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FWICE calls for boycott of all Turkish shows on Netflix, Prime Video

MI News Service, Mumbai : The Federation of Western India Cine Employees (FWICE) has urged all major streaming platforms, including Netflix, Prime Video and JioHotstar, to completely boycott all Turkish shows following the country's support to Pakistan amid heightened tensions with India.

In a statement on Friday, the organisation said they stand "firmly for the interest of the nation and industry". "We are writing to express our serious concern and strong objection regarding the continued streaming and promotion of Turkish shows on various Over-The-Top (OTT) platforms operating in India.

FWICE has also asked Indian film producers not to consider Turkey as a shooting destination anymore, citing its open support to Pakistan and supplying them with drones, affecting India's national interests.

FWICE, the apex body representing 36 crafts of workers, technicians, and artists in the Indian media and entertainment industry, in a statement said we believe that despite having large commercial interests "Nation Comes first."

In view of recent developments and Turkey's consistent positioning in support of Pakistan, which has raised concerns regarding national integrity and security, it is not in the best interests of the Indian film industry to invest or collaborate in any form that could indirectly support or benefit such a nation.

Turkey's stance has been noted not only diplomatically but also in numerous international forums, where it has taken stances that contradict India's sovereign interests. As an industry deeply rooted in Indian soil and culture, we cannot remain indifferent to actions that undermine our nation's dignity or security.

"We therefore appeal to all production houses, line producers, actors, directors, and crew members across the Indian film fraternity to stand in solidarity with the nation and boycott Turkey as a location for film shoots until such time that the country revisits its diplomatic stance and aligns with principles of mutual respect and non-interference," the statement stated further.

Meanwhile, the General Secretary of the Federation of Western India Cine Employees (FWICE), Ashoke Dubey, has also called for a complete ban on Pakistani artists from working in India. This was decided after the deadly terrorist attack in Pahalgam on April 22, killing 26 innocent civilians, he said.



The Tiranga Yatra was solemnly organised to celebrate the resounding success of Operation Sindoor and to pay heartfelt tribute to the unmatched valour and sacrifice of the Indian Armed Forces. The rally marched from College Square to Shyambazar in Kolkata, on Friday.

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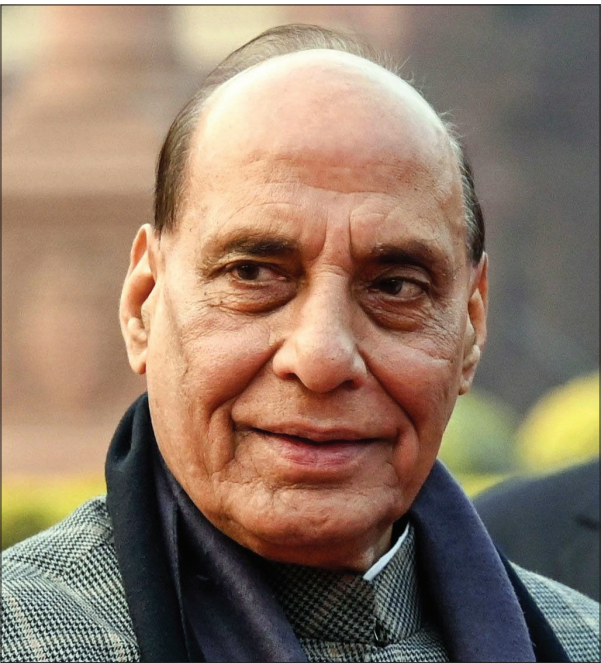
IMF must re-consider giving financial assistance to Pakistan, says **Rajnath Singh**

MI News Service, Ahmedabad : Apprehending that Pakistan could use USD one billion assistance from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) for terror funding, India has called the world body to reconsider its decision with utmost importance. . In an address to military personnel at Bhuj in Gujarat on Friday, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh said India does not want that the funding it gives to IMF and its contribution to the world body should be used directly or indirectly to create terror infrastructure in Pakistan or any other country.

"I believe that in today's time, any kind of financial assistance to Pakistan is nothing less than terror funding," he said.

"India would like that IMF reconsiders its assistance of one billion dollars to Pakistan and refrains from giving any kind of assistance in future," he said. Singh said in Operation Sindoor, India's armed forces not only dominated the enemy but also succeeded in decimating them.

Lauding the Indian Air Force for spearheaded the campaign against terrorism effectively, he said "Our Air Force has touched new and greater



heights with its valour, courage and glory".

Singh arrived at the Bhuj Air Force station this morning to review overall security situation on the Western Front.

The Bhuj Air Force base was one of the many military infrastructures that Pakistan targeted during the four-day long confrontation between the two militaries.

Defence Minister also asserted that Pakistan was trying to rebuild the dismantled terrorist net-

work destroyed by India during Operation Sindoor and urged the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to rethink its latest bailout package to the country.

"The Pakistan government has also announced financial assistance to rebuild the terror infrastructure of Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) and Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM) located in Muridke and Bahawalpur. A significant portion of the one billion dollars coming from the IMF will certainly

be used to fund this terror infrastructure. Would this not be considered indirect funding by the IMF?" Singh said.

On May 9, at the height of hostilities between India and Pakistan, the IMF cleared USD one billion tranche for Islamabad as part of its Extended Fund Facility (EFF) lending programme despite objections by India.

The Defence Minister further stressed that any kind of financial assistance to Pakistan was nothing less than terror financing.

"The government there is planning to spend around 140 million rupees - collected from ordinary Pakistani taxpayers - on Masood Azhar, even though he is a UN-designated terrorist," Singh said. Singh's assertion comes a day after Pakistan minister Rana Tanveer Hussain visited Muridke - one of the nine terror bases hit by India during Operation Sindoor - and said that the government would rebuild the area at its own expense. Muridke is the hub of the LeT, while Bahawalpur is the headquarters of the Jaish-e-Mohammed.

The Pahalgam attack, where 26 people were killed, was carried out by Lashkar terrorists.

Bengali climber dies after conquering Mt Everest

MI News Service, Kathmandu / Kolkata: In a tragic incident, a 45-year-old Indian climber from West Bengal died on Mt Everest after successfully summiting the world's highest mountain peak in the midst of an inclement weather on Thursday.

According to reports reaching here on Friday mountaineer Subrata Ghosh developed signs of altitude sickness while descending from the summit of the world's highest peak along with his other team members including his co climber Rumpa Das, who also did the summit of Mount Everest together. However, 44 year old Rupma was able to reach in the safe environment of camp four later in the day.Both Subrata Ghosh and Rumpa Das hailed from Ranaghat in Nadia district and Ghosh was a school teacher by profession like Rumpa das.Both were also avid mountaineers and earlier climbed a number of other difficult mountains in the Himalayas and elsewhere .

Ghosh is the second foreigner to die on the



8,848.86 metres-high Mt Everest this season, informed sources said .Bodhraj Bhandari, Managing Director at Snowy Horizon Treks, who organised the summit expedition said that Ghosh died just below the Hillary Step, near the summit point of Mt Everest . Ghosh did his last push for the his summit and reached the top with his guide and Rumpa around 2 pm, he said.

But during the descent, he became exhausted and showed signs of altitude sickness, eventually refusing to continue, he said . "Ghosh refused to move while descending from the summit," Bhandari quoted Champal Tamang, his guide, as saying. Champal later returned to Camp IV late last night with other climbers and informed about the incident.

Ghosh was part of the Mountaineering Association of Krishnanagar-Snowy Everest Expedition 2025,Bhandari said adding efforts are underway to bring his body to the base camp before sending the same to his home.

Earlier during the present climbing season 45-year-old Philipp II Santiago from the Philippines died while preparing for the summit push on May 14.

So far, over 50 climbers have successfully reached the peak this season. More than 450 climbers have been granted permits to attempt the ascent.

Subrata Ghosh, died below the Hillary Step while descending after reaching the 8,849-metre (29,032-foot) peak. But he refused to descend from below the Hillary Step because of exhaustion and breathed his last there, said another Sherpa of the same team. However, the exact cause of his death will be known only after post mortem," he said.

The Hillary Step is situated in the 'death zone,' the region between the South Col at 8,000 metres (26,250 feet) and the summit, where the natural oxygen levels are too low to sustain human life.

Nepal has issued 459 permits to climb Everest during the current season that ends in May. Nearly 100 climbers and their guides have already reached the summit this week.

At least 345 people have died on Everest in more than 100 years since summiting expeditions were known to have started, according to the Himalayan data base and hiking officials.

'Everyone wants name in newspapers' as SC says no to fresh pleas against Waqf law

MI News Service, New Delhi : The Supreme Court on Friday refused to examine a couple of fresh pleas challenging the constitutional validity of the Waqf (Amendment) Act, 2025, saying everybody wants name in newspapers.

A bench comprising Chief Justice B R Gavai and Justice Augustine George Masih said it would decide the pending matter scheduled to come up on May 20.

The apex court would then hear the point of interim relief in the case.

As soon as one of the pleas came up for hearing on Friday, Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, appearing for the Centre, objected and said there can't be an "endless" filing of pleas challenging the Act.

The counsel appearing for the petitioner said he had filed the petition on April 8 and removed the defects pointed out by the apex court registry on April 15 but his plea was not listed for hearing.

"Everybody wants his name to be in the newspapers," the CJI observed.

When the lawyer urged the bench his plea should be tagged with the pending petitions, the bench said, "We will decide that matter." The bench then dismissed it.

When another similar plea came up for hearing, the bench said, "Dismissed".

When the counsel for the petitioner urged that he be allowed to intervene in the pending pleas, the CJI said, "We already have too many intervenors." On April 17, the apex court decided to hear only five of the total number of pleas before it.

The pleas challenging the Act came up for hearing before a bench comprising the CJI and Justice Masih on May 15.

The bench said it would hear argu-

ments on May 20 for passing interim directions on three issues including the power to de-notify properties declared as waqf by courts, waqf-by-user or waqf by deed.

The second issue raised by the petitioners relates to the composition of state waqf boards and the Central Waqf Council, where they contend only Muslims should operate except ex-officio members.

The third issue relates to a provision that says a waqf property will not be treated as a waqf when the collector conducts an inquiry to ascertain if the property is government land.

On April 17, the Centre assured the top court that it would neither de-notify waqf properties, including "waqf by user", nor make any appointments to the central waqf council and boards till May 5.

Mehta on May 15 told the apex court that in any case, there was a subsisting assurance of the Centre that no waqf properties, including those established by waqf by user, would be denotified.

The Centre had opposed the apex court's proposal to pass an interim order against the denotification of waqf properties, including "waqf by user" aside from staying a provision allowing the inclusion of non-Muslims in the central waqf councils and boards.

On April 25, the Union Ministry of Minority Affairs filed a preliminary 1,332-page affidavit defending the amended Waqf Act of 2025 and opposed any "blanket stay" by the court on a "law having presumption of constitutionality passed by Parliament".

Huge cache of firearms, ammunition recovered from encounter site in Manipur

MI News Service, Imphal : Only a day after 10 militants were gunned down by the security forces during an encounter in Chandel district of strife torn Manipur, near the Indo-Myanmar border, a huge cache of firearms and ammunition were recovered from near encounter site,while efforts are currently underway to identify the deceased.

According to Defence sources here on Friday, a huge cache of arms and ammunition were recovered from the encounter site after the gun battle, in-

cluding 12 assault rifles and other firearms, huge number of live ammunition and a rocket-propelled grenade (RPG) during subsequent search operations in the area.

At least 10 militants wearing "camouflage fatigues" were killed in a gunfight with an Assam Rifles unit near New Samtal village in Chandel district along the Indo-Myanmar border on Wednesday, it added.

"During subsequent combing operations, seven AK-47 rifles, one RPG launcher, one M4 rifle, and

four single-barrel breech-loading rifles, ammunition and other war-like stores were also recovered," the sources stated.They said the militants were suspected of being involved in cross-border insurgent activities adding "The situation along the border remains under heightened surveillance, in coordination with civil administration and intelligence agencies to ensure peace and stability in the region."

In a post on X, the Army's Eastern Command had said, "Acting on specific intelligence on move-

ment of armed cadres near the New Samtal village, Khengjoy tehsil, Chandel district, close to the Indo-Myanmar border, Assam Rifles unit under Spear Corps launched an operation on May 15." "During the operation, the troops were fired upon by suspected cadres to which they quickly reacted, redeployed and retaliated in a calibrated and measured manner. In the ensuing firefight, 10 cadres were neutralised and a sizeable quantity of arms and ammunition were recovered," they added.

GJC urges nationwide ban on gems, jewellery trade with Turkiye, Azerbaijan

MI News Service, Mumbai : The All India Gem and Jewellery Domestic Council (GJC) on Friday urged the industry to suspend all business transactions with Turkiye and Azerbaijan for extending support to Pakistan during the conduct of 'Operation Sindoor' against terrorirsts by India. This comes after Turkiye's public support for Pakistan in the wake of Operation Sindoor, the GJC said in a statement."The multi-billion dollar Indian gem and jewellery sector stands united in support of the nation. It is imperative that our industry sets a strong example by prioritising the country over commerce. We call upon every jeweller, manufacturer, trader, and wholesaler to

stop all transactions with Turkiye and Azerbaijan," GJC chairman Rajesh Rokde said. GJC urge the industry to suspend all business transactions with Turkiye and Azerbaijan in order to show support for 'Operation Sindoor'.He said, this collective action reflects the industry's unwavering commitment to national interests and solidarity during Operation Sindoor."By halting trade, we send a clear message of unity and resolve, reinforcing our industry's role as a pillar of national pride. Let us unite as an industry to uphold these values, showcasing our resilience and loyalty to India's honour and security," he added.

Mass use of drones and cyberspace leads to a paradigm shift to military conflicts

MI News Service, New Delhi : The mass use of drones along with space and cyberspace in modern day warfares have caused a paradigm shift towards military conflicts these days, and the unmatched success of Operation Sindoor is a shining example of this. This view was expressed here on Friday by a former Director General of Military Operation, who oversaw the Doklam crisis, Lt.

Gen. Anil Kumar Bhatt (retired).

Strongly contradicting the diversified views in social media by many war-mongers, who were unhappy with the India-Pakistan conflict ending in four days on the grounds that it was an opportunity to reclaim Pakistan-occupied Kashmir, Lt Gen Bhat said war should be the last option and should not be waged since India had

achieved its strategic aims.

"A war or taking back PoK, should be a war of choice, to be decided by the country's top brass. But this time that was not planned though the armed forces were fully prepared for it, if the situation so arises," said Lt Gen Bhatt, who is the main guiding force behind the growth of the private sector space technology in the country after his re-

tirement from the service in June 2020.

