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## PM Modi arrives in Mauritius on a State visit amid traditional Bihari welcome

Modi arrived in Mauritius on Tuesday morning amid a ceremonial welcome for his two day visit when he will attend the island nation's National Day celebrations as the Chief Guest and hold meetings with the country's top leadership.

'Landed in Mauritius. I am grateful to my friend, PM Dr. Navinchandra Ramgoolam, for the special gesture of welcoming me at the airport. This visit is a wonderful opportunity to engage with a valued friend and explore new avenues for collab-oration in various sectors," Modi posted on X on his arrival.

"Today, I will be meeting President Dharam Gokhool, PM Navinchandra Ramgoolam and addressing a community programme in the evening," the post said.

He was welcomed at Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport by his Mauritius counterpart

huge garland. Ramgoolam was joined by the Deputy Prime Minister, Chief Justice of Mauritius, Speaker of the National Assembly, Leader of the Opposition, Foreign Minister, Cabinet Secretary, Chairperson of Grand Port District Council and many others at the airport. There were a total of over 200 dignitaries present to welcome Modi. Incidentally, Prime Minister Modi on his arrival at Port Louis also received a warm welcome by the large Indian diaspora in Mauritius, with the women from the community honouring him through a traditional Bihari cultural performance known as Geet Gawai.

Geet Gawai is a traditional Bhojpuri musical ensemble that embodies the rich cultural heritage brought to Mauritius by women from the Bhojpuri belt of India. "Deeply touched by the warm welcome from the Indian community in Mauritius. Their strong connection to Indian



inspiring. This bond of history and heart continues to thrive across generations," Modi posted on X. During the visit at the invitation of Ramgoolam, the two countries will sign several pacts providing for coopera-tion in the areas of capacity building, trade and tackling cross-border financial crimes.

Before leaving for Mauritius, Modi on Monday said that his visit would open a "new and bright" chapter in the ties between the two nations. During his stay PM Modi will call on the President of Mauritius, meet the prime minister, and hold meetings with senior dignitaries and leaders of political parties in the

He will also interact with the members of the Indian community, and inaugurate the civil service college and the area health centre, both built with India's grant assistance.

In his departure statement, the

forward to engaging with the leadership of Mauritius to elevate "our partnership in all its facets and strengthen our enduring friendship for the progress and prosperity of our peoples"

A contingent of Indian armed forces will also participate for the first time in Mauritius National Day celebrations on Wednesday along with a warship of the Indian Navy and the Akash Ganga skydiving team of the Indian Air Force.

"Mauritius is a close maritime neighbour, a key partner in the Indian Ocean, and a gateway to the African Continent. We are connected by history, geography and culture,' PM Modi said.

"Deep mutual trust, a shared belief in the values of democracy, and celebration of our diversity are our strengths," he said.

The prime minister said the close and historical people-to-people consource of shared pride. Modi last visited Mauritius in 2015.

India is amongst the largest trading partners of Mauritius, a former British and French colony that gained independence in 1968.

A key reason for the special ties is the fact that Indian-origin people comprise nearly 70 per cent of the island nation's population of 1.2 mil-

Ahead of the Prime Minister's visit, India on Saturday said it supports the island nation in its efforts to reach a mutually beneficial deal with the UK over the Chagos Islands in the Indian Ocean.

The issue is expected to figure in Modi's talks with Mauritian Prime Minister Ramgoolam.

In October last year, the UK announced its decision to hand over the sovereignty of the Chagos Islands to Mauritius after more than half a century under a historic agreement.

#### J-K CM condemns lathi charge on protesters, saying no control over police

MI News Service, Jammu: Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah has admitted that he does not hold control over the police and said the lathi charge on protesting daily wage workers of the Jal Shakti department should not have happened.

Speaking at the J-K assembly here on Tuesday the Chief minister asserted that under no circumstances the lathi charge on protesting daily wage employees of the Jal Shakti department should have happened and described the incident as 'very unfortunate'.

As the House assembled for the day, opposition members highlighted the massive protests by the daily wagers demanding release of wages and regularisation of jobs, and criticised the lathi charge on them.

The BJP members also staged a walkout as a ruckus erupted on the issue and when the BJP and National Conference members engaged in a verbal duel over the matter.

Intervening, Abdullah said, "BJP MLA Vikram Randhawa has asked a question, please wait for the answer." "As far as the police's treatment of the protesters is concerned, I would like to remind Randhawa Sahab, who is making a noise about this issue. that unfortunately, neither you nor I have control over the police," he said.

The Chief Minister further said that instead of creating a ruckus inside the House, it would have been better if the opposition raised the matter a few kilometres from there (referring to the Lieutenant Governor), where the actual con-

"It would have been more appropriate to go 'there' and ask why they were beaten up." he added.

Omar Abdullah also said neither were the protesters beaten up on government orders, nor should they have been treated this way.

'Even today, I maintain that these employees are ours. Their issues are genuine. This is not a financial issue but a

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Passengers aboard an overcrowded train amid rush ahead of the Holi festival, in Patna.

### ECI convenes meeting with political parties to rectify 'faulty'electoral processes

MI News Service, New Delhi : In the midst of growing protest among the opposition political parties over the allegations of fudging of electoral rolls, the Election Commission of India (ECI) has invited all political parties for an interaction to strengthen the electoral process.

In a statement on Tuesday, the ECI said apart fom convening the meeting, it has called fo suggestions from all national and state political parties by April 30 for "any unresolved issues" at the level of electoral registration officers, district election

officers and chief electoral officers. In individual letters issued to every registered political party this aftenoon, the Commission also suggested an interaction with each party Presidents and senior members "at a mutually convenient time, to further strengthen electoral processes in accordance with the established law".

Last week during a conference at ECI, Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar had instructed hold regular interactions with political parties, resolve any suggestions received in such meetings strictly within the legal framework already in place and submit an action taken

report by March 31. The Commission had also urged political parties to pro-actively use this mechanism of decentralised

Political parties are one of the key stakeholders among 28 identified by it.

In its letter to political parties, EC I also noted that Representation of the People Act 1950 and 1951, Registration of Electors Rules, 1960. Conduct of Election Rules, 1961; orders of Supreme Court have established a decentralised, robust and transparent legal framework for holding free and fair elections.

The issue of duplicate EPIC numbers in voters card has also found echo in Parliament with Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha Rahul

Gandhi demanding a discussion in the House on the issue of voter lists on which several political parties, particularly the Trinamool Congress and the Congess, have raised certain questions.

Raising the issue during Zero Hour in the Lok Sabha on Monday Rahul Gandhi said the entire opposition has been demanding a discussion on voter lists.

Senior Trinamool Congress MP Kalyan Banerjee demanded action against the ECI and alleged that the poll body had "failed" to conduct fair and transparent elections over the past few years.

However, the issue of false voters card with simila EPIC numbe in diffent states was fist raised by West Bengal Chief minister Mamata Banerjee in the state Assembly and sought a thorough investigation into the whole matter, while blaming the BJP for allegedly masterminding the whole issue to win assembly elections in Maharashtra and Delhi.

### TMC MP Kalyan Banerjee blames Centre for not releasing **MNREGA** funds for Bengal

MI News Service, New Delhi: Raising the issue of alleged negligence of the Union government to the state, senior Trinamool Congress MP Kalyan Banerjee got engaged in a war of words with treasury bench members in the Lok Sabha on Tuesday over stoppage of MNREGA funds for West Bengal.

During the Question Hour, Banerjee said the benefits of MNREGA scheme are not being passed on to West Bengal for the past couple of years.

The constant stand by the Ministry is 25 lakh cases of fraud have been detected. We are saying you take immediate steps, investigate, initiate criminal proceedings and arrest but you cannot stop funds for 10 crore people because of 25 lakh cases. If there is corruption why are you not act-

ing," he said. Amid the suspension of the release of funds under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MG-NREGS) for the past three years, the West Bengal government led by Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee has once again approached the Centre to seek the resumption of the rural job scheme in the state. Earlier last month West Bengal Rural Development Minister Pradip K Mazumdar wrote a letter to the Union Rural Development Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan, seeking an appointment for a meeting, but allegedly got no response from him..

As a result when the House sat for the day, the TMC MP got involved in a verbal dual with members of the ruling parties over the disbursal of funds under various MGNREGA schemes in the state. During the heated debate Kalyan Banerjee claimed in the Lok Sabha that the West Bengal government is yet to receive funds under the central scheme for the fiscal years 2022-2023 and 2023-2024.

"Why has the West Bengal government been left out? Why wasn't there any consultation? If you don't like Bengalis, you won't provide funds to Bengal?' Banerjee asked the central government during the Question Hour, accusing the Centre of discriminating against the people of West Bengal.

In response, Union agriculture and farmers' welfare minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan claimed that the West Bengal government had deliberately divided large projects into smaller parts to benefit certain individuals. Outlining provisions of the act, Chouhan stressed that allocation of funds under MGNREGA can be withheld if the central funds are not used appropriately.

"It has been demonstrated that non-

beneficiaries have been registered as beneficiaries, and vice versa, under this scheme. The names of village development schemes were changed, which is not permissible. For instance, they committed an offence by renaming the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana as their own. Furthermore, benefits intended for beneficiaries have been given to non-beneficiaries," Chouhan stated in his response. Banerjee, however, denied these claims.

gued that the central government has not acted on the alleged irregularities involving the funds. "For the last year, we have been hearing about some irregularities. We insist that if there are any irregularities, you should detect and arrest those responsible. But you don't do it. How can you discriminate against the people of West Bengal? Doesn't that violate Article 14 (of the Constitution)?" Banerjee ques-

### 4 Bangladeshi infiltrators nabbed and deported from Assam

MI News Service, Guwahati : Four infiltrators from Bangladesh have been nabbed and deported to the neighbouring country, Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma said.

They have been identified as Abdul Kabir, Bodhiur Rahman, Md Tayub and Abdul Kalam.

In a post on X early on Tuesday, the CM said, "4 illegal infiltrators held and deported... Continuing with their efforts to combat infiltration, @assampolice apprehended

Bangladeshi nationals and pushed them back across the border. Great work team!" Four Bangladeshis, who were trying to enter India illegally, were apprehended near the International border late last night and immediately sent back by Assam police, the Chief minister said but did not disclose the exact location from which these people were caught and deported

"Zero Tolerance for Illegal Infiltration. Under strict vigil along the international border, Bangladeshi nationals were apprehended by @assampolice near the border and pushed back," Sarma said in an another post on X.

Following unrest in Bangladesh last year, security has been strengthened along the 1885 km-long India-Bangladesh border in the North East.

More than 210 unauthorised entrants have been deported from Assam since August last year, official sources said.

### India, US to focus on increasing market access, reducing tariff and non-tariff barriers

MI News Service, New Delhi: Members of the Lok Sabha were informed on Tuesday that India and the US are planning to negotiate a trade agreement beneficial for both the countries and focusing on increasing market access, reducing import duty and non-tariff barriers. besides enhancing the supply chain

In a written reply to the Lok Sabha, Minister of State for Commerce and Industry Jitin Prasada also informed the members that as on date, no reciprocal tariffs have been imposed by the US on India, as promised by President Donald Trump during the recent visit of Prime minister Narendra Modi to Washington DC. "Both countries now plan to negotiate a mutually beneficial, multi-sector Bilateral Trade Agreement and both countries would focus on increasing market access,

reducing tariff and non-tariff barriers besides enhancing the supply chain integration," he said. He said as India and the US begin trade talks, New Delhi has conveyed that it has been reducing applied tariffs in agreements with developed countries, while emphasising a "mutually beneficial" approach and "sensitive

handling of sectors like

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### **BSF** seized contraband worth Rs 461.07 cr from Indo-Bangla borders in 2024, highest in a decade

New Delhi : Border Security Force (BSF) has seized contraband items worth 461.07 crore while foiling smuggling attempts at different Indo-Bangladesh border in 2024, the highest in the last 10 years, Lok Sabha was informed on

Tuesday. Informing this official sources said in a number major crackdown against cross-border smuggling during the first two months of this year (2025) also BSF jawans successfully intercepted multiple smuggling attempts, seizing contraband items worth 2.88 crore.

The confiscated goods included narcotics, cattle, rice, and other illegal consignments. Notably, the BSF also seized 280.67 kg of cannabis during the op-

In one of the latest incident this month, BSF jawans thwarted a smuggling attempt along the India-Bangladesh border in West Bengal's North 24 Parganas district on Sunday. A smuggler was injured as the BSF seized amounts

banned cough based

In a bid to smuggle the banned substance inside India, the Bangladeshi infiltrators launched an attack on BSF personnel. One BSF jawan who was patrolling the boder areas had to open fire in self-defence to successfully foil the smuggling bid and driving away the infiltra-

The incident took place at 5:30 am when a BSF jawan noticed a suspicious movement near the Kalanchi border outpost in West Bengal. The smugglers were surreptitiously moving beneath a bridge. swiftly advancing towards the international border, adjacent to the river Ichhamati.

Alerted by the sudden movement, an on-duty BSF jawan immediately informed his fellow colleagues about impending threat and subsequently rushed towards the infiltrators.

After the smugglers ignored their initial warnings, a BSF officer threw a stun grenade in a bid to

not paying any heed to the BSF's warnings, the smugglers surrounded them with sharp weapons and

sticks. Realising the imminent danger to his life, the soldier fired one round from his assault rifle in self-defence, injuring a smuggler. The other smugglers took advantage of the dense fog and fled..

After scanning the area, the BSF personnel found two sacks containing 787 bottles of phensedyl and a sharp-edged weapon worth seveeal lakhs of rupees. Meanwhile, the injured smuggler has been taken to a hospital where he is undergoing treatment. An initial probe into the attack were conducted at a local police station and the seized drugs handed over to concerned authorities.. Meanwhile in order to enhance border security in Eastern and NorthEastern regions of the country and curb transnational crimes, BSF has intensified its vigilance by conducting 61 si multaneous

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Satyendra Singh, President, Akhil Bharatiya Vanavasi Kalyan Ashram (ABVKA) addressing a Press conference at Kolkata Press club against religious conversations in Arunachal Pradesh. on Tuesday.

#### **Akhil Bharatiya Kayalan Ashram urges Arunachal Govt to implement Religious Freedom Act**

ence was convened at the Kolkata Press Club by the AkhilBharatiyaKayalan Ashram, calling for the immediate enactment of the rules and clauses of the Religious Freedom Act, 1978, by the Arunachal Pradesh government.

Addressing the media, Satyendra Singh, President of Kayalan Ashram, and Vice President TechiGubin underscored the urgency of enforcing the law, emphasizing that its implementation is critical in curbing conversions of brides implications of unchecked nous identity of its people.

ed that the AkhilBharatiyaVanvasiKayalan Ashram strongly advocates for the immediate enforcement of the Act to safeguard indigenous cultural and religious

Singh further highlighted that the Religious Freedom Act was originally passed in Arunachal Pradesh in 1978 to preserve the religious heritage of local indigenous tribes and to prevent conversions driven by fraudulent means. Expressing grave concern over the

through greed, deception, and coercion. They assert- over the past five decades, nearly half of the Sanatani population has witnessed an erosion of its religious and cultural identity, significantly impacting the self-righteous tribal comof Arunachal munities

> In a direct appeal to the Union Home Minister, Singh urged immediate intervention to protect the cultural and spiritual fabric of this strategically significant border state, emphasizing the need to preserve the patriotic and indige-

#### **Ghatal Master Plan gain momentum: 5 Concrete Bridges to be constructed In Daspur**

Ghatal: Ghatal in West Midnapore has been flooded for years. Despite repeated promises, the Ghatal Master Plan has not been implemented. Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee had announced the project before the Lok Sabha elections. Finally, the work on the Ghatal Master Plan has taken a step forward. The bridge will start soon. However, even though the work has started, the opposition is not stopping criticizing it. They say that it is actually a

ey' Five concrete bridges will be constructed in Daspur at a cost of Rs 19.26 crore. It is learnt that these bridges will be constructed as part of the Ghatal Master Plan. The bridges will be constructed in Daspur Block No. 2. They will be built over the Chandreshwar and Palashpai canals in Daspur. These bridges are to be built in Dariyaodhya area of Ranichak Gram Panchayat, Bhuiyada of Binai Gram Panchayat, Udayachak of Sahachak

Service, 'master plan to steal mon- Gram Panchayat, and Jyotghanshyam of Jyotghanshyam Gram Panchayat. It is learnt that the tender process has been completed and work orders have been given, now we just have to wait for the work to start. According to Daspur Block Administration sources, 15 bridges were proposed to be built in this block area. Out of these, 5 bridges have already been approved. The residents of Daspur are happy that a concrete bridge has been approved after a long time.

#### Fish trader meets with fatal accident en route to import fish

Arambag: A devastating oerson critically injured. Ing According to eyewitnesses, a pickup, van carrying passengers to import fish from Kamarpukur to

control and collided with two lives and leaving one into a nearby trees, resultin the instant death passenger in the van succumbed to injuries at Ka-

Service, Maina, Medinipore, lost while the motorcycle rider was rushed to Arambagh road accident occurred a motorcycle travelling Medical College in criti-on Tuesday afternoon in in the opposite direction. cal condition. The pickup Hajipur Korpukur The impact of the collision van, owned by Rajdeep area of Goghat, Arambag caused the pickup van to De, the head of Kamar-, resulting in the loss of veer off the road and crash pukur Gramj Panchayat, was severely damaged in the accident. Police have of the driver. Another initiated an investigation into the incident, which has sparked tension in the marpukur Rural Hospital, local community.

#### 10 injured, including child, in clash over encroachment of shared land

Chopra: A fierce clash between two groups over the occupation of 8 bighas of communal land in Chetnagacha village, Daspara gram panchayat, under Chopra police station in Uttar Dinajpur, has left 10 people seriously injured including two minors and several woman. The injured have be admitted to Chopra Dalua Hospital and Islampur Sub division Hospital. According to reports, the dispute began when

sociates, Samiruddin attempted to forcibly occupy the land, which Hakimuddin claimed was inherited in the area, with a larger from his father. The situ-police force deployed to ation escalated when the occupants allegedly set fire to haystack and a cattle shed in front of Hakimuddin's house, promoting both sides to attacked each other with sticks and sharp

Service, Hakimuddin, and his as- that Samiruddin is influential and is trying to occupy their land. The incident has sparked significant tension maintain order. In statement, Hakimuddin said,

We have apporched the court, and there is court order. But they are saying they will take the land by force." Ramzan Ali, weapons. Notably, both supporter of Samiruddin, groups are affiliated with countered, "The decision the Trinamool Congress, was in a our favor. The but Hakimuddin alleged are not giving us the land. was in a our favor. They

#### Malda tension: Civic volunteer accused of extortion, scuffle erupts between police and locals

Malda: A fresh allegation of extortion has been leveled against a civic volunteer in Malda's Geeta More area, sparking a scuffle between the police and local residents. The incident began when locals protested against the police using confiscated cars, which civic volunteers allegedly demanded hefty sums to use. When residents attempted to record a video, civic volunteers and police officers intervened, leading



Locals claim that the civic volunteer in question has been harassing drivers, demanding money, and even assaulting them. One resito a physical altercation. dent alleged that the civic

volunteer beat up his driver despite the car's papers being in order. Another resident claimed that the civic volunteer entered her home, assaulting her, her wife, and child, allegedly because she recorded a video. This incident raises concerns about the conduct of civic volunteers in Malda. Similar allegations of extortion, corruption, and intimidation have been reported in the past, highlighting the need for greater accountability and

#### **Inspiring Kolkata Event Highlights AAC Awareness**

Kolkata: After 31 years of silence, Tatai Upadhyay has finally found his voice-through the written word. Diagnosed with autism in childhood, he struggled to communicate, despite his family's relentless efforts and medical consultations. However, a breakthrough came when his father, Soumen Upa-

a keyboard, helping him cation (AAC). form words, then sentences, and eventually, complete thoughts.

This journey culminat-Tatai's Story, his first book, narrating his experiences and emotions. An event in Kolkata's Lake Town honored Tatai and promoted

dhyay, introduced him to Augmentative Communi-

Sumitra Pal Baksi, an organizer and mother of an autistic child, emphasized, 'Every child has potential. ed in the publication of They need belief and support." Audiologist Dr. Md Sahidul Arefin debunked fears about AAC hindering speech, calling it a reliable communication tool for awareness of Alternative non-verbal individuals.

### **Bengal travel agent** arrested for arranging fake Greece visa

News Service, Kolkata: Delhi Police have arrested a West Bengal-based travel agent for allegedly facilitating a fraudulent Greece visa for a passenger attempting to travel abroad.

As per sources, the accused, Sanjeev Kumar Rout (37), was apprehended on Sunday following an investigation into the case, which surfaced on February 16. Authorities at Indira Gandhi International (IGI) Airport intercepted a passenger, Sharanjit Singh (20) from Punjab, attempting to board a flight to Greece via Egypt with a forged visa. During routine immi-

gration checks, officials detected inconsistencies in Singh's Greece visa, prompting an immediate inquiry. Upon interrogation, Singh admitted to paying Rs 12.5 lakh to Rout through an intermediary named Goura to facilitate his travel. As part of the scheme, Singh had been sent to Nepal first to establish a travel history before attempting to enter Greece, said Deputy Commissioner of Police (IGI) UshaRangnani.

