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Governor's office must act as per parliamentary democracy conventions, says SC

MI News Service, New Delhi : The Supreme Court has said that state Governors must act with due deference to the settled conventions of parliamentary democracy, though the Court is not undermining the office of the Governor in fixing a timeline for their actions under Article 200.

A bench of Justices JB Pardiwala and R Mahadevan which was critical of the act of Tamil Nadu Governor RN Ravi sitting over bills passed by the legislative assembly without any action, held that Governors act according to Article 200 of the Constitution in a time-bound manner in a period ranging from one to three

Article 200 empowers the Governor to give assent to the bills presented to him, withhold the assent or to reserve it for the consideration of the president

Earlier the Apex Court had released its 415-page verdict on the Tamil Nadu government's appeal against Governor RN Ravi for withholding assent to several bills passed by the State legislature, declaring that the ten bills in question are deemed to have received the Governor's assent.

The judgment which was uploaded on the official site of the Supreme Court said "We are in no way undermining the office of the Governor. All we say is that the Governor must act with due deference to the settled conventions of parliamentary democracy; respecting the will of the people being expressed through the legislature as-well as the elected government responsible to the people. He must perform his role of a friend, philosopher and guide with dispassion, guided not by considerations of political expediency but by the sanctity of the constitutional oath he undertakes.

The top court, noted in its judgment that in times of conflict, he (the Governor) must be the harbinger of consensus and resolution, lubricating the functioning of the State machinery by his sagacity, wisdom and not run it into a standstill.

The court clarified that the Governor must be the catalyst and not an inhibitor. "All his actions must be impelled keeping in mind the dignity of the high constitutional office that he occupies," it said. The court added that

having regard to the unduly long period of time for which these Bills were kept pending by the Governor of withholding of assent and in view of the scant respect shown by the Governor to the decision of this Court in one earlier case, appear to be writ large in the dis-

charge of his functions.
"We are left with no other option but to exercise our inherent powers under Article 142 of the Constitution for the purpose of declaring these ten Bills as deemed to have been assented on the date when they were presented to the Governor after being reconsidered by the State legislature i.e., on Nov 18, 2023," it said. The court in its strictest words remarked that we find it apposite to observe that constitutional authorities occupying high offices must be guided by the values of the Constitution. "These values that are so cherished by the people of India are a result

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Mahant of Baghambari Math Balveer Giri Maharaj performs 'Abhishekam' of Lord Hanuman on the occasion of Hanuman Jayanti festival, at the Shri Bade Hanuman Ji temple, in Prayagraj.

Mamata Banerjee appeals for calm as over 110 arrested in Murshidabad in violence over Waqf Act



MI News Service, Kolkata: Over 110 people were arrested and prohibitory orders imposed following largescale violence that broke out near the Indo-Bangladesh bordering areas of Murshidabad district of West Bengal during a protest over the Waqf (Amendment) Act, police said on Saturday.

Several vehicles, including police vans, were set on fire, stones were pelted on security forces, and number of road blocks were set up in different areas of violence rocked Murshidabad, as well as in areas dominated by the minority community in Malda, South 24 Parganas and Hooghly districts, over the new legislation during the past 24 hours since Friday.

According to the police, several raids and house to house searches were conducted in the troubled areas of all affected areas of Murshidabad district, following which over 110 people have so far been ar-

They said while "about 70 people were arrested from Suti,41 others were taken into custody from Samserganj, near the international border area, in connection with the violence"

As a result of prompt police action, though there was no report of any major violence from anywhere in the district on Saturday, the situation in the violence-hit localities remained tense but under control since this morning. There was no report of any untoward incident so far, officials said adding that however, as a precautionary measure in the worsthit Murshidabad district, prohibitory orders have been imposed and internet services suspended in places that saw largescale

"Patrolling in worst -hit Suti and Samserganj areas are being conducted since Friday and nobody is allowed to regroup anywhere. "We will not allow any attempt to disrupt the law and order situation," a senior police officer said, appealing to the people not to pay any heed to "rumours on social media or in any other platform ".

Meanwhile, a teenage boy who was injured allegedly in police firing dur-ing clashes in Suti, was brought to Kolkata and admitted to a hospital here, police said..

The opposition BJP in West Bengal has, however, blamed the Mamata Banerjee government, stating that if it was "incapable of handling the situation, it should seek help from the Centre". "Let it be known that this was not an act of protest, rather a premeditated act of violence, an assault on Democracy

and Governance by Ji-hadist forces who seek to spread chaos in order to assert their dominance and sow fear amongst other Communities of our Society," Leader of the Opposition Suvendu Adhikari

said in a post on X.

"Public property was destroyed, Government Officials felt threatened, and an atmosphere of fear and intimidation was created, all under the false guise of dissent", he said and questioned the alleged silence of the state Government.The perpetrators behind the violence must be identified, ar-rested and prosecuted under the strictest sections of law, he demanded.

Meanwhile expressing deep concern at reports of violence in several districts over the implemen-tation of new Waqf (Amendment)Act, Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee in a message in her X handle on Saturday afternoon, emphasised the need for maintaining absolute peace and harmony among all region in the

Referring to her statement only a couple of days ago ,where the Chief minister clearly stated that the state government does not support that law. "It will not be enforced in Bengal. Then why the violence?" She also made it clear that no one will be spared for inciting violence. The Chief Minister further clarified in her social media post that 'we did not frame that law. The central

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Mamata Banerjee's message amid statewide unrest

MI News Service, Kolkata: Amid surging violence across several districts of West Bengal over the Waqf (Amendment) Act, Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Saturday made it unequivocally clear that the state had no role in enacting the law.

'This legislation has been introduced by the central government. If people have questions or grievances, they should seek clarification from the

Centre," she stated.

The Chief Minister appealed for peace and restraint, urging citizens from all religious communities to avoid being drawn into politically motivated unrest. "My sincere appeal to people of all religions: remain calm and re-strained. Do not indulge in any irreli-gious or violent behaviour in the name of faith. Every human life is precious do not allow politics to spark riots. Those instigating violence are damaging society," Banerjee said in a post on

The Chief Minister questioned the motive behind the agitation saying "We have made our position absolutely clear—we do not support this law. It will not be implemented in West Bengal. Then why the riots?"

The Chief Minister further warned of strict legal action against these or

of strict legal action against those orchestrating or encouraging violence. "We do not support any act of violence. Some political factions are attempting to exploit religion for their own political ends. People must not fall into their trap," she said.

Reiterating her call for unity, Mamata Banerjee underscored the essence of religion as a force for social cohesion. "Religion, to me, signifies humanity, goodwill, civilisation, and harmony. strongly urge everyone to uphold these values and maintain peace," she added. State authorities have been directed

to intensify surveillance in sensitive

areas and ensure swift legal consequences for those inciting unrest, she

Meanwhile, in her effort to ensure peace and harmony among all societies, Mamata Banerjee has convened a crucial meeting to address growing concerns among the minority community over the law.

The meeting is scheduled to take place on April 16 at the Netaji Indoor Stadium, where key religious leaders and government officials will take part for an in-depth discussion on the implications of the Act.

State Minister and Kolkata Mayor Firhad Hakim has reiterated the state government's position, stating firmly that the Wakf Amendment Act will not be implemented in West Bengal. "We oppose this and it holds no relevance in our state," Hakim stated.. He alleged that the central government is using the legislation as a political tool to create division and unrest, a strategy Bengal

The April 16 meeting is expected to witness the participation of imams, muazzins, and noted intellectuals. According to Hakim, the discussion will focus on how to collectively resist the central legislation and possibly challenge it legally. He emphasized the need to take the battle to the Supreme Court, highlighting the role of legal institutions in upholding the rights of the minoroty communities affected by the new law.

As tensions mount, Mamata Banerjee's decision to engage directly with community leaders and stakeholders signals a proactive approach by the West Bengal government. The outcome of the April 16 meeting could set the tone for a larger state-centre confrontation over religious rights and federal autonomy, positioning Bengal at the forefront of a nationwide resistance against the controversial legislation.

5.8-magnitude earthquake strikes J-K Valley, no damage to life or property

MI News Service , Srinagar: An earthquake of moderate intensity with epicentre having been recorded in Pakistan, shook Jammu and Kashmir at around 1 pm on Sat-urday, an official sources

Tremors with 5.8 magnitude in Richter scale were felt in many parts of the Valley, but there were are no reports of any loss of life or damage to property, the sources said.

Today's earthquake occurred at a latitude of 33.63 degrees North and longitude of 72.46 degrees East in Pakistan at a shallow depth of only about 10 kilometres, the sources stated further.

Providing further details, Mukhtar Ahmad, Director of MET Department, said the earthquake measuring 5.8 on the Richter scale occurred on Saturday at 13:00:55 and lasted a few seconds..

He said seismologically, Kashmir Valley is situated earthquake-prone region, where earthquakes have

taken place in the past. On October 8, 2005, an earthquake measuring 7.6 on the Richter scale occurred at 8.50 am with the epicentre in Muzaffarabad Pakistan-occupied

Kashmir (PoK).Over 80,000 people were killed in the earthquake on both sides of the Line of Control (LoC) at that time The 2005 earthquake



also Afghanistan, Tajikistan, India and in the Xinjiang

The severity of the damage caused by the earthquake is attributed to severe upthrust. Although not the largest earthquake to hit this region in terms of magnitude, the earthquake of 2005 is considthe deadliest, surpassing the 1935 Quetta earthquake.

It was the fifth-deadliest natural disaster of the decade. Sources indicate that the official death count in this earthquake in Pakistan was between 73,276 and 87,350, with some estimates being as

high as over 100,000 dead. In India, 1,360 people were killed, while 6,266 people were injured, and four others died in Afghanistan.

Three and a half million people were left without shelter, and approximately 138,000 people were injured in the 2005 earthquake.

The Chenab Valley region of J&K has also been witnessing tremors during the last ten years.

In some of those incidents, many private and government buildings developed cracks and became uninhabitable in Kishtwar and Doda dis-Experts have advised

people to ensure that earthquake-friendly structures are constructed in Kashmir Valley and the Chenab Valley region to minimise damage during earthquakes in future. Traditional wood and

mud structures built in the Valley in the past would suffer minimal damage due to earthquakes in the past.

As cement concrete structures replaced the traditional wood and mud structures, the vulnerability of such structures to earthquakes has increased

US tariffs will have minimal impact on Indian economy, claim experts



MI News Service, New **Delhi:** Indian economy will remain self-reliant and is likely to suffer minimal im-

pact despite the imposition of 26 per cent tariffs by US President Donald Trump on the country's export to

America

Claiming this top government sources said on Saturday that the MSME

sector would be able to growth because it exports does not depend on sending goods to the USA alone and the Mudra Yojana has greatly benefited the sec-

"There is global nervousness around Trump's tariffs. However, the Indian economy is self-reliant, and the impact on it will be extremely minimal. It will absorb this shock and use it as an opportunity to move forward, the sources said .

Referring to the recent announcement of President Trump about 90 days pause to his high tariff to all countries except China, the sources said like many other developed economy, India had also chalked out a detailed plan on how to deal with this unprecedented situation

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Snowfall in Lahaul and Spiti, rain lashes several areas of HP



MI News Service, Shimla: Un-seasonal rain lashed several parts of Himachal Pradesh since Friday evening while some places in Lahaul and Spiti district witnessed heavy snowfall, the local MeT office said on Šaturday.

The MeT office issued an orange alert predicting thunderstorm, lightning and hail at isolated places in eight revenue districts -- Una, Bilapsur, Hamirpur, Kullu, Mandi, Shimla, Solan and Sirmaur -- for Saturday. A yellow warning for thunderstorm and lightning was issued in Chamba and Kullu districts.

According to the MeT office, Kukumseri received 17 cm of snow, Gondhla 13 cm and Keylong 10 cm. Gusty winds with a speed of about 60 kilometre per hour were witnessed in Bajaura, Bilapsur, Seobagh, Kotkhai, Kufri, Reckong Peo and Tabo while thunderstorms lashed state capital Shimla, Sundernagar, Kangra, Jubbarhatti and Bhuntarforcing people to remain confined indoors for quite sometime today. .As a result of light-to-moderate rain in several parts of the state, as many as 11 roads were closed for vehicular traffic, officials said . The MeT office apart from issuing an 'orange' alert for heavy rainfall, lightning, thunderstorms and hailstorms in both the upper and lower hills on Saturday, also

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CPI(ML) activists held a rally in Kolkata on Thursday in favour of the teachers who recently lost their jobs via Supreme Court order in the context of SSC scam.

Malashree and Kalyan Sangha's Ode to Spring

MI News Service, Kolkata: Boshonto or spring carries the essence of rebirth and new beginnings. It was this spirit of renewal that inspired a vibrant dance festival at the grounds of Natunpara (Behala) Kalyan Sangha. Organized jointly by the dance training and performance cen-Malashree Kalyan Natunpara Sangha, the event witnessed the enthusiastic participation of 15 cultural institutions from across the state.On the evening of

April 6, one after another,



performances by artists from these institutions lit up the stage, creating a radiant springtime atmosphere filled with joy and artistic expression. The event saw the presence

and felicitation of several notable personalities from the world of dance like Polly Guha, Subhashis Bhattacharya, Sushmita Bhattacharya, Dr. Push-Mukherjee,

cluding Kalyan Sangha's President Balai Sarkar, Secretary Abhijit Bhat-tacharya, and Sheikh Jahiruddin. The organizfrom Malashree, Sampita Chattterjee and Dr. Arpita Venkatesh, extended heartfelt thanks to the participating artists. Special appreciation was also given to Sayani Das, whose flawless anchoring, along with efficient light and sound coordination, added grace and professionalism to the

Kaushik Chakraborty in-

Primary teachers are responsible to aware the students about street dogs a school in Nadia gets active

MI News Servie, Nadia While around 26 thousand High school teachers in West Bengal have lost their jobs by Supreme Court order, the primary school teachers have been given the extra responsibility of making the primary stu-dents aware about the street dogs.

Now teachers also responsible for making students aware and cautious about street dogs

In a joint initiative, the Central and State Governments have launched a mission aimed at educating primary school students about street dogs, their behaviour and the importance of compassion and safety. This mission is a part of a broader effort to promote animal welfare, public safety and responsible citizenship from an early age.

Recently, the Government of India and the West Bengal Samagra Shiksha Mission issued a notice stating that teachers must make students aware of street dogs on their way to and from school. A similar scene was witnessed at Mayapur Purba Mollapara Primary School on Thurs-

The said school organized a awareness rally with teachers and students, aiming to educate both students and local residents about the potential dangers of street dogs. Following the rally, several awareness meetings were



held in nearby areas with the participation of par-

During these sessions. the school discussed in detail how students could stay cautious and safe around street dogs on their way to school. Parents also shared valuable suggestions on how to ensure their children's safety in such situations. Later, during the

school's morning assembly, students were given a series of safety tips to avoid harm from stray These included avoiding groups of dogs on the road, not running in front of dogs, not throwing stones or provoking them, staying calm if a dog shows aggression, and seeking help from pedestrians if needed.

Headmaster Hiron Sheikh said, "We are Hiron working to raise awareness among students and the community about street dogs. We also organized a meeting with parents to discuss how

students can stay safe, the importance of vaccinating and sterilizing stray dogs, staying away during their mating season, and providing food to dogs that cannot fend for themselves. Above all, we discussed how to promote friendly behavior towards these animals." Additionally, Additionally, awareness messages were regularly shared with students during the morning assembly.