As DGM0, Ly Gen Bhatt was one of the most senior military officers in the hierarchy, in-charge of ensuring that the armed forces were operationally ready at all times. Reporting directly to the Army Chief, the DGM0 is intimately involved in shaping strategies to deal with immediate and long-term security challenges, besides coordinat-

ing with the other two services as well as civilian and paramilitary security forces very closely all the time.. In times of crisis and escalated tensions, it falls on the DGM0 to communicate with his opposite number, and the current DGM0 Lt Gen Rajiv Ghai is exactly doing that.Bhatt was DGM0 in



Expressing solidarity with eligible teachers, the activists of SUCI (Communist) held a rally from College Street to Dharmatala in Kolkata on Friday.

2 Bangladeshis caught entering Bengal with fake Indian docs via broker



MI News Service, Habra: Habra Police arrested two Bangladeshi nationals on Friday for allegedly entering India illegally and creating fake Indian documents through a broker. The accused, Binto Kumar Saha from Faridpur and Hariprasad Das from Char Masi village in Chandpur district—had crossed into India around a year ago with the help of a broker. Using fraudulent means, they allegedly obtained Indian documents through the same broker. A third individual, reportedly linked to the duo, was also attempting to forge Indian documents. The arrested individuals were produced in the Barasat court on the same day. Law enforcement agencies are now investigating the wider network potentially involved in facilitating such illegal entries and document forgeries. The arrests come at a time of increasing political unrest in Bangladesh and growing anti-India sentiment, prompting the Border Security Force (BSF) to intensify surveillance along the Indo-Bangladesh border. Authorities are also examining the possibility of a larger group operating behind these illegal activities.

In a significant development amid heightened

border vigilance, Habra police arrested two Bangladeshi nationals on Friday for illegally entering India and acquiring forged Indian identification documents. The arrests were made following a tip-off from an intelligence source. According to police, the two accused—Binto Kumar Saha from Madhukhali, Faridpur district, and Hariprasad Das from Char Masi village in Chandpur district—had crossed into India around a year ago with the help of a broker. Using fraudulent means, they allegedly obtained Indian documents through the same broker. A third individual, reportedly linked to the duo, was also attempting to forge Indian documents. The arrested individuals were produced in the Barasat court on the same day. Law enforcement agencies are now investigating the wider network potentially involved in facilitating such illegal entries and document forgeries. The arrests come at a time of increasing political unrest in Bangladesh and growing anti-India sentiment, prompting the Border Security Force (BSF) to intensify surveillance along the Indo-Bangladesh border. Authorities are also examining the possibility of a larger group operating behind these illegal activities.

Digha residents stranded, daily life paralyzed

MI News Service, Digha: Digha locals Gridlocked near temple amid tourist surge. Residents of villages near the newly popular Jagannath Dham in Digha face daily travel woes as road closures, implemented to manage massive Ashaya Tritiya crowds, force frustrating detours.

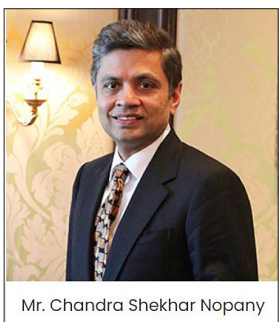
Local residents in the vicinity of the newly inaugurated Jagannath Temple in Digha are facing significant disruptions to their daily lives due to road closures implemented to manage an overwhelming influx of devotees and tourists. The surge in visitors, which began following Akshaya Tritiya on April 30th and was exacerbated by a series of consecutive holidays, has led to severe congestion in the popular beach town. To ensure the safety and smooth flow of pilgrims, authorities have closed the main southern entrance of the temple, situated on National Highway 116B, and redirected access through the eastern gate. This measure, while intended to control the crowds, has resulted

in considerable inconvenience for local villagers, including those residing in Bhagi Brahmapur and Bil Amoria. They are now compelled to take lengthy detours for their daily commutes. Furthermore, vehicular access, including bicycles, cars, auto-rickshaws, and electric rickshaws, has been restricted on the eastern road adjacent to the temple, effectively stranding local residents. This has generated considerable frustration among the affected population. Basantkumar Jana, a local resident and Secretary of the Digha Adi Jagannath Temple Trust, expressed the community's predicament, stating, "The fervor surrounding the Jagannath temple is understandable, but the persistent crowds, especially during holidays, have rendered the primary road to our village impassable. The necessity of taking detours has made our daily routines exceedingly difficult." Umesh Maity, another local resident, echoed these concerns, highlighting the impact of the temple's design on traffic

flow. "The architectural layout is causing long queues daily. While the eastern road is kept open to manage the situation, it severely restricts our movement within the village. Navigating the crowds has become a major challenge." Appeals have been made to the local administration to address the hardships faced by the residents. However, Apurba Biswas, the Administrator of the Digha-Sankarpur Development Board, declined to comment on the issue. In contrast, Pooja Debnath, the Block Development Officer (BDO) of Ramnagar 1, stated, "I am currently unaware of any inconvenience being faced by the local population. Should a problem exist, we will certainly explore alternative solutions and are actively looking into the matter." The situation underscores the challenges of balancing religious tourism and the daily lives of local communities in rapidly developing pilgrimage sites. Residents are hopeful for a swift resolution that will alleviate their transportation woes.

ASEL recommends 100 per cent Dividend after better performance in Q-4

MI News Service, Kolkata: The Board of Directors of Avadh Sugar & Energy Limited (ASEL) has recommended a 100 percent Dividend for its shareholders of the Face Value after the company has posted a net profit of Rs. 72 Crore in Q4FY25 as against Rs. 55 Crore in Q4FY24. After discussing the audited Financial Results for the Quarter and Full Year Ended 31st March 2025 the Board expressed its happiness that the company's net income during Q4FY25 stood at Rs.678 Crore as against Rs. 621 Crore in Q4FY24 and the EBITDA at Rs 149 Crore as against Rs. 122 Crore in Q4FY24. Commenting on the



results, C.S. Nopany, Co-Chairperson, Avadh Sugar & Energy Ltd said "sugar production in Uttar Pradesh is expected to decline due to lower yields and lower recoveries in the 2024-25

crushing season, but with strong opening stocks and higher anticipated production next season, India's sugar industry is not only well-positioned to meet domestic needs but also to re-enter global markets confidently. We foresee a season of stability and opportunity, balancing export potential with assured supply for domestic consumers and ethanol blending programmes. At Avadh, while we acknowledge these near-term headwinds, we remain committed to sustainable growth with our ongoing capex programme. We believe the sector can rebound strongly in the 2025-26 season and beyond".

Bengal sees big investment as Cosmic Birla mulls Rs 250 Cr casting project in Barjora

MI News Service, Kolkata: Its boom time for investment in West Bengal as Cosmic Birla Group announced its much awaited project in Barjora, West Bengal. Cosmic Birla Group, a prominent player in India's heavy engineering and railway infrastructure sector is all set to launch its new high-capacity casting plant in Barjora, West Bengal.

The investment will be of Rs 250 Crores for the said project. Spread across more than 10 acres of land acquired through DRT auction process, the plant will have a massive capacity of 25,000 metric tonnes of finished casting per year.

The production line would include railway bogies, axles, gears, crossings and other various critical components catering both to railways and defence sectors.

A direct and indirect employment of at least 500 will be on



cards due to this mega project. Construction is progressing with land development, foundation work and structural set up for the said project.

The project is scheduled for completion by March 31, 2026 with commercial production commencing in the first quarter of Financial Year(FY) 2026-27. Equipped with state-of-the-

art machinery, both indigenous and imported, the plant will adhere to global standards in casting technology and precision engineering. The said initiative eventually marks another milestone in Cosmic Birla Group's journey towards forward integration, enhancing its value chain and reaffirming its commitment to Bengal's as well as India's industrial and infrastructure development.

The plan of the Cosmic Birla Group was formally unfolded by Aditya Vikram Birla(Chairman and MD- Cosmic Birla Group). He further mentioned that the recent India- Pakistan war has enhanced the need for more and more defence related requirements in India. Aditya Vikram Birla once again re-confirmed the commitment of Cosmic Birla Group in serving both West Bengal and India in its fullest capacity for the holistic development of the nation.

More support farmers with Higher MSP and Satellite motoring

MI News Service, Kolkata: The Jute Corporation of India Ltd.(JCI) has completed 54 years of supporting jute farmers, primarily by ensuring Minimum Support Price (MSP) procurement to prevent distress sales. In FY 2024-25, JCI produced over 5.05 lakh quintals of raw purchases still ongoing. For the upcoming crop year (2025-26), starting July 1, 2024 the MSP for TD3 (middle grade) jute has been increased to 5,650 per quintal. JCI also implements the Jute-ICARE scheme—funded by the National Jute Board and

supported by ICAR-CRIJAF and ICAR-NINFET—to enhance jute quality and yield through farming mechanization and microbial retting. Additionally, a geospatial crop monitoring system is being introduced with the National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC) to estimate jute crop area and productivity nationwide. The data will feed into the upcoming PATSAN Module platform. This initiative uses satellite data, mobile apps, and the BHUVAN geo-portal for accurate mapping, yield estimation, and real-time monitoring.

Cold purified drinking water machine installed at Guskara College by Lions Club



MI News Service, Guskara: Guskara Town Lions Club has installed a cold and normal purified drinking water machine at Guskara College. The machine was formally inaugurated by the chairman of Guskara Municipality Kushal Mukherjee and Lion Rajendra Prasad Agarwal, an eminent social worker and Chartered President of Gushkara town lions club on Friday. Principal of Gushkara Mahavidyalaya Dr. Sudip Chatterjee, Chairman of Lions Club Trustee board Mr. Ananta Chatterjee, Professors and staffs of the college were present. The principal said that there are about four thousand students in the college. Besides, every afternoon, children of the area

come to the college grounds to play sports and exercise. Everyone will benefit from the installation of this machine. He thanked the Lions Club. He requested to be by their side in the future. Rajendra Prasad Agarwal said that the cost of installing the machine was near about 1.5 lakh rupees. The machine will be installed in several other populated places in Guskara town for the common people. He also said that health check-up camps will be organized for college students in the coming days. The Chairman said that the Lions Club has come forward for various charitable works in Guskara. They have extended their helping hand in various developmental works before.

Boy beaten to death over mango, tension flares

MI News Service, Naihati: Tension gripped Aisara village in Nahati after a 17-year-old-boy, Sudipta Pandit, was allegedly beaten to death by a mango orchard guard, Farhad Mondal, who allegedly assaulted the teenager severely. Sudipta was later rushed to Naihati State General Hospital, where doctors declared him dead.

The news of the boy's death spread quickly, sparking outrage across the village. In retaliation, angry villagers set fire to the mango orchard and demanded strict action against the accused. Police later arrested Farhad Mondal and have launched an investigation into the incident.

The situation remains tense, with authorities deploying additional forces to prevent further escalation. Locals have called for justice and accountability in what they describe as a brutal and senseless act over a minor incident.

2 Killed, 3 Injured in Lightning Strike During Sudden Nor'wester in Nadia's Shantipur

MI News Service, Shantipur: 2 killed, 3 others injured from lightning strike at Sutragarh under Shantipur in Nadia on Thursday night.

A sudden nor'wester storm struck Nadia's Shantipur and surrounding areas on Thursday night, bringing heavy rain and lightning. In Sutragarh Das Para, a tragic lightning strike claimed the lives of two people and left three others injured.

According to local sources, around 8:30 PM, as the storm intensified, five individuals took shelter under

a tree during the rain. Suddenly, a lightning strike hit the area, injuring all five.

They were immediately rushed to Shantipur Sub-Divisional Hospital, where doctors declared two of them dead on arrival. Among the three injured, one is reported to be in critical condition and is currently undergoing treatment.

The incident has cast a pall of gloom over the local community. Local authorities and disaster response teams have visited the site and are monitoring the situation.

Managing Director Sanjay explains the global expansion of S I Surgical



MI News Service, Kolkata: Three day long international business conference started under the initiative of S I Surgical Went to Maya Resort in Kolkata. In the press conference on the first day, Managing Director of S Eye Surgical, Mr. Mukherjee Told him to move ahead towards fulfilling his dream. S I Surgical is a trusted name as a medical equipment

manufacturer. In any state of India, medical equipment means surgical. This time I am ready to spread my knowledge worldwide. This company will work jointly with different countries. With new technology and low cost, it is possible to create more advanced equipment which can be used in international trade. Will create noise. Many jobs will be created as a result.



Teachers and non teaching staff who lost their permanent jobs after the Supreme Court verdict took part in a protest, demanding to restore their permanent jobs in front of Bikash Bhawan, Salt Lake in Kolkata.

Thief flaunts stolen saree on facebook, arrested by police

MI News Service, Madhyamgram: A Facebook story featuring a stolen saree led to a breakthrough in multiple theft cases in Madhyamgram. The police cracked six cases in the past four months, recovering stolen jewelry, saree, and even a scooter. Five arrests were made, though the accused in a cyber fraud case involving lakh of rupees recovering the lost money. Superintendent of police Pratiksha Jharkhand handed over the recovered items to the rightful owners.

In a significant breakthrough, Madhyamgram police have successfully cracked six separate cases—including theft, house burglary, and cyber fraud—over the past four months. A total of five individuals have been arrested in connection with these cases.

es, and several stolen items have been returned to their rightful owners. Among the cases solved was a unique theft involving stolen sarees and gold jewelry. The investigation was triggered after complainant Ashish Dasgupta reported that his sister's chador and several valuables had gone missing during the winter. Suspicion fell on their housemaid, Pooja Sardar. The case took a turn when Dasgupta's younger daughter noticed the stolen sarees being worn and displayed in a Facebook story. She took a screenshot, which was later submitted as evidence to the police. Following this lead, officers recovered the stolen sarees and jewelry. On the same day, Barasat Police District Superintendent Pratiksha Jharkharia personally

handed over the recovered items to the complainants. Police sources confirm that, in total, six cases have been solved in recent months. These include a case of cyber fraud in which a victim lost several lakhs of rupees. Though the stolen money was successfully recovered, no arrests have been made in that particular case so far. However, arrests were made in all other investigations. In another recovered theft case, a scooter stolen from a local resident was also returned to its owner. Police continue to interrogate the arrested individuals to determine if a larger network or gang is involved. The swift resolution of these cases highlights the growing effectiveness of local police efforts in tackling both physical and digital crime.