Following Singh's con-

### fession, a police team traced and arrested Rout in Hooghly, West Bengal.

During questioning, he admitted to operating as a travel agent since 2014, preying on individuals by offering false promises of lucrative job opportu-nities abroad. He further confessed to receiving Rs 1 lakh directly in his bank account from the passenger as part of the deal.

The Investigation is ongoing, and authorities are now probing potential links to a larger visa fraud network. Singh has also been detained for his involvement in the case.

Upon questioning, Singh revealed that he had paid Rs 12.5 lakh to Rout through another agent named Goura for arranging his journey, said the officer. "The plan included a trip to Nepal to create travel history before attempting to enter

#### In a first, Bengal to introduce electric ferry in India

Kolkata: In a first in this nation, West Bengal is bringing electric ferry for commercial purpose. This effort is a landmark effort on the part of the government of West Bengal. Speaking about the transportation initiative taken by the state government at CII West Bengal Annual Day Meeting in Kolkata, Dr Saumitra Mohan, IAS, Secretary, Department of Transport, Government of West Bengal identified

Service, that West Bengal is first in the country to intro-duce electric ferry and expecting an investment of Rs 200 crore in the sec-

Building up infrastruc-ture for battery swapping stations, and promoting more electric buses, has been the recent focus of the state government. Dr. Mohan further mentioned that the state government is committed to uplift the infrastructural facilities in state to enhance business facilities in the state.

#### **State govt prioritizes inclusive economic empowerment for Women: Dr Shashi Panja**

Service, Kolkata: Outlining the fact that West Bengal topped the list of MSMEs owned by woman in the country, Dr Shashi Pan-ja, Minister-in-Charge, Department of Industry, Commerce and Enterprises & Women and Child Development and Social Welfare, Government of West Bengal said that inclusive economic empowerment for women has always been one of the major priorities of state government in the CII West Bengal Annual Day Meeting in Kolkata. The theme of the CII West Bengal Annual Day 2025 was "Maximizing Purpose, Optimizing Profit: West Bengal's Vision for Sustainable Growth".

In continuation with the theme, Dr Panja specially mentioned about West Bengal's New and Renewable Energy Manufacturing Promotion Policy and West Bengal Net Metering Policy as the state holistic approach in embracing the sustainability. Additionally, she highlighted various state initiatives such as green farming and green power plants. She also emphasized that 24/7 water supply, labour-friendly policies, and the state's economic viability are key commitments to potential investors. She further stated that proper education, combined with technical skills, is essential for securing employment.

#### Mohun Bagan SG now ranks 530th in global & 38th in Asian club football ranking

Kolkata: The iconoclastic national club of India and the reigning India champion Mohun Bagan Super Giant (MBSG) has now earned another feather in its crown. Mohun Bagan SG is now with in the top 550 premier clubs in this earth. After winning the two back-to-back Indian Super League Shield (ISL Shield), Mohun Bagan now ranks at 530 in world club ranking as per Federation of International Football Association (FIFA) after securing 1437 points. Mohun Bagan's Asia ranking is 38 as per Asian Football

Service, Confederation (AFC) ranking. Mohun Bagan Super Giant (MBSG) now stands above elite Asian Clubs like Persib and Melbourne City in international club

ranking. According to Debashish Dutta (General Secretary -Mohun Bagan SG), "This is a huge achievement being ranked 530 in global ranking and 38 th in Asian ranking. Football is the number one sports in the world and being ranked 530th among the lakhs of clubs in this world is an achievement which we all cherish at the fullest ex-

#### Miraculous escape for students as building crumbles in coal mine area

News **Durgapur:** A private English medium primary school in the Khas Kajora area of West Burdwan district, Durgapur, collapsed on Tuesday evening, sending shockwaves through the community. Fortunately, the incident occurred at night, avoiding a potential disaster during school hours. Local residents attributed the collapse to the improper packing of sand in the empty space after coal mining, which has been a recurring issue in the area. The incident has sparked con-

Service, cerns about the safety and monitoring of coal mining activities by the Eastern Coalfields Limited (ECL). The collapse resulted in a significant portion of the school's rear section crumbling, burying a motorcycle and personal belongings. Authorities have since cordoned off the area and installed danger signs. Residents expressed relief that the incident occurred at night, but emphasized the need for ECL to address the underlying issues and ensure proper monitoring to prevent similar incidents in the future.

### **BJP-TMC** in commission regarding fake voters issue MI News Service, New Delhi /Kolkata: that these fake people will be eliminated."

The ruling Trinamool Congress has raised the issue of fake voters. The BJP delegation already reached Election Commission. Trinamool Congress also in the same goal. Sukant Majumdar, Shamik Bhattacharya, Jagannath Sarkar, Jyotirmoy Singh Mahato, Khagen Murmu, Abhijit Gangopadhyay, Jayant Roy, Manoj Tignya, Kartik Pal were present on behalf of the BJP. On the other hand, Trinamool Congress MPs Kalyan Banerjee and Derek O'Brien were seen going to the Commission. After leaving commission this day, Sukant said, "There is a CEO office in West Bengal. It is the second office of Trinamool. The are officers in Mamata Banerjee's pocket there. BDOs and SDOs work under this office. Contract workers are also there. They entered duplicate names. We have also informed commission about controversy of Chief Minister regarding EPIC. There are 7,235 voter cards in our state. Their EPIC numbers are the same. Each person is different. Although Mamata Banerjee is trying to muddy the waters with this. However, no one will be able to vote outside the booth assigned to the EPIC number. More importantly, there are 13 lakh double entries." "During elections, an atmosphere of violence is created in Bengal. The way voter lists can be revised in other states, it is not possible in Bengal. That is why we asked Commission to go door to door and investigate entire matter. Commission assured

On the other hand, TMC men said, we met Commission. The Chief was there. There were two other commissioners with him. Our CM raised issue of Epic cards with same number, we raised that. The Epic card numbers of Bengal are in Haryana, Punjab, Delhi, Uttar Pradesh. It has also been seen that the same Epic card is in different districts. It is being said repeatedly that one number cannot have two or three Epic numbers from different states. This is illegal. They firther said, "The integrity of commission will depend on method of election. People's confidence is in voter card. How much that confidence has been broken, and if the voter card itself is damaged, then the question remains as to how transparent the election was. The commission did not give a specific answer to this today. The commission said that we can extend deadline to April 30. We have to first determine how many duplicate EPICs there are. The Election

Commission says that we would have worked

together. But commission has to work." They

also said, "We are not satisfied with commis-

sion's statement. There are three districts in

Bengal where there are cards with same EPIC

number. Strangely, it is seen that EPIC card

numbers match with BJP-ruled states. There

are BJP MPs in districts. The entire election

process is in question. Questions have been

raised about role of Election Commission.

#### A councillor with a 'philanthropic ' moto

MI News Service, Kolkata: A councillor from Behala is freely jumping into literary and cultural activities. In an evening of sruti drama the councillor made himself in charge of multiple cultural activities. . There is a provision of book fair also. In addition to administrative help, he himself running to gather financial help. A poet will be honoured at the ocassion. As soon as the matter was brought to him, all expenses were curtailed to a big

He is now the great hope of many journalists and cultural activists. Ha said, he will always be with them in their cultural activities.

There is a desperate attempt by some literary lovers of Behala to make many more people book-oriented and library-oriented. He went there to encourage them. . He has inspired many others to read his books.

"Who belongs to which religion, which caste, which language is irelevant to me.. One has to be a good human being first. "He said. He is Rupak Ganguly the councillor of ward 121 of KMC. . The people have great confidence in the councillor.



Writer Pintu Pohan has been practicing literature for 25 years sitting on the footpath of this 121 ward. His writings have been published in almost all the leading newspapers of Bengal. He has published ten books.

Author Pintu Pohan said, "For the first time in my life, I saw a councillor who came running on the footpath to buy my book. He does not sit to judge which party is the greatest quality of man. If you find a good person, talk to them. Give respect.

According to another cultural worker living in ward 121, he is a man who can forget his status and become a relative of the soul. We

### **VBU** venue for project of empowering **Women with intellectual disabilities**

Kolkata: A national workshop for engaging inclusive master trainers for sportspersons with intellectual disabilities was recently held in Vishya Bharati University (VBU). It brought together rehabilitation psychologists, national sports coaches, social workers, and disability rights activists.

Organized by Tarapur So-Development Society (TSDS) in collaboration with Special Olympics Bharat

Service, Welfare Foundation (CWF), 100- and 200-meter sprints, and Spriha Society, the initiative's main goal is to address key challenges faced by women with intellectual disabilities by promoting inclusive coaching methodologies, educating coaches on gender-based violence intervention, highlighting sports' role in psychosocial empowerment, and exploring financial opportunities for female athletes with disabilities.

The module covered the following sports: football,

and assisted walking. With a focus on developing secure spaces and social inclusion, this hands-on training program seeks to equip coaches with the ability and expertise required to deliver inclusive and empowering sports training among women with ID in Nadia, Hooghly, Howrah, Kolkata, Paschim Medinipur, Purba Medinipur, Purba Bardhaman, Birbhum, North 24 Pargana and South 24 Par-

### Food processing potential: ICC asks industry to explore & expand ews Service, pumpkin and bottle gourd Ministry of Food powder, supplying both is committed to fostering Industries is committed to fostering in the committee of th

Kolkata: Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Government of India recently held a session focused on strengthening India's food processing sector, reducing wastage and enhancing value addition for farmers and entrepreneurs. Notable figures including D. Prayeen, IAS, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Government of India; Deepti Thakur, Senior Manager, Invest India; Shrikant Goenka, Chairman, Agriculture & Food Processing, Indian Chamber of Commerce; and Dr. Rajeev Singh, Director General, Indian Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. Subrata Gupta, IAS, Union Secretary, Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Government of India was the chief guest at the said occasion. Gupta said, "While processing is sometimes criticised, it has been part of our culture for centuries—our grandmothers made pickles, papads and batters to preserve and enhance food. Today, India is one of the largest producers of rice, wheat, milk, fish and meat, yet we process only around 10% of our total food production. This low processing rate leads to wastage and loss of income for farmers. Processing ensures better price realisation for farmers and a wider variety of food for consumers. Despite our strength in production, processing levels vary—21% in milk, 36% in meat but only 34% in fruits and vegetables. Fresh food is ideal, but not always accessible. Processing fills this gap, allowing us to enjoy seasonal produce year-round. This gap also presents immense opportunities for entrepreneurs.

A small entrepreneur I met

in Madhya Pradesh turned

domestic and international markets with an annual turnover of ₹300 crores. Stories like his highlight the vast potential in food processing. The demand for processed food is growing, especially with urbanisation and changing lifestyles. People seek quick, nutritious options, creating a market for ready-to-eat and ready-to-cook products. Recognising this, the Ministry of Food Processing Industries has launched multiple initiatives to support businesses of all sizes. The PM Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) scheme has already helped over 1.24 lakh small businesses. Larger initiatives like the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana provide end-to-end infrastructure support, including cold storage, processing units and food testing labs. The food processing sector is resilient, as seen during COVID 19 when demand remained strong. It is a sector with immense potential, driven by increasing consumer demand, abundant raw materials and supportive government policies. The future of food is here and it is processed, innovative and promising." D. Praveen, IAS, Joint

Secretary, Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Government of India, said, "Kolkata, known for its rich culinary heritage, is a major producer of rice, pineapple, brinjal, cauliflower and globally recognised brands like Darjeeling tea. However, despite our strengths, India remains one of the largest contributors to food wastage. Strengthening food processing is key to reducing this and increasing farmers' income. The Ministry of Ministry deems fit."

growth across micro, small medium and large enterprises. Under the ₹10,000 crore PMFME scheme, 140 micro entrepreneurs in West Bengal have received assistance, along with 1,800 SHG members benefiting from seed capital. For SMEs, PMKSY supports infrastructure development, with 50 projects approved in West Bengal, 40 completed and over ₹900 crores invested. Additionally, under the PLI scheme, six projects with an investment of ₹180 crores have been sanctioned. To boost market access and collaboration, the Ministry launched World Food India-a global platform for industry stakeholders. The 2024 edition expanded to 70,000 sq. meters with 1,587 exhibitors, hosting technical sessions, G2G, B2G and B2B meetings, along with the Global Food Regulatory Summit. Encouraged by industry response, we are making World Food India an annual event. The next edition, scheduled for September 25–28, 2025, at Bharat Mandapam, Pragati Maidan, aims to exceed 1 lakh sq. meters. This is India's premier food processing platform—our own global opportunity."

Dr. Rajeev Singh, Director

General, Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC), said, "The Ministry of Food Processing Industries has various arms, including NIFTEM, CFT, APE-DA, state governments, NA-BARD and other key players who can provide guidance, support and mentorship to businesses in the sector. With World Food India on the horizon, ICC is eager to contribute in every possible way, as the

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humanitarian one. They should have been treated with humanity and sensitivity," he said. He maintained that he believes the concern shown by all of them in the House must have reached the ears of the police. "Next time, when these people fight for their rights, batons will not be used against them," he

#### BSF seized contraband...

coordinated patrols along the international border. Additionally, multiple border coordination meetings were held with the Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) at various levels to strengthen cooperation

and ensure better coordination. A BSF official stated, "We are committed to preventing smuggling and maintaining peace along the border through enhanced surveillance and coordination with our counterparts."

#### India, US to focus on...

agriculture", a key focus of the Trump administration in seeking greater market access. A team of Indian officials, led by Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal visited Washington from March 3 to 6 and engaged the US Commerce Secretary Howard Lutnick, US Trade Representative Jamieson Greer and their teams. President Donald Trump said India has agreed to cut its tariffs "way down now" because somebody is finally "exposing" them, evoking sharp reactions from opposition parties in the country.

Reducing "average applied tariff significantly" has been a key aspect of India's recently concluded mutually beneficial bilateral trade agreements with a slew of developed countries such as Australia, the UAE, Switzerland, Norway and the ongoing talks with the European Union and

United Kingdom.
But the "tone and substance of the talks" and "understanding each others' concerns to get to an agreement" is the new focus. "The teams will now get into sector wise, issuewise specifics," said an informed source.

Asked about various statements coming out of Washington on tariffs and ongoing trade negotiations, Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri said at a press briefing: "We have in recent times entered into bilateral trade agreements which are based on tariff liberalisation with several part-ners.... The ongoing discussions should be seen in that context.'

The ongoing trade pact, the first tranche of which is September, is now pitched against sweeping bilateral reciprocal tariff that Trump is rolling out against countries including India from

Some key concerns for India include how to deal with increased US push for market access into agriculture and dairy products and a slew of non-tariff

"Increasing market access, reducing tariff barrideepening supply chain integration, an India is looking to reduce tariff and non-tariff barriers with the United States and strengthen trade in the goods and services sector through the multi-sector Bilateral Trade Agreement that is under the works, the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) said on Tuesday.

**During Prime Minister** Modi's visit to the US in February, both leaders revealed plans to negotiate a mutually beneficial, multisector BTA.

"During Prime Minister Modi's visit to the United States last month, both sides announced that they will engage and negotiate a multi-sector bilateral trade agreement." Randhir spokesperson Jaiswal said.

"Our objective through BTA is to strengthen and deepen India-US two-way trade in the goods and services sector, increase market access, reduce tariff and non-tariff barriers, and deepen supply chain integration between the two countries," he reiter-

Jaiswal also mentioned that after Union Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal's visit to the US, "The two governments are in the process of advancing discussions on a Bilateral multi-sector

Trade Agreement," he said. In line with his "America First" policy, Trump rereciprocal tariffs would be imposed on numerous trading partners and nations that place higher levies on US imports.

#### Concerns over quality of popular Hypertension drug 'Telma AM 40'

MI News Service, Kolkata: A major controversy has erupted over the widely used hypertension medication 'Telma AM 40', with serious concerns regarding its quality and authenticity. The West Bengal Health Department, along with government and private hospitals, has issued an alert after multiple complaints surfaced regarding substandard and counter-

feit versions of the drug. Following these complaints, the Central Drug Control Regulatory Authority conducted an investigation, which led to an official advisory from the state health department. The directive emphasizes that before using or selling 'Telma AM 40', pharmacies and medical institutions must scan the QR code and verify the batch number to ensure authenticity.

The Issue came to light after a batch of 'Telma AM 40' was found to have failed quality control tests at a Manna Agency warehouse in Amta, Howrah. Upon further examination, the West Bengal Directorate of Drug Control wrote to the manufacturer for clarification. In response, the pharmaceutical company confirmed that the batch in

question was counterfeit. The fake medication carried batch number 05240367, which was identical to the original, indicating that batch numbers had been forged. Further analysis revealed spelling errors on the packaging, further confirming that the drug was a fraudulent version. Additionally, the medication failed to meet the quality standards outlined by the Pharmacopoeia, rendering it unsafe for consumption.

In response to this alarming discovery, the West Bengal Directorate of Drug Control has issued strict guidelines to prevent the distribution and sale of counterfeit drugs. The key measures include: Mandatory QR Code Scanning: All government and private hospitals must scan the QR code of every batch of 'Telma AM 40' before dispensing it to patients. Verification in Wholesale & Retail Chains: Pharmacies and wholesale distributors must also scan the QR code before selling the medication to consumers. Immediate Ban on Unverified Batches: If a QR code scan fails to provide verification data, the drug must not be sold or used.

To help consumers avoid counterfeit drugs, the health department has advised the public to check the QR code on packaging. If the scan results in a "Could Not Be Verified" message, it indicates that the medication is fake and unsafe for use.

### State faces 4.5 lakh vacant UG seats; Govt to introduce bill regulating pvt school fees

MI News Service, Kolkata: West Bengal's undergraduate education sector is witnessing a sub-stantial decline in student enrollment, leaving a large number of seats unoccupied across colleges. Education Minister BratyaBasu addressed this issue on Tuesday during a media interaction following a legislative assembly session.

According to the minister, approximately seven lakh students have secured admissions, but a considerable number of seats remain vacant. "Some students have opted for other streams. With the online admission system, we now have clear statistics regarding enrollments," he stated.

Recent trends indicate that a significant portion of the younger generation is losing interest in traditional undergraduate courses. Instead, they are increasingly gravitating toward vocational and technical education. The rise in student enrollment in job-oriented courses such as professional and engineering programs has led to a sharp decline in interest in conventional degree programs. The education minister acknowledged this shift, emphasizing that today's students are prioritizing courses that offer direct employment opportunities over traditional academic pursuits.

As per official figures, 4.5 lakh undergraduate seats are currently vacant. The total number of seats available in undergraduate programs across the state stands at 9,48,787, of which only 4,53,064 students have been admitted through the centralized admission process. Despite additional admissions through decentralized methods, the number of vacant seats remains alarmingly high.

The education minister also raised concerns about the growing trend of students opting out

in favor of specialized courses. This shifting preference suggests a potential challenge for the sustainability of general degree colleges in the state. In addition to addressing the

undergraduate admission crisis, the West Bengal government is set to introduce a bill to regulate private school fees. The education minister confirmed that a new commission will be formed to examine the financial burdens imposed on parents by private educational institutions.

The Issue was brought up during the legislative assembly session when a BJP legislator questioned the rising cost of private schooling. Minister Basu acknowledged the numerous complaints from parents, citing excessive fees, mounting academic pressure on students, and deteriorating infrastructure in private schools as key concerns.

To curb these irregularities,

introduce new regulations through a formal legislative bill. "We have received multiple complaints, and after reviewing them, we realized that immediate solutions are not always possible. This bill is necessary to ensure transparency and fairness in private school operations," stated the minister.

The proposed bill has sparked discussions among educationists and policymakers. Prominent academician De-bashis Sarkar remarked, "If this bill successfully controls unjustified fee hikes, it is commendable. However, the government must also introspect why parents are increasingly preferring private schools despite higher costs. Issues such as corruption in public school teacher recruitment and mismanagement within the state education sector

need to be addressed first." The Calcutta High Court re-

ernment regarding the rising cost of private education. Justice BiswajitBasu, during a hearing on multiple complaints, observed that the fee hikes under the guise of additional 'charges' are unfair. He further questioned whether the state had any mechanism to regulate these financial burdens on par-

The court suggested implementing a model similar to Rajasthan's, where regulations on school fees are in place. In response, the West Bengal government has taken a decisive step toward legislative intervention.

