integration. Importantly, the new alignment will revive a historic route lost during Partition, reducing the Ferozepur-Khemkaran distance from 294 km to 110 km.DRM AMBALAShri Vinod Bhatia, CPM / Construction Shri Ajai Varshney, CPM RLDAShri Balbir Singh, ADRM Firozpur Shri Nitin Garg and Shri Dhananjay Singh, EDPG, MOSR were also present there.

# International Academic Conference begins at MANUU: Prof. Purushottam Agrawal and Prof. Nile Green's address at the inaugural

Hyderabad, Nov 13: Padmavat, a masterpiece of 16th century Sufi and romantic epic poem, written in Awadhi by Malik Muhammad Jayasi in 1540 is not a historical romance but an epic Sufi philosophy", said Prof. Purushottam Agrawal (JNU) today while delivering keynote address in the inaugural session of International Conference at Maulana Azad National

Urdu University (MANUU).

The topic of his address is

"Padmavat: A Glimpse into

the Existential Universe of

(Standard Post Bureau)

Early Modern India". Prof. Syed Ainul Hasan, Vice Chancellor, MANUU presided over the inaugural session whereas Prof. Nile Green, Department of History, UCLA, USA delivered a keynote address online on the topic "The migration of a ritual: The wedding of the Saints

A two day International Academic Conference on the topic "Urdu, Hindi, Arabic & Persian -Civilizational Consilience Across Linguistic, Literary,

between Anatolia and the

Deccan".



Continuing his address, Prof. Purushottam Agarwal expressed deep regret that for today's young generation, the names of Allah and Ram have become battle slogans. The poem "Padmavat" is a symbolic interpretation of the journey from imaginary to real love which combines Hindu and Islamic mysticism. It believed in the unity of existence and believed presence of God in everything and considered love as the means of

salvation for the human

added

Purushottam Agrawal.

The other keynote speaker, Prof. Nile Green, in his insightful address said that there is a fundamental difference between Islamic culture and beliefs. According to him, beliefs are directly related to religion and customs, while Islamic culture is a cultural sphere that includes everything that has developed under the influence of Muslim rulers, traders, Sufis and intellectuals whether religious or not. According to Prof. Green, Sufism is a crossroads of land and religion. Monasteries were economic centers. Sufi saints used to settle land disputes, and cities have grown around Sufi shrines.

Prof. Syed Ainul Hasan in his presidential remarks said that Sufism is the bearer of the mixed civilization of India. Since the teachings of every Sufi mention about the heart, we all need to understand the only language of heart which is the heartbeat. According to Prof. Ainul Hasan, after listening to the keynote speeches of both the speakers, he learnt a lot and he hopes that all the participants and paper presenters can provide a platform of learning by ensuring a better and more academic effective exchange.

Earlier, the University Registrar, Prof. Ishtiaque Ahmed, delivered the

welcome address and briefed the aims and objectives of the conference. He said that this conference is an important milestone in the history of the university, where eminent scholars and experts of 4 different languages from all over the world are gathering on one platform.

The conference convener, Prof. Syed Imtiaz Hasnain and the Director, Prof. Alim Ashraf Jaisi, presented the conference features in English and Urdu respectively.

Prof. Gulfishaan Habeeb, Dean, School of Languages presented a vote of thanks and Prof. Mohammad Abdul Sami Siddiqui, Co-Convenor conducted the proceedings of the inaugural session.

The valedictory talk "The necessity of bringing back humanism into the Language Sciences: Reflections Civilizational Consilience" will be delivered by Prof. Sangeeta Bagga-Gupta, Jönköping University, Sweden on November 14, 7.00 pm at CPDUMT auditorium, MANUU.

# **Waltair Division conducts intensive** ticket checking drive : ECoR



(Standard Post Bureau)

Visakhapatnam, Nov 13 : Waltair Division of East Railway conducted a massive ticket-checking drive across its jurisdiction. A total of 197 ticketchecking staff were deployed for the intensive operation covering major trains and stations under the division under the guidance of Senior Divisional Commercial Manager Shri K Pavan

During the drive, cases of ticketless travel, irregular tickets, and unbooked luggage were detected, resulting in the realization of Rs. 8,45,735/- from 1,586 cases. The drive aimed to curb unauthorized travel and ensure greater passenger discipline while safeguarding railway revenue.

In addition, during the month of October 2025, the division achieved a total

earnings of Rs. 2,41,10,000/ - through ticket-checking activities, registering 46,930 cases. This marks a substantial increase compared to corresponding month of October 2024, when the revenue stood at Rs. 2,05,55,000/- from 41,940 cases. The consistent growth in earnings reflects the division's sustained efforts and the consistent measures taken by its ticket-checking teams.

### Compassion, not control': Maneka Gandhi criticises SC order on stray animals

New Delhi, Nov 13 (UNI) Branding the Supreme Court's recent directive to remove and relocate stray animals to shelter homes as "impractical," animal rights activist Maneka Gandhi on Thursday urged the adoption of a more compassionate and humane approach towards the country's stray population.

soul,

The former union minister was addressing the media while announcing the first edition of CineKind, a collaboration between Film Federation of India (FFI) and People for Animals (PFA), to honour acts of kindness and humane storytelling in Indian cinema."The Supreme Court

says remove the dog, remove the cat, remove the monkey, put it in a shelter, sterilise it, but no one can actually do this...it is impractical," Gandhi said, while also criticising the lack of coordination among civic bodies. "Compassion, not control, should guide India's approach to animals," she said while speaking on the issue.

Last week, the Supreme Court, expressing concern over the increasing number of dog bite cases in public places such as schools, hospitals, bus terminals, and railway stations, directed officials to relocate stray dogs to authorised shelter homes. The court further instructed agencies, including the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI), to clear highways and expressways of stray animals and cattle to ensure public safety. Announcing that the first edition of the CineKind Awards will be held in Kolkata on December 20, the minister said that from next year, they will be held in October at a new location. "CineKind will give awards every year to the most compassionate films. It will be held every year in October. Films change the culture of India, and they influence people. It is important to involve the whole of the film industry," she said."When we watch a film, we laugh, we

cry -- we live the story. But imagine a story that asks: What about the voiceless? What about the creatures who share this world but cannot speak for themselves? With CineKind, we want to shine a light on those stories. Every picture, every scene that honours kindness matters," she went on to add.Recalling the era when animals were widely used in films, Gandhi noted that they often endured significant suffering because there were no proper regulations in place to protect them. "There was a time when cows, horses, and tigers used in movies would die during filming. Tigers were sedated, their teeth and claws pulled out," she said.