



Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu meets Prime Minister Narendra Modi, in New Delhi on Friday.

Houses of 2 LeT terrorists of Pahalgam attack destroyed in blast

MI News Service, Srinagar : In a major development in the backdrop of the Pahalgam terrorist attack, the houses of two Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) terrorists, including the prime suspect of the Pahalgam attack, were destroyed when explosives believed to be stored there went off, officials said on Friday.

The incidents took place during the intervening night of Thursday and Friday, when the residences of Aadil Hussain Thokar and Asif Sheikh were being searched by the security forces at Guree village in Bijbehara and Tral respectively in south Kashmir, the officials said.

Huge quantity of explosives were believed to have been found at the premises during the search operation, prompting the security forces to evacuate the occupants of the houses as well as neighbours to safety, the officials claimed.

Both the houses were damaged in the explosions, leading to their destruction, the officials said.

Thokar, a resident of south Kashmir's Anantnag district, is one of the key accused in Tuesday's Pahalgam

massacre, while Sheikh, a resident of Tral in Pulwama district, is suspected to be involved in the conspiracy of the attack.

The family members of both men have claimed that they are not aware of the whereabouts of Thokar and Sheikh.

Twenty-six people, mostly tourists, were killed and several injured when terrorists opened fire at a meadow near the popular tourist town of Pahalgam in Anantnag district on Tuesday afternoon.

Meanwhile in another development, External Affairs Minister (EAM) S Jaishankar met with the ambassadors of Israel and Argentina in New Delhi on Friday and held discussions on several aspects of the bilateral relationship, including the condemnation of the heinous Pahalgam terrorist attack.

In a series of post on X, External Affairs Minister shared the details of the meetings held with the envoys of the two countries.

EAM Jaishankar appreciated Israel's steadfast support in combating cross-border terrorism. "A good dis-

cussion with Ambassador Israel @ReuvenAzar in New Delhi today. Appreciated Israel's steadfast support in combating cross-border terrorism," EAM Jaishankar wrote.

Upon meeting the Argentinian ambassador, Jaishankar welcomed Argentina's strong condemnation of the Pahalgam terror attack. Both also held discussions about the improvement of ties between the two countries.

"Met Ambassador @CaucinoMariano of Argentina today. Welcome Argentina's strong condemnation of Pahalgam terror attack. Spoke about advancing our bilateral and multilateral cooperation", he wrote on X.

Earlier on Friday, the envoys of US, Israel and Spain had arrived at the South Block office of the Ministry of External Affairs. While speaking to media, Israeli Ambassador Reuven Azar said called the Pahalgam terror attack a "watershed moment" and said that discussions were held on areas of mutual concern that have to do with fight against

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Amit Shah asks all CMs to ensure no Pakistani stays in India beyond deadline

MI News Service, New Delhi : Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Friday called up the chief ministers of all the states and asked them to ensure that no Pakistani national stays in India beyond the deadline set for leaving the country, sources said.

India on Thursday announced revoking all visas issued to Pakistani nationals from April 27 and advised Indian nationals residing in Pakistan to return home at the earliest, as tensions between the two countries escalated over the Pahalgam terror attack that killed 26 people, mostly tourists, on Tuesday.

The home minister personally called up the chief ministers of all the states and asked them to ensure that no Pakistani stays in India beyond the deadline, sources said.

The chief ministers were also told to identify

the Pakistani nationals staying in their respective areas and ensure their deportation, the sources said.

Accordingly, the Pune district administration in Maharashtra has so far identified 111 Pakistani nationals living in the district and directed them to leave India by April 27.

The action followed the suspension of all types of visas issued to Pakistani citizens in the aftermath of the Pahalgam terror attack in Jammu and Kashmir.

However, the medical visas will be valid for an additional two days.

The revocation of visas does not apply to the long-term visas already issued to Hindu Pakistani nationals, which "remain valid".

India announced suspending visa services to Pakistani nationals with immediate effect over the cross-border links to the Pahalgam attack, the worst terror strike targeting civil-

ians in the country since the 26/11 Mumbai terror attack. In addition, the government on Wednesday announced that Pakistani nationals will not be permitted to travel to India under the SAARC visa exemption scheme (SVES) and any Pakistani national currently in India under the SVES visa has 48 hours to leave the country. The deadline ends Friday.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday asserted that India will "identify, track, and punish" every terrorist and their "backers" involved in the Pahalgam carnage and pursue the killers to the "ends of the earth", as India stepped up the diplomatic offensive against Pakistan.

Delivering a stern message in his first public speech after the Pahalgam attack at Madhubani in Bihar on Thursday, Modi vowed that terrorism will

not go "unpunished" and that every effort will be made to ensure that justice is done, adding that India's spirit will never be broken by terrorism.

At an all-party meeting held here on Thursday, leaders across party lines called for a decisive action against terrorism and terror camps, assuring the government of their full support.

Simultaneously, India also informed Pakistan of its decision to keep the Indus Waters Treaty of 1960 in abeyance with immediate effect, saying Pakistan has breached its conditions. Sustained cross-border terrorism by Pakistan targeting Jammu and Kashmir impedes India's rights under the Indus Waters Treaty, Water Resources Secretary Debashree Mukherjee said in a letter addressed to her Pakistani counterpart, Syed Ali Murtaza.

Rahul Gandhi meets Pahalgam injured and CM Omar Abdullah

MI News Service, Srinagar : Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi met Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah here on Friday to discuss the fallout of the Pahalgam terror attack on tourists and others.

The Congress Leader, who earlier interacted with the injured tourists at the Army's based hospital here, met Abdullah at his residence, officials said.

Terrorists struck at a prime tourist location in Pahalgam in south Kashmir on Tuesday, killing at least 26 people, mostly tourists, and injuring several others.

While consoling the injured the Congress MP said the horrific terror attack at the picturesque popular tourist destination Pahalgam was carried out with an intent to "divide society" and urged the nation to stand united "to fight this nasty action" and defeat terrorism by all means.

The Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha, who visited the injured tourists at the Indian Army's hospital in Srinagar, also asked the citizens to stay united

Mamata Banerjee stands by the family of army jawan killed in Udhampur Attack

MI News Service, Nadia:/ Kolkata : West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Friday extended her deep condolences and full support to the family of Havaldar Jhantu Ali Sheikh, an army Special Forces Commando from Nadia district, who was tragically killed in a militant attack on April 24 in Udhampur district of Jammu and Kashmir.

Ali Sheikh was killed, and two of his colleagues were critically injured during an encounter between terrorists and security forces in the Dudu-Basantgarh area of Udhampur. The incident took place during a joint operation launched by security forces based on specific intelligence. During the encounter, Ali Sheikh sustained multiple bullet injuries and later succumbed despite the best medical efforts by the army, as reported by the White Knight Corps of the Indian Army.

In a gesture of empathy and support, Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee personally reached out to the family of the fallen soldier. She made a call around 1 pm on Friday to Nazim Sheikh, Jhantu Ali Sheikh's cousin. The Chief Minister spoke to him for approximately 12 minutes, offering her heartfelt condolences and assuring the family of her full support.

Mamata Banerjee provided a direct line of communication, reassuring Nazim Sheikh that he could reach out to her whenever necessary during this difficult time.

Following the Udhampur attack, security forces launched a search operation in the Bandipora district, specifically in the Kulnar Bazipora area, to neutralize any remaining threats. Earlier, on April 23, another heavy exchange of fire took place between the security forces and terrorists in Baramulla, leading to the elimination



of two terrorists and the foiling of an infiltration attempt.

Meanwhile, Indian Army Chief General Upendra Dwivedi arrived in Srinagar today to assess the security situation in the region, following the terror attack in Pahalgam on April 22 that claimed 26 lives. General Dwivedi is set to meet senior Army commanders and security officials to review the ongoing situation and address the threat posed by Pakistan-backed terrorists along the Line of Control. The Indian Army remains on high alert, conducting multiple operations to counter terrorist activities in the region.

Be mindful of social media posts, reject gifts: Guidelines for soon-to-be civil servants

MI News Service, New Delhi : All recently selected civil service candidates have to be mindful that their social media posts reflect only on the service and they reject all forms of inducement such as gifts, hospitality, and free publicity, official guidelines issued on Friday stipulated.

Civil servants are the public face of the state and their conduct is under constant public scrutiny, it said.

"You must ensure that your personal conduct and official and social interface with the general public, people's representatives, corporate entities, civil society organisations, government personnel, all other dignitaries and vulnerable sections of the society is courteous, respectful, dignified and appropriate," read the guidelines issued by Musoorie-based Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration (LBSNAA), a premier training institute for the civil servants.

The academy said that respect to women is central in Indian ethos and the bureaucrats must be gender-sensitive.

"You are expected to display the highest attitude of compassion, respectful engagement and fraternal behavior while expressing your viewpoint without hurting the sentiments of others. Courteous and dignified behavior is expected not just within the academy but also outside the academy while dealing with the public at large," the guidelines said.

According to it, the soon-to-be bureaucrats are expected to follow civic manners like following traffic rules, not littering, spitting in public spaces, and follow personal hygiene like turning out well-groomed and dressed appropriately.

The guidelines, issued by the LBSNAA Director Sriram Taranikanti, said the candidates are expected to abstain from consuming any intoxicant substances in public.

"It is essential to know clearly the conduct rules and instructions in this regard. The candidates have also been advised to maintain punctuality.

"Respecting the time of others is very crucial. Do not cause any inconvenience to others in whatsoever manner," the document said.

The academy said it is also good to familiarise the immediate family members with the cultural norms of the service.

"Care should be taken to maintain high levels of morality in your personal lives also. Sober, modest, culturally appropriate clothes befitting the occasion (formal, informal, traditional etc) should always be preferred," the guidelines said.

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"In this context the academy also encourages the ethical and productive use of technology and gadgets by the probationers for accessing and processing the information for effective learning outcomes.

"While social media may pervade several aspects of life, and the academy too recognises the value of social media and digital platforms in effective administration at an institutional level, any kind of social media that promotes self is strongly discouraged," it added.

The academy said that a healthy lifestyle is an added asset to public service. As the academy follows a rigorous training schedule that comprises physical activity along with academic inputs, the guidelines said, "It is useful to imbibe these aspects from now onwards."

BSF chief discusses the fallout of the detention of constable Shaw by Pakistani Rangers



MI News Service, New Delhi : The Border Security Force (BSF) Director General Daljit Chawdhary met Union Home Secretary Govind Mohan here on Friday to discuss with him about the situation following the detention of a BSF constable by Pakistan Rangers.

The meeting holds a special significance as Pakistan Rangers have detained BSF constable, Purab Kumar Shaw, who inadvertently crossed the International Border near Punjab's Ferozepur on

Wednesday while providing security to farmers.

The meeting continued for over half an hour after which the BSF Director General left the North Block office of the Ministry of Home Affairs, but did not utter a single word about the outcome of the important dialogues between the two.

Shaw, wearing his uniform and carrying his service rifle, was with a group of farmers when he inadvertently stepped forward to rest in a

shaded area, where he was immediately captured by the Pakistan Rangers on Wednesday afternoon.

According to initial reports, the trooper unintentionally stepped into Pakistani territory. Three flag meetings between the BSF and the Pakistan Rangers has already taken place in an effort to secure the constable's safe return, but the meetings remained inconclusive so far, the Home ministry officials said.

Officials noted that such incidents are not uncommon in the porous

border areas and have occurred previously along the border between the two countries a number of times. This latest incident comes at a time of heightened tensions and bilateral relations between the two countries following the terror attack in Pahalgam. The brutal and unprovoked attack on tourists has forced India to take a range of retaliatory actions against Pakistan for supporting the cross border

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Members of the Vishwa Hindu Parishad rose in protest against the Pahalgam terror attack. Participants from Sealdah, Howrah, and College Square joined the mega rally on Friday.

Hooghly Jawan in PAK custody, his family pleads for return

MI News Service, Hooghly: A BSF constable from Hooghly, Purnam Kumar Sau, has been detained by Pakistan Rangers after unintentionally crossing the border near Pathankot. As flag meetings occur, his family in Rishra, including his tearful mother and wife, urgently request government action for his safe return, especially with India-Pakistan tensions already high.

The detention of Border Security Force (BSF) Constable Purnam Kumar Sau by Pakistan Rangers has triggered significant concern for his family in the Harisava area of Rishra, Hooghly district. Constable Sau reportedly inadvertently crossed the international border near Pathankot while on duty, seeking shade due to feeling unwell. In a backdrop of heightened tensions between India and Pakistan



Rajni Sau, offering assurances that all necessary measures are being undertaken to ensure Constable Sau's safe return. While flag meetings between BSF and Pakistan Army officials are reportedly in progress, the continued detention has left the family in a state of deep worry, underscoring the delicate geopolitical context surrounding the incident.

Acid attack survivor Laxmi Agarwal inspires Kolkata with story of strength and survival



Acid attack survivor Laxmi Agarwal during a session titled 'Beyond the Burn' organised by Income Tax Dept of W.B and Sikkim in association with ROWA, in Kolkata on Friday

MI News Service, Kolkata: In a powerful human interest session titled "Beyond the Burn," renowned acid attack survivor and social activist Laxmi Agarwal captivated a Kolkata audience with her moving testimony of survival, resilience, and advocacy.

Organized by the Income Tax Department of West Bengal & Sikkim in association with the Revenue Officers' Wives

Association (ROWA), the event was more than a platform for awareness—it became a space of healing and empowerment. Laxmi, attacked at the age of 15, recalled the traumatic aftermath—years of surgeries, emotional isolation, and harsh societal rejection. Yet, through unwavering courage, she transformed her pain into purpose. Held on Friday, the event was graced by ROWA Chairperson Archana Kumar and Chief Commissioner of Income Tax Nibedita Biswas, alongside several acid attack survivors from across the state. Laxmi, now the face of the Stop Sale Acid Campaign, urged survivors to fight despair and reclaim their dignity. Laxmi emphasized the importance of not giving in to despair. She encouraged survivors to remain mentally strong and continue their fight. Today, she is the face of the Stop Sale Acid Campaign and remains a fierce advocate for justice. Her impassioned words underscored that though acid may scar the skin, it cannot break the spirit. Today, her advocacy echoes across India—reminding society that true beauty lies in strength, not appearance.

Padmini's 'Teri Meri Kahani' to be released by Mrignayni Productions

MI News Service, Kolkata: Padmini Dutta Sharma is an internationally famed author and poet with sixteen books of different genres to her credit, who has already made three films from her own stories earlier and received huge audience accolades.

"TERI MERI KAHANI" is her fourth venture from her own production house 'Mrignayni Films & Productions.'

In this particular film Padmini has delved deep into the psyche of her characters to reveal the various shades and facets that distinctly separate one from the other. According to Padmini, there's a huge difference between Apparent and Reality, which means what we see with our eyes at the first glance is usually not true. In "Teri Meri Kahani", each character has emerged gradually from their own shadows, after fighting a se-

ries of tussles to create an identity of their own and emerge a winner. This story is about each one of us that are always shy of revealing their true self for fear of being ostracized; once we overcome the obstacles, fifty percent of the groundwork is set for the final outcome. Let's not allow any sort of disability to come in the way of our dreams, be it mental or physical and ofcourse before forming an opinion about others and passing a judgement, one should first search one's own inner conscience. An apparently innocent looking person can be a devil and a hard core criminal; it is only those people that are live in close proximity with such devils that know their brutal mindset.

Padmini Dutta Sharma has carved a special niche for herself in the literary world by her different genre books ranging



from fiction to non fiction; poems to short stories, essays to novels.

Being a profound writer and columnist she has always lend her thoughts and pen to the burning social issues of her times and beyond in every book in one way or the other. Although her first career choice was journalism she subsequently switched to literary writing, selecting books as her preferred medium to convey her messages. Her earlier books on different genres have received rare reviews from the media and literary laureates. Her writing is flawless and smooth; subtle and sharp. Padmini's penchant for details takes her readers straight to the characters; she doesn't forget to sketch their desires, passions and secret urges vividly. Her writings evoke curiosity and interest but her readers like to go slow, pausing and connecting with every situation as though experiencing deja vu all the way.