As the state navigates these pressing educational challenges, the effectiveness of the proposed measures will be crucial in determining the future trajectory of both higher education and school fee regulations in West



SUCI - Communist brought out a huge rally to mark their protest regarding various inter-

### Panihati Municipality Chairman asked to resign amid land grabbing allegations

MI News Service, Kolkata: In a significant political development, West Bengal Urban Development Minister Firhad Hakim has directed Panihati Chairman Municipality Maloy Roy to step down from his post. According to sources, the directive was issued on Tuesday following allegations of land grabbing and illegal promotion activities linked to Roy. The controversy revolves around the encroachment of Amaravati Ground, a vital open space in Sodepur, which was allegedly handed over for commercial purposes despite previous government

orders to preserve it. Reports suggest that Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee was furious upon learning about the illegal activities associated with the land and subsequently instructed Hakim

to intervene. Sources indicate that the Chief Minister had personally spoken to Hakim on Monday night, expressing her dissatisfaction with Roy's role in the matter and instructing him to ensure the chairman's resigna-

Amaravati Ground, often referred to as the "lungs of Sodepur." had been earmarked for government acquisition under Mamata Banerjee's directives. However, despite this, Panihati Municipality allegedly allowed a private company to take control of the land, leading to widespread anger among residents and activists. Reports claim that portions of the land, including wetland areas, were being filled up for commercial construction. This blatant disregard for

sparked strong reactions from the Chief Minister, who ordered immediate corrective action. Although the ruling

Trinamool Congress (TMC) officially maintains that Roy's resignation is due to health reasons, political observers believe the move is a direct fallout of the land dispute. Defending himself against the accusations, Maloy Roy stated, "It is unfortu-nate that such allegations are being made. I have grown up playing in this dren do the same. Those spreading rumors about selling the land are conspiring against us. If anyone is making such claims, they should provide evidence." He also mentioned that he would discuss the situation with his supporters before making a final decision on stepping down.

### State moves to end middlemen nexus in property deeds

MI News Service, Kolkata: In a decisive step to curb the growing influence of middlemen in property-related transactions, the West Bengal government has announced that certified copies of land and property deeds will no longer be handed over physically. Instead, all such documents will now be exclusively through an online platform.

The move comes In response to increasing complaints about the rampant extortion by intermediaries in registry offices. Allegations surfaced that obtaining certified copies of land and property deeds required dealing with brokers, who charged any-where between 2,000 and 5,000 per transaction. This has not only led to harassment of common citizens but has also raised concerns over corruption within the system.

According to sources in Nabanna, the new digital system will allow property owners to obtain certified copies of their deeds online, significantly reducing human intervention. The initiative is also expected to bring more trans-parency and efficiency to the process. Importantly, records dating back to 1985 will be made available through this digital service, ensuring accessibility for a wide range of landowners.

For years, registry offices across the state have been under scrutiny for their deep-rooted middlemen network, which, as per allegations, involves a section of government officials and employees. Various reports suggest that individuals seeking certified copies of land docu-ments were routinely forced to pay bribes or rely on intermediaries to expedite the process. The new online-only system aims to dismantle this nexus by eliminating any direct physical exchange of documents. By shifting to a completely digital format, the government hopes to prevent such fraudulent practices and make property transactions more seamless. The initiative also aligns with the state's broader push towards digital governance and transparency.

The decision has been welcomed by citizen rights groups and legal experts, who believe it will significantly reduce corruption and make the process of obtaining property documents hassle-free. However, some concerns remain regarding digital literacy and internet accessibility for all sections of society. The state government is expected to roll out awareness programs and digital assistance centers to ensure a smooth transition. With this initiative, West Bengal takes a significant step towards eliminating bureaucratic red tape and ensuring that property transactions remain fair, transparent, and free from

#### standposts to curb water wastage MI News Service, Kolkata: various wards, are freshould not be taxed, as it is quently damaged by resi-In a significant move to

State Govt to remove 73,000 public

prevent water wastage, the West Bengal govern-ment has decided to renearly move roadside standposts. Urban Development and Municipal Affairs Minister Firhad Hakim announced the decision on Monday, stating that street taps are being misused, leading to excessive wastage of water. Speaking to the media, Hakim emphasized that many people deliberately break the taps when water pressure is low, causing uncontrolled water flow from pipes. He stated, "If the very infrastructure meant to prevent wastage is being vandalized, then it makes more sense to remove them entirely." The minister also noted that most households in the state now have direct water connections, reducing dependence on roadside standposts. The government believes that eliminating these taps will encourage more responsible water usage and prevent misuse of public

dents when experience low water pressure. This results in continuous leakage from underground pipelines, increasing significantly water wastage.

To address this issue, the state government has adopted a policy to gradually remove public standposts. Hakim stated, Since water connections have been extended to individual homes, the need for these public taps has diminished. If necessary, underground reservoirs should be created instead." He further revealed that out of the 73,000 standposts, nearly 70,000 have been fitted with taps, but widespread damage due to negligence has forced the government to reconsider their utility. Water supply is meant for the people, but if they continue breaking taps and wasting water, we have no choice but to remove them," Hakim asserted.

The West Bengal government provides water free of cost, following Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee's directive that water

an essential resource. However, the cost of producing and supplying water has increased nearly threefold in recent years.

Hakim provided updates on the state's water supply expansion, stating that water connections have already been extended to 6.4 million households, with an additional 1.18 million homes expected to receive piped water by March. With this expansion, the reliance on public standposts will significantly decrease, making their removal a logical

The government's decision aligns with broader efforts to ensure sustainable water management. As household water connections become more prevalent, the focus is shifting toward preventing misuse, conserving resources, and reducing operational costs.

With this policy, the state aims to strike a balance between accessibility and responsible water usage, ensuring that essential resources are not wasted due to negligence

#### Controversy erupts over Rabindra Sarobar's partial access during Dol celebrations MI News Service, Kolkata: A fresh controclarification on the alleged preferential

versy has erupted over the closure of RabindraSarobar during DolUtsav, as environmentalists and local residents have raised concerns over preferential access granted to certain clubs. On Tuesday morning, protests broke out in the area. questioning why the lake premises, which remain inaccessible during Chhath Puja for environmental reasons, would now be opened for select groups.

Protesters, including members of the Lake Lovers Forum and morning walkers, staged a demonstration at Gate No. 12 of RabindraSarobar, alleging that this decision violates environmental norms. They accused the authorities of ignoring the National Green Tribunal's (NGT) directives, which restrict any construction or large gatherings within the eco-sensitive

According to sources, the general public will be barred from entering RabindraSarobar on March 14 and 15 for DolUtsav. However, certain clubs have reportedly been granted special access to celebrate within the premises, raising concerns over double standards in policy enforcement.

Environmental activists and residents claim that such decisions contradict the strict environmental regulations imposed on RabindraSarobar. They question why Chhath Puja celebrations are completely restricted for environmental concerns, while private clubs are being granted permission to hold Dol festivities.

In response to the issue, environmentalists have sent official emails to Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee and the Kolkata Police Commissioner, seeking

treatment. As of now, there has been no official response from the administration.

It is worth noting that RabindraSarobar has been declared an eco-sensitive zone, with strict prohibitions against unauthorized construction, pollution, and large public gatherings. Every year, during Chhath Puja, the lake remains off-limits to the general public, and police personnel are deployed to enforce the re-

This year, authorities had announced a similar closure during DolUtsav, yet the sudden approval for select clubs has triggered widespread outrage. Environmentalists argue that such inconsistent policies undermine conservation efforts, setting a dangerous precedent for future

As the debate intensifies, stakeholders are now demanding transparency and accountability from the authorities, urging them to uphold environmental protections without bias or exception.

### Cal HC appoints Muralidhar Sharma to probe alleged atrocities at Midnapore college

Standposts, installed by

municipal corporations in

MI News Service, Kolkata: The Calcutta High Court has ordered an investigation into allegations of police brutality against two female students at Midnapore College, following a protest outside the campus. The court has assigned Inspector General (Training) Muralidhar Sharma to lead the probe and submit a report by March 26, when the case will be heard next.

The controversy stems from a violent crackdown on protesting students on March 7, when members of SFI and DSO were demonstrating in solidarity with students of Jadavpur University. The protest led to a clash with police, during which two female students, Sucharita Das and Sushrita Soren, were allegedly detained and tortured in custody. The petitioners, Sucharita Das and Sushrita Soren, moved the Calcutta High Court, accusing the police of subjecting them to extreme physical and psychological torture. Their legal counsel claimed that: The students were taken into custody late at night without formal arrest procedures. They were beaten and verbally abused in police custody. Hot wax was allegedly poured on their bodies as a form of torture and They were threatened and coerced into silence. During the hearing,

Justice Tirthankar Ghosh remarked that a proper investigation

must precede any FIR against the accused officers.

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#### Name Change

I, Bimal Dhali (Old Name) son of garh, Apurbanagar, Bilkanda (CT). Natagarh, Pin-700113, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Bimal Krishna Dhali (New Name) lic at Kolkata, dated 07/03/2025 Bimal Krishna Dhali (New Name) and Bimal Dhali (Old Name) both are same and identical person.

#### Name Change

Asmatara Mandal (Old Name) D/o Kheimat Mondal Residing at Kanibamani, Duttapulia, Ranag hat- Il District - Nadia Pin 741504 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Achhmatara Khatun (New Name) as de clared before the Notary Public Kolkata vide affidavit no 30/2025 Date 11-03-2025. Asmatara Mandal (Old Name) and Achhmatara Khatun (New Name) both as same and one identical person.

#### Name Change

Raju Mondal S/o Late Selim Mondal Residing at Vill+P.o Ghatbaor, P.s - Bongaon, District 24 Pgs(N), Pin- 743235 West Bengal India that my deceased father who previously known as Salim Mondal shall henceforth be known as Selim Mondal.I declare that my deceased father Salim Mondal and Selim Mondal same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Ld. Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate (1st Class) at Bongaon, North 24 Parganas vide affidavit no 9712 Date 16-12-2024.

#### Name Change

I, Ankit Kumar Jaiswal S/o Arun Kumar Jaiswal Residing at 5th Floor, Flat -5G, 293 Gourinath Shastri Sarani, P.o - Bangur Avenue, P.s - Nager Bazar, District North 24 Parganas, Pin- 700055 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Ankit Jaiswal. I declare that Ankit Kumar Jaiswal and Ankit Jaiswal is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, at Kolkata on 10-03-2025.

#### Name Change

Mira Devi alias Mira Singh (Old Name) W/o Abhay Singh Residing at H No. 2/18, Masoi, P.s - Shahabganj, District- Chandaun, 232118 have Changed my name (New Name) as declared before the Ld. Judicial Magistrate (1st Class) at Alipore, vide affidavit no 4375 Dated 06-03-2025. Mira Devi, Mira Singh(Old Name) and Meera (New Name) both are same and one identical person.

#### Name Change

I, Dipak Kumar Paul (Old Name) son of Late Sital Chandra Paul, residing at 148,Sodepur Second Lane,PO & PS-Haridevpur,Pin-700082, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Dipak Paul (New Name) as declared before the The Notary Public at Kolkata, dated 11/03/2025. Dipak Kumar Paul and Dipak Paul both are same and one identical person

#### Name Change

Mita Rani, spouse of No 14533605A Rank Ex NK Name Asit Boran Ghosh resident of Vill Angram Po. Saranga, Dist – Purba Bardhaman (WB) Pin- 713423 have change my Name & Date of Birth from Mita Rani & 1967 to Mitarani Ghosh & 09.11.1965 vide affidavit dated 24.01.2025 before Executive Magistrate, Purba Bardi

#### Name Change

Mahuva Sikdar Sk. D/o Nalini Ranjan Sikadar W/o Maidul Islam resident at Falak 33F, Inner Ring Road, Renaissance Township, NH 2. Bardhaman, P.S. Bardhaman Sadar, Dist – Purba Bardhaman that Mahuva Sikdar D/o Nalini Ranjan Sikadar and Mahuya Sikdar Sk Both are same and one identical person, i.e., myself and my actual Name is Mahuya Sikdar vide affidavit dated 10.03.25 before Executive Magistrate, Purba Bardhaman.

#### Name Change

SK Taj Mahammed s/o SK Islam (father's old name) & Ka- 1. SK TaJ Mahammed go of SK name) residing at Vill Mosha. marunessa BiBi (mother's old Howrah, Pin-711312 W.B have P.O-Naul, P.S-Shyampur, Dist- Changed my father's & mother's name and shall henceforth be known as SK Amirul Islam ((fa- ther's New name) & Mst Kmrunesha (mother's New name) as declare before The Notary at Uluberia, Howrah on 27.01.2025 SL No. JA-674/25 that SK TaJ Ma hammed s/o SK Islam & s/o Ka-marunessa and SK TaJ Mahammed s/o SK Amirul Islam & s/o Mst Kmrunesha are the same and one identical person.

#### Name Change

I. Pradip Kumar Chowdhury, S/o Late Gourgopal Chowdhury @ Late Gourgopal Chowdhuri, R/A 10, Garfa Main Road, P.O. - Santoshpur. P.S - Garfa, Kolkata 700075 (WB) have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Pradip Chowdhury as declared before The Ld 1st Class Judicial Magistrate Court, at Alipore, South 24 Pgs (WB) vide Affidavit no - 18478. dated - 10.03.2025. Pradip Kumar Chowdhury and Pradip Chowdhury indicating my name only. That my daughter's real and actual name is recorded as 'Suchandra Saha'

#### **CHANGE OF NAME**

I, Nabarupa Saha D/o Late Chandra Saha of 50, S. N. Baneriee Road, P.O. Entally, P.S. - Taltala, Kolkata 700014 do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that I wish and intend to change my name from Nabarupa Saha to Neethikka Jamini Saha to come into effect against Affidavit No.15224 Dated 25.02.2025 sweared before Judicial Magistrate 1st Class Alipore. That Neethikka Jamini Saha and Nabarupa Saha is the same and one identical person

#### Name Change

Bithi Chakraborty Kanjilal (Old Name) wife of Saran Kumar Chakraborty, residing at B-10/179, P.O.- Kalyani, Ranaghat, Pin- 741235, W.B, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Bithi Chakraborty (New Name) as de-clared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, dated 10/03/2025. Bithi Chakraborty (New Name) and Bithi Chakraborty Kanjilal (Old Name) both are same and identi-

#### Name Change

Jaydeo Saroj (Old Name) son of 1, Jaydeo Saroj (Old Name) son of Salgu Saroj, residing at 118, M. G. Road, Budge Budge (M), Budge Budge, South 24 Pgs, Pin-700137, W.B, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Joydeo Saroj (New Name) as declared be-fore the Notary Public at Kolkata, dated 11/03/2025. Joydeo Saroj (New Name) and Jaydeo Saroj (Old Name) both are same and identical person.

#### Name Change

Chandan Kumar Dhali (Old ame) son of Bimal Dhali, residing at Apurbanagar, Bilkanda (CT) Natagarh Barrackpore, Pin-700113, West Bengal, INDIA, nave changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Chandan Dhali (New Name) as declared be-fore the Notary Public at Kolkata, dated 07/03/2025. Chandan Dhali (New Name) and Chandan Kumar Dhali (Old Name) both are same and identical person.

#### Name Change

, (Old Name) GOLAM MORTUJA o- ABDUS SAMAD, Residing at, Vill- Dangapara, Post - Pokurulia, Ps- Burwan, Dist- Murshidabad, Pin- 742132, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from GOLAM MORTUJA TO GOLAM MORTAJA (New name) and hence forth l Shall be Known as (New name) GOLAM MORTAJA in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 11 March 2025, GOLAM MORTAJA and GOLAM MORTUJA both are Same and one identical person.

#### Name Change

(Old Name) BELI BIBI W/o-RAFIK SK, Residing at, Vill- Sar-oonagar, Post - Panchgram, Ps-Nabagram, Dist- Murshidabad, Pin-742184, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from BELI BIBI TO RAKEMA BIBI (New name) and hence forth l Shall be Known as (New name) RAKEMA BIBI in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Mur-shidabad On 11 March 2025, RAKEMA BIBI and BELI BIBI both are Same and one identical person.

#### Name Change

l, (Old Name) NOYFEL MONDAL S/o- CHHATTAR MANDAL, Residing at, Vill- Gatra, Post - Bagbe-ria, Ps- Chapra, Dist- Nadia, Pin-741123, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from NOYFEL MONDAL TO HARAN MONDAL (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) HARAN MONDAL in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 11 March 2025, HARAN MONDAL and NOYFEL MONDAL both are Same and one identical person.

#### Name Change

I, (Old Name) MAMTAJ BIBI W/o-JALALUDDIN SHAIKH, Residing at. Vill- Dangapara. Post - Dangapara, Ps- Murshidabad, Dist-Murshidabad, Pin- 742302, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from MAMTAJ BIBI To MAMATAJ KHATUN (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) MAMATAJ KHATUN in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 11 March 2025, MAMATAJ KHATUN and MAMTAJ BIBI both ar Same and one identical person. and MAMTAJ BIBI

#### Name Change

I, (Old Name) ALIMUDDIN SEKH S/o- NAMDAR SEKH, Residing at, Vill- Maheshnagar, Post - Birpur, Ps- Chapra, Dist- Nadia, Pin-741126, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from ALIMUDDIN SEKH To ALIMDDIN SEKH (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) ALIMDDIN SEKH in purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 11 March 2025, ALIMDDIN SEKH and ALIMUDDIN SEKH both are

#### Same and one identical person. Name Change

, (Old Name) ABUTTARAP SEKH S/o- ISLAM SK, Residing at, Vill-Aramdanga, Post - Aramdanga, Ps- Kaliganj, Dist- Nadia, Pin-741157, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from ABUTTARAP SEKH To ABDUR ROUF SK (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) ABDUR ROUF SK in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 11 March 2025, ABDUR ROUF SK and ABUTTARAP SEKH both are Same and one identical person.

#### Name Change

(Old Name) MOIYASINA MOLLA S/o- AKKOBAR MOLLA, Residing at, Vill- Shimuliya, Post - Nowpara Shimuliya, Ps- Berhampore, Dist- Murshidabad, Pin- 742101, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from MOIYASINA MOLLA To YEASIN MOLLA (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) YEASIN MOLLA in all ourpose Vide an affidavit Sworn Berhampore Murshidabad On 11 March 2025, YEASIN MOLLA and MOIYASINA MOLLA both are Same and one identical person.

#### Name Change

I, Narendra Vadalia (Old Name) son of Dwarka Das Vadalia, residing at FL-8H, T-3B, 8FLR, Active Acres, 50/10 D.C. Dey Road, Tangra, Kolkata- 700015, W.B, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Narendra Kumar Vadalia (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, dated 11/03/2025. Narendra Kumar Vadalia (New Name) and Narendra Vadalia (Old Name) both are same and identical person.

#### Name Change

Sikha Biswas (Old Name) wife of Nityagopal Biswas, residing at Bithari Pashchim Para, P.O.-Bithari, P.S.- Swarupnagar, Dist.-North 24 Pgs, Pin- 743286, W.B, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Shikharani Biswas (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, dated 11/03/2025. Shikharani Biswas (New Name) and Sikha Biswas (Old Name) both are same and identical person.

#### Name Change

Amit Kumar Mandal(Old Name Son Of Jitendra Mandal, Residing At Belda Sabuj Pally,Ps -Belda,Paschim Midnapore - 7214 24, West Bengal, Shall Henceforth Be Known As Amit Mandal(New Name) Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 11/03/ 2025. That Amit Kumar Mandal And Amit Mandal Both Are The Same And One Identical Person.

#### Name Change

Rupam Ghose Mondal (Old Name) son of Late Kumud Shankar Ghosh Mondal, residing at Q/341/B, Mudiali Road, Garden Reach, P.S.- Metiabruz, Kolkata-700024, W.B, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Rupam Ghoshmondal (New Name) as de-Clared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, dated 11/03/2025. Rupam Ghoshmondal (New Name) and Rupam Ghose Mondal (Old Name) both are same and identical person.

#### Name Change

, Shamima Ali Mondal (Old Name wife of Tozamul Ali Mondal, residing at Surya Sen Block, Rajpur, P.O.- Chowhati, P.S.- Sonarpur, Dist.- South 24 Parganas, Pin-700149, W.B. INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Shamima Afraz (New Name) as declared before the Ju-dicial Magistrate at Baruipur, dated 04/03/2025. Shamima Afraz New Name) and Shamima Ali Mondal (Old Name) both are sam and identical person.

#### Name Change

Samima Bibi (Old Name) daughter of Arfat Molla, residing at Joynagar Golabati, Joynagar-I, P.S. Joynagar, Dist. - South 24 Pgs. Pin-43337, W.B, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Samima Bibi Khan (New Name) as declared before the Ld. Judicial Magistrate at Baruipur, dated 19/02/2025. Samima Bibi Khan (New Name) and Samima Bibi (Old Name) both are same and

#### Name Change

Bapi Sarder (Old Name) son of Adhir Sardar, residing SONARPUR, BARUIPUR, Dist: South 24 Pgs, PIN -700145, W.B, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Bapi Sardar (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, dated 11/03/2025. Bapi Sardar (New Name) and Bapi Sarder (Old Name) both are same and identical person.

#### Name Change

Provakar Sarder (Old Name son of Bapi Sardar, residing at KOCHPUKUR, BAMANGACHI, PS-SONARPUR, BARUIPUR, Dist: South 24 Pgs, PIN -700145, W.B, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Provakar Sardar (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata dated 11/03/2025 Provakar Sardar (New Name) and Provakar Sarder (Old Name) both

#### Name Change

Abhijit Banerjee (Old Name) so of Late Gouranga Baneriee, residing at 31B/1 FL, Janak Road. Tollvgunge, PS-Tollygunge, Pin-700 0 26, W.B, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Raj Banerjee (New Name) as declared before the Notary Pubic at Kolkata, dated 11/03/2025 Raj Banerjee (New Name) and Abhijit Banerjee (Old Name) both are same and identical person.