Bangladeshis roaming freely and staying illegally in Dankuni raise alarms

MI News Service, Dankuni: Following the arrest of two Bangladeshis with fake Indian documents in Habra, another Bangladeshi, Mohammad Shahadat Hossain, was arrested from Manoharpur, Dankuni. Shahadat, originally from Sathkira, Bangladesh, entered India on a tourist visa in 2020 but overstayed illegally. His passport has been confiscated. Meanwhile, the two Bangladeshis arrested in Habra—Binto Kumar Saha from Faridpur and Hariprasad Das from Chandpur—are alleged to have entered India a year ago through brokers. Authorities continue investigations into illegal entries and document forgery.

In a significant crackdown on illegal immigration and document forgery, the police arrested a Bangladeshi national, Mohammad Shahadat Hossain, from the Manoharpur area of Dank-

uni following intelligence inputs. Shahadat, originally from Sathkira district in Bangladesh, had entered India in 2020 on a tourist visa valid for only three months. However, he overstayed well beyond the permitted period and has been residing in a rented accommodation in Dankuni since then. Despite establishing a certain level of local familiarity, residents were reportedly surprised to learn that he had been living in India without valid legal status for such an extended duration. The police arrested Shahadat on charges of illegal stay, and his passport has been seized. He was subsequently produced before the Serampore court. This arrest came on the same day that two other Bangladeshi nationals were apprehended in Habra for possessing forged Indian documents. The arrested individuals have been identified as Binto Kumar

Saha, a resident of Madhukhali in Faridpur district, Bangladesh, and Hariprasad Das from Char Masi village under Bageri police station, Chandpur district, Bangladesh. According to police investigations, these two individuals had entered India roughly a year ago through brokers and had obtained fake Indian identification documents via these intermediaries. Authorities are actively probing the network involved in these illegal entries and the fabrication of fraudulent documents. This operation highlights the ongoing challenges faced by border security agencies and law enforcement in West Bengal amid heightened vigilance due to increased political unrest and cross-border tensions in the region. Police continue to monitor the situation closely to prevent further infiltration and illegal activities linked to such networks.

Dry taps force villagers to take drastic protest step

MI News Service, Bakura: A severe water crisis has gripped Anchuri village in Bankura Block 1, where hundreds of families have pipeline connections but receive little to no water. Despite a pipeline system installed five years ago, irregular supply has left villagers struggling for even drinking water. With unusable tube wells and insufficient water tankers, residents—especially women—took to the streets in protest, blocking roads in Chhatna to demand a regular supply. Authorities cite low water pressure at the pipeline's tail-end as the root cause and have promised swift action.

A worsening water crisis has sparked protests in Anchuri village of Bankura Block 1, where hundreds of families have been facing severe water shortages despite having pipeline connections installed five years ago. With

the onset of intense summer heat, the irregular and insufficient water supply has escalated into a critical issue, prompting residents—mostly women—to block roads at the Anchuri intersection from early morning on Friday. According to local sources, while pipelines have reached every household, water supply through them remains erratic. Even on days when water is available, it is for such a short duration that families manage to collect only one or two buckets—insufficient even for basic drinking needs. Water tankers sent occasionally fail to meet demand, and tube wells in the area are reported to be unfit for drinking or cooking purposes. With no reliable source of potable water nearby, villagers are forced to walk nearly 2.5 kilometers daily to fetch water, enduring the scorching heat. In protest,

they staged a road blockade in Chhatna, bringing local traffic to a standstill during peak office hours. Police and officials from the Bankura Sadar Police Station and the Public Health Engineering Department arrived on the scene to manage the situation, but were met with strong resistance from the protesters. Officials from the Public Health Technical Department stated that Anchuri lies at the far end of the pipeline system that sources water from Durgapur, resulting in significantly reduced water pressure and subsequent supply issues. Authorities have assured that steps are being taken to resolve the crisis urgently. The incident has raised serious concerns at the state level, with Nabanna reportedly issuing strict instructions to address water shortages in affected regions across western districts.

Kalyani Central Model School felicitates students for better results

MI News Service, Kalyani: Kalyani Central Model School in Nadia felicitated some of their students who secured the remarkable marks in AISSC (Class XII) and in class X this year, said Akash Roy, Manager of the school.

The felicitation program took place at the school hall on Friday. The students were handed over the medals.

A total of 239 students had appeared from class 12 and 39 students from class 10. Out of 239, a student achieved 98 per cent mark. However, 23 students achieved 90 percent plus marks. Along with that in



class 12, the school has 99.7 & 99.45 percentile in G main as well. Most of the students are appearing for NEET, the Principal Ashutosh Kumar said.

In class ten, Sayan Bain,

a student of the school has achieved the topper position with 96.8 percent, teacher Arpan Datta said.

"Last time we got the first position in the district in this issue, Principal more said.

Mass use of drones and...

► From PG 1

2017 when India was locked in a 73-day military standoff with China in the Doklam tri-junction near the Sikkim sector of the Line of Actual Control (LAC). A four-star Lieutenant General is the second highest rank in the army, below a five-star general of the status of Field Marshal, which is largely a ceremonial or war-time rank. Gen Shyam Manekshaw, the legendary war hero, was the last Field Marshal in the Indian Army.

Reiterating that “war is a serious business. A very, very serious business. And a nation goes for it when all possible options are over”, Lt Gen Bhat said “We had options less than war (during the current crisis) and gave a sense to it,” from his experience of remaining 38 long years in the Army.

Asked how important drones were in the latest conflict, he said the unmanned aerial vehicles have created an entirely new paradigm in warfare and the militaries of the world began focussing on it when they achieved spectacular success for Azerbaijan in winning a nearly lost war against a well-armed Armenia. The extensive use of drones are also being seen in the three year long Russia-Ukraine war in Europe besides the civil wars in Ethiopia and in several countries in Africa, he said adding however, in the Israel-Palestine conflicts the use of drones is minimal because it is absolutely a one sided affair.

Lt Gen Bhat said the drones were mostly Turkish made. Turkey also supplied drones to Pakistan, which sent swarms of them over Indian air space for surveillance and sometimes lethal payloads.

Lt Gen Bhat agreed that relatively inexpensive drones costing as little as Rs 2 lakh for each of them, were able to destroy armoured tanks worth Rs 20-30 crore in the two Azerbaijan-Armenia wars in 2017 and 2020 besides in the Russia-Ukraine conflict. This made it clear that war theatres of the future will be dotted with drones. To that there are two more new elements, Bhatt noted. “Previously, we used to say that wars are fought on land, sea and in the air. But there are two new domains, very, very effective and important domains – space and cyber space – that are now emerging,”

said Lt Gen Bhatt, who is now the Director General of the Indian Space Association, the industry body of the space sector. Lt Gen Bhatt said the space sector is critical to future warfare as satellites play an important role in intelligence gathering, surveillance and reconnaissance, besides guiding missiles and aircraft to their desired targets. “But in the future every country will have to protect its assets in space and also know what are the adversaries’ assets in space,” he said. The former DGMO further stated that several countries like the USA and China have demonstrated anti-satellite weapons and were also developing suicidal satellites that go near an adversary’s satellites and destroy it.

He said India has nine or 10 military satellites for surveillance purposes and has plans to put in place a constellation of 52 satellites for space-based surveillance.

“These 52 satellites will definitely increase our capability. Today, our gap is filled by companies like Maxar, PlanetM among others. But we would obviously want our own satellites. Shutter control is very important,” Bhatt said.

He said the Pahalgam attack was seen in strategic circles as an attempt by the Pakistan Army to stay relevant in their country after a series of setbacks, including the attack on the Pakistan Corps Commander residence in 2023 by supporters of former Prime minister Imran Khan.

Lt Gen Bhatt said India has drawn a new red line for dealing with Pakistan by warning them of a strong response to every act of terror on Indian soil.

“We have set a new normal – you cross the red line, we will hit back. Of course it require us to be more prepared. But for Pakistan there is no other method,” he said.

Lt Gen Bhatt said the keeping in abeyance of the Indus Water Treaty has been a very effective method. Another method, he added, was for India to keep focusing on its growth story while keeping an eye on Pakistan’s activities. “It’s up to you. You put Pakistan on your front screen and drive your car. Or look at the economy and keep driving it. Keep them (Pakistan) in the rear view mirror, it will be enough. Don’t distract yourself from what they are doing,” he said.



Cricket lovers agitate in front of Eden Gardens Stadium, protesting against the BCCI over the removal of the IPL 2025 Playoff match from the venue, in Kolkata.

Fake birth cert scam exposed: UP youth arrested in Kolkata

MI News Service, Kolkata: Kolkata police have once again unearthed a fake birth certificate scam linked to fraudulent passport applications. A young man, Ehsahan Khan, originally from Uttar Pradesh and currently residing in the Garden Reach area of Kolkata, was arrested by the Security Control Organisation (SCO) branch of Kolkata Police. The arrest was made after it was discovered that Khan had submitted a forged birth certificate, allegedly generated from Gosaba, as part of his passport application process.

During routine verification, officials grew suspicious about the authenticity of the certificate, which ultimately led to Khan’s arrest. He is set

to be presented before the court. Police officials are continuing their investigation into how Khan managed to obtain the fake document and whether he is part of a larger network operating similar schemes. Meanwhile, in a separate but related case, investigators have made shocking revelations regarding Azad Mallik, who had been arrested earlier in a passport fraud case. According to intelligence sources, Mallik, whose real name is reportedly Azad Hossain, is a Pakistani national who entered India through Bangladesh in 2013. He allegedly spent Rs 1 lakh to procure Indian identity documents, including PAN, Voter ID, and Aadhaar cards.

Kolkata sets benchmark in 'Air Quality Improvement', CM Mamata Banerjee credits collective effort

MI News Service, Kolkata: Kolkata has once again set a remarkable example by being recognized among three major cities in India for significantly reducing Particulate Matter (PM) levels and improving the overall Air Quality Index (AQI). West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee took to social media to share the news, stating,

“The Government of India has awarded Kolkata for its significant progress in reducing air pollution and improving air quality. This recognition is a proud moment for all of us.” She expressed her gratitude, saying, “I am deeply thankful to the people of Kolkata for their unwavering support and cooperation in this vital mission.”

Mamata Banerjee emphasized the importance of collective effort, urging, “Let us all—citizens and agencies alike—continue working together to maintain and enhance our city’s cleanliness and greenery.” This achievement underscores the state government’s commitment to sustainable urban development and environmental

health. The accolade reflects Kolkata’s growing role as a leader in addressing pollution challenges, aligning with Mamata Banerjee’s vision of a healthier and greener Bengal. This national recognition serves as an inspiration for other cities to intensify their efforts toward cleaner air and better living conditions.



In a vibrant display of patriotism and cultural pride, women played with sindoor during the Tiranga Yatra, marking the success of Operation Sindoor and honouring the bravery of the Indian Armed Forces, in Kolkata on Friday.

Police uses limited force to clear protest, ensures employees’ safe exit, says ADG

MI News Service, Kolkata: On Friday, senior Bengal police officials, including ADG Law and Order Jawed Shamim and ADG South Bengal Supratim Sarkar, held a press conference to address the recent violence during protests by teaching and non-teaching staff at BikashBhawan. They firmly stated that the use of force was minimal and only enforced to protect the democratic rights of the hundreds of employees and visitors trapped inside the building for over eight hours.

Jawed Shamim emphasized the police’s empathy towards the protesters who have lost their jobs, stressing that the police never intended to obstruct their peaceful agitation. “We understand the pain of losing employment. They are suffering, and we sympathize with that,” he said. While showing deep respect for teachers, calling them the pillars of society, Shamim added, “What happened during the protests is not befitting of teachers.” He also acknowledged the value of jobs, stating, “We too work and understand the importance of employment.” The police officials underscored that while peaceful protests are a democratic right, the government employees also have the right to return home safely after office hours. It was in the effort to uphold this right that police had to resort to limited force.

ADG South Bengal Supratim Sarkar provided further details, revealing that 500-600 employees and visitors were trapped inside BikashBhawan, unable to leave due to the blockade by protesters. Despite repeated requests from police to allow the employees to exit, the protesters refused. Sarkar noted that the demonstra-

tions had remained peaceful for the previous ten days, with police showing restraint even after an incident involving a politician earlier in the day. “If government property is attacked, then the movement cannot be considered democratic or peaceful,” he said.

The protest turned violent late Thursday night as teachers and staff, whose demands were dismissed by the Supreme Court last month, clashed with police and alleged Trinamool supporters. Many protesters claimed police baton charges, while police alleged they were attacked with bricks while trying to clear the way for employees and visitors.

Sarkar highlighted the plight of those trapped inside, including elderly people, women, and a pregnant woman. In desperation, one woman jumped from the mezzanine floor, fracturing her leg. Sarkar recounted an employee’s plea to be allowed home to administer medicine to his ailing mother, which was denied by the protesters. “If protesters have the right to demonstrate, don’t others have the right to reach their homes?” he questioned.

Jawed Shamim shifted the blame for the escalation onto the protesters, suggesting they resorted to violence due to frustration over perceived inattention to their peaceful protests. “It is unfortunate that peaceful protests sometimes fail to get due attention; this is a collective failure. They need to explain why they chose violence last night,” he said. Shamim clarified that the police’s sole intention was to remove the blockade without harming uninvolved individuals and safely escort those trapped out.

Dilip Ghosh reacts to John Barla’s defection from BJP to TMC

MI News Service, Kolkata: The defection of former BJP MP and Union Minister John Barla to the Trinamool Congress has raised serious concerns within the Bharatiya Janata Party in West Bengal. Barla, who represented Alipurduar in the Lok Sabha since 2019, joined TMC on Thursday in the presence of senior leaders SubrataBakshi and Arup Biswas. He criticised the BJP for obstructing development and failing to safeguard tribal rights, especially in tea garden areas. Without naming individuals, Barla took a veiled dig at BJP’s Leader of the Opposition in West Bengal, SuwenduAdhikari, accusing him of divisive politics and personal ambition to become Chief Minister. Reacting to Barla’s exit, BJP national vice-president and former West Bengal state president Dilip Ghosh acknowledged Barla’s significant influence and trade union backing.



Members of the Task Force visit market to inspect prices of essential commodities at Gariahat area in Kolkata.

Mystery shrouds the death of Pritam Majumdar

MI News Service, Kolkata: In a shocking development, a web of troubling questions has emerged following the death of BJP leader RinkuMajumdar’s son, Pritam, whose body was found last Tuesday in a luxury apartment at the Sapoorji Housing Complex in New Town, Kolkata. The BidhannagarCommissionerate police have launched an investigation into an unnatural death, though no formal complaint has yet

been filed by the bereaved family. Pritam, a young man with a promising career, is now at the center of a growing investigation surrounding alleged substance abuse. Initial findings have revealed that he was undergoing counseling for drug addiction. However, the circumstances leading to his death have raised deeper concerns—specifically, the role of his live-in partner in his descent into addiction.

