

'Sindoor turned into barood' says PM Modi on Operation Sindoor

MI News Service, Bikaner : Threatening the Pakistan based terrorists and their backers , Prime Minister Narendra Modi has once again asserted that the country's enemies have learnt what happens when 'sindoor' becomes gunpowder.

Lauding the unmatched heroism of Indian armed forces for creating such a trap that “Pakistan was forced to go down on its knees”,the Prime minister in his public address in Rajasthan on Thursday, the first after Operation Sindoor, slammed Pakistan, and said in response to the attack “we destroyed nine biggest terror hideouts in a matter of just 22 minutes”.

“The world and the enemies of the country have seen what happens when sindoor turns into 'barood' (gunpowder),” he said. “Duniya bhar ne dekh liya jab sindoor barood ban jata hai tab natija kya hota hai”, the prime minister said in Hindi

He said India is not going to be scared by nuclear threats and if there is a terrorist attack on the

country again, it will get a befitting reply within no time.

“The time and methods will be decided by our armed forces,” he said addressing a public meeting in Palana in Bikaner.

“Our government gave free hand to all three armed forces. Together they created such a trap that Pakistan was forced to go down on its knees,” he said.

Noting that Pakistan had tried to target the Nal air base in Bikaner but could not cause any damage to it, he said “but, no one knows when Pakistan's Rahimyar Khan air base will open again. It is in ICU. The attack has destroyed it”.

“Pakistan can never win a direct fight against India. Whenever there is a direct flight, Pakistan has to face defeat again and again. That is why Pakistan has made terrorism a weapon to fight against India,” he said. India carried out precision strikes under Operation Sindoor on terror infrastructure early on May 7 in response to the April 22 Pahalgam

terror attack that killed 26 people.

Following the Indian action, Pakistan attempted to attack Indian military bases on May 8, 9 and 10. The Indian forces launched a fierce counter-attack on several Pakistani military installations.

India and Pakistan reached an understanding on May 10 to end the military confrontation after four days of intense cross-border drone and missile strikes.

He said India is not going to be scared by nuclear threats anymore and if there is any attack, the country will give a befitting reply.

Recalling the April 22 Pahalgam attack, PM Modi said that the terrorists destroyed the 'sindoor' (vermilion) of the nation's sisters by asking them their religion. The bullets were fired at terrorists in Jammu and Kashmir's Pahalgam, but the pierced through the hearts of all 140 crore citizens of the nation, the PM stated. He noted how every citizen

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Mamata Banerjee Pays Tribute To Raja Ram Mohan Roy On His Birth Anniversary

MI News Service, Kolkata : West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Thursday paid tributes to social reformer Raja Ram Mohan Roy on his birth anniversary and described him as a pioneer figure of Indian modernity.

She said Ram Mohan Roy is remembered by people at every step of their lives.

“I pay my humble tributes today, on his birthday, to Raja Ram Mohan Roy, the pioneer figure of Indian modernity and the great social reformer,” Mamata Banerjee posted on X.

“Ram Mohan was the first major figure of the Indian Renaissance and a visionary for enlightened and nationalist India. We remember him at every step of our life even today,” she added. Born in 1772,



Raja Ram Mohan Roy was a prominent Indian social reformer, scholar, and religious leader, often referred to as the 'Father of Indian

Renaissance'. He played a pivotal role in shaping modern India by advocating for social, religious, and educational reforms.

Ram Mohan Roy was known for his efforts in abolishing Sati and promoting widow remarriage. He died in 1833.

India expels another Pak diplomat for espionage, Pak takes similar action

MI News Service, New Delhi : In a continuing diplomatic tug of war between India and Pakistan since the April 22 Pahalgam terror attack, the government of both the nuclear armed countries have expelled one member each of the Pakistan and Indian High Commission during the past 24 hours since Wednesday..

According to informed sources here on Thursday this tit for tat move comes a day after India announced the expulsion of a second Pakistani official working at the Pakistan High Commission in New Delhi on charges of his involvement in espionage activities in contravention of his normal duties and asked him to leave India within 24 hours.

Incidentally this was the second such expulsion order by India in a week since the implementation of a cease fire of military hostilities between the two countries on May 10.

Announcing the expulsion of the second Pakistani diplomat, Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) on May 21 declared him here as ‘persona non grata’.

In a statement, the MEA said, “The Government of India has declared a Pakistani official, working at the Pakistan High Commission in New Delhi, persona non grata for indulging in activities not in keeping with his official status in India. The official has been asked to leave India within 24 hours.”