The film, "Teri Meri Kahani" shot at various attractive locations makes each frame very different from the other. The music is simply mind blowing; the audience will for sure hum the tune after they finish watching the film. From the story to the script, from direction to production, this is wholly and truly Padmini's film from her own production house.

Associated with various NGO's, she takes it in her stride to stand beside's the less privileged in the real sense of the term, which means not just posing for pictures but empowering them with real financial assistance.

Padmini fights for Men's Rights and stands tall for the LGBTQ community. She has counseled hundreds of people suffering from complex mental disorders and changed their lives by her positive vibes.

Little Thespian celebrates the birth anniversary of its founder director S. M. Azhar Alam staging his last written play Chaak

MI News Service, Kolkata: Little Thespian celebrated the birth anniversary of its founder director S. M. Azhar Alam on 17th April 2025 at Gyan Manj by staging his last written play Chaak designed and directed by Uma Jhunjhunwala. The play Chaak is about the various challenges and issues faced by Indian Muslims during the partition of Pakistan and East Pakistan in 1971. The play is a commendable piece displaying the struggles of one such Muslim family where Gaffur Khan (the father) is entangled in unending court trials for his inherited family property and Arshad (the middle child/son) is showing a canvas of emotions with varying degrees of vexation, misery and anxiety. Zohra (the mother), Majid (eldest son), and Razia (youngest child/daughter) have their own trauma and travails.

The music for this play has been de-



signed by Sangeet Natak Akademi Awardee Shri Murari Raychoudhury and lights by Joydeep Roy. The actors who bought the characters alive on stage were: Uma Jhunjhunwala as Zohra, Sagar Sengupta as father Gaffur Khan, Md. Asif Ansari as Arshad, Md. Aftab Alam as Majid, Priyanka Singh as Razia, Intekhab Warsi as Mut-

Rafale patrols North Bengal skies amid anticipation of India's retaliation for Pahalgam attack

MI News Service, Siliguri: Amidst heightened tensions following the Pahalgam attack and India's ongoing counter-operations in Jammu and Kashmir, the Indian Air Force has initiated preliminary exercises in the skies of North Bengal, including increased activity at the Bagdogra and Hasimara air force stations, where Rafale fighter jets have been sighted. This aerial activity, coinciding with military exercises dubbed 'Attack' also involving Rafale and Sukhoi aircraft from the Ambala airbase in Haryana, has sparked speculation about a potential retaliatory move. While the army officially terms these movements as routine exercises, security experts emphasize the strategic importance of the region, particularly the 'chicken's neck' bordering China. Concerns are also being raised by retired army officers regarding China potentially exploiting India's focus on Pakistan, and the possibility of Pakistan using Bangladeshi soil in any conflict scenario. Consequently, there is a growing consensus on the need for heightened surveillance along the extensive China and Bangladesh borders, especially areas near Nathula, given the perceived unity of potential adversaries.

Following the militant attack in Pahalgam and India's subsequent security measures in Jammu and Kashmir, the Indian Air Force (IAF) has commenced preliminary exercises in the skies of North Bengal. Increased activity has been observed at the Bagdogra and Hasimara air force stations, with Rafale fighter jets con-

ducting sorties in the region. Similar heightened patrols have also been reported at airbases in Assam and Arunachal Pradesh.

Army sources have identified this military activity as a routine exercise named 'Attack', with Rafale and Sukhoi aircraft also sighted flying from the Ambala airbase in Haryana. However, security experts suggest that while India's immediate focus is on Pakistan, its strategic ally China should not be overlooked, particularly given its proximity to the sensitive 'chicken's neck' corridor.

Several retired army officers have voiced concerns about potential opportunism from China's People's Liberation Army during a period of heightened Indo-Pakistani tensions. They also raise the possibility of Pakistan leveraging Bangladeshi territory in any future conflict. Retired army officer Rakesh Bali, while expressing skepticism about the likelihood of a full-scale war with Pakistan, acknowledged the strategic vulnerability of the region bordered by China and Bangladesh.

Intelligence sources indicate that the extensive borders with both China and Bangladesh, beyond the Nathula Pass, are considered highly sensitive and require enhanced surveillance due to perceived collaboration between potential adversaries. Concerns persist regarding China's activity in various border areas and the potential for Pakistan to exploit Bangladeshi territory. These developments underscore the need for comprehensive and proactive defense preparedness along India's eastern and northern frontiers.

Abandoned house explodes, roof blown off

MI News Service, Gangarampur: Sudden explosion ripped through an unoccupied residence in the Nandanpur area under the Gangarampur police station jurisdiction on Friday afternoon, causing significant damage, including the collapse of a portion of the tin roof. The powerful blast reverberated throughout the locality, triggering widespread concern among residents.

Upon receiving reports of the incident, a substantial contingent of officers from the Gangarampur police station was dispatched to the scene. Subsequently, the Gangarampur Subdistrict Police Officer, Dipanjan Bhattacharya, and a bomb disposal squad arrived to assess the situation. Authorities are currently engaged in determining the cause of the explosion, with the bomb squad collecting samples from the site for analysis.

The Gangarampur police are conducting a thorough investigation into the incident.

Local sources identified the property owner as Bijoy Majumdar, who passed away a year prior. The house has remained vacant since his demise, with his remaining family residing in the Tangapara area. The explosion occurred abruptly around midday, prompting immediate response from nearby residents who reported the smell of gunpowder and smoke upon reaching the location.

Gangarampur Police Station Inspector-in-Charge Shantanu Mitra and Subdistrict Police Officer Dipanjan Bhattacharya acknowledged the heightened state of anxiety among the local populace following the incident. The ongoing investigation aims to ascertain the nature of the explosive and the circumstances leading to the blast.



CPI(M) State Secretary Md. Salim, senior leader Sujan Chakraborty, and Polit Bureau member Dr. Surjya Kanta Mishra led a rally organised by the Left Front (West Bengal Committee) to condemn the Pahalgam terror attack. The rally was held from the Lenin Statue at Dharmatala to Sealdah in Kolkata on Friday.

Neighbour allegedly assaults 7-year-old for 3 Days

MI News Service, Katwa: A 7-year-old girl in Katwa, West Bengal, has allegedly been sexually abused by a neighbour for three consecutive days after being lured into his home. The horrific ordeal came to light when neighbourhood children witnessed the accused's actions and informed the victim's family. The minor, who had been threatened with death if she spoke out, subsequently disclosed the abuse to her family. Following a medical examination late Thursday night, where she was admitted to Katwa Hospital, her family filed a complaint with the local police. Authorities swiftly arrested the accused adult. The family claims the neighbor had been calling the child to his house in the afternoons when he was alone, where he allegedly committed the assaults after covering her face with a towel and issuing death threats. A relative stated the child's fear prevented her from initially disclosing the incidents. Hospital authorities confirmed the child's admission and the conduction of a medical examination based on the family's complaint of rape, awaiting the report for confirmation.

Jhantu Shaikh returns home in coffin

MI News Service, Tehatta: The village of Tehta in Nadia mourns in silence as the body of martyred Havaldar Jhantu Ali Shaikh, 36, reaches home today. A resident of Patharghata, Tehta, and a 6 PARA Special Forces commando, Jhantu was killed in a gunfight with terrorists in Udhampur, Jammu and Kashmir, after a shocking attack in Pahalgam. His last message to his wife read, "I am fine, I am fine." The nation grieves the loss, and locals in Tehta, displaying Jhantu's pictures, demand severe punishment for the terrorists, rising above religion and politics. Commissioned in 2008 and recently posted in Kashmir, Jhantu leaves behind two children. His family, along with a district administration representative, awaits his mortal remains, questioning the security breach that led to the attack. His maternal uncle voiced the collective sentiment: "No one can be spared."

The eastern Indian state of West Bengal is in mourning following the death of Havaldar Jhantu Ali Shaikh, a 36-year-old resident of Patharghata, Tehatta, in the Nadia district. Havaldar Shaikh, a member of the 6 PARA Special Forces, was martyred on Thursday during

a counter-terrorism operation in the Udhampur district of Jammu and Kashmir, launched in response to the recent terrorist attack in Pahalgam. News of his demise has cast a pall of silence over his village of Tehta, where tributes and expressions of grief are prominent. Havaldar Shaikh, who was commissioned into the Indian Army in 2008, leaves behind his wife and two children. His family in their military quarters received his last communication, a reassuring message stating, "I am fine, I am fine," just hours before the tragic news of his injuries at approximately 9:00 AM. His mortal remains arrived in Tehta on Friday and were received by grieving family members, including his brother. A representative from the Nadia district administration has extended condolences and support to the bereaved family. His maternal uncle, Nazir Sheikh, speaking on behalf of the family, expressed their profound sorrow and emphasized the need for accountability regarding the infiltration of militants. The community in Tehta has united in their condemnation of terrorism, transcending religious and political affiliations to demand justice for the fallen soldier.

Digha Security Tightened Ahead of Jagannath Temple Inauguration

MI News Service, Digha: In the wake of the recent Kashmir incident, authorities in Digha are implementing stringent security measures ahead of the inauguration of the Jagannath Temple, scheduled from April 28th to 30th. With Digha undergoing significant beautification, a robust security apparatus is being established, deploying over 2,000 police personnel across the entire beach town, including the temple premises. Emphasis is being placed on thorough 'naka checking' at entry and exit points, and the town is under extensive CCTV surveillance. Specially trained armed police will exclusively handle temple security. District Superintendent of Police Soumyadeep Bhattacharya confirmed the extensive deployment, including highway checkpoints and watchtowers. The heightened security is also in anticipation of potential visits by the Chief Minister and the large influx of tourists expected for the Maha Yajna on the 29th and the temple's inauguration on the 30th. The administration is prioritizing crowd management and night patrols to prevent any untoward incidents during this

busy period.

Digha is under heightened security as it prepares for the inauguration of the Jagannath Temple between April 28th and 30th, with authorities citing lessons learned from the recent Kashmir incident. The three-day event, potentially including a visit from the Chief Minister on the 28th, followed by a Mahayajna on the 29th and the temple's inauguration on the 30th, is expected to draw significant crowds, adding to the usual summer tourist influx.

To ensure the safety and security of all attendees, over 2,000 police personnel have been deployed across Digha, including the temple area. District Superintendent of Police Soumyadeep Bhattacharya detailed the comprehensive security plan, which includes stringent 'naka checking' at all entry and exit points to the town, extensive CCTV surveillance covering the entire beach city, and the strategic placement of police at highway checkpoints and watchtowers. Furthermore, a dedicated contingent of 'specially trained' armed police will be responsible for the security of the temple itself.

Ranaghat's Rajdeep Ghosh Secures 789th All India Rank in UPSC Civil Services Exam 2024



MI News Service, Ranaghat: Rajdeep Ghosh, a resident of Nowdapara in Ranaghat, Nadia district, has brought pride to his hometown by securing the 789th All India Rank in the UPSC Civil Services Examination 2024. In recognition of his achievement, the Nadia district administration felicitated him at the office of the District Magistrate on Friday. District Magistrate S. Arun Prasad congratulated Rajdeep and wished him a bright future ahead.

The Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) recently published the final results of the 2024 Civil Services Examination on its official website. A total of

1009 candidates qualified across various categories. The examination process is conducted in three stages: the Preliminary Examination (held on June 16, 2024), the Mains Examination (held on September 20 and 29), and the Personality Test or Interview (conducted between January 7 and April 17, 2025).

This year, Shakti Dubey secured the top rank nationwide, followed by Harshita Goel in second place.

Rajdeep's journey stands as a testament to the power of hard work, dedication, and perseverance, proving once again that dreams can be achieved with determination.

Houses of 2 LeT terrorists...

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terrorism. On Thursday, Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri had briefed ambassadors of several major countries based in New Delhi, including Germany, Japan, Poland, the UK, and Russia, on the Pahalgam terror attack.

Top diplomats from the United States, European Union, Italy, Qatar, Japan, China, Russia, Germany, and France, among others, were seen arriving at the Ministry of External Affairs located in South Block in the national capital. Foreign Secretary Misri also separately briefed the envoys from G20 countries, including those from China and Canada in a meeting that lasted for 30 minutes according to sources.

Following the dastardly terror attack in Pahalgam that killed 26 people, Central government announced several

diplomatic measures, such as closing the Integrated Check Post (ICP) at Attari, suspending the SAARC Visa Exemption Scheme (SVES) for Pakistani nationals, giving them 40 hours to return to their country, and reducing the number of officers in the High Commissions on both sides.

India also halted the Indus Waters Treaty signed in 1960 in the wake of the Pahalgam attack.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi also assured the nation that the terrorists responsible for this attack, along with those who conspired it, will face "punishment beyond their imagination". The Prime Minister asserted that the time has come to eliminate the remaining strongholds of terrorism and that the willpower of 140 crore Indians will now break the backbone of the perpetrators of terror.

Rahul Gandhi meets...

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Twenty-six tourists - 25 Indians and one Nepali citizen - were killed in the gruesome terror attack at Baisaran, dubbed 'mini Switzerland' for its meadow, on Tuesday, what is the deadliest strike in the Valley since the 2019 Pulwama strike. The Resistance Front, a shadow group of the banned Pakistan-based Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) terror group, claimed responsibility.

Following the attack, India downgraded diplomatic ties with Pakistan and announced a raft of measures, including the suspension of the Indus Waters Treaty of 1960 and revocation of visas for Pakistani nationals.

In retaliation, Pakistan also announced a series of measures, including closure of its airspace for Indian aircraft. Islamabad also said that any move to

divert water meant for it under the pact will be considered an "Act of War".

Meanwhile, Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Friday said he has deputed his cabinet ministers to various cities across the country to instill a sense of security among Kashmiri students and businessmen following reports of harassment after the Pahalgam terror attack.

He said the purpose of these visits is to coordinate efforts with the respective state governments and ensure the safety and well-being of Jammu and Kashmir residents.

"With a view to instilling a sense of security among our students and businessmen currently in other states, I have deputed my Cabinet Ministers to various cities across the country," Abdullah said in a post on his official X handle.

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terrorism which has claimed the lives of 26 tourists in the picturesque valley on April 22.

Notably, the BSF is the primary force responsible for guarding the 3,323 km long Indo-Pakistan border, spanning the states of Jammu and Kashmir (including parts of the LoC), Punjab, Rajasthan, and Gujarat.

This border is one of the most sensitive and volatile in the country, due to historical tensions and ongoing security challenges. Meanwhile, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar also called on Union Home Minister Amit Shah at his residence on Friday to discuss the global impact of the Pahalgaon terrorist attack on innocent tourists, two of whom were foreigners..

The Pahalgam terrorist attack took place on Tuesday at Baisaran meadow, was the deadliest attack in the region since the 2019 Pulwama strike, which claimed the lives of 40 CRPF jawans.

Army Chief General Upendra Dwivedi also reached Srinagar on Friday and took stock of the situation in the valley.

On Thursday, the Central government convened an all-party meeting to deliberate on the security situation and formulate a collective response to the attack. After attending the all-party meeting convened by the central government, Opposition Leader in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi said, "Everyone condemned the Pahalgam terrorist attack. The opposition has promised full support to the government in taking any retaliatory action."

The central government is likely to take a number of strong counter-measures against Pakistan for its support of cross-border terrorism.

In last Wednesday's meeting of the Cabinet



Committee on Security, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in presence of Home Minister Amit Shah, Defence minister Ranath Singh, External Affairs minister S, Jaishankar and Finance minister Nirmal Sitharaman had decided to hold the Indus Waters Treaty of 1960 in abeyance until Pakistan abjures its support for cross-border terrorism and has closed the integrated Attari Check Post.

India has also declared all the top officials of the Pakistani High Commission in New Delhi as persona non grata and ordered them to leave India within this week. The country further decided to cancel any visas provided under the SAARC Visa Exemption Scheme (SVES) and ordered Pakistan to leave the country within 48 hours.

The Government of India has also decided to suspend visa services for Pakistani nationals, effective immediately. All existing valid visas issued by India to Pakistani nationals will stand revoked, effective from 27 April 2025, the Ministry of External Affairs stated in a press release.