Lalbazar to procure high-power generators to stabilize Bhangar policing infra

MI News Service, Kolkata: Following the administrative decision to bring Bhangar under Kolkata Police jurisdiction, Lalbazar has taken swift steps to resolve critical infrastructural gaps hampering law enforcement in the region. Persistent power outages in police stations across the Bhangar Division have prompted the Kolkata Police Headquarters to initiate an urgent procurement of high-capacity generators, aiming to ensure uninterrupted law and order operations. Senior officials at Lalbazar confirmed that the power supply situation in Bhangar had become a major operational obstacle. Frequent load-shedding, especially during rain and thunderstorms, often paralyzes policing activities. Online case documentation, real-time communication between units, and digital surveillance systems face routine disruption, leaving officers handicapped dur-

ing peak duty hours. In response, Lalbazar has sanctioned a fund of Rs 33 lakh for the purchase of six state-of-the-art generators with high power output and reduced noise levels.

The official tender has already been floated on the Kolkata Police website, and Lalbazar intends to complete installation before the onset of monsoon. Though the list of police stations slated to receive the generators is yet to be finalized, it is expected that the worst-affected stations—including Hatishala, Polerhat, Uttar Kashipur, Bijoyganj Bazar, Madhabpur, Chandaneswar, Bodra, and Bhangar—will be given priority.

Officials clarified that while most Kolkata Police divisions rely on CESC for uninterrupted power supply, the Bhangar Division falls under the West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company Limited (WBSEDCL), which uses overhead wiring—more

prone to disruption during inclement weather. Lalbazar, after repeated field reports and logistical reviews, recognized the need for independent backup systems to maintain policing integrity.

A senior Lalbazar officer stated, “We cannot allow law enforcement to be held hostage by infrastructure challenges. Bhangar is strategically sensitive. These generators are not a luxury—they are essential tools to ensure safety, stability, and seamless governance.”

Meanwhile, WBSEDCL has acknowledged the recurring power issues in the area. Lalbazar’s intervention is being viewed as a proactive measure to protect administrative efficiency and public trust in Kolkata Police operations. With the generator installations expected before the monsoon, Bhangar’s police units may soon get the power they need—literally and institutionally.

Civil aviation min
Naidu holds meeting
with airline officials

MI News Service, New Delhi: Civil Aviation Minister K Rammohan Naidu held a meeting with airline representatives, according to sources. The meeting came in the backdrop of disruptions in flight operations in recent days in the wake of the military conflict between India and Pakistan. On Saturday, India and Pakistan reached an understanding to stop all firings and military actions on land, air and sea with immediate effect. The sources said the minister will be meeting the airline representatives to discuss various issues. Specific details about the meeting agenda could not be immediately ascertained. Security measures were enhanced and at least 32 airports in the northern and the western parts of the country were temporarily shut in view of the conflict. These airports were reopened for civilian flights on Monday. The closure of airports had disrupted flight operations, with airlines cancelling over 300 flights daily. Besides, Indian airlines have been taking longer routes for international flights from the northern parts of the country to the West due to the closure of Pakistan airspace for Indian carriers. Following the airspace closure, the ministry had sought inputs from the airlines on the potential operational and financial impact. Airlines have already submitted their inputs.

Thrust on tourism:
Sikkim may get all-
weather airport

MI News Service, New Delhi: Union minister Ramdas Athawale said an airport is likely to be built in Sikkim to boost tourism. Addressing a press conference, Athawale on Sunday said the Centre was committed to the overall progress of the state. He said Sikkim was excelling remarkably in the tourism sector under the leadership of Chief Minister Prem Singh Tamang. Athawale.

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I. MD. Ramjani (Old Name) S/o. Habib Nadaf residing at 16, Amar-talla Lane, Burrabazar, Kolkata-700001 and my permanent address is Hanchanda, Panchobh Darbhanga, Hanumamnagar, Bihar-846003 have change my name shall henceforth be known as Ramjani Nadaf as declared before the LD. First Class Magistrate, Kolkata, vide affidavit no. 42402 dated 12.08.2024 MD.Ramjani (Old Name) and Ramjani Nadaf (New Name) both are same and one identical person.

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I, Srikanta Biswas (Old Name) S/o Madhusudan Biswas Residing at Vill - Chhota Khejuria, P.O. - Addconagar, Ps - Mogra, District - Hooghly, Pin - 712121 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Srikanto Biswas (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public Kolkata vide affidavit no 1003 Dated 18-02-2025, Srikanta Biswas (Old Name) and Srikanto Biswas (New Name) both as same and one identical person.

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I, No. 14921096N Rank EX SEP Nam Md. Ali Hossain resident of Vill.-Dastanagar, P.O.- Sadipur Berugram, Dist.-Purba Bardhaman(WB), Pin-713129 have change my Son's Name & Date of birth from Mohammad Dilshan Hossain & 17.08.11 to Md. Dilshan Hossain & 17.04.2011 vide Affidavit dated 08.05.25 before the Court of the Sub Div. Executive Magistrate (1st Class) Katwa, Purba Bardhaman.

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I, Rimpa Biswas, w/o Tanmoy Biswas. Residing at Nasra para Lane, P.O.+ P.S. Rana ghat, Dist-Nadia, Pin-741201, West Bengal. That Before marriage I was known as Kahinoor Khatun, Dlo Mubarak Ali Dafadar. Vide an affidavit I.d. Judicial Magistrate (1st class), at Ranaghat on 14/05/2025 That I, Rimpa Biswas, w/o Tanmoy Biswas and Kahinoor Khatun, Dlo Mubarak Ali Dafadar am the Same and one identical Person.

Change of Name
I, ASHOK KUMAR S/o Lalan Ram R/o H.No.- 681478, Malancha Road, P.O.- Nimpura, P.S.- KGP(T) Dist- Paschim Medinipur, W.B-721304 hereby solemnly affirm and declared that in my Driving Licence vide No- DL- 0320100125376 issued on 15/02/2010 my & my father's name has wrongly written as ASHOK KR S/o Lalan Sah instead of my & my father's actual / correct name with surname i.e. ASHOK KUMAR S/o Lalan Ram vide Affidavit No. 1417 Dated 07/05/2025 in the Court of the Judicial Magistrate (1st Class) at Kharagpur. That ASHOK KR S/o Lalan Sah and ASHOK KUMAR S/o Lalan Ram are same and identical person.

Bolpur Station: A Cultural
Beacon on Howrah Division's
100th Anniversary



MI News Service, Kolkata: As the Howrah Division celebrates its 100th anniversary, Bolpur Station emerges as a landmark of profound cultural and historical significance, deeply intertwined with the legacy of the legendary poet Rabindranath Tagore. Located in the heart of Bengal, Bolpur Station serves as the gateway to Santiniketan, the town founded by Tagore and home to his visionary Visva-Bharati University, established in 1921. Far more than a mere transit point, Bolpur Station is a symbol of Tagore's enduring influence, connecting travelers to a hub of education, art, and humanism that continues to inspire generations.

A Gateway to Tagore's Vision: Rabindranath Tagore, a Nobel laureate who reshaped India's cultural and educational landscape, frequently traveled through Bolpur Station to reach Santiniketan, his sanctuary of creativity and knowledge. The station was more than a logistical hub; it was a bridge to Tagore's dream of fostering a holistic approach to learning. By welcoming students, scholars, and admirers to Santiniketan, Bolpur Station played a pivotal role in spreading Tagore's philosophy. It facilitated the exchange of ideas that defined Visva-Bharati as a center for intellectual and artistic exploration, making the station a vital link in Tagore's mission to promote education and humanism.

Bolpur's Transformation Over Time: In its early days, approximately 150 years ago, Bolpur was a modest village under SupurPorgana, surrounded by agricultural fields and the region's characteristic "Lalmati" (red soil). Villages like Sian, Dihipara, Khoska dampur, Paruldanga, Goalpara, Ballavpur, and Surul dotted the landscape, with paddy fields dominating the economy. The establishment of Bolpur railway station in 1860, as part of the East India Company's Sahebganjlooline extension beyond the Ajay River, marked a turning point. The railway spurred development, attracting courts, a police station, and a sub-registry office, which transformed Bolpur into a burgeoning hub. The arrival of Christian missionaries, who established the Mission Compound with a church and community services, further enriched the town's social fabric. The east side of the station flourished with paddy storage houses, stationary shops, grocery stores, and garment outlets, supported by about 19 husk-

ing machines that underscored the town's growing economic vitality.

A Hub of Cultural and Educational Renaissance: Bolpur's rise to prominence was fueled by two transformative influences: the establishment of a center for religious meditation by Debendranath Tagore, Rabindranath's father, and the founding of Visva-Bharati University in 1921. These milestones elevated Bolpur from a quiet village to a vibrant center of intellectual and artistic activity. The town became a mosaic of cultural hubs: Kachharipatti grew as an administrative center near the courthouse, Trishulapati thrived as a paddy trading hub, and Kalbaraoityala emerged as a service-oriented locality. Weekly Harisava and Bramhopsana conferences drew thinkers like BijaykrishnaGhoswami, ShivanthShastri, and ShashibhusanBasu, fostering spiritual and intellectual dialogue. Even political leaders, including NetajiSubhas Chandra Bose, recognized Bolpur's significance, holding conferences that amplified nationalist and social reform movements.

Tagore's Last Railway Journey: Rabindranath Tagore's connection to Bolpur Station was deeply personal, beginning with his first journey from Howrah to Bolpur on February 14, 1873, at the age of 11 years and 9 months, traveling on a half ticket. Poignantly, his final journey was also by rail, from Bolpur to Howrah on July 29, 1941, just two weeks before his death. For this journey, Nibaran Chandra Ghosh, the Chief Operating Superintendent of the East Indian Railway, provided his saloon, EIR 2377, and accompanied the poet. The saloon, attached to the Pakur passenger train, arrived at Howrah at 2:40 p.m. Today, the refurbished saloon is preserved in pristine condition at "Chirantan" near Bolpur Station, a poignant reminder of Tagore's enduring bond with the railways.

Conclusion: Bolpur Station stands as more than a railway stop; it is a living testament to Bengal's rich cultural heritage and the transformative power of education, art, and philosophy. As the gateway to Santiniketan, it has been a conduit for Tagore's vision and a witness to Bengal's social and cultural evolution. As the Howrah Division commemorates its centennial, Bolpur Station's legacy shines brightly, embodying the ideals of Rabindranath Tagore and inspiring all who pass through its historic platform in pursuit of knowledge and creativity.

Death toll of Lassa fever rises to 138 in Nigeria

MI News Service, Abuja: The death toll of the Lassa fever outbreak in Nigeria, Africa's most populous country, has risen to 138 since the beginning of this year, public health authorities said Thursday. In a statement posted to its website, the Nigeria Center for Disease Control and Prevention (NCDC) said that 717 confirmed cases have been recorded so far. At least 18 out of the 36 states in the country have been affected by the viral hemorrhagic disease so far this year, with the southern states of Ondo and the northern states of Bauchi and Taraba the worst-hit, accounting for more than 71 percent of the total confirmed cases, the NCDC said. This development, according to the public health agency.

Sony rides to
profit via music,
movies & games

MI News Service, Tokyo/New Delhi: Japanese technology and entertainment company Sony logged an 18% rise in profit for the fiscal year through March on healthy results at its music and video-game operations.

Tokyo-based Sony Corp. said that its annual profit totaled 1.14 trillion yen (USD 7.8 billion), up from 970.6 billion yen in the previous fiscal year. Annual sales were virtually unchanged, inching down to 12,957 trillion yen (USD 88 billion) from 13,020 trillion yen.

One area that lagged among Sony's sprawling businesses was the financial segment, where revenue stalled. But its film division and its imaging and sensor solutions segment did well.

Among the movies that fared positively at the box office for the fiscal year through March were "Venom: The Last Dance," featuring the Marvel Comics superhero, and "Bad Boys: Ride or Die," an action comedy, in which Will Smith and Martin Lawrence come back in their popular cop roles, the fourth installment in the series.

Sony, which makes the PlayStation console and game software played on that machine, also marked healthy results in the gaming business. Its music operations, which also held up, include recordings, streaming services and music for games. The top-selling recorded music projects for the latest fiscal year globally was SZA's "SOS Deluxe: LANA," followed by Beyonce, Future & Metro Boomin and Travis Scott. For the Japan music business, the top-seller was Kenshi Yonezu's "Lost Corner" album, followed by offerings from Stray Kids and Six Tones.

For the January-March quarter, Sony posted a 19.7 billion yen (USD 1.3 billion) profit, up 5% from 18.9 billion yen the same quarter in the previous fiscal year. Sales were 2.6 trillion yen (USD 17.7 billion), down 24% from 3.48 trillion yen.

Sony is forecasting a nearly 13% drop in profit for the fiscal year through March 2026, to 930 billion yen (USD 6.3 billion), on 11.7 trillion yen (USD 80 billion) sales, down 2.9% on-year.

Wholesale price inflation dips to 0.85%
in Apr: Govt data

MI News Service, New Delhi: Wholesale price inflation dropped to 0.85 per cent in April as prices of food articles, manufactured products, and fuel eased, government data showed on Wednesday.

WPI-based inflation was 2.05 per cent in March. It was 1.19 per cent in April last year. "Positive rate of inflation in April, 2025 is primarily due to an increase in prices of manufacture of food products, other manufacturing, chemicals and chemical products, manufacture of other transport equipment and manufacture of machinery and equipment, etc," the industry ministry said in a statement. As per the WPI (Wholesale price index) data, food articles saw a deflation of 0.86 per cent in April from an inflation of 1.57 per cent in March, with vegetables seeing a sharp drop. Deflation in vegetables was 18.26 per cent during April compared to deflation of 15.88 per cent in March. In onion, inflation eased to 0.20 per cent in April, as against 26.65 per cent in March. Retail inflation hits 6-year low at 3.16% in April on cheaper food prices

Manufactured products, however, saw inflation at 2.62 per cent in April, compared to 3.07 per cent in March. Fuel and power too saw a deflation of 2.18 per cent in April, compared to 0.20 per cent in March.

