

## Mamata Banerjee convenes high-level meeting on Waqf Amendment Act on April 16

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## Cops attacked, vehicles vandalized in Waqf protest

MI News Service, Amtala: Waqf Act demonstrations escalated, creating a volatile situation that necessitated police intervention to regain control and normalize traffic disruptions."

Following similar unrest in Jangipur, demonstrations demanding the repeal of the revised Waqf Act turned violent in Amtala, under the jurisdiction of Bishnupur police station. The protests, centered at the Amtala intersection, resulted in attacks on law enforcement personnel and substantial damage to police vehicles.

Demonstrators blocked National Highway 117, causing significant traffic disruptions. Despite heightened police pres-



ence and patrols implemented to preempt disturbances, the situation deteriorated rapidly. Allegations indicate that a police vehicle was targeted by a mob, necessitating urgent inter-

vention by law enforcement.

The incident triggered a surge in regional tensions, prompting the deployment of additional police reinforcements to restore order and manage the traffic

congestion. Authorities are now focused on normalizing traffic flow and securing the area.

Concurrently, similar protests and heightened tensions were reported in Chapdani, Hooghly, throughout the day. In Kolkata, students from Alia University staged a road blockade at Park Circus, where they reportedly breached police barricades, further highlighting the widespread nature of the demonstrations. The escalating protests across multiple districts underscore the growing public concern regarding the revised Waqf Act. Law enforcement agencies are on high alert to prevent further escalation and maintain public order.

## Foreign object used in horrific Kolaghat assault

MI News Service, Kolaghat: A minor girl in Kolaghat's rain village has alleged a horrific sexual assault, reportedly occurring last Saturday while her family was away, a young boy man is accused of her crime.

A minor resident of Rain village, Kolaghat, is hospitalized in critical condition following a brutal sexual assault that allegedly occurred last Saturday. The incident has sparked widespread condemnation and political scrutiny. According to reports, the victim was alone at her residence when a neighbor entered and subjected her to a violent sexual assault. Police investigations indicate the accused threatened the minor with a sharp weapon and inflicted severe injuries, including the insertion of a broken spoon into her anus. The victim was subsequently admitted to Tamluk District Hospital.



Kolaghat police have apprehended the primary accused in connection with the crime. On Thursday, Falguni Patra, President of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) State Mahila Morcha, visited the victim and her mother at the hospital. Following the visit, Patra expressed strong criticism of the state government, alleging a systemic failure to protect women. "In this Bengal, no girl is safe even at home," she stated, highlighting the recurring incidents of violence against women in the region. Patra pledged her support to the victim and her family. The incident has intensified concerns regarding women's safety in the state and has drawn attention to the need for stringent measures to prevent such crimes.

## Inauguration of the Pathasathi project



Nurul Islam Khan: Hygienic toilets and bathrooms were inaugurated under the Pathasathi project in Ward 30 of Kolkata Municipality on Thursday. These important toilets and bathrooms have been constructed under the Pathasathi project to ensure hygienic sanitation facilities for the common citizens of this ward. Municipal representative Papiya Ghosh (Biswas) was present. The work was completed with her cooperation and with the financial support of the Borough Fund. It has been successfully implemented under the initiative of Swapan Samaddar, member of the Mayoral Council of Kolkata Municipality, municipal representative of Ward 56, and president of North Kolkata INTTUC. This project is dedicated to the public as a gift for the Bengali New Year. It is said that this initiative will provide a new direction for a healthy environment and improved sanitation system for the local people.

## Dilip Ghosh alleges Waqf land used for Hindu intimidation

MI News Service, Mothabari: Waqf land disputes have ignited widespread tension across West Bengal, with recent protests escalating in Jangipur, Kolkata and Park Circus, as highlighted by Dilip.

The Waqf Act has become a focal point of political contention in West Bengal, with recent events highlighting deep divisions among political and religious organizations. A large gathering of minority organizations convened at Kolkata's Ramlila Maidan, where Trinamool Congress MLA and State Library Minister Siddikulla Chowdhury reiterated opposition to the

Act. Chowdhury announced the collection of one crore signatures, intended for submission to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, signifying widespread dissent. The BJP, led by Dilip Ghosh, alleges that the ongoing protests and mobilization against the Waqf Act are strategically designed to intimidate the Hindu community and manipulate electoral outcomes. Speaking at a demonstration outside the Malda District Magistrate's office, Ghosh stated, "Everything is being planned. Wherever there is a movement against the Waqf Bill, it is being done to scare the Hindu community. They

are trying to win the elections by scaring Hindus." He also criticized the state government for escalating corruption and deteriorating law and order. The controversy has manifested in numerous public demonstrations, including processions in Jangipur, Suti, and Kolkata's Park Circus. In response, Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee has scheduled a meeting with imams and muezins at Ne-taji Indoor Stadium on April 16th. Meanwhile, Minister Firhad Hakim has asserted that the legal battle must be pursued in the Supreme Court. The BJP has announced a counter-cam-

paign, commencing on April 20th, to engage Muslim communities and promote the bill as being beneficial to backward Muslim populations. The party plans to hold meetings with various Muslim organizations across the state. The escalating tensions surrounding the Waqf Act are setting the stage for a significant political confrontation in West Bengal, with both the ruling Trinamool Congress and the opposition BJP mobilizing their respective bases. The outcome of this dispute remains uncertain, as both sides prepare for a protracted legal and political struggle.

## Kalyani University and ISKCON jointly organise a Seminar on Lifestyle Management

MI News Service, Kalyani: The ISKCON Youth Forum, Kalyani in association with the Centre for Culture Studies successfully organised a one-day seminar on "Lifestyle Management" in collaboration with the Departments of Folklore, Physical Education, Bengali, Political Science, and NSS, University of Kalyani.

The keynote address was delivered by Ananga Mohan Das, Vice President of ISKCON Kolkata, who spoke on the importance of spirituality in managing modern-day stress and leading a productive life. Drawing from the teachings of the Bhagavad Gita and the sayings of Lord Sri Krishna, he offered practical insights into achieving inner peace and clarity in a fast-paced world.

Tirthanga Nitai Das, Chairman of the ISKCON Youth Forum Kalyani, also addressed the audience with



an inspiring speech on spiritual development and stress management.

The seminar witnessed enthusiastic participation from over 550 participants, including professors, heads of departments, officers, non-teaching and administrative staff, research scholars and students from across the university. Prof. Debanshu Roy, Registrar of

the University of Kalyani, delivered an enlightening address while Prof. Sabitri Nanda Chakraborty, Dean of Arts and Commerce, shared valuable insights during her speech.

The session concluded with a vibrant question-and-answer round, where participants engaged deeply with the topic and received thoughtful responses

## Clashes Erupt on Ram Navami in Champdani, Curfew Imposed After Communal Tension

MI News Service, Hooghly: Tensions broke out in Champdani on the second day of Ram Navami after a video showing communal slogans during a religious procession went viral. Police arrested a minor in connection with the incident, and a curfew was imposed following clashes.

Despite peaceful celebrations of Ram Navami across West Bengal—including Howrah, Rishra, Srirampur, Chinsurah, and Chandannagar—violence erupted in Champdani on April 9. According to local sources, after a religious procession passed through the area near Champdani Big Masjid, a few participants allegedly shouted offensive slogans targeting the Muslim community.

While the situation was initially managed through police intervention and support from a former municipal councillor, the situation escalated the next day when a video of the incident surfaced



on Instagram. The video caused outrage among locals, prompting the masjid committee to lodge a complaint at the local police station.

Chandannagar Police Commissioner Amit P. Javalgi confirmed the arrest of a teenage boy involved in the incident. "The act was unacceptable. We have sent the video footage for forensic examination. The minor has been produced before the Juvenile Court and taken into custody," he said.

He emphasized that the

rest of the Ram Navami processions across the district remained peaceful and termed the Champdani incident as "unfortunate and isolated." He appealed to the public not to be influenced by rumours and assured that police were monitoring the situation closely.

Former Ward No. 3 Councillor Bikram Gupta, who was present during the incident, said, "Many boys had covered their faces with abir and wore turbans, making it hard to identify them. But legal

action is being taken against those responsible."

On Friday, Champdani Municipality Chairman Suresh Mishra, along with several councilors, visited Champdani Big Jama Masjid and met the Imam and mosque committee to maintain communal harmony. Despite appeals from the police and religious leaders, protests broke out in front of the Palta Ghat police outpost.

Protesters demanded justice, and Commissioner Javalgi personally addressed the crowd. However, the situation worsened, forcing police to resort to a lathi charge to disperse the agitators. Clashes were later reported in areas like Hari Har Gali.

In response, the police sealed multiple roads—from PBM Road to BM Road—and imposed a curfew in parts of Champdani. By Friday evening, the situation was under control, although a sense of fear and tension persisted among the residents.

## Manikana's painting exhibition

Nurul Islam Khan

The artist speaks pictures. The message gives the pluralism. As spring unfurls its vibrant petals, Pragati is poised to celebrate an extraordinary celebration of artistry at the ICCR Nandalal Bose and Jamini Roy Gallery from April 10 to 13. This mesmerizing exhibition showcases a delightful array of 130 paintings, 10 photographs, and 10 sculptures, unveiling the diverse visions of 68 talented artists. The opening dias was illuminated by the presence of painter Badal Pal, art critic Prashanta Dawn, S.B. Sinha, former principal of the Government Art College, and sculptor Akhil Chandra Das.

Among the contributors, Kolkata's own Manikana Upadhyay stands out for her unique ability to intertwine the rich heritage of Bengali culture with the intricate artistic traditions of neighboring Tripura. Her works pay

homage to the enduring essence of Madhubani, yet they transcend its conventional boundaries, infusing traditional motifs with a contemporary perspective. A centerpiece of her collection is an innovative interpretation of "Maa Tripura Sundari." Yet, it is her striking portrayal of a Bengali child cradled in the arms of a Tri-

puri tribal mother resonates deeply, serving as more than mere visual art; it becomes a profound testament to unity, where cultural borders dissolve and diverse traditions engage in a harmonious dialogue.