Amidst Kolkata's scorching heat, a gesture of kindness – a woman shields a man with an umbrella as they ride through the sweltering streets of the city on a scooty on Friday. Pic-Prabir Bhattacharya

TMC set to reinstate ‘mentor’ system across districts ahead of 2026 assembly polls

MI News Service, Kolkata: As West Bengal braces for the 2026 Assembly elections, the Trinamool Congress (TMC) is preparing for a comprehensive organizational overhaul across all districts. In a strategic move aimed at consolidating grassroots governance and electoral preparedness, party supremo and Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee is set to reinstate the 'Mentor' system in district councils—a role that was first introduced in 2011 but later discontinued. According to senior party sources, the state's Panchayat and Rural Development Department has already begun issuing official notifications to reintroduce the 'Mentor' post in various Zilla Parishads (district councils). These Mentors will

function as facilitators, maintaining coordination between district-level TMC leaders, grassroots functionaries, and the general public. Equipped with dedicated office space and a government vehicle, their mandate is to enhance public service delivery and strengthen party-public relations at the local level.

The move gains significance in light of the long-delayed but much-anticipated organisational reshuffle, which All India General Secretary Abhishek Banerjee has often publicly spoken of but has yet to execute. While state president Subrata Bakshi and Vice-president Jayprakash Majumdar were initially unaware of the development, party insiders confirm that Mamata Banerjee has personally

taken charge of this initiative. A detailed reshuffle list was reportedly handed over to her by Bakshi weeks ago, indicating that the 'Mentor' appointments could be a precursor to larger district-level changes.

Mentor appointments have already been confirmed in multiple districts: Rajib Banerjee in Howrah, Akhil Giri in Purba Medinipur, Akhil Khan in Bankura, Dinen Roy in Paschim Medinipur, and Swapan Patra in Jhargram. Similar notifications have been dispatched to Hooghly, Birbhum, Bardhaman and several other regions. Sources suggest that following these appointments, up to 17 district presidents may be replaced in the coming weeks.

Protesting teachers relocate from SSC HQ to Shahid Minar

MI News Service, Kolkata: After days of continued sit-in protests in front of the School Service Commission (SSC) headquarters in Salt Lake, a group of dismissed teachers, identified as 'eligible' by the courts, have decided to withdraw their protest from that location and shift it to Shahid Minar in central Kolkata. While they have agreed to return to schools before the summer vacation begins, their agitation for those still ex-

cluded from SSC's list of eligible candidates will continue.

Mahbub Mondal, a prominent leader among the agitating teachers, announced that partial fulfillment of demands prompted the relocation. "We have been staging a protest here for several days. Some demands have been met. However, discrepancies still persist in the lists sent to the DI offices. Several genuinely el-

igible teachers have been left out, while names of ineligible or absentee candidates have appeared. This is a serious concern," said Mondal.

The teachers have now given the SSC a 48-hour deadline—until Saturday—to correct the errors and publish a revised list that accurately reflects court-affirmed eligibility. If their demands are not met, the protestors have threatened a fresh siege at Bikash

Bhavan, the state education department headquarters.

Despite receiving appointment clearances, many teachers will join their respective schools only until April 29, ahead of the summer holidays commencing on April 30. "We'll resume our protest during the vacation at Shahid Minar to continue our fight for the excluded eligible candidates," Mondal stated.

Kolkata authorities tighten surveillance on Pak nationals following Pahalgam attack

MI News Service, Kolkata: Kolkata's intelligence agencies are currently in a state of uncertainty regarding the exact number of Pakistani nationals residing in the city on SAARC visas. However, it has been confirmed that at least 30 Pakistanis are residing in Kolkata with Long-Term Visas (LTV). Following the recent militant attack in Pahalgam, Kashmir, intelligence agencies have started closely monitoring the activities of these Pakistani nationals in the city. The Ministry of External Affairs recently instructed that Pakistanis holding SAARC visas (SVE) must leave India

within 48 hours. Intelligence sources are now conducting extensive searches for individuals with such visas, though it has not yet been confirmed whether any such individuals are present in Kolkata. On the other hand, it has been established that at least 30 Pakistani nationals, mainly women, are residing in the city with LTVs, some of whom have been living there for many years. As per the regulations, Pakistani nationals who marry Indian residents are initially granted a five-year LTV, which can then be renewed every one or two years. These individuals are re-

quired to report their presence to authorities and renew their visas at regular intervals. The Kolkata Police's Intelligence Bureau plays an essential role in tracking the renewal process and ensuring the compliance of these Pakistani nationals. In the wake of the recent terrorist attack in Pahalgam, the activities of these Pakistani nationals have come under increased scrutiny. Authorities are particularly focused on the connections these individuals maintain, especially those who frequently communicate with their relatives back in Pakistan.

STF busts armed gang on Basanti Highway: Eight arrested

MI News Service, Kolkata: In a high-stakes operation based on confidential intelligence, the Special Task Force (STF) of Bengal Police apprehended eight armed individuals near the Basanti Highway under the jurisdiction of the Anandapur Police Station. The arrests, made on Thursday, mark another critical breakthrough in the state's ongoing crackdown on illegal arms trafficking and organized crime.

Acting swiftly on a tip-off, STF officials intercepted a four-wheeler and a motorcycle en route from Kolkata towards the Sundarbans. Upon conducting a thorough search of the four-wheeler, investigators recovered a cache of

firearms including three sophisticated guns, two magazines, sixteen rounds of live ammunition, and two sharp-edged weapons. All eight accused are reported to be residents of Kolkata.

According to preliminary findings, the group had allegedly assembled with the intent of carrying out a robbery. However, senior officials have not ruled out the possibility of deeper criminal motives. All eight detainees will be presented before the court on Friday. Investigators are currently interrogating the suspects to uncover the larger network behind the operation, determine the origin of the arms, and decipher the full extent of the planned criminal activity.

Pahalgam tourist massacre: Dilip Ghosh predicts stern central action

MI News Service, Kolkata: The gruesome killing of 26 tourists in Jammu and Kashmir's Pahalgam region has sparked a wave of national outrage and ignited a cold war of nerves between India and Pakistan. Among the victims were three tourists from West Bengal and one foreign national, according to central government sources. Intelligence inputs strongly suggest that the attack was orchestrated by Pakistan-backed militants. Amid heightened tensions, a fierce gun battle broke out in Bandipora on Friday morning between security forces and militants, resulting in the elimination of a most-wanted Lashkar-e-Taiba commander. The violence has reignited questions

over the security situation in Kashmir and drawn strong reactions from political quarters. Former BJP MP and ex-state president Dilip Ghosh, while speaking to reporters during his morning walk at Eco Park in New Town, offered a sharp critique of the current administration in Jammu and Kashmir. Ghosh stated, "It's been nearly six years since Article 370 was revoked. I've personally visited Leh-Ladakh and Amarnath in that time. I witnessed a massive influx of tourists and a peaceful environment. Why, then, are such attacks happening now?" He pointed fingers at the Omar Abdullah-led administration, questioning its accountability amid such a security lapse.

Multigenerational Riverfront Living

MI News Service, Kolkata: Srijan Realty, in collaboration with Primus Senior Living, unveils purpose-built multigenerational senior living community within the 60-acre Srijan Ganga City. This unique initiative blends traditional family values with modern, independent living, offering

a vibrant ecosystem where generations can thrive together. The project emphasized the focus on creating a lifestyle where individuals feel supported and connected. The project's aim to revive joint family culture while embracing modern autonomy, all by the spiritual banks of the Ganga.

TRSL with BHEL inaugurate prod line for the Vande Bharat Sleeper Trains

MI News Service, Kolkata: Titagarh Rail Systems Limited (TRSL), in collaboration with Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL), inaugurated a dedicated production line for the Vande Bharat Sleeper Trains at TRSL's manufacturing facility in Uttarpara, Kolkata. The event was attended by senior leaders, including Umesh Chowdhary, Vice Chairman & Managing Director, TRSL, and Bani Varma, Director, BHEL. The Vande Bharat Sleeper project, with a value of INR 24,000 crore, aims to deliver India's first

long-distance, semi-high-speed train with advanced features. With production now underway at the Uttarpara plant, the prototype of Vande Bharat Sleeper trains are expected to roll out in the next calendar year—ushering in a new era of faster, smarter, and proudly Made-in-India rail travel. The Uttarpara facility itself is a cornerstone of this vision. With Industry 4.0 technologies and robotic production lines, it represents a significant step forward in India's rail manufacturing capabilities.

Understanding Diabetes: Myths, facts and the way forward

MI News Service, Kolkata: A Special Session on "Diabetes, Myths & Facts" was hosted on Friday by the Merchants' Chamber of Commerce & Industry (MCCI), aiming to raise awareness about the rising diabetes crisis in India. The session aimed to dispel common misconceptions about diabetes and provide insights into its management.

Dr. Bijay Patni, an expert in diabetes management, revealed that one in seven Indian adults lives with diabetes. He noted that by 2030, the number is projected to reach 101 million. Dr. Patni emphasized that high blood sugar often goes unnoticed in early stages, giving patients a false sense of well-being and leading many to neglect their medications. He stressed on prevalent myths surrounding diabetes, such as avoiding sugar and carbohydrates entirely. He emphasized that a balanced diet with mindful quality and quantity is essential for managing the condition—especially for pre-diabetics—can prevent complications such as vision loss, kidney disease, and nerve

damage.

Puja Karnani Agarwal, a certified functional medicine practitioner, delivered an informative presentation on the causes and management of diabetes. She explained metabolic syndrome, its causes, and ways to reduce and cure related problems. She further discussed that PCOS and type 2 diabetes represent different clinical manifestations of the same syndrome, with their phenotypic differences due to the presence or absence of a coincidental genetic defect at the level of the ovary or pancreas. She further stressed the benefits of lifestyle strategies such as intermittent fasting to manage insulin resistance.

Rajendra Khandelwal of MCCI highlighted global statistics, noting that by 2050, 1 in 8 adults may suffer from diabetes. The event concluded with a Vote of Thanks from Anil Kumar Malawat. This initiative by the Merchant Chamber of Commerce and Industry demonstrates its commitment to promoting health awareness and education among its members and the community.

Baguiati trolley murder: Accused arrested

MI News Service, Kolkata: In a chilling revelation that has stunned the city, the Baguiati trolley case has taken a dramatic turn, uncovering a tragic tale of infidelity, betrayal, and murder. Kolkata Police on Friday confirmed the arrest of Barasat, a resident of Barasat, for the brutal killing of 26-year-old Riya Dhar, whose body was found, stuffed inside a trolley bag earlier this week.

The investigation began on Tuesday when locals discovered a black trolley dumped in an abandoned garbage-strewn area of Deshbandhu Nagar, Baguiati. Upon opening the bag, officers from Baguiati Police Station were shocked to find the lifeless body of a young woman. Her face was sealed with brown tape, indicating a possible attempt to suppress any signs of struggle or identification. Within 72 hours, police cracked the case. The deceased, Riya Dhar, hailed from Nabagram in Murshidabad and had been living with her husband and child until recently. Sources say she met Kaushik on social media, and their digital acquaintance soon blossomed into an illicit affair. Eventually, Riya left her marital home to live with Kaushik in a Barasat apartment. However, the relationship re-

portedly soured within a short span. Allegations suggest that frequent quarrels led to violence. Investigators believe Kaushik fatally assaulted Riya, eventually strangling her during a heated altercation. In a desperate bid to erase evidence, he allegedly packed her body in a trolley bag. Fearing detection if the body was disposed nearby, Kaushik reportedly booked an app-based cab to Baguiati. From there, he walked to a deserted field near a narrow road in Deshbandhu Nagar and discarded the trolley. Back in Murshidabad, Riya's sudden disappearance prompted her husband to file a missing person report at Nabagram Police Station. As the probe into the trolley murder deepened, investigators traced the cab driver who ferried Kaushik. His statement led them straight to the suspect.

Police are now examining whether any additional individuals were involved and if the murder was premeditated. The motive behind the escalating violence and the timeline leading to the killing remain under close scrutiny. Riya's death has sparked public outrage, reigniting concerns over personal safety and rising domestic crimes stemming from volatile relationships.

Name Change
I, Mahibul Mondal, S/O Jahabaks Mandal,R/O Vill-Kamargaria,Po Humaniapota Gangnapur, Rana ghat, 741238,West Bengal, Shall Henceforth Be Known As Mahibul Mandal,Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 24/04/2025,That Mahi bul Mondal And Mahibul Mandal All Are The Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change
I, Farida Begam W/o. Sk. Golam Mostafa R/o. Digha, Dwarbasini, Pandua, Hooghly-712149, W.B. declared that my son Shaik Farhan (old name) S/o. Sk. Golam Mostafa have changed his name and shall henceforth be known as Sk Farhan (new name) vide an affidavit no. 3515 sworn before Judicial Magistrate, Sadar, Hooghly Court on 24/04/2025. Shaik Farhan & Sk Farhan S/o. Sk. Golam Mostafa both are the same & one identical person.

Name Change
I, Shazia Khan W/o Shaikh Gulzar Residing at Amarsaria Enclave, Flat No-F2, 3rd Floor, Hutton Road, Near Ranjan Cabin Asansol P's - Asansol South, District - Paschim Bardhaman, Pin- 713301 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Shazia Shaikh. I declare that Shazia Khan and Shazia Shaikh is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, Kolkata on 25-04-2025.

Name Change
I, Sushama Mondal W/o Sadhan Mondal Residing at Domohani Bazar, P's - Barabani, District - Paschim Bardhaman, Pin- 713334 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Susama Mondal. I declare that Sushama Mondal and Susama Mondal is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, Kolkata on 25-04-2025.

Name Change
I, Sadhan Mandal S/o Haradham Mandal Residing at Domohani Bazar, P's - Barabani, District - Paschim Bardhaman, Pin- 713334 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Sadhan Mondal. I declare that Sadhan Mandal and Sadhan Mondal is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, Kolkata on 25-04-2025.

Name Change
I, Soumen Bhattacharjee S/o Ashim Bhattacharya Residing at 38/78, K.C.Sen Road, Po - Morepukur, P's - Rishra, District - Hooghly, Pin- 712250 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Soumen Bhattacharya. I declare that Soumen Bhattacharjee and Soumen Bhattacharya is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, Kolkata on 25-04-2025.

Name Change
I, Neha Agarwal Sharma W/o Manish Sharma Residing at Mrinalini Residency, 18 Jogendra Nath Sarkar Street, Block -2, Flat - 1E, Post Office - Sribbhomi, Police Station - Lake Town, District - North 24 Parganas, Pin- 700048 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Neha Agrwal. I declare that Neha Agarwal Sharma and Neha Agrwal is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, Kolkata on 25-04-2025.

Name Change
I, Shakil Mondal S/o Ismail Mondal Residing at Vill+Po - Natagram, P's - Gaighata, District - North 24 Parganas, Pin- 743249 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Md Shakil Mondal. I declare that Shakil Mondal and Md Shakil Mondal is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, Kolkata on 25-04-2025.

Name Change
I, Jamsed Ali Mandal (Old Name) S/o Ashraf Mandal Residing at Chhoto Chuparia, Hanskhali, District - Nadia, Pin - 741502 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Jamsed Mandal (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public Kolkata vide affidavit Date 25-04-2025. Jamsed Ali Mandal (Old Name) and Jamsed Mandal (New Name) both as same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Razia Sultana Warsi (Old Name) W/o Md. shahid Amin Residing at 10, Circus row Near Park Circus, District - Kolkata, Pin - 700017 West Bengal, India. shall henceforth be known as Razia Amin (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public Kolkata vide affidavit Date 25-04-2025. Razia Sultana Warsi (Old Name) and Razia Amin (New Name) both as same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Ruma Majhi (Old Name) W/o Soumendra Majhi D/o Dipak Biswas Residing at 1/39, Bibeknagar Block-1,104 Kasba, Vtc+Po - Santoshpur, District- Kolkata, Pin - 700075 West Bengal, India have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Ruma Biswas (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public Kolkata vide affidavit no 37/2025 Dated 25-04-2025. Ruma Majhi (Old Name) and Ruma Biswas (New Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I am Rubina Parbin (Old Name) Father - Mohammad Sultan Sardar Mother - Rahima Bibi (Old Name) Address -Sangnura Kazirara, Po - Kazirara, P.S. - Barasat, District - 24 PGS. (N), Kol-125, W.B. have changed my name Rubaina Parvin (New name) and mother's name Rahima Bibi (New name). Dated on 16/04/2025. Ld. Judicial magistrate (1st class) At Barasat Court affidavit I Rubina Parbin (Old Name) Mother -Rhima Bibi (Old Name) and I Rubaina Parvin (New Name) Mother -Rahima Bibi (New Name) is known as one and Same identical person.