1. Raise Awareness: Teach children the basic facts about street dogswhy they live on the streets, their behavior, and how to interact with them

2. Promote Empathy: Encourage

kindness and understanding toward animals, discouraging cruelty and

3. Ensure Safety: Equip

with the knowledge to protect themselves in case of aggressive dog behavior, including do's and don'ts encountering a when

street dog.
4. Support Public
Health: Educate students about rabies prevention, the importance of vaccination, and reporting dog bites or aggressive ani-

5. Encourage Community Involvement: Inspire students and schools to take part in dog adoption drives, feeding programs, or collaboration with local animal welfare organiza-

Activities Under the Mission:

Interactive workshops and storytelling sessions in schools.

Puppet shows, skits, and animated videos to explain safe behavior. Distribution of child-

friendly booklets and posters. * Visits by veterinarians and animal rescue

workers for live demonstrations. Drawing and essay

competitions to encourage creative expression. Outcomes Expected ...

Better understanding of animal rights and wel-Fewer incidents of con-

flict between children and stray animals.

Stronger community ties through involvement in humane efforts.

This mission aims not just to reduce fear or conflict, but to foster a generation that grows up respecting and coexisting with animals.

Ganguly bats for Mariners in ISL Cup final

Mohun Bagan is in my blood: Sourav Ganguly

MI News Service, Kolkata: "Mohun Bagan is in my blood and I have no hesitation that my soul speaks for the Mariners." With barely two days remaining in the Indian Super League Cup (ISL Cup) final where the Indian Super League Shield (ISL shield) winners Mohun Bagan will take on Bengaluru FC

at Salt Lake stadium, Cricket legend Saurav vociferously Ganguly spoke for Mohun Bagan.

He said that he is a proud 'Mohun Bagani' and would love to see the Maroon and Green brigade lift the cup, much like it did while winning the most coveted ISL

interacting with the media in Kolkata while attending a programmee organized by AI firm Ikonz.

Ganguly also menthat Mohun tioned Bagan's performance has been terrific through ages and their perseverance, professionalism and ability to deliver when it mat-

Sourav Ganguly was ters most has made the club the greatest football club of this subcontinent and beyond. He further mentioned that Saturday's match against Bengaluru would be a blockbuster match where he would certainly love to see the Mariners sailing their ship to lift the the ISL Cup at

State food & Supplies dept to adopt VLTS

MI News Service, Kolkata: The state Food and Supplies department is set to mandate using GPS-enabled Vehicle Location Tracking Systems (VLTS) and weight sensors on vehicles transporting paddy, aiming to boost transparency, accountability and real-time monitoring during transit. An order issued from the department directs all empanelled rice mills/ transporters engaged in the transportation of paddy and custom-milled rice (CMR) to do what is needed in this regard as per specifications fixed by the state.

The rice mills also need to install weight sensors to accurately moni-tor the load and deviation, if any, of food grains being transported. The rice mills/transporters have to procure the devices exclusively from the empanelled service providers as notified by the state from time to

The GPS-enabled device installed in the vehicle shall be integrated with the department's VLTS portal for continuous monitoring of vehicle movement and location and weight throughout the transportation process. The cost of installation of the devices and their operation and maintenance shall be borne entirely by the rice mill/ transporters and they will also ensure that the devices remain functional and properly maintained at all times. "No vehicle shall be used for transportation of food grains without a working and functional and online-enabled GPS device inte-

grated with our department's VLTS portal. Any violation of the provisions will attract strict action, in-

ing of payments or additional penalties or discontinuation of rice mills/ transporters," said a senior official of the Food and Supplies department. The department will constitute a team of officials and staff, and train them so that VLTS and weight monitoring is implemented properly. The order shall come into effect immediately after the system integrator/vendor is selected through a bid process and the work order issued for the Rabi season of Kharif Marketing Season 2024-25. "The installation of the devices is a costly affair and will be a burden on the rice mills. We will write to the state government that the cost for installation should be borne by them," said Abdul Malek, president of Bengal Rice Mill Association.

Mayor Gautam Deb envisages citizens' meet on Apr 19

MI News Service, Siliguri: Siliguri mayor and TMC veteran Gautam Deb announced plans to hold a citizen's convention on April 19 at Dinabandhu Mancha, as part of a broader initiative to connect with residents and understand local issues at the grassroots level.

 $\bar{T}he\ mayor\ added\ that$ similar events would be organised across the five borough committees (clusters of wards) within the Siliguri Municipal Corporation (SMC), with specific dates to be announced after the initial convention. "The programme is

aimed at fostering dialogue between citizens and the civic administration," Deb said during a media briefing at the SMC office on Tuesday. "We want to hear from the people directly and address their concerns.

However, Deb's move is being viewed by some as a strategic outreach of the TMC ahead of the 2026 Assembly elections.

Siliguri has traditionally tilted towards the BJP in recent elections, with BJP MLA Shankar Ghosh defeating TMC's Om-prakash Mishra in the 2021 Assembly polls by over 35,000 votes. Darjeeling BJP MP Raju Bista also secured a strong lead from Siliguri in the 2024 Lok Sabha elections.

Political observers believe mayor Deb is laying the groundwork early for TMC's resurgence in the region. BJP councillor Amit Jain alleged this was meant to distract residents from the TMC-led board's "failures" over the past three years.



State Minister Siddiqullah Chowdhury with other Minority community leaders during the protest for Waqf protection, and demanded the withdrawal of recent amendments to the Waqf Bill, in Kolkata on Thursday.

Sreshto Bangali 'recognition for Anirban



MI News Service, Kolkata: Anirban Samanta's award collection, already brimming with prestigious recognitions renowned international stages, has now received an exceptional addition. Despite his global acclaim, his work and roots remain firmly grounded in Bengal.

The recently conferred 'Shreshtho Bangali' (Best Bengali) 2025 award is a testament to his immense contribution and dedication. Presented by The In-Chronicles in recognition of his remarkable achievements in social service, the award celebrates his unwavering

organized in collaboration with the West Bengal News Portal Reporters Welfare Association, not only honored Anirban Samanta but also distinguished several eminent individuals from diverse fields, acknowledging their outstanding contributions to society.

Mamata 'angry' at TMC MPs' spat out in public

MI News Service, Kolkata: Mamata Banerjee was purportedly "most displeased" with a "public spat" among a woman Lok Sabha member from the TMC in south Bengal, Serampore MP Kalyan Banerjee and some other MPs, after screenshots from a WhatsApp group of the Trinamool Congress parliamentary party and videos were leaked and circulated widely on social media by BJP IT cell chief Amit Malviya.

While this newspaper did not independently ascertain the veracity of the content on social media, Kalyan's news meet on Tuesday left no doubt of their authenticity.

Sources in Trinamool said Mamata, apprised in detail of events by seniors in her parliamentary party, issued a warning to the woman MP of suspension if such a thing were to recur. Sources said Mamata found the WhatsApp group's screenshots being leaked "alarming". They added that Mamata's nephew and heir apparent Abhishek Banerjee,

also an MP, was equally displeased. Gossip had been rife in the Trinamool ecosystem after the feud between the woman and Kalyan during their delegation's visit last week to the Election Commission of India headquarters and in the WhatsApp group thereafter, BJP IT cell chief Malviya, also the party's Bengal cominder, set the cat among the pigeons with posts on X. Mocking the MPs and the TMC

through Tuesday with a bunch of posts, including cellphone videos taken by bystanders, Malviya, supported by the saffron ecosystem's vast social media machinery, subjected the Trinamool camp to substantial humiliation over the

"It all began with her attack on him at Nirvachan Sadan over why her name was not included by him among the signatories to the memorandum that was to be submitted to the commission. The heated exchanges, at Nirvachan Sadan and in the WhatsApp group thereafter, are now for all to see," said a source.

At his news meet, Kalyan claimed he was the victim in this and accused the woman of misbehaviour, adding

this was not her first "offence' He attacked Azad and Roy for taking her side.

A senior MP said that the woman MP, a thorn in the side of the Narendra Modi government since first getting elected to the Lok Sabha in 2019, had complained against Kalyan in writing to both Mamata and Abhishek.

'Not only her (the MP) but also the others who got involved in this (such as Bardhaman-Durgapur MP Kirti Azad and Dum Dum MP Saugata Roy) were asked to stop allowing any further escalation. KB (Kalyan) too was told not to talk to the media any further on this. What was found most unpleasant is how such a trivial matter was allowed such drastic escalation and drama in full public view," said the source.

This is not the first time she (the MP) picked an unnecessary fight within the party and humiliated colleagues over rather inconsequential things. Her threat at Nirvachan Sadan to have KB arrested by central forces in the presence of so many witnesses from outside the party was essentially a juvenile, schoolyard brawl that did not go down well with the supreme leadership," the source

Youth outfits in hills demand implementation of SSC

MI News Service, Darjeeling: Concerned Youths of Hills, a social organisation raising youth-based issues in the hills, on Tuesday demanded immediate implementation of the School Service Commission in

Their demand to recruit teachers through the SSC in the Gorkhaland Territorial Administration (GTA) area came a day after Calcutta High Court proposed to freeze the salaries of 313 hill teachers from April.

Justice Biswajit Basu, on Monday, while hearing a petition challenging the appointment of 313 teachers, proposed stopping the salaries of the teachers from April.

In 2019, the jobs of these 313 teachers who were teaching as "volunteers" in various schools had been regularised.

needed to teach in high and secondary schools.

"The judge also pointed out that the state government had not justified the appointments as it has not stated whether financial and other approvals were given to fill up the

posts," said a source. The court also noted that the Darjeeling Gorkha Hill Council (DGHC) had in 2010 issued an order stating that hill schools and the managing committees should not further appoint volunteer teachers unless a written consent was given

by the hill body. "The judge, however, noted that most of the 313 voluntary teachers were appointed after 2010," said a

The DGHC was replaced by the

GTA in 2012. Citing procedural lapses in the recruitment, the judge "proposed" freezing salaries of the 313 teachers Sources said the judge pointed out that many of the 313 teachers did not have the basic BEd degree

The GTA sought time to reply to the proposal. The court has asked the GTA and the state government to respond to its proposal on freezing the teachers' salaries during the next hearing on Thursday.

"The court also reminded the GTA and state government that the court had also passed an injunction on October 11, 2023, stating that no fresh teacher appointment should be made by the hill body until further orders," the source added.

Members of the Concerned Youths of Hills pointed out that the SSC had been defunct in Darjeeling since 2003 following which the hill body has been regularising voluntary teachers.

"We will start a poster campaign on this issue soon. We also plan to meet the education minister, the SSC chairperson and other competent authorities and raise our demand," said Kundan Mukhia, a member of the organisation.

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of years of struggle and sacrifice of our forefathers. When called upon to take decisions, such authorities must not give in to ephemeral political considerations but rather be guided by the spirit that underlies the Constitu-

tion," the SC opined. Pointing finger to the Governor, Dr Ravi for sitting over several bills passed by the State legislature, the court said, "it is our duty as the highest constitutional court to recognize such evil and increasingly strengthen our initiative to remove them.'

It said, they (constitutional functionaries) must look within and reflect whether their actions are informed by their constitutional oath and if the course of action adopted by them furthers the ideals enshrined in the Constitution. "If the authorities attempt to deliberately bypass the constitutional mandate, they are tinkering with the very ideals revered by its people upon which this country has been built," the court added.

The court also cited Dr. B R Ambedkar's concluding speech in the Constituent Assembly, which is as relevant today as it was in 1949 "However good a Constitution may be, it is sure to turn out bad because those who are called to work it, happen to be a bad lot. However bad a Constitution may be, it may turn out to be good if

those who are called to work it, happen to be a good lot".

The court stated that it was our duty as the highest constitutional court to recognize such evil and increasingly strengthen our initiative to remove them. In the last, we may say with the utmost responsibility and all the humility at our command that it is only when the constitutional functionaries exercise their powers by and under the Constitution that they show deference to the people of India who have given the Constitution to themselves.

'The soul of India is its Constitution. Our Republic, the foresight of dynamic visionaries. What a great edifice, they built, ensuring sovereignty with democratic values. The Constitution is our bedrock ensuring our safety and security," the SC added.

The Constitution outlines a process that keeps us rooted in values. We read it for reference and for every policy decision. Without it, we would be lost and make many mistakes. "It is now seventyfive years old, but we still keep turning to it, why? Because it guarantees our rights and sets benchmarks for our responsibilities. The laws and rules that uplift all people sprout from its pristine womb, welfare of all is its primary concern, but its sanctity and safety should be our prime concern," the SC

Mamata Banerjee appeals...

government has framed it. So, whatever explanation we seek, we shall have to ask the central govern-

The chief minister said, "Look at the situation in bordering Bangladesh. One shouldn't do things hurriedly because at times that leads to difficulties. We face difficulties here since 33 per cent of people in our state are from minority communities. Should we throw them out?" Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee without naming also referred to the alleged conspiracy of some political parties and wrote, 'Some political parties are trying to take political advantage by misusing religion. Do not fall prey to them or their persuasion. I think religion means humanity, goodwill, civilizaand harmony. Everyone must therefore maintain peace and harmony - this is my appeal.'

Earlier this morning Director General of Police (DGP) Rajiv Kumar and ADG (Law and Order) Javed Shamim also appealed to the people of the state not to pay any heed to any rumours and warned the rumour mongers of stern action. "We are probing these incidents, identifying the culprits and arrest them immediately, they said.

Incidentally, the ruling Trinamool Congress has been opposing the new Wagf Amendment Act since the beginning. Senior TMC Lok Sabha MP Kalyan Banerjee repeteadly opposed the Bill in the Joint Parliamentary Committee meetings .Even after the bill became law, another TMC MP Mahua Moitra filed a case in the Supreme Court as the first non-Muslim woman

Only a couple of days

ago, Mamata Banerjee speaking at a Jain community event here on the occasion of Mahavir Jayanti stated that no one can take away Waqf property in Bengal and reiterated that the new Act will not be implemented in the state by any means. Her message to the minorities was, "Remember, your property will not go if Didi stays. Have faith on me, nothing will happen in Bengal that allows none to divide and rule." But despite her assurance, tension about the Act did not subside and apart from holding a number of rallies against the Act in various districts, violence broke out in some areas. In that context, Mamata Banerjee once again said the new Wagf (Amendment) Act will not be implemented in West Bengal and appealed to the people to shun vio-

Snowfall in Lahaul and...



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cautioned against damage to standing crops and advised use of anti-hail nets or the installation of antihail guns to save apple crops. A fresh Western Disturbance is likely to affect Northwest India soon, they said.

It has also predicted light rain and snow in the higher reaches of Kinnaur, Lahaul and Spiti, Chamba, Kangra and Shimla districts and light to moderate rainfall at a few places in the remaining districts over the next few hours. Since Friday night, Ra-jgarh recorded 26 mm rainfall -- the highest in the state -- followed by Sangarh 22 mm, Jhandutta 20 mm, Chauri and Renuka 16 mm, Nurpur 15 mm, Kangra 14 mm, Gharmoor 13 mm, Chopal 12.5 mm and 11 mm each in Jatton Barrage, Hamirpur, Naina Devi and Dharam-

Kheri, Dharamshala, Shimla, Poanta Sahib and Dhaulakuan recorded 10 mm rainfall each, Solan 8.5 mm, Una and Dalhousie 8 mm each, Kufri 7.2 mm and Bilaspur, Nahan and Berthin 7 mm

As many as 11 roads including two national highways -- Gramphu to losar (NH-505) and Darcha to Sarchu (NH-3) -- were closed for vehicular traffic while 198 transformers are disrupted in the state. However, the state's rain deficit from March 1-30 was at 44 per cent.