Art enthusiasts can experience this exhibition daily from 3 to 8 pm.



## Sebaashray: A Transformative Leap in Public Healthcare by TMC

Ujjal Bhattacharjee

In politics, there often exists a time-tested formula for a party's success—an approach that guides how policies, ideologies, and messages align with the masses. Under the leadership of Abhishek Banerjee, General Secretary of the All India Trinamool Congress (AITC) and Member of Parliament from Diamond Harbour, several impactful developmental initiatives have been introduced in recent years. Among the most remarkable is Sebaashray, a program that has created waves both online and on the ground.

Sebaashray, meaning "A Haven of Service" in Bengali, has recently gained significant traction across mainstream and digital platforms. Yet, the critical question arises: can this initiative prove to be a game-changer for the Trinamool Congress

in the upcoming assembly elections? Or will the opposition dismiss it as mere political optics?

Launched on January 2, Sebaashray is a large-scale healthcare movement designed to offer free medical services across the Diamond Harbour Lok Sabha constituency. Within just 75 days, the campaign established 270 mega camps and 291 regular camps across every assembly segment of the constituency—enabling accessible healthcare for all.

The impact has been exceptional. Over 1.2 million individuals have already benefited from these camps, receiving vital medical assistance. In doing so, the program has not only addressed pressing healthcare needs but also deepened public trust in welfare schemes initiated by their MP.

While healthcare drives by public representatives



Teachers and non-teaching staff who lost their jobs following the Supreme Court verdict took part in a protest rally against the SSC, marching towards the SSC Bhawan in Salt Lake, Kolkata on Friday.

## Sant Nirankari Mission to organise Manav Ekta Diwas



MI News Service, New Delhi/ Kolkata: Only spirituality can strengthen human unity and bring humans closer to one another, creating an environment of mutual love and harmony. With this objective, and with the blessings of Satguru Mata Sudiksha Ji Maharaj and Nirankari Rajpita Ji, like every year, this year too, 'Manav Ekta Diwas' will be organized on April 24, 2025. On one hand, it will be held at Ground No. 8, Nirankari Chowk, Burari, and on the other, devotees will participate in various branches across India to pay their floral tributes to Baba Gurbachan Singh Ji and the devoted disciple of the Mission, Chacha Pratap Singh Ji, and draw inspiration from their great lives.

Rev. Joginder Sukheja Ji, Sec-

retary of Sant Nirankari Mandal and In-charge of the Social Welfare Department, while providing information, stated that with the infinite grace of the True Master, this year too, a widespread series of blood donation camps will be organized at over 500 locations around the world under the aegis of the social welfare wing of the Sant Nirankari Mission – the Sant Nirankari Charitable Foundation. In this, more than 50,000 blood donors will donate blood for the welfare of humanity and set an example of selfless service.

In the blood donation camp to be held from 8 AM to 12 PM at Ground No. 8, Burari, Delhi, trained doctors from various hospitals and the team from the Indian Red Cross Society will

be present for collecting blood. Similarly, in the blood donation camps organized in other states of the country, doctors and nurses from local hospitals will also remain ready to perform this service. Additionally, spiritual congregations (Satsang programs) will also be held at all locations.

As is well known, Yugpravartak Baba Gurbachan Singh Ji continuously strived for the welfare of society. He gave a practical direction to every devotee's life, for which humanity will always remain indebted to him.

This movement of benevolence, started in 1986 by Yugadrishta Baba Hardev Singh Ji, has today reached its peak as a grand campaign. In the past nearly four decades, 8,644 camps have been organized in which 14,05,177 units of blood have been donated for the welfare of mankind, and this service continues uninterrupted.

Undoubtedly, this campaign being run for public welfare reflects the teachings bestowed by Satguru Mata Sudiksha Ji Maharaj and conveys a divine message that continues to inspire every being and makes their life meaningful.

## Girl's desperate act in Nadia after girlfriend's disclosure

MI News Service, Nadia: Following a distressing incident, a minor in Nadia was rushed to Bogula Rural Hospital. Due to her worsening condition, she was subsequently transferred to Shaktinagar District Hospital.

A tragic incident involving two minors in a romantic relationship has resulted in one death and another hospitalization in the Bogula area under the Hanskhali police station. A ninth-grade student died by suicide after learning that his sixth-grade girlfriend had attempted to take her own life. According to local sources, the two minors, residents of the same village, had been involved in a romantic relationship. When this relationship became known to their respective families, a series of dis-

tressing events unfolded.

On Thursday morning, the sixth-grade girl reportedly consumed poison in an attempt to end her life. She was immediately taken to Bogula Rural Hospital by her family. Due to the severity of her condition, she was subsequently transferred to Shaktinagar District Hospital, where she is currently receiving treatment and reported to be in stable condition. Upon learning of his girlfriend's suicide attempt, the ninth-grade student entered his room and died by hanging. He was discovered by family members, who rushed him to Bogula Rural Hospital. However, he was pronounced dead on arrival. His body has been sent to the district hospital for a post-mortem examination.

## Commemorative Program held at Assembly honouring Prafulla Chandra Sen

MI News Service, Kolkata: A commemorative program was held at 11:00 AM in the lobby of the West Bengal Legislative Assembly to mark the birth anniversary of the esteemed socialist leader, founding member of the Janata Party (West Bengal), and former Chief Minister known for his honesty, Prafulla Chandra Sen. The event was organized by the West Bengal Legislative Assembly Secretariat.

Following the directive of the Hon'ble Speaker, the program was presided over by Minister Sobhandeb Chattopadhyay. On this occasion, Janata Dal (United), West Bengal was represented under the leadership of Md. Nurul Huda, National General Secretary of Yuva JDU. Several prominent party leaders and members were present, including Kashinath Roy, Vijay Singh, and Shyam Prakash Chaturvedi (all Vice Presidents of JDU),



Tarun Begum and Sunil Yadav (General Secretaries), Dilip Pramanik (President, South 24 Parganas JDU), Anisul Choudhary (President, Hooghly JDU), and Kartik Paswan (President, Asansol JDU).

Also present were Dr. Raj Kumar, Soma Nandi, Ajay Sethia, Nivedita Pal, Siddhant Prasad, Jayprakash Gupta, Bipul Roy, Bibhas Bose, and Krishna Mondal—all serving as Secretaries

of JDU—along with many other dedicated members of the party.

The event was conducted under the supervision of the Hon'ble Principal Secretary of the Assembly and was attended by officials of the Assembly Secretariat as well as security personnel. The program concluded on a respectful and solemn note, with gratitude extended to all those who contributed to making the event a meaningful success.



are not uncommon in India, Sebaashray distinguishes itself through its scale, execution, and inclusive outreach. It brought care directly to the people's doorsteps, with scheduled camps in every assembly area. The initiative went beyond basic consultations, offering specialized treatments and focusing particularly on women, youth,

and grassroots communities.

Its significance extends beyond healthcare. Politically, Sebaashray enhances TMC's image as a party rooted in service, not rhetoric. Direct engagement through healthcare fosters loyalty and trust, particularly among rural and underserved voters. Even after office, the tangible impact

of such welfare programs tends to shape long-term voting behavior.

Though the opposition may label Sebaashray as propaganda, such narratives struggle to hold ground when weighed against its massive reach and public participation. As people experience immediate benefits, counter-claims lose credibility. The initiative has also empowered local leadership by involving them directly in community service, reinforcing trust at the grassroots.

This model may well inspire a shift in how public service initiatives influence electoral politics. By addressing essential healthcare needs, the TMC has strengthened its electoral standing in Diamond Harbour and established a compelling precedent in people-centric governance—one that could redefine the future of political engagement in India.



## Hurriyat Conference chairman

The identical declarations by their leaders have come at a time when the J-K Police have launched a renewed crackdown on the separatists in what it calls "dismantling the remnants" of the separatist structure in the Valley. The J-K Police's control falls under the Lieutenant Governor in the Union Territory's power-sharing arrangement.

As many as 166 people were killed and many more injured in the nearly 60-hour assault that sent shockwaves across the country and the world as well and even brought India and Pakistan to the brink of war.

**Jamayatur-Rayeen West Bengal members held a rally against the Waqf Amendment Act 2025, raising slogans like "Protect Waqf Properties, Protect Muslim Rights", in Kolkata on Friday.**

## Firhad Hakim signals legal fight against Waqf Bill

The Waqf Amendment Bill has triggered widespread concern across the state's minority communities.

While voices like Chowdhury have taken to mass mobilization, Hakim advocates a legalistic route. "There is no unrest in Bengal," he said. "We are fortunate to have a leader like Mamata Banerjee, who ensures peace and harmony. Bengal

As the political discourse intensifies, Firhad Hakim's remarks underscore a crucial shift — from protest to courtroom — in the unfolding Waqf battle.

# Police allege violent provocation during teachers' protest

During a press briefing, Police Commissioner Manoj Verma stated, "This was a teachers' demonstration, and no one anticipated violence. The original plan was symbolic—locking the gate—not breaking it. But there's a big difference between the two."

## Bratya Basu meets SSC candidates, promises transparent action

Education Minister Bratya Basu addressed the agitating candidates, saying, "Please wait patiently. We are making every possible effort. Everything necessary for a resolution will be done, based on legal advice." Candidates demanded the immediate publication of the OMR mirror images and a clear distinction between eligible and ineligible candidates—two of their key demands raised during the meeting. Sources revealed that the School Service Commission (SSC) is preparing to move the court with a review petition to contest the cancellation of ap-

The Education Minister arrived at BikashBhavan on Friday afternoon and personally overseen the talks, which are seen as a crucial step toward resolving one of the most serious education-related controversies in recent years.

## Bandhan Bank extends Rs4 cr CSR support to Ramakrishna Mission



Speaking on the occasion, Sengupta remarked, "The Ramakrishna Mission has long championed the cause of holistic education and spiritual upliftment.