#### Name Change

Rakesh Chandalia (Old Name) son of Late Laxmipat Singh Chan-dalia, residing at Tulsi Vatika, P 249, Lake Town, Block-A, P.O. & S.- Lake Town, Bidhannagar, Pin- 700089, W.B, INDIA, have changed my name and shall nenceforth be known as Rakesh Kumar Chandalia (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, dated 10/03/2025. Rakesh Kumar Chandalia (Nev Name) and Rakesh Chandalia (Old Name) both are same and identical person.

#### Name Change

Manoj Agarwal (Old Name) son of Lt. Jagdish Chandra Agarwal, residing at CG-104, Salt Lake, Sec-I. P.O.- Sech Bhawan Bidhanna gar East, North 24 Pgs, Pin- 700 091, W.B, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Manoj Kumar Agarwal (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, dated 10/03/2025. Manoj Kumar Agarval (New Name) and Manoj Agarwal (Old Name) both are same and identical person.

# Enjoy the summer with AC EMU local



• Eastern Railway is all set to get two AC EMU Rakes from ICF

MI News Service, Kolkata: To fulfil the growing requirement of comfort and to provide commuters of suburban section a cool environment in trains, Eastern Railway is planning to run state-ofthe-art 12-car 3-phase AC EMU rake. Two such ICF make EMU rakes will arrive shortly in Sealdah Division. These AC locals, loaded with ultra modern features, will provide a comfortable journey for the office goers in this tropical climatic conditions. The arrival of these two rakes denotes the beginning of new era of suburban EMU locals in West Bengal, benefitting lakhs of passengers performing to & fro journey from central business district of City of Joy. The salient technical features of these AC

EMU rakes are as follows: The rake Operates on 25 KV AC traction with maximum speed upto 110 kmph. All the 12 coaches of the rake are fully Air-Conditioned by 2x15 ton RMPUs fitted in every coach. The coaches are made of Stainless steel body with straight side walls. All the 12-coaches of the rake are end to end connected by sealed wider vestibule gangways.

**EMU** All the AC coaches have 04 electrically operated double leaf

automatic sliding doors in each side. The coaches having wide and large double sealed glass windows providing panoramic view. 3 seater stainless steel seats are provide in all the coaches. Total seating capacity of the rake is approximately 1100. All the coaches are covered by CCTV surveillance. Passenger talk-back facility is available in each coach of the rake for emergency. Wear resistant rubber floor top, Aluminium extruded modular luggage rack & GPS based LED displays for passenger information and announcement system are provided in each coach of the rake to enhance passenger amenity and comfort.

This rake has an additional safety feature to avoid fall or accidental injury of any passenger leaning out of the train compartments. The doors of the train will open only after arriving at stations and will close before departing from the stations and remain close while on run for safety reasons. The control of the door will remain with Driver/Guard who will operate the doors of the train compartments. However, the route & fare of these new EMU trains have not vet been finalised. It requires some trial & survey after arrival of the new AC EMU rakes in Sealdah Di-

### **ERWWO** felicitates outstanding **Women Employees of ER**



MI News Service, Kolkata: Eastern Railway Women's Organization Welfare (ERWWO) celebrated International Women's Day by feoutstanding licitating

#### Name Change

I, Md Jamat Ali (Old Name) son of Late Bajalur Rahaman Mondal, residing at VIII & P.O.- Jashaikati, P.S.- Baduria, North 24 Pgs, Pin-743401, W.B. INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Jamat Ali Mondal (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, dated 10/03/2025. Jamat Ali Mondal (New Name) and Md Jamat Ali (Old Name) both are same and identical person.

#### Name Change

I, Sk Abdul Goni(Old Name) S/O Late Golam Rasul Mondal,Residing At Majher Para Ghuni,Po-Ha-tiara,Ps-Eco Park,Dist-North 24 Parganas,Pin-700157,West Bengal,India, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Sk Abdul Gani(New Name) Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notar Public At Kolkata On 11//03/2025 That Sk Abdul Goni (Old Name) And Sk Abdul Gani (New Name) Both Are The Same And One Identical Person

#### Name Change

, Dilip Atha (Old Name) son of Purushottam Atha, residing at Shiromani, Flat-08, 60/1, Ballygunge Circular Road, Ballygunge, Circular Road, Ballygunge, Kolkata- 700019, W.B, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Dilip Kumar Atha (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, dated 11/03/2025. Dilip Kumar Atha (New Name) and Dilip Atha (Old Name) both are same and identical person.

#### Name Change Jhuma Biswas (Old Name) wife

of Bapi Biswas, residing at Bithari Pashchim Para, P.O.- Bithari, P.S.-Swarupnagar, Dist.- North 24 Pgs, Pin- 743286, W.B, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Jhuma Rani Biswas (New Name) as de-clared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, dated 11/03/2025. Jhuma Rani Biswas (New Name) and Jhuma Biswas (Old Name) both are same and identical person.

ern Railway at a special event held on March 11. 2025, at the Eastern Rail-Officers' Belvedere Park, Alipore, Kolkata. Smt. Seema Deouskar, President, EWWO lighted the ceremonial lamp with all the members of ERWWO, symbolizing enlightenment and empowerment. The event witnessed the gracious presence of Smt. Jarina Firdausi, PCPO/ER, and other members of ERWWO. A total of 27 women employees from various departments were honoured by Smt. Seema President Deouskar. ERWWO with certificates and token gifts in recognition of their dedication, excellence, and outstanding contributions to Eastern Railway. On this occasion, an Awareness Session was also organized focusing on financial matters and digital fraud prevention to enhance financial literacy and ensure the safety of women employees against online scams. Addressing the gathering, Smt. Seema Deouskar, President, ERWWO, delivered an inspiring speech to motivate the awardees, encouraging

women employees of East-

#### Name Change . Moktar Ali SK @ SK Muktar Ali

them to continue their dedi-

cated efforts and excel in

their respective fields.

@ Moktar Ali Sekh S/O- Allarakha Seikh resident of Vill- Tatarpur P.O.- Memari, P.S.-Memari, Dist-Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal, PIN-713146, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as 'MOKTAR ALI SEIKH vide an affidavit before the Notar Public at Purba Bardhaman on 11/03/2025. That Moktar Ali SK , SK Muktar Ali , Moktar Ali Sekh and Moktar Ali Seikh all are same and one identical person.

### **Chittaranjan Locomotive Workspress** releaseman of the month for Feb., 2025 **Awarded in CLW Chittaranjan**





MI News Service, Kolkata: (1) Shri Amitava Roy, Sr.Section Engineer /ELS-19/Electrical, (2) Shri Abhijeet Kumar, Sr.Section Engineer /D&D/Electrical, (3) Shri Sumit Kumar, Sr.Section Engineer /Inspection-60(M)/Shell/ Electrical, (4) Shri Pratap Singh, Sr.Technician(Crane Driver)/TM-23/Electrical, (5) Shri Mukesh Kumar, Sr. Technician /ELB-18/Me-chanical, (6) Shri Salag Technician Gr.I (Crane Driver)/ ELF-26/ Mechanical have been awarded with the "Man of the Month" award for the month of February., 2025. The award is in their recognition of their excep-

tional performance, dedi-

cation, and contributions.

Shri Vijay Kumar, General

Manager gave away the

award, today on 11.03.

2025 & Congratulated.Shri

Amitava Roy manages the timely dispatch of commis-

sioned locomotives from

CLW. He coordinates with testing the section, arranges trial runs, identifies faults, ensures quick rectifications, and facilitates on-time dispatch with the Loco Pilot from Asansol.Shri Abhijeet Kumar has drafted and uploaded tenders for key power and infrastructure projects at CLW, including a 2 MVA DG for uninterrupted power, cable augmentation at KG Hospital, and undergrounding of the 11kV network for reliability. He also prepared technical specifications for a 10MVA transformer to enhance the main substation and a vertical turbine pump for the Sidhabari Pumping Station, ensuring a stable water supply.Shri Sumit Kumar has shown exceptional dedication in shell fabrication inspection, ensuring precision and compliance with technical standards for locomotives like WAG-9HH, WAG-12 Twin, and WAP-5 Push-Pull aerodynamic. His efforts in digitalizing Inspection Certificates and upholding quality assurance have been crucial in maintaining top safety and fabrication standards.Shri Pratap Singh has expertly operated cranes, ensuring damage-free handling of stators. His skilled workmanship

has facilitated the smooth translation of stators from winding to connection as needed.Shri Kumar proactively minimizes internal NC from the Inspection Cell to enhance product quality. His efficiency in bogie assembly and process simplifications have significantly saved time.Shri Salag Ram efficiently shifts loco shells and components on time while ensuring safety. With no complaints in the last financial year, he maintains strong rapport and effective communication with coworkers and supervisors.

### **Alarm Chain pulling without reason: Where** action by an irresponsible person causes detention

MI News Service, Kolkata: Alarm Chain Pulling (ACP) is a vice in disguise. It has been seen that in most of the cases alarm chain have been pulled without a valid reason. For example, someone pulling chain as their relatives had not yet arrived at the station or some passenger intending to deboard from the train at a station where there is no scheduled stoppage of the train. This irresponsible behaviour of few persons bring suffering for the many. If we take a look of the punctuality position of Mail/Express trains on 10.03.2025, it would reveal that 5 long-distance trains viz 13121 Up Kolkata – Ghazipur City Weekly Express, 13181 Up Kaziranga Express, 13005 Up Howrah – Amritsar Mail, 13185 Up Gangasagar Express and 13287 Up South Bihar Express have been detained due to alarm chain pulling in Eastern Railway network. RPF and on-duty train escort staff are always alert to detect such alarm chain pulling and apprehend the offenders who are doing this act without valid reason. This year from 01.01.2025 to 10.03.2025, a total of 872 cases of alarm chain pulling have been registered by RPF/Eastern Railway with corresponding apprehension of 803 persons. Among these 281 cases are registered in Howrah division, 48 cases in Sealdah division, 276 cases in Asansol division and 267 cases of ACP have been registered in Malda division. This indicates the extent of cases of alarm chain pulling causing delay in train services which in term leads to embarrassment for the passengers onboard. There may be some passengers who have important assignment or work like joining a new job or appearing in an examination which may foil due to unwanted situation of delay in train services due to the alarm chain pulling. Passengers are requested to extend their cooperation to control such menace and resist any person who are indulging in such act of irresponsible behaviour. Eastern Railway is committed to ensuring smooth train operations and preventing unnecessary delays caused by unwarranted ACP incidents.

#### SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

Branch Office : ICICI BANK LTD, BP-4, Technopolis Building, 4th Floor, Sector V, Salt Lake City, Kolkata West Bengal - 700091 CIN No: L65190GJ1994PLC021012, www.icicibank.com The Authorised ICICI Bank Officer under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement

The Authorised ICICI Bank Officer under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notices to the borrower(s) mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice. Having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is issued to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described below, by exercising powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property. Any dealings with the property will be subject to charges of ICICI Bank Limited.

	Sr. No.		Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)	Name of Branch			
	1.	Manoj Gurung/ Samu Gurung/ Gurung Basty, Ward No. 3, Pradhan Nagar, District Darjeeling West Bengal Siliguri- 734003/ LBSG100006058861/ LBSG100006069939	"Sharda Greens", Flat No. F, Second Floor, R.S. Plot Nos. 310 & 311, L.R. Plot Nos. 421, 422, 423 & 431, R.S. Khatian No. 3136, L.R. Khatian Nos. 1165 & 1268, J.L. No. 82, Mouza Baragharia, Pargana Patharghata, P.S. Matigara, District Sub Registry Office Siliguri- II at Bagdogra, District Darjeeling, West Bengal. Admeasuring An Area of 1225 Sq. Ft. (Including Super Built-up Area) Together With Undivided Proportionate Share./ Date of Symbolic 06.03.2025	24/10/2024 Rs. 20,16,974.50/-	Siliguri			
	2.	Sainul Hoque/ Aleya Bibi/ Manoyara Begum/ Tarabagan, Dhulian, Samserganj, District Murshidabad, West Bengal Dhuliyan- 742202/	1) Sabek Dag No. 10359, Hal Dag No. 10509, Khatian No. 6998, Hal 7577, Ward No. 06, Dhuliyan Municipality, Thana Samserganj, Mouza 90 No. Anupnagar, A.D.S.R. Office Nimitita, District Murshidabad, West Bengal Admeasuring An Area of 0.6672 Satak and 2.7494 Satak, Total Area 3.4166 Satak 2) Sabek Dag No. 10359, Hal Dag No. 10509, Khatian No. L.R. 8598, Ward No. 06, Dhuliyan Municipality, Thana Samserganj, Mouza 90 No. Anupnagar, A.D.S.R. Office Nimitita, District Murshidabad, West Bengal Admeasuring An Area of 1.1316 Satak/ Date Of Symblic 06.03.2025	30/11/2024 Rs. 30,63,533.42/-	Dhuliyan (WB)			

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/guarantors(s) is/are hereby issued a 30 day Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold after 30 days from the date of publishing this Notice, as per the provisions under Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002. Date: March 12, 2025, Place: Siliguri & Dhuliyan (WB)

### Nation

### ISRO's Chandrayaan-3 tracks ice on moon

Bengaluru: Lunar surface temperature readings taken by India's Chandrayaan-3 lander have raised hopes for significantly larger and more widespread deposits of water-ice near the lunar poles than previously thought to exist.

Indian scientists analysing data from the lander released new research which suggest findings that crevices and craters along poleward-facing slopes on high lunar latitudes, shielded from sunlight, could serve as pockets for ice accumulation.

to be signed in India, which is

subject to SpaceX receiving

EASTERN RAILWAY

E-Tender Notice No. : TRS/HWH/

10/OT/152, Dated: 10.03.2025.

E-Tender is invited by Sr. Divisional

Electrical Engineer (TRS), Eastern

Railway, Electric Loco Shed

Bamangachi, Howrah-711106 for

the following work: Name of work:

"Trap Chamber modification in 3

Phase Locos as per RDSO

Modification Sheet No. RDSO/2017/

EL/MS/0465 Rev '0', dated

18.10.2017 with Amendment no. 1

dated 04.04.2018 or latest"

Bidding type : Normal Tender

Tender Type: Open; Bidding System: Single Packet System;

Tender Closing Date Time :

07.04.2025 at 15:00 hrs.; Date Time

Of Uploading Tender: 08.03.2025

at 13:33 hrs.: Advertised Value :

Rs. 30,50,796.44; Earnest Money

(Rs.): 61,000.00; Validity of Offer

(Days): 60; Tender Doc. Cost (Rs.)

: 0.00: Period of Completion: 180

Days; Contract Type: Works

General; Contract Category:

Expenditure; Bidding Start Date

24.03.2025; Ranking Order For Bids: Lowest to Highest;

Expenditure Type : Revenue. The

Details of E-Tender is available at

website www.ireps.gov.in

Interested/Eligible firms are

requested to submit their offer online

on the above website. Corrigendum

if any will be published at the giver

website i.e. www.ireps.gov.in No

Tender Notices are also available at Website

www.er.indianrailways.gov.in / www.ireps.gov.in

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Tender Notice No. EL/HWH/25/21

(Notice)/649 Date : 10.03.2025

Open e-Tender is invited by

Divisional Railway Manager,

Eastern Railway, DRM Building,

Near Railway Station, Howrah-

711101 for the under mentioned

electrical work/s: Tender No: EL-

HWH-25-21-3413; Name of Work:

1) Electrical General work for

Development of ground floor of main

entry station building alongwith

development of facade and porch

and interior work with development

of booking office, toilet & waiting hall

at Katwa Jn. under Amrit Bharat

Station Scheme. 2) Electrica

General work in connection with

Development of facade & porch and

interior development of Booking

office, toilet & waiting hall and other

ancillary works at Nabadwip Dham

station under Amrit Station Scheme

in the section of DEN/3/HWH. 3)

Electrical General work for

Completion of 2nd entry station

building Ground Floor along with

development of Facade, Porch.

Interior development of booking

office, waiting hall of existing

building, new toilet & 2nd entry

building, waiting hali and toilet along

with other ancillary works at

Azimgani Jn. station under Amrit

Station Scheme in the section of

DEN/3/HWH", 4) Electrical General

work for Development of facade of

existing building & porch, Toilet

Complex Completion, Interior

development of booking office

waiting hall of existing building, and

Interior works along with circulating

area & Parking area development at

Khagraghat mod station under Amrit Station Scheme in the section

of DEN/3/HWH; **Tender Value (Rs.):** 

1,67,70,387.00; Bid Security

(Earnest Money (Rs.): 2,33,900.00;

Completion Period: 270 Days

Closing Date and Time:

31.03.2025 at 15:00 hrs. In case the

date of closing mentioned in the

notice inviting tender is declared a

holiday/ bandh/strike on any

account, the date of closing tender

online will not be changed as the

application in the website of IREPS

does not permit submission of any

offer after closing date and time of

the tender. However, opening of

tenders online will be on any

convenient day after closing date

and time of the tender. The details of

tender are available at website

www.ireps.gov.in Tenderers are

requested to submit their offer online

Tender Notices are also available at Website www.er.indianrailways.gov.in / www.ireps.gov.in

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on the above website.

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manual offer will be accepted.

**Service**, of water-ice in the permanently shadowed regions (PSRs) near the lunar poles since India's lunar orbiter Chandrayaan-1 in 2008 provided the first direct evidence of water molecules on the moon's surface. PSRs are areas that never receive direct sunlight and are always at extremely low temperatures that allow ice to remain stable for billions of

> Now, temperature readings from the Chandra Surface Thermophysical Experiment (CHASTĚ), an instrument on the Chandrayaan-3 lander, have slopes on the lunar sur

differences in the ground temperatures.

The instrument found that temperatures at the point it penetrated the ground, a Sun-facing slope angled at 6 degrees, peaked at 82°C during the lunar noon. But just a metre away from that point, another temperature sensor showed that the peak daytime temperature was

"We saw this very large temperature difference between two points only about a metre away," Karanam Durga Prasad, a planetary scientist at the Physical Research Labo-Several lunar missions revealed how even slight ratory, Ahmedabad, who led the analysis, told. "The

sun-facing slope, the lower temperature with less solar illumination."

Durga Prasad and his colleagues used the temperature data to calculate how the lunar surface slope angle affects the surface temperature at high lunar latitudes similar to the landing site. Their findings were published in the journal Communications Earth and Environ-

Their calculations have shown that slopes facing away from the sun and towards the pole with a slope angle greater than 14 degrees will be cold enough

face can lead to significant higher temperature on the late in crevices or craters close to the surface.

These findings imply that the number of areas on the moon where ice may accumulate are more numerous and therefore easier to access than assumed until now," Durga Prasad said.

Scientists believe lunar ice originates from the interactions of protons from the sun with iron oxide in the lunar soil and from occasional cometary and meteorite impacts delivering water to the surface.

The high latitude regions of the moon are potential sites for scouting water-ice, prospecting for

tion, the researchers said  $\mid$  Bid opening date - 19.3.25. in their paper. "Such sites are not only scientifically interesting but also pose less technical challenges for exploration in comparison with regions closer to the poles of the moon,"

they wrote.

Chandrayaan-3 The spacecraft launched by the Indian Space Research Organisation (Isro) in 2023, was the first lunar mission to soft land near the lunar south polar region. The US space agency Nasa has also proposed landing Artemis missions near the lunar south pole. Isro's long-term plans include a mission to send astronauts

Vikas Sethia s/o Pannalal

This is to notify that no family nor

landlord but only Vikash is liable

for all his payments, judicial and

legal liabilities imposed on him.