Name Change
I, (Old Name) MOHAMMAD ALI HOSSAIN S/o- BHUGI SK, Residing at, Vill- Indradanga, Post-Bhairabpur, Ps- Daulatabad, Dist-Murshidabad, Pin- 742302, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from MOHAMMAD ALI HOSSAIN To HOSSAIN ALI (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) HOSSAIN ALI in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 16 April 2025, HOSSAIN ALI and MOHAMMAD ALI HOSSAIN both are Same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, (Old Name) AMESH MONDAL & RAMES MANDAL S/o- RAJENDRA MONDAL, Residing at, Vill- Daluabari, Post- Andipur, Ps- Dhantala, Dist- Ranaghat, Pin- 741504, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from AMESH MONDAL & RAMES MANDAL To RAMESH CHANDRA MONDAL (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) RAMESH CHANDRA MONDAL in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 16 April 2025, RAMESH CHANDRA MONDAL and AMESH MONDAL & RAMES MANDAL both are Same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, (Old Name) GHISAN S/o- LATE SOFIR MOMIN, Residing at, Vill-Bhabanipur, Post- Bhabanipur, Ps-Englishbazar, Dist- Malda, Pin-732209, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from GHISAN To MD GHISAN MOMIN (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) MD GHISAN MOMIN in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 16 April 2025, MD GHISAN MOMIN and GHISAN both are Same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, (Old Name) JOYAB ALI S/o- SAYEER SK, Residing at, Vill- Purandarpur, Post- Purandarpur, Ps-Kandi, Dist- Murshidabad, Pin-742171, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from JOYAB ALI To JOYAD ALI (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) JOYAD ALI in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 16 April 2025, JOYAD ALI and JOYAB ALI both are Same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Mainuddin (old name) S/O Sk Nasir Ahmed, residing at 18/A, Tiretta Bazar Street, C.R. Avenue, Chittaranjan Avenue, Kolkata-700073, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Md Moinuddin (new name) as declared before the Ld. 1st Class Judicial Magistrate at Alipore, dated 16/04/2025. Md Moinuddin (new name) and Mainuddin (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Harun Rasid Hara, S/O Kashem Ali Sekh,R/O Badamtala, Bankra, Howrah,711403, West Bengal, Shall Henceforth Be Known As Sk Harun Rasid,Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 24/04/2025,That Harun Rasid Hara And Sk Harun Rasid All Are The Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change
I, Zahabok Mondal,S/O Sabil Mandal,R/O Vill-Kamargaria,Po Humaniapota Gangnapur, Ranaghat, 741238,West Bengal,Shall Henceforth Be Known As Jahabaks Mandal,Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 24/04/2025,That Zahabok Mondal And Jahabaks Mandal All Are The Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change
I, Madhu Mala Bibi, S/O Hakman Sekh, R/O Vill - Patharghata Paschim Para,Po- Patharghata, Ps-Tahatta, Nadia,741103, West Bengal, Shall Henceforth Be Known As Khuki Bibi Shaikh,Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 25/04/2025,That Madhu Mala Bibi And Khuki Bibi Shaikh All Are The Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change
I, Sultana Dafadar (Old Name) D/O Rabiul Hossen Dafadar,Residing At Vill -Mamudpur, Po-Ambikapur Mamudpur,Ps-Gopalnagar,Dist-24 Parganas North,Pin-743251,West Bengal,India,Have Changed My Name And Also My Religion Muslim To Hindu Shall Henceforth Be Known As Rita Roy (New Name) As Declared Before The Notary Public At Bangoa On 23/04/2025.Sultana Dafadar (Old Name) And Rita Roy (New Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change
I, Rani Chandra Dey (old name) S/O. Rabin Chandra Dey R/o. Chinsurah Station Road Pallyshree, Chinsurah R.S., Chinsurah, Hooghly-712102, W.B., have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Roni Chandra Dey (new name) vide an affidavit no. 509 sworn before Judicial Magistrate, Sadar, Hooghly Court on 22/01/24. Rani Chandra Dey & Roni Chandra Dey S/o. Rabin Chandra Dey both are the same & one identical person.

Name Change
I, Patul Dey (old name) W/o. Rabin Chandra Dey R/o. Chinsurah Station Road Pallyshree, Chinsurah R.S., Chinsurah, Hooghly-712102, W.B., have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Putul Dey (new name) vide an affidavit no. 508 sworn before Judicial Magistrate, Sadar, Hooghly Court on 22/01/24. Patul Dey & Putul Dey W/o. Rabin Chandra Dey both are the same & one identical person. Rani Chandra Dey is my son.

World Malaria Day 2025 celebrated at B.R.Singh Hospital



MI News Service, Kolkata: World Malaria Day 2025 was celebrated with great enthusiasm and grandeur by the Health & Family Welfare Department, Sealdah Division, at the OPD complex of B. R. Singh Hospital today. The event was graced by the presence of Dr. Subhasish Das, Medical Director, B. R. Singh Hospital, and Dr. Kalpana Mandal, Chief Medical Superintendent, Sealdah. Dr. Mandira Banerjee, Additional Chief Medical Superintendent, Health & Family Welfare, Sealdah, addressed the gathering and elaborated on this year's theme "Malaria Ends With Us: Reinvest, Reimagine, Reignite". She highlighted the critical role of early diagnosis, timely treatment, and preventive measures in combating malaria. The session saw informative discussions from Dr. Jayeeta Bandyopadhyay, Senior Divisional Medical Officer (Admin), Dr. Sayantan Saha, Senior Divisional Medical Officer (Pediatrics), and Dr. Navendu Jana, Divisional Medical Officer (Neurology), who collectively addressed the preventive and curative aspects of the disease. They emphasized the need to break the transmission cycle, adopt radical treatment strategies, and be vigilant against complications arising from vivax and falciparum malaria, especially cerebral malaria. Awareness leaflets in local languages were distributed among railway beneficiaries attending the programme, promoting awareness and preventive practices. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Kalpana Mandal, Chief Medical Superintendent/ Sealdah, who urged all to contribute through small, consistent efforts in their surroundings to help achieve a malaria-free nation.

Strengthening of Un-Reserved ticketing by introduction of M-UTS



MI News Service, Kolkata: As provision made by Ministry of Railway, Howrah Division/Eastern Railway has introduced Mobile Unreserved Ticketing System (M-UTS) services at Howrah Station as a move towards modernization and enhancing passenger convenience. The M-UTS is an advanced handheld UTS (Unreserved Ticketing System) device designed to offer maximum portability and flexibility in unreserved ticketing operations. This new system empowers railway staff to issue unreserved tickets from virtually any location, thereby eliminating congestion at fixed counters and offering passengers a seamless, quick, and hassle-free ticketing experience. On 25.04.2025, the M-UTS services is being introduced at Metro Entry Gate of Howrah Station, further integrating urban transport with mainline rail services and enhancing last-mile connectivity for commuters. Passengers are encouraged to make use of this newly introduced facility and enjoy a modernized, efficient, and user-friendly unreserved ticketing experience at their finger point. Howrah Division, Eastern Railway remains committed to improving passenger amenities and ensuring smoother, more accessible travel for all.

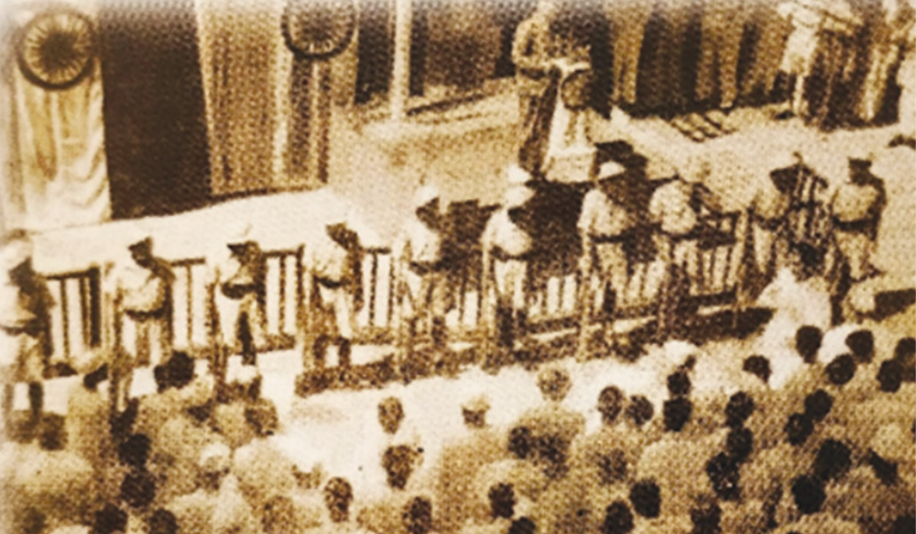
JSW Energy to supply electricity from its Salboni power plant

MI News Service, Kolkata: JSW Energy will supply electricity from its proposed 1,600 mega watt power plant at Salboni to West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Co Ltd as a 'levelised tariff' of ₹5.45 per unit, making it one of the competitively priced sources of energy for the state in years to come.

Name Change
I, (Old Name) TAPAN MANDAL S/o- RAMESH CHANDRA MONDAL, Residing at, Vill- Daluabari, Post- Andipur, Ps- Dhantala, Dist-Ranaghat, Pin- 741504, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from TAPAN MANDAL To TAPAN MONDAL (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) TAPAN MONDAL in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 16 April 2025, TAPAN MONDAL and TAPAN MANDAL both are Same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Md Saddam Hosen Mallick, S/O Niyamatullah, R/O Vill- Chapra B.D.O Office Para,Po Bangalajhi,Ps- Chapra,Nadia,741123,West Bengal,Shall Henceforth Be Known As Md Saddam Hossain Mallick,Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 25/04/2025,That Md Saddam Hosen Mallick And Md Saddam Hossain Mallick All Are The Same And One Identical Person.

Article on 100 years service of Howrah Division - How Howrah station Witnessed India's Struggle for Independence.



The General Manager Ghulam Faruque addressing the gathering at EIR head quarters during the flag hosting ceremony on 15th August, 1947

MI News Service, Kolkata: As the Howrah Division of Eastern Railway marks its centenary, the story of Howrah Station is intricately tied to the history of India's struggle for independence and its aftermath. Over the years, the station not only witnessed the passage of trains but also significant events that shaped the nation's journey—from the British colonial period, through the freedom movement, to the dawn of freedom on August 15, 1947. Before independence, Howrah was a pivotal point in the East Indian Railway network, contributing immensely to the movement of goods, soldiers, and resources across the subcontinent. However, the station's role expanded dramatically as India neared its freedom, playing a critical part in the events that unfolded on and after that historic day. The train station, built in the 19th century, had long been a symbol of British colonialism, but it became a silent witness to the blood and sacrifice that marked the struggle for India's freedom. On August 15, 1947, as India celebrated its newfound independence, Howrah Station stood at the heart of the seismic changes that the nation was undergoing. While the joy of freedom was palpable, the scars of Partition were immediate and raw. The country was divided into India and Pakistan, and with this division came the splitting of rail networks. The Bengal and Assam Railway was divided, with the broad gauge portion remaining in India under the East Indian Railway (EIR), while the metre gauge portion was reorganized into the Assam

Railway. The partition of India was not just an administrative shift; it was a traumatic experience for millions. The bitter division of assets, the loss of territories, and the displacement of millions of people created chaos, particularly in the Bengal region. Howrah Station became a key point in this upheaval, as it bore the brunt of the inflow of refugees from East Pakistan (now Bangladesh). The station, already bustling with train traffic, was transformed into an overcrowded shelter for those fleeing communal violence and the horrors of partition.

The refugees, carrying nothing but their meager belongings, found temporary shelter within the station premises. Howrah Station, already a symbol of transit, became a living testament to the suffering of displaced families. The station's concourses, platforms, and waiting rooms filled with those who had nowhere to go, as families sought refuge in a city still reeling from the effects of partition. Many remained here for years, their lives upended by the violent partition that tore apart communities and homes. Despite these tumultuous times, the Howrah Station remained a resilient symbol of hope and transition. It not only connected regions but also represented the spirit of endurance and survival, a silent witness to the trials and triumphs of a nation finding its feet after independence. Howrah's story, marked by the freedom struggle and the painful partition, continues to resonate as a symbol of India's turbulent but resilient journey towards a new beginning.

ER's Howrah Division to Run Extra EMU Services On 27.04.2025 for West Bengal Joint Entrance Examination (Wbjee)- 2025

MI News Service, Kolkata: To accommodate extra rush of examinees of West Bengal Joint Entrance Examination (WBJEE)- 2025, Eastern Railway's Howrah Division has planned to run EMU local train service as regular week days upto 16:00 hours on originating basis on 27.04.2025 (Sunday).

Continuation of Running of Two MEMU Special Trains

MI News Service, Kolkata: Railway has decided to continue the running of 03146/03145 Deoghar – Godda – Deoghar MEMU special and 03148/03147 Bhagalpur – Deoghar -Bhagalpur MEMU special upto 02.05.2025 as per its existing timings & stoppages.

Total replacement of humans with AI is a utopian concept: Vivek Gupta

MI News Service, Kolkata: "There should not be any apprehension that Artificial Intelligence (AI) will replace humans in totality. AI can certainly create magic in every spheres of work, but it is devoid of human emotions. Ultimately it is the humans that will guide AI how to work and humans will pour their heart to whatever they do. AI will certainly and only prevail as a mechanical byproduct of super human effort." Vivek Gupta (MLA-Jorasanko & MD-Sanmarg) said this while interacting with media at a programme that celebrated National PR Day in Kolkata recently. Gupta further mentioned that value system is gradually eroding from the society and media world is no exception.

Regulation of trains for Rolling Block Programme over SER

MI News Service, Kolkata: Combined Rolling Block programme has been planned in Adra Division over South Eastern Railway from 28.04.2025 to 04.05.2025. Consequently, following arrangements in train running have been made as under: **Cancellation of trains:** • 68046/68045 Asansol – Adra – Asansol MEMU passenger (journey commencing on & from 28.04.2025 to 30.04.2025 and 02.05.2025 to 04.05.2025) • 63594/63593 Asansol- Purulia – Asansol MEMU passenger (journey commencing on 04.05.2025) **Short termination /Short origination of trains:** • 68056/68060 Tatanagar – Asansol – Barabhum MEMU passenger (journey commencing on 28.04.2025, 30.04.2025, 03.05.2025 & 04.05.2025) will be short terminated at / short originated from Adra (service between Adra & Asansol will remain cancelled). Moreover, 18184 Buxar – Tatanagar Express (journey commencing on 04.05.2025) will be controlled enroute about 30 minutes.