The Ministry further added, “Charge d’Affaires, Pakistan High Commission, was issued a demarche to this effect today. He was asked to strictly ensure that none of the Pakistani diplomats or officials in India misuse their privileges and status in any manner.”

On May 13, a staff member of the Pakistan High Commission was similarly declared persona non grata by India. However, soon after, Pakistani authorities expelled a staff member from the Indian High Commission in Islamabad. Despite the escalating diplomatic friction following the terror attack in

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi meets students during inauguration of the redeveloped Amrit Bharat Deshnoke Railway Station and flagging off ceremony of the Bikaner-Mumbai express train, in Bikaner district, Rajasthan.

PM Modi to inaugurate two-day Rising Northeast Investors Summit

MI News Service, New Delhi : Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate a two-day investor summit on Friday that will showcase the investment potentials in the North-eastern states and opportunities to access the captive markets in the region and the neighbouring countries.

The 'Rising Northeast Investor Summit', to be held here on May 23 and 24, will see the participation of chief ministers from all seven Northeastern states, Union ministers, top bureaucrats, foreign diplomats and more than 2,000 delegates, policy-makers, industry leaders and investors, among others, official sources said on Thursday.

They will participate in discussions across nine-plus priority sectors such as agriculture, food processing, textiles, tourism, entertainment, education, healthcare, IT and energy.

According to Minister

for Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER), Jyotiraditya Scindia, the greatest potential for India in the future is the North-eastern region.

“The event will showcase our wonderful ‘Ashta Lakshmi’ — our eight states, which stand at the heart of the transformative growth that our country represents,” Scindia said.

Scindia said the Prime minister's resolve, commitment and vision aim to ensure that the country's Northeastern region becomes the pivot for the future growth and the future path of India, as the country advances towards its goal of ‘Viksit Bharat’ by 2047.

“Northeast's cultural tapestry along with the reservoir of natural resources and the strategic geographical positioning of the region have translated it into the most powerful gateway to Southeast Asia,” Scindia said. The minister also said that last

10 years’ committed investment, the prime minister's resolve on infrastructure, healthcare and education have set the platform for the rise of the Northeast into an economic power, not just for India, but for the world.

The Northeast's geo-strategic advantage, abundant natural resources, skilled workforce and access to captive markets in the neighbouring countries will also be showcased at the summit, officials said.

The region is an emerging frontier for businesses and the summit will offer an ideal platform for forging alliances, partnerships and acquiring a clear vision of the opportunities available for expanding businesses, making new investments, setting up green field manufacturing projects and associated activities, an official in the DoNER ministry said. The pre-summit activities

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Fresh COVID-19 case detected in Odisha after nearly three years

MI News Service, Bhubaneswar : After a gap of three years, the danger of COVID-19 has resurfaced in Odisha once again as a fresh COVID-19 case has been detected in the state.

The condition of the patient is found to be stable after the detection of a fresh case since 2022, that too in the capital city here, a senior government official said here on Thursday.

Health and Family Welfare Secretary S Aswathy said, “The patient is stable at present but the only concern is that the infected person has several comorbid conditions.”

Till now, neither the Union government nor the National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) has issued any advisory on COVID-19 transmission, she said.

Quoting the medical reports, she said the infected male individual, who recently returned from Delhi, is currently under home quarantine.. The emergence of this new case has sparked concern among residents of the state.

Notably, while COVID-19 has been spreading in South Asian countries like China and Singapore, the infection has

now reached India too following the detection of some cases in Mumbai earlier and now in Bhubaneswar..

Two deaths due to COVID-19 have been reported in Mumbai. Across India, 257 cases have been identified, with the Bhubaneswar case adding to the growing concern over the virus's resurgence.

Meanwhile, amid reports of two Covid related deaths in Mumbai and a spike in infections in several Southeast Asian countries, the Odisha government has heightened surveillance to prevent any fresh outbreak in the state.

Though no new cases have been detected so far, health officials have urged people to remain alert and follow precautionary measures, especially those with underlying health conditions.

Director of public health Dr Nilakantha Mishra said the state is on alert, and if any one is found positive, the sample will be sent for genome sequencing to determine the variant involved. He also clarified that the current strain causing concern is not a new variant but a

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'Near-death experience' for TMC delegation and other passengers as Delhi-Srinagar flight faces hailstorm

MI News Service, Srinagar: A Srinagar-bound Indigo flight from Delhi with more than 220 passengers on board including a five member Trinamool Congress MPs delegation to Kashmir, encountered a sudden hailstorm leading to severe turbulence on Wednesday, prompting the pilot to report the “emergency” to air traffic control at Srinagar.