Notice Inviting e-Tender
Rasidpur Gram Panchayat invite

e-tender vide N.I.T. No. :- 118/25

Dated: - 07/03/2025 (Tender ID-

2025\_ZPHD\_825160\_1). Last date

of submission of Bid 24/03/2025

e-tender are available on the

website https://wbtenders.gov.in

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Rasidpur Gram Panchayat

Rasidpur, Jangipara, Hooghly

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আমমোক্তার নামা

১) হাবিবুর রহমান, পিতা- মরহুম আবুল কাসেম

৯৯/০৯/২০২৪ তা্রিখে এ. ডি. এস. আর. পা<del>ভু</del>য়া

মফিসে রেজিস্ট্রীকৃত I - ৪৮৭১/২০২৪ নং

আহমদ, পিতা – মহম্মদ হেদায়েতুল্লাহ) সাং

হাদেবপুর, পোঃ ও থানা - পাভুয়া, জেলা

গ্লী, পিঁন নং - ৭১২১৪৯ এবং ২)  ${f i}$ ) মহম্ম

ওবাইদুল হক, ii) সাইদা আহমেদ, উভয়ের পিতা - মরহম সাইদুল হক ওরফে সহিদুল হক,

উভয়ের সাং মহাদেবপুর, পোঃ ও থানা পাভুয়া, হুগলী, পিন নং ৭১২১৪৯ । বিগত ইংরাজীর

০/০১/২০২৫ তারিখে ১) এ. ডি. এস. আর

শাভুয়া অফিসে রেজিস্ট্রীকৃত ০৩২৩/২০২৫ নং

আমমোক্তার দলিল মূলে আমাকে (**মহম্মদ** 

ইসলাম, পিতা - মরহম মহম্মদ আলম,) সাং -ইলামপুর, পোঃ - তিল্লা, থানা - পাডুয়া, হুগলী

পন নং ৭১২১৪৯ ক্ষমতাপ্রাপ্ত আমমোক্তার নিযুক্ত

করেন। উক্ত আমমোক্তারদ্বয় আমমোক্তারনাম

লিল বলে এ. ডি. এস. আর পান্ডুয়া অফিয়ে

০৩৮২/২০২৫ নং দলিল মূলে ক) আমির

অনসার খ) আসিফ ইমরান, গ) কাশিফ কামার, সকলের পিতা মহঃ ইমরান, সাং

সলামপাড়া শঙ্খনগর বাঁশবেড়িয়া মগরা হুগলী

<u>তপশীল</u> জেলা হুগলী, থানা পান্ডুয়া, মৌজা মহাদেবপুর

জে. এল. নং ৪২, হাল. এল. আর. ৬৯৯ খতিয়ানে ১) সাবেক তথা হাল ১৭৪ দাগে শালি

জমি ১ আনায় ২৭ শতকের মধ্যে ৪.৪৭ শতক

২ নং বিক্রেতাগন ৩২৬ খতিয়ানে সাবেক তথ

হাল ১৭৪ দাগে শালি জমি ১ আনায় ২৭ শতকের

১.৯০ শতক আমমোক্তার নামা দলিল মুলে

বিক্রয়কৃত সম্পত্তি হইতেছে । এতদ্বারা সকলকে

ঘবগত করা যাইতেছে যে **ক) আমির আনসার**,

া) আসিফ ইমরান, গ) কাশিফ কামার, সকলে

নামে নাম পত্তন করিবার জন্য বি. এল. এ্যান্ড এল

আর. ও পাভয়া অফিসে আবেদন করিয়াছেন

ইহাতে কাহার ও কোন আপত্তি থাকিলে বিজ্ঞপ্তি

প্রচার হইবার ১ মাসের মধ্যে সংশ্লিষ্ট অফিসে

আপত্তি জানাইতে পারিবেন অন্যথায় নিয়ম

বিজ্ঞপ্তি

যে আমার মক্রেল শ্রী মহঃ সাহেদ আলি করেশী, ও

জাভেদ করেশী পিতা রহমাত্তলা করেশী গত ই

রজিঃ কৃত ১৬৭৪ নং দলিল

০৯/০৪/২৪ ডাঃ A D S R DOMJUR

কাটালিয়া,ডোমজুর,হাওড়া,নিবাসী নিজাম পি<mark>ত</mark>

সঞ্জীব ও জৈবুণ্ণোসা স্বামী নিজাম মহাশয়/মহাশয়ার

পক্ষে নিযক্ত আমমোক্তার বাঁকডা, ডোমজর

হাওড়া,নিবাসী মহঃ নর ইসলাম মল্লিক ও শামিম

আকতার মল্লিক (DSR | HOWRAH

রেজিঃ কৃত আমমোক্তার নং ৭০৬৫/২০২২) এর

নিকট হইতে মৌজা কাটালিয়া গ্রামে জে.এল

১০,হাঃ ৫১৬০,৫১৬১ নং খতিঃ ভুক্ত,সাঃ ৭৫২

হাঃ ৭৭৩ নং দাগে ৩৩০ শতঃ সম্পত্তি ক্রয়

করেন।উক্ত সম্পত্তি নিজ নামে রেকর্ড করিবার

জন্য ডোমজুড় বি.এল.আর. ও তে আবেদন

করেন,যদি কারো কোনরূপ আপত্তি থাকে তাহা

হইলে বিজ্ঞপ্তির ৩০ দিনের মধ্যে উক্ত অফিসে

Sri Apurba Kumar Ghosh

Advocate Howrah Judge's Court∐

াগাযোগ করার অনুরোধ রহিল।

এসরার আহমদ ও মহম্মদ ইসলা

সর্বসাধরনকে জানানো যাইতে

অনুসারে কার্য্য হইবে।

এত দ্বারা

পতা মহম্মদ ইমরান, উক্ত খরিদা জমি নিজ নিজ

২২/০১/২০২৫ তা্রিখে

পিন নং ৭১২৫০২ ।

আমমোক্তার দলিল মূলে আমাকে (এসরার

পুরুষোত্তমপুর, পোঃ ও থানা - পাভুয়া, পিন নং ৭১২১৪৯। বিগত ইংরাজীর

MOHIARY-II GRAM PANCHAYET Ankurhati, Domiur, Howrah Invite E-Tender NIT/MGP-II/12/2024-25

Dated-10.03.2025. Last date of Submission-17.3.25

For further details: www.wbtenders.gov.in

> Sd/-Prodhan Mohiary-II Gram Panchayet

E-Tender for "Construction of Concrete Gallery 1 No, Installation of Solar Street Light 3 Nos. under Jurisdiction of Basanti Dev Block has been invited by the undersigned, details of which as noted Bid Submission Start Date: - 11.03.2025

TENDER NOTICE

Bid Submission Closing Date: 18.03.2025 25.03.2025 Details can be collected from the website https://wbtenders.gov.in & office Notice

**Executive Officer** Basanti Panchayet Samity South 24-Parganas

Lost & Found

This is to inform you that one of our customer had a fixed deposit in the name of BISWANATH MUKHERJEE vide deposit no CC/16757187 where Mr. GOPINATH CHATTERJEE is the joint depositor. Unfortunately, Mr. BISWANATH MUKHERJEE expired on 24/07/2022 now, GOPINATH CHATTERJEE is claiming that the Sethia missing with respect to GDEno1347 dated 17/7/24. certificates have been lost. A GD has already been lodged at BARUIPUR P.S on 15/02/2025 (GD # 1498/15/02/25) If found anyone, please contact HDFC BANK,5TH FLOOR, FOUR MANGOE

SARANI, KOLKATA-700001

Patharpratima Panchayat Samit

Lease

The Undersigned is hereby publishing Lease notice for Ferry services, Public Toilet, Bus Stand etc.

1. Lease Notice number-333/PS/Lease/2025, dated 10/03/2025 Last Date of subienission of application is 1 7 / 0 3 / 2 0 2 5 , B o a t Measurement on 18/03/2025 lease on 19/03/2025 & 20/03/2025.

For more details please visit office notice board

**Executive Officer** Patharpratima Panchavat Samiti Ramganga, South 24-Parganas.

#### NOTICE

My client Gautam Dey son of Late Biswajeet Dey purchased land measuring 4 cottah comprising to Mouza - Khariberia, RS Dag No-46 Khatian No. 3115, J.L. No. 29 vide sale deed No. 160102261-2022 registered at DSR-I, Alipore from POA holder, Kamala Kanta Maity son of Late Digambar Maity. POA No. 1607 8720-2022 registered at ADSR Behala He has applied to BLRO, Bishnupur-I for mutation. If anybody has any objection he can write to the related office within a month from the date

Sajal Das (Advocate) Alipore Police Court, Kolkata-27

#### LANE, SURENDRA MOHAN GHOSH Mob.: 9831177873 **Cancellation of Some Suburban Trains**

over Sealdah Division on the Day of "Dolyatra" Due to poor patronisation on the occasion of "Dolyatra" Utsab, especially during morning hours, the following suburban train services will remain cancelled on 14.03.2025 (Friday) :

#### Main Line

Sealdah-Barddhaman: 31151/31152. Sealdah-Ranaghat 31601, 31613, 31617, 31631/31602, 31614, 31624, 31634, 34636. Ranaghat-Gede: 31747, 31749, 31753, 31755/ 31744, 31746, 31748, 31750, 31754. **Sealdah-Gede:** 31911, 31917/31926. Ranaghat/Krishnanagar City Jn.-Shantipur: 31585/31586. Krishnanagar City Jn.-Ranaghat: 31723, 31725/ 31722, 31726, 31728. Sealdah-Krishnanagar City Jn.: 31801, 31815, 31831/31802, 31834, 31838. Naihati-Ranaghat: 31711/31712. Ranaghat-Shantipur: 31781, 31783/ 31782, 31784, 31786. Sealdah-Shantipur: 31511, 31515, 31521, 31527/ 31512, 31522, 31528, 31534. Ranaghat-Bongaon Jn.: 33711, 33713, 33717, 33719, 33729, 33733 / 33716, 33720, 33724, 33732. Sealdah-Barrackpore: 31215, 31217, 31219, 31223, 31225, 31227, 31229, 31231, 31237 / 31216, 31218, 31220, 31224, 31226, 31228, 31230, 31236, 31240, 31242. Bidhannagar Road-Barrackpore: 31261. Bidhannagar Road-Naihati: 31471. Sealdah-Naihati: 31411, 31413, 31417, 31423, 31425, 31427, 31435, 31437, 31443/ 31414, 31416, 31418, 31424, 31432, 31434, 31438, 31440, 31450.

#### **Central Section**

Barasat-Bongaon Jn.: 33363, 33365/ 33362, 33364, 33366. Sealdah-Barasat: 33401, 33433/ 33402, 33436, 33438. Sealdah-Habra: 33651, 33655, 33657/ 33652, 33656, 33658. Sealdah-Bongaon Jn.: 33801, 33811, 33813, 33821, 33825, 33849/ 33802, 33812, 33816, 33818, 33822, 33856, 33858. Sealdah-Dum Dun Cantt.: 33411/ 33412. Sealdah Madhyamgram: 33421/33422. Sealdah-Dattapukur: 33615/ 33620. Sealdah-Hasanabad: 33513, 33521/ 33526, 33528. Barasat - Hasanabad: 33311, 33315, 33327, 33319, 33321/ 33314, 33322, 33316, 33318.

#### Circular Rail

মধ্যে ৫.৪৩ শতক । একুনে ২ টি খতিয়ান হইতে BBD Bag- Krishnanagar City Jn.: 30145. BBD Bag Barrackpore: 30113, 30116. Ballygunge-Barrackpore: 30111. Naihati-Ballygunge: 30122. Barrackpore-Majerhat: 30112. Majerhat-Barasat: 30311. Hasanabad-Majerhat: 30321, 30324. Hasanabad-BBD Bag: 30322.

#### CCR Line

Sealdah-Dankuni: 32213, 32221, 32225, 32229, 32233, 32249/ 32214, 32222, 32226, 32230, 32234, 32252. Sealdah - Baruipara: 32411, 32413/ 32412, 32414

#### Sealdah South Section

Sealdah-Diamond Harbour: 34812, 34826/ 34811, 34833. Baruipur-Diamond Harbour: 34892/34891. Sonarpur-Diamond Harbour: 34882/34881. Sealdah-BBD Bag: 30412/ 30411. Sonarpur-Canning: 34356, 34360/ 34353, 34355. Sealdah-Canning: 34502, 34512, 34530, 34532/ 34501, 34511, 34521, 34539. Champahati-Majerhat: 30511. Ghutiari Sharif-Sonarpur: 34391. Majerhat-Ghutiari Sharif: 30552. Sonarpur-Champahati: 34392. Sealdah-Budge Budge: 34112, 34128, 34148/ 34111, 34127, 34147. Sealdah-Baruipur: 34602, 34616, 34618, 34622, 34628, 34646/ 34601, 34615, 34617, 34621, 34629, Sealdah-Lakshmikantapur: 34714, 34742/ 34711, 34749, 34751 Lakshmikantapur-Namkhana: 34934/34933. Baruipur Lakshmikantapur: 34332, 34334/34331. Baruipur-Sonarpur: 34311. Sealdah-Sonarpur: 34412, 34414, 34418, 34420, 34434/ 34413, 34415, 34419, 34423, 34431.

Divisional Railway Manager/Sealdah EASTERN RAILWAY

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#### PHYSICAL POSSESSION NOTICE

### **PICICI Bank** | Branch Office: ICICI BANK LTD, BP-4, Technopolis Building, 4th Floor, Sector V, Salt Lake City, Kolkata West Bengal - 700091 CIN No: L65190GJ1994PLC021012, www.icicibank.com

The Authorised ICICI Bank Officer under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notices to the borrower(s) mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice. Having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is issued to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described below, by exercising powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property. Any dealings

Wi	ith the property will be subject to charges of ICICI Bank Limited.							
Sr. No		Description of Property/ Date of Physical Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)	Name of Branch				
1.	Sabitri Tewari/ Mohan Tewari/ Ravi Kumar Tewari/ H/2 13/A Vidyasagar Park Santoshpur, Kolkata West Bengal Calcutta- 700137/ LBCAL00005245394	Plot No. 2, Dist, Collectorate Touzi No. 64, J.L. No. 13, R.S. No. 382, Comprised in R.S. Dag No. 299, Appertaining R.S. Khatian No. 32, R.S. Kri. Khatian No. 1550, Mouza-Ganipur, Ward No. 13 (Old) Now 15, Mahestala Municipality, District- South 24 Parganas, Police Station-Mahestala, A.D.S.R. at Behala, Pargana- Magura, West Bengal, Admeasuring An Area of More or Less 3 Cottas, 00 Ch. 00 Sft./ Date of Physical 06.03.2025	December 14,2022 Rs. 25,49,040.00/-	Calcutta				
2.	Shivnath Chakraborty/ Mou Mukherjee /6 No Prem Nagar Latima Road, Hatia, Jharkhand Hatia Ranchi- 834003/	Flat on 2nd Floor, Premises No- 41/37/1D, Western Facing, N. S. C Bose Road, Postal Address- 195B, Regent Colony, PS-Jadavpur, Mouza-Chandpur, S.P No. 46/1, C.S. Plot No. 1246(P), J.L No. 41, Ward No. 97, Kolkata Municipal Corporation, Zone Name: (Ward No. 97 & 95 - Ward No. 97 & 95), Kolkata- 700040, Admeasuring An Area of 750 Sq.ft. Super Built Up Area More or Less	February 28,2023 Rs. 25,86,414.00/-	Ranchi/ Calcutta				

Date of Physical 06.03.2025 The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/guarantors(s) is/are hereby issued a 30 day Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold after 30 days from the date of publishing this Notice, as per the provisions under Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002. Date: March 12, 2025, Place: Calcutta Sincerely Authorised Signatory, For ICICI Bank Ltd.

LBCAL00006118614 | Together With Undivided Proportionate Share in Land/

Bharti-Airtel inks deal to bring Elon Musk's Starlink to India

MI News Service, New its own authorizations to sell Delhi: Airtel on Tuesday an-Starlink in India," Airtel said nounced that it has signed an in a media note. "It enables Airtel and agreement with Elon Musk's SpaceX to further explore how SpaceX to bring Starlink's high-speed internet services Starlink can complement and to Bharti-Airtel customers in expand Airtel's offerings, and how Airtel's expertise in the 'This is the first agreement Indian market complements

SpaceX's direct offerings to consumers and businesses. "Airtel and SpaceX will explore offering Starlink equipment in Airtel's retail stores, Starlink services via Airtel to business customers, opportunities to con-

and health centers, among many others, in even the most rural parts of India. Airtel and SpaceX will also explore how Starlink could help expand and enhance the Airtel network, as well as SpaceX's ability to utilize and benefit from Airtel's ground network infrastructure and other capabilities in India," it added. Gopal Vittal, managing director and vice chairman, Bharti Airtel Ltd, was quoted as saying: "Working with SpaceX to offer

Starlink to Airtel customers in

India is a significant milestone

commitment to next-generation satellite connectivity. This collaboration enhances our ability to bring worldclass high-speed broadband to even the most remote parts of India, ensuring that every individual, business, and community has reliable internet. Starlink will complement and enhance Airtel's suite of products to ensure reliable and affordable broadband for our Indian customers - wherever they live and work." Gwynne Shotwell, president and CEO of SpaceX, was quoted as saying: "We are excited to work

with Airtel and unlock the transformative impact Starlink can bring to the people of India. We are constantly amazed by the incredible and inspiring things that people, businesses and organizations do when they are connected via Starlink," said "The team at Airtel has played a pivotal role in India's telecom story, so working with them to complement our direct offering makes great sense for our business." Elon Musk's Tes-

la is also eveing India and is up to 1.00 PM. The details of the reportedly set to open its first

### **Govt committed to Tamil language...at times you** have to be multilingual: Dharmendra Pradhan

**Delhi:** Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan has taken the fight to the ruling DMK government in Tamil Nadu on the three-language policy and

In a post on X the Minister alleged that raking the language issue was a diversion-

"I stand by my statement made in the Parliament and am sharing the consent letter from Tamil Nadu School Education Department dated 15th March 2024. DMK MPs and Hon'ble CM can stack lies as high as they want, but the truth does not bother knocking when it comes crashing down. The DMK dispensation

led by Hon'ble CM Stalin have

#### **Expression of Interest for 'One Station-One Product' Scheme over Adra Division**

nect communities, schools, and further demonstrates our

"Expression of Interest" is invited from interested parties in sealed covers by Sr. Divisional Commercial Manager, Adra on behalf of The President of India for the following work: SI. No.: 1; Description of Work: Operation of 'One Station-One Product' Scheme at Bishnupur-P.F-2 & 3 (Stall) Bowaichandi, Indrabil, Anara, Barabhum, Garbeta stations Over Adra Division.; Place of Work: Station applied for. Period of Contract: 15 days in one spell. (roster wise & priority wise). Last Date of submission of filled in applications with documents is 22.03.2025 up to 13:00 hrs. in the drop box kept in the respective Station Manager's office on 22.03.2025 up to 13.00 hrs. The said box will be opened on 22.03.2025 at 15.00 hrs.

Sr. Divisional Commercial Manager/Adra

South Eastern Railway

#### Metro Railway, Kolkata

Dy. CSTE/M, Metro Railway, Kolkata for & on behalf of The President o India invites e-Tenders against Open Tender due to open on 04.04.2025 at 15.00 hrs. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender and an such manual offer received shall be ignored. **Name of work:** Setting up o Metro Railway Training Institute at Noapara. Tender Value ₹1,41,06,086,96; Earnest Money: ₹2,20,500; Completion Period 06 (Six) Months. The tender can be viewed at Website https://www.ireps.gov.in The tenderer/bidders must have Class-III Digita Signature Certificate & must be registered on IREPS Portal. Only registered tenderer/bidders can participate on e-Tendering. All relevan paper must be uploaded at the time of participating in e-Tender.

Open Tender Notice No. : S&T/Work/07-2025 ow us at: 8/metrorailwaykol 6/metrorailkolkata

#### Metro Railway, Kolkata

E-Tender is invited by Principal Chief Engineer, Metro Railway, Kolkata or and on behalf of the President of India for the following work: Name of work: Renovation of RPF Office/Barracks at Rabindra Sadar First Floor), Tollygaunge (G+3) and Kavi Subhas of Metro Railway, Kolkata Approx Cost of Work: ₹ 4,45,47,503.54, Earnest Money: ₹ 3,72,700/ Completion Period: Twelve (12) Months, Date and Time of Closing: 07.04.2025 at 12:00 hrs. The Tender Document and other details can bobtained from the website **www.ireps.gov.in**. Amendments/ Corrigendum, any, would be uploaded only on the website.

Abridged e-Tender Notice No.: Civil-2490-2024 (Open)

EASTERN RAILWAY E-TENDER NOTICE No. NIT/02/25/14 Dated: 10.03.2025. E-Tenders are invited by Principal Chief Materials Manager, Eastern Railway, Fairlie Place, 2nd Floor, 17, Netaji Subhas Road, Kolkata-700001 for supply of the following items: Sr.No. & Tender No.; Description; EMD respectively: (1) 15255013; Supply, installation and commissioning of CNC Surface Wheel athe with AMC along with shed and lifting Mechanism of Cap.2500kg minimum etc.; Rs. 18,31,450.00; Tender Opening Date: 25-MAR-2025 TIME: 13:30 hrs.; (2) 15245026; Supply, Installation and commissioning of The Drop Pit Table etc.; Rs. 7,50,000.00; (3) **15245084**; Drop Pit Table, as per attached Specification; Rs. 7,80,000.00; Tender Opening Date: 26-MAR-2025, TIME: 13:30 hrs. for Sl. No. 2 & 3 each; (4) 15235115C; Supply, installation and commissioning of Electrical Heat Treatment Furnace (Stress Relieving) Capacity-6 Ton; Rs. 2,36,540.00; (5) 15255003A; Supply, Installation and commissioning of Continuous Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Stations along with Noise Monitoring Terminal etc.; Rs. 20,00,000.00; Tender Opening Date: 27-MAR-2025, TIME: 13:30 hrs. for Sl. No. 4 & 5 each; (6) 10242007A; Brake Gear Arrgt. & Details; Rs. 2,99,640.00; Tender Opening Date: 28-MAR-2025, TIME: 13:30 hrs.; (7) 10241019C; Pinion 23 Teeth; Rs. 1,26,710.00; (8) 10241038; Connecting Rod & Crank Shaft Assly.etc.; Rs. 1,17,190.00; Tender Opening Date: 31-MAR-2025, TIME: 13:30 hrs. for SI. No. 7 & 8 each; (9) 15255019; Supply, Installation and Commissioning of Electric Overhead Travelling Crane 40 ton, Including Tools and Tackle etc.; Rs. 5,16,080.00; Tender Opening Date: 02-APR-2025, TIME: 13:30 hrs.; (10) 21251382; Knuckle etc; Rs. 9,07,800.00; Tender Opening Date: 03-APR-2025, TIME: 13:30 hrs.; (11) 10242516; Kit for "IOH schedule of E-70 brake system" etc.; Rs. 1,87,220.00; Tender Opening Date: 05-APR-2025. TIME: 13:30 hrs.; (12) 21251454; PIPE 32 NB (BP & FP) for BOXNHL etc.; Rs. 1,40,970.00; Tender Opening Date: 07-APR-2025, TIME: 13:30 hrs Note: All above mentioned tenders are e-tenders and all tenderers are requested to submit their bids on-line through the IREPS website at https://www.ireps.gov.in For more details regarding the above mentioned tenders and other supply tenders please visit IREPS website.