State Govt to introduce affordable volvo bus service

MI News Service, Kolkata: In a major boost to tourism and long-distance travel infrastructure, the West Bengal government is set to launch its first-ever Volvo bus service from Kolkata to Puri. This marks a significant move as, until now, only private operators offered this premium service on the popular pilgrimage and tourist route. The state-run Volvo buses are expected to commence operations in the Bengali New Year, offering travellers a modern, economical, and comfortable journey. According to offi-

Murshidabad

Unrest: DGP

issues stern

warning

Rajeev Kumar

MI News Service, Kolkata:

The law and order situation

Murshidabad

reached a flashpoint, trig-

gering widespread concern

across political and administrative circles in West

Bengal. Tensions, allegedly

fuelled by provocations from the BJP and CPM,

have spiralled into violence,

resulting in attacks on po-

lice personnel and public

property. In response, the

state's Director General of

(DGP),

Kumar, delivered a forceful

public statement on Satur-

day, declaring a zero-toler-

ance policy toward any

form of hooliganism or mob

iBhavan, the DGP made it

unequivocally clear: "The

police will not tolerate any

form of violence. If anyone

dares to take the law into

their own hands, they will

face the harshest legal con-

sequences." He further ap-

pealed to the public to

ignore rumours and refrain

from spreading misinfor-

mation, warning that swift action would be taken

against those who incite or

erupted primarily in protest

against the Waqf Act, has

led to a climate of fear

across Murshidabad, par-

ticularly in Suti, Samser-

ganj, and Jangipur. Over

the past few days, these

areas have witnessed or-

ganised gatherings, stone

pelting, arson, and even

bomb hurling. On Friday,

parts of Jangipur resem-

bled a battlefield as mobs

torched police jeeps, and attacked officers with

stones. Despite the provo-

cation, the police initially

fresh violence, with reports

of gunfire resulting in in-

juries to a youth and a

teenager — bringing the

total number of gunshot

victims to three. In re-

sponse, police resorted to

tear gas, baton charges,

and stun grenades to dis-

perse violent mobs. High-

lighting the gravity of the

situation, DGP Kumar re-

vealed that 118 individuals

had already been arrested

in Samsherganj. "We are not a trigger-happy police force," he emphasised, "but

we will act decisively to restore order. Public safety is

our highest priority." The

DGP's message also carried

a strong advisory to the people of Bengal: "Distin-

guish between rumour and

reality. Do not fall prey to

provocation. We need the

cooperation of every citi-

zen. Violence will not be tol-

circumstance." Taking to X,

West Bengal police posted,

"The situation in Suti and

Samserganj areas of Jangipur is now under con-

trol. The unruly mob has been dispersed by effective

police action. Traffic has re-

turned to normalcy on the national highway. Strict ac-

tion will be taken against

those who have resorted to violence. Raids are being

conducted to arrest the

troublemakers. Legal ac-

tion will also be initiated

against rumour-mongers

trying to spread misinfor-

mation. We request all not

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However, Saturday saw

exercised restraint.

vehicles,

vandalised

unrest, which

participate in unrest.

Speaking from Bhaban-

Rajeev

cials from the state transport department, the fare on these government-operated Volvo buses will be approximately 30 to 40 percent lower than their private counterparts, providing a significant cost advantage to commuters. Ticket booking facilities will be made available online once the inaugural date is finalized.

Beyond Puri, the state plans to extend similar Volvo services to other high-demand destinations including Digha, Mayapur, Tarapith, Siliguri, and Purulia. In future phases, ad-

ditional routes such as Kolkata-Bakkhali Kolkata-Mandarmani may also be introduced.

Transport department sources confirmed that six new Volvo buses, each with a 9,600cc engine, have been procured at a cost of approximately Rs 9.5 crore. These state-ofthe-art buses will feature 43 pushback seats, excluding spaces for the driver and conductor. All units are air-conditioned, and include amenities like individual reading lights, promising both comfort and safety for passengers.

Unlike private buses where fares often fluctuate based on demand, the government's service will operate with fixed pricing, ensuring affordability and transparency. The buses will operate via key junctions such Karunamoyee and Dhar-

matala, enhancing accessibility for travellers across Kolkata.

Private operators have long benefited from high passenger volumes on tourist-heavy routes like Digha and Tarapith, reaping significant profits with dynamic pricing models.

By introducing high-quality services at a regulated fare, the state aims to provide a more inclusive and dependable alternative.

The Initiative is part of a broader strategy to modernize the state's transport network and promote regional tourism through reliable. well-equipped long-distance travel options. The rollout is expected to be welcomed by travellers, particularly those seeking a cost-effective alternative to private operators without compromising on comfort or

timely, accurate filings and

clarified that scrutiny is a

legal mandate, not an ad-

versarial act. He engaged

the audience with an

overview of procedural er-

rors, audit preparedness, and practical compliance

offered incisive commen-

tary on the conceptual

shift to "supply" as the tax-

able event under GST, con-

trasting it with legacy

indirect tax regimes. She

addressed persistent clas-

sification disputes, retro-

spective amendments, and

procedural anomalies.

Stressing taxpayers' legal

rights, she advocated for

awareness and procedural

Prasad Sureka, Čhairman,

Tax Committee & Past

President, the session fea-

tured robust interaction

between panelists and at-

including AnantSaharia,

Sr. Vice President, and nu-

Senior office-bearers,

were

tendees.

Moderated by Madhav

CA ShivaniAgarwalla

strategies.

"One of his first steps was launching the Jan Dhan Yojana to connect people with the banking system. Today, over 53 crore people are linked to this scheme, and around 70 per cent of them are women, he said. .

"Following that, he introduced the Mudra Yojana, which has now become a global model for supporting small businesses and entrepreneurship," he said adding that before 2014, the sector contributed around 15 per cent to the economy.

"Today, that has risen to 20 per cent. Notably, 50 per cent of Mudra loan accounts are held by SC, ST, and OBC entrepreneurs, empowering those who were long kept on the marhe said. The spokesman also criticised the DMK government in Tamil Nadu over its alleged derogatory remarks by its Forest Minister K Ponmudi.

"The DMK in Tamil Nadu has been fully exposed. Their Forest Minister, K Ponmudi, has insulted both Vaishnavites and Shaivites and made derogatory remarks by referring to Hindi speakers as 'pani puri sellers.' He has repeatedly disrespected Sanatan Dharma.

"Despite such blatant and offensive comments, the party has taken no disciplinary action," he said.

However, when Amit Shah announced the BJP-AIADMK alliance, the DMK quickly removed a minister from a party position for far less, he said. "We strongly demand that K Ponmudi be removed from his ministerial post immediately," he said.

Calcutta Chamber of Commerce organises Expert-Led GST session



CA Shivani Agarwalla, eminent Chartered Accountant, GST expert, and National Faculty at ICAI, addressed the Special Session on "GST - Key Issues in Return Filing," hosted by the Calcutta Chamber of Commerce in the presence of Avijit Kumar De, Assistant Commissioner, CGST & CX, Principal CCO, Kolkata Zone, Department of Central Goods and Services Tax & Central Excise, Government of India; Hari Shankar Halwasiya, President of the Chamber; Madhav Prasad Sureka, Chairman, Tax Committee & Past President; and Anant Saharia, Senior Vice President, at the Chamber's headquarters in Kolkata on Saturday.

MI News Service, Kolkata: The Calcutta Chamber of Commerce convened a high-level Special Session titled "GST – Key Issues in Return Filing" at its city headquarters. The gathering drew prominent tax officials, domain experts, and business leaders to deliberate on evolving GST compliance norms, practical difficulties in return submissions, and interpre-

tative ambiguities follow-

ing recent legislative changes. Gracing the event were Avijit Kumar De, Assistant Commissioner, CGST & CX, Principal CCO, Kolkata Zone, Department of Central Goods and Services Tax & Central Excise, Government of India, and CA ShivaniAgarwalla, eminent Chartered Accountant, GST expert, and National Faculty, ICAI.

In his welcome address, Hari Shankar Hal-

wasiya, President of the Chamber, reiterated the institution's commitment to fostering informed dialogue. "The GST framework is dynamic. We aim to equip industry stakeholders with timely insights to ensure legal and procedural compliance," he said. Avijit Kumar De, in his keynote, underlined the shared responsibility of taxpayers and the tax de-

merous industry representatives, attendance—affirming the Chamber's vital role in

shaping an informed and compliance-ready trade

Waqf protest: Firhad Hakim blames opposition for orchestrating violence

unrest over the amended of West Bengal—especially Murshidabad-have witnessed escalating violence, damage to public property, and even direct assaults on police personnel. What initially began as a protest

Reacting strongly to the unfolding situation, West Bengal Minister

the Bharatiya blamed Janata Party (BJP) for instigating the unrest for political gain.

Speaking to the press, Hakim stated, "There have always been Mir Jafars then and now. These peoare deliberately strengthening the BJP's hand. Bengal is a land of communal harmony; here, police do not open fire indiscriminately, nor does the rule of bulldozers apply. That is why they are jumping around here. If you truly want to protest,

Hakim's remarks un-

derline the state government's view that the protests have been infiltrated and hijacked by individuals with vested interests, aimed at tarnishing the state's image and creating a law and order crisis. The situation intensified significantly in areas like Jangipur, Šuti, and Samsherganj. Clashes broke out between police and protestors, with heavy stone pelting reported. In one alarming instance, police were forced to seek

In the wake of widespread ing to destabilise the state being demolished. Let us self-defence, officers reunder the guise of protest. see what real protest looks portedly resorted to firing and deploying tear gas shells. The situation became so grave that even the Border Security Force (BSF) had to be called in to restore order.

Despite the political war of words, the state's Director General of Police, Rajeev Kumar, made the administration's position clear. Emphasising a 'zero tolerance' approach, he asserted that no form of vandalism or hooliganism will be permitted. The state police, he confirmed, will take all necessary measures to restore peace and uphold the rule of law.

MI News Service, Kolkata: accused them of attempt- Muslim properties are mosque. In retaliation and

against a central legislation has now raised serious concerns due to its increasingly violent na-

Firhad Hakim condemned the rioters, calling them "Mir Jafars"—a historical reference to traitors—and

go to Yogi's state where shelter inside a local SSC: Eligibility list to be released by May 21, confirms Bratya Basu

nificant development following the Supreme Court's verdict cancelling thousands of appointments in the West Bengal School Service Commission (WBSSC) recruitment scam, nearly 26,000 terminated teachers and education workers have been persistently demanding the publication of a list clearly identifying eligible and ineligible candidates. On Friday, a delegation of 13 unemployed teachers met with Education Minister BratyaBasu, resulting in cautious optimism regarding their

Basu stated that the SSC has already initiated the process of finalising the eligibility list. He confirmed that the

list is likely to be completed by Sunday, April 20, and, pending legal clearance, may be published on Monday, May 21. "There is no mirror image issue," Basu clarified, referring to concerns about duplicate or manipulated documents. "The SSC Chairman has confirmed that the data received from the CBI contains the necessary distinction between eligible and ineligible candidates, and that list will be made public." He further stated, "The Chairman of SSC will seek legal advice before uploading the list to the official website. I have no objection to publishing it online." Basu reiterated that the list will include all 26,000 affected candidates, adding, "I have advised SSC to proceed strictly based on legal counsel. If there is no legal obstacle, the OMR sheets of over 22 lakh candidates will also be released."When asked whether any legal complications were anticipated, the minister admitted, "I am not an expert in law, but from what I understand, there should be no legal hindrance to the publication. Basu assured the teachers that the government does not fundamentally oppose their demands, and reaffirmed the administration's commitment to adhering to the Supreme Court's directives. He urged the protesting educators to return to school and resume classes. Your connection to the school Is vital. Teaching is more than a professionit's a social service.'

Crippled by debt, central govt employee attempts bank robbery with toy gun

MI News Service, Kolkata:

In a bizarre and shocking turn of events, a 33-yearold central government DalimBasu, employee, was arrested on Friday for attempting to rob a nationalised bank branch in Kolkata's Survey Park area — armed with nothing more than a toy gun and a kitchen knife. The motive? A crushing debt burden of 31 lakh, including home, vehicle, and personal loans, alongside the growing financial stress of a preg-nant wife and meagre monthly income of 41,000.

had recently purchased a flat and taken substantial loans for both the property and its furnishings. Additionally, he was repaying a loan for a highmotorcycle. According to sources, with his wife expecting and mounting medical expenses, Basu was overwhelmed with the weight of unpaid dues and saw no way out - except

Basu, an employee of

the Postal Department,

Guv delivers stern warning amid Murshidabad unrest

MI News Service, Kolkata: As violence escalated in parts of Murshidabad over the demand to repeal the amended Waqf Act, West Bengal Governor CV Anand Bose issued a

strong public warning on

Friday. He categorically stated that while protest is a democratic right, no form of agitation can be allowed to descend into violence. "Taking the law into one's own hands is unacceptable and will not be

tolerated," the Governor asserted in a video statement, revealing that he had discussed the situation in detail with Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee. Tensions flared dramatically in Jangipur and surround-

ing areas of Murshidabad from Friday afternoon, with mobs attacking police with stones, torching police and public vehicles, and vandalising property. The violence soon spread to ShazurMor and Dhulian, prompting the deployment of additional police forces and Border Security Force (BSF) personnel. The BSF confirmed that their assistance was provided at the request of the state gov-

Name Change

I, Amjad Hussain (old name) S/O Md Hussen, residing at 129/A, Sreerampur Road, Srirampur, Garia, Dist.- South 24 Pgs, Pin-700084, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall hence-forth be known as Shekh Chand (new name) as declared before the notary public at kolkata, dated 11/ 04/2025. Shekh Chand (new name) and Amjad Hussain (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change

Sarbani Das (Old Name) wife of Rabin Das, residing at Gayen Para Purba, P.O. & P.S.- Raidighi, Dist.-South 24 Parganas, Pin- 743383, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Sarbani Das Roy (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, dated 11/04/ 2025. Sarbani Das Roy (New Name) and Sarbani Das (Old Name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change

I, Molay Kr Sarkar (Old Name) son of Rabindra Nath Sarkar, residing at 55, Kumar Para 1st Lane, Narendrapur, Dist.- South 24 Parganas, Pin- 700103, West Bengal INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Malay Sarkar (New Name) as de-clared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, dated 11/04/2025. Malay Sarkar (New Name) and Molay Kr Sarkar (Old Name) both are sar and identical person.