Despite causing some damage to the aircraft, the flight, however, landed safely in the evening.

Thei five member TMC delegation is led by the party's Rajya Sabha leader Derek- O- Brian and has four other MPs - Sagarika Ghosh, Manas Bhunia, Mamata Bala Thakur and Nazimul Haq as its members who are on a three day visit to Srinagar and border areas of Kashmir to get a first hand knowledge



about the death and destruction of life and property in several villages on the Indo-Pak borders.

But soon after take off the IndiGo flight 6E 2142 operating from Delhi to Srinagar encountered sudden hailstorm en route. The flight and cabin crew followed established protocol and the aircraft landed safely in Srinagar,” the airline said in a statement

later.

“I was in the plane and it was a near death experience. The nose of the plane is damaged...There was panic and people were screaming. Everyone was scared,” said Sagarika Ghosh, TMC Rajya Sabha MP, said in a post on platform X.

The Nose and Right side of the plane was damaged... And we were not

allowed to see much as airforce police was there,” said said in another post.

Another party MP Manas Bhunia who was also travelling in the same flight as the part of the party delegation, recalling his experience said that he thought the plane was going to crash.

“I was onboard when everything seemed normal at the beginning , until the pilot suddenly announced a rough patch ahead and asked us to fasten our seatbelts. I'm a frequent flyer, but I've never experienced turbulence like this. It was terrifying. I'm truly grateful to the pilot for landing us safely,” he said.

Another X user, also praised the pilots and the cabin crew for their handling of the situation in the plane with true

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Cong criticises govt silence after Trump reiterates Indo-Pak ceasefire claims

MI News Service, New Delhi : With US President Donald Trump repeating his claim that he settled the recent conflict between India and Pakistan through the promise of trade, the Congress on Thursday asked why Prime Minister Narendra Modi has not rejected such statements even once and wondered why this “thundering silence”.

Congress' General Secretary in-charge communications Jairam Ramesh said that for the eighth time in 11 days, President Trump has claimed full credit for the ceasefire between India and Pakistan, praised the PMs of India and Pakistan equally and put them on par in every way, and also reiterated that trade with the US was the instrument he used to get the two counties to declare a ceasefire.

“Yet our PM -- Donald bhai's great buddy -- is completely silent on what the US President is repeatedly saying. The External Affairs Minister also continues to maintain complete quiet on what his pal, the US Secretary of State, has said in support of the US President's claims and about the 'neutral site' for talks between India and Pakistan,” Ramesh said in a post on X.Why this thundering silence, he asked.

Congress' media and publicity department head Pawan Kherra also said this is the eighth time President Trump has made this claim that he got Operation Sindoor stopped.

“He claims to have used trade to get India to end Operation Sindoor. Prime Minister Modi has not rejected this claim even once. What does this silence mean?” Kherra said in another post on X.

In his remarks in the Oval Office during a meeting with visiting South African President Cyril Ramaphosa, Trump said, “If you take a look at what we just did with Pakistan and India. We settled that whole, and I think I settled it through trade.” He said the US is doing a “big deal” with both India and Pakistan.

“And I said, ‘What are you guys doing?’” Trump said.

“Somebody had to be the last one to shoot. But the shooting was getting worse and worse, bigger and



bigger, deeper and deeper into the countries. And we spoke to them, and I think we, you know, I hate to say we got it settled, and then two days later, something happens, and they say it's Trump's fault.

“But... Pakistan has got some excellent people and some really good, great leader. And India is my friend, Modi,” Trump said to which the South African president replied, “Modi, mutual friend” .

“He's a Great guy and I called them both. It's something good,” Trump said.

The US President has been repeatedly claiming that he helped settle the tensions between India and Pakistan. India carried out precision strikes under Operation Sindoor on

terror infrastructure early on May 7 in response to the April 22 Pahalgam terror attack that killed 26 people.

Following the Indian action, Pakistan attempted to attack Indian military bases on May 8, 9 and 10. The Indian forces launched a fierce counter-attack on several Pakistani military installations causing considerable damage India and Pakistan reached an understanding on May 10 to end the military confrontation after four days of intense cross-border drone and missile strikes.

On May 10, Trump had announced in his social platform that India and Pakistan agreed to a full and immediate ceasefire after a long night of talks “mediated” by Washington.