Revision in timings of Barddhaman - Tinpahar Memu Passenger Train

MI News Service, Kolkata: For the convenience of passengers, Railway has decided to revise the timings of 63063 UP Barddhaman-Tinpahar MEMU Passenger Train at all enroute stations with effect from 27.04.2025. The revised timings are as under: 1. Barddhaman - Dep.: 06.20 hrs., 2. Talit - Arr.: 06.27 hrs., Dep.: 06.28 hrs., 3. Khana Jn. - Arr.: 06.35 hrs., Dep.: 06.36 hrs., 4. Jhapater Dhal - Arr.: 06.42 hrs., Dep.: 06.43 hrs., 5. Banpas - Arr.: 06.48 hrs., Dep.: 06.49 hrs., 6. Noadar Dhal - Arr.: 06.54 hrs., Dep.: 06.55 hrs., 7. Guskara - Arr.: 07.01 hrs., Dep.: 07.02 hrs., 8. Pichkuridhal - Arr.: 07.08 hrs., Dep.: 07.09 hrs., 9. Bhedia - Arr.: 07.14 hrs., Dep.: 07.15 hrs., 10. Bolpur-Shantiniketan - Arr.: 07.22 hrs., Dep.: 07.23 hrs., 11. Prantik - Arr.: 07.29 hrs., Dep.: 07.30 hrs., 12. Kopai - Arr.: 07.37 hrs., Dep.: 07.38 hrs., 13. Ahmadpur Jn. - Arr.: 07.44 hrs., Dep.: 07.45 hrs., 14. Bataspur - Arr.: 07.50 hrs., Dep.: 07.51 hrs., 15. Sainthia - Arr.: 07.59 hrs., Dep.: 08.00 hrs., 16. Gadadharpur - Arr.: 08.08 hrs., Dep.: 08.09 hrs., 17. Mal-larpur -Arr.: 08.16 hrs., Dep.: 08.17 hrs., 18. Tarapith Road -Arr.: 08.23 hrs., Dep.: 08.24 hrs., 19. Rampurhat -Arr.: 08.32 hrs., Dep.: 08.36 hrs., 20. Swadinpur - Arr.: 08.44 hrs., Dep.: 08.45 hrs., 21. Nalhati Jn. - Arr.: 08.51 hrs., Dep.: 08.52 hrs., 22. Chatra - Arr.: 08.58 hrs., Dep.: 08.59 hrs., 23. Murarai - Arr.: 09.05 hrs., Dep.: 09.06 hrs., 24. Banshlai Bridge - Arr.: 09.10 hrs., Dep.: 09.11 hrs., 25. Raj-gram-Arr.: 09.16 hrs., Dep.: 09.17 hrs., 26. Nagarnabi-Arr.: 09.21 hrs., Dep.: 09.22 hrs., 27. Pakur - Arr.: 09.29 hrs., Dep.: 09.31 hrs., 28. Tilbhita - Arr.: 09.36 hrs., Dep.: 09.37 hrs., 29. Kot-talpukur - Arr.: 09.44 hrs., Dep.: 09.45 hrs., 30. Gumani - Arr.: 10.27 hrs., Dep.: 10.28 hrs., 31. Barharwa Jn. - Arr.: 10.38 hrs., Dep.: 10.39 hrs., 32. Bakudi - Arr.: 10.47 hrs., Dep.: 10.48 hrs., 33. Dham-dhamia - Arr.: 10.52 hrs., Dep.: 10.53 hrs., 34. Tinpahar Jn. - Arr.: 11.30 hrs.

Cancellation of Amarnath Express
MI News Service, Kolkata: Due to Non- Interlocking work for 3rd line work between Gorakhpur & Gorakhpur Cantt. Stations, 15098 Jammu Tawi – Bhagalpur Amarnath Express (journey commencing on 29.04.2025) and 15097 Bhagalpur – Jammu Tawi Amarnath Express (journey commencing on 01.05.2025) will remain cancelled.

Manav Ekta Diwas – A Noble Resolve of Selfless Service

MI News Service, Delhi: Manav Ekta Diwas, observed every year on 24th April by the Sant Nirankari Mission in sacred remembrance of Baba Gurbachan Singh Ji, is a spiritually uplifting occasion that celebrates the values of love and brotherhood. It is more than just a commemorative day—it is a heartfelt confluence of humanity, harmony, and unity.

On this day, a nationwide blood donation drive is initiated by the Mission, symbolising a collective awakening to the spirit of selfless service. Alongside, spiritual congregations are organised to spread the light of love, peace, and oneness throughout society. This day serves as a reminder that service is not merely an act—it is a spiritual sentiment of selfless surrender.

This year as well, the Sant Nirankari Charitable Foundation organised an unbroken chain of grand blood

donation camps at over 500 branches across India. The camp held at Ground No. 8, Nirankari Chowk, Burari, Delhi, emerged as a central hub, where devotees participated in large numbers. With wholehearted enthusiasm and devotion, they voluntarily donated blood, contributing to the welfare of humanity.

Yugdrishta Baba Gurbachan Singh Ji led a transformative movement against superstition and social evils through the light of divine knowledge, initiating reformative campaigns like de-addiction, simple marriages, and positive youth engagement. Carrying this divine vision forward, Baba Hardev Singh Ji gave the immortal message, "Let blood flow in veins, not in drains," making blood donation an integral part of the Mission's spiritual service. This message continues to kindle a flame of service and dedication in the hearts of Nirankari devotees.

Dr Geetika Duggal, Medical Director of Sant Nirankari Health City, informed that around 30,000 units of blood were collected across India through this initiative, including approximately 1,000 units from the Delhi camp alone.

This day also commemorates the sacred memory of Rev. Chacha Pratap Singh Ji and other selfless saints who dedicated their entire lives to the path of human unity, selfless service, and spiritual awakening. Manav Ekta Diwas serves to keep alive the spirit and determination of those noble

saints.

Teams from the Indian Red Cross Society and premier Delhi hospitals including AIIMS, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia (RML) Hospital, Guru Teg Bahadur (GTB) Hospital, Safdarjung, Deen Dayal Upadhyay (DDU) Hospital, Lok Nayak Jai Prakash Narayan (LNJP) Hospital, and Hindu Rao Hospital participated in these camps. Proper health screenings, high standards of hygiene, and excellent refreshment arrangements for donors ensured the service was both organised and dignified.

This grand initiative is not just about blood donation—it is a living expression of Satguru Mata Sudiksha Ji Maharaj's message of compassion, service, and unity. It reminds us that humanity is the highest religion, and with this inspiration, the Sant Nirankari Mission continues to pave the path of service and dedication in the pursuit of human welfare

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Following E-tenders are invited online by Divisional Railway Manager, Eastern Railway, Howrah, DRM Building, near Railway Station, Howrah-711101 from tenderers having experience of similar nature of work and required financial capabilities including those Registered with Irrigation/CPWD/SEB/MES or any public sector undertaking for the following works:

Landslides leave 1,000 tourists stranded in North Sikkim

MI News Service, Darjeeling: Around 1,000 tourists were stranded in picturesque North Sikkim following landslides in the Himalayan state which is also witnessing heavy rain, police said. Around 200 tourist vehicles were stranded at Chungthang and the occupants are staying in a Gurudwara there, they said. Chungthang is nearly 100 km from the state capital Gangtok. The police said that massive landslides have occurred at Munshithang on the Lachen-Chungthang road and at Lema/Bob on the Lachung-Chungthang road.

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Tender Notice No.: EL/HWH/25/21 (Notice)/665, Date: 24.04.2025. Divisional Railway Manager, Eastern Railway, Howrah, DRM Building, near Railway Station, Howrah-711101 invites Open e-Tenders for the under-mentioned electrical work/s. **SI.No.-1. Tender No.: EL-HWH-25-21-3376. Name of work:** Electrical (General) work in connection with "Harinsing- Shifting of X-over point no. 53A/B at Dumka end and relocated beyond X-over point no. 54A/B for increasing CAL/CSR of line no. 2 (main line)". **Tender value:** ₹ 7,98,473. **Bid Security (Earnest Money Deposit):** ₹ 16,000. **SI.No.-2. Tender No.: EL-HWH-25-21-3384-R. Name of work:** (1) Electrical General work for "Upgradation and modernisation of Harinsing goods sheds over Howrah Division under Sr.DEN/4/Howrah". (2) Electrical General work for "Upgradation and modernisation of Pinargaria goods sheds over Howrah Division under Sr.DEN/4/Howrah". **Tender value:** ₹ 1,62,83,162. **Bid Security (Earnest Money Deposit):** ₹ 2,31,400. **SI.No.-3. Tender No.: EL-HWH-25-21-3414-R. Name of work:** (1) Electrical General work for Completion of ground floor building including development of front facade along with porch and interior works, development of circulating and parking area at Dankuni under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme. (2) Electrical General work for Redevelopment of facade & porch, interior works & development of Booking office, toilet & waiting hall of existing building, circulating area of Bally under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme. (3) Electrical General work for Completion of balance part of Ground Floor of Commercial Building, interior, Circulating area Development of Seoraphuli station under Amrit Station Scheme in the section of Sr.DEN/1/Howrah. (4) Electrical General work for Development of facade & porch and interior development of Booking Office, toilet & waiting hall and other ancillary works at Chandan Nagar station under Amrit Station Scheme in the section of Sr.DEN/1/Howrah. (5) Electrical General work for Development of main entry building & ground floor of 2nd entry building along with development of Facade & Porch and interior works along with circulating area & Parking area development at Ambika Kalna station under Amrit Station Scheme in the section of DEN/3/Howrah. (6) Electrical General work for Completion of balance work of extended portion of station building (ground floor) at Tarakeswar and Dome structure, the connection between the station building & pilgrim shed including development of front Facade along with Porch, interior development of Booking office, toilet & waiting hall of station building and other ancillary works of existing station building under Amrit Station Scheme in the section of Sr.DEN/1/Howrah. **Tender value:** ₹ 2,84,39,279. **Bid Security (Earnest Money Deposit):** ₹ 2,92,200. **Completion Period:** 180 days (for SI.No. 1 to 3 each). **Closing date and time of tender :** 16.05.2025 at 15.00 hrs. (for SI.No. 1 to 3 each). In case the date of closing mentioned in the notice inviting tender is declared a holiday/bandh/strike on any account, the date of closing tender online will not be changed as the application in the website of IREPS does not permit submission of any offer after closing date and time of the tender. However, opening of tenders online will be on any convenient day after closing date and time of the tender. The details of tender are available at website: www.ireps.gov.in. Tenderers are requested to submit their offer online on the above website. (HWH-47/2025-26)

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Metro Railway, Kolkata

Dy. Chief Electrical Engineer/MI/Co-ordination, Metro Railway, Kolkata for and on behalf of the President of India invites e-tender for the following work: **Name of work:** Supply, Erection, Testing and Commissioning of 33 kV GIS at different substations of N-S Corridor of Metro Railway, Kolkata. **Advised Value:** ₹ 4,99,73,000.00. **Date and Time of Closing:** 15.00 hrs.(IST) of 19.05.2025. **Notice Board Address:** Office of the Principal Chief Electrical Engineer, Metro Railway, 33/1, J.L. Nehru Road, Kolkata-700071. **Website particulars:** <https://www.ireps.gov.in>. **Tender No. : ELM_134R_GIS_DT_16-04-25**

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Sr. Divisional Commercial Manager, Eastern Railway, Sealdah, Kaizer Street, Kolkata-700014 (Auction Conducting Officer) has published e-auction catalogues on www.ireps.gov.in for operation of parking lots over Sealdah Division. **(A) Auction Catalogue No. : PARK-MAY-25-95. Auction Start :** 07.05.2025 at 12.00 hrs. **Seq.No., Lot No. & Station** are as follows : **(AA/1)** PARKING-SDAH-BTY-TW-173-22-1, Bethuadahari. **(AA/2)** PARKING-SDAH-IP-TW-281-23-2, Ichhapur. **(AA/3)** PARKING-SDAH-JGDL-TW-108-24-1, Jagaddal. **(AA/4)** PARKING-SDAH-JGDL-TW-111-25-1, Jagaddal. **(AA/5)** PARKING-SDAH-AGP-TW-317-23-1, Agarpara. **(AA/6)** PARKING-SDAH-BSLA-TW-291-23-1, Bhasila. **(AA/7)** PARKING-SDAH-JGDL-TW-103-24-1, Jagaddal. **(AA/8)** PARKING-SDAH-JGDL-TW-105-24-1, Jagaddal. **(AA/9)** PARKING-SDAH-JGDL-TW-107-24-1, Jagaddal. **(AA/10)** PARKING-SDAH-SEP-TW-199-23-1, Sodepur. **(AA/11)** PARKING-SDAH-SEP-TW-47-25-1, Sodepur. **(AA/12)** PARKING-SDAH-IP-TW-87-25-1, Ichhapur. **(AA/13)** PARKING-SDAH-NAI-TW-295-23-2, Nangi. **(AA/14)** PARKING-SDAH-NAI-TW-294-24-1, Nangi. **(AA/15)** PARKING-SDAH-JGDL-TW-104-24-1, Jagaddal. **(AA/16)** PARKING-SDAH-AGP-TW-311-24-1, Agarpara. **(AA/17)** PARKING-SDAH-BTY-TW-53-25-1, Bethuadahari. **(AA/18)** PARKING-SDAH-JGDL-TW-109-25-1, Jagaddal. **(AB/1)** PARKING-SDAH-DAKE-MX-186-25-1, Dakshineswar. **(AC/1)** PARKING-SDAH-BTY-RW-272-23-1, Bethuadahari. **(B) Auction Catalogue No. : PARK-MAY-25-94. Auction Start:** 06.05.2025 at 12.00 hrs. **Seq.No., Lot No. & Station** are as follows : **(AA/1)** PARKING-SDAH-BLH-TW-22-25-1, Belgharia. **(AA/2)** PARKING-SDAH-BNU-TW-25-25-1, Bongaon Jn. **(AA/3)** PARKING-SDAH-GUMA-TW-73-25-2, Guma. **(AA/4)** PARKING-SDAH-GUMA-TW-72-25-1, Guma. **(AA/5)** PARKING-SDAH-BLH-TW-170-25-1, Belgharia. **(AA/6)** PARKING-SDAH-JGDL-TW-99-23-2, Jagaddal. **(AA/7)** PARKING-SDAH-DHNR-TW-234-24-1, Durganagar. **(AA/8)** PARKING-SDAH-CG-TW-54-25-1, Canning. **(AA/9)** PARKING-SDAH-KYI-TW-243-25-1, Kalyani. **(AA/10)** PARKING-SDAH-IP-TW-90-25-1, Ichhapur. **(AA/11)** PARKING-SDAH-BPC-TW-180-24-1, Berhampur Court. **(AA/12)** PARKING-SDAH-JGDL-TW-102-25-1, Jagaddal. **(AA/13)** PARKING-SDAH-KYI-TW-117-25-2, Kalyani. **(AA/14)** PARKING-SDAH-JGDL-TW-110-25-1, Jagaddal. **(AA/15)** PARKING-SDAH-BP-TW-33-25-1, Barrackpore. **(AA/16)** PARKING-SDAH-BLH-TW-23-25-1, Belgharia. **(AA/17)** PARKING-SDAH-JGDL-TW-94-24-1, Jagaddal. **(AB/1)** PARKING-SDAH-RMTR-MX-240-25-1, Remount Road. Prospective bidders are requested to visit IREPS e-auction module for further details. (SDAH-28/2025-26)

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উক্ত আমোক্তারনামার বিরুদ্ধে আপনার যদি কোনো আপত্তি থাকে, তাহা হইলে জংগলবস্তুর বি.এল. এড এল. আর. ডে-তে আকার্য করিবি হইতে আশাযী ৩০ দিনের মধ্যে জানাবেন।

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that I, Mr. Ashoke Agarwal S/o Late Mahadeo Prasad Agarwal state that two Gift Deeds being Deed No. 160318231 dated 05/11/2024 and 160318239 dated 05/11/2024 were executed in my favour in respect of All that piece and parcel of Office No. 712, measuring about 535 Sq. Ft. Carpet Area (696 Sq. Ft Super Built Area) on the 7th Floor at 224, A/C Bose Road, 'Krishna Building' Kolkata-700 017 has been lost/misplaced and not traceable from 08.11.2024. The report of the same has been lodged in Karaya Police Station vide G.D no. 1634 on 21.04.2025 If found by any person, kindly inform me at Office No. 712, on the 7th Floor at 224, A/C Bose Road, 'Krishna Building' Kolkata-700017 or Email at ashokeagarwal@hotmail.com or on mobile no 9845041559.

S/d, Ashoke Agarwal

Mogra II Gram Panchayat

Bagati Adhikary Para, Mogra, Hooghly

Tender Notice

Online Tender is invited vide Reference No. 197/M-II/2025, Date 22.04.2025 for 01 (One) No. of work. Last Date of Bid Submission is 02.05.2025 up to 12.00 Noon.

Tender ID List

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Intending bidders are requested to visit the website -> <https://wbgtenders.gov.in> and this notice board.