Metro Staff help
an Indisposed
Lady Passenger

MI News Service, Kolkata: On-duty Metro staff and RPF personnel have once again come forward to help an indisposed lady commuter in the Metro premises during peak hours at the right time. On 15.05.2025 at about 19.25 hrs., a lady commuter aged around 28 years suddenly started feeling unwell at the platform area of Esplanade station. On-duty station staff and RPF immediately rushed to her help. Considering the seriousness of the situation, she was brought to the Station Master's Office and given first-aid. She was later sent to Medical College and Hospital with RPF and station staff for further treatment. Her family member was informed about her condition through mobile number given by her. She expressed heartfelt gratitude for the kind and timely help rendered by the station staff of Metro Railway.

Railway Board approves
new chord rail line
between Karhi-Sigma

MI News Service, Delhi: Taking a significant step towards strengthening rail infrastructure in Madhya Pradesh, the Railway Board has approved an important new rail line project under West Central Railway (WCR) zone. The proposed chord rail line is 5.31 km long between Karhi and Sigma, this new rail line project has been approved at a cost of Rs 165.20 crore. This is an important step in the development of railway projects aimed at increasing connectivity in the state.

The chord rail line between Karhi and Sigma (5.31 km) proposed under the umbrella work is important for rail connectivity as it aims to increase the capacity of the lines, flyovers and bypass lines. Karhi station is a new station on the new line under construction Satna-Panna-Khajuraho, and Sigma station is located on the Satna-Manikpur-Prayagraj double line route. At present, the line capacity utilisation of the Satna-Manikpur section is 120%, which is estimated to increase to 143% by the year 2027. Under the Lalitpur-Singrauli New Rail Project, work on the new line between Rewa-Singrauli is also in progress. The proposed bi-directional chord line between Karhi and Sigma will connect the Lalitpur-Singrauli new line to the existing Itarsi-Manikpur line. This will facilitate trains going from Manikpur-Panna and vice versa to run directly without going to Satna Junction station and thus there will be no need to change the engine at Satna, thereby saving time. This rail link will promote regional trade, mobility and access to resources. The construction of the Karhi to Sigma chord rail line will strengthen the tourist connectivity of important states of Madhya Pradesh, Satna, Panna and Khajuraho. Satna and Panna are industrial cities, which have abundant cement and mineral industries, connecting many parts of Madhya Pradesh. The line is expected to help in freight movement, industrial development, tourism and improved passenger connectivity in the region.

Odisha govt
approves projects
worth Rs 3,898 cr

MI News Service, Bhubaneswar: The Odisha government approved 19 projects worth Rs 3,898 crore, which are expected to generate employment for over 7,400 people. According to an official statement, the State Level Single Window Clearance Authority (SLSWCA), chaired by Chief Secretary Manoj Ahuja, has given its nod to the proposals spanning various sectors such as steel, iron & ferro alloys, industrial gases, logistics, food and beverage, agro-processing, tourism and hospitality.

Malda Division Organizes Media Tour Show-
casing Upgradation of Pirpainti and Rajmahal
Stations under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme



MI News Service, Kolkata: Malda Division Organizes Media Tour Showcasing Upgradation of Pirpainti and Rajmahal Stations under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme In a significant step towards modernizing railway infrastructure and enhancing passenger amenities, Malda Division of Eastern Railway organized a media tour today to showcase the ongoing redevelopment works at Pirpainti and Rajmahal railway stations under the ambitious Amrit Station Scheme. The media tour was led by Divisional Railway Manager (DRM), Malda, Shri Yatish Kumar, accompanied by Senior Branch Officers of the division. The objective of the tour was to provide an overview of the transformation initiatives underway, and to brief the media on the scope, progress, and future vision of the redevelopment projects. Pirpainti Railway Station Redevelopment Highlights At Pirpainti Station, DRM/Malda reviewed the modernization efforts and provided a detailed briefing to media representatives. A walkthrough of the station was conducted, allowing the press to witness firsthand of the upgraded infrastructure and improved passenger-centric facilities. It is noteworthy that the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi virtually laid the foundation stone for the redevelopment of Pirpainti Station in August 2023. Pirpainti Station, categorized as an NSG-5 station, is one of the busiest in the Eastern Railway zone, necessitating significant infrastructure enhancement. Under Phase 1 of the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme, redevelopment works worth ₹18.93 crore have been sanctioned. The scope of work includes Civil, Electrical, S&T, Signage, Lift, and 12m Foot Over Bridge (FOB)/Roof Plaza development, Separate Arrival & Departure Blocks, Pedestrian Pathways, Eye-catching Sculptures, Standard Interiors, Modern Façade with Aesthetic Lighting etc Key Works Completed under Phase 1 at Pirpainti Station: • Construction of a modern façade with aesthetic lighting* Development of First Class and Second Class Waiting Halls, Reserved Lounge, Executive Lounge, and Ladies Waiting Hall * Completion of the concourse area and arrival block* *Development of the circulating area for smoother passenger movement* Installation of Large-Size Indoor and Outdoor Video Walls for dynamic passenger information * Implementation of Signage Work to streamline station navigation * Provision of Fully Divyangjan-Compliant Infrastructure to ensure universal accessibility The station's design and interiors draw inspiration from local art and nearby historical monuments, combining modern architecture with the region's cultural heritage to give the station a distinct identity.As of now, Planned work has been completed.Rajmahal Railway Station Redevelopment Highlights A Similar media Tour also carried out at Rajmahal Railway Station, where members of the press were briefed on the significant progress made under the Amrit Station Scheme. This initiative is aimed at transforming Rajmahal Sta-

tion into a state-of-the-art facility with world-class infrastructure and passenger amenities. Classified as an NSG-5 station, Rajmahal is among the busiest and most important stations in the Eastern Railway zone. The redevelopment work is being carried out in phases, with Phase 1 sanctioned at an estimated cost of ₹7.03 crore, encompassing Civil, Electrical, S&T works, Signage. Key works completed under Phase 1 include: • Construction of a Modern Façade with Aesthetic Façade Lighting (completed) * Development of Circulating Area and Pedestrian Pathways * Platform Extension to accommodate longer trains * Renovation and Construction of *First Class and Second Class Waiting Halls, Reserved Lounge, Executive Lounge and Ladies Waiting Hall, including a New Pay & Use Toilet Facility * Implementation of Signage Work to streamline station navigation * Installation of Eye-Catching Sculptures* and Standard Interiors * Interior and Exterior Design Elements Inspired by Local Art and Historical Monuments * Fully Divyangjan-Friendly Infrastructure to ensure accessibility for all * Installation of a Large-Size indoor Video Wall for dynamic passenger information * *Signage Work to streamline navigation within the station premises This holistic upgrade aims to enhance the overall passenger experience by combining modern amenities with a cultural touch that reflects the rich heritage of the Rajmahal region. As of now, Planned work has been completed.

Howrah Division Continues 100 Glorious
Years Celebrations with Prabhat Pheri, Tree
Plantation and Cleanliness Drives at
Bandel and Barddhaman Stations



MI News Service, Kolkata: As part of the ongoing celebration of 100 Glorious Years of Howrah Division, a series of impactful events — including Prabhat Pheri, Tree Plantation, and Cleanliness Drives — were successfully conducted at Bandel Station and its surroundings on 15th May 2025, and at Barddhaman Station and its surroundings on 16th May 2025 under the direction of Divisional Railway Manager, Shri Sanjeev Kumar. These events reflected the division's continued commitment to community engagement, environmental awareness, and public service. The celebrations began at Bandel with a vibrant Prabhat Pheri, where railway staff, officers, and local volunteers marched together, raising slogans and carrying banners highlighting the division's century-long legacy. The event was followed by a Tree Plantation drive in the station area, promoting green practices and sustainability. A Cleanliness Drive was also carried out, focusing on improving hygiene and cleanliness across platforms and surrounding areas, aligned with the goals of the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. On the following day, similar activities were organized at Barddhaman Station. The Prabhat Pheri once again brought together the railway fraternity in a show of pride and unity, spreading awareness about the 100-year journey of Howrah Division. The Tree Plantation and Cleanliness Drive further strengthened the division's message of environmental responsibility and civic consciousness. These events served not only to commemorate the illustrious history of Howrah Division but also to reinforce its dedication to sustainable development, community well-being, and cleanliness. The centenary celebrations continue to inspire collective action and pride among railway personnel and the public.

India to launch global campaign to expose Pakistan's support for terrorism

MI News Service, New Delhi: India is planning a large-scale diplomatic initiative aimed at exposing Pakistan's continued support for terrorism on the global stage.

According to reliable sources, around 40 multi-party parliamentarians will form seven groups and travel to various regions of the world. The goal of this initiative is to inform the international community about Pakistan's ongoing support to terrorism and highlighting India's recently launched Operation Sindoor.

The tour is expected to span 10 days, commencing on May 23. The groups of parliamentarians are likely to visit several key world capitals, including the United States, the United Kingdom, the United Arab Emirates, South Africa, and Japan.

This will be the first time that the Centre will depute MPs from multiple parties to present India's stance on Kashmir and cross-border terrorism originating from Pakistan.

While the government has not officially announced the initiative, it is understood that

"I'll rise above gutter": Omar Abdullah, Mehbooba Mufti

MI News Service, Srinagar: Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah and People's Democratic Party (PDP) chief Mehbooba Mufti war of words on X intensified on Friday over the revival of the Tulbul Navigation Project.

Tulbul Navigation Project is aimed at improving navigation on the River Jhelum and power generation. Omar Abdullah's call to revise the project on Thursday was seen as provocative by Mehbooba Mufti, especially after both countries had stepped back from the brink of war in the backdrop of the Pahalgam terror attack, abeyance of Inus Water Treaty and Operation Sindoor.

Chief Minister Abdullah took to social media to counter what he termed as "cheap shots" from Mehbooba, asserting he would not be drawn into a "gutter" level of debate.

These remarks came after Mufti brought Abdullah's grand-

father and former J-K Chief Minister Sheikh Abdullah into the heated exchange between the two on the issue of the Indus Water Treaty and the Tulbul Navigation Project. The Chief Minister further suggested the PDP chief can keep posting as he would now engage in some "real work."

In a social media post, replying to PDP chief Mufti, Abdullah said, "Is that really the best you can do? Taking cheap shots at a person you yourself have called Kashmir's tallest leader. I'll rise above the gutter you want to take this conversation to by keeping the late Mufti Sahib and 'North Pole South Pole' out of this." He added, "You keep advocating the interests of anyone you want to & I'll keep advocating for the interests of the people of J&K to use our own rivers for our own benefit. I'm not going to stop the water, just use more of it for ourselves. Now I think I'll do some real work & you can keep posting."

JDU MP Sanjay Jha, former Minister of External Affairs Salman Khurshid, and BJP MP Aparajita Sarangi is also likely to participate.

India launched Operation Sindoor on May 7 in response to April 22 Pahalgam terror attack in which 26 people were killed. India's precision strikes in Pakistan and PoJK on May 7 killed over 100 terrorists.

Akashteer: Unseen force behind India's new war capability

MI News Service, New Delhi: Akashteer, India's fully indigenous, automated Air Defence Control and Reporting System, which intercepted and neutralised every inbound projectile amid India-Pakistan hostilities, is no longer a concept confined to defence journals, but a sharp edge of India's air defence.

"In the dark skies, a new kind of warrior awakened. It did not roar like a fighter jet or flash like a missile. It listened. It calculated. It struck. This unseen wall stopped a barrage of missiles and drones on the night of May 9-10, when Pakistan launched its deadliest attack on Indian military and civilian areas," according to an official release.

While Pakistan relied on imported HQ-9 and HQ-16 systems that failed to detect and intercept Indian strikes, Akashteer showcased India's dominance in real-time, automated air defence warfare during Pakistan's retaliation in the aftermath of Operation Sindoor.

"What stood between them and their intended targets was not just technology, but years of commitment to Atmanirbhar Bharat. While Pakistan relied on imported HQ-9 and HQ-16 systems that failed to detect and intercept Indian strikes, Akashteer showcased India's domi-

nance in real-time, automated air defence warfare," it said.

Akashteer has demonstrated that it sees, decides, and strikes faster than anything the world has fielded.

The integration of multiple elements reduces the possibility of friendly fire, allowing rapid engagement of hostile targets while ensuring the protection of aircraft in contested airspace.

The sensors integrated include Tactical Control Radar REPORTER, 3D Tactical Control Radars, Low-Level Lightweight Radar and the radar of Akash Weapon System.

Akashteer is not about brute force. It is about intelligent warfare. The system provides a common, real-time air picture to all involved parties (control room, radars and Defence Gun), enabling coordinated air defence operations.

It is a system designed to automate detection, tracking and engagement of enemy aircraft, drones and missiles. It integrates various radar systems, sensors and communication technologies into a single operational framework.

Akashteer gathers data from multiple sources, processes it and allows for automated, real-time engagement decisions. It is part of the broader C4ISR

(Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance) framework, working in coordination with other systems.

The system is vehicle-based, which makes it mobile and easier to handle in a hostile environment.

Unlike traditional air defence models that rely on ground-based radars and manual decisions, Akashteer enables autonomous monitoring of low-level airspace in battle zones and efficient control of Ground-Based Air Defence Weapon Systems.

This marks a clear shift in India's strategic principle from passive defence to proactive retaliation. Its seamless integration with India's larger C4ISR (Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance) ecosystem allows the Army, Navy and Air Force to operate with unmatched synergy.

Akashteer is the core of the Indian Army's Air Defence (AAD) system. It connects smoothly with IACCS (Indian Air Force) and TRIGUN (Indian Navy), creating a clear and real-time picture of the battlefield. This enables the quick and effective use of both offensive and defensive weapons.

Because all three forc-

es work together through Akashteer, there is a much lower risk of accidentally hitting friendly targets. It improves situational awareness and allows for precise, decisive action. Since Akashteer is vehicle-mounted and highly mobile, it is ideal for deployment in dangerous and active war zones.

Akashteer is not alone. It is part of a growing ecosystem of indigenous defence platforms that are reshaping India's war-fighting capabilities.

The Make in India initiative has bolstered growth and enabled the development of advanced military platforms including the Dhanush Artillery Gun System, Advanced Towed Artillery Gun System (ATAGS), Main Battle Tank (MBT) Arjun, Light Specialist Vehicles, High Mobility Vehicles, Light Combat Aircraft (LCA) Tejas, Advanced Light Helicopter (ALH), Light Utility Helicopter (LUH), Weapon Locating Radar, 3D Tactical Control Radar, and Software Defined Radio (SDR), as well as naval assets like destroyers, indigenous aircraft carriers, submarines, frigates, corvettes, fast patrol vessels, fast attack craft, and offshore patrol vessels.