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ed on X. Earlier while speaking in the Rajya Sabha the Union Education Minister lashed out at the opposition for claiming that the government wants to divide society while using lan-

a lot to answer to the people

of Tamil Nadu. Raking the

language issue as a diversion-

ary tactic and denying facts

as per their convenience will

not shield their governance

and welfare deficit," he post-

guages and said that the central government led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi will never use language to do such "sin." "There are certain things going on, let me first clarify in my Odia society Lord Jagganath is everybody. The king of Puri is not a king but a philosopher kind of person. He is the living deity to everyone. My king married to the Queen of Kanchi. My mother is from Tamil Nadu. I am the son of a Tamil Nadu lady. Another House yesterday, In

my society mother and sisters

are above everything. If I hurt anybody if any of my words, I beg an apology. PM Modi has always mentioned the Tamil language is an ancient language. The Tamil language is nobody's monopoly. We are committed to the Tamil language. Truth is always painful," Pradhan said in the Rajya Sabha.

Pradhan mentioned his conversation with Rajya Sabha MP Sudha Murthy and said that nobody is imposing

anything on anyone. "I asked Šudha Murthy ji how many languages you know? In reply, she said by birth she is a Kannadiga, by profession she learned English, by practice, she learned Šanskrit, Hindi, Odia, Telegu and Marathi. What is wrong in that? Who is imposing on Sudha Murthyji to learn this language? Nobody is imposing anything on anyone. This is a democratic society and at times you must be multilingual," he added.

এতদ্বারা সকলকে জ্ঞাত করা যাইতেছে <mark>যে, শ্রী অসীম কুমার ঘোষ</mark> পিতা ৺মানিক লাল ঘোষ সাকিম াডবাজার, চঁচড়া, হুগলী-৭১২১০১ মহাশয় বিগত ইং ১১/১২/২০১৯ তারিখে ডি.এস.আর-II. হুগলী চঁচডা, অফিসে রেজিষ্ট্রীকত IV-163/2019 নং আমমোক্তারনামা দলিল মলে আমার মক্কেল শ্রী চন্দ্রজিৎ ঘোষ পিতা ৺রঞ্জিত কুমার ঘোষ সাকিম সানি এ্যাপার্টমেন্ট, বড়বাজার, চুঁচুড়া, হুগলী-৭১২১০১ মহাশয়কে ক্ষমতাপ্রাপ্ত আমমোক্তার নিযুক্ত করেন এবং উক্ত ক্ষমতাপ্রাপ্ত আমুমোক্তারনাম বলে আমার মক্কেল নিম্নোক্ত তপশীল বর্ণিত সম্পত্তি বিগত ইং ২৮/০৮/২০২৪ তারিখে এ.ডি.এস.আর হুগলী, চুঁচুড়া, অফিসে রেজিষ্ট্রীকৃত ৪টি (চারটি) পৃথক পৃথক বিক্রয় কোবালা দলিল মূলে সাকিম জেটে, সিনেট, দাদপুর, হুগলী-৭১২৩০৫ নিবাসী মরহুম অন্মর আলি মন্ডল মহাশয়ের চার পুত্রকে যথাঃ ক)দেলুয়ার হোঁসেন মন্ডল মহাশয়কে I-10159/2024 নং দলিল মূলে ১৩২ শতক বা ৭১ কাঠা, খ)**আজেহার মন্ডল** মহাশয়কে I-10160/2024 নং দলিল মলে ৯৫.৫ শতক বা ৫৭.৯৩ কাঠা গ**)মোজাম্মেল হক মন্ডল** মহাশয়কে I-10161/2024 নং দলিল মূলে ৭০ কাঠা ১২ ছটাক ২৫ গ্র্পিট, ঘ)আজিজুল মন্ডল মহাশয়কে I-10162/2024 নং দলিল মূলে ৯৫.৫ শতক বা ৫৭.৯৩ চাঠা, সম্পত্তি বিক্রয় করেন। <u>তপশীল</u> - জেলা হুগলী, থানা দাদপুরের সামিল ক<u>)দেলুয়ার হোসেন</u> <u>মভল</u> মহাশয়কে <u>মৌজা পাঁজিপুকুর</u>, ৭৬ নং জে.এল ভুক্ত, সাবেক তথা হালু এল.আর. ৩৬১ নং দাগে ১)হাল ৪৫ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ৩৩ শতক, ২)হাল ৬০ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ৩৪ শতক, ৩)হাল .৪ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ১৫ শতক, ৪)হাল ১১৫ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ৩৫ শতক, ৫)হাল ১৫০ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ১৫ শতক, একুনে একটি দাগে পাঁচটি খতিয়ানে <u>১৩২ শতক বা ৭৯ কাঠা</u> আমমোক্তারনামা বলে বিক্রয়কৃত সম্পত্তি, পুনরায় খ)আজেহার মন্ডল মহাশয়কে মৌজা পাঁজিপুকুর ৭৬ নং জে.এল ভক্ত, সাবেক তথা হাল এল.আর. ৩১৩ নং দাগে ১)হাল ৪৫ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ১৯.৫ শতক, ২)হাল ৬০ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ১৯.৫ শতক, ৩)হাল ৭৪ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ০ শতক ৪)হাল ১১৫ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ১৯ ৫ শতক ৫)হাল ১৫০ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ১০ শতক, একুনে একটি দাগে পাঁচটি খতিয়ানে ৭৮.৫ শতক বা ৪৭.৫৩ কাঠা, এবং মৌজা হরিপুর, ৭৪ নং জে.এল ভুক্ত, সাবেক তথা হাল এল.আর. ৪৮০/৮৪৪ নং দাগে ১)হাল ১২৬ নং খতিয়ানে ণালি জমি ০৩ শতক, ২)হাল ১৬৮ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ২.৫ শতক, ৩)হাল ১৯৪ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ০৪ শতক, ৪)হাল ২৮৩ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ০৩ শতক, ৫)হাল ৩২২ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ৪.৫ শতক. একনে একটি দাগে পাঁচটি খতিয়ানে ১৭ শতক বা ১০ কাঠা ৪ ছটাক ২৫ <u>বর্গফুট, একুনে দুইটি মৌজায় মোট ৯৫.৫ শতক বা ৫৭.৯৩ কাঠা আমমোক্তারনামা বলে বিক্রয়কৃত</u> <u>নম্পত্তি। পুনরায় গ)মোজাম্মেল হক মন্ডল</u> মহাশয়কে <u>মৌজা পাঁজিপুকুর,</u> ৭৬ নং জে.এল ভুক্ত, সাবেক তথা হাল এল.আর. ৩৬১ নং দাগে ১)হাল ৪৫ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ২৯ শতক. ২)হাল ৬৫ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ২৯ শতক, ৩)হাল ৭৪নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ১৬ শতক, ৪)হাল ১১৫ নং ধতিয়ানে শালি জমি ২৭ শতক, ৫)হাল ১৫০ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ১৬ শতক, এঁকুনে একটি দাগে পাঁচটি খতিয়ানে <u>১১৭ শতক বা ৭০ কাঠা ১২ ছটাক ২৫ বর্গফুট আমমোক্তারনামা বলে বিক্রয়কৃত</u> <u>সম্পত্তি, পুনরায়</u> ঘ)<u>আজিজ্বল মন্ডল</u> মহাশয়কে <u>মৌজা পাঁজিপুকুর</u>, ৭৬ নং জে.এল ভুক্ত, সাবেক তথা হাল এল.আর. ৩১৩ নং দাগে ১)হাল ৪৫নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ১৯.৫ শতক, ২)হাল ৬০ নং থতিয়ানে শালি জমি ১৯.৫ শতক, ৩)হাল ৭৪ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ১০ শতক, ৪)হাল ১১৫ নঃ খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ১৯.৫ শতক, ৫)হাল ১৫০ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ১০ শতক, <u>একুনে একটি</u> <u>দাগে পাঁচটি খতিয়ানে ৭৮.৫ শতক বা ৪৭.৫৩ কাঠা,</u> এবং <u>মৌজা হরিপুর,</u> ৭৪ নং জে.এল ভুক্ত সাবেক তথা হাল এল.আর. ৪৮০/৮৪৪ নং দাগে ১)হাল ১২৬ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ০৩ শতক ২)হাল ১৬৮ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ২.৫ শতক, ৩)হাল ১৯৪ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ০৪ শতক ৪)হাল ২৮৩ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ০৩ শতক, ৫)হাল ৩২২ নং খতিয়ানে শালি জমি ৪.৫ শতক যথা একটি দাগে পাঁচটি খতিয়ানে ১৭ শতক বা ১০ কাঠা ৪ ছটাক ২৫ বৰ্গফট. একনে দুইটি মৌজাঃ মোট ৯৫.৫ শতক বা ৫৭.৯৩ কাঠা আমমোক্তারনামা বলে বিক্রয়কৃত সম্পত্তি হইতেছে। এতদ্বার কলকে অবগত করা যাইতেছে যে, বর্তমান ক্রেতাগণ <mark>মরহুম অম্মর আলি মন্ডল</mark> মহাশয়ের চার পুত্র যথাঃ ক)দেলয়ার হোসেন মন্ডল খ)আজেহার মন্ডল গ)মোজান্মেল হক মন্ডল এবং ঘ)আজিজ্ঞ মন্ডল উক্ত খরিদা সম্পত্তি নিজ নিজ নামে নাম পত্তন করিবার জন্য বি.এল এ্যান্ড এল.আর.ও পোলবা দাদপুর ব্লক অফিসে আবেদন করিয়াছেন/করিতেছেন। ইহাতে কাহারও কোন আইনানুগ আপত্তি থাকিলে বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রচার হইবার আগামী ১ মাসের মধ্যে সংশ্লিষ্ঠ অফিসে আপত্তি জানাইতে পারিবেন অন্যথায় নিয়ম অনুসারে কার্য্য করা হইবে। ইতি- সনৎ কমার শীল (উকিলবার), জেলা জজ আদালত, চঁচ্ডা, হুগলী

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> Chairman Serampore Municipality

# Researchers find how cells recognize, repair DNA damage

Wurzburg [Germany] : When cells divide, there is a substantial risk of genetic harm. After all, the cell must repeat its whole genetic material, including billions of genetic letters, before it can divide. This repeatedly produces "reading errors" in the genome. Other factors, including as exposure to sunlight, alcohol, and cigarettes, are also responsible for the buildup of DNA damage over a person's lifetime.

Of course, the cell is not impotent in the presence of such injuries. It contains a large library of biological mechanisms that are activated in response to DNA damage. The precise term for this is DNA damage response (DDR). Specific signaling pathways are usually responsible for the immediate recognition and repair of DNA damage, ensuring the cell's survival. A team of scientists from Julius-

Maximilians-Universitat Wurzburg (JMU) in Bavaria, Germany, has recently conducted a closer examination of one of these signaling routes. The researchers discovered a new mechanism for the DNA damage response that is mediated by an RNA transcript. Their findings serve to widen the conceptual perspective of the DNA damage response and link it more closely with RNA.

Dr Kaspar Burger, junior research group leader at the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, was responsible for this study. The group has published the results of their investigations in the journal Genes & Development.

"In our study, we focused on so-called long non-coding RNA transcripts. Previous data suggest that some of these transcripts act as regulators of genome stability," says Kaspar Burger, explaining the background to the work. The study focused on the nuclear enriched abundant transcript 1 - also known as NEAT1 which is found in high concentrations in many tumor cells. NEAT1 is also known to react to DNA damage and to cellular stress. However, its exact role in the DNA damage response was previously unclear.

"Our hypothesis was that RNA metabolism involves NEAT1 in the DNA damage response in order to ensure the stability of the genome," says Burger. To test this hypothesis, the research group experi-mentally investigated how NEAT1 reacts to serious damage to the genome - socalled DNA double-strand breaks - in human bone cancer cells. The result: "We were able to show that DNA doublestrand breaks increase both the number of NEAT1 transcripts and the amount of N6-methyladenosine marks on NEAT1," says the scientist.

Methyladenosine marks on RNA transcripts are a topic that scientists have not been dealing with for very long. They fall into the area of epitranscriptomics - the field of biology that deals with the question of how RNA modifications are involved in the regulation of gene expression. Methyl groups play a key role in this. It is known, for example, that RNA modifications are often misplaced in cancer

The experiments conducted by Kaspar Burger and his team show that the frequent occurrence of DNA double-strand



NEAT1, which leads to changes in the NEAT1 secondary structure. As a result, highly methylated NEAT1 accumulates at some of these lesions to drive the recognition of broken DNA. In turn, experimentally induced suppression of NEAT1 levels delayed the DNA damage response, resulting in increased amounts of DNA damage. NEAT1 itself does not repair DNA damage. However, as the Wurzburg team discovered, it enables the controlled release and activation of an RNA-binding DNA repair factor. In this way, the cell can recognize and repair DNA damage highly efficiently. According to the scientists, knowledge about the role of NEAT1 methylation in the recognition and repair of DNA damage could open up new thera-

NEAT1 expression. However, it must first be clarified whether these results, which were obtained in simple cell systems, can also be transferred to complex tumor models. Kaspar Burger's research was supported by the German Cancer Aid and the Mildred Scheel Early Career Center for Cancer Research (MSNZ) in Wurzburg. Whenever cells divide, there is a high risk of damage to the genetic material. After all, the cell has to duplicate its entire genetic material and copy billions of genetic letters before it divides. This repeatedly results in "reading errors" of the genome. However, other factors are also responsible for the accumulation of DNA damage in the course of a person's life: exposure to sun light, alcohol and cig-

arettes are just a few examples of factors

that are known to damage the genetic material and thus can cause cancer, among other things. Of course, the cell is not powerless in the face of such lesions. It has an extensive catalog of cellular mechanisms that are set in motion following DNA damage. DNA damage response, or DDR for short, is the technical term for this. Specific signaling pathways usually initiate the immediate recognition and repair of DNA damage, thus ensuring the survival of the cell. A team of scientists Julius-Maximilians-Universitat Wurzburg (JMU) in Bavaria, Germany, has now taken a closer look at one of these signaling pathways. The group has identified a new mechanism of the DNA damage response that is mediated via an RNA transcript. Their results help to broaden the conceptual view on the DNA damage response and to link it more closely with RNA metabolism. Dr. Kaspar Burger, junior research group leader at the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, was responsible for this study. The group has published the results of their investigations in the journal Genes & Development. "In our study, we focused on so-called long non-coding RNA transcripts. Previous data suggest that some of these transcripts act as regulators of genome stability," says Kaspar Burger, explaining the background to the work. The study focused on the nuclear enriched abundant transcript 1 - also known as NEAT1 - which is found in high concentrations in many tumor cells. NEAT1 is also known to react to DNA

response was previously unclear.
"Our hypothesis was that RNA metab-

olism involves NEAT1 in the DNA damage response in order to ensure the stability of the genome," says Burger. To test this hypothesis, the research group experimentally investigated how NEAT1 reacts to serious damage to the genome so-called DNA double-strand breaks in human bone cancer cells. The result: "We were able to show that DNA doublestrand breaks increase both the number of NEAT1 transcripts and the amount of N6-methyladenosine marks on NEAT1, says the scientist. Methyladenosine marks on RNA transcripts are a topic that scientists have not been dealing with for very long. They fall into the area of epitranscriptomics - the field of biology that deals with the question of how RNA modifications are involved in the regulation of gene expression. Methyl groups play a key role in this. It is known, for example, that RNA modifications are often misplaced in cancer cells. The experiments conducted by Kaspar Burger and his team show that the frequent occurrence of DNA doublestrand breaks causes excessive methylation of NEAT1, which leads to changes in the NEAT1 secondary structure. As a result, highly methylated NEAT1 accumulates at some of these lesions to drive the recognition of broken DNA. In turn, experimentally induced suppression of NEAT1 levels delayed the DNA damage response, resulting in increased amounts

### Medication increases radiation therapy's efficacy for lung cancer that has progressed to brain

Washington [US]: A group of researchers from the University of Cincinnati has discovered a possible novel approach to enhance the efficacy of radiation therapy and enhance the prognosis of patients with lung cancer metastasizing to the brain. The research, which was headed by Debanjan Bhattacharya, PhD, as the lead author, was just released in the journal Cancers. Lung cancer accounts for approximately one in five cancer deaths in the United States, making it the primary cause of cancer death, according to the American Cancer Society. About 80 per cent to 85 per cent of all instances of lung cancer are non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC), which is the most common

Up to 40 per cent of lung cancer patients develop brain metastases during the course of the disease, and these patients on average survive between eight and 10 months following diagnosis. Current standard of care treatments for lung cancer that spreads to the brain



include surgical resection and stereotactic brain radiosurgery, and whole brain irradiation is standard in patients with more than 10 metastatic brain lesions. "Lung cancer brain metastasis is usually incurable, and whole brain radiation treatment is palliative, as radiation limits therapy due to toxicity," said Bhattacharya, research instructor in the Department of Neurology and Rehabilitation Medicine in UC's College of Medicine.

"Managing potential side effects and overcoming resistance to radiation are major challenges when treating brain metastases from lung cancer. This highlights the importance of new treatments which are less toxic and can improve the efficacy of radiation therapy, are less expensive, and can improve the quality of life in patients." Bhattacharya and his colleagues at UC focused on AM-101, a synthetic analog in the class of benzodiazepine drugs first developed by James Cook, a medicinal chemist at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Prior to this study, AM-101's effect in non-small cell lung cancer was unknown. AM-101 is a particularly useful drug in the context of brain metastases in NSCLC, Bhattacharya said, as benzodiazepines are known to be able to pass through the blood-brain barrier that protects the brain from potential harmful invaders that can also block some drugs from reaching

#### Research discovers new skeletal tissue with potential for regeneration: Study professor of developmental and

damage and to cellular stress. However,

California (USA): An international research team has discovered a new type of skeletal tissue that offers great potential for advancing regenerative medicine and tissue engineering.

An international research team led by the University of California, Irvine has discovered a new type of skeletal tissue that offers great potential for advancing regenerative medicine and tissue engineering.

Most cartilage relies on an external extracellular matrix for strength, but 'lipocartilage', which is found in the ears, nose and throat of mammals, is uniquely packed with fat-filled cells called 'lipochondrocytes'.

It provides super-stable inter-nal support which enables the

strength of tissue. It makes to remain soft and springy -- similar to bubbled packaging material.

The study, published in the journal Science, describes how lipocartilage cells create and maintain their own lipid reservoirs while remaining constant in size. Unlike ordinary adipocyte fat cells, lipo chondrocytes never shrink or expand in response to food availability. "Lipocartilage's resilience and

stability provide a compliant, elastic quality that's perfect for flexible body parts such as earlobes or the tip of the nose, opening exciting possibilities in regenerative medicine and tissue engineering, particularly for facial defects or injuries," said corresponding author Maksim Plikus, UC Irvine

cell biology. "Currently, cartilage reconstruction often requires harvesting tissue from the patient's rib -- a painful and invasive procedure. In the future, patient-specific lipo chondrocytes could be derived from stem cells, purified and used to manufacture living cartilage tailored to individual needs. With the help of 3D printing, these engineered tissues could be shaped to fit precisely, offering new solutions for treating birth defects, trauma and various cartilage diseases.