Bandhan Bank is honoured to support this noble cause that will empower individuals with the knowledge and skills necessary to serve society with purpose.” VivekaTirtha stands as a beacon of human excellence, aimed at nurturing enlightened, skilled, and compassionate citizens dedicated to national development and moral progress.

## Saayoni Ghosh urges peace and mutual respect amid teacher protests

**MI News Service, Kolkata:** As demonstrations continue across West Bengal over the issue of terminated school jobs, Trinamool Youth Congress President and Jadavpur MP Saayoni Ghosh has appealed for calm, urging both the protestors and law enforcement to handle the situation with sensitivity and mutual respect. Her remarks come in the wake of protests at several District Inspector (DI) offices, especially

the incident in Kasba, which drew significant attention following reports of scuffles between police personnel and agitating teachers. The protests were led by individuals who had earlier received appointments under the now-cancelled 2016 SSC panel and have been seeking reinstatement following recent legal developments. In certain areas, including Kasba, tensions reportedly escalated during their

Speaking at an organisational meeting held under the initiative of the Sonarpur North Assembly constituency, Saayoni Ghosh said, "It is truly unfortunate that such scenes unfolded. No matter the situation, we must respond with responsibility and restraint." She added that

while the protesters have every right to voice their demands, all sides should ensure the movement remains peaceful. Saayoni further reiterated her confidence in the leadership of Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee. “Our Chief Minister is deeply empathetic and committed to justice. I believe a solution will emerge soon that addresses the concerns of those affected,” she said. Ghosh also mentioned that continuous efforts

are being made at various levels to find a constructive and compassionate resolution. She was joined at the meeting by district president Subhasis Chakraborty and local MLA Firdousi Begum, both of whom expressed support for a peaceful resolution. Ghosh also advised protestors to refrain from any form of confrontation and instead rely on democratic means to press for their demands.

## China again retaliates with...

Trump's sweeping tariff package on China now totals 145 per cent, which includes a new 125 per cent general tariff and an additional 20 per cent aimed at punishing Beijing for its alleged role in the US fentanyl crisis. This aggressive tariff hike, announced on Thursday, has drawn global attention and triggered immediate backlash from Beijing. Before China's latest retaliation, Trump had already raised tariffs on Chinese goods to 104 per cent. In response, China initially slapped an 84 per cent duty on all US imports earlier this week — a figure that was swiftly revised to 125 per cent after Washington's new sanctions. But interestingly, despite tough talk from Beijing, Chinese officials have left the door open for dialogue. On Tuesday, au-

The mounting tariff war has spooked global investors. Three of the largest US-listed ETFs tracking Chinese stocks witnessed a massive selloff on Wednesday, with nearly USD 1 billion in shares dumped in a single day. While Chinese equities have shown some resilience, the ongoing tensions have prompted several global funds to cut their exposure to Chinese assets. As the US and China dig deeper into their trade standoff, the ripple effects are being felt around the world—from diplomatic relations to stock markets. With both sides doubling down, analysts warn that a prolonged conflict could reshape global supply chains and destabilise already vulnerable economies.

## India gears up on urgent basis..

as the Reserve Bank of India has also cut interest rates for the second consecutive time this year. During his visit to Washington in February, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Trump agreed to

Asked about the fallout of the US tariffs, Jaishankar said, "I don't think it's possible to speak about what would be the impact, because we don't know. What is our strategy? I think that's pretty clear. We decided that we will engage the Trump administration early on this set of issues...to negotiate a bilateral trade agreement by fall of this year."

Both sides have been “very open” and “very constructive” with each other, and India is the only country that has reached an understanding in principle on such a trade deal after Trump became the president, he said.



**ISL trophy finalists Mohun Bagan Super Giant and Bengaluru FC took part in a pre-match photo session, where MBSG head coach Jose Molina and captain Subhasish Bose, along with BFC head coach Gerard Zaragoza and goalkeeper Gurpreet Singh Sandhu, posed together ahead of the much-anticipated ISL final, at the Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan in Kolkata, on Friday.**

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**Name Change**  
I, Niazul Islam S/o Late Khairul Bashar Nurul Islam Residing at 9B, Nasiruddin Road, P.o - Circus Avenue, P.s - Beniapukur, District - Kolkata, Pin- 700017 West Bengal India that my deceased father who previously known as Khairul Bashar shall henceforth be known as Khairul Bashar Nurul Islam.I declare that my deceased father Khairul Bashar and Khairul Bashar Nurul Islam is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public Kolkata vide affidavit Date 11-04-2025.

**Name Change**  
I, Azijul Rahaman Molla S/o Late Sultan Ali Molla Residing at Vill - Gabberia, P.o - Dosotina, P.s - Bishnupur, District - South 24 Parganas, Pin- 743503 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Azizul Rahaman Molla. I declare that Azijul Rahaman Molla and Azizul Rahman Molla is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, Kolkata on 11-04-2025.

**Name Change**  
I, Md Safique S/o Mohammad Nabilan Residing at 29/1, G.J Khan Road, P.o+P.s - Tiljala, District - Kolkata, Pin- 700039 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Md Shafique. I declare that Md Safique and Md Shafique is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, Kolkata on 11-04-2025.

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I, Itu Agarwal W/o Navin Agarwal Residing at The Hazelton, 6th Floor, Flat -6B, 19,Dr.U.N Brahmachari Sarani, P.s - Shakespae Sarani, P.o - Circus Avenue, District - Kolkata, Pin- 700017 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Nitu Agarwal. I declare that Itu Agarwal and Nitu Agarwal is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, Kolkata on 11-04-2025.

**Name Change**  
I, Riyajul Mondal S/o Late Jabbar Mondal Residing at Vill - Nimdaria, P.o - Taki, P.s - Basirhat, District - North 24 Parganas, Pin- 743429 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Riyajul Islam Mondal. I declare that Riyajul Mondal and Riyajul Islam Mondal is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, Kolkata on 11-04-2025.

**Name Change**  
I, Banasri Barman W/o Subal Chandra Barman Residing at GA/20, A.P. Nagar, P.o+P.s - Sonarpur, District - South 24 Parganas, Pin- 700150 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Banasri Mondal. I declare that Banasri Barman and Banasri Mondal is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, Kolkata on 11-04-2025.

**Name Change**  
I, Safiqul Islam S/O Late Sukur Ali Resi of Vill + P/O kaliyani , P-S- De-ganga, Dist- 24 Parganas (n), pin 743423 W.B, I also declared my father's name has been recorded in my old passport as Md Sukur Ali, Also my father's name has been recorded in all documents such as death certificate as Sukur Ali Mondal, also my father's name recorded in my Ration , Voter card , Aadhar card as Sukur Ali Mondal, Also my father's name recorded in my School Registration certificate & Pan card name as Sukur Ali. My father's name shall henceforth be known as Md Sukur Ali, Sukur Ali Mondal, & Sukur Ali as declared before the first class Executive Magistrate Barasat Court North 24 Parganas.WB. Vide affidavit dated 08/04/2025 both are same and one identical person in eye of law.

**Name Change**  
I, Lakshmi Narayan Mandal, Father of No. 15671861K Rank Ex Hav name Utam Mandal resident of Vill Belar P.O Belar Bhurkunda Dist Purba Bardhaman (WB) Pin 713427 have change my Name & Date of birth from Lakshmi Narayan Mandal & 01 Jul 1951 to Lakshminarayan Mondal & 01 Jan 1960 vide affidavit dated 08.04.25 before the Executive Magistrate at Purba Burdwana.

**Name Change**  
I, Kripamaree Pal mother of No. 14652968N Rank Ex Sepoy Name Ranajit Pal resident of Vill Barabelun PO. Barabelun Dist Purba Bardhaman (WB) Pin-713125 have change my Name & Date of birth from Kripamaree Pal, 01.07.1958 to Kripamaree Pal, 18.07.1962 vide Affidavit dated 19.03.2025 before The Executive Magistrate at Barrackpore court.

**NAME CHANGE**  
I, Shefali Mondal, on behalf of my daughter Aparna Biswas C/o Bonamali Biswas, R/o- 22 Bipalbi Surya sen Street, Tarapurkut West, PO-Angara, PS-Khardaha, Dist-24 Parganas (North) Kolkata-700109, West Bengal, shall be known as Aparna Mondal D/o Laba Mondal as declared before the Judicial Magistrate, Barrackpore Court vide affidavit (No.128) Dated 10.04.2025.

# Anji Khad Bridge – Bridging Heights for a Prosperous Kashmir



**MI News Service, Srinagar:** Anji Khad Bridge, India's first cable-stayed railway bridge, soars high, spanning the deep embrace of the Anji River, south of the iconic Chenab Bridge. This monumental bridge is not just a structure—it is a dream realised, a testament to human ingenuity defying nature's fiercest challenges. Connecting the Katra-Banihal section of the Udhampur-Srinagar-Baramulla Rail Line, this cable-stayed marvel stands about 80 km from Jammu city, nestled in the awe-inspiring Himalayan landscape. Set against the backdrop of snow-capped peaks, the bridge stands firm, enhancing connectivity and easing travel across the region. Built amidst the young fold mountains, the Anji

Khad Bridge conquers unpredictable geology, weathering seismic tremors, tempestuous winds and the test of time. Towering 331 metres above the riverbed, it stretches 725 metres across the abyss, supported by 96 high-tensile cables ensuring stability. It has an inverted Y pylon which rises to a height of 193m from the top of the foundation. Over 8,215 metric tonnes of structural steel fortify its core, ensuring that this bridge does not just exist—it thrives. With its grand inauguration on the horizon, the Anji Khad Bridge is set to transform lives, bridging distances and forging bonds. It will usher in an era of economic growth, where trade flourishes, tourism blossoms, and communities unite under its unwavering

presence. Part of the Udhampur-Srinagar-Baramulla Rail Link (USBRL) project, this bridge is more than just metal and stone—it's a testament to India's vision. A bridge that symbolises progress, it paves the way for prosperity and is a symbol of resilience and hope. A silent sentinel, it watches over the land, inspiring generations with its unwavering presence. Once operational, the Anji Khad Bridge will usher in a new era of seamless travel, reduced transit time and economic growth, strengthening Jammu and Kashmir's role as a hub for tourism and trade. A symbol of progress and resilience, this bridge will connect aspirations, empower communities and pave the way for a brighter future.