Name Change

Saina Bibi (Old Name) wife Suraj Molla, residing at Vill & PO.Netra Ps-Diamond Harbour, Diamond Harbour Pin- 743368, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth b known as Farina Bibi (New Name as declared before the Notary Pub lic at Kolkata, dated 11/04/2025 Farina Ribi (New Name) and Saina Bibi (Old Name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change

, Bharati Biswas (old name) W/0 Subhajit Biswas, residing at Vill.-Salua, P.O.- Salua, P.S.- Baduria, Dist.- North 24 Parganas, Pin-743247, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Bharati Biswas Das (new name) as de-clared before the notary public at kolkata, dated 11/04/2025. Bharati Biswas Das (new name) and Bharati Biswas (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change

Mrinmoy Banerjee (old name) S/O Khwaja Tahir Hussain, residing at 59C G.J Khan Road, P.O. & P.S.- Tiljala, Kolkata- 700039, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Ghulam Ahmed Raza (new name) as declared before the Ld. Metropolitan Magistrate, 1st Class at Kolkata, dated 07/03/2020. Ghulam Ahmed Raza (new name) and Mrinmoy Banerjee (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change

Umang Upendra Desai (old name) S/O Upendra Desai, resid-ing at 6, Sarat Bose Road, L.R Sarani, Ballygunge, Kolkata-700020, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Umang fore the notary public at kolkata, dated 11/04/2025. Umang Desai (new name) and Umang Upendra and identical person

Name Change

I, Jasmina Khatun (old name) W/O Sk Monirul, residing at Vill. & P.O.- Bahirkunja, P.S.- Nodakhali, Dist.- South 24 Parganas, Pin-743318, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Jasmina Bibi (new name) as declared be fore the notary public at kolkata, dated 11/04/2025. Jasmina Bibi (new name) and Jasmina Khatun (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change

Habibur Sekh (old name) S/O Sekh Haroj, residing at Vill. & P.O. Bahirkunja, P.S.- Nodakhali, Dist. West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Sekh Habibar (new name) as declared before the notary public at kolkata, dated 11/04/ 2025. Sekh Habibar (new name) and Habibur Sekh (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change

I,Vikram M Shivnani (Old Name) S/O Murli Shivnani Residing At 7b,Rani Rashmoni Road,Ps-Market,Kolkata-700013 , India, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Vikram Shivnani (New Name) As Declared Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 09/04/2025. Vikram M Shivnani(Old Name) and Vikram Same And Identical Person.

Name Change

Nazrul Mallick (Old Name) S/O Late Deyanat Mallik ,Residing At Vill-Garpurusottampur,Po-Pratap pur,Ps-Panskura,Dist-Purba Me dinipur,Pin-721152,West Bengal, India, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Na-jrul Mallick(New Name) As Declared Before The Ld.1st Class Judicial Magistrate At Tamluk Court On 30/01/2025 Vide Affidavit No. 1377 Nazrul Mallick (Old Name) And Najrul.Mallick (New Name) Both Are Same And Identical Person.

Name Change

, Pradip Das (Old Name) S/O Late Kali Pada Das , R/O Chandibera, Saradanagar,Po-Milan Bazar,Ps-Newtown,Dist-North 24 Parganas, Pin- 700 102 ,West Bengal, India. Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Known As Prodip Das As Declared Before The Ld.1st Class Judicial Magistrate At Bidhannagar Court, Vide Affidavit No.2790 Dated 21/12/2024.Pradip Das(Old Name) And Prodip Das (Newname) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

ER's continuous endeavor to keep Platforms & Track Clean



ern Railway Promotes Cleanliness at Key Stations* MI News Šervice, Kolkata:

The Eastern

Railway's

Howrah Division took a proactive step towards promoting cleanliness and hygiene at Rishra, Bandel and Kamarkundu railway stations and its surrounding areas through a comprehensive awareness drive conducted on 12.04.2025. The initiative, led by the division's Environment and House-Management department, in-(EnHM) volved the active participation of the Chief Health Inspector (CHI), Railway Protection Force (RPF), and local shopkeepers. The campaign aimed to raise awareness among the passengers, vendors, and other rail users about the importance of responsible waste disposal,

discouraging littering, and reinforcing the prohibition of spitting at Railway premises and other public areas. Special emphasis was laid on the pressing issue of plastic pollution. Officials educated the travellers and railway users about the harmful effects of plastic waste on the environment and public health, urga shift toward sustainable, eco-friendly alternatives. Railway users were encouraged to utilize the designated waste bins placed throughout the station and to adopt practices such as using reusable bags,

bottles, and containers. Railway's Eastern Howrah Division remains dedicated to conducting similar awareness campaigns throughout its network, fostering collective action to-ward sustainability and

Name Change

Md Mafejuddin Sardar (old name) S/O Late Zahir Sardar, residing at Vill- Tarali, P.O.- Hakimpur, P.S.- Swarupnagar, North 24 Pgs, Pin- 743273, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Mafajaddi Sardar (new name) as declared be-fore the notary public at kolkata, dated 11/04/2025. Mafajaddi Sardar (new name) and Md Mafejuddin Sardar (old name) both ar same and identical person.

Name Change

I, Rina Jhunjhunwala & Rina Devi Jhunjhunwala (old names) W/O Jihinjihinwala (old haines) Wys Bishnu Kumar Jhunjhunwala, re-siding at Purulia Minicipality Ward 13, Purulia-1, Purulia-723101, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Rina Jhunjhunwalla (new name) as declared before the notary public at kolkata, dated 11/04/2025. Rina Ihunihunwalla (new name) and Rina Jhunjhunwala & Rina Devi Jhunihunwala (old names)all are same and identical person.

Name Change

name) S/O Late Purushottam Das Jhunjhunwalla, residing at Puru-lia Minicipality Ward 13, Purulia-1, Purulia- 723101, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Bishnu Kumar Jhunjhunwala (new name) as declared before the notary public at kolkata, dated 11/04/2025. Bishnu Kumar Jhunhunwala (new name) and Bishnu Jhunihunwala (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change

Saira Begum (old name) D/O Late Yusuf Ansari, residing a 33A, B.T Road, Barrackpore (M) Talpukur, P.S.- Titagarh, North 24 Pgs, Pin- 700123, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Saira Khatun (new name) as declared before the notary public at kolkata, dated 11/04/2025. Saira Begum (old name) both are same

Name Change

Bishnu Jhunjhunwala (old name) S/O Late Purushottam Das Jhunjhunwalla, residing at Main Road,Ward No 13, Purulia-1, Purulia- 723101, West Bengal, India have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Bishnu Kumar Jhunjhunwala (new name) as declared before the notary public at kolkata, dated 11/04/ 20 25. Bishnu Kumar Jhunjhunwala (new name) and Bishnu Jhunjhunwala (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change

Sirajul Islam Molla (old name) 1, Shajii Islam Molla (old Italie) S/O Late Zeiafat Ali Molla, resid-ing at Vill & P.O.- Atpukur, P.S.-Haroa, Dist.- North 24 Pgs, Pin-743425, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Sirajul Haque Molla (new name) as de-clared before the notary public at kolkata, dated 11/04/2025. Sirajul Hague Molla (new name) and Sirajul Islam Molla (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change

Prabir Kumar Pramanik (old name) S/O Nemai Pramanik, residing at Vill & P.O.- Bishra, P.S. Ramnagar, Dist.- Diamond Harour, Pin- 743504, West Bengal India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Prabir Pramanik (new name) as declared before the notary public at kolkata, dated 11/04/2025. Prabir Pramanik (new name) and Prabir Kumar Pramanik (old name) both

ICG seizes boat smuggling Betel nut worth Rs 1 cr

MI News Service, Kolkata: The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) apprehended an Indian fishing boat allegedly engaged in illegal activities in the Bay of Bengal during the early morning hours of April 10, said a press statement from ICG. ICG Ship Varad, while patrolling the International Maritime Boundary Line (IMBL), identified a fishing boat displaying suspicious moveand promptly ments initiated boarding procedures. Upon detailed inspection. officials discovered the vessel was transporting approximately 450 bags of betel nut, each kilograms. The estimated market value of the seized consignment stands at nearly Rs 1 crore, added the statement. The fishing boat, named IFB MaaBasanti was registered at Kakdwip fishing harbour in West Bengal. However, during inspection, it was found operating without valid registration papers. Additionally, none of the 14 Indian crew members onboard were in possession of biometric identity cards, a mandatory requirement for authorized fishing operations. Adding to the suspicion, no fishing equipment or fish catch was found on the vessel, despite claims by the crew of being at sea for five days. The absence

Name Change

Sidul Mondal (Old Name) son Barjahan Mandal, residing at Vill & P.O.- Panpara, P.S.- Ranaghat, Nadia, Pin- 741201, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Shidul Mandal (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, dated 09/04/2025. Shidul Mandal (New Name) and Sidul Mondal (Old Name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change

Samiya Bibi (Old Name) wife o Shidul Mandal, residing at Vill & P.O.- Panpara, P.S.- Ranaghat, Nadia, Pin- 741201, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Samiya Mandal (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, dated 09/04/2025. Samiya Mandal (New Name) and Samiya Bibi (Old Name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change

Md Mafejuddin Sardar (old name) S/O Late Zahir Sardar, residing at Vill- Tarali, P.O.- Hakimpur, P.S.- Swarupnagar, North 24 Pgs, Pin- 743273, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Mafejuddin Sardar (new name) Matejuddin Sardar (new hame) as declared before the notary public at kolkata, dated 11/04/ 2025. Mafejuddin Sardar (new name) and Md Mafejuddin Sardar old name) both are same and identical person.

General Manager, ER inspects various stations over Malda division



MI News Service, Kolkata: Shri Milind Deouskar, General Manager of Eastern Railway, conducted a comprehensive inspection of various stations like Kamartola, Sahibganj Jn., Barharwa Jn. Bonidanga station under Eastern Railway's Malda Division (12.04.2025). Divisional Railway Manager, Malda and Senior Divisional Officers accompanied him during the inspection. The inspection began with a window trailing inspection in Malda Town station -Karamtola- Sahibgunj Jn.-Barharwa Jn. section to check track fittings, signalling systems, and OHE fittings to ensure the safe operation of mail/express trains at high speed.

At Karamtala station, the General Manager reviewed passenger amenities and safety-related infrastructure, including the panel room, IPS (Integrated Power Supply) system, and surrounding areas. He advised the Divisional Railway Manager to modify the station building, monitor the progress of station development, and further improve safety-related aspects. At Sahibganj Junction, the General Manager, Eastern Railway, conducted a comprehensive review of the master plan and the ongoing progress of the staredevelopment under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme. He closely ments being carried out at the station's entry and exit points, aimed at enhancing passenger convenience and accessibility.During his visit, the General Manager also inspected key operational facilities including the electronic interlocking cabin, panel room, running room, and crew lobby. He conducted a detailed review of safety protocols to ensure the smooth and secure movement of trains as well as the safety of passengers.

casion, the General Manager inaugurated a newly introduced OHE (Overhead Equipment) inspection car at the station and inspected the DEMU shed to review its functionality and upkeep.Later, he held a meeting with members of the local Chamber of Commerce, where he attentively listened to their suggestions and assured them that their concerns would be addressed to the extent possible. He also interacted with the media persons. In response to the questions of media persons, Shri Deouskar, General Manager informed that Eastern Railway taking all out endeavour to complete the Railway projects. He also emphasized that safety has always been a top priority for the Railways. At Barharwa Junction station, the General Manager inspected the passenger amenities provided at the station. He interacted with local residents, listened attentively to their concerns, and assured them that their issues would be addressed as far as possible. Later, Shri Deouskar proceeded to Bonidanga link cabin and advised suitable upgrades. He also interacted with onground personnel and counselled them to strictly adhere to safety measures and maintain operational discipline. At each location, he instructed the field staff to ensure timely completion of the works. His visit reflects Eastern Railway's commitment to continuous improvement and modernization of railway infrastructure. Lastly, The General Manager held a meeting with the Divisional Railway Manager, along with branch officers of Malda division, in the Conference Room of the DRM

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ER Boosts Power Flow: Detailed Project Report (DPR) finalized for bypass line between Nalhati-Pakur and Nalhati -Azimganj Section

Eastern Railway has taken a major step forward in facilitating coal movement for the upcoming expansion of the Sagardighi Thermal Power Station (SgTPS) by The West Bengal Power Development Corporation Limited (WBPDCL). A Detailed Project Report (DPR) has been prepared for the construction of a vital bypass rail link between the Nalhati-Pakur and Nalhati-Azimganj sections to streamline coal rake movement from the developing coal blocks in the Pakur area to the SgTPS site. The SgTPS, currently operating with 600 MW capacity (2 x 300 MW units), is set for a significant capacity augmentation with the addition of two new 660 MW units, pushing its total genera-tion capacity to 1920 MW in Phase-I. To support the increased coal demand,

coal linkage of 2.0 MTPA

from Eastern Coalfields

Limited (ECL) has been

sanctioned by the Ministry

MI News Service, Kolkata:

of Coal, Government of India, for the existing units. While existing coal traffic routes the rakes via Andal, Sainthia and Nalhati to Sagardighi, the proposed bypass line becomes essential for seamless movement from new coal mines in the Pakur region, bypassing congested segments and operational bottlenecks at Nalhati station. The preliminary engineering survey were conducted confirming the feasibility of a bypass alignment. The new line is proposed to originate 2.681 km from existing Nalhati station (Chatra end) and connect to the proposed Takipur station, avoiding densely populated areas and the need for reversals at Manigram station. The bypass line will ensure direct connectivity, reduce travel time, and improve operational efficiency for coal rake movement to SgTPS, marking a pivotal development in strengthening the logistics network power generation in West

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so far. This App, developed by the Centre for Railway Information Systems (CRIS), has been a hit among the users since its inception. This App has enabled Metro commuters to recharge their Smart Cards or book QR Code Based tickets anytime from anywhere. For the benefit of the commuters, 'Metro Ride Kolkata' App was launched on 05.03.2022 on Android platform and on 22.03.2024 on iOS platform. Till 12.04.2025, more than 10.95 lakh Android users have downloaded this App from Google Play Store and more than 64000 iOS users have also downloaded this App from Apple Store. These figures signify the acceptability and popularity of this App among the Metro users. Metro staff have also been helping passengers to download this App from Google Play Store and Apple Store and showing them the procedure to use it at different stations. During the last month, Metro Railway has set a milestone by crossing its digital transaction more than 30% in the month. Passengers are requested to adopt digital transac-tions and also buy tickets online before reaching the Metro station to avoid rush due to long queues at booking counters particularly during the peak hours. It is to be noted that from 26th January,2025, a feature was enabled for all the users of this App to get regular notification on Metro services like introduction of new services, special services, changes in frequency of services as well as disruption of

Cancellation of three (03) MEMU **Passenger on**

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.

Vibhuti Express Rescheduled

MI News Service, Kolkata: Due to late running of corresponding down link train, *12333 UP Howrah -Prayagraj Rambag Vibhuti Express will leave Howrah station at 21:05 hrs*.instead of its scheduled departure time at 19:55 hrs. *on 12.04.2025.

Train Rescheduled

MI News Service, Kolkata: 03011 UP Howrah – Anand Vihar(T) summer Special has been rescheduled at 21:15 hrs instead of of its schedule departure at 17:40 hrs on 12.04.2025 due to late running of corresponding down link train.

Whispers of Progress Beneath the Mountains



MI News Service, Srinagar: Amidst the towering heights of the Himalayas, where clouds kiss the earth and valleys whisper secrets, the dream of Indian Railways has taken full shape in the form of the Udhampur-Srinagar-Bara-mulla Rail Link (USBRL). The grandeur of this project is reflected in its tunnels—hidden corridors that not only conquer geography but also pave the way for the speed of the future. Out of the 272-kilometre USBRL railway route, 36 major tunnels cover nearly 119 kilometres. Some of these tunnels are so long and complex that they have become milestones in engineering excellence.

1. T-50 - India's Longest Transport Tunnel Length: 12.77 km | Location: Sumber-Khari

Tunnel T-50, India's longest transport tunnel, stands as a vital lifeline, seamlessly linking the Kashmir Valley with the rest of the nation. Constructed using the New Tunneling Method, it navigates through formidable rock formations such as quartzite, gneiss and phyllite. The tunnel features a main passage alongside a parallel escape tunnel, interconnected by cross-passages at every 375-metre interval. Its construction was fraught with challenges, including landslides, high water ingress, shear zones and jointed volcanic rock structures. To counter these obstacles, engineers strategically developed three adits (access tunnels), allowing simultaneous excavation from multiple points and significantly expediting progress. Through resilience and innovation, India's longest transport tunnel emerged—a true marvel of engineering excellence.