Dr. Franz Leydig first recog nized lipochondrocytes in 1854. when he noted the presence of fat droplets in the cartilage of rat ears, a finding that was largely

#### Slow growth of cortex could play role in developing eating disorders as adult



New Delhi: Slow maturing of the brain's cortex -- that helps with self-control and decision-making -- during teenage could be a reason for developing eating disorders as a young adult, according to a new

Disordered eating behaviours can be 'restrictive' -- involving dieting and purging in which one deliberately limits food intake to control body weight and shape -- or 'emotional' in response to negative emotions or urges such as binge-eating. For the study, published in the journal Nature Mental Health, the researchers led by those at King's College London analysed MRI brain scans of almost 1,000 teenagers from England, Ireland, France and Germany, taken at ages 14 and 23 years. Genetic data and responses to questionnaires assessing the participants' well-being and eatbehaviours were also analysed 'Brain maturation' in which the cortex or the outer layer of brain decreases in volume and thickness during teenage, was found to be delayed and less pronounced in unhealthy eaters. The cortex is known to help perform higher-level functions such as decision-making and regulating emotions. "Age-related decreases in volumes and thickness in several brain regions, particularly in the cerebellum and prefrontal cortex, were less pronounced in restrictive eaters emotional/uncontrolled eaters, compared with healthy eaters, suggesting protracted (delayed) brain maturation," the authors

wrote. They said that a delayed

maturing of the cortex contributed

towards the link between having

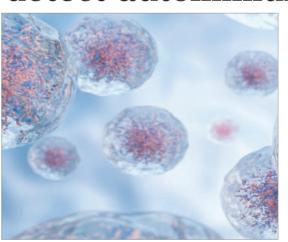
mental health problems at age 14 and developing unhealthy eating behaviours at age 23, and this connection was unrelated to body mass index. In particular, they found that a reduced maturation of the cerebellum -- a brain region that controls appetite -- helped explain the link between one's genetic risk for high body mass index and restrictive eating behaviours at age 23. The researchers grouped the participants under three types of eating behaviours -- healthy eaters (42 per cent), restrictive eaters (33 per cent) and emotional or uncontrolled eaters (25 per cent). Young people with unhealthy eating behaviours at age 23 were found to have had higher levels of internalising and externalising problems at age 14, compared to healthy eaters. Internalising problems could involve anxiety or depression, whereas externalising ones could involve hyperactivity, inattention or conduct issues. Internalising problems significantly increased with age between 14 to 23 among the unhealthy eaters the researchers said. They added that although externalising problems decreased with age across the groups, overall levels were higher among those having emotional or uncontrolled eating behaviours. Restrictive eaters were found to have dieted more throughout adolescence compared to healthy eaters. On the other hand, some of the emotional eaters showed an increase in dieting between ages 14 and 16, while others showed an increase in binge eating between ages 14 to 19, compared to healthy eaters, the team found

#### Bioengineers found breakthrough in building smart cells, potential to detect autoimmune disease: Study Washington [USA]: Bioengineers have developed a new construction kit for building custom sense-and-respond circuits in human cells. The research could revolutionize therapies for complex conditions like autoimmune disease and

Rice University bioengineers have developed a new construction kit for building custom sense-and-respond circuits in human cells. The research, published in the journal Science, denotes a major breakthrough in the field of synthetic biology that could revolutionize therapies for com-

plex conditions like autoimmune disease and cancer. "Imagine tiny processors inside cells made of proteins that can 'decide' how to respond to specific signals like inflammation, tumour growth markers or blood sugar levels," said Xiaovu Yang, a graduate student in the Systems, Synthetic and Physical Biology PhD program at Rice who is the lead author on the study.

"This work brings us a whole lot closer to being able to build 'smart cells' that can detect signs of disease and



immediately release customizable treatments in response. The new approach to artificial cellular circuit design relies on phosphorylation. It is a natural process cells use to respond to their environment that features the addition of a phosphate group to a protein. Phosphorylation is involved in a wide range of cellular functions, including the conversion of extracellular signals into intracellular responses -e.g., moving, secreting a substance, reacting to a pathogen or expressing a gene.

In multicellular organisms, phosphorylation-based signalling often involves a multistage, cascading effect like falling dominoes. Previous attempts at harnessing this mechanism for therapeutic purposes in human cells have focused on re-engineering native, existing signalling pathways. However, the complexity of the pathways makes them difficult to work with, so applications have remained fairly limited. Thanks to Rice researchers' new findings, however, phosphorylation-based innovations in "smart cell" engineering could see a significant uptick in the coming years.

### Thermal imaging may help fruits, veggies stay fresher longer: Study

favourite produce arrives at the grocery store, it must be carefully harvested and stored for extended periods of time. A recent University of Georgia assessment argues that new temperature sensing devices could make that procedure considerably easier, as agricultural issues are exacerbated by changing climates.

Maintaining temperature, humidity and light is critical to ensuring fruits and vegetables don't spoil or deteriorate rapidly. Temperature spikes are the root of adverse outcomes like premature spoilage and rotting, so monitoring these changes quickly and accurately is key.

Researchers say thermal imaging technology could help control temperatures before and after harvesting fruit and veg-

"Measuring temperature in food processing environments has to be done right," said Kevin Mis Solval, lead author of the study and an associate professor in UGA's College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences. "We do it on a regular basis to make sure we have the proper conditions for producing safe products, but it may not always be done practically. These types of thermal imaging tools are not only feasible but cost-effective and good at measuring temperature profiles. That is beneficial for a farmer or food processing facility.

A thermal image can replace old-school thermometers in some Mis Solval evaluat-

ed the technology as a tool for rapidly sensing temperature changes in crops in real By collecting infrared radiation of fruits and vegetables, thermal imaging technology can gauge temperature without contact. These types of cameras are readily available to food producers and range from industrialgrade cameras to smartphone attachments. But they have one thing in common: If there's a

drastic temperature spike, the technology can flag it. "Once you harvest, there is a

decomposition process



right there, so in some instances a rapid cooling process is very critical for extending the shelf life of fresh produce," Mis Solval

said. "If this cooling process is not done correctly, then the shelf life of some fruit and vegetables is significantly shorter. We're talking two weeks compared to

Many leafy greens must be picked and then immediately cooled, for example, so a quick temperature measurement must match that

Currently, farmers and harvesters use conventional thermometers to capture the temperature of one or two items. But that process is not only time-consuming but potentially damaging to the product. Poking and prodding fruits and veggies for an accurate temperature reading can cause minor damage and increase the risk of cross-

contamination. Thermal imaging technology could save produce from the

External heat flux in the harvesting process is more common

than it used to be. Extreme temperatures, intense solar rays and drought stress are making products on the field more at risk for defects.

Ideally, thermal imaging technology will be automated in the future to further optimize the processing of preharvest and postharvest. Thermal imaging technology has been effective in evaluating the quality of seeds and food safety, but this is the first time it has been considered for such a key part in the preand postharvest processes of fresh produce.

This type of technology could make or break the quality of produce you put in your shopping basket.

Items with a shorter shelf life have less of a chance to reach the marketplace," Mis Solval said. "If it doesn't meet the quality criteria for the supermarket, it's going to be discarded. If it makes it to the consumer and fails in quality, it's going to be thrown away. We are making sure quality produce reaches the final consumer.

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#### Earthquake of magnitude 4.1 jolts Tibet

MI News Service, Tibet: An earthquake of magnitude 4.1 jolted Tibet on Tuesday, a statement by the National Center for Seismology (NCS) said. As per the NCS, the earth-quake occurred at a depth of 10km, making it susceptible to aftersheeks. In a tible to aftershocks. In a post on X, NCS said, "EQ of M: 4.1, On: 11/03/2025 12:39:06 IST, Lat: 28.52 N, Long: 87.40 E, Depth: 10 Km, Location: Tibet."

Shallow earthquakes like this one are more dangerous than deeper ones due to their greater energy release closer to the Earth's surface, causing stronger ground shaking and increased damage to structures and casualties, compared to deeper earthquakes, which lose energy as they travel to the sur-face. A statement by the National Center for Seismology said that on Sunday, March 9, another earthquake of magnitude 4.0 on the Richter Scale jolted Tibet. As per the NCS, the earthquake occurred at a depth of 10km, making it susceptible to aftershocks. "EQ of M: 4.0, On: 09/03/2025 02:30:20 IST, Lat: 28.05 N, Long: 88.16 E, Depth: 10 Km, Location: Tibet," NCS stated in a post on X. The Ti-betan Plateau is known for its seismic activity due to tectonic plate collisions. Tibet and Nepal lie on a major geological fault line where the Indian tectonic plate pushes up into the Eurasian plate, and earthquakes are a regular occurrence as a result of it. The region is seismically active, causing tectonic uplifts that can grow strong enough to change the heights of the Himalayas' peaks, noted Al Jazeera.

#### A tongue-in-cheek farewell: Justin **Trudeau exits Parliament with** chair in hand

MI News Service, Canada: After resigning as Prime Minister of Canada, Justin Trudeau was captured exiting Parliament in a playful style - carrying a chair and with his tongue sticking out. lawmakers are allowed to take their chairs with them when they leave Parliament, Brian Lilley, Political columnist for the Toronto Sun noted in a post on X.

"When any MP leaves the Commons, they are allowed to take their chair, their seat with them. I find it a great tradition, one that I support. That said, this is a weird photo of Trudeau leaving with his. Also, perhaps another sign of a looming election", he wrote on X.

Trudeau had in his remarks while stepping down highlighted the 'achievements' of the Liberal Party over the past decade while looking towards the future, hours ahead of the announcement of his successor as the leader of his party as per CBC News. In his speech at the Liberal Leadership Convention, Trudeau said, "l am damn proud of what we've done over these past 10 years for the middle class and the people working hard to join it." As the Liberal Party enters a new era, Trudeau told the crowd that "there is a responsibility to ensure that Canada stays the best country on Earth! In one of his last speeches as Liberal leader and Canada's PM, he urged his supporters to keep fighting for Canada as hard as they can. Trudeau resigned on January 6 as both- the Prime Minister and leader of the Liberal Party amid widespread anger over his government's handling of a housing crisis and rising costs of living. Prime Minister-Designate of Canada, Mark Carney was elected on Sunday to lead Canada's Liberal Party into the next federal elections later this year. Carney stepped up in this role as Canada seeks to counter its looming trade war with US President Donald Trump.



gur Ramgoolam Botanical Garden, in Mauritius.

### "Excited for an excellent march past": Indian Naval **Contingent rehearses for Mauritius National Day**

MI News Service, Champ de Mars: Braving heavy rainfall, contingents from Mauritius and the Indian Navy conducted a full dress rehearsal at Champ de Mars ahead of the 57th Mauritius National Day celebrations.

A member from the Indian contingent said to ANI in a brief interview, "We all feel very proud that we are representing our country here, and yes, we are looking forward to having an excellent march past day after tomorrow. (We are) a platoon of sailors and officers from the Indian

The preparations are underway as Indian Naval Ship (INS) Imphal makes its maiden visit to Port Louis, marking a significant moment in India-Mauritius defence ties. INS Imphal arrived in Port Louis on March 10 and is set to participate in the National Day celebrations on March 12. The ship's presence continues the tradition of Indian warships and aircraft being part of the annual event, underscoring India's commitment to its maritime neighbour.

The naval contingent on will feature a marching unit, a band, and a helicopter flypast at the parade, as per an official press release by the Ministry of National Defence (MND), which could be seen during the re-hearsal as well. Prime Minister Narendra Modi will be the Chief Guest at the celebrations, highlighting the strong diplomatic and strategic relations between the two nations. During its stay in Mauritius from March 10-14, INS Imphal will engage in various bilateral activities, including training exchanges, cultural programs, and friendly sports events. Additionally, a joint Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) surveillance mission and naval exercise with Mauritius Coast Guard Ships (MCGS) are planned, reinforcing maritime

tives aim to strengthen defence and strategic ties between India and Mauritius while fostering people-topeople interactions. The visit aligns with India's 'Neighbourhood First' policy and the SAGAR (Security and Growth for All in the Region) vision, first articulated by PM Modi a decade ago during the commissioning of MCGS Barracuda, Mauritius' first India-built warship. The presence of India's latest warship at the National Day celebrations reflects India's commitment to ensuring a stable and secure Indian Ocean Region while deepening its historical, economic, and socio-cultural ties with Mauritius Commissioned in December 2023, INS Imphal is the third of four Project 15B (Visakhapatnam-class) indigenous destroyers. Equipped with cutting-edge weaponry, sensors, and advanced machinery, it stands among the most modern and power-

### Land Acquisition Work in Progress for Bargarh-Nawapara Road Rail Line via Padampur

MI News Service, Kolkata: East Coast Railway (ECoR) is making rapid progress in the construction of the Bargarh Road-Nawapara Road New Railway Line via Padampur, a strategically important project aimed at boosting regional connectivity, facilitating economic growth and improving freight and passenger transportation in Odisha. The 138.32 km-long new railway line, declared as a Special Railway Project, is being constructed with an estimated investment of ₹2,621.92 crore including major financial support from the Government of

Land Acquisition Work Progressing Rapidly: A major component in the execution of the project is land acquisition, which is being carried out in a phased manner to ensure timely progress. The projrequires 924.64 hectares of land including 752.524 hectares of priland, 123.233 hectares of government land and 48.913 hectares of forest land. The estimated cost for land acquisition stands at ₹364 crore. In a recent development, the notification for land acquisition for the first block section between Bargarh and Sarsara in Bargarh Tehsil has already been published. The notification covers five villages in Bargarh district, enabling the land acquisition process to move forward. Verification of land schedules for these five villages has been successfully completed by the District Authorities, ensuring a smooth and transparent process. The land acquisition process is undertaken under the provisions of the Railway Amendment Act, and the 20A notification for the first block section has already been completed. This milestone is crucial to

Collaboration with Odisha Government: The Government of Odisha has extended full cooperation

initiate physical construc-

tion activities on the

towards the successful execution of this project by: Providing land free of cost. Sanctioning a grant of ₹300 crore to support the railway project. Facilitating administrative support for land acquisition. The coordinated effort between the Indian Railways, State Government, and District Authorities is ensuring smooth progress in land acquisition and paving the way for early completion

of the railway line. Strategic Benefits of the **Project:** The Bargarh Road-Nawapara Road Rail Line via Padampur will significantly reduce travel time and distance, benefiting both passengers and freight movement. Some of the key advantages of the project include: Reduction in travel distance: The new rail line will reduce travel distance by 53 km compared to the Sambalpur-Jharsuguda-Raipur route and by 87 km compared to the Sambalpur-Titilagarh-Raipur route. Boost to industrial growth: This line will facilitate faster transportation of coal, iron ore, steel, cement, agro-based industries and other industrial goods, benefiting industries in Bargarh, Jharsuguda, Raipur, and Titilagarh. Improved con-

nectivity: The new line will provide direct connectivity between Western Odisha and Chhattisgarh, bypassing heavily congested Jharsuguda-Bilaspur-Raipur corridor. Enhanced passenger convenience: The railway line will serve remote and underserved regions, enabling better access to education, healthcare, employment, and tourism opportunities. **Proposed Stations Along** the Route: The project will feature 13 railway stations, including 11 new stations and 2 existing stations. The prominent stations along the alignment are \_ Bargarh Road (Exist-Sarsara (New), Dumerpali (New), Bijepur (New), Badipali (New), (New), Dhauramunda Padampur (New), Bhagat(New), Paikmal Road (New), Bartunda (New), Anlajuba (New) and Nuapada Road (Existing) Station. The establishment of these stations will not only improve local connectivity but also promote economic growth by connecting industrial hubs, business centers, and remote rural to mainstream areas transportation networks.

Upcoming Milestones in

the Project: Land acquisi-

tion notification for the first five villages has been published and verification of land schedules has been completed. The tender process for land acquisition is under finalization. Physical possession of land for the first block section is expected to begin shortly after the completion of legal formalities under the Railway Amendment Act. Railways' Commitment Towards Timely Completion: The Indian Railways is committed to ensuring the timely completion of the Bargarh-Nawapara Road Rail Line, which will act as a catalyst for socio-economic development in the region. With continuous monitoring and collaboration with State Governand District Authorities, the project is steadily moving towards its targeted completion. The Railways has also expedited the tender process and land acquisition work, ensuring that the physical construction begins without delay. The completion of this project will transform the region by boostemployment opportunities, industrial development, and improving rail connectivity for the people of Odisha. The timely acquisition of land for the first block section

between Bargarh and

Sarsara signifies a major

step forward in realizing

this critical infrastructure

project. Further land ac-

quisition processes are

also being expedited in

other sections of the route

to ensure the overall proj-

ect is completed within the

stipulated timeline.

### InfoWars reporter Jamie White killed in Texas

MI News Service, Texas: tigating the killing of Inreporter Jamie foWars White, who was murdered late Sunday night in a South Austin neighbourhood, Fox News reported. InfoWars founder Alex

Jones confirmed his death on Monday, calling it a "brutal murder." The attack, which marks Austin's eighth homicide of 2025, has heightened concerns about crime in the city. According to FOX 7 Austin, Austin Police Department officers responded around midnight to the 2300 block of Douglas Street, where they found White with "obvious signs of trauma." He was transported to a hospital but did not survive. Police have not disclosed details about the attack, and no suspects have been identified. The investigation remains ongoing. In a statement, InfoWars said it was "deeply saddened" to report White's death. "We are deeply saddened to inform you that InfoWars Reporter Jamie White was brutally murdered around midnight Sunday night due, in part, to the policies of the Soros Austin, TX DA Jose Garza," the outlet said. It also vowed to seek justice, stating, "We pledge that Jamie's tragic death will not be in vain, and those responsible for this senseless violence will be brought to justice. Jamie's important work will be carried on through InfoWars, our readers, and our cherished lis-Austin has experienced a surge in crime in recent years. In 2023, during a severe police staffing shortage, the Austin Police Department advised residents to call 311 instead of 911 if robbed at an ATM, Fox News reported. In August 2024, residents of Montopolis, another Austin neighbourhood, voiced concerns over increasing vio-

#### **Special Services on** 14.03.2025 (Friday) for Dolyatra in Blue **Line from 14:30** Hrs,In Green Line-1 and Green Line-2 From 15:00 Hrs

MI News Service, Kolkata: Metro will operate 60 services (30 UP + 30 DN) instead of 262 services on Dolyatra i.e. 14.03.2025 (Friday) in Blue Line. On that day, services will start from 14.30 hrs on this

FIRST SERVICE: At 14:30 hrs. from Noapara to Kavi Subhash (Instead of 06.50 hrs) At 14:30 hrs. from Kavi Subhash to Dakshineswar (Instead of 06.50 hrs) At 14:30 hrs. from Dakshineswar to Kavi Subhash (Instead of 06.55 hrs) At 14:30 hrs. from Noapara to Dakshineswar (Instead of 07:04 hrs)

TIMINGS OF THE LAST SERVICES WILL REMAIN UNCHANGED.: Metro will



operate 42 services (21 from Esplanade and 21 from Howrah Maidan) instead of 130 services on Dolyatra i.e. on 14.03.2025 (Friday) on Esplanade to Howrah Maidan stretch of Green Line-2. On that day, services will start from 15.00 bre on this route. 15.00 hrs on this route. These services will be available at 15 minutes interval. On the other hand, total 22 services (11 services from Sealdah and 11 services from Salt Lake Sector V) will be operated on Sealdah to Salt Lake Sector V stretch of Green Line-1 instead of 106 services on that day. These services will also start from 15.00 hrs and will be available at 30 minutes in-

terval. ON ESPLANADE TO HOWRAH MAIDAN STRETCH OF GREEN

FIRST SERVICE: At 15.00 hrs from Howrah Maidan to Esplanade (Instead of 07.00 hrs.) At 15.00 hrs from Esplanade to Howrah Maidan (Instead of 07.00

hrs.) LAST SERVICE: At 20.00 hrs from Howrah Maidan to Esplanade (Instead of 21.45 hrs.) At 20.00 hrs from Esplanade to Howrah Maidan (Instead of 21.45

ON SALT LAKE SECTOR V TO SEALDAH STRETCH OF GREEN LINE-1

FIRST SERVICE: At 15.00 hrs from Salt Lake Sector V to Sealdah (Instead of 07.05 hrs.) At 15.00 hrs from Sealdah to Salt Lake Sector V (Instead of 06.55 hrs.)

LAST SERVICE: At 20.00 hrs from Salt Lake Sector V to Sealdah (Instead of 21.40 hrs.) At 20.00 hrs from Sealdah to Salt Lake Sector V (Instead of 21.35

NO SERVICE ON ORANGE LINE AND PURPLE LINE ON 14.03.2025 (DOLYA-

### **ER'S Medical Department** Records outstanding performance in January 2025

MI News Service, Kolkata: The Medical Department of Eastern Railway has show-cased exceptional performance in delivering quality healthcare services across its various units during the month of January 2025. The latest report reflects remarkable achievements in Outpatient Department (OPD) attendance, in-patient care, and specialized surgeries, reaffirming Eastern Railway's dedication to the well-being of its employees and their fami-

Key Highlights of Medical Services (January 2025) provided by Eastern Rail-

way **OPD Attendance:** • A total of 1,03,704 patients were attended to across all railway hospitals and health units. • B. R. Singh Hospital led with 35,783 patients, followed by Howrah (18,726) and Kanchrapara Howrah (12,037).In-door Admissions: A total

of 3,437 patients were admitted for treatment, ensuring critical medical care and attention. B. R. Singh Hospital recorded the highest admissions at 1,362, followed by Asansol (625) and Kanchrapara (419). Surgeries Performed: • Special Surgeries: 56 procedures were conducted with B. R. Singh Hospital performing the highest number (34). • Major Surgeries: 592 major surgeries were performed across units, with B. R. Singh Hospital leading with 435 sur-

Cardiac Procedures: Coronary Angiography: 65 procedures conducted. • Angioplasty: 08 life-saving interventions performed. • Cardiac-Bypass Surgery: 12 procedures successfully

Pacemaker Implantation: 16 patients benefited from pacemaker installations. The Eastern Railway Medical Department continues to uphold its commitment to delivering superior medical services, ensuring the health and well-being of railway employees and their families. The department remains dedicated to enhancing healthcare infrastructure, expanding patient outreach, and improving medical interventions to achieve better health outcomes. Moving forward, Eastern Railway will continue its efforts to modernize healthcare facilities and provide efficient, accessible, and high-quality medical care to all beneficiaries.