**Name Change**  
I, (Old Name) AINURA W/o- MD JAMSHED ALI, Residing at, Vill-Balupur, Post- Bara Sujapur, Ps-Kaliachak, Dist- Malda, Pin- 732206, West Bengal. Do hereby declare that I have Changed my name from AINURA To AINURA BIBI (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) AINURA BIBI in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 02 April 2025, AINURA BIBI and AINURA both are Same and one identical person.

**Name Change**  
I, (Old Name) ASIA KHATUN D/o- MD JAMSHED ALI, Residing at, Vill-Balupur, Post- Bara Sujapur, Ps- Kaliachak, Dist- Malda, Pin- 732206, West Bengal. Do hereby declare that I have Changed my name from ASIA KHATUN To MST ASIA KHATUN (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) MST ASIA KHATUN in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 02 April 2025, MST ASIA KHATUN and ASIA KHATUN both are Same and one identical person.

**Name Change**  
I, (Old Name) HASIMUDDIN S/o-LATE ABDUL RASID, Residing at, Vill-Simala(Badhiyapara), Post- Ek-borna, Ps- Pukhuria, Dist- Malda, Pin- 732204, West Bengal. Do hereby declare that I have Changed my name from HASIMUDDIN To SK HASIMUDDIN (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) SK HASIMUDDIN in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 02 April 2025, SK HASIMUDDIN and HASIMUDDIN both are Same and one identical person.

**Name Change**  
I, (Old Name) KAPIL KUMAR DUTTA S/o- LATE LAIBIHARI DUTTA Residing at, 1/91 N.S Road(Netaji Subhas Road), Post- Malda, Ps- Englishbazar, Dist- Malda, Pin- 732101, West Bengal. Do hereby declare that I have Changed my name from KAPIL KUMAR DUTTA To KAPIL DUTTA (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) KAPIL DUTTA in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 02 April 2025, KAPIL DUTTA and KAPIL KUMAR DUTTA both are Same and one identical person.

**Name Change**  
I, (Old Name) PRONAB KUMAR BHATTACHARYYA & PRANAB BHATTACHARYYA S/o- LATE NIRMALENDU BHATTACHARYYA, Residing at, 34/34 Gour road, Post-Mokdumpur, Ps- Englishbazar, Dist- Malda, Pin- 732103, West Bengal. Do hereby declare that I have Changed my name from PRONAB KUMAR BHATTACHARYYA & PRANAB BHATTACHARYYA To PRANAB KUMAR BHATTACHARYYA (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) PRANAB KUMAR BHATTACHARYYA in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 02 April 2025, PRANAB KUMAR BHATTACHARYYA and PRONAB BHATTACHARYYA both are Same and one identical person.

**Name Change**  
I, Ganesh Dutta S/o Late Ganga Narayan Dutta Residing at Madhabtala, P.o+Ps - Katwa, District - Purba Bardhaman, Pin- 713130 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Ganesh Chandra Dutta. I declare that Ganesh Dutta and Ganesh Chandra Dutta is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, Kolkata on 11-04-2025.

## Bengal emerging as AI hub

**MI News Service, Kolkata:** West Bengal is emerging as a prominent hub for artificial intelligence (AI) and technology investments, offering a range of opportunities for investors. The state government is actively promoting AI, machine learning, and drone technologies, aiming to position Kolkata as a future center for these fields.

The Bengal Silicon Valley Tech Hub, located in New Town, Kolkata, is 250-acre technology hub is dedicated to sectors like IT/ITeS, data centers, e-commerce, IoT, AI, R&D, and telecom. The project, expected to be completed by 2025, has attracted investments totaling ₹1 trillion and aims to generate 100,000 direct jobs.

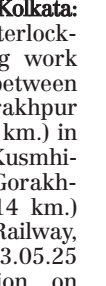
In December 2024, Infosys inaugurated a state-of-the-art development center in Kolkata with an investment of over ₹426 crore. Spanning 320,000 square feet, the facility accommodates over 4,000 employees, focusing on cloud, AI, and digital technologies, thereby enhancing employment opportunities in next-gen tech sectors.

The Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) has launched a new incubation facility in Salt Lake, Kolkata. Covering 200,000 square feet, including 75,000 square feet of raw incubation space, the center offers plug-and-play office setups, high-speed data communication, and modern infrastructure to support IT/ITeS startups and SMEs. It provides mentorship, industry collaborations, and global networking opportunities, aiming to create significant employment in the region. Additionally, the state government is enhancing IT infrastructure by establishing a new data center in Siliguri with AI and machine learning capabilities.

This facility will support over 350 AI and ML applications, serving more than 2,300 concurrent users in real-time. The latest trail in this development is Iconz, the AI powerhouse from Hyderabad. Recently Abinav Varma Kalidindi, CEO of Iconz said in Kolkata that Bengal is a rich and big destination for AI related investment.

Icon of Bengal Saurav Ganguly was also present at the occasion. At the occasion, Holographic Extended Reality (HXR) Device was exhibited.

## Regulation of Trains for Non-Interlocking Work over North ER



**MI News Service, Kolkata:** Due to Pre-non interlocking/non interlocking work for third line between Gorakhpur & Gorakhpur Cantt. Stations (3.5 km.) in connection with Kusmhi-Gorakhpur Cantt.-Gorakhpur Jn. 3rd line (14 km.) over North Eastern Railway, from 12.04.25 to 03.05.25 and CRS inspection on 03.05.25, following arrangements in trains running have made:

**Cancellation of Mail/Express trains:** • 15048 Gorakhpur-Kolkata Purvanchal Express (journey commencing on 13/04, 14/04, 15/04, 18/04, 20/04, 21/04, 22/04, 25/04, 27/04, 28/04, 29/04/25, 02/05 & 04/05/25) • 15050 Gorakhpur-Kolkata Purvanchal Express (journey commencing on 16/04, 19/04, 23/04, 26/04, 30/04/25 & 03/05/25) • 15052 Gorakhpur-Kolkata Purvanchal Express (journey commencing on 17/04, 24/04/25 & 01/05/25), • 15047 Kolkata-Gorakhpur Purvanchal Express (journey commencing on 14/04, 15/04, 17/04, 19/04, 21/07, 22/04, 24/04, 26/04, 28/04, 29/04/25, 01/05/2025, 03/05/2025 & 05/05/25) • 15049 Kolkata-Gorakhpur Purvanchal Express (journey commencing on 16/04, 20/04, 23/04, 27/04, 30/04/25 & 04/05/25), • 15051 Kolkata-Gorakhpur Purvanchal Express (journey commencing on 18/04, 25/04/25 & 02/05/25), • 15028 Gorakhpur-Sambalpur Maurya Express (journey commencing on 24/04/25 to 03/05/25), • 15027 Sambalpur-Gorakhpur Maurya Express (journey commencing on 26/04/25 to 05/05/25), • 13507 Asansol-Gorakhpur Express (journey commencing on 25/04/25 & 02/05/25), • 13508 Gorakhpur-Asansol Express (journey commencing on 26/04/25 & 03/05/25), • 09451 Gandhidham-Bhagalpur Special (journey commencing on 25/04/25), • 09452 Bhagalpur-Gand-

**Diversion of Trains:-** • 09451 Gandhidham-Bhagalpur Special (journey commencing on 11/04/25) & 09452 Bhagalpur-Gandhidham Special (journey commencing on 14/04/25) will be diverted via Muzaffarpur Jn.-Chhapra Jn.-Aunrihar Jn.-Varanasi Jn.-Shahganj Jn.-Ayodhya Cantt.-Barabanki Jn. instead of Muzaffarpur Jn.-Paniahwa-Gorakhpur Jn.-Gonda-Barabanki Jn. in both directions. • 13019 Howrah-Kathgodam Bagh Express (journey commencing on 15/04/25 to 02/05/25) & 13020 Kathgodam-Howrah Bagh Express (journey commencing on 15/04/25 to 02/05/25) will be diverted via Barabanki Jn.-Ayodhya Cantt.-Jaunpur Jn.-Aunrihar Jn.-Chhapra Jn. instead of Barabanki Jn.-Gonda-Gorakhpur Jn.-Chhapra Jn. in both directions.

**Short Termination/Short Origination of Trains:** 18629 Ranchi-Gorakhpur Weekly Express (journey commencing on 11/04/25) will be short terminated at Bhatni Jn. cancelling service between Bhatni Jn.-Gorakhpur Jn. and 18630 Gorakhpur-Ranchi Weekly Express (journey commencing on 12/04/25) will be short originated from Bhatni Jn. cancelling service between Gorakhpur Jn.-Bhatni Jn.

## Train movement obstructed near Dhulianganga on Non-Railway cause

**MI News Service, Kolkata:** Train services in Azimganj – New Farakka section of Eastern Railway has been affected today (11.4.2025) as a group of people started squatting on Railway track obstructing the movement of 15644 DN Kamakhya – Puri Express near Dhulianganga station from 14:46 hrs., on non-Railway cause. It has been reported that about 5000 people have gathered and squatted on the Railway track between Dhulianganga and Nimita stations affecting train movement in the section. 53434 DN Barharwa – Azimganj Passenger also detaining at Ballalpur for non-availability of path. RPF, GRP & local police are at site for negotiations with the agitators who have obstructed train movements on Non-Railway cause.