2. T-80 - The Backbone of Kashmir in the Pir Panjal Range Length: 11.2 km | Location: Banihal-Qazigund

Built under the Pir Panjal range, T-80 tunnel ensures year-round connectivity between Jammu and Kashmir. Overcoming barriers of snowfall and altitude, it significantly enhances transportation and trade and can be termed as 'the backbone of USBRL'.

3. T-34 - Dual-Passage Ingenuity Length: 5.099 km | Location: Pai-Khad to Anji Khad

Tunnel T-34, a crucial link in the USBRL Project, stands as a testament to engineering ingenuity, seamlessly connecting Pai-Khad to Anji Khad. Spanning 5.099 km, it features a twin-tube design—a Main Tunnel for train operations and a parallel Escape Tunnel for safety, interconnected by cross-passages at 375-metre intervals.

This twin tunnel system, carved through the Sirban Dolomite rock formations, is connected to Anji Khad Bridge, India's first cable-stayed railway bridge, with cross-passages every 375 metres, ensuring both safety and operational efficiency.

4. T-33 – A Challenging Route Beneath Trikuta's Shadow Length: 3.2 km | Location: Katra-Banihal section

Tunnel T-33, the most challenging section of the Katra-Banihal stretch, spans 3.209 km at the base of the Trikuta Hills, forming a crucial link to the Kashmir Valley. Navigating highly fractured dolomite and the Main Boundary Thrust zone, it faced severe geological challenges, including a major collapse in October 2017 that halted progress for months. The project adopted the I-System of Tunneling in March 2022, incorporating deep drainage, umbrella pipe roofing, chemical grouting and reinforced supports to stabilise the structure. After years of perseverance, a breakthrough was achieved on 20 December 2023, marking a key milestone in this vital rail-

5. T-23 - A Testament to Technical Innovation Length: 3.15 km | Location: Udhampur-Chak Rakhwal

Tunnel T-23 is the longest on this section, featuring a ballast-less track between Udhampur and Chak Rakhwal railway stations. In 2008, severe squeezing, swelling and bottom heaving caused major setbacks, requiring expert intervention. Overcoming these challenges, the tunnel was successfully completed, marking a significant milestone in the project.

6. T-1 - A Tunnel Built Using Cutting-Edge Techniques Length: 3.209 km

T-1, unfortunately, also faced the relentless challenges posed by the Main Boundary Thrust, including severe mud and water ingress. To counter these issues, the advanced "I-System of Tunneling" was successfully deployed, integrating deep drainage pipes, umbrella pipe roofing and chemical grouting to ensure structural stability and safety.

7. T-25 - The Battle Against an Underground Water Stream Length: 3 km

The construction of Tunnel T-25 spanned six years, marked by the formidable challenge of an unexpected underground water stream discovered during excavation in 2006. This stream discharged between 500 and 2000 litres of water per second, posing significant hurdles. Overcoming this natural obstacle demanded unwavering determination, innovative engineering, and relentless effort from the project team. The tunnels of USBRL are the lifelines embedded within the Himalayas, connecting Kashmir to the heart of India. Each tunnel tells a storyof struggle, innovation and triumph. With the echoes of rock-breaking machines, they herald the dawn of a new era. These tunnels through the Himalayas symbolise not just connectivity but India's unwavering resolve.

Woman found hanging in battalion quarters

MI News Service, Jalpaiguri: A pall of gloom descended over the Fulbari Battalion quarter housing on Friday, after the lifeless body of a married woman was discovered hanging inside her residence, sources informed on Saturday. The deceased, identified as 35-year-old Pinky Roy, leaves behind a 10-yearold child and a grieving family struggling to come to terms with the sudden loss.

According to family sources, Pinky had dinner with her child on Thursday night and then retired for the night as usual. In the early hours of Friday, the child awoke to a horrifying sight—his mother hanging from a noose. The child's screams immediately drew the attention of neighbours and Pinky's husband, who rushed into the room only to witness the devastating scene. The shock and anguish quickly spread, with neighbours and relatives breaking down in tears, unable to comprehend the tragedy. As news of the incident rippled through the locality, a sombre silence blanketed the neighbourhood. Residents were visibly shaken, many unable to contain their emotions as they gathered outside the family's home. Officials from NJP Police Station were promptly informed and arrived at the scene shortly thereafter. The police took possession of the body and arranged for it to be sent to North Bengal Medical College and Hospital (NBMCH) for postmortem examination.



Minister Aroop Biswas attended a fashion show for children and young people on the occasion of the Bengali New

UPI Services Down Again, Fourth Outage In A Month; 'Working To Resolve Issue', Says NPCI

MI News Service, New Delhi: The Unified Payment Interface (UPI) services encountered major outages across various apps in India on Saturday, marking the fourth such technical snag within a month. Commenting on the development, National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), the governing body which oversees the UPI infrastructure, officials are currently working to resolve the disruption.

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According to outagetracking site DownDetector, users began reporting issues with UPI transactions around 11:26 a.m. The outage peaked at around 11:40 a.m., with over 222 reports of failed digital payments.

EASTERN RAILWAY

Divisional Electrical Engineer/(General) Eastern Railway, Sealdah, 2nd Floor Remote Control Building, DRM Building Kaizer Street, Sealdah, Kolkata-700014 for the following works: SI. No.: 1. Tende No. ELEG-OT-1210-2025-26. Particulars of the work: Annual Maintenance Contract of Split type (0.75/1/1.5/2TR), Window type (1/1.5/2TR) Air Conditioning Machines Regrigerators (100-380 L) and Water Coolers (80 - 380 L) under jurisdiction of SSE/E(G)/Sealdah-1, SSE/E(G)/Ranaghat, SSE/E(G)/Naihati, SSE/E(G)/Barasat and SSE/E(G)/Sonarpur for (03) Three years. Tender value: ₹ 36,87,313.60. Earnest Money: ₹ 73,800/-. SI. No.: 2. Tender No. ELEG-OT-1211-2025-26. Particular of the work: Comprehensive Annua Ductable Airconditioning Machine (Mal Hitachi) of capacity 8.5 TR - 2 nos. a Kalyani El Cabin, 8.5 TR - 2 nos. at Kanchrapara El Cabin, 8,5 TR - 2 nos, at Halisahar El Cabin, 5.5 TR - 1 no. at Naihati El Hut & 8.5 TR - 1 no. at Naihati RRI El Cabin for Three (03) years. Tender value: 19,61,797.68. Earnest Money OT-1212-2025-26. Particulars of the vork: Comprehensive Annual Maintenand schedule & breakdown contract of Passenger Lifts of capacity 10 passenge (G+3) - 2 nos. (Make: M/s Johnson) a South Booking/Sealdah for 03 (Three) years. Tender value: ₹ 10,40,990.88 Earnest Money: ₹ 20,800/-. Cost of Tender document: 0.00 for each Completion period: 36 Months for each Tender Publication Date: 09.04.2025. Tender Closing Date & Time: 30.04.2025, 14.00 hrs. Tender Bid Opening Date & Time: 30.04.2025, 14.00 hrs. Tender Bidding Start Date: 16.04.2025. Details of Tender Notice and corrigendum issued rom time to time are available at website /ww.ireps.gov.in (SDAH-11/2025-26) Tender Notice is also available at websites : www.er.indianrailways.gov.in / www.ireps.gov.ii Follow us at : X @EasternRailway **≰**@easternrailwayheadquarter

India highlights BioE3 Policy at Mission **Innovation Annual Gathering 2025 in Seoul**

MI News Service, New Delhi: The Department of Biotechnology (DBT) co-leads the Mission Integrated Biorefinery jointly with the Netherlands as part of Mission Innovation (MI) 2.0, the Ministry of Science & Technology said in a statement.

The statement said that the gathering's name was derived from Prime Minister Narendra Modi during COP21. "The Mission Innovation Annual Gathering-2025, a multilateral platform acceleratclean energy innovation, held at Seoul, South Korea during 9th-11th April 2025 brought together global leaders in clean energy technology. The term "Mission Innovation" was coined by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi during COP21, in collaboration with former French President Francois Hollande. India continues to play an active role under the Mission Innovation initiative," the statement said. "At the Annual Gathering held in Seoul, the DBT, being an integral member of the Indian delegation, participated in discussions on collaborative opportunities among

diverse MI missions and

platforms. The focus has been to advance the biorefinery approach for fuels, chemicals, and materials,"

As per the statement, the DBT presented BioE3's role in addressing climate change during the event.

During the event, the DBT presented BioE3 (Biotechnology for Environment, Energy, and Economy) Policy demonstrated its pivotal role in addressing climate challenges and aligning national priorities under the Integrated Biorefinery Mission were extensively discussed at roundtables and reviewed by Mission Innovation members as well as the Technical Advisory Groups associated with the Missions," as per the statement. The statement highlighted the policy's role in fostering an innovation-driven future. "The participants highlighted how the BioE3 Policy promotes sustainable and low-carbon manufacturing of fuels, chemicals, and materials. The policy is designed to develop enabling technologies that foster an innovation-driven manufacturing ecosystem for a low-carbon future. Further, India's ef-

forts in integrating Carbon Capture, Utilization, and Bioenergy (CCUB) for the biomanufacturing of fuels, chemicals, and materials were shared with the MI community through through the statement read. The DBT also participated in focused sessions Biotechnology and Biomanufacturing priorities during several visits and

projects. "Deliberations were also focused on opportunities for research, development, and demonstration (RD&D) using biomassbased biomanufacturing approaches. The DBT also participated in focused sessions on Biotechnology and Biomanufacturing priorities during visits to clean energy facilities, premeetings ceding Hanyang University and the Korea Institute of Science and Technology, coordinated by the Indian Embassy in Seoul," it stated. "It was observed that the Bioinnovations for fuels, chemicals, and materials are the opportunities for Mission Innovation Member countries to accelerate their decarbonization goals," the statement



Women perform 'Bhangra' as part of the Baisakhi festival, on the outskirts of Jammu.

Delhi: 1 Dead, 2 Injured After Dust Storm Hits Delhi; Several Trees Uprooted

MI News Service, New Delhi: A sudden strong dust storm hit Delhi on Friday killing a 67-year-old man and injuring another after a construction material fell on them from the roof of a building in the Chander Vihar area and a 13-year-old boy was injured after a newly constructed balcony of a building collapsed in Karol Bagh area. Civic bodies have received more than 20 calls on uprooted trees in several parts, including Feroz Shah Road, Ashoka Road, Mandi House, and Connaught Place, and it led to traffic congestion. Thunderstorms led to power disruptions in several parts of the city, primarily due to trees and branches falling on electricity cables. An electric pole has also fallen at ITO. The nearby areas including Gurugram, Ghaziabad and Noida also saw damages and injuries due to the dust storm on Friday A heavy construction material fell from the roof of the five-storey building, fell on the adjacent road in Chander Vihar area during the dust storm around 6:30 pm. Two persons injured in the incident were rushed to the LBS Hospital, where doctors declared Chander Pal (67) brought dead. The injured has been identified as Rajbir (38), a nurse at GTB Hospital, who is undergoing treatment, PTI cited a police statement. Meanwhile, in Siddhipura locality of Delhi's Karol Bagh area, a 13-year-old boy was injured after a newly constructed balcony of a building collapsed following the dust

storm. According to police, the balcony on the third floor of a four-storey underconstruction building collapsed amid strong winds. The structure which was recently built crashed down onto the street, hitting the boy who happened to be passing by. Police rushed to the spot upon receiving information. The injured boy was taken to a nearby hospital for treatment. His condition is stated to be stable. Legal proceedings have been initiated, police said. Two people got injured after a huge pillar signage fell on a car on the Dwarka Expressway in Gurugram on Friday. The car got stuck under the pillar and two occupants got injured. Passersby helped them get out of the car and admitted them to the hospital, they added. This resulted in a traffic jam on the Dwarka Expressway and police were deployed to manage the traffic. According to the officials, the injured are yet to be identified. They were on their way home from work when the incident occurred. Their car got completely damaged. A strong storm started around 6:30 pm, resulting in heavy congestion on the Dwarka Expressway, NH-48, Southern Peripheral Road, Sohna Road Elevated Highway, Kundli-Manesar-Palwal Expressway and other major routes. Incidents of hoardings falling and trees uprooting due to the storm were reported from several places, including Signatur tower, Sheetla Mata road and sector

Uganda gears up to roll out of Aadhaar-like ID system, eyes UPI adoption

set to roll out an Aadhaarlike digital identification sysbased India-developed open-source technology and is exploring the adoption of Unified Payments Interface (UPI) to cut down transaction costs across the economy. In an interview with ANI, Rosemary Kisembo, CEO of Uganda's National Identification and Registration Authority (NIRA), confirmed that Uganda has fully customized the Modular Open-Source Identity Platform (MOSIP) to align with its domestic laws and will launch five modules--new registration, renewal, correction of errors, replacement of lost ID, and first-time ID issuance--in the coming weeks. MOSIP is an opensource digital identity plat-form developed in India to help governments build secure and inclusive Aadhaarlike national ID systems. The rollout of the ID system marks a key milestone in Uganda's digital transformation journey, as it transitions from a brownfield ID system

In a major push to digitize

citizen services, Uganda is

ing across sectors and communities," Kisembo said. Kisembo said the pilot project in this regard is already underway. In the next two to three months, Uganda will also integrate its ID system with birth and death registrations.

Beyond identity, the country is now eyeing India's UPI as a model for instant, low-cost digital payments. "The immediate benefit of UPI will be a reduction in the cost of transactions. It creates a free wallet for every citizen, enabling seamless money movement," Kisembo added. Highlighting India's achievement of scaling Aadhaar to over a billion people, she said the "leapfrog of India cannot be ignored" and offers valuable lessons for countries like Uganda. However, she flagged the need for sustainable funding models to support the expansion of such digital infrastructure in Africa. "Raising capital in Africa remains a challenge. We hope to interest not just technologists, but also capitalists willing to take a risk with Africa," she said. India's MOSIP platform, developed by the International Institute of Information to a modern, interoperable Technology, Bengaluru (IIIT-B), is already in use in platform. "We have had an immense year of interac-Sri Lanka, Morocco, the tions. It has been a very enriching experience, one that Philippines, Ethiopia, and Togo. we look forward to deepen-

Notice regarding Power of Attorney as per West Bengal Govt Order No 1000-15/22/2024 dated 27.02.2024

Asansol PS Asansol (N) Dist Paschim Bardhaman has/have purchased the below mentioned land schedule by virtue of deed/deeds no.2420 dated 03/04/2025 (A.D.S.R/DSR/ADSR) with the help of power of attorney deed no.7095, 7971 dated 29.08.24, 01.10.24 (A.D.S.R/DSR/ADSR) executed by sri.(1) RAM PRAKASH (2) RAM NARESH SINGH (3) PRASADI SINGH S/O (Both) Li SINGH (3) PRASAUT SINGH 3/0 (Bottl) Lt.
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Sukhbir Singh Badal Re-Elected As Shiromani Akali Dal Chief **Months After Resigning**

MI News Service, New Delhi: Sukhbir Singh Badal has been officially re-elected Shiromani Akali Dal chief five months after he resigned due to 'religious misconduct'. Badal's name was proposed by party's working president Balwinder Singh Bhundar while party leader Paramjit Singh Sarna seconded it.