Sd/-
Prodhon,
Mogra II Gram Panchayat

Restoration of Two pair trains between Katwa & Azimganj

In reference to the earlier notification regarding cancellation of Two pair trains between Katwa & Azimganj due to traffic & Power Block for track maintenance works between Bazarsau & Tenya and Tenya & Salar stations in Katwa - Azimganj section over Howrah division for 24 days (03 days in a week i.e. Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday) from 24.04.2025 to 17.06.2025 intermittently, this is to be notified that the said **Traffic & Power Block will be cancelled for 1 day on 26.04.2025 (Saturday)**. Consequently, following trains which were cancelled for this block will be **restored only on 26.04.2025 (Saturday) :** (1) From Azimganj : 53018, 63020 (2) From Katwa : 53017, 63019.

Divisional Railway Manager/Howrah

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Continuation of running of MEMU Special Trains between Deoghar & Godda and Deoghar & Bhagalpur

For the convenience of commuters, 03146/03145 Deoghar-Godda-Deoghar MEMU Special & 03147/03148 Deoghar-Bhagalpur-Deoghar MEMU Speical trains will continue to run daily upto 02.05.2025 as per their existing path, timings and stoppages. All other instructions will remain same.

Chief Passenger Transportation Manager

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Sports Minister Aroop Biswas inaugurated the Kolkata Women's Football League Premier Division 'Kanyashree Cup' on Friday, organized at the inspiration of Honorable Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee at the Kishore Bharati Stadium. A total of 14 clubs are participating in this competition. Minister Sujit Basu and IFA officials were present.

"Not even single drop of water will go to Pakistan": Jal Shakti minister CR Paatil after meeting with Amit Shah

MI News Service, New Delhi: Union Jal Shakti Minister CR Paatil on Friday said the Centre has formulated a detailed roadmap to prevent the flow of Indian river water to Pakistan, following a key meeting with Union Home Minister Amit Shah.

The Union Minister emphasised that immediate steps are being prioritised, including the desilting of rivers among others.

Speaking to the media, Paatil said, "A roadmap was prepared in the meeting with Union Home Minister Amit Shah. Three options were discussed in the meeting. The government is working on short-term, medium-term, and long-term measures so that not even a drop of water goes to Pakistan. Soon, desilting of rivers will be done to stop the water and divert it." The move comes amid es-

calating tensions following the terror attack in the Pahalgam. Meanwhile, expressing strong disapproval over the Indus Water Treaty, Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Friday said the pact which was signed between India and Pakistan in 1960 is the "most unfair document" to the people of the Union Territory.

Addressing the media, Omar Abdullah said, "The government of India has taken some steps. As far as J-K is concerned, we have never been in favour of the Indus Water Treaty. We have always believed that the Indus Water Treaty has been the most unfair document to the people of J-K."

The Chief Minister also discussed assurances received from Amit Shah regarding the safety of residents of Jammu and Kashmir in other states.

"It is regrettable that this attack took place, and we ensured that any issues that were brought to our attention in the meeting, we will work on them. During this meeting, I spoke with the Union Home Minister and he assured me that all steps will be taken to ensure the safety of the people of J-K who are staying in other states...An advisory will be issued by the Home Ministry and the Union Minister also spoke with the Chief Ministers of many states," he added.

Earlier, in the Cabinet Committee on Security meeting, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, in the presence of Home Minister Amit Shah, India decided to hold the Indus Waters Treaty of 1960 in abeyance until Pakistan credibly and irrevocably abjures its support for cross-border terrorism and has closed the integrated Attari Check Post.

Maharashtra to act against overstaying Pakistani nationals following visa suspension: CM Devendra Fadnavis

MI News Service, Mumbai: Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis on Friday announced a stringent crackdown on Pakistani nationals overstaying in the state, following a central government decision to suspend visa services for citizens of Pakistan.

Speaking to the media, Fadnavis said, "The central government has decided to suspend visa services for Pakistani nationals who have come to India. We have sought a list of Pakistani nationals who have come to India, they are being identified and police officials have been instructed to ensure that no Pakistani national stays in Maharashtra for more than 48 hours...Action will be taken against Pakistani nationals who overstay (in Maharashtra)"

The Chief Minister emphasised that all district

police units have been directed to conduct strict surveillance and ensure compliance with the new directive. "We will monitor it fully and send them out. Those who overstay will face legal action," he said.

Fadnavis also confirmed that he held a detailed discussion with Union Home Minister Amit Shah regarding the issue. "I had a detailed talk with the Union Home Minister and action will be taken as per his Guidance," he stated.

Earlier, on Friday, Union Home Minister Amit Shah spoke with Chief Ministers and asked them to identify all Pakistani nationals in their respective states, according to sources.

Amit Shah also spoke with all chief ministers on the issue, asking them to identify all Pakistani nationals in their respective states and take steps to ensure their prompt return to Pakistan.

A decision has been made to cancel all types of visas, effective immediately. Shah has also asked the Chief Ministers to take steps to ensure the prompt return of the people to Pakistan.

This comes after terrorists attacked tourists at Baisaran meadow in Pahalgam on April 22, killing 25 Indian nationals and one Nepali citizen while leaving several others injured.

Jamna Gram Panchayat

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Army Chief General Upendra Dwivedi arrives in Kashmir valley

MI News Service, Srinagar: Army Chief General Upendra Dwivedi arrived in Kashmir to review the situation in the wake of the Pahalgam attack earlier this week that left 26 people, mostly tourists, dead, officials said.

The officials said Army commander, Northern Command, Lt Gen MV Suchindra Kumar, accompanied the Army Chief.

The Chief of Armed Staff (COAS) would carry out a comprehensive review of the security situation in Jammu and Kashmir, while top Army commanders will brief him about the security situation and steps taken in the aftermath of Tuesday's attack, they said.

The Army chief's visit comes less than 24 hours after Pakistan resorted to small arms firing along the Line of Control (LoC) in Jammu and Kashmir.

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Shajda Tabassum @ Rukhsar Parween

...Plaintiff.

-> **VERSUS:-**

Tipu Sultan Khan

....Defendant.

Notice through Publication

To,

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Central Employment Eligibility Test (CEET) Knowledge Partner Office Inaugurated in Mecheda, Purba Medinipur, West Bengal

Mecheda, Purba Medinipur, West Bengal : In a significant step towards strengthening employment readiness and skill development in Eastern India, the Central Employment Eligibility Test (CEET) Knowledge Partner's office was officially inaugurated in Mecheda, Purba Medinipur, West Bengal. The initiative, led by M/s UNIQUE INFO SOLUTIONS as the Knowledge Partner for West Bengal, aims to provide aspiring job seekers with industry-aligned training, certification, and resources to improve their employability. The inauguration ceremony witnessed the presence of the Founder and senior management officials of UNIQUE INFO SOLUTIONS, representatives from the local administration, and other dignitaries. Their participation underlined the importance of creating robust employment support systems at the grassroots level. Speaking at the occasion, Mr. Prokash Saha, CEO of Unique Info Solutions, remarked, "The establishment of this CEET study centre is a significant milestone in bridging the skill gap among job aspirants. In today's competitive environment, standardized employment assessments are critical. Our mission is to make these assessments more accessible and empower candidates with the right knowledge and tools to succeed professionally." CEET is a premier



testing consultancy dedicated to redefining employment assessments through standardized, technology-driven evaluations. The platform ensures individuals meet the skill requirements expected across various industries by employing rigorous testing methodologies and upholding the highest standards of fairness and accuracy. The newly launched CEET study centre in Mecheda will offer:

Expert-led training sessions tailored to CEET assessment criteria* Access to comprehensive study material and industry-oriented modules* Mock exams and practice tests to build exam readiness* Career guidance by professionals to help candidates navigate job opportunities effectively* CEET's official portal, <https://ceetexams.in>, provides an integrated platform for candidates to

validate their skills and for employers to identify competent talent. This inauguration marks the beginning of a broader initiative, with plans to establish more CEET centres across the country. With UNIQUE INFO SOLUTIONS leading the effort as CEET's Knowledge Partner for West Bengal, this program is poised to make a meaningful impact on the region's employment landscape.

Study shows how brain's internal compass guides the body

WASHINGTON : Our sense of direction is essential for navigating the world around us. It serves as the brain's internal compass, guiding us in the right direction and, more significantly, prompting us to reverse course when we're going the wrong way.

Yet despite a large body of research on how navigation works in the brain, scientists still lack a clear understanding of how this internal compass directly guides behavior.

Now, a study conducted in fruit flies and led by researchers at Harvard Medical School offers new insights into how two distinct brain regions -- the seat of the compass and the steering center -- communicate during navigation.

The findings are published in Nature.

In the study, researchers examined the brains of fruit flies knocked off course while running in a particular direction. They discovered that three distinct groups of neurons enable communication between the compass and the steering regions of the brain and work together to help the fly course-correct. In doing so, the neurons translate signals from a fly's internal compass into behavior to keep it moving in the right direction. "Until now, no one really knew how sense of direction, which is an internal cognitive state, relates to the actions an animal is making in the world," said senior author Rachel Wilson, the Joseph B. Martin Professor of Basic Research in the Field of Neurobiology in the Blavatnik Institute at HMS.

Despite their small size, fruit flies have complicated brains and behaviors -- and thus the findings could provide a foundation for future studies on how signals in the brain become actions in more complex species, including humans.



Staying on course

Humans and other complex animals have an internal compass made of brain cells that use internal and external information to generate a sense of direction. In fruit flies, scientists have figured out that these cells -- called head-direction cells -- are arranged in a circle, making them especially easy to study. Contrary to what their name implies, fruit flies spend more time walking than flying. Previous research has shown that as flies walk around, these head-direction cells actively track their rotational movements, such as turning right or left. In the new study, Wilson and colleagues wanted to explore how this compass is functionally connected to the steering region of the brain to understand how it guides navigation. To do this, they used an existing wiring diagram of every neural connection in the fruit fly brain to build a computational model of how

these regions might be linked. With this model, they were able to identify and make predictions about the layer of neurons that connect the two regions. To validate their predictions, the researchers analyzed the activity in the layer of neurons identified by the model as the flies walked around in a virtual reality environment. Often, flies ran straight in a random direction, likely in an effort to escape their environment. When their virtual world was rotated to move them off course, the flies swiftly course-corrected. Interestingly, these course corrections were carried out by three separate groups of neurons: Two sets of neurons nudged the fly to go right or left, and one issued a signal to turn around completely. "You can think of these three groups of neurons as three sentries guarding a castle," Wilson said, "with each responsible for surveilling in a different direction and

prompting the correction needed to keep the fly moving towards its goal."

The findings explain how fruit flies use their sense of direction to estimate where they are in relation to a goal and how they use this estimate to adjust their behavior.

"This is a really concrete description of how a complicated cognitive process works and how it produces specific, guided behaviors in real time," Wilson said. The findings complement a second study, also published in Nature on Feb. 7 and led by a separate team of researchers at The Rockefeller University, that describes parts of the same neuronal circuit in fruit flies. Taken together, the two studies provide an even more complete understanding of how sense of direction translates into behavior in the animals.

A strong starting point

Wilson said that her team's observations have implications beyond identifying the connections between the brain's compass and steering regions. The findings provide important clues about the format and location of navigational goals in the brain -- and may pave the way for understanding how other types of goals are stored.

"I think we've touched on one of the most mysterious aspects of brain function, which is how we hold information and intentions in our mind in a latent form and then act on them," Wilson said, adding that even insects have this ability. "In the future, we're going to investigate how this works."

Wilson is also interested in learning more about the three groups of neurons the study identified -- and whether analogous groups of neurons dedicated to fine and coarse adjustments exist in other brain networks.

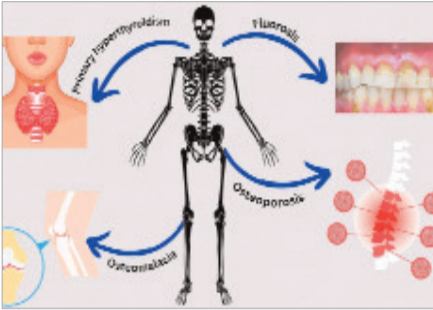
Researchers give more insight into bone diseases

TOKYO (JAPAN) : Diseases affecting the bones and joints are becoming more widespread in today's elderly populations. For example, in Japan alone, approximately 12 million people suffer from osteoporosis, a disorder that significantly weakens and fragilizes bones. Understanding the biological processes involved in the maintenance of bone and joint tissue is an important first step toward developing effective therapies for these illnesses.

Osteoclasts are a type of cell that plays a crucial role in bone maintenance. These cells absorb and breakdown old or broken bone, letting the body to reuse key elements such as calcium and creating space for new bones. As one may assume, many bone diseases develop when osteoclasts do not perform their functions adequately. Scientists are exploring the processes that control the proliferation and differentiation of precursor cells into osteoclasts.

Interestingly, in a study published in 2020, researchers from Tokyo University of Science (TUS) led by Professor Tadayoshi Hayata revealed that the cytoplasmic polyadenylation element-binding protein 4 (Cpeb4) protein is essential in osteoclast differentiation. They also discovered that this protein, which regulates the stability and translation of messenger RNA (mRNA) molecules, transported into specific structures within the nucleus of the cell when osteoclast differentiation was induced. However, just how this relocation occurs and what Cpeb4 exactly does within these nuclear structures still remains a mystery.

Now, in a recent study published in the Journal of Cellular Physiology on 29 January 2024, Prof. Hayata and Mr. Yasuhiro Arasaki from TUS tackled these knowledge gaps. Motivated by the intricate and complex



process of osteoclast differentiation, they sought to more thoroughly understand how the "life cycle" of mRNA, i.e., mRNA metabolism, is involved.

First, the researchers introduced strategic modifications into Cpeb4 proteins and performed a series of experiments in cell cultures. They found that the localization of Cpeb4 in the abovementioned nuclear bodies occurred owing to its ability to bind to RNA molecules. Afterwards, seeking to understand the role of Cpeb4 in the nucleus, the researchers demonstrated that Cpeb4 co-localized with certain mRNA splicing factors. These proteins are involved in the process of mRNA splicing, which is a key step in mRNA metabolism. Put simply, it enables a cell to produce diverse mature mRNA molecules (and eventually proteins) from a single gene. Through RNA sequencing and gene analysis in Cpeb4-depleted cells, they found that Cpeb4 alters the expression of multiple genes associated with splicing events in freshly differentiated osteoclasts. Finally, through further experiments, the researchers revealed that Cpeb4 only altered the splicing patterns of Id2 mRNA, an important protein known to regulate osteoclast differentiation and development.

Odors might prompt certain brain cells to make decisions: Research



WASHINGTON : Researchers at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus revealed that smells trigger certain brain cells, which may play a role in quick 'go, no-go' decision making.

The proceeding of the research was published in the journal Current Biology.

The scientists focused on the hippocampus, an area of the brain crucial to memory and learning. They knew that so-called 'time cells' played a major role in hippocampal function but didn't know their role in associative learning.

"These are cells that would remind you to make a decision - do this or do that," said the study's senior author Diego Restrepo, PhD, a neuroscientist and professor of cell and developmental biology at the University of Colorado School of Medicine.

The researchers observed that when mice were given the choice of responding to a fruity smell by licking on a spout that delivered sweet water, they quickly learned to lick the fruity smell as opposed to the smell of mineral oil. "They have to associate the odor with

"The hippocampus turns on decision-predicting time cells which would give you a hint of what to remember," Restrepo said. "In the past, time cells were thought to only remind you of events and time. Here we see memory encoded in the neurons and then retrieved instantly when making a decision."

the outcome of what they are doing so that's why they learn decision making," said Ming Ma, PhD, a first author of the study and a senior instructor in cell and developmental biology at the CU School of Medicine. "When it's a fruit odor, they lick and get a reward. When it's mineral oil they stop licking." "The more they learned, the more the cells were stimulated leading to more rapid decoding of the odors and allowing the mice to quickly become proficient at choosing the fruity smell," said Fabio Simoes de Souza, DSC, another first author of the

study and an assistant research professor in cell and developmental biology at the CU School of Medicine.