India targets Rs 3 lakh crore in defence production by 2029, reinforcing its position as a global defence man-

ufacturing hub.

The private sector plays a crucial role, contributing 21 per cent to total defence production, fostering innovation and efficiency.

A robust defence industrial base includes 16 DP-SUs, over 430 licensed companies, and approximately 24,000 MSMEs, strengthening indigenous production capabilities.

65 per cent of defence equipment is now manufactured domestically, a significant shift from the earlier 65-70 per cent import dependency, showcasing India's self-reliance in defence.

Experts worldwide are calling Akashteer a "seismic shift in warfare strategy." With this system, India has entered the elite club of nations with fully integrated, automated Air Defence Command and Control capability. It doesn't just see faster—it decides faster, and it strikes faster than anything fielded globally.

Akashteer is not just a technology; it is India's answer to asymmetric warfare, hybrid threats, and cross-border terrorism.

Its successful use in neutralising Pakistan's offensive during Operation Sindoor stands as proof that India's future lies not in imported platforms, but in its

own innovation, being truly Atmanirbhar.

Notice This is to inform you that Netai Chandra Ghosh (PAN Card No. AEIPG9223K) son of Sri Kartick Chandra Ghosh of 202(56/H/A), R.M. Sarani, P.O. Baidyabati, P.S. Serampore, Dist. Hooghly, Pin-712222 is my client who had appointed Sri Shyam Mondal son of Late Sudhangsu Mondal of Champdani Autopara, P.O. Baidyabati, P.S. Bhadreswar, Dist. Hooghly, Pin - 712222 by way of Registered Lawful Attorney Being Book No. IV, C.D. Volume No. 1, Page from 1856 to 1865, Deed No. 00165 for the year 2012 on 05/04/2012 at A.D.S.R. Serampore, Dist. Hooghly for my property belong to Dist. Hooghly, A.D.S.R. & S.D.O. Serampore, Moua - Dirghansa, J.L. No. 4, R.S. Khatian No. 2432, L.R. Khatian No. 6956, R.S. Dag No. 1980, L.R. Dag No. 2462 on area of Shali Land more or less 1 one Cottah 7 seven Chattak 15 fifteen sq. ft. under Baidyabati Municipality said property belong to Sale Deed Being Book No. 1, Volume No. 53, Page No. 184 to 188, Deed No. 2715 dated 27/07/1987 at A.D.S.R. Singur, Dist. Hooghly AND said Shyam Mondal had transferred By way of Sale Deed Being Book No. 1, C.D. Volume No. 5, Page from 1822 to 1835, being No. 02860 for the year 2012 on 11/04/2012 at A.D.S.R. Serampore, Dist. Hooghly as area of Shali Land measuring more or less 1 Cottah 7 Chhattak 15 sq. ft. Or .024 Acre with 1321.49 sq. ft. two storied Building to Smt. Asha Devi wife of Late Nehru Lal Shaw of 19/1, A. G. Road Champdani, P.O. Baidyabati, P.S. Bhadreswar, Dist. Hooghly - 712222. If any type of objection, give information within one month from date of Publication to B.L. & L.R.O. Serampore, Dist. Hooghly. By Deo Kumar Prasad Advocate Chandernagore Court, Hooghly WB/438/2001 24/12/2024

Khanakuli Panchayat Samity Senhat, Rajhati, Bandar, Hooghly NOTICE INVITING TENDER The EO Kh-II PS, NleT No-10/E.O. Kh-II/2025-26, Date: 14.05.2025. (Tender ID: 2025_ZPHD_845979_1), for Hebo Hana culvert. Last date of bids ends on 30.05.2025 up to 06:00 PM. For detail visit www.wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- Executive Officer Khanakuli Panchayat Samity KULPI PANCHAYAT SAMITY KULPI, SOUTH-24 PARGANAS e-TENDER NOTICE E-Tenders are hereby invited by the E.O. Kulpi vide NIT No-113/KLPS/MA/SE (MDW)/2025-26& Tender ID: 2025_ZPHD_846340_1. Bid Submission Last Date: 30/05/2025. For details visit Website: https://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- Executive Officer Kulpi Panchayat Samity

NOTICE I am Parvati Pradhan w/o Rabindra Pradhan residing at Rankinipur P.S. Nandigram, East Medinipur, Pin no-721650. I purchased 1 Kh 8 Ch. 32 Sq.ft. land by deed No.8743/2016 from power holder Khokon Baidya. POA No. 0079/2016 Mouza-Paschim Barisa,JL-119,Dag No.-1993, R.S. Kh. 1401. If anybody has any objection on mutation of said land inform office of BL&RO, Kolkata K.M.C Building Room No. 328, 5 No. S. N. Banerjee Rd, Kol-13, in writing or over Email-bllroa@gmail.com within one month from the date of advertisement.

Notice My client - (1) Kabita Roy (2) Rumpa Santra, Mouja-Gapalnagar, J.L.-132, R.S.-330, Dag No.(L.R.) 253, Khatian No.-(L.R.) 440, 1 Kata 6 M/L Chattak plot sold Deed No- 11607-08583/2022 out of this a deed has been found with Power of Attorney Deed No-160703808-2022 A.D.S.R. Behala. Now we request the office BL&LRO for the mutation of the plot. Case No.- MN/2025/1630/6151 & MN/2025/1630/6152 And for any objections or queries please contact in the address given 344/1, Raja Rammohan Roy Road, Kol-700 004. Bimal Ch. Lahiri, M.A., LLB (Advocate) Alipore Judges Court Kolkata-700 027 Enrolment No.-WB/298/82

Notice Notice to hereby given to all concerned that I Subrata Mukhopadhyay and my wife Nibhedita Mukhopadhyay purchased a land measuring about 3kh.8Ch.40Sq.ft. at Mouza-Nayabad, J.L.No.-25, L.R. Dag No.-132 under P.S.-Jadavpur, District South 24 Parganas from Sri Pradyut Kumar Bhattacharjee as constitute Attorney of Sri Pinak Pani Bhattacharya through Deed No.- 12789/2023 which was duly registered at D.S.R.-IV at Alipore Power of Attorney Deed No.-29/2023. We are applied for Mutation the B.L. & L.R.O. Office at Kolkata Block, Kolkata-700013. For any complain inform within one month at Kolkata Block, B.L. & L.R.O. Office. E-mail: bllroa@gmail.com, Mob: 9331267206

Devendra Fadnavis hails Sharad Pawar for his contribution in Indian cricket

MI News Service, New Delhi: At the inauguration of four new spaces on Friday, at the Wankhede stadium by the Mumbai Cricket Association (MCA), Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis hailed MCA and NCP-SCP chief Sharad Pawar for the development of cricket as President of BCCI and MCA.

Speaking at the event, Fadnavis said, "Mumbai Cricket Association has taken an excellent decision. We are celebrating those who made us proud. The work he (Sharad Pawar) has done for the development of cricket as the President of BCCI, as the President of

Office Lounge in memory of Amol Kale.

Sharad Pawar served as President of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) from 2005 to 2008 and as President of the International Cricket Council (ICC) from 2010 to 2012.

He was also president of the Mumbai Cricket Association from October 2013 to January 2017.

The 'Rohit Sharma Stand' at the iconic Wankhede Stadium, named after Indian skipper Rohit Sharma, was also unveiled on Friday.

The legendary Indian batter was present at the iconic venue with the rest of his family and the Maharash-

tra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis, NCP-SCP chief Sharad Pawar, and Mumbai Cricket Association (MCA) president Ajinkya Naik.

Speaking at the event, Rohit said, "What is happening today, I had never dreamt of. As a kid growing up, I wanted to play for Mumbai, for India. No one thinks of this. For me to have my name amongst the greats of the game, I cannot express it in words. This is also special as I am still playing. I have retired from two formats, but I am still playing one format."

Rohit is one of the greatest opening batters of all time. In 499 internation-

"Honour, duty to dedicate my pension to National Defence Fund": Smriti Irani

MI News Service, New Delhi: In a show of solidarity with India's armed forces, Union Minister Smriti Irani announced that she is donating her entire pension and benefits as a former Member of Parliament to the National Defence Fund of India.

Speaking to reporters here, Smriti Irani said, "As a citizen and strategic advisor of the All India Traders Federation, today the entire Federation has pledged that we will contribute from our side to the National Defence Fund of India. Since last year, I have not taken my pension or any facility as a former MP. This is the money from the treasury of India, which I am dedicating today to the National Defence Fund."

The BJP leader also lauded the Confederation of All India Traders (CAIT) association's decision to terminate all trade with Turkey and Azerbaijan in response to their open support for Pakistan and said that it reflects their support for the brave sons and daughters of India who guard the nation's borders.

Smriti Irani also said that through the boycott, the traders' body has also been contributing to strengthening the Indian economy and is dedicated to realising the dream of Make in India.

Expressing her support for the resolution, Smriti Irani emphasised the role of small traders in shaping a self-reliant India. "Today, I associate myself with this resolution of the Confederation of All India Traders (CAIT) that the small businessman of India is not only contributing to strengthening the Indian economy but is also completely dedicated to realising the dream of Make in India," she said.

Irani praised the collective action taken by trade organisations, calling it "a gesture in support of those brave sons and daughters of India who guard the nation's borders."

"All trade organisations have called for a boycott. This is in support of those brave sons of India and those brave women who keep the country's borders safe," she said.

Meanwhile, in a retaliatory move against Turkey and Azerbaijan's open support to Pakistan, the Confederation of All India Traders (CAIT) has announced a complete boycott of trade with Turkey and Azerbaijan.

Speaking after a national conference of trade leaders, BJP MP and CAIT Secretary General Praveen Khandelwal said, "A collective decision has been taken in the conference of trade leaders today to end all trade with Turkey and Azerbaijan. The reason is

clear -- Turkey and Azerbaijan have openly supported Pakistan against India."

Khandelwal said the boycott would take immediate effect, halting all imports and exports between Indian traders and the two nations.

"Any import and export will not happen with Turkey and Azerbaijan with immediate effect. The Indian film industry has also been requested not to shoot any of its films in Turkey and Azerbaijan. Many companies also shoot advertisements in these countries for their products. If any company does so anymore, then we will boycott that company too," he said.

The move aligns with the

Notice I am Syed Md. Qaiser S/o. Lt. Syed Md. Gazanfar residing at B-75, Iron Gate Rd., P.O.+ P.S.- Gardenreach, Kol-24.1 Purchased 2Kh-land from deed no.-6446/2022 from power holder Mustafizur Rahman POA No.-0536 Mouza-Gardenreach. JL- 703, Dag No.-352, R.S.Kh-149, if anybody has any objection on Mutation of said land inform office of BLLRO, Kolkata K.M.C. Building Room No.-328, 5 No. S.N. Banerjee Rd., Kol-13, in writing or over E-mail- bllroa@gmail.com with in one month from the date of Advertisement.

Notice regarding Power of Attorney as per West Bengal Govt Order No. 1000-15/22/2024 dated 27.02.2024 This is to notify that smt. TITU DEVI W/O of ASHOK RAM Address K. T. ROAD PS Asansol Dist Paschim Bardhaman has/have purchased the below mentioned land and schedule by virtue of deed/deeds no. 2330 dated 2024 (A.D.S.R. ASANSOL/DSR /ADSR) with the help of power of attorney deed no.3880 dated 2023 (A.D.S.R/ADSR) executed by sri. DULU GHOSH S/O DHIREN GHOSH address GHOSH PARA PS A S A N S O L Dist.PASCHIM BARDHAMAN and the said applicant has/have applied with the same land schedule for mutation vide mutation case no. MN/2025/2305/5574 Dist. Paschim Bardhaman at the office of the S.D.L. & L.R.O (EP-1) dist.Paschim Bardhaman. If there is any objection for mutation in this respect, any concerned principle are requested to submit objection along with relevant documents to the concerned revenue office at the office off the S.D.L. & L.R.O (EP-1) within one month from the date of publication of this notice, otherwise law will take it own course.

Land Schedule Block :Sub-Divisional Land and Land Reforms Office (EP-1) Mouza:-UTTARDHAKKA J.L.NO.-26 PlotNo:-12 Name of the recorded owner:- SHIBU GHOSH Khatian:-345

EASTERN RAILWAY NOTICE INVITING E-AUCTION E-Auction Notice No.: COM/PUB/HWH/MEDSTN/24, Dated: 15.05.2025. E-Auction is invited by Senior Divisional Commercial Manager, Eastern Railway, Howrah, 4th floor, Yatri Niwas, near Howrah Station, Howrah-711101 for awarding contract of Commercial Publicity Rights: Catalogue No.: PUB-HWH-25-17. Seq. No., Lot No., Description: AA/1, MSS-HWH-BEQ-MedStn-20-25-1 (Misc-Static-Services-Medical facilities at station), Setting up, Operation & Maintenance of Medical Store at Belur Jn. station of Howrah Division. AA/2, MSS-HWH-UPA-MedStn-21-25-1 (Misc-Static-Services-Medical facilities at station), Setting up, Operation & Maintenance of Medical Store at Uttarpara station of Howrah Division. AA/3, MSS-HWH-KOG-MedStn-22-25-1 (Misc-Static-Services-Medical facilities at station), Setting up, Operation & Maintenance of Medical Store at Konnagar station of Howrah Division. AA/4, MSS-HWH-RIS-MedStn-23-25-1 (Misc-Static-Services-Medical facilities at station), Setting up, Operation & Maintenance of Medical Store at Rishra station of Howrah Division. AA/5, MSS-HWH-SRP-MedStn-24-25-1 (Misc-Static-Services-Medical facilities at station), Setting up, Operation & Maintenance of Medical Store at Shrirampur Jn. station of Howrah Division. Auction start date and time: 30.05.2025 at 12.00 hrs. HWH-88/2025-26 Tender Notices are also available at websites : www.er.indianrailways.gov.in/www.ireps.gov.in Follow us at: @EasternRailway @easternrailwayheadquarter