## Cancellation of Three (03) Memu Passenger on 13.04.2025

**MI News Service, Kolkata:** Due to maintenance work of Bridge No. 114/A in between Suri & Kunuri stations and launching of composite Steel Girder (for ROB work) in lieu of level crossing Gate No. 22/B/T in between Andal & Sainthia stations, 07 hours 30 minutes (from 06:45 hrs. to 14:15 hrs.) Traffic & Power Block has been planned on 13.04.2025 (Sunday). Consequently, 63531 Andal – Sainthia MEMU passenger, 63534 Sainthia – Andal MEMU passenger and 63530 Rampurhat – Andal MEMU passenger will remain cancelled. The block will start after passing 13046 Deoghar – Howrah Mayurakshi Express and 63529 Andal – Rampurhat MEMU. For the convenience of the passengers, One Rampurhat – Sainthia passenger special will leave Rampurhat at 13:30 hrs.

## Metro staff help an indisposed Senior Citizen

**MI News Service, Kolkata:** On 10.04.2025 at about 18.50 hrs., on-duty RPF and station staff found an indisposed senior citizen aged around 72 years at platform of Esplanade Metro station. Seeing his condition, they rushed to his help. Considering the seriousness of the situation, he was brought to the Station Master's Office and administered the first aid. He was later admitted to SSKM Hospital at about 19.00 hrs, under the escort of RPF and station staff. He thanked Metro Railway authorities for the kind co-operation and timely help.

## ER to run EMU Special for Tarakeswar on 'chaitra Sankranti/Gaajan Mela'

**MI News Service, Kolkata:** To cope up with expected heavy rush of visitors at Tarakeswar on the occasion of 'Chaitra Sankranti/Gaajan Mela', Eastern Railway will run one (1) pair of EMU special between Howrah and Tarakeswar on 13.04.2025, 14.04.2025 & 15.04.2025. The up EMU special will leave Howrah at 14:45 hrs. to reach Tarakeswar at 16:14 hrs. and down EMU special will leave Tarakeswar at 16:40 hrs. to reach Howrah at 18:10 hrs. UP & Down EMU special will stop at Seoraphuli at 15:22 hrs. and 17:28 hrs. respectively for 02 minutes.

## Miscellaneous

## Bag Full of Notes Returned Unharmed by Attendant



**MI News Service, New Delhi:**When the Samporna Kranti Express traveling from Rajendra Nagar to Patna arrived at New Delhi, coach attendant Randhir Kumar Singh found a bag filled with cash and jewelry. Despite the temptation, he stayed honest and immediately informed the train's TTE (Traveling Ticket Examiner) about the unclaimed bag. The TTE promptly checked the passenger chart and called those seated around seat numbers 17/18 in coach B-4.It was then discovered that the bag belonged to Rajan Pathak, who had boarded the train from Mirzapur with his family. In the confusion of getting off, none of the family members realized which bag was taken or left behind. As a result, the valuable bag was left in the coach.Rajan Pathak retraced his steps halfway and returned to the station. He approached the railway authorities, who thoroughly questioned him about the bag's contents. Once they were satisfied that the bag indeed belonged to Rajan Pathak, it was handed over to him.Rajan Pathak, a priest from Vindhychal Dham, appreciated the coach attendant's honesty and thanked Indian Railways for their excellent service.

## Neonatal Resuscitation Provider Course Conducted at Divisional Railway Hospital, Malda



**MI News Service, Kolkata:** A day-long Neonatal Resuscitation Provider (NRP) Course was successfully conducted on 10th April 2025 at the Divisional Railway Hospital, Malda, under Eastern Railway, in collaboration with the Indian Academy of Pediatrics (IAP). The course was specially organized for the nursing staff of the hospital, with additional participation from the team of Square Nursing Home. The session was organized and presided over by Dr. Anupa Ghosh, Chief Medical Superintendent, Divisional Railway Hospital, Malda, who emphasized the significance of timely and skilled neonatal resuscitation in improving the survival and long-term health of newborns. A dedicated team of three pediatricians—Dr. Abhijeet Mishra, Dr. Priyabrata

Biswas, and Dr.Nilanjan Mukherjee—conducted the training. They provided detailed demonstrations and hands-on practice of neonatal resuscitation techniques, ensuring the participants gained both theoretical knowledge and practical skills.All participants got hands on training on Neonatal resuscitation at 1 min and 5 mins.its future outcome for survival of neonates without complications. The program commenced at 10:30 a.m. and concluded with the distribution of certificates to all participants. This initiative underscores Eastern Railway's ongoing commitment to strengthening healthcare services and enhancing the professional capabilities of its medical staff, thereby ensuring better patient care and outcomes.

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1.	Ajay Kumar Roy/ Anupam Kumar/ 388, Nareish Biswas Sarani 24/ B/2, Upen Banerjee Road LP-24/B/7, West Bengal Kolkata- 700060/ LBCAL00005454403	Residential Flat Ground Floor, (south East Facing), G+2 Storied Building, Premises No. 180, Parnasree Pally Road, J.L. No. 2, R.S. No. 83, Dag No. 293, Khatian No. 174, Mouza Behala, Ward No. 131, Kolkata Municipal Corporation, P.s. Parnasree (previously Behala), District 24 Parganas (S), Pin 700060, West Bengal, Admeasuring An Area Of Flat Having Super Built Up Area 540 Sq. Ft. Be The Same A Little More or Less Together With Proportionate Undivided Share And Interest In Land/ Date of Physical 09.04.2025	December 22,2023 Rs. 18,04,072.00/-	Kolkata/ Madhubani
2.	Arindam Chatterjee/ Anusmita Ghosh/ 40, Ananda Palit Road District Kolkata West Bengal Kolkata- 700014/ LBCAL00005805405	Residential Flat No. 3A, Third Floor, South-east-north Side, Premises No. 8, Narendranath Sarkar Road (mailing Address 16/3, Naren Sarkar Road), R.s. No. 183, Dag Nos. 147, 147/581 And 147/582, Khatian No. 241, J.L. No. 14, Touzi No. 411, Ward No. 126, Kolkata Municipal Corporation, Police Station Thakurpukur, Mouza Sarkerlat, District 24 Parganas (south), Kolkata 700008, West Bengal, Admeasuring An Area of Flat No. 3a Having Super Built Up Area of 770 Square Feet More or Less Alongwith One Car Parking Space Having An Area of 150 Square Feet More or Less on The South-western Side In The Ground Floor of The Building Together With Proportionate Undivided Share In The Land./ Date of Physical 09.04.2025	February 23,2024/ Rs. 29,26,249.00/-	Kolkata
3.	Achintya Kumar Paul/ Sina Paul/ Bansra, Nabapally Banshra, Canning- 1 District South 24 Parganas West Bengal Canning - 743363/ LBCAL00004915098	Flat No. 1B, Western Side, First Floor (south West), Premises No. 52/1, Ram Thakur Road (j.c. Road), C.s. Plot No. 233, Khatian No. 67, J.I. No. 36, Touzi No. 237, Mouza Ibrahimpur, Police Station Jadavpur, Ward No. 96, Kolkata Municipal Corporation, Additional District Sub Registry At Alipore, District South 24 Parganas, Kolkata 700032, West Bengal, Admeasuring An Area of Measuring 1085 Sq. Ft. Super Built Up Area Along With Half Of The 35% (250 Sq. Ft.) open Roof/never Constructed In The Said Roof) Along With All Proportionate Undivided Interest On The Land And Proportionate Right of All Rights All Common Areas And Facilities/ Date of Physical 09.04.2025	June 25,2024/ Rs. 47,15,731.00/-	Kolkata

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: April 11, 2025, Place: Kolkata

Sincerely Authorised Signatory, For ICICI Bank Ltd.







# Study reveals how intake of ultra-processed foods associated with increased risk of death

CHICAGO : Older persons who reported consuming more ultra-processed foods were nearly 10 per cent more likely to die after a median follow-up of 23 years than older adults who reported consuming less processed food, according to a recent study.

The results are drawn from a sizable study that followed more than 500,000 persons in the United States for about thirty years. The findings showed that consuming more ultra-processed foods was linked to slight increases in deaths from heart disease and diabetes, as well as deaths from all causes. However, there was no correlation observed in deaths from cancer.

"Our study results support a larger body of literature, including both observational and experimental studies, which indicate that ultra-processed food intake adversely impacts health and longevity," said Erika Loftfield, PhD, Stadtman Investigator at the National Cancer Institute. "However, there is still a lot that we don't know, including what aspects of ultra-processed foods pose potential health risks."

Loftfield will present the findings at NUTRITION 2024, the flagship annual meeting of the American Society for Nutrition held June 29 to July 2 in Chicago.

The research drew data from more than 540,000 people who provided information about their eating habits and health in the mid-1990s, when they were between 50 and



71 years of age. Over half of the participants have since died. The researchers analyzed overall rates of death among those who were in the 90th percentile for consumption of ultra-processed foods at baseline versus those in the 10th percentile, and also looked

at associations with specific foods and specific diseases.

"We observed that highly processed meat and soft drinks were a couple of the subgroups of ultra-processed food most strongly associated with mortality risk and eating a

diet low in these foods is already recommended for disease prevention and health promotion," said Loftfield. The Dietary Guidelines for Americans recommend limiting sugar-sweetened beverages and processed meats such as hot dogs, sausages and deli meat. For this study, researchers used multiple strategies to classify the level of processing for various food items. This included breaking down food frequency questionnaire data into particular food and ingredient types in addition to incorporating expert consensus to categorize dietary components according to a rubric known as the NOVA classification system.

The researchers also accounted for other factors that can increase a person's risk of death, such as smoking and obesity. They found that people who consumed more ultra-processed foods also tended to have higher body mass index and a lower Healthy Eating Index score (a measure of diet quality based on how closely a person's diet aligns with the Dietary Guidelines for Americans). However, the analysis showed that the associations between ultra-processed food consumption and increased mortality were not explained by these variables, as the associations between higher ultra-processed food intake and mortality risk persisted among people categorized as having better or worse diet quality as well as among those classified as normal weight or obese.