The catalyst for the decision-making is the odor which travels up the nose sending neural signals to the olfactory bulb and to the hippocampus. The two organs are closely connected. The information is swiftly processed and the brain makes a decision based on the input. "Before this we didn't know there were decision making cells in the hippocampus," Restrepo said. "The hippocampus is multitasking." The cells are not always turned on, Restrepo speculated, because otherwise the stimuli might become overwhelming. The study expands current knowledge of what's involved in decision-making in the brain, specifically those quick go, no-go decisions that mice and humans make all the time. "The hippocampus turns on decision-predicting time cells which would give you a hint of what to remember," Restrepo said. "In the past, time cells were thought to only remind you of events."

Temperature can influence microbial competition in rivers: Study

LOS ANGELES : Although they might not remain for very long, wastewater-derived antimicrobial resistance genes (ARGs) can wind up in naturally occurring biofilms in rivers. Researchers reported this week in mSphere that ARGs penetrate and initially join natural biofilms after being introduced to a river. However, the number of those invasive ARGs decreases dramatically when the river's temperature rises, indicating that the preexisting microbial community may be displacing the resistant intruders. In just two weeks, the amount of ARGs in river water at 30 degrees Celsius (86 degrees Fahrenheit) went back to its starting point.

The finding suggests that rivers may offer a kind of defence against the spread of ARGs in wastewater. It was also contrary to what the researchers expected. Most ARGs in wastewater originate in human faeces and thrive at the temperature of the human body, which is higher than most waterways. The microbiologists anticipated that

warm rivers would be a welcome environment. "We thought they should be rather well-adapted to higher temperatures," said microbiologist Uli Klumper, PhD, at Technische Universität Dresden's Institute of Hydrobiology. "So if river temperatures are rising with climate change, we wanted to know if these bacteria from wastewater would have an easier time integrating with the natural biofilms." Klumper co-led the study with his PhD student Kenyum Bagra, who joined TU Dresden on a DAAD exchange fellowship from the Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee, who led the study. The work was funded through the ANTIVERSA project by Biodiversa, a European biodiversity organization. Klumper, Bagra and their colleagues first immersed 27 glass slides in the Lockwitzbach River, in eastern Germany, for a month. "It's relatively pristine," Klumper said. They collected the slides, which had amassed a natural biofilm from the river, and immersed them in



artificial river systems at 1 of 3 temperatures. After a week, they observed that the abundance of naturally occurring ARGs increased in the warmest water, at 30 degrees Celsius. Then, they exposed all the test slides to wastewater for 1 day and monitored the abundance of ARGs, both those that occurred naturally and those from wastewater, over the next 2 weeks. The ARGs from the wastewater readily invaded the biofilm in all 3 cases, with no difference in abundance by temperature. "The introduction seems to be temperature independent," Klumper said. But that's where the similarities ended. In the warmest water, the abundance of the invasive ARGs dropped significantly over 2 weeks. By the end of the experiment, the overall level of ARGs had returned to its initial, natural abundance, and the invasive ARGs had all but vanished. In the other 2 groups, the invasive ARGs fared better. In some cooler

samples, they were able to establish in the biofilm community, even at abundances far higher than the naturally occurring ARGs. Those results suggested that the competition between invasive and indigenous microbes was mediated by temperature, Klumper said. "We were really surprised." Researchers often assume that a warming world will promote pathogenic ARGs, he said, but it's likely not so straightforward. A river is a complex system, Klumper said and responds to warming in ways that are difficult to model. "It's not only one effect that's at play," he said. In addition, he noted that in their experiment, the initial sample came from a pristine river and a single exposure to wastewater, but in many cases, wastewater is constantly released. "So in those biofilms, there might be members that originated from wastewater but adapted well to that ecosystem," he said.

Hyderabad police deny permission for 'Telangana March' against Waqf Act

MI News Service, Hyderabad: The Hyderabad city police have denied permission to the Joint Action Committee (JAC) for the "Telangana March," which was planned to demand the withdrawal of the Waqf Amendment Act. The protest was scheduled for Saturday, April 26, at Tank Bund. The Additional Commissioner of Police (Law and Order) cited potential traffic issues in the core areas of the city as the primary reason for rejecting the application. The police also stated that there was no clarity from the organizers regarding the expected number of participants. Amjedullah Khan, spokesperson for the MBT party, claimed that the police acted under political pressure in denying permission. He added that a new schedule would be decided after a meeting. The Telangana JAC had planned the protest march for Saturday, and several organizations had extended their support.

Ukrainian drone attack destroys Russia's church complex

MI News Service, Moscow: A Ukrainian drone strike ignited a fire that destroyed a wooden church complex in west Russia's Belgorod region, authorities said Thursday. The attack hit the village of Sukharevo, where the New Jerusalem church complex, a significant local landmark, was set ablaze after Ukrainian drones dropped explosives, regional governor Vyacheslav Gladkov reported Thursday on his Telegram channel. No injuries were reported in the aftermath. The New Jerusalem church complex, an entirely wooden construction, is a major monastery of the Russian Orthodox Church.

Former ISRO chief K Kasturirangan, the brain behind NEP 2020, dies at 84

MI News Service, New Delhi: Former Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) chairperson Krishnaswamy Kasturirangan, known as the father of the Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) in India's space circuit, died Friday. He was 84. Kasturirangan, who also served as secretary of the Department of Space, was the pioneer of India's remote sensing satellites and played a pivotal role in propelling India to the front and centre of the highly competitive emerging space race. He passed away at 10.43 am at his home in Bengaluru after a prolonged illness.

High-ranking Russian officer killed in car blast near Moscow

MI News Service, Balashikha: A senior Russian military officer was killed when a car exploded a short while ago in the town of Balashikha just east of Moscow, Russia's Investigative Committee says. It names the officer as Yaroslav Moskalik, deputy head of the Main Operations Directorate of the General Staff of the Russian Armed Forces, and says it has opened a criminal case into the incident. "According to available data, the explosion occurred as a result of the detonation of a homemade explosive device filled with destructive elements," the Investigative Committee says in a statement. The statement does not say who might be behind the incident.



Chief of Staff for Headquarters 16 Corps General-officer-Commanding (GoC), Major General Shailendra Singh pays tribute to Havildar Jhantu Ali Shaikh, who lost his life in Thursday's encounter between security forces and terrorists, during a wreath laying ceremony at Military Hospital in Jammu.

US to offer Saudi Arabia \$100bn weapons deal as Trump visit planned

MI News Service, Washington: The United States is poised to offer Saudi Arabia an arms package worth more than \$100bn, the Reuters news agency reports, citing six sources familiar with the matter. The deal is reportedly in the works in advance of a planned trip by US President Donald Trump to Saudi Arabia, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates next month, Reuters reported on Thursday. Top defence contractors such as Lockheed Martin, RTX Corp, Boeing, Northrop Grumman and General Atomics are reported to be involved in the supply of advanced weapons systems, according to Reuters, and several executives from the companies are expected to join Trump's delegation for the visit. The sources cited by Reuters say the contractor could see Riyadh supplied with a range of weapons including C-130 transport aircraft, missiles and radar systems. It is unlikely, however, that Saudi Arabia will gain access to Lockheed Martin's F-35 fighter jet.



Only a select number of countries can buy F-35s from the US, such as NATO allies, Japan, South Korea and Australia. Trump's predecessor, President Joe Biden, tried unsuccessfully to sign a new defence pact with Saudi Arabia with the broader aim of normalising relations with Israel. Biden's pact also called for Riyadh to restrict Chinese investment and halt arms purchases from Beijing, but Reuters said it could not establish whether Trump's proposed deal

would call for similar restrictions.

Neither the White House nor Saudi officials immediately responded to the request for comment, but a US defence official told Reuters that "security cooperation remains an important component" of the US-Saudi relationship. None of the defence contractors named by Reuters replied to queries. While the US has long supplied Saudi Arabia with weapons, sales dropped off in 2018 following the murder of Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi. In 2021, the US Congress banned the sale of offensive weapons to Saudi Arabia in the wake of the murder and Riyadh's involvement in the war in Yemen.

The Biden administration began to soften its stance on Saudi Arabia in 2022 after Russia's invasion of Ukraine impacted global oil supplies, and the ban on offensive weapons sales was lifted in 2024 as Saudi Arabia was seen as a key partner by the US in the post-war reconstruction of Gaza

Escalation in West Bank: Raids, settler attacks, and mass displacement

MI News Service, Deir Al-Balah: After the Hamas attack on October 7, 2023, ignited the devastating war in Gaza, a deadly new reality also took hold for Palestinians in the occupied West Bank.

With the world's attention focused on Gaza, Israeli military operations in the West Bank grew in size, frequency and intensity. The army launched the stepped-up campaign to counter what it says is a growing militant threat. Here's a look at where things stand, with data collected by the UN's humanitarian office and Peace Now, an Israeli anti-settlement tracking group.

Since the war in Gaza erupted, the majority of Palestinians killed by Israeli fire in the West Bank have been shot during military raids in villages and towns.

Israel says the operations are needed to stamp out militancy. Many of the dead were militants killed in clashes, or youths throwing stones or firebombs. But Palestinians and rights groups say scores of uninvolved civilians have been caught in the crossfire. Of those killed since the Hamas attack, at least 182 have been children under 18, according to the Palestinian Health Ministry, some of whom Israel says were involved in stone-throwing and militancy. Rights groups accuse Israel of using excessive force.

Israel is staging a massive offensive across four major refugee camps in the north of the West

Bank. The raids, at their height, pushed 40,000 people from their homes. Many are now sheltering with relatives in neighbouring villages, others racking up debt renting apartments while they wait to return.

Israeli officials, meanwhile, have said those displaced will not be allowed to go back for at least a year.

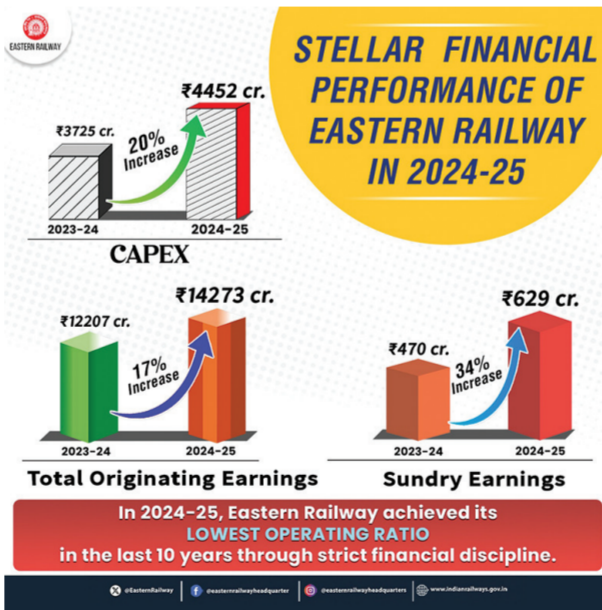
Forces have ripped up roads, destroyed infrastructure and demolished hundreds of homes. Israel says it is dismantling terrorist infrastructure. But civilian homes have also been destroyed.

In another escalation, the military has resumed previously rare tactics, like drone strikes, in these densely populated areas.

Settler attacks causing injury or death to Palestinians surged in the wake of the Hamas attack. For Palestinians living in small Bedouin villages in areas under full Israeli control, the attacks have become a near-daily occurrence as settlers — emboldened by Israel's pro-settler government — build new unauthorised outposts on nearby hilltops.

Israel says it opposes settler violence and blames it all on a small, extremist fringe. Palestinians say that the Israeli army does little to protect them, and that the attacks are part of a systematic attempt to expel them from their land. As the war in Gaza continues and the West Bank seethes, Palestinians say life is only growing more difficult

ER Achieves Stellar Financial Performance in Financial Year 2024-25



MI News Service, Kolkata: Eastern Railway has recorded a remarkable financial performance in the recently concluded financial year 2024-25, reflecting its unwavering commitment to infrastructure development, efficient resource utilization, and strong fiscal discipline. One of the standout achievements for the year was the significant surge in Capital Expenditure (CAPEX), which registered near 20% increase over the previous fiscal. The CAPEX for FY 2024-25 stood at ₹4,452 crores, as compared to ₹3,725 crores in FY 2023-24. This substantial investment underscores Eastern Railway's dedication to comprehensive infrastructural upgradation and successful execution of development projects across its network. Eastern Railway also posted impressive growth in earnings. The total originating earnings rose by 17%, reaching ₹14,273 crores in FY 2024-25, up from ₹12,207 crores in the previous year. This robust performance is indicative of

enhanced freight and passenger service capabilities, improved customer outreach, and operational efficiency. In addition, sundry earnings — a key indicator of auxiliary revenue streams — saw a record-breaking 34% growth. Earnings in this category rose to ₹629 crores in FY 2024-25, up from ₹470 crores in FY 2023-24, reflecting successful monetization of non-core assets and innovative revenue-generation measures. A particularly noteworthy milestone was the achievement of the lowest operating ratio during 2024-25, in the past decade, signaling Eastern Railway's strong financial management and commitment to fiscal prudence. This accomplishment highlights the Railway's ability to balance growth with cost efficiency. Eastern Railway remains committed to driving infrastructure development, improving service delivery, and enhancing passenger and freight experiences while maintaining high standards of financial stewardship.

Telangana: Hindutva mob attacks madrasah, sets dargah on fire over desecration of idols; CCTV reveals monkeys as the culprit

MI News Service, Sangareddy: Hindutva groups attacked a madrasa and assaulted students in Telangana's Jinnaram village of Sangareddy district accusing the students of vandalising idols leading to a tense situation on April 23. The miscreants also set parts of a dargah on fire. The right wing members accused the students of Taleem ul Quran located in Jinnaram village of vandalising two Shiva idols, attacked the institution and assaulted the students and teachers.

Reportedly, during the attack, several students, teachers were hit and threatened to be harmed further. Police reached the

spot and dispersed the miscreants. However, the goons marched towards Hazrat Gharib Shah Wali, a shrine nearby, set parts of the shrine on fire and defaced the chadar offered to the shrine. After the incident, police were deployed across the area. Madrasa management and local Muslims condemned the attack and staged protests demanding action against the perpetrators. Complaints were filed by Madrasa Management and Dargah Committee. A separate complaint was also filed by a mosque located in the area. AIMIM MLA Kausar Mohiuddin and other members held a meeting with the District

Superintendent of Police to demand action. Mohammad Faheem Qureshi along with other members of the Congress party submitted a formal complaint to the DGP, urging to punish the guilty. Locals and leaders have expressed anger as no arrests have been made so far. The Sangareddy Police have registered cases in connection with the incident and has identified individuals responsible for mobilising the mob. A similar incident occurred in February. Members of the right wing accused Muslims of throwing a piece of meat in Hanuman temple and staged a protest. Later, the CCTV showed a cat entering the temple.

International court appeals panel orders judges to reconsider Israel's jurisdiction challenge

MI News Service, The Hague: Appeals judges at the International Criminal Court on Thursday ordered a pretrial panel to reconsider an Israeli appeal against the court's jurisdiction over Gaza and the West Bank.

The decision comes amid ongoing litigation into Israel's assertion that the court did not have the legal authority to issue arrest warrants in November for Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and his former defense minister, Yoav Gallant. The warrants allege that Netanyahu and Gallant are responsible for crimes against humanity in the Gaza war. Israel, which is not a member of the court and rejects its jurisdiction, strongly refutes the allegations.

Judges at The Hague-based court dismissed a request from Israel to suspend the warrants. But in a legal victory for Israel, appeals judges said in their written decision that the pretrial panel "committed an error of law by failing to sufficiently address Israel's argument that it was entitled to make a jurisdictional challenge" under the court's founding treaty, the Rome Statute.

It ordered the pretrial judges to make a "new ruling on the substance of Israel's challenge to the jurisdiction of the Court." The challenge was filed in September — before the warrants were issued — and rejected two months later. It was not immediately clear how long judges will take to issue a new ruling.

In a statement on X, Israeli Foreign Minister Gideon Sa'ar said the arrest warrants were issued unlawfully and are "null and void." Israel has long argued that it does not have jurisdiction. The court, however, has accepted "The State of Palestine" as one of its 125 member nations.