Tragedy in Nadia: Mother kills 4 & 8 year old sons with heavy stone pestle

MI News Service, Nadia: In a horrifying incident that has shocked the community, a mother allegedly attacked her two minor sons with a stone pestle in Anand Palli Madhyapara under Karimpur Police Station in Nadia district and killed them. It happened on Thursday. The younger child, 4-year-old Jojo, was declared dead at the hospital, while the elder, 8 year old Tojo, was in critical condition. But later on he took succumbed to his injuries. Police said that both the minor children were killed and their mother was detained. According to sources, the accused is Mausumi Majumdar, wife of local resident Surya Majumdar. On the day of the incident, both children were reportedly playing at home when suddenly the mother attacked them with a heavy stone pestle typically used to grind spices. The assault left both children gravely injured. Upon discovering the scene, Surya Majumdar rushed the children to a nearby hospital. Due to the severity of their injuries, they were transferred to Berhampore Medical College and Hospital. Doctors there declared Jojo



dead on arrival, but later on Tojo too breathed his last. Local residents claim that Mausumi Majumdar had been suffering from mental health issues for some time. However, it is unclear whether any prior medical intervention or family support was in place to address her condition. Police from Karimpur station have launched an investigation into the incident. Authorities are examining both the mental health background



of the mother and the family's domestic situation to understand the circumstances that led to this tragedy. Police stated that no support of her mental illness was found. According to her husband, she is too much angry. The incident has cast a shadow of grief over the entire locality. It stands as a grim reminder of the devastating consequences that can result when mental health conditions go untreated or unnoticed.

U.S. Research Institute at New York Named After Dr. Achyuta SamantaDr Samanta honoured



MI News Service, New York: The City University of New York (CUNY) has named a newly established research institute after well-known educationist Dr. Achyuta Samanta. The institute, titled the "Achyuta Samanta India Initiative" (ASHICCI), was inaugurated on Tuesday in New York. The inauguration took place in the pres-

ence of academicians and dignitaries from the United States. This is the first time a research institute in the U.S. has been named after an Indian. The institute will support research by American students from Odisha's art and heritage. It will also focus on Dr. Samanta's work in education and tribal development. The initiative was proposed by Dr. Mil-

ton Santiago, President of Bronx Community College under CUNY, after his recent visit to KIIT and KISS in Bhubaneswar. Impressed by Dr. Samanta's work, Dr. Santiago suggested naming the institute after him. The proposal was approved by the university board. Dr. Samanta attended the inauguration on an invitation from Dr. Santiago. At the inauguration, Dr. Santiago remarked, "The Achyuta Samanta India Initiative will help American students from diverse backgrounds understand and engage with India's tribal communities, cultural roots, and one of the

world's most impactful educational models." At the event, Dr. Samanta said it was an honour to have an institute in the U.S. named after him. He said the recognition was a matter of pride for Odisha, KIIT, and KISS. He dedicated the honour to the people of Odisha and the KIIT-KISS community. CUNY, a 175-year-old public university in the U.S., has more than 300,000 students and includes 25 colleges. It has students from 122 countries. Dr. Samanta was also awarded the university's highest honour, the Presidential Medal, during the event.

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► **From PG 1** professionalism and expertise. "We had a narrow escape from Delhi to Srinagar flight indigo. Special thanks to the captain and cabin crew", he said.

"The airport team attended to the customers after arrival of the aircraft, prioritizing their wellbeing and comfort. The aircraft will be released post necessary inspection and maintenance," it said and admitted that the nose of the Boeing aircraft was substantially damaged but did not detail the extent of damage due to the hailstorm. Visuals of the plane on social media also indicate damage to the aircraft's nose..

Police arrest 2 from Murshidabad, illegal arms recovered

MI News Service, Murshidabad: Police in Murshidabad arrested two persons with a cache of illegal firearms in two separate operations within 24 hours, sparking serious law enforcement concerns in a district hit by riots last month. The first arrest took place around 9am on Tuesday when a joint team of Behrampore police station and the State Special Operations Group (SOG), acting on a tip-off, intercepted a motorcycle near Naodapara rail gate. The rider, Hablu Sheikh, 42, a resident of Ramrampur village under Farakka police station limits, was found transporting a cache of weapons hidden inside the motorbike's toolbox. Upon inspection, the police recovered seven semi-automatic pistols of 7.65mm calibre, 13 magazines and 10 rounds of ammunition. The motorbike used in the operation was seized. Hablu was produced before the Behrampore chief judicial magistrate's court, where the police secured a 10-day remand for further investigation.



State Minister Dr. Shashi Panja, British Deputy High Commissioner Andrew Flemming and other dignitaries at the 4th ICC East and North-East India Energy Conclave in Kolkata on Thursday.