# Study finds how new blood test helps improve cancer treatments



ZURICH [SWITZERLAND] : The likelihood that treatment will be successful for cancer increases with early detection. Almost every kind of cancer is covered by this. Evaluating the advantages and disadvantages of each type of therapy on an individual basis and keeping a regular eye on treatment outcomes are also essential components of effective patient care.

Oncologists have various techniques at their disposal to accomplish this, including the use of imaging equipment and invasive procedures including punctures, tissue samples, and endoscopic procedures.

An improved technique, a kind of liquid biopsy that examines blood samples rather than organs or tissues, has recently been further developed by researchers at the University of Zurich (UZH) and the University Hospital Zurich (USZ).

The method sequences and analyses DNA fragments circulating in the blood of patients. "Our method can be used in the future for risk assessments, treatment monitoring during follow-up care and early detection of cancer recurrence, in principle for all types of tumors," said Zsolt Balazs, co-first author of the study at the UZH Department of Quantitative Biomedicine.

Since the method is based on blood samples, it is less invasive than performing tissue biopsies, for example. Moreover, taking blood samples is fast and more practical in day-to-day hospital operations, as fewer appointments for diagnostic interventions are needed, sparing those affected lengthy waits.

The new method for analysing liquid biopsies can help oncologists more accurately determine tumour activity and spread. This will enable them to develop therapies that are tailored to individual patients. "We can see earlier and more quickly how much the cancer has spread in the body and how well a patient is responding to a specific treatment, or whether there will be a relapse," said Zsolt Balazs.

In the lab, the researchers analysed the gene fragments circulating in the blood for changes in the DNA that are characteristic of the specific type of cancer. The method analysed alterations in the number and length distribution of the fragments. "The liquid biopsy technique enables us to discriminate between biologically less and more aggressive metastatic cancer disease - perhaps even earlier than using imaging technology," said co-first author Panagiotis Balermipas, a professor at the Department of Radiation Oncology at USZ.

The researchers tested their method on patients undergoing radiotherapy, including several HPV-positive patients. HPV stands for human papillomavirus, which can also cause cancer. The number of HPV DNA fragments found in the blood allowed the researchers to observe the development of tumours. For head and neck cancer, they found that a higher concentration of HPV DNA might be an early indication of cancer recurrence, which could be combated using immunotherapy.

"The more a tumour metastasizes, the poorer the patient's quality of life. This also applies to local recurrences that aren't detected early. It is key that we individualise treatment as far as possible, taking into account the potential benefits of all therapies as well as their influence on the patient's quality of life," concluded Balermipas, who oversaw the treatment of patients with head and neck tumours in the study.

# Study finds key steps in stem cell therapy for rare bowel disease



LONDON : Hirschsprung disease patients may benefit from stem cell therapy, according to a recent study conducted by scientists at the Universities of Sheffield and UCL.

In the case of Hirschsprung disease, a small number of nerve cells in the large intestine are absent. Due to the intestine's inability to contract and transport stool, blockages may occur. This may result in constipation and, in rare cases, a dangerous intestinal infection known as enterocolitis.

Around 1 in 5000 babies are born with Hirschsprung disease. The condition is usually picked up soon after birth and treated with surgery as soon as possible however patients frequently suffer debilitating, lifelong symptoms, with multiple surgical procedures often required.

Alternative treatment options are therefore crucial. One option that has been explored by researchers involves using stem cell therapy to generate nerve cell precursors, which then produce the missing nerves in the intestine of those with Hirschsprung disease after transplantation. This in turn should improve the intestine's functionality.

However, this procedure has not been carried out on human tissue from people with Hirschsprung disease until now.

The research, published in Gut and funded by the Medical Research Council, is a collaborative effort between researchers at UCL and the University of Sheffield which began in 2017.

Researchers at the University of Sheffield focused on the production and analysis of nerve precursors from stem cells. These were then shipped to the UCL team, who prepared the patient gut tissue, undertook the transplantation and maintenance of the tissue and then tested the function of the tissue segments.

The study involved taking tissue samples donated by GOSH patients with Hirschsprung disease as a part of their routine treatment which were then cultured in the lab. The samples were then transplanted with stem cell-derived nerve cell precursors which then developed into the crucial nerve cells within the gut tissue.

Importantly the transplanted gut samples showed increased ability to contract compared to control tissue suggesting improved functionality of the gut in those with the disease.

Principal Investigator, Dr Conor McCann (UCL Great Ormond Street Institute of Child Health) said: "This study is a real breakthrough in our cell therapy work for Hirschsprung disease. It really shows the benefit of bringing the expertise of different groups together which will hopefully benefit children and adults living with Hirschsprung disease in the future."

Dr Anestis Tsakiridis, Principal Investigator at University of Sheffield said: "This has been a fantastic collaboration, led by two talented early career scientists, Dr Ben Jevans and Fay Cooper. Our findings have laid the foundations for the future development of a cell therapy against Hirschsprung disease and we will continue our efforts to bring this to the clinic in the next few years".

The results of this study demonstrate for the first time the potential of stem cell therapy to improve the functionality of the intestine in those with Hirschsprung disease which, in turn, could lead to improved symptoms and better outcomes for individuals with the disease.

# Researchers find how physical exercise prevents nerve damage during chemotherapy

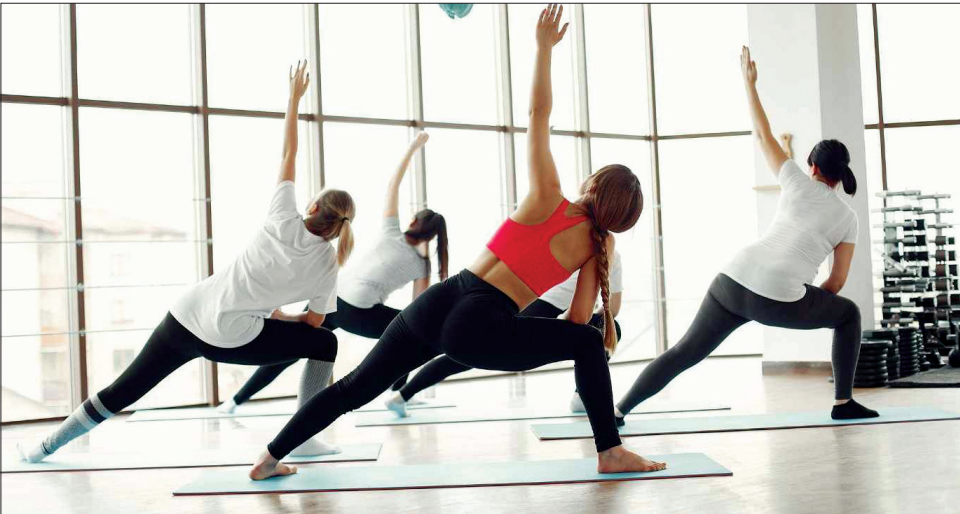
BASEL [SWITZERLAND] : Damage to nerves brought on by cancer therapies frequently results in symptoms that endure a lifetime. In some circumstances, medication has not worked. Simple exercises can prevent nerve injury, according to research.

The research was conducted by an interdisciplinary German team led by a sports scientist at the University of Basel. Over time, advancements have been made in cancer therapy. The quality of life following rehabilitation is becoming increasingly important; it is no longer only about surviving. Unfortunately, many cancer medications, from chemotherapy to modern immunotherapies, attack the nerves as well as the tumour cells. Some therapies, such as oxaliplatin or vinca alkaloids, leave 70 to 90 per cent of patients complaining of pain, balance issues, or feelings of numbness, burning or tingling.

These symptoms can be very debilitating. They can disappear following cancer treatment, but in around 50 per cent they become chronic. Specialists call it chemotherapy-induced peripheral neuropathy, or CIPN for short.

A research team led by sports scientist Dr Fiona Streckmann from the University of Basel and the German Sport University Cologne has now shown that specific exercise, concomitant to cancer therapy, can prevent nerve damage in many cases. The researchers have reported their findings in the journal JAMA Internal Medicine.

The study involved 158 cancer patients, both male and



female, who were receiving treatment either with oxaliplatin or vinca-alkaloids. The researchers divided the patients at random into three groups. The first was a control group, whose members received standard care. The other two groups completed exercise sessions twice a week for the duration of their chemotherapy, with each session lasting between 15 and 30 minutes. One of these groups carried out exercises that focused primarily on balancing on an increasingly unstable surface. The other group trained on a vibration plate.

Regular examinations over the next five years showed that in the control group around twice as many participants developed CIPN as in either of the exercise groups. In other words, the exercises undertaken alongside chemotherapy were able to reduce the incidence of nerve damage by 50 to 70 per cent. In addition, they

increased the patients' subjectively perceived quality of life, made it less necessary to reduce their dose of cancer medications, and reduced mortality in the five years following chemotherapy. The participants receiving vinca-alkaloids and performing sensorimotor training had the largest benefit.

A lot of money has been invested over the years in reducing the incidence of CIPN, explains Streckmann. "This side effect has a direct influence on clinical treatment: for example, patients may not be able to receive the planned number of chemotherapy cycles that they actually need, the dosage of neurotoxic agents in the chemotherapy may have to be reduced, or their treatment may have to be terminated."

Despite the investments made, there is no effective pharmacological treatment to date: various studies have shown that medications can neither prevent

nor reverse this nerve damage. However, according to the latest estimates, USD 17,000 are spent per patient every year in the USA on treating nerve damage associated with chemotherapy. Streckmann's assumption is that "doctors prescribe medications despite everything because patients' level of suffering is so high."

In contrast, the sports scientist emphasizes, that the positive effect of exercise has been substantiated, and this treatment is very cheap in comparison. At the moment, she and her team are working on guidelines for hospitals so that they can integrate the exercises into clinical practice as supportive therapy. In addition, since 2023 a study has been ongoing in six children's hospitals in Germany and Switzerland (PrepAIR), which is intended to prevent sensory and motor dysfunctions in children receiving neurotoxic chemotherapy.