### **Questions raised about** government assistance in Furfura Isale Sawab



The historic Isale Sawab of Furfura ended on Sunday. However, the Pir Saheb Mahal is angry with the role of the police administration in the development of the area or in this traditional meeting. The common people have spoken out for and against the local MLA Minister Snehashish Chakraborty. Although the Pir Saheb family expressed gratitude for the government assistance in the religious meeting, Pirzada Saferi Siddiqui, Pirzada Sawban Siddiqui, Pirzada Syed Nazim Uddin Hossain, Pirzada Sanaullah Siddiqui and many other Pir Sahebs have alleged that the allocated money for the Isale Sawab was not properly allocated to the right sector. They said that the things needed or the emergency services were not available. The Pir Saheb family members organized this huge meeting, so the common people of the area complained that their advice was needed. They said that Pir Saheb Mahal has been disrespected in this regard. In this case, the administration has worked with the DM and SPs without informing the entire Pir Saheb. Even though the common people have thanked the government on the occasion of this historic Isale Sawab, the largest in the subcontinent, they are fuming against the Development Board and the government. The people of the area say that the administration should have done its work with the common people. Where there is a need, there is no service. Again, the government has deprived the people of the area by providing thousands of lights in some places. They say that since we live in the area, they think that the demands of the local people should be given importance. Everyone congratulated us for the government allocation and a bunch of projects for Isale Sawab. But the Pir Saheb and the common people have worked without fulfilling the demands of the common people by spending huge money. Everyone agrees that the money has been misused. The day of Isale Sawab and the day after, the cleanliness and sanitation drive process is going on. A unique step, well said Pir Saheb. However, while the work was being done very quickly, many places remained undeveloped. Overall, along with the government's initiatives, many private initiatives have worked on this issue. However, the government transport system was inadequate in terms of providing services.

### Zelenskyy apologised to Trump, **US Special Envoy Witkoff says**

MI News Service, Washington DC: US President Donald Trump's special envoy Steve Witkoff said that Ukrainian President VolodymyrZelenskyy apologised to Trump in a letter after an explosive public argument during an Oval Office meeting, The Hill reported. "Zelenskyy sent a letter to the president. He apologized for that whole incident that happened in the Oval Office," Witkoff said on Monday (local time), as per The Hill. "I think that it was an important step and there's been a lot of discussion between our teams and the Ukrainians and the Europeans who are relevant to this discussion as well." US and Ukrainian officials are set to meet in Saudi Arabia this week to pick up on peace negotiations to end the conflict with Russia, as per The Hill. Witkoff said Zelenskyy's act of sending the letter to apologize for the fiery meeting was

'progress." In Trump's joint address to Congress, he shared that he received a letter from Zelenskyy in an effort for the countries to smooth out ties. Trump said he appreciated the letter, which came just days after the US halted military assistance to Ukraine. Shortly after the fiery meeting between Zelenskyy and Trump, the Ukrainian leader called it a "regrettable" gathering but stopped short of issuing an apology. As per Sky News, Zelenskyy will not be at the meeting with US secretary of state Marco Rubio, but his team will try to iron out the differences following his disastrous visit to Washington, which descended into an argument with US President Donald Trump and Vice President JD Vance. Zelenskyy briefly met Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman after the end of the daily Ramadan fast

# Legendary paddler Sharath Kamal reveals moment he decided WTT contender would be his last tournament

legendary table tennis star Achanta Sharath Kamal shed light on the moment he felt WTT Star Contender in Chennai would be his last tournament as a profes-

The veteran's journey has been filled with various distinguished accolades and decorated with 13 Commonwealth Games medals, including seven gold and bronze medals at the Asian Games and Asian Championships.

Ahead of the tournament, which is set to take place from March 25, Sharath announced his decision to bring the curtain down on his glorious career at the

#### **WFI PRESIDENT SANJAY SINGH THANKS CENTRE FOR REVOCA-**TION OF BAN ON WFI, **ANNOUNCES LEAGUES TO START SOON**

VARANASI (UTTAR PRADESH): Wrestling Federation of India (WFI) president Sanjay Singh thanked the central government following the revocation of the ban on the body by the Union Sports Ministry and also announced that wrestling leagues will start from November-December this year.

The Sports Ministry had suspended the WFI body after the newly elected WFI president Sanjay Singh announced the hosting of the U-15 and U-20 nationals at Nandini Nagar in the Gonda district of Uttar Pradesh in December 2023

Speaking to ANI, Sanjay said, "This is a very happy moment for the wrestling federation. I want to thank PM Modi, Union HM Amit Shah and Sports Minister Mansukh Mandaviya for removing the suspension on WFI for the betterment of the country.

"Camps and events were not being able to held. People from all the states and backgrounds, especially the poor attend these camps, learn techniques and share them with people in their state. It benefits wrestling. Wrestling Leagues will be launched by June-July. Leagues will also start by Leagues will benefit the athletes a lot. They used to gain exposure by interacting with foreign talent," he added.

Starting from 2023, Several ace wrestlers like Vinesh Phogat, Sakshi Malik and Bajrang Punia spearheaded protests against WFI and its former president Brij Bhushan Singh, alleging him of sexual assault.

In August 2023, United World Wrestling (UWW) put a ban on WFI as it failed to organise elections within a stipulated time following accusations of sexual harassment and protests against ex-president Brij Bhushan Singh by top wrestlers Bajrang Punia, Vinesh Phogat and Sakshi Malik. An ad hoc committee by the International Olympic Association (IOA) was put in

In late December 2023. elections were held and Sanjay Singh was elected as the new president of WFI. However, the wrestlers protested against his election, saying he was an aide of ex-president Brij Bhushan. Days after the elections, the Ministry suspended the federation again, a decision that came after Sanjay had announced the hosting of the U-15 and U-20 nationals at Nandini Nagar in the Gonda district of Uttar Pradesh by the end of the year. An adhoc committee of the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) was put in place once again to handle the day-to-day affairs of the federation.

The ad-hoc committee was dissolved in March 2024 after IOA said that there was no need for the body following the lifting of the ban on the federation by United World Wrestling (UWW) and the successful completion of selection trials for future competitions. UWW lifted the ban on WFI in February last vear with immediate effect.

beginning of this month.

The 42-year-old, who earned his national call-up on the eve of the 2002 Commonwealth Games. reflected on his journey and told ANI, "I started playing the game at a very young age. Played the game for almost 38 years, so I think I have contributed to the best of my ability as a player, and now the time has come for me to contribute to Indian table tennis or Indian sports as an administrator, a mentor, a coach.

After returning empty-handed from the 2024 Summer Games, Sharath weighed in on his future and decided that the WTT Star Contender would be his last tour-



nament as a player. After evaluating his options he decide to play his last tournament at the same place he began his career.
"So I was thinking after the

Paris Olympic Games what the future holds for me, and that's when I decided that the WTT Star Contender in Chennai would be my last tournament. I started my international journey in 1999, playing Junior Asian for India in Chennai. So I am really excited and looking forward," he added.

Sharath is a two-time singles champion at the Commonwealth Games. The seasoned paddler is a two-time Asian Games medallist, securing bronze in the men's team and mixed doubles events at Jakarta 2018.

The 42-year-old, who was a flag bearer for the Indian contingent at the Paris 2024 Olympics, also clinched four bronze medals at the Asian Championships during his illustrious career.

Sharath, who won his first national title in 2003, became India's first table tennis player to win an ITTF Pro Tour title. He bagged the Egypt Open 2010 by defeating Hong Kong China's Li Ching in the final.

No Indian table tennis player has graced the Olympics more times than Sharath (5), culminating in the honour of being India's His second ITTF Pro Tour title

came at the Oman Open 2020, where he ousted top seed Marcos Freitas of Portugal in the final.

Sharath is the son of legendary coach Srinivas Rao. His first major international win came in 2004, after he won the men's singles event at the Commonwealth Table Championships Malaysia.

He is also the first Indian to win a singles gold medal at the Commonwealth Games. He stood at the top of the podium in the men's division at Melbourne 2006. He went on to reclaim the crown again at Birmingham in 2022.

### "Next goal is lifting ICC T20 World Cup in India,": Hardik Pandya post **Champions Trophy victory**

NEW DELHI [INDIA] : Hardik Pandya, after lifting the ICC Champions Trophy title, shared his delight. He spoke after the match about the defeat against Pakistan back in the 2017 Champions Trophy, where he got run out batting with Ravindra Jadeja. Hardik Pandya also said that he only wants to win ICC cups and wants five to six more tro-Hardik Pandya was one of the

prominent factors of India's victory in the ICC Champions Trophy. India's winning Champions Trophy campaign. The tournament witnessed plenty of presentday and future stars like Shubman Gill (188 runs in five matches with a century), Shreyas Iyer (243 runs in five games with two fifties), Axar Patel (109 runs in five matches with five wickets), KL Rahul (140 runs in five games at an average of 140.00), and Varun Chakravarthy (nine wickets) play a crucial role in India's second successive white-ball title win.

"In 2017, the work was left. I could not finish the job back then, and I am very, very glad that tonight is the night where I can say I am a champion's trophy winner. That sounds good. I think for me; this has always been about winning as many championships as I can. I did say it when we won in 2024: That is not done. I still need 5-6 more trophies. I am thrilled that one more is added." Hardik Pandya said in a video posted by BCČI.

Hardik also explained that he wants his team to win in any situation. It doesn't matter where he performs; he wants the best for

The most important thing in my life and my cricketing journey is always how i can make sure my team can win, and it is very satisfying very calming pleased moment for me every time i step on the field somehow even if i don't contribute my team win i think that's the most beautiful feeling i have," he added

Hardik praised his teammates and praised the class every player throughout Tournament. . "Everyone came out there and you know showed their class at same point of time the believe they have and which is exceptional I love games like this where everyone comes their put their heart out and i think i was for India i was for Bharat. The champion's trophy is done. My next goal is the ICC T20 World Cup in India, lifting the cup," he said. Pandya credited the team's self-belief and skillset for their victory against New Zealand in the IČC Champions Trophy 2025 final, emphasising that it was a complete team effort.

#### **PCB PROTESTS TO ICC AFTER ITS OFFICIAL WAS ABSENT DURING CT PRIZE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY**

ISLAMABAD [PAKISTAN], The Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) has lodged a formal protest with the International Cricket Council (ICC) over the absence of a representative from the host nation during the prize distribution ceremony during the Champions Trophy final in Dubai on Sunday, according to Geo News.

PCB Chief Executive Sumair Ahmad Syed, who was present at the venue, wasn't present during the official ceremony. Since PCB chairman Mohsin Naqvi was unwell and unavailable to attend the ceremony, Sumair represented the host nation. The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) secretary Devajit Saikia, president Roger Binny, and ICC chairman Jay Shah were present during the ceremony.

approached the ICC, the body's spokesperson claimed that Naqvi was invited to the ceremony, but he did not attend.

The ICC only invites the head of the host board, such as the president, vice president, chairman, or CEO -- to participate in the awards ceremony. Other board officials, regardless of their presence at the venue, are not part of the stage proceedings," spokesperson told Geo News.

The PCB has also demanded

a formal explanation from the ICC regarding the justification of the entire situation. The for justification for other incidents that unfolded during the event. According to ESPNcricinfo, the PCB did not inform the ICC that Sumair would take Naqvi's place in the Pakistan board believes the onus was on ICC to contact them and inquire about Naqvi's replacement. Overall, this is the third time the PCB has approached the ICC for an explanation of incidents they believe have undermined Pakistan's status as the

### How India's 2023-25 run in white-ball cricket is amongst best-ever in sport's history?

NEW DELHI [INDIA] : India's run from the 2023 ICC Cricket World Cup, which ended with a heartbreaking loss to Australia in the final after an unprecedented 10match win streak, till the ICC Champions Trophy 2025 has been one of the finest runs by a team in white-ball cricket, 23 wins in 24 matches, one loss and two trophies won, ESPNCricinfo.

India won both the last year's T20 World Cup at Barbados and the Champions Trophy in Dubai undefeated. Had they won the 2023 World Cup, they would have had all the ICC titles in white-ball cricket at the same time, that too undefeated, which no team has ever managed to do.

Australia, following the 2007 50-over World Cup win and 2009 CT triumph, could not register this feat after losing to England in the T20 WC 2010 finals, while India also lost the 2014 T20 WC finals to Sri Lanka after winning the 2011 50-over World Cup, 2013 CT, missing out on opportunities to do so, as per ESPNCricinfo.

India is having one of the most dominant runs ever in white-ball cricket, rivalling West Indies and Australia at their peaks. From 1975-83. West Indies reached the finals of all World Cup, winning 15 matches, losing just two. They did win the 1975 and 1979 World Cups unbeaten, but a loss to India in the group stage and in the final in the 1983 World Cup put a small blemish on their resume.

Aussies also pulled off a World Cup hat-trick from 1999 to 2007. They also won the 2006 ICC Champions Trophy. Their World Cup title wins in 2003 and 2007 came without a loss. Over this eight-year-peak during which a strong Australian line-up consisting of Ricky Ponting, Adam Gilchrist, Matthew Hayden, Brett Lee, Glenn McGrath, Shane Warne etc unleashed a reign of terror in the cricketing world, Australia won 37 of 44 matches across all these tournaments, losing just six.

Skipper Ponting, who led Australia in five of these tournaments, had a record of 30 wins and just three losses, while winning 50-over crowns in 2003 and 2007 and the 2006 CT.

England's run from the 2019 ICC Cricket World Cup till 2022 T20 World Cup, which saw them emerge as double world champions, comes close but was not as dominant as they lost six out of 23 matches they played in these two

-Rohit: The man for big tour-

Rohit, now with two successive white-ball titles in his hands, is a man for big tournaments, having an incredible win-loss record of 27 wins to three losses in ICC white-ball events. His win-loss ratio of 9.00 is the highest for any captain who has skippered the team for at least matches in all main limited-overs cricket ICC tournaments, the 50-over and 20over World Cups and Champions Trophy.

Rohit is third on the list of most wins at ICC men's events, behind MS Dhoni (41 wins, which includes one bowl-out win) and Ponting (40 wins).

The Hitman's record in ODI tournaments is even more impressive, with 24 wins and just two defeats in 27 matches. The Champions Trophy marked his third ODI title as a captain, after Asia Cup 2018 and 2023, both multi-team events.

Rohit has also matched ex-Pakistan captain Imran Khan, Ponting and MS Dhoni, winning four white-ball multi-team tournaments, the most by any captain



Rohit's win-loss ratio in ODIs of 3.50 is the second-highest among captains to have led in 50plus matches, behind West Indies legend Clive Llyod.

He has led with the bat in these tournaments, with 1,034 runs in 24 matches and 24 innings at an average of 44.95 and a stunning strike rate of over 126, with a century and seven fifties. His best score is 131.

-Why is India so dominant? India's exceptional batting line-up, which includes a fiery opening pair of Rohit and Shubman Gill, the safety net of Virat Kohli, firepower in the middle order with KL Rahul, Shreyas Iyer and all-rounders Axar Patel, Hardik Pandya and Ravindra Jadeja, coupled with brilliant adaptability of their bowling attack to varying conditions have earned India unprecedented dominance.

Traditionally, they play with three pace options in ODIs, but on Dubai's slower wickets, they played with four spinners in their line-up, with Axar and Jadeja offering additional cushion with the bat.

Two-thirds of overs and nearly 80 per cent of overs against New Zealand (both group stage and final) in the Champions Trophy were delivered by spinners.

Under Hitman's captaincy, bowler's have averaged just 23.14 per wicket in ODI tournaments and delivered a wicket every 30 balls. They have bowled out their opposition 19 out of 26 occasions and conceded 300-plus only once, in the semifinal of the 2023 WC against New Zealand, where they skittled out Kiwis for 327 runs after making 397/4

themselves. The numbers reflect the skill and effectiveness of Rohit's bowlers. They have made sure India does not get to chase big totals and have led the team to big wins while defending. Only Ponting's Australia (22.13) and Mahela Jayawardene's Sri Lanka (23.07) have produced better bowling averages in ODI tournaments.

India's batters are powerhouses in ODI events, averaging 46.92. The strike rate of 93.46 collectively, is only bettered by South Africa under AB de Villiers (96.01) and England under Eoin Morgan (95.11).

-Transformation from the topto-bottom One of the key hallmarks of Rohit's ODI captaincy is a more aggressive batting style, which focuses on maximising on the powerplay, and battingfriendly field restrictions. This has helped India set big targets and stay steps ahead of their opponent in challenging runchases. Since February 2022, when Rohit played his first ODI

series as a full-time skipper, India has been scoring at a brilliant run rate of 5.87 per over and averages 55.15 per wicket in the powerplay during the first 10 overs.

In comparison, the collective run rate of other top five teams (Australia, England, New Zealand, Pakistan and South Africa) is 5.39 and they average 34.64 per wicket. India has scored nearly five more runs than other top team in the first ten overs and averages 21 runs more per wicket.

In the last few years before Rohit took over, India was not performing well in this first ten overs phase. In the 2010s, India generally scored around four runs more than other top sides, largely due to a swashbuckling Virender Sehwag. But they averaged a couple of runs less than others at that time per wicket.

There was a decline post-2011-WC, with the team moving from the senior-most crop of players such as Virender Sehwag, Gautam Gambhir and Sachin Tendulkar. For two years after the 2011 WC win, they averaged just 29.3 runs in the first 10 overs.

When Rohit-Shikhar Dhawan's opening pair shot to fame with the ICC Champions Trophy in 2013, the team did have slow starts but their average improved. When Virat was made captain in 2017, the scoring rate went up but they still lagged behind other teams, with an average of only three runs higher.

Before taking up captaincy, Rohit struck at 69.87 in ODIs and averaged 36.94 in the first ten overs. But over the last three years, Hitman has fired all cylinders in this phase of the game, averaging 61.52 and striking at

In comparison, other Indian batters have scored at a strike rate of 80.93 in this phase collective. Gill's score of 1,126 runs at a strike rate of 93.83. His ability to hold one end steady while Rohit goes all out has been crucial for ndia's batting.

-A well-settled batting line-up India's recent ODI success is also because of stability in lineup, with openers Rohit-Gill followed by Virat at number three, Shreyas Iyer at four, and KL Rahul at either five or six. These five batters have played 21 ODIs together, with 18 wins and two losses, one loss came against Australia in the WC final and the other one during the Sri Lanka ODI series, where Iver and KL came to the crease at number six and seven.

Four of these five stars average above 50 in these 21 matches, except for Rohit (49.04), who makes up for it with a massive strike rate of 116.51.

These five b

### tournament's official host. "I think it's a perfect tournament" Isuru Udana on Masters League

NEW DELHI [INDIA] : Former Sri Lankan left-arm pacer Isuru Udana has expressed his views on the International Masters League 2025. He shared his experience playing in the league so far and felt "honoured" playing with his former teammates and legends from rival teams.

Udana has been the pick of the bowlers for the Sri Lanka Masters in the IML 2025. He has taken seven wickets with a slightly high economy of 9.20, making him the fifth-highest wicket-taker in IML. When playing in the IML,

Udana feels this is a very competitive tournament with a high class "I think it's a perfect tourna-

ment. To be honest, the level of cricket is really, really competitive. When we look at the scorecards, the scores are quite high, and the wickets are excellent. Overall, it's a fantastic tournament." Isuru Udana said to IML.

When he played with former teammates and old rivals, he felt honoured to share the dressing room with Sri Lankan legends, especially Kumar Sangakkara. When talking about rivals, he mentioned Sachin Tendulkar and Brian Lara and said it was a priv-

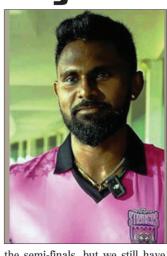
ilege to play against them. "For me, it's a huge honour. Especially in our team, I got to share the dressing room again with Kumar Sangakkara. At the same time, on the other side, there are legends like Sachin Tendulkar and Brian Lara. It's a privilege to be playing alongside such greats," he said.

When playing T20 cricket, he explained the rules that favour the batsman, especially in white ball cricket. He said shorter boundaries and the dew factor are also crucial factors that make bowling more challenging.

"In the shorter format, especially in white-ball cricket, most rules favor the batsmen. New regulations continue to make things tougher for bowlers. With factors like dew and shorter boundaries, it becomes even more challenging. For me, I just try to focus on my execution. I didn't have a great game before the last one, but I stuck to my basics and planned well. I think I was able to execute my plans successfully," he added.

On plans for the remaining IML matches, Isuru Udana spoke about their plans for the knockout. He said that Sri Lanka Masters wants to take the group stage momentum into the knockouts and play the game as they did in the group stages.

"We've already qualified for



the semi-finals, but we still have one more group-stage game left. We aim to finish strong and carry that momentum into the knockout stage to give our best performance in the semi-finals.

Sri Lanka Masters is currently on top of the table with four wins out of 5 matches. They only lost their first match against The India Masters. Kumar Sangakkara is the top scorer for Sri Lanka Masters, and Isuru Udana is the highest wicket-taker. Sri Lanka Masters has qualified for the semi-finals with one league game