The session for electing SAD's new president was held at the Teja Singh Samundari hall in the Sri Darbar Sahib complex here. Several senior party leaders including Badal's wife and Bathinda MP Harsimrat Kaur Badal, former ministers Bikram Majithia, Daljit Singh Singh Cheema, senior leader Mahesh Inder Singh Grewal were present.

Four Mangoe Lane, 5th Floor, Surendra Mohan, Ghosh Sarani, Kolkata-700 001. This is to inform you that our client had a fixed deposit in the name of NANDITA BHATTACHARYA (DECEASED) vide deposi nos CC/17601610 where Mr. JAGPAL SING s the nominee. Unfortunately, Ms NANDIT BHATTACHARYA expired on 22/01/2023 Nov JAGPAL SINGH is claiming that the certificate nave been lost A GD has already been lodge at SHAKESPEARE SARANI P.S o

05/04/2025 (GD # 318/05/04/25). If found b anyone, please contact HDFC BANK, 5 LOOR FOUR MANGOE LANE SURENDR

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NOTICE

That my client Sri Abhijit Ghosh, S/o. Late Anil Kumar Ghosh, of 12, Sitala Tala, P.O. Makhla, District-Hooghly, PIN- 712245 has lodged a General Diary on 01.04.2025 at Uttarpara P.S. vide G.D.E. No. 51 in connection with lost of two Original Deed connection with lost or two Original Deed of Gift, out of which one Deed executed or 23.09.2008 and recorded in Book No. I, CD Volume No. 9, Pages from 12808 to 12820 Being No. 05854 for the year 2008 and another Deed executed on 06.02.2009 and recorded in Book No. I, CD Volume No. 2, Pages from 682 to 702, Being No. 00785 for the year 2009, both Deeds duly registered to the year 2009, both Deeds duly registered to the control of the year 2009, both Deeds duly registered to the control of the year 2009, both Deeds duly registered to the control of the year 2009, both Deeds duly registered to the control of the year 2009, both Deeds duly registered to the control of the year 2009, both Deeds duly registered to the control of the year 2009, both Deeds duly registered to the year 2009, both Deeds duly registered to the year 2009, both Deeds duly registered to the year 2009. Pages from 682 to 702, Being No. 00785 for the year 2009, both Deeds duly registered at the office of A.D.S.R. Serampore, District-Hooghly, regarding the property situated at 12, Kashibati (Sitala Tala), within the ambit of Ward No. 20 of the Uttarpara-Kotrung Municipality, P.O.- Makhla, P.S.- Uttarpara, District- Hooghly, PIN- 712245. If anybody have any knowledge about such deeds please inform me at the following address. Arindam Datta, Advocate, High Court, Calcutta. 26, Charakdanga Street, P.O.- Uttarpara, Dist. Hooghly, PIN- 712258, M-9830345683.

Advertisement No. 32/2025

Government of India Public Enterprises Selection Board invites applications for the post of

Director (Projects)

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Last date of submission of application by applicants is by 15:00 hours on 05th May, 2025 Last date of forwarding of applications by the Nodal Officers to PESB is by 17:00 hours on 14th May, 2025.

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NOTICE INVITING TENDER

The e-tenders are invited by the undersigned for (A) 3 Nos Installation of Solar Light from 15th CFC (UnTied) Fund. Tender Id- 2025_ZPHD_834083_1 to 3 and (B) 1 Nos Construction of Concrete Road from 15th CFC (UnTied) Fund. Tender Id-2025_ZPHD_835649_1 (C) 2 Nos Construction of Pucca Drain from 15th CFC (Tied) Fund. Tender Id- 2025_ZPHD_835669_1 to 2 through e- tendering. The intending tenderers may visit website www.wbtenders.gov.in for details.

Bid submission Start date - 11/04/2025 from 6.00 P.M onwards

Bid submission closing date - 21/04/2025 Up to 10.00 A.M pening date of Technical Bid (online) - 23/04/2025 at 12.00 NOON

REGULATION OF TRAINS FOR TRAFFIC & POWER BLOCK OVER MALDA DIVISION

CORRIGENDUM

In reference to the above captioned advertisement published earlie regarding regulation of trains for Traffic & Power Block between Bonidanga & Tildanga Stations in Malda Town - Barharwa section of Malda Division on 17.04.2025 following corrigendum have been made: "12363 Kolkata - Haldibari Express (JCO: 17.04.2025) will be controlled enroute for 60 minutes" instead of 12364 Haldibari Kolkata Intercity Express. All other instructions will be the same. Divisional Railway Manager, Malda

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REGULATION OF TRAINS FOR DEVELOPMENTAL WORK OVER MALDA DIVISION

REVISED NOTIFICATION

In reference to the above captioned advertisement published earlier regarding Regulation of trains for Pre Non-Interlocking & Non-Interlocking work in connection with yard Remodeling of Malda Town station, this is to be notified that the said work will commence from 07.08.2025 instead of 26.06.2025. Hence, the previous notification regarding regulation of trains due to Pre Non-Interlocking work (from 26.06.2025 to 28.06.2025) & Non-Interlocking work (from 29.06.2025 to 02.07.2025) to be treated as cancelled Revised schedule of Pre Non-Interlocking & Non-Interlocking work: 03 days Pre Non-Interlocking work from 07.08.2025 to 09.08.2025 and 04 days Non-Interlocking work from 10.08.2025 to 13.08.2025. Consequently, the following arrangements have been made in

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EASTERN RAHWAY

Study finds how bacterial vaccine demonstrates potential as treatment for cancer immunotherapy

researchers developed probiotic bacteria that train the immune system to eliminate cancer cells, paving the way for a new class of cancer vaccinations that take advantage of bacteria's innate tumour-targeting abilities. These microbial cancer vaccines can be tailored to each person's specific original tumour and metastases, perhaps preventing future recur-

In mice models of advanced colorectal cancer and melanoma, the bacterial vaccine stimulated the immune system, causing primary and metastatic malignancies to shrink - or in many cases disappear entirely. All while leaving healthy body parts alone.

The findings were published in

The bacterial vaccine proved to be particularly more efficacious than peptide-based therapeutic cancer vaccines that have been used in numerous previous cancer clinical trials

'The important advantage of our system is its unique ability to coordinately restructure and activate all arms of the immune system to induce a productive antitumor immune response. We believe this is why the system works so well in advanced solid tumor models which have been particularly difficult to treat with other immunotherapies," says Andrew Redenti, an MD/PhD student at Columbia University's Vagelos College of Physicians and Surgeons who helped lead the

'The net effect is that the bac-

eliminate the growth of advanced primary or metastatic tumors and extend survival in mouse models, says Jongwon Im, a PhD student at Columbia University who helped lead bacterial engineering aspects of the study.

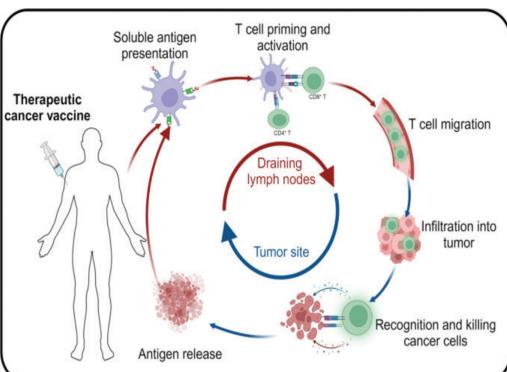
The bacterial vaccine is personalized for each tumor. "Every cancer is unique - tumor cells harbor distinct genetic mutations that distinguish them from normal healthy cells. By programming bacteria that direct the immune system to target these cancer-specific mutations, we can engineer more effective therapies that stimulate a patient's own immune system to detect and kill their cancer cells," says Nicholas Arpaia, PhD, Professor Microbiology & Immunology in the Columbia University's Vagelos College of Physicians and Surgeons who directed the

research with Tal Danino, PhD,

Associate Professor of Biomedical

Engineering at Columbia's School

of Engineering. "As we continue to integrate additional safety optimizations through further genetic programming, we are getting closer to the point of testing this therapy in patients," he added. Bacteria have been utilized in the treatment of cancer since the late 19th century, when Dr. William Coley, who was a surgeon at New York Hospital, observed tumor regression in a subset of patients with inoperable tumors injected with bacteria. Bacteria are still employed as a therapeutic today in patients with early-stage bladder cancer.



Researchers now know that some bacteria can naturally migrate to and colonize tumors, where they can thrive in the often oxygendeprived environment and locally provoke an immune response.

But used this way, bacteria do not usually precisely control or direct the immune response to attack the cancer. "These qualities alone don't typically give bacteria enough power to stimulate immune responses capable of

good starting point for building a new domain of cancer therapeutics," said Nicholas Arpaia, PhD.

The new system starts with a probiotic strain of E. coli bacteria. The researchers then made multiple genetic modifications to precisely control the way in which the bacteria interact with and educate the immune system to induce tumor killing. The engineered bacteria encode protein targets called neoantigens - that are spe-

bacterially-delivered neoantigens train the immune system to target and attack cancer cells that express the same proteins. Neoantigens are used as tumor targets so that normal cells, which lack these cancer-marking proteins, are left alone. Due to the nature of the bacterial system and additional genetic modifications engineered by the scientists, these bacterial cancer therapies also simultaneously overcome immunosuppressive mechanisms

tumors use to block the immune

These genetic modifications are also designed to block the bacteria's innate ability to evade immune attacks against themselves. As a safety measure, this means the engineered bacteria can be easily recognized and eliminated by the immune system and are quickly cleared from the body if they do not find the tumor.

When tested in mice, the researchers found that these intricately programmed bacterial cancer vaccines recruit a wide array of immune cells that attack tumor cells, all the while preventing responses that would normally suppress tumor-directed immune attacks. The bacterial vaccine also reduced the growth of cancer when administered to mice before they developed tumors, and prevented regrowth of the same tumors in mice that had been cured, suggesting the vaccine may have the ability to prevent cancer from returning in patients who've experienced remission.

In people, the first step in crethese microbial vaccines would be to sequence a patient's cancer and identify its unique neoantigens using bioinformatics. Next, the bacteria would be engineered to produce large quantities of the identified neoantigens, as well as other immunomodulatory factors. When infused into the patient whose tumors are to be treated, the bacteria would head to the tumors, make themselves at home, and steadily produce and deliver their payload of engineered "medicines." Once activatimmune system would be prompted to eliminate cancer cells that have spread throughout the body and prevent further metastatic development.

Since each tumor has its own of neoantigens, the immunotherapy will be custommade for each patient. "The time to treatment will first depend on how long it takes to sequence the tumor. Then we just need to make the bacterial strains, which can be quite fast. Bacteria can be simpler to manufacture than some other vaccine platforms," Danino

says.

The bacteria are also designed to counteract cancer's ability to rapidly mutate and evade treat-"Because our platform allows us to deliver so many different neoantigens, it theoretical ly becomes difficult for tumor cells to lose all those targets at once and avoid the immune response," says Arpaia

The researchers think their approach may succeed where earlier cancer vaccines have not. In the latter, while immune responses against tumor neoantigens may be induced, direct modulation of the immunosuppressive tumor environment is not accomplished to such a degree.

Arpaia adds, "Bacteria allow delivery of a higher concentration of drugs than can be tolerated when these compounds are delivered systemically throughout the entire body. Here, we can confine delivery directly to the tumor and locally modulate how we're stimulating the immune system.

Study gives insights into quality of life for adults with congenital heart disease



WASHINGTON: Adults with congenital heart disease (CHD) can now gain vital insights into their long-term quality of life according to data from the Congenital Heart Initiative (CHI). CHI is the nation's first and largest patient-focused registry for people with CHD, and it recently launched its inaugural research, which included over 4,500 participants from all 50

This study, published in JAMA Network Open, represents a big step forward in providing better information to the 1.5 million adults in the United States who were born with CHD.

"Studies like this that leverage actual patient voices and experiences help us get a better sense of how to advise, support and treat people with CHD as they age, says Anitha John, M.D., Ph.D. director of the Washington Adult Congenital Heart program at Children's National Hospital and senior author of the study. "Also, researchers get a clearer picture of the questions that need to be answered to make sure they have the best quality of life possible."

Treatments for children born with congenital heart disease have improved so significantly in the last two decades that life expectancy continues to increase

"There are now more adults living with congenital heart disease than there are children with CHD," says Scott Leezer, patient co-principal investigator for the Congenital Heart Initiative registry and co-author of the study. "However, a significant gap remains in what we know about the adult CHD population. As an adult CHD patient, I was excited to contribute to creating this registry, bringing more answers to people like me who want to know how our unique hearts impact our bodies and quality of life over

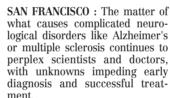
The authors note that the study's findings and the registry data currently have a few limitations. First, the registry only contains patient-reported outcomes and no clinical data. The first substudy of the CHI, the CHI-RON study, addresses this challenge by incorporating additional data sources for a subset of consenting CHI participants.

Additionally, recall bias, underlying neurocognitive challenges and survey fatigue, may have limited participation in the CHI to a smaller subset of adults with CHD. Efforts are underway to develop methods for people with congenital heart disease who have neurodevelopmental deficits or other disabilities to engage in the registry. The CHI is temporarily closed to new registrants as the study team redesigns the study to better align with the needs of the community

"We are grateful for everyone who joined this registry, answered survey questions and shared their experiences." Thomas savs Carton, Ph.D., chief data officer at Louisiana Public Health Institute and study co-author. "The CHI registry is a big step forward for adults with CHD, but also can serve as a model for how to bring together physicians, researchers and patients as active participants in care, research and advocacy."

As the registry grows in the

Study finds novel approach to treat neurological diseases



Even when identical twins have the same genetic risk factors, one may acquire a specific neurological condition while the other does

That's because, unlike diseases like cystic fibrosis or sickle-cell anaemia, which are caused by a single gene, most neurological problems are linked to a large number--sometimes hundreds--of genetic variants. Furthermore, these polymorphisms cannot identify who will develop disease on their own, because neurological diseases are heavily influenced by environmental factors and vascular hazards such as high blood pressure, age-

ing, heart disease, or obesity. But there's one often-overlooked thread that connects most neurological diseases, says Katerina Akassoglou, PhD, a senior investigator at Gladstone Institutes: They're marked by a toxic immune reaction caused by blood that leaks into the brain through damaged blood vessels.

"Interactions between the brain, blood vessels, and the immune system are a common thread in the development and progression of many neurological diseases that have been traditionally viewed as very different conditions," says Akassoglou, a senior investigator with the Gladstone



Institute of Neurological Diseases and director of the Center for Neurovascular Brain Immunology at Gladstone and UC San Francisco. "Knowing that leaked blood is a key driver of brain inflammation, we can now approach these diseases from a different angle.

She and her collaborators share their insights on this topic in a commentary article published in Cell's 50th anniversary "Focus on Neuroscience" issue. Akassoglou and her lab have long investigated how blood that leaks into the brain trigger neurologic diseases, essentially by hijacking the brain's immune system and setting off a cascade of harmful often-irreversible effects that result in damaged neurons. One blood protein in particular--fibrin, normally involved in blood coagulation--is responsible for setting off this

detrimental cascade. The process has been observed in conditions as diverse as Alzheimer's, traumatic brain injury, multiple sclerosis. premature birth, and even COVID-19. However, Akassoglou and her team found that the process could be prevented or interrupted by "neutralizing" fibrin to deactivate its toxic properties--an approach that appears to protect against many neurological diseases when tested in animal models.