S. E. RAILWAY - 2025 Tender Notice No.: e-Tender/2025/14, Date: 15.05.2025. For and on behalf of President of India, the Divisional Railway Manager (Engg.), South Eastern Railway, Kharagpur-721301 invites e-tender for the following works before 15.00 hrs. on the date mentioned against items and will be opened at 15.30 hrs. SI.No.-1. Tender No.: E-KGP-EAST-39-2025. Description of work: Execution of work of Turnout Renewal (TTR) - 458 sets & Derailing Switch (DS)- 15 sets in Howrah-Kharagpur section under the jurisdiction of DEN/EAST/Kharagpur. Tender Value: ₹ 5,30,50,924.13. Earnest Money: ₹ 4,15,300. SI.No.-2. Tender No.: E-KGP-EAST-40-2025. Description of work: Construction of a New 100 Bedded Running Room with Combined Crew Lobby at Abada. Tender Value: ₹ 12,09,69,397.87. Earnest Money: ₹ 7,54,900. SI.No.-3. Tender No.: E-KGP-HQ-17-2025. Description of work: Re-conditioning of 89 nos. wornout CMS crossing by translaminar robotic method & re-conditioning of 41 nos. tongue rails by electrode method in Panskura-Haldia section under the jurisdiction of DEN(HQ)/Kharagpur. Tender Value: ₹ 24,52,829.66. Earnest Money: ₹ 49,100. SI.No.-4. Tender No.: E-KGP-HQ-18-2025. Description of work: Construction of Restricted Height Subway (3m x 2.7m) at 25/5-7 in Panskura-Haldia section under the jurisdiction of ADEN/Tamluk. Tender Value: ₹ 2,33,56,998.09. Earnest Money: ₹ 2,66,800. SI.No.-5. Tender No.: E-KGP-South-23-2025. Description of work: Renovation & improvement of staff quarters at Baleswar under ADEN/Baleswar. Tender Value: ₹ 85,67,423.52. Earnest Money: ₹ 1,71,400. SI.No.-6. Tender No.: E-KGP-South-24-2025. Description of work: Provision for extension, raising, resurfacing of platform & other amenities at Rupsa station under the jurisdiction of ADEN/Baleswar. Tender Value: ₹ 6,09,43,306.38. Earnest Money: ₹ 4,54,700. SI.No.-7. Tender No.: E-KGP-South-25-2025. Description of work: Replacement of existing piped bridges (10 nos.) in Kharagpur-Rupsa section of Kharagpur division under ADEN (South)/Kharagpur (7th Call). Tender Value: ₹ 4,82,92,883.82. Earnest Money: ₹ 3,91,500. SI.No.-8. Tender No.: E-KGP-HQ-19-2025. Description of work: Construction of 17 units new type-II Quarters in Traffic area at Kharagpur under the jurisdiction of ADEN/Settlement/Kharagpur. Tender Value: ₹ 4,66,73,158.92. Earnest Money: ₹ 3,83,400. SI.No.-9. Tender No.: E-KGP-HQ-20-2025. Description of work: Construction of a new Crew Lobby (G+1) at Kharagpur under the jurisdiction of ADEN/Settlement/Kharagpur. Tender Value: ₹ 3,66,79,764.66. Earnest Money: ₹ 3,33,400. SI.No.-10. Tender No.: E-KGP-HQ-21-2025. Description of work: (i) Strengthening of embankments prone to Slope/Toe failure by providing Bullah Pilling & sub-bank in Panskura-Haldia & Tamluk-Digha section and (ii) Widening, strengthening & Improvement/Stabilization of Cess-45507 Mtr. in Panskura-Haldia section under the jurisdiction of ADEN/Tamluk (2nd Call). Tender Value: ₹ 14,31,47,669.37. Earnest Money: ₹ 8,65,700. Cost of Tender documents: ₹ 0 (for SI.No. 1 to 10 each). Date of opening: 05.06.2025 (for SI.No. 1 to 7 each) & 12.06.2025 (for SI.No. 8 to 10 each). Completion Period of the work: 12 (Twelve) months (for SI.No. 1 & 4 to 10 each), 18 (Eighteen) months (for SI.No. 2) & 06 (Six) months (for SI.No. 3). Bidding start date: From 22.05.2025 and up to 15.00 hrs. on 05.06.2025 (for SI.No. 1 to 7 each) & from 29.05.2025 and up to 15.00 hrs. on 12.06.2025 (for SI.No. 8 to 10 each). Interested tenderers may visit website www.ireps.gov.in for full details of description/specification of the tenders and submit their bids online. In no case manual tenders for these works will be accepted. N.B.: Prospective bidders may regularly visit www.ireps.gov.in to participate in all tenders. (PR-163)

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ER Holds ‘PREM’ Meeting

MI News Service, Kolkata: In an endeavour to bring a participative environment in management and decision making, Eastern Railway holds PREM (Participation of Railway Employees in Management) meeting at Eastern Railway's Head-quarter, Fairlie Place today in the presence of Shri Milind Deouskar, General Manager, Eastern Railway & all Principal Officers of Eastern Railway. Representatives/office bearers of different Trade Unions and representatives of different Employees Organisation of Eastern Railways took part in this meeting. Eastern Railway holds this PREM meeting to provide a constructive dialogue between management and employees representative to resolve disputes and improve the overall functioning of the Railway.

While addressing this in the meeting, General Manager, Eastern Railway advised the representatives of different trade unions and employees organisation to uphold specific demands or requirement which will be very useful for immediate mitigation for employee satisfaction and improvement in work environment rather than a generalised statement which requires long time to decipher the target area. General Manager, Eastern Railway also uphold various employee centric initiatives taken over Eastern Railway for providing additional amenities and facilities



and system improvement to reduce the work load as well as safety.

Discussions were held on 3 broad segments, (i) Accident prevention strategies (ii)Skill development and training programme (iii) Improvement in staff amenities, in respect of which exchange of ideas and suggestions took place between the Principal Officers of Eastern Railway and Trade Unions/Employees Representatives. The discussion will have various fruitful outcomes which will be gradually implemented over Eastern Railway for improvement of working system and working environment as well. In the meeting Shri Sumit Sarkar, Additional General Manager, Eastern Railway and other Principal

Head of various Departments of Eastern Railway viz. Principal Chief Commercial Manager, Principal Chief Engineer, Principal Chief Electrical Engineer, Chief Administrative Officer (Con), Principal Chief Mechanical Engineer, Principal Chief Medical Director, Principal Chief Personnel Officer, Principal Chief Security Commissioner, Principal Chief Signal & Telecommunication Engineer, Principal Chief Material Manager, Principal Chief Safety Officer, Principal Financial Advisor were also present to interact in the meeting. The meeting concluded with the vote of thanks delivered by Shri Ved Prakash, Deputy General Manager (G), Eastern Railway.

Diversion of trains for Track Maintenance Work over South Eastern Railway

MI News Service, Kolkata: Due to Track maintenance work on both Up & Dn line between Gamharia – Sini stations in Chakradharpur Division over South Eastern Railway, Mega Block has been planned from 21.05.2025 to 28.05.2025. Consequently, following trains have been diverted as under:

Diversion of trains: * 13288 Ara –Durg South Bihar Express (Journey commencing on 20.05.2025, 27.05.2025, 03.06.2025, 14.06.2025, 17.06.2025 & 24.06.2025) will be diverted via Kandra - Sini (avoiding Tatanagar) instead of the regular route Kandra – Gamharia – Tatanagar – Gamharia – Sini. * 13287 Durg – Ara South Bihar Express (Journey commencing on 24.05.2025, 31.05.2025, 07.06.2025, 14.06.2025, 21.06.2025 & 28.06.2025) will be diverted via Sini – Kandra (avoiding Tatanagar) instead of the regular route Sini – Gamharia – Tatanagar – Gamharia – Kandra.

Diversion Of Bhagalpur – Gandhidham Express

MI News Service, Kolkata: Due to Traffic & Power blocks on Platform No. 4 (from 15.05.2025 to 16.05.2025) and on Platform No. 5 (from 17.05.2025 to 09.07.2025) in connection with construction of concourse foundation at Lucknow station, 09452 Bhagalpur – Gandhidham Express (Journey commencing on 19.05.2025, 26.05.2025, 02.06.2025, 09.06.2025, 16.06.2025, 23.06.2025, 30.06.2025 & 07.07.2025) will be diverted via Barabanki – Malhour – Aishbagh – Kanpur Central instead of the regular route via Barabanki – Lucknow – Kanpur Central.

Short origination & change in terminal

MI News Service, Kolkata: Due to the ongoing non-Interlocking work at SANTRAGACHI Station and yard, Train no. 18047 (Shallimar Vasco Da Gama) Amravati Exp Journey Commencing on 17.05.2025 will Short Originate from SANTRAGACHI Station instead of Shallimar. And, Train no. 18048 (Vasco Da Gama – Shallimar) Amravati Exp Journey Commencing on 16.05.2025 Ex – Vasco-Da-Gama and arrival on 17.05.2025 will be terminated at HOWRAH Station instead of Shallimar.

Cancellation of One Pair Lakshmikanapur – Namkhana Local for Track Maintenance Work

MI News Service, Kolkata: For Track maintenance work between Lakshmikanapur – Namkhana section, 34935/34914 Lakshmikanapur – Namkhana – Lakshmikanapur local will remain cancelled on 18.05.2025 (Sunday).

Augmentation of Coaches in Howrah-Puri Vande Bharat Express to Enhance Passenger Comfort

MI News Service, Bhubaneswar: In response to the growing demand for faster and more comfortable rail travel between Howrah and Puri, Indian Railways has announced 25% augmentation of 22895/22896 Howrah-Puri Vande Bharat Express with additional coaches. Starting today, the train will operate with 20 coaches, in place of earlier 16, adding four additional AC Chair Car Coaches.

This augmentation includes the addition of four AC Chair Car Coaches, 2 Executive Chair Car Coaches and 2 Crew & AC Chair Car Coaches. The decision to augment the train was made after a thorough review of passenger patronization and travel demand, highlighting the Puri-Howrah Vande Bharat Express as one of the most sought-after routes for both daily commuters and tourists. The enhanced capacity is expected to improve travel convenience, reduce waitlists and further popularize this premium train service. Patronisation of the train has seen a significant increase since its inception. Initially operating with an



occupancy rate of 70–80%, the train has now reached an impressive patronisation level of over 110%. Currently, Train No. 22895 (Howrah-Puri) records 110.9% occupancy, while Train No. 22896 (Puri-Howrah) sees 109.2%. Specifically, patronage in AC Chair Car classes stands at 110.65%, and 103.19% in Executive Chair Car coaches. Passengers have overwhelmingly welcomed the augmentation, as more number of passengers can now avail the services of the prestigious train. Many regular commuters and tourists have shared positive feedback on social media and railway feedback portals, appreciating Indian Railways' responsiveness and sensitivity to public demand. Enhanced coach capacity has also been applauded by public representatives, who have actively advocated for this upgrade in recent months. The Puri-Howrah Vande Bharat Express is a semi-high-speed train that

connects Howrah Junction in West Bengal to Puri in Odisha, covering a distance of 500 km in approximately 6.5 hours. The train operates six days a week, except Thursdays, with departures from Howrah at 6:10 am and from Puri at 1:50 pm. This train provide stoppages at seven stations: Khurda Road Junction, Bhubaneswar, Cuttack, Jajpur Keonjhar Road, Bhadrak, Balasore, and Kharagpur Junction. The Vande Bharat Express features state-of-the-art amenities, including onboard Wi-Fi, infotainment systems, bio-vacuum toilets and comfortable seating arrangements. The train is designed to provide a safe and comfortable travel experience for passengers. The augmentation of the Howrah-Puri Vande Bharat Express is a testament to Indian Railways' commitment to enhancing passenger services and meeting the growing demand for efficient and comfortable rail travel.

Regulation of trains due to Developmental Works in Chakradharpur Division

MI News Service, Kolkata: In view of developmental works in Chakradharpur Division, the following trains will be regulated as under:

Cancellation of Trains		
Sl.No.	Train No. & Name	Date of Cancellation
1	18005 Howrah-Jagdalpur Express	20.05.25, 27.05.27, 03.06.25, 10.06.25, 17.06.25 & 24.06.25
	18006 Jagadalpur-Howrah Express	22.05.25, 29.05.25, 05.06.25, 12.06.25, 19.06.25 & 26.06.25
2	18109/18110 Tatanagar-NSCB Ivorai-Tatanagar Express	21.05.25, 24.05.25, 28.05.25, 31.05.25, 04.06.25, 07.06.25, 11.06.25, 14.06.25, 18.06.25, 21.06.25, 25.06.25 & 28.06.25
3	12021/12022 Howrah-Burlih-Howrah Jan Shatabdi Express	21.05.25, 24.05.25, 28.05.25, 31.05.25, 04.06.25, 07.06.25, 11.06.25, 14.06.25, 18.06.25, 21.06.25, 25.06.25 & 28.06.25
4	68003/68004 Tatanagar-Gua-Tatanagar MEMU	21.05.25, 24.05.25, 28.05.25, 31.05.25, 04.06.25, 07.06.25, 11.06.25, 14.06.25, 18.06.25, 21.06.25, 25.06.25 & 28.06.25
5	68043/68044 Tatanagar-Rourkela-Tatanagar MEMU	21.05.25, 24.05.25, 28.05.25, 31.05.25, 04.06.25, 07.06.25, 11.06.25, 14.06.25, 18.06.25, 21.06.25, 25.06.25 & 28.06.25
6	18113 Tatanagar-Bilupur Express	21.05.25, 04.06.25, 11.06.25, 18.06.25 & 25.06.25
	18114 Bilupur-Tatanagar Express	22.05.25, 05.06.25, 12.06.25, 19.06.25 & 26.06.25

Short termination of Trains:			
Sl.No.	Train No. & Name	Short terminated At	Journey Commencing On
1.	12871 Howrah-Tilagarh Ispat Express	Tatanagar	21.05.25, 24.05.25, 28.05.25, 31.05.25, 04.06.25, 07.06.25, 11.06.25, 14.06.25, 18.06.25, 21.06.25, 25.06.25 & 28.06.25
3.	22862 Kantabari-Howrah Ispat Express	Rourkela	21.05.25, 24.05.25, 28.05.25, 31.05.25, 04.06.25, 07.06.25, 11.06.25, 14.06.25, 18.06.25, 21.06.25, 25.06.25 & 28.06.25

Diversion of Trains:			
Sl.	Train No. & Name	Diverted via	Journey Commencing On
1	18477 Puri-Yog Nagari Rishikesh Express	Cuttack-Sambalpur City-Jharguda Road-Ib-Jharguda Road-Ib-Sambalpur City-Cuttack	20.05.25, 27.05.25, 03.06.25, 10.06.25, 17.06.25 & 24.06.25
2	18478 Yog Nagari Rishikesh-Puri Express	Kandansini (Avoiding Tatanagar)	22.05.25, 29.05.25, 05.06.25, 12.06.25, 19.06.25 & 26.06.25
3	13288 Ara-Durg South Bihar Express	Sini-Kandra (Avoiding Tatanagar)	20.05.25, 27.05.25, 03.06.25, 10.06.25, 17.06.25 & 24.06.25
4	13287 Durg-Ara South Bihar Express	Sini-Kandra (Avoiding Tatanagar)	24.05.25, 31.05.25, 07.06.25, 14.06.25, 21.06.25 & 28.06.25

Ex BJP Min Gali's plea for spl prison category rejected by CBI court

MI News Service, Hyderabad: A special CBI court in Hyderabad has rejected a petition filed by Gali Janardhan Reddy, the former Karnataka minister and BJP leader convicted in the Obulapuram illegal mining case, seeking to be treated as a special category prisoner during his sentence. Reddy, who is currently serving a seven-year jail term in Chanchalguda prison, had requested the court to issue directions for special facilities under a privileged prisoner category. However, the CBI court dismissed his petition on Thursday, stating that with the verdict already delivered in the case, there were no pending matters before the court to warrant such consideration, and therefore, the petition could not be entertained. Reddy, along with three others, was convicted earlier this month in the high-profile Obulapuram Mining Company (OMC) illegal mining case, which involved large-scale unau-

Enhanced Security Measures by RPF in Howrah Division



-Proactive Steps to Ensure Passenger Safety and Infrastructure Security

MI News Service, Kolkata: In view of the current national security environment, the Railway Protection Force (RPF) of Eastern Railway's Howrah Division has significantly intensified its security arrangements across the division. These measures aim to ensure the safety of passengers, safeguard railway personnel, and protect vital infrastructure from any potential threats. A series of proactive and preventive actions have been undertaken as part of this enhanced security strategy.