"We said it from the start: The International Criminal Court in The Hague (ICC) doesn't have, and never had, jurisdiction to issue arrest warrants against Israel's Prime Minister and its former Minister of Defense. Israel is not a member of the ICC and is not party to the 'Rome Statute,'" Sa'ar wrote. The ICC prosecutor's office said in a written response that it was studying the decision and had no immediate comment. When issuing the arrest warrants, judges said there was reason to believe Netanyahu and Gallant have used "starvation as a method of warfare" by restricting humanitarian aid and have intentionally targeted civilians in Israel's campaign against Hamas in Gaza — charges Israeli officials deny. Along with the warrants for the Israeli officials, the court also issued a warrant for Mohammed Deif, head of Hamas' armed wing, over the Oct. 7, 2023, attacks that triggered Israel's offensive in Gaza.

Delhi Police arrest activist Medha Patkar over 24 yr old defamation

MI News Service, New Delhi: Social activist Medha Patkar was arrested by the Delhi Police on Friday after a Saket court issued a non-bailable warrant (NBW) against her. The arrest followed her failure to furnish probation bonds and a Rs 1 lakh fine by the April 23 deadline in a defamation case filed by Delhi Lieutenant Governor V.K. Saxena. According to a report, a police team took her into custody from her Nizamuddin residence, and she is expected to be produced before a link judge at the Saket Court later in the day, as the presiding judge, Additional Sessions Judge Vishal Singh, is currently on leave. On April 23, ASJ Singh had warned that Patkar's non-compliance would compel the court to reconsider its earlier "benevolent" decision to

grant her probation. The court had initially spared her a five-month jail term on April 8, citing her social work and the non-grave nature of the offence. However, it mandated that she submit the bonds and fine by the stipulated deadline to retain the probation benefit.

The defamation case stems from a November 2000 press statement by Patkar, then leading the Narmada Bachao Andolan (NBA). She accused Saxena—who headed an NGO supporting Gujarat's Sardar Sarovar Project—of being a "coward" and alleged his involvement in hawala transactions. Saxena, then president of the National Council of Civil Liberties, filed the case after Patkar claimed he issued a bounced cheque to the NBA, which opposed the dam project.

Protest in Furfura



MI News Service, Kolkata: A protest march was taken out in Furfura Sharif on Friday. The Pir Saheb of Furfura Sharif and the common people of the area joined the march to protest the barbaric terrorist attack in Kashmir's Pahelgaon and demand the safety of the common people. At the end of the march, many Pir Sahebs including Pir

Abdullah Siddiqui, Pirzada Sawban Siddiqui, Pirzada Safari Siddiqui, Pirzada Sanaullah Siddiqui, Pirzada Uzair Siddiqui, Pirzada Mosfekun Siddiqui, Pirzada Hozafifa Siddiqui, Pirzada Ammar Siddiqui and Pirzada Saud Siddiqui raised their voice against the inhuman act. People from all walks of life participated in the march.

Meeting in memory of Haji Mustafa Madani in Midnapore



Nurul Islam Khan

Thursday, an annual meeting was held in memory of Shah Sufi Haji Mustafa Madani Huzoor. This meeting is very old in the premises of the shrine, near the college ground in West Midnapore. Ala Hazrat Pir Mujaddide Zaman (Rah) of Furfura Sharif was the grandfather of Ala Hazrat Pir Haji Mustafa Madani (Rah). The meeting is more than 400 years old. Pir Hazrat Abdullah Siddiqui Sahab offered the final prayer. He strongly condemned the terrorist attack in Kashmir. He said that the new Waqf Act should be withdrawn. Pir Sahab prayed for peace and harmony in the state. Pirzada Shahin Siddiqui, Pirzada Syed Ali Asgar, Pirzada Minhaj Siddiqui, Pirzada Mujahid Siddiqui and Mohammad Ali Yusuf Sambil gave sermons. Pirzada Sawban Siddiqui conducted the Zikr Majlis. Committee Chairman Dr Ershad and Hifzur Rahman were present along with many members of the committee. The Hezbulah Committee organized by Pir Hazrat Baro Huzur of Furfura participated in the Mahfil. The speakers highlighted the social activities, education and social reform activities of Madani Huzur and his brief biography. Haji Mustafa Madani was the Pir brother of Emperor Aurangzeb. Pir Abu Ibrahim Siddiqui Huzur was the main patron of the meeting. Hazrat Haji Mustafa Madani Kalyan Samiti was in charge of the meeting.



Chennai Super Kings' Ravindra Jadeja plays a shot during the IPL 2025 match against Sunrisers Hyderabad, at MA Chidambaram Stadium in Chennai on Friday. (ANI Photo)

"WE HAD TO COME BACK STRONG": VIKRAM PARTAP SINGH REFLECTS ON MUMBAI CITY FC'S EMPHATIC START TO KALINGA SUPER CUP

BHUBANESWAR (ODISHA) : Mumbai City FC kicked off their Kalinga Super Cup campaign with a statement, brushing aside Chennaiyin FC with a dominant 4-0 win. For forward Vikram Partap Singh, it was a much-needed response after their crushing 0-5 defeat to Bengaluru FC in the Indian Super League (ISL) Knockout clash. "I think after we lost the last match (against Bengaluru FC), it was very important for the team to come back. So, in everyone's mind, for the last 20-25 days, it was that we have to come back strong," Vikram told ANI. The Islanders are the first club to win both the League Winners Shield and the ISL cup title in a single season, which it accomplished in the 2020-21 season. They were the first team to win the ISL league winners shield twice, and were the Cup winners of the 2023-24 season as well, but this season they were not that impressive; they will try to win the Kalinga Super Cup. The young Indian attacker, who had a relatively quiet ISL season with just one goal, sees the Kalinga Super Cup as an opportunity to turn things around -- both for the team and himself. Last season he netted eight goals in the ISL. "The main thing is that wherever I play, I want to win this tournament. I am not thinking about where I am playing. I want to play well and win this tournament," he stated, showcasing his hunger and clarity of focus. Up next for Mumbai City is a tricky test against Inter Kashi FC, one of the most impressive sides in the I-League this season. However, Vikram insists that the approach remains unchanged. "Everything is going to be the same. The way we were ready for Chennaiyin FC, it will be the same for them (Inter Kashi FC). There won't be any difference. It is a knockout match and anything can happen. So, we have to give everything," he said. When asked if there were any special plans against Inter Kashi, Vikram kept it simple, "No, it's a game-by-game. It's not special." With a firm eye on the trophy, Vikram also shared his personal ambition. "Right now, my personal target is to win the Kalinga Super Cup," he said.



"He always wanted to score runs in Bengaluru": Dinesh Karthik on Devdutt Padikkal

NEW DELHI [INDIA] : Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) mentor and batting coach Dinesh Karthik praised RCB batter Devdutt Padikkal's commitment to making a difference for the team. In a video posted by RCB on X, he talked about Padikkal's desire to perform well in front of the Bengaluru crowd, having missed the opportunity to do so during his previous two seasons with RCB. "Dev has changed this season. That's the beauty. He came in saying, DK, I want to make a difference to this team. I have always wanted to do well in the home ground. The two years that he played for RCB, sadly he couldn't

play in Bengaluru. So he wanted to come here, play in front of a Bengaluru crowd and show them what he's got. And that's why you could see the way he celebrated," Dinesh Karthik said. Karthik praised Padikkal's hard work and commitment, highlighted his belief in himself and the coach's advice. He admired Padikkal's dedication, from pre-game preparation to batting performance, and believed Bengaluru should be proud of his development. "It means a lot to him. He's a special kid. But the way he's worked hard, hats off to him. One thing, being a coach and giving him ideas and all of that. But another thing, to follow through, to believing and trusting in his



Krunal Pandya points out two "small things" that helped in RCB's narrow win over RR

BENGALURU (KARNATAKA) : Following Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) win over Rajasthan Royals (RR) at their home venue of M Chinnaswamy Stadium, breaking their three-match home duck, team's veteran all-rounder Krunal Pandya spoke on two small things which he felt played a crucial role in team's victory. With Virat Kohli and Devdutt Padikkal posting valuable fifties and duo of Josh Hazlewood and Yash Dayal coming in clutch during the final two overs, defending 18 remaining runs of the target of 206 in final two overs, RCB broke their three-match losing streak at home, securing a nail-biting 11 run win over RR, who were condemned to their fifth loss in a row and seventh in total during this season. Speaking in the dressing room as per a video posted by RCB's X handle, Krunal also gave credit to Phil Salt's measured knock of 26 in 23 balls, consisting of four boundaries. The knock came at a strike rate of just over 113, and fans witnessed a more restrained version of Salt. It did not go to a waste as he stitched a 61-run stand with Virat Kohli in 6.4 overs. "Sometimes what happens is that you always highlight the performance which is quite evident and visible but what I felt is that in powerplay to get 6 overs, 56 runs, though we always are used to watching Salty (Salt) scoring at a strike rate of 180-200 but again to stitch that partnership in that phase, those 24 (26) runs for me watching was so crucial to lay that platform and then obviously what Virat and Dev (Devidutt Padikkal) did was we spoke about but again for me those small things matters a lot," said Krunal. Also, Krunal highlighted another key contribution from England all-rounder Jacob Bethell, playing as a substitute fielder. In the ninth over, when RR had crossed the 100-run mark



and was motoring along, he prevented Nitish Rana from hitting a boundary, saving two runs for his side with an incredible dive. "Jacob again coming out and fielding and diving, saving two runs, you know (team claps)," he added. The team's batting coach and mentor, Dinesh Karthi,k also praised Salt for his batting effort, saying, "Salt was very happy with the way he played today. He knows his role, he knows that certain shots cannot be played in this venue at the start so he adapted himself beautifully and that's what I think gave him a lot of satisfaction today." "It is one thing knowing to play a lot of shots, one thing adapting as to what is required on that pitch on that given day. He felt there were certain things he needed to do, he followed it through beautifully, and the shot that he played we all want him to play that shot, so he knows the commitment towards that from him and the beliefs that we have in him is something that he appreciates as well," he added. Coming to the match, RR opted to bowl first after winning the toss. A 61-run stand between Phil Salt (26 in 23 balls, with four boundaries) and Virat kickstarted things off for RCB. Later, a 95-run stand followed between Virat, who made 70 in 42 balls, with eight fours and two sixes and

Devidutt Padikkal (50 in 27 balls, with four boundaries and three sixes). Despite some quick wickets later, cameos from Tim David (23* in 15 balls, with two fours and a six) and Jitesh Sharma (20* in 10 balls, with four boundaries) powered RCB to 205/5 in 20 overs. Sandeep Sharma (2/45) was the top bowler for RR, while Jofra Archer also delivered an impressive four-over spell of 1/33. During the run-chase, Yashasvi Jaiswal (49 in 19 balls, with seven fours and three sixes) and Vaibhav Suryavanshi (16 in 10 balls, with two sixes) put on a quickfire 52-run stand, putting RCB under pressure early on. Later, Nitish Rana (28 in 22 balls, with three fours and a six), skipper Riyan Parag (22 in 10 balls, with two fours and two sixes) and Dhruv Jurel (47 in 34 balls, with three fours and three sixes) kept firing, with the equation down to 18 runs in final two overs with five wickets left. However, Krunal Pandya (2/31) removed Parag and Rana timely while Josh Hazlewood (4/33) and Yash Dayal (1/33) produced a clutch performance at the death phase, securing RCB an 11-run win. RCB is at the third spot in the points table, with six wins and three losses, giving them 12 points. RR is in eighth spot with two wins and seven losses. They have suffered their fifth successive loss.

Asian U-15, U-17 Boxing C'ships: Khushi, Tikam power into semis

AMMAN [JORDAN] : Khushi Chand and Tikam Singh led India's charge on Day 6 of the Asian U-17 Boxing Championships, with seven more pugilists sealing a final four spot in their respective weight categories. Khushi (44-46 kg), a bronze medallist at the 2024 Asian School Boys & Girls Boxing Championship in Abu Dhabi, impressed with a Referee Stopped Contest (RSC) victory in the second round over Vietnam's Nguyen Thi Hong Yen. Tikam (52 kg), the SGFI 2024 gold medallist, continued his dominant form, stopping Palestine's Othman Diab in round two, as per a press release from the Boxing Federation of India (BFI). In the men's section, Ambekar Meetei (48 kg), Udham Singh (54 kg), and Rahul Gariya (57 kg) all won by unanimous 5-0 decisions. Aman Dev (50 kg) edged past Jordan's Osamah Al-Khaldi 3-2 in a tight bout. On the women's side, Jiya (48 kg) defeated Vietnam's Thi Ru Na Dinh with a clean 5-0 win, while Jannat (54 kg) overpowered Ukraine's Anhelina Rumiantseva 4-1. India has fielded a 56-member youth boxing squad--30 U-15 and 26 U-17 pugilists--for the Asian U-15 & U-17 Boxing Championships being held in Amman, Jordan, from April 17 to May 1. This is the first event organised by Asian Boxing, endorsed by both the Olympic Council of Asia and the newly formed World Boxing. -Day 6 Results Men's U-17 - Quarterfinals 44-46 kg: Dhruv Kharb (IND) lost to Mykhailo Sydorenko (UKR) - WP 0:5 48 kg: Ambekar Meetei Lairenlakpam (IND) def. Tymofii Oleksiienko (UKR) - WP 5:0 50 kg: Aman Dev (IND) def. Osamah Al-Khaldi (JOR) - WP 3:2 52 kg: Tikam Singh (IND) def. Othman Diab (PLE) - RSC R2 54 kg: Udham Singh Raghav (IND) def. Ryusei Kitamura (JPN) - WP 5:0 57 kg: Rahul Gariya (IND) def. Mohammad Alarabati (PLE) - WP 5:0 Women's U-17 - Quarterfinals 44-46 kg: Khushi Chand (IND) def. Nguyen Thi Hong Yen (VIE) - RSC R2 48 kg: Jiya (IND) def. Thi Ru Na Dinh (VIE) - WP 5:0 52 kg: Samiksha Pradeep Singh (IND) lost to Runa Ito (JPN) - WP 1:4 54 kg: Jannat (IND) def. Anhelina Rumiantseva (UKR) - WP 4:1 57 kg: Radhamani Longjam (IND) lost to Indira Kydyrmoldaeva (KAZ) - WP 1:4



"NEED TO CARRY OUR CONFIDENCE IN NEXT MATCH": MUMBAI FC CAPTAIN CHHANGTE ON TAKEAWAY FROM CHENNAIYIN FC CLASH

NEW DELHI [INDIA] : Mumbai City FC captain Lallianzuala Chhangte emphasized the importance of maintaining the confidence and mentality displayed against Chennaiyin FC, a physically strong team, as a key takeaway for future matches. "I would say we have to continue the confidence that we had against Chennaiyin FC because they are a very good team, especially physically. But we ended up winning the game. So, I feel our biggest takeaway should be the mentality that we had and that mentality needs to continue for the next match as well," Lallianzuala Chhangte said in a media interaction. Chhangte acknowledged the increased responsibilities of captaincy, both on and off the pitch, but emphasized that his commitment to being an example remains unchanged, regardless of whether he wears the armband of captaincy or not. "For me, nothing has changed much [on captaincy] . But what I mean is that, of course, there are more responsibility on and off the pitch. And I take this responsibility with pride and enthusiasm. But as a player and as a human being, you know, I always try to be an example on and off the pitch. That doesn't change. Even if I have the armband or not, that will remain the same," Chhangte said. "So it's more about me being an example for...my teammates and being, you know, a reliable player and a human being for the staff and, you know, the people around me. That is what I'm trying to do. And, of course, at the end of the day, it's not about, individual. It's not about me being, taking the armband. It's all about us. Everyone has to take responsibility," he added. Mumbai City FC enjoyed a dominant 4-0 win over Chennaiyin FC in their round of 16 match during the Kalinga Super Cup at the Kalinga Stadium in Bhubaneswar on Wednesday, April 23. Captain Lallianzuala Chhangte (64', 86') scored a crucial brace for the Islanders and Nikos Karelis (43') and Bipin Singh (90') also contributed with goals.