# Study finds chemo medicine may cause significant hearing loss in longtime cancer survivors

FLORIDA : Researchers from Indiana University and the University of South Florida performed an interdisciplinary study that produced important results regarding the long-term consequences on cancer survivors of one of the most widely used kinds of chemotherapy.

The study, which tracked a cohort of testicular cancer survivors who received cisplatin-based chemotherapy for an average of 14 years, was published in the Journal of the American Medical Association Oncology. It found that 78 per cent of the survivors have significant difficulties in everyday listening situations, which negatively affects their quality of life. This interdisciplinary study is the first to examine hearing loss progression and real-world listening problems in cancer survivors over an extended length of time.

"It's important that we understand the real-world effects of patients' sensory problems and if we can understand that, then we can develop better therapeutic strategies and preventive measures to improve the long-term quality of life for cancer survivors," said Robert Frisina, distinguished university professor and chair of the USF Department of Medical Engineering.

Cisplatin is commonly used in chemotherapy treatments for a variety of cancers, including bladder, lung, neck and testicular. It is administered intravenously and affects various parts of the body. However, the ears are particularly vulnerable as they have little ability to filter out the drug, causing it to become trapped. This leads to inflammation and the destruction of sensory



cells that are critical for coding sound, causing permanent hearing loss that can progressively get worse well after cisplatin treatments are completed.

Lead author Victoria Sanchez, associate professor in the USF Health Department of Otolaryngology Head & Neck Surgery, said that despite the known risks, there's a nationwide lack of routine hearing assessments for patients undergoing chemotherapy. "Most patients still do not get their hearing tested prior to, during or after chemotherapy. Our study highlights the need for regular auditory evaluations to man-

age and mitigate long-term hearing damage."

The research team found higher doses of cisplatin led to more severe and progressing hearing loss, especially in patients with risk factors, such as high blood pressure and poor cardiovascular health. They also experienced increased difficulty hearing in common environments, such as a loud restaurant. "It will be critically important to follow these patients for life. Their current median age is only 48 years, and eventually they will enter the years at which age-related hearing loss also begins to develop," said Dr. Lois B. Travis, Lawrence H. Einhorn

Professor of Cancer Research at Indiana University School of Medicine and a researcher at the IU Melvin and Bren Simon Comprehensive Cancer Center. This research is part of The Platinum Study, an ongoing research effort led by Dr. Travis and funded by the National Cancer Institute to study cisplatin-treated testicular cancer survivors.

The hope is that this study will inspire further investigation into alternative chemotherapeutic protocols and preventive measures, such as FDA-approved drugs to prevent or reduce hearing loss.

"This research gives oncologists the information they need to explore alternative treatment plans that could reduce the long-term side effects, such as altering the dosages and timing of the cisplatin in the treatment, when that could be an appropriate option," Frisina said.

Innovative solutions, such as Pedmark, a new FDA-approved injection that mitigates cisplatin-induced hearing loss in children, represent promising steps forward, according to Frisina.

"We want to protect our hearing or treat a hearing loss if hearing damage occurs," Sanchez said. "Hearing allows us to connect to the world we love. Staying connected through conversations with family and friends, enjoyment of music and entertainment, staying safe and finding pleasure in our vibrant surroundings. Promoting optimal hearing for overall wellness is essential for healthy living."





Maharashtra CM underlined the importance of WAVES (World Audio Visual and Entertainment Summit (WAVES) preparations in view of inauguration by Hon'ble PM in the month of May this year, importance of a record budget allocation by Indian Railways to Maharashtra, benefits to the region by doubling of railway line between Gondia - Ballarshah stations. He also announced running of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj and the Glorious Maratha Tour train by IRCTC soon. A special curated tour to showcase the glorious history and the grand heritage of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj along with other cultural and pilgrimage destinations of Maharashtra in 10 days journey by Bharat Gaurav Tourist train was also stated by the Maharashtra CM.

**MI News Service, Kathmandu:** Nepal Police has arrested Durga Prasai, controversial businessmen and royalist leader behind the violence of March 28 in capital Kathmandu. Prasai since the day of violence which resulted in death of two people had fled the country and arrested from Kakarbhitta, near the Nepal-India border. "Prasai and his bodyguard has been arrested and is brought to Kathmandu," a release from the Nepal Police stated. After arrest the leader was kept at the District Police Office in Bhadrapur and is on the way to Kathmandu. Upon arrival at Tribhuvan International Airport, Prasai will be transferred to the District Police Complex and then taken to the Bhadrakali custody facility. He will be presented at the District Court for a remand extension through the District Public Prosecutor's Office. Police officials have confirmed that Prasai will be investigated for crimes against the state, similar to cases previously filed against political figures like Rabindra Mishra and Dhawal Shamsheer Rana. The charges stem from the violent royalist protest led by Prasai and Nawaraj Subedi on March 28, which resulted in the deaths of two people and caused an estimated Nepal Rupees (NRs) 460 million in damages.



to challenge the validity of the new law. The petitioners have submitted that the provisions of the law discriminated against Muslims by imposing restrictions which were not part of the governance of other religious endowments. The SC bench headed by Chief Justice of India (CJI) Sanjiv Khanna is scheduled to hear the matter on April 16. The Centre has already filed a caveat in the apex court to ensure no order is passed without hearing it first. Responding to Aarif Masood's statement, BJP MLA and Minister, Wiswas Sarang, said that the large Muslim population has welcomed the Waqf Act.

**MI News Service, New Delhi:** India gifted a fleet of six school buses to Sao Tome and Principe in a ceremony held there on Thursday, a statement by the Ministry of External Affairs said. As per the statement, these buses were handed over to Isabel Maria Correia Viegas de Abreu, Minister of Education, Culture, Science and Higher Education of Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe by Deepak Miglani, Ambassador of India to the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe, the statement said. "India's gift is in re-

The shopkeeper of that shop was interrogated, which led the police to Nazruddin. A case has been registered against the accused, and he is currently in jail, police said.

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sponse to the request received from Sao Tome and Principe, seeking India's assistance in making school education more accessible. This assistance will reinforce the school transport fleet of Sao Tome and Principe, and provide safer commute for students and reduce education costs for families and facilitate their access to school education," the statement read. Earlier in January, India sent medical supplies to the country. "Earlier, in January 2025, the Government of India sent a consignment of medical supplies, com-

prising essential and life-saving medicines to buttress the healthcare sector of Sao Tome and Principe," the statement said. "India and Sao Tome and Principe enjoy close and friendly relations and are diversifying their bilateral cooperation. The gift of school buses to the friendly people of Sao Tome and Principe is part of India's development assistance to the Global South," the statement added. Official Spokesperson of the Ministry of External Affairs said that the act aims to facilitate access to school education for children in the country.

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# KL Rahul reveals inspiration behind fiery celebration following DC's win over RCB

**BENGALURU (KARNATAKA) :** Delhi Capitals (DC) wicketkeeper-batter KL Rahul opened up on his now-viral celebration following win over Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) and the movie which inspired it.

After his valuable knocks in India's ICC Champions Trophy campaign this year, KL has not looked back.

He played a knock of 93\* in just 53 balls, laced with seven fours and six sixes in the IPL match against RCB.

After the win, KL, seen as a reserved and calm personality on the field, was extremely animated, thumping his chest and pointing towards the ground and at his jersey as if saying that it (M Chinnaswamy Stadium) is his. He was also seen tapping his bat on the ground.

Speaking in a video by DC, Rahul said, "This is a special place from me. This celebration was from one of my favourite movies, Kantara. So, a tiny reminder that this ground, this turf, this place where I grew up, is mine."

Kantara is a 2022 Kannada movie starring RishabhShetty, SapthamiGowda and Achyuth



Kumar. In the picture below, one of the characters is seen planting his sword into the ground.

Being a Karnataka player, KL has played bulk of his domestic cricket at M Chinnaswamy Stadium and even played two IPL seasons for RCB, in 2013 and 2016.

In 20 T20s at Chinnaswamy Stadium, KL has made 544 runs at an average of 41.84 and a strike rate of over 145, with three half-centuries in 17 innings and best score of 93\*. In 18 IPL matches here, he has made 475 runs at an average of 43.18 and a strike rate of almost 144, with three half-centuries in 15 innings.

In two ODIs here, KL has made 121 runs at an average of 60.50, with the best score of 102, which is the fastest century by an Indian during a Cricket World Cup, in just 62 balls against the Netherlands back in 2023.

In three Tests and five innings here, KL has made 207 runs at an average of 41.40, with three fifties and best score of 90.

After opting to bowl first, Delhi Capitals, led by the spin attack of KuldeepYadav (2/17) and Vipraj Nigam (2/18), restricted the home

side to 163/7 in their 20 overs, with standout knocks played by Phil Salt (37 in 17 balls, with four boundaries and three sixes) and Tim David (37\* in 20 balls, with two fours and four sixes). This happened despite a powerful 61-run stand between Salt and ViratKohli (22 in 14 balls, with a four and two sixes),

Delhi Capitals were then reduced to 58/4, but Rahul and Tristan Stubbs showed resistance as they compiled an unbeaten stand of 111 runs for the fifth wicket to take their team to a clinical win. Rahul played an unbeaten knock of 93 off 53, consisting of seven fours and six sixes, while Stubbs scored 38\* off 23, with four boundaries and a six, in the team's fourth win.

DC is in second place with four wins in all four matches, while RCB is in fourth place with three wins in five matches and two losses.

KL secured the 'Player of the Match' award. So far in three matches, he has made 185 runs with two half-centuries and best score of 93\*, at an average of above 92 and strike rate of almost 170.



## INDIAN RACING FESTIVAL TO COVER CITIES IN NORTHEAST

**NEW DELHI (INDIA) :** "The Indian Racing Festival- a carnival of Total Control" is scheduled to be held from April 12 to 22, and will cover key cities including Kohima, Aizawl, Shillong, Guwahati, and Gangtok.