"As a first step, we know that neutralizing fibrin reduces the burden posed by vascular dysfunction," Akassoglou says. Regardless of what initially caused the blood leaks, be it a head injury, autoimmunity, genetic mutations, brain amyloid or infection, neutralizing fibrin appears to be protective in

multiple animal models of disease. The scientists previously developed a drug, a therapeutic mono-

clonal antibody, that specifically targets fibrin's inflammatory properties without affecting its essential role in blood coagulation. This fibrin-targeting immunotherapy has shown, in mice, to protect from multiple sclerosis and Alzheimer's, and to treat neurological effects of COVID-19. A humanized version of this first-inclass fibrin immunotherapy is already in Phase 1 safety clinical trials by Therini Bio, a biotech company launched to advance discoveries from Akassoglou's lab.

In the Cell commentary, Akassoglou and her colleagues make the case that seemingly disparate neurological diseases must be viewed differently in light of new research on the blood-brainimmune interface. They say that in the coming decade, scientific breakthroughs will emerge from collaborative networks of immunologists, neuroscientists, hematologists, geneticists, computer scientists, physicists, bioengineers drug developers, and clinical researchers. These partnerships-forged across academia, industry, and foundations--will catalyze innovation in drug discovery and transform medical practice for neurological diseases.

"This is a new opportunity for drug discovery that goes beyond addressing genes alone or environmental factors alone, Akassoglou says. "To usher in this new era, we must leverage new technologies and embrace an interdisciplinary approach that accounts for the important roles of immune and vascular systems in

Pregnant women should avoid ultraprocessed, fast foods: Study

WASHINGTON DC [US] : According to a study published in the journal Environmental International, if you're pregnant, you should think twice before running out to get a cheeseburger or

grabbing for a packaged pastry.
Oddly enough it's not the food that the report targets -- not the fries, burgers or even the shakes and cakes -- but what touches the food before you eat it.

Research shows that phthalates, a class of chemicals associated with plastics, can shed from the wrapping, packaging and even from plastic gloves worn by food handlers into food. Once consumed during pregnancy, the chemicals can get into the bloodstream, through the placenta

and then into the fetal bloodstream. The chemical can cause oxidative stress and an inflammatory cascade within the fetus, researchers noted. Previous literature has indicated that exposure to phthalates during pregnancy can increase the risk of low birth weight, preterm birth and child mental health disorders such as autism and ADHD.

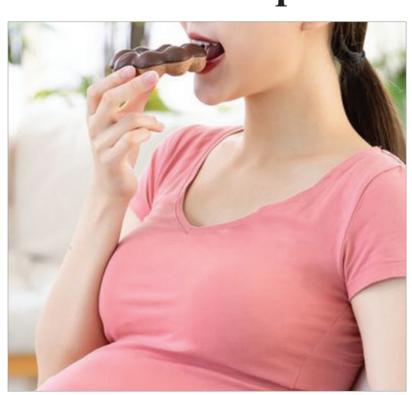
This is the first study in pregnant women to show that diets higher in

"We don't blame the pregnant person here," said Baker. "We need to call out manufacturers and legislators to offer replacements, and ones that may not be even more harmful."

ultraprocessed foods are linked to greater phthalate exposures, the authors wrote.

"When moms are exposed to this chemical, it can cross the placenta and go into fetal circulation," said senior author Dr. SheelaSathyanarayana, a UW Medicine pediatrician and researcher at the Seattle Children's Research Institute.

This analysis involved data in the Conditions Affecting Neurocognitive Development and Learning in Early Childhood (CANDLE) research cohort, which comprised 1,031 pregnant individuals in Memphis, Tenn., who were enrolled between 2006 and 2011. Phthalate levels were measured in urine samples collected from during the sectrimester of pregnancy. The researchers found that ultraprocessed food composed 10% to 60% of participants' diets, or 38.6%, on average. Each



10% higher dietary proportion of ultraprocessed food was associated with 13% higher concentration of di(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate, one of the most common and harmful phthalates. The phthalate amounts were derived through urine samples taken from the women in the

Ultraprocessed foods, according to the researchers, are made mostly from substances extracted from foods such as oils, sugar and starch, but have been so changed from processing and the addition of chemicals and preservatives to enhance their appearance or shelf life that they are hard to recognize from their original form, researchers noted. These include packaged cake mixes, for example, or packaged french fries, hamburger buns and soft drinks. When it comes to fast food, gloves worn by the employees and the storage, preparation, serving equipment or tools may be the main sources of exposure. Both frozen and fresh ingredients would be subject to these sources, said lead author Brennan Baker, a postdoctoral researcher in Sathyanarayana's lab.

This is the first study, researchers say, to identify ultraprocessed foods as a link between exposure to phthalates

and the socio-economics issues facing the mothers. The mothers' vulnerability might stem from experiencing financial hardships and from living in "food deserts" where healthier, fresh foods are harder to obtain and transportation to distant markets is unrealistic.

'We don't blame the pregnant person here," said Baker. "We need to call out manufacturers and legislators to offer replacements, and ones that may not be even more harmful.

More legislation is needed, the authors said, to prevent phthalate contamination in foods by regulating the composition of food wrapping or even the gloves that food handlers may use. What should pregnant women do now? Sathyanarayana said that pregnant women should try to avoid ultraprocessed food as much as they can, and seek out fruits, vegetables and lean meats. Reading labels can come into play here, she added.

"Look for the lower number of

ingredients and make sure you can understand the ingredients," she said. This applies even to "healthy foods" such as breakfast bars. See if it's sweetened with dates or has a litany of fats and sugars in it, she said

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Trump's special envoy, Putin holds talks on Russia-Ukraine crisis

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Taiwan records rise in Chinese incursions around territory

MI News Service, Taipei: Taiwan's Ministry of National Defence (MND) detected 34 sorties of People's Liberation Army (PLA) aircraft and seven vessels from the People's Liberation Army Navy (PLAN) operating around Taiwan until 6 a.m. (UTC+8) on Saturday. According to the MND, 19 out of the 34 sorties crossed the median line of the Taiwan Strait and entered Taiwan's southwestern and eastern Air Defence Identification Zones (ADIZ). "34 sorties of PLA aircraft and 7 PLAN vessels operating around Taiwan were detected up until 6 a.m. (UTC+8) today. 19 out of 34 sorties crossed the median line and entered Taiwan's northern, central, southwestern and eastern ADIZ. We have monitored the situation and responded," MND stated in an X

Earlier on Friday, Taiwan saw a rise in Chinese occupation in the region, detecting two sorties of Chinese aircraft, six Chinese naval vessels and one official ship. Both sorties

Taiwan's northern and southwestern ADIZ (Air Defence Identification Zone). "2 sorties of PLA aircraft and 6 PLAN vessels operating around Taiwan were detected up until 6 a.m. (UTC+8) today. 2 out of 2 sorties crossed the median line and entered Taiwan's southwestern ADIZ. We have monitored the situation and responded accordingly," MND stated on X. The MND further reported the launch of Chinese satellites from Xichang Satellite Launch Centre, whose flight path was over central Taiwan towards the Western Pacific that day. However, it posed no threat, as its altitude was beyond the atmosphere as per MND.

"At 0:47 a.m. (UTC+8) today, China launched satellites from XSLC, with the flight path over central Taiwan toward the Western Pacific. The altitude is beyond the atmosphere, posing no threat. ROC Armed Forces monitored the process and remain ready to respond accordingly," MND further stated. The Taiwan-China issue is a complex and longstanding geopolitical conflict centred on Taiwan's sovereignty. Taiwan, officially known as the Republic of China (ROC), operates its own government, military, and economy, functioning as a de facto independent state.

However, China considers Taiwan a breakaway province and insists on the "One China" policy, which asserts that there is only one China, with Beijing as its capital. This has fuelled decades of tension, especially since the Chinese Civil War (1945-1949), when the ROC government retreated to Taiwan after the Communist Party, led by Mao Zedong, took control of mainland China. Beijing has consistently expressed its goal of reunification with Taiwan, using diplomatic, economic, and military pressure to isolate Taiwan internationally. Meanwhile, Taiwan, supported by a significant portion of its population, continues to maintain its independence.

Earthquake of magnitude 5.8 jolts Pakistan

MI News Service, Islamabad: An earthquake of magnitude 5.8 on the Richter Scale jolted Pakistan on Saturday, a statement by the National Center for Seismology (NCS) said. As per the NCS, the earthquake oc-curred at a shallow depth of 10km, making it susceptible to aftershocks. In a post on X, the NCS said, "EQ of M: 5.3, On: 12/04/2025 13:00:55 IST, Lat: 33.70 N, Long: 72.43 E, Depth: 10 Km, Location: Pakistan." Shallow earthquakes are generally more dangerous than deep earthquakes. This

is because the seismic waves from shallow earthquakes have a shorter distance to travel to the surface, resulting in stronger ground shaking and potentially more damage to structures and greater casualties. Pakistan is one of the most seismically active countries in the world, being crossed by several major faults. As a result, earthquakes in Pakistan occur often and are destructive. Pakistan geologically overlaps both the Eurasian and Indian tectonic plates. Balochistan, the Federally Adminis-

Pakhtunkhwa and Gilgit-Baltistan provinces lie on the southern edge of the Eurasian plate on the Iranian Plateau. Sindh, Punjab and Pakistanoccupied Jammu and Kashmir provinces lie on the north-western edge of the Indian plate in South Asia. Hence this region is prone to violent earthquakes, as the two tectonic plates collide. Earlier in the day, Pakistan's neighbor, Tajikistan was jolted by an earthquake of mag-

EASTERN RAILWAY Allotment of Multi Purpose Stall (MPS) at 'A', 'B',

'C' & 'D' category stations over Howrah Division No.: COM/C&V/New Allotment/MPS/2021, dated 11.04.2025. e-Auctions are invited by Sr. Divisional Commercial Manager, Eastern Railway, 4th Floor, Rail Yatri Niwas, New Complex Building, near Howrah Station, Howrah-711101 for the following work: Name of Work: Allotment of Multi Purpose Stall (MPS) at 'A', 'B', 'C' & 'D' category stations over Howrah Division for a period of 05 (Five) years. The e-Auction has been called in www.ireps.gov.in . Auction Catalogue No. : MPS-APR24-25. Seq. No.; Lot No./Category; Description; Close Date/Time : AA/1; MPS-HWH-BPAE-MPS-8-23-1 (MPS - Multi Purpose Stalls); ALLOTMENT OF MULTIPURPOSE STALL (MPS) FO ... Reserved, Click Here For Details; 24.04.2025, 12.30 hrs. AA/2; MPS-HWH-SNT-MPS-79-24-1 (MPS - Multi Purpose Stalls); Multi Purpose Stall (GMU - General) for 05... Unreserved Open to all: 24.04.2025, 12.40 hrs. 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Don't create unrest on the streets over Waqf, Kamruzzaman



Nurul Islam Khan

Continue to protest against the new Waqf Bill. But this protest should be held peacefully, said Mohammad Kamruzzaman, a member of the All India Muslim Personal Law Board. He has forbidden any movement by creating chaos on the streets, blocking the roads, and causing hardship to the common people. He has already ex-pressed regret for the pitched battle that the pro-testers have had with the police and has forbidden such a national movement. He further said that fighting against the police and Hindu brothers or other communities is not our main issue. Protecting the Constitution of India in a democratic way is the fundamental right of a person with good sense. Our movement against the central government will condemanding the withdrawal of the new Waqf Bill. Mohammad Kamruzzaman said that he will continue to protest continuously until the Modi government withdraws this black law. He has asked to organize this movement in the field or in the field according to the correct guidelines. He has requested for a peaceful movement. He asked the leadership to maintain strict vigilance so that the normal environment is not disrupted. He requested everyone to attend the historic grand conference at Brigade Parade Ground in Kolkata on April 26 against the New Waqf

US: Immigration Judge rules **Columbia Univer**sity student can be deported

MI News Service, Washington: An immigration judge has ruled that Columbia University student Mahmoud Khalil can be deported from the US due to his involvement in leading pro-Palestinian protests held at the campus in 2024, Fox News reported. On Friday, Judge JameeComans ruled Khalil can be deported as the US government met its burden of proof to deport him. "I would like to quote what you said last time that there's nothing that's more important to this court than due process rights and fundamental fairness," Khalil told

He said, "Clearly, what we witnessed today, neither of these principles were present today or in this whole process." Khalil expressed hope that the urgency deemed fit for him by the judge is afforded to hundreds of others who have been there without hearing for months. He said, "This Is exactly why the Trump administration has sent me to this court, 1,000 miles away from my family. I just hope that the urgency that you deemed fit for me is afforded to the hundreds of others who have been here without hearing for months." His lawyers can file relief applications until April 23. During the hearing on Friday, the US Department of Homeland Security (DHS) attorney spoke about how Khalil misrepresented himself on his green card application and was not upfront about some of the organisations he was engaged with.

Al Jazeera, Witkoff is now United States President a key figure in the on-off Donald Trump's special tete-a-tete Moscow and Washington envoy, Steve Witkoff, met amid talk on the Russian Russian President Vladimir Putin in Saint Petersburg side of potential joint into discuss the conflict in vestments in the Arctic and Russian rare earth miner-Ukraine, Al Jazeera reported. On Friday, Putin als. The talks come as the was shown on state TV, as US continues efforts to broper Al Jazeera, greeting Witkoff in Saint Petersker a ceasefire deal to end the conflict, which has burg's presidential library stalled amid negotiations at the start of the negotia-tions, and their talks lasted on the conditions of the deal. White House Press Secretary Karoline Leavitt more than four hours. The on Friday (local time) con-Kremlin said the meeting "focused on various asfirmed that US special envoy Steve Witkoff is curpects of the Ukrainian setrently in Russia to hold ditlement", elaborating. rect talks with the Kremlin Earlier, spokesperson Kremlin and Russian President Dmitry Peskov said Putin Vladimir Putin as part of and Witkoff might discuss the ongoing efforts towards

a ceasefire deal for the Ukraine conflict. During a press briefing, Leavitt stated that it was a step towards the negotiating process for the ceasefire as well as an "ultimate peace deal."

She added that US President Donald Trump

has been "continually frustrated with both sides of this conflict," indicating the administration's intent to take a more active role in peace negotiations. Putin and Trump have spoken by phone but have yet to meet in person since the US leader returned to the White House in January for a second four-year term. Trump has been pressing Moscow and Kyiv to agree on a ceasefire deal but has failed to extract any major concessions from the Kremlin, despite several rounds of talks between Russian and US officials.

UAE assumes **Chair of INTERPOL Committee on** Governance

the possibility of the Russ-

ian leader meeting Trump

face-to-face. According to

MI News Service, Paris: The UAE, represented by the Ministry of Interior, has been elected to chair the Committee on Governance, a key advisory committee of the INTERPOL. This achievement demonstrates the UAE's strong reputation, its strategic role in fostering influential international partnerships, and its ongoing commitment to collaborative international action.

Colonel Lieutenant Dana Humaid Al Marzouqi, Director General of the International Affairs Office at the Ministry of Interior, secured 67 per cent of the votes from the representatives of INTERPOL member states during the committee's session, held at IN-TERPOL's headquarters in Lyon, France.

The Committee on Governance is one of the main advisory bodies within INTERPOL, tasked with examining and enhancing the governance of the organisation. The committee's role is pivotal in ensuring good governance, which supports the effective development and per formance of INTERPOL and its member countries, while ensuring that the organisation meets its strategic objectives.