Key Measures Implemented: Area Domination : Route marches are being carried out regularly at major railway stations. Public announcements are being made to discourage the spread of rumors and to encourage reliance on official government advisories and press releases. **Joint Patrolling :** Coordinated patrolling is underway in sensitive zones such as railway yards, bridges, and vulnerable track sections to deter any unlawful activities. **Anti-Sabotage Measures :** Security has been bolstered with intensified anti-sabotage checks, supported by dog squads and targeted inspections based on suspect profiling. **Access Control :** Security protocols have been tightened at critical installations including control rooms, workshops, and zones with outsourced contractual activities.

Inter-Agency Coordination : Constant coordination and intelligence-sharing are being maintained with the Government Railway Police (GRP), Intelligence Bureau (IB), and other law enforcement agencies for seamless response and preventive action.

Public Awareness Campaigns: Passengers are being sensitized to remain alert and to report any suspicious objects or behavior to the nearest railway staff or security personnel. **Employee Sensitization :** Railway staff are being regularly briefed to identify and report any unusual or suspicious activity, thereby strengthening internal vigilance.

Enhanced Briefings: RPF personnel are receiving regular briefings and debriefings focused on prevailing threats and effective response mechanisms.

CCTV Surveillance : Monitoring through the CCTV network has been intensified, especially at stations and other high-priority areas.

Baggage and Cargo Screening : Enhanced screening procedures have been implemented using advanced scanners to detect any prohibited or suspicious items. The Howrah Division remains steadfast in its commitment to passenger safety and security. The RPF urges all passengers and stakeholders to cooperate with security personnel, remain vigilant, and immediately report any suspicious activity.

100 killed in Israeli airstrikes in Gaza, cancer hospital knocked out of service

MI News Service, Gaza: At least 80 Palestinians were killed and dozens of others wounded in Israeli airstrikes across Gaza, said Palestinian medical sources. The Nasser Hospital in Khan Younis reported that 54 people, including women and children, were killed in strikes on the southern city, according to a press statement on Thursday. According to Gaza-based health authorities, the Gaza European Hospital, the only hospital providing medical follow-up care to cancer patients in the enclave, was out of service due to recent Israeli attacks, Xinhua news agency reported. The Israeli attacks "caused significant damage to infrastructure, such as sewage lines, damage to internal departments, and destruction of roads leading to the hospital," the authorities said in a press statement. Meanwhile, medical sources told Xinhua news agency that 26 others were killed in Israeli airstrikes on Gaza City and other areas in northern Gaza. The airstrikes came after Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu warned on Tuesday that the Israeli military

would enter Gaza "with full force" in the coming days to press forward with efforts to defeat Hamas. Israel resumed large-scale military operations in Gaza on March 18, ending a two-month ceasefire. Since then, 2,876 Palestinians have been killed and more than 7,800 injured, according to health officials in Gaza. The total Palestinian death toll since the war erupted on October 7, 2023, has reached 53,010, the officials said on Thursday. Israel is using a policy of "reducing space and emptying populated areas to pressure citizens," Mahmoud Basal, spokes person for the Civil Defence in Gaza, told Xinhua on Thursday. He also claimed that thousands of people spent the night in the streets amid threats of strikes on schools and shelters housing the displaced, adding that Israeli forces were obstructing emergency teams from reaching victims and systematically destroying Civil Defence infrastructure. Since October 2023, the Israeli Army has pursued a brutal offensive on the Gaza Strip, killing more than 53,000 Palestinians so far, most of them women and children.

Indian scholar freed by US judge after detention over support for Palestine

MI News Service, Alexandria: A Georgetown scholar from India who was arrested amid the Trump administration's crackdown on foreign college students was released from immigration detention Wednesday after a federal judge's ruling. Badar Khan Suri, who was being held in Texas, will go home to his family in Virginia while he awaits the outcome of his petition against the Trump administration for wrongful arrest and detention in violation of the First Amendment and other constitutional rights. He's also facing deportation proceedings in an immigration court in Texas. Immigration authorities have detained college students from across the country — many of whom participated in campus protests over the Israel-Hamas war — since the first days of the Trump administration.

Khan Suri is the latest to win release from custody, along with Rumeysa Ozturk, a Tufts University student from Turkey, and Mohsen Mahdawi, a Palestinian student at Columbia University. Khan Suri was arrested by masked, plain-clothed officers on the evening of March 17 outside his apartment complex in Arlington, Virginia. He was then put on a plane to Louisiana and later to a detention center in Texas.

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No. COM/C&V/New Allotment/MPS/2021, Howrah, Dated: 15.05.2025. E-Auction is invited by Divisional Railway Manager (Commercial), Eastern Railway, Howrah, 4th floor, Yatri Niwas, near Howrah Station, Howrah-711001 for 01 no. of Multi-Purpose Stall(MPS) at 'A' category stations, 02 nos. of Multi-Purpose Stall (MPS) at 'B' category stations, 57 nos. of Multi-Purpose Stall (MPS) at 'C' category stations and 01 no. of Multi-Purpose Stall (MPS) at 'D' category stations over Howrah Division for a period of 05 (Five) years. For more information visit www.ireps.gov.in through E-Auction Leasing Module. Details of the auction:- Auction Catalogue No.: MPS-JUN02-25; Seq. No., Lot No./Category, Description & Closing Date/Time respectively: AA/1; MPS-HWH-BPAE-MPS-8-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 02.06.2025 at 12.30 hrs; AA/2; MPS-HWH-SNT-MPS-79-24-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (GMU-General) for 05 year for Unreserved - Open to all; 02.06.2025 at 12.40 hrs; AA/3; MPS-HWH-CDAE-MPS-26-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - open to all; 02.06.2025 at 12.50 hrs; AA/4; MPS-HWH-LOK-MPS-37-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - open to all; 02.06.2025 at 13.00 hrs; AA/5; MPS-HWH-PSAE-MPS-44-23-1 (MPS- Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - open to all; 02.06.2025 at 13.10 hrs; AA/6; MPS-HWH-RSLR-MPS-45-23-1 (MPS- Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - open to all; 02.06.2025 at 13.20 hrs; AA/7; MPS-HWH-BGCM-MPS-57-23-1 (MPS- Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 02.06.2025 at 13.30 hrs; AA/8; MPS-HWH- PKR-MPS-83-24-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for 05 years for Unreserved - open to all; 02.06.2025 at 13.40 hrs; AA/9; MPS-HWH- PKR-MPS-84-24-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for 05 years for Reserved; 02.06.2025 at 13.50 hrs; AA/10; MPS-HWH-BGF-MPS-20-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - open to all; 02.06.2025 at 14.00 hrs; AA/11; MPS-HWH-LXK-MPS-62-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall(MPS) for Reserved; 02.06.2025 at 14.10 hrs; AA/12; MPS-HWH-SMAE-MPS-67-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 02.06.2025 at 14.20 hrs; AA/13; MPS-HWH-BSAE-MPS-7-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 02.06.2025 at 14.30 hrs; AA/14; MPS-HWH-BHLA-MPS-9-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 02.06.2025 at 14.40 hrs; AA/15; MPS-HWH-MUG-MPS-17-23-1 (MPS- Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 02.06.2025 at 14.50 hrs; AA/16; MPS-HWH-DBP-MPS-58-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 02.06.2025 at 15.00 hrs; AA/17; MPS-HWH-BAHW-MPS-3-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 02.06.2025 at 15.10 hrs; AA/18; MPS-HWH-HIH-MPS-13-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 02.06.2025 at 15.20 hrs; AA/19; MPS-HWH-BMAE-MPS-25-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - Open to all; 02.06.2025 at 15.30 hrs; AA/20; MPS-HWH-HYG-MPS-31-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - Open to all; 02.06.2025 at 15.40 hrs; AA/21; MPS-HWH-KMAE-MPS-36-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - Open to all; 02.06.2025 at 15.50 hrs; AA/22; MPS-HWH-MAYP-MPS-39-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - Open to all; 02.06.2025 at 16.00 hrs; AA/23; MPS-HWH-PRAE-MPS-42-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - Open to all; 02.06.2025 at 16.10 hrs; AA/24; MPS-HWH-DEA-MPS-59-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 02.06.2025 at 16.20 hrs; AA/25; MPS-HWH-SHBC-MPS-68-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 02.06.2025 at 16.30 hrs; AA/26; MPS-HWH-PDA-MPS-75-25-2 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Multipurpose stall (MPS) for 05 years Reserved; 02.06.2025 at 16.40 hrs; AA/27; MPS-HWH-PLAE-MPS-18-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multipurpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 02.06.2025 at 16.50 hrs; AA/28; MPS-HWH-JRAE-MPS-34-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - Open to all; 02.06.2025 at 17.00 hrs; AA/29; MPS-HWH-KJU-MPS-61-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 02.06.2025 at 17.10 hrs;	

AA/30; MPS-HWH-NKL-MPS-64-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 02.06.2025 at 17.20 hrs; AA/31; MPS-HWH-BQY-MPS-10-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 02.06.2025 at 17.30 hrs; AA/32; MPS-HWH-BOI-MPS-21-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - Open to all; 02.06.2025 at 17.40 hrs; AA/33; MPS-HWH-JIT-MPS-35-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - Open to all; 02.06.2025 at 17.50 hrs; AA/34; MPS-HWH-MBE-MPS-40-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - Open to all; 02.06.2025 at 18.00 hrs; AA/35; MPS-HWH-SKG-MPS-55-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 03.06.2025 at 10.30 hrs; AA/36; MPS-HWH-RPH-MPS-77-24-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Multipurpose stall for (SMU SC) for 5 years for Reserved; 03.06.2025 at 10.40 hrs; AA/37; MPS-HWH-AMBG-MPS-72-24-3 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for 05 years for Reserved; 03.06.2025 at 10.50 hrs; AA/38; MPS-HWH-KKAE-MPS-15-23-1 (MPS- Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 03.06.2025 at 11.00 hrs; AA/39; MPS-HWH-DMLE-MPS-27-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multipurpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - Open to all; 03.06.2025 at 11.10 hrs; AA/40; MPS-HWH-SLG-MPS-46-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - Open to all; 03.06.2025 at 11.20 hrs; AA/41; MPS-HWH-BFZ-MPS-50-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 03.06.2025 at 11.30 hrs; AA/42; MPS-HWH-JPQ-MPS-52-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 03.06.2025 at 11.40 hrs; AA/43; MPS-HWH-SOAE-MPS-56-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 03.06.2025 at 11.50 hrs; AA/44; MPS-HWH-MDSE-MPS-63-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 03.06.2025 at 12.00 hrs; AA/45; MPS-HWH-PBZ-MPS-66-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 03.06.2025 at 12.10 hrs; AA/46; MPS-HWH-TAK-MPS-74-24-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for 5 years for Reserved; 03.06.2025 at 12.20 hrs; AA/47; MPS-HWH-ADST-MPS-2-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 03.06.2025 at 12.30 hrs; AA/48; MPS-HWH-BGAE-MPS-4-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 03.06.2025 at 12.40 hrs; AA/49; MPS-HWH-BGNA-MPS-6-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 03.06.2025 at 12.50 hrs; AA/50; MPS-HWH-GFAE-MPS-11-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 03.06.2025 at 13.00 hrs; AA/51; MPS-HWH-AGAE-MPS-19-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - Open to all; 03.06.2025 at 13.10 hrs; AA/52; MPS-HWH-BZL-MPS-24-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - Open to all; 03.06.2025 at 13.20 hrs; AA/53; MPS-HWH-GPAE-MPS-29-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - Open to all; 03.06.2025 at 13.30 hrs; AA/54; MPS-HWH-DTAE-MPS-32-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - Open to all; 03.06.2025 at 13.40 hrs; AA/55; MPS-HWH-NBAE-MPS-41-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - Open to all; 03.06.2025 at 13.50 hrs; AA/56; MPS-HWH-PTAE-MPS-43-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - Open to all; 03.06.2025 at 14.00 hrs; AA/57; MPS-HWH-TLO-MPS-49-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Unreserved - Open to all; 03.06.2025 at 14.10 hrs; AA/58; MPS-HWH-DHAE-MPS-51-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 03.06.2025 at 14.20 hrs; AA/59; MPS-HWH-BGRA-MPS-53-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 03.06.2025 at 14.30 hrs; AA/60; MPS-HWH-GRAE-MPS-60-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 03.06.2025 at 14.40 hrs; AA/61; MPS-HWH-JOX-MPS-14-23-1 (MPS-Multi Purpose Stalls); Allotment of Multi-purpose stall (MPS) for Reserved; 03.06.2025 at 14.50 hrs; Rate Unit: Annual Licensing Fee for Seq. No. AA/1 to AA/61 each. Trips/Days: 1826 for Seq. No. AA/1 to AA/61 each. Min. InCre(%): 0.2 for Seq. No. AA/1 to AA/61 each. EMD : 10% for Seq. No. AA/1 to AA/61 each. Turnover Required: 0 for Seq. No. AA/1 to AA/61 each.	HWH-66/2025-26
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