Indian Racing Festival is offering audiences an electrifying glimpse into the world of professional open-wheel racing, a release said. The line-up features champions across generations from 9-year-old karting sensations to racing champions and rally legends, a release said. "Enthusiasts can look forward to jaw-dropping drifting displays in high-performance machines like Lexus and BMW, alongside gravity-defying stunts on Superbikes. The showstoppers will be young karting prodigies on their Rotax Karts who will push the limits of speed and skill, offering a powerful preview of India's racing future," the release said.

A key highlight of the tour will be blazing showcases of international Formula 4 and Wolf cars from the Indian Calendar.

April 12- Kohima (Nagaland)  
April 16- Aizawl (Mizoram)  
April 19- Shillong (Meghalaya)  
April 20- Guwahati (Assam)  
April 22- Gangtok (Sikkim)

The festival is powered by JK Tyre& Industries and is taking the thrill of performance-driven action to new heights with a focused tour in the North-East region, the release said.

The JK Tyre National Racing Championship (JKNRC)-is now in its 28th consecutive year and has grown into a premier platform for nurturing racing talent from across the country. Padma Shri awardee and India's first Formula 1 driver NarainKarthikeyan and Gaurav Gill, India's first motorsport athlete to receive the prestigious Arjuna Award--besides many others are proud prodigies of JK Tyre, the release said.

## Dhruv-Tanisha exits marks end of Indian challenge at Badminton Asia C'ships

**NINGBO (CHINA) :** The pair of DhruvKapila and TanishaCraсто, India's last remaining representatives at the Badminton Asia Championships 2025, bowed out in the Mixed Doubles Quarterfinals on Friday.

As per a press note from Badminton Association of India (BAI), the pair lost 22-20, 21-13 to Hong Kong's fifth-seeded Tang Chun Man and Tse Ying Suet on Friday.

This marks the end of the Indian challenge at the Badminton Asia Championships, which will continue till Sunday.

Earlier, PV Sindhu (Women's Singles), Kiran George and PriyanshuRajawat (Men's Singles), and HariharanAmsakarunan/Ruban Kumar Rethinasabapathi (Men's Doubles) reached the Round of 16 before exiting the tournament.

In a clash of two former world champions, Sindhu, the world number 17, succumbed to Japan's Akane Yamaguchi, the world number four, in the round of 16 by 12-21, 21-16, 16-21 in one hour and six minutes, as per Olympics.com.

This marked Sindhu's 12th defeat to the Japanese in 26 matches and the third successive against her as well. Sindhu had defeated Yamaguchi in the Tokyo 2020 Olympics quarterfinals.

In men's singles, PriyanshuRajawat lost to fifth seed KodaiNaraoka in two successive games by 14-21, 17-21. Also, Kiran George made a promising start against third-seed KunlavutVitsdarn of Thailand, but lost by 21-19, 13-21, 16-21.

Vitsdarn is the current world champion and men's silver medalist from the 2024 Olympics.

Ashith Surya and AmruthaPramuthesh lost 21-11, 21-14 to top-seeded Jiang Zhen Bang and Wei YaXin of China in the women's doubles, while in men's doubles, HariharanAmsakarunan and Ruban Kumar Rethinasabapathi went down 21-15, 21-14 to Malaysia's sixth-seeded team of Aaron Chia and SohWooYik in just over half an hour.

In the men's singles, top stars and Paris 2024 Olympians LakshyaSen, HS Prannoy were knocked out in the first round itself.



## "Can't see him play in immediate future...": Key on Stokes' white-ball career

**LONDON (UK) :** Speaking on star all-rounder Ben Stokes' future in white-ball cricket, England team's managing director Rob Key said that "he cannot see him playing it in the immediate future," he said the focus currently lies on Test cricket and restoring his full workload as a pace-bowling all-rounder.

Speaking on the podcast, as posted by the Sky Sports Cricket X handle, Key said, "I cannot see him playing in the immediate future. So the whole point with Ben is now he just actually Neil Colleen, our bowling coach (Neil Killeen, elite pace bowling coach), was working with him last week or a few days ago, and he started his bowling at 75 percent. And that's the focus."

Key also acknowledged that newly-appointed white-ball captain Harry Brook is keen on having someone of Stokes' level white-ball cricket but asserted for that, he will have to be in the "best condition physically and be able to get through".

"You know, he has not played a



game (Since the 2023 WC, tournament for which he returned from his ODI retirement taken during 2022). So our focus with Ben is that Zimbabwe test (May 22 onwards at Trent Bridge) and him getting ready and playing as that full role that he does. Not only is a brilliant captain, but batsman also being able to play as that fourth bowler, you know, play in that proper all-rounder role."

Key also said that if it all goes well, there is T20 World Cup in India and Sri Lanka next year and he could have a chance at it as

## Mohammed Salah signs new deal with Liverpool FC, expresses hope of representing iconic club for 10 years

**LONDON (UK) :** Striker Mohamed Salah has signed a new deal with Liverpool FC, deciding to be with the club beyond the 2024-25 season.

"The forward, who is enjoying another stellar campaign for the Reds, has committed his future by putting pen to paper on the deal. So far this term, Salah has scored 32 goals in just 45 appearances in all competitions - 27 of which have come in the Premier League, making him the division's leading marksman. These strikes have been supplemented by 22 assists for his teammates. And today's news means Salah will extend an eight-year stay at Anfield into the future and continue to help Arne Slot's team challenge for the

game's biggest honours," Liverpool said in a statement on its website.

"Of course, I am very excited. We have a great team now. Before also we had a great team. But I signed because I think we have a chance to win other trophies and enjoy my football. It is great, I had my best years here. I played eight years, hopefully, it is going to be 10. Enjoying my life here, enjoying my football. I had the best years in my career," Salah was quoted as saying to Liverpoolfc.com.

"I would like to say to [the fans], I am very, very happy to be here. I signed here because I believe we can win a lot of big trophies together. Keep supporting us and we will give it our best, and



hopefully, in the future, we are going to win more trophies," he concluded.

Salah solidified himself as a

Liverpool legend after being transferred to the club from AS Roma in the summer of 2017.

His remarkable record has taken him to third spot in the Reds' all-time top scorers list, with 243 strikes in 394 appearances till date.

During his time at Anfield, Salah has lifted seven major titles, picking up medals in the Premier League and Champions League, as well as the FIFA Club World Cup, UEFA Super Cup, FA Cup and two League Cups.

In addition, he has won the Premier League Golden Boot on three occasions, been named the PFA Players' Player of the Year twice and taken home two FWA Footballer of the Year awards.

# NORWICH FOOTBALL CLUB COMMERCIAL DIRECTOR SAM JEFFREY SPEAKS ON PARTNERSHIP WITH CHENNAIYIN FC

**CHENNAI (TAMIL NADU) :** Sam Jeffery, the Commercial Director of Norwich Football Club, spoke on his club's partnership with Indian Super League (ISL) club Chennaiyin FC, which features a six-week training programme in Norwich, UK.

Jeffery, along with Chennaiyin FC COO AkhilPrakash, spoke to ANI recently about the partnerships, its methodologies, long-term goals etc.

Chennaiyin FC's partnership with Norwich City FC is set to take a groundbreaking step in youth development with an exclusive six-week training program in Norwich, UK. Designed for Chennaiyin FC's most promising U-23 players, this initiative offers an unparalleled opportunity to train under top European coaching methodologies, gaining first-hand experience of the elite footballing environment.

As Indian football continues to evolve, such global exposure plays a crucial role in shaping

future stars and bridging the gap between domestic and international footballing standards. With this collaboration, Chennaiyin FC is reinforcing its commitment to developing talent for the long run, ensuring its brightest prospects are primed for a potential first-team breakthrough in ISL Season 12. This initiative presents a compelling narrative on the future of Indian football, making it a perfect blend.

Speaking to ANI about the partnership, Jeffery said that he and Akhil met during November-December 2023 at a conference centered around the growth of Indian Sports and key drivers for Chennaiyin was to get Norwich help them in support of their academy processes, academy frameworks, analytics, diets etc.

"We then spent 3 or 4 months within, within our respective organisations and then with each other talking through the opportunities that could be possible between us. Opportunities,



thatNor come with running a top academy which Norwich City has in the UK, a category one academy, effectively helping to build pathways," he added.

Akhil also said that at this point, top talents in under 23 pipeline are being identified.

"These are whom we have been working with for the last few years. Some of these boys are promising. What we have identified as a potential opportunity for them is to travel to another city where they have their academy and train under their coaches,

play a couple of friendlies to show what they are made of, to understand what Norwich coaches are, what they think about these players and how we can look to improve them together. This all will act as a speed track in their careers, to give them the

needed upgrade in their skills to move them to senior team intentionally," he added.

Jeffery recalled how former Arsenal manager and now a FIFA delegate had visited India a couple of days back and talked about the great potential India possesses in football.

"Football is the most popular sport among under 25s in India, which is the fastest growing economy in the world. There is also an enormous population with no doubt some extraordinary untapped potential. Any opportunities we can provide for, to help grow pathways and build a pipeline of talent and actually, along the way, if we can put some building blocks in place that will just in a timely manner but also ensure that all the right values and all of the right processes are put in place for constant progression and whether that is, you know, it is certainly going to be hypercharged by for those kids to get the opportunity to come and

visit a category one academy," he added.

He also said that imparting best practice from a category one academy to the up-and-coming Indian talent will help build a culture, which could help in long-term success.

Akhil said that implementing such programmes involves challenges like scheduling.

"One of the key bits is scheduling, the schedules of the football calendar, um, in both countries and for both clubs would be, would be the biggest challenge in terms of, seeing and identifying which is the best 4 to 6 week training window for these boys to go there.

Um, there is also FIFA regulations, uh, around for how long a player can stay at an academy without breaking any regulations and is that time good enough for a player to technomatize, adapt, and then sort of get enough time to, to show what, uh, what he is made of," he said.