At the 92nd INTERPOL General Assembly in Glasgow in late 2024, a resoluestablished the Committee on Governance as a standing committee of the General Assembly, transforming the former Working Group on Governance into this permanent body. The UAE is the first country to chair this newly formed standing committee, which is tasked with reviewing and advising on matters related to the governance of INTERPOL.

As part of its mandate, the Committee on Governance will review the IN-TERPOL Statute, General Regulations, and their annexes. It will provide advice to the General Assembly regarding proposals to amend these documents or on any proposals concerning their interpretation, in addition to other relevant matters within its competencies.

The committee's membership consists of highlevel experts in governance and public international law, representing member states and ensuring broad, inclusive participation in the committee's work.

As Chair of the Committee on Governance for a two-year term, the UAE will lead discussions and facilitate decision-making within the committee. It will also represent the committee in reports to the General Assembly and the Executive Committee, and will coordinate between member states to ensure the successful implementation of the committee's mandate, thus contributing to the overall success of IN-TERPOL's governance.

Meeting against the new Waqf Bill



Nurul Islam Khan

On Friday, a huge rally was held in Dholahat, South 24 Parganas, demanding the withdrawal of the unconstitutional Waqf Amendment Act. Various organizations participated. People from all walks of life, regardless of religion and caste, were present in the meeting. The speakers said that the central government is destroying the constitution. They warned of strong resistance against imposing this black law on the minority Muslim community. They called on a large number of

people from the village to attend the brigade rally called by the All India Muslim Personal Law Board on April 26. The meeting was presided over by Maulana Nurullah Mollah,Madar Darbar Para Maulana Qasemi, Maulana Qasemi, Master Zahir Ahmed, Maulana Moinud-Maulana din. Iqbal, Maulana Nasir Uddin and Master Sumir Shikhar Naiya were among those present. Maulana Mufti Nurullah Sahib claimed that 50,000 people attended the

3 people killed after small plane crashes on busy street in Florida

MI News Service, Florida: Three people were killed after a small plane crashed along a busy street and erupted into a fireball just outside Boca Raton in Florida on Friday, CNN reported. The Federal Aviation Administration and National Transportation Safety Board will carry out an investigation into the

plane crash. According to Michael LaSalle, assistant fire chief with Boca Raton Fire Rescue, three people who were on-board the twin-engine Cessna 310 when it crashed were killed. A man who was driving a car in the area was injured after hitting a tree due to debris and fire from the plane crash. LaSalle said he suffered non-life-threatening injuries and was taken to the hospital for treatment. In a statement, Boca Raton Mayor Scott Singer said, "We are deeply saddened to confirm that a plane crash occurred earlier today within our community." added, "Our thoughts are with all those affected by this tragic event. We ask for patience and respect for the families involved as investigations continue," CNN reported. According to officials, the aircraft took off from Boca Raton at about 10 am and was heading to Tallahassee. According to LaSalle and the FAA, Boca Raton fire and police dispatch received a call for a plane in trouble at about 10:12 am, and the aircraft crashed at 10:20 am. The assistant fire chief said the plane had "some mechanical issues." Data from FlightRadar24 shows the plane made repeated loops around the aircraft before the crash, CNN reported. In a video shared on social media, one witness said, "I heard it like zooming by a couple of times and then whew - a plane crashed." Another person said, "The whole building

GAMES

ICC TO CHANGE WORLD TEST CHAMPIONSHIP POINT SYSTEM? WHAT'S THE BUZZ ABOUT?

Council (ICC) could agree to major changes in the points system of the World Test Championships from the next cycle, while it is likely to defer the contentious proposal to segregate Test cricket into two divisions, a report said on Saturday.

The next World Championship (WTC) cycle begins with India touring (WTC) England for a five-match series in June this year, five days after the conclusion of the final for the 2023-2025 cycle between and South Africa and Australia at

ICC has been long contemplating a new system of bonus points based on the margin of victory "similar to that used in rugby union, while weighting points for wins based on the strength of opponents and adding extra points for winning away from home," reported news agency

The current WTC system



awards the same number of points -- 12 for a win, six for a tie and four for a draw which has given rise to discontent that India, England and Australia are disadvantaged as they play more games against each other"

"South Africa's achievement in reaching this year's final led to some resentment as they did so

without playing England or Australia. Series wins against West Indies, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka, a draw against India and the final for the first time." PTI

quoted a report as saying.

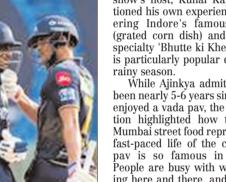
The report also said that the issue of over-rate penalties will also come up for discussion, with England's director of cricket Rob Key highlighting the severity of the WTC points on the rankings. The report added that the ICC

could, for now, put on hold the plan to divide Test cricket into two divisions and continue with the single-league WTC format.

Cricket Australia is said to be in favour of having two divisions, which would entail Australia, England and India playing against each other twice every three years, "rather than the current model of two series in four years, and generate huge financial returns

The other Test-playing countries have expressed their reservations to the two-tier system, arguing that it could lead to them falling even further behind the

defeat in India vielded enough so-called Big Three. ISL 2024-25 Final: Key battles to watch out for in Mohun Bagan Super Giant vs Bengaluru FC



'Stay present in the moment': KKR's Rahane and Iyer cook

up life lessons and local cuisine

CHANDIGARH (PUNJAB) : In a delightful episode three of 'Knight Bite, KKR's cooking show in association with TTK Prestige, teammates Venkatesh Iyer and Ajinkya Rahane took a break from cricket to showcase their culinary skills while reminiscing about their hometown flavours, as per the

KKR press release. signature Venkatesh Iyer proudly spoke about Indore's famous street food scene, particularly highlighting the unique combinations that have become traditions in the city. "In Indore, if you don't have jalebi with poha, your meal isn't complete," Venkatesh shared, explaining how this unexpected pairing of sweet and savoury has become a

beloved tradition in the city. The conversation also turned to Indore's famous Sarafa Bazaar, which Venkatesh described as a vibrant food hub where visitors can find countless delicacies. The

show's host, Kunal Kapur, mentioned his own experience discovering Indore's famous 'Khees' (grated corn dish) and the local specialty 'Bhutte ki Khees', which is particularly popular during the

While Ajinkya admitted it had been nearly 5-6 years since he last enjoyed a vada pav, the conversa-tion highlighted how the iconic Mumbai street food represents the fast-paced life of the city. "Vada pav is so famous in Mumbai. People are busy with work, moving here and there, and vada pav is what they eat," noted the host, drawing a connection between Mumbai's on-the-go lifestyle and its most beloved street food.

Both players showed they have interests beyond cricket, with Venkatesh sharing a healthy rice recipe he learned from his wife, combining olive oil, vegetables, paneer or soya chunks, and even broccoli for a nutritious meal that, as he put it, 'can be for evening meal.' When discussing pressure on the cricket field, Ajinkya shared wisdom that could apply equally to cooking and cricket: "Pressure comes when you think about the end result or outcome. You learn from mistakes and experiences... The key is to stay present in the moment and focus on what's happening right now."

The episode culminated in the creation of a fusion dish that brought together flavors from Kolkata, Indore, and Mumbai -"Khees ke Bade," featuring the Indore specialty of grated corn transformed into a Mumbai-style vada, served with Kolkatainspired chutneys. "This combination of Kolkata meets Indore is fantastic," the host exclaimed as they served the final dish.

the excitement of the Indian Super League (ISL) reaches its pinnacle, fans are gearing up for a titanic clash in the final between two of the league's most iconic teams: Bengaluru FC and Mohun Bagan Super Giant. The Mariners have their eyes

set on completing the ISL double, while Bengaluru FC will be gunning to reclaim the coveted ISL

Cup.
With both sides pushing for glory, this high-stakes encounter promises to be a thrilling affair. Here's a look at three key duels that could ultimately decide the fate of the final.

Jason Cummings vs. Rahul Bheke:

Jason Cummings has been a valuable asset for MBSG this season, and his recent form is something the League Shield winners will be banking on in the final. With six goals and six assists, he has consistently demonstrated his attacking prowess and ability to deliver in crucial moments.

Rahul Bheke, meanwhile, has been a pillar of BFC's defence, offering consistency and leadership at the back. His 85% passing accuracy and 1.095 successf passes reflect his ability to build from deep. Tasked with keeping a close watch on the Aussie forward. Bheke will need to maintain defensive discipline to neutralize Cummings's threat.

Cummings's movement and instinct will challenge Bheke's ability to maintain a defensive shape under pressure. Subhasish Bose vs. Ryan

Williams

Subhasish Bose has been rocksolid for MBSG, with six goals and one assist in 24 matches. Aerially dominant and reliable in defence his tackling and duel success rates



are standout stats. The Mariners' captain has made 46 interceptions this season--the third-highest in the league--and recorded 44 successful tackles, the fourth-most in the league. Standing up against him is Ryan Williams.

spark for BFC, with seven goals and four assists in 21 matches Known for his bursts of speed and sharp dribbling, he poses a constant threat to opposition defences and will be looking to make incisive runs down the wings to trouble the MBSG backline. With 33 chances created and a solid tackle record, he brings balance to BFC's attacking play.

Bose's awareness of overlap runs and defensive positioning will be key to stopping Williams

Anirudh Thapa vs. Alberto Noguera Anirudh Thapa has been a key playmaker for MBSG, notching three assists in 17 appearances. The midfielder boasts a passing accuracy of 81%, including $18\ key$ passes and $21\ chances$ created. His 55 recoveries and 15 interceptions reflect a strong baldefensive work rate.

Alberto Noguera, meanwhile, has anchored BFC's midfield with five goals and four assists in 25 matches and, most importantly, enters the final as a man in form. The Spaniard has delivered standout performances in all three playoff matches so far. His consistent dribbling and solid tackling make him a vital presence at both ends of the pitch

Thapa's control in midfield will be tested by Noguera's creativity and consistency, with both sides aiming to dominate the midfield



Australian star Perry backs England to bounce back under Edwards' as coach

LONDON [UK]: Australian all-rounder Ellyse Perry feels that archrivals England can bounce back under their new head coach and former batter Charlotte Edwards taking over, saying that the team is a "group of champions"

England Women lost all seven games on their multi-format Ashes tour of Australia earlier this year - a result that was followed by head coach Jon Lewis and captain Heather Knight both stepping

Perry, however, is confident that come the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup in India later this year, England will turn the page with new head coach Charlotte Edwards taking over.

"If you look at the class of that English team and the players they have, their best eleven is a formidable side," Perry told Sky Sports

I have got absolutely no doubt that they will be a very different team this summer in England, but also in the World Cup in India." "They are a group of champions, and you are always allowed to

have some tough periods and challenges where you are a bit off." "But there is a lot of class in that team, and that will show pretty quickly. It was probably more of a blip than any kind of longstanding issue, so I am excited to see how Edwards brings them back," she concluded.

Former England captain Edwards had led the side to an ICC Women's Cricket World Cup as well as T20 World Cup titles back in

The ICC Hall of Famer will be hoping to take England one step further at the Cricket World Cup in India later this year, having finished as runner-ups in the 2022 edition of the tournament.

Both Australia and England have already qualified for the marquee tournament - finishing first and third in the ICC Women's Championship 2022/25 standings.

While Perry will play a pivotal role in Australia's Cricket World Cup title defence in India, the veteran all-rounder is also eyeing a major summer in England next year that will see them host the Women's T20 World Cup.

'Culturally, there are so many similarities between Australian and English cricket. I have had the chance to play in England quite a bit across my career, and I always love doing that. "Playing T20 cricket (for Hampshire) here, I have also got an eye

on the World Cup in England next year, so I am excited for the chance to be here this summer."

"Everyone is really looking forward to that event. There is a lot of competition, particularly playing in India, that always brings a lot of challenges," he concluded. At the previous edition of the tournament, while England were

knocked out of the tournament in the group stages, Australia were bested by South Africa in the semi-finals.

14-year-old Vaibhav Suryanshi faces off against Jofra Archer during RR's net session

JAIPUR (RAJASTHAN): 14-vearold India batter Vaibhay Suryavanshi, the youngest player in the history of the Indian Premier League (IPL), faced off against fiery England pacer Jofra Archer in the nets ahead of their team's clash against Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) in Jaipur on Sunday.

RR posted a video of the faceoff on their official X handle.

In the video, Archer was seen testing the youngster with his pace, line and lengths. Vaibhav also responded well to Archer, ducking him whenever needed and not being afraid to use his shots either.

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Vaibhav is yet to play an IPL game. On the other hand, Archer has taken five wickets in five games at an average of 35.40, with best figures of 3/25.

During the IPL mega-auction last year, one of the biggest surprises that emerged was Suryavanshi becoming a Royal for Rs 1.1 crore. Born on March 27, 2011, in Bihar, Vaibhav is the youngest player on the list. He made his first-class debut for Bihar in January 2024 at just 12 years and 284 days old. Last year,



against Australia in Chennai, where he smashed a 58-ball cen-

tury.
He also made his T20 debut for Bihar during the SMAT 2024 tournament, though he could not score much in his only outing. He was also the seventh-highest rungetter in the ACC Under 19 Asia Cup 2024-25. He scored 176 runs in 5 matches in the tournament

with a highest score of 76* Coming to the RR-RCB clash. this will be RR's first game at their primary home venue, Sawai Mansingh Stadium in Jaipur. RR is at the seventh spot, with two wins and three losses in five games and their last game was a loss to Gujarat Titans (GT) in Ahmedabad

RCB on the other hand, is in the fourth spot with three wins and two losses, giving them six points. Their previous game was a loss to Delhi Capitals (DC) in Bengaluru.

Shubman Gill completes 2,000 runs for GT, becomes first player to do so **LUCKNOW (UTTAR PRADESH):**

Gujarat Titans (GT) skipper Shubman Gill completed 2,000 runs for his franchise on Saturday, becoming the first play-Gill achieved this milestone

during his side's Indian Premier League (IPL) match against Lucknow Super Giants (LSG) at During his knock, Gill scored

60 in just 38 balls, with six fours and a six. His runs came at a strike rate of 157.89. He had a 120-run partnership with opener Sai Sudharsan, who made 56 in 37 balls, with seven fours and a Now in 51 matches for the

franchise since his debut in 2022, Gill has scored 2,007 runs for GT at an average of 44.60 and a strike rate of 147.89 after 51 innings. He has scored four centuries and 12 fifties, with his best score being 129.

In the ongoing season, Gill has made 208 runs in six innings at an average of 41.60 and a strike rate of 149.64. He has scored two half-centuries, with the best score of 61*. He is the sixth-highest run-getter this season.

Gill enjoyed his best IPL season ever with GT as well, scoring



890 runs in 17 matches and innings at an average of 59.33 and a strike rate of 157.80 in the 2023 season. He scored three centuries and four fifties, with the best score of 129.

Including his run with Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) from 2018-2021, Gill has scored 3,424 runs in 109 matches and 106 innings in his IPL career. These runs have come at a healthy average of 38.04 and a strike rate of 136.46. He has made four centuries and 22 fifties. His best score is 129. Coming to the match, LSG

won the toss and elected to field first. A 120-run partnership between Gill (60 in 38 balls, with six fours and a six) and Sudharsan (56 in 37 balls, with seven fours and a six) got GT off to a fine start. However, after losing both openers, GT could not really recover and made 180/6 in their 20 overs, after losing Washington Sundar (2), Jos Buttler (16), Sherfane Rutherford (22) and Rahul Tewatia (0) quick-Shardul Thakur (2/34) and

Ravi Bishnoi (2/36) were the top bowlers for LSG while Digvesh Rathi and Avesh Khan also got a