Shock in Haringhata : Municipal Councillor Found Hanging in Party Office

MI News Service, Nadia: In a shocking incident, TMC's Rakesh Parui, the councillor of Ward No. 2 of Haringhata Municipality in Nadia, was found dead by suicide on Thursday evening. His body was discovered hanging from the ceiling inside his party office, located just in front of his residence at Mohanpur in Haringhata. The party office is adjoining to Bidhan Chandra Krishi Vishwavidyalaya. According to sources, local party workers arrived at the office in the evening and were horrified to find Rakesh Parui's lifeless body hanging from the ceiling fan. Police from Haringhata Police Station were immediately informed. The body was recovered and sent for post-mortem examination, a police source said. The exact reason behind the suicide remains unknown.



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Neither the family nor his political colleagues have been able to shed light on what might have led to such a tragic decision. Police have launched an investigation and are probing whether personal, family, or political issues were involved. Debasish Ganguly, President, TMC Nadia South Committee, confirmed the death. The untimely death of youth Rakesh Parui has cast a shadow of grief across the local political community. Leaders and residents alike have expressed deep sorrow and shock over the incident.

Pre-monsoon flood risks: Officials hold meet in Jalpaiguri

MI News Service, Jalpaiguri: A high-level flood control meeting was convened in Jalpaiguri. The pre-monsoon preparedness session, held at the Irrigation Bhavan, focused on potential flood risks across Jalpaiguri, Alipurduar, Cooch Behar districts and the Siliguri subdivision.

The Teesta River remains a major concern for flood management authorities. Following the 2023 lake outburst disaster in Sikkim, large volumes of sand and pebbles have raised the riverbed significantly in the plains, especially from Sevoke to Jalpaiguri and the Mekhliganj subdivision in Cooch Behar. Engineers warned that even a moderate volume of water could now lead to serious flooding if heavy rainfall occurs simultaneously in the hills and plains. Officials also highlighted changes in the river's

course — with the Teesta veering right near Lalitong and Salugara and shifting left near Hela Pakri and Bakali — further increasing the risk to vulnerable areas. Chief Engineer of the Eastern-Northeastern Division of the Irrigation department, Krishnendu Bhowmik, said: "The state Irrigation department has instructed the State Mineral Development Corporation to begin dredging by removing sand and pebbles from the Teesta. However, this is unlikely to start before the onset of this monsoon." Bhowmik further informed that 150 flood protection projects, worth Rs 76 crore, are nearing completion in Siliguri, Jalpaiguri, Alipurduar and Cooch Behar. "Recent rainfall due to a low-pressure system caused temporary delays, but all works are expected to be completed within this month," he said.

Modi set to visit Alipurduar on May 29

MI News Service, Alipurduar/New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi is set to visit Alipurduar district and the Himalayan state of Sikkim on May 29. In Sikkim, Modi

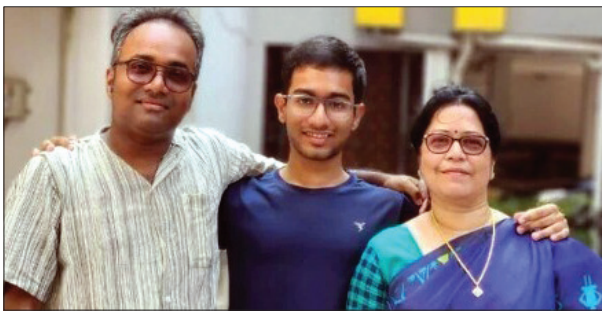
will attend the golden jubilee celebration of the Himalayan kingdom's merger with India.

BJP leaders from Alipurduar said that they had received a confir-

mation from the Prime Minister's Office regarding Modi's visit. Sources in Sikkim also confirmed Modi's visit to the state capital on the same day.

Archishman Maiti, a resident of Barbetia, Kharagpur, is among the top 10 students in the all-India CBSE Class 12th!

MI News Service, Kolkata: Own Correspondent: The CBSE Board Class 12th exam results were published on Tuesday, May 13. Among the top 10, Archishman Maiti, a resident of Barbetia in Kharagpur, is among the top 10. Archishman is a student of DAV Model School, IIT Kharagpur, in the science department. His subject-wise marks obtained in Class 12 are English 97, Mathematics 98, Physics 97, Chemistry 100, and he got 100 in Chemistry. Earlier, Archishman from Bengal has also occupied a place in the list of toppers in the All India Joint Entrance Examination. Archishman's marks



obtained in the All India Joint Examination are 99.98%. Archishman's primary education is in Bengali medium. Archishman from Kharagpur is a resident of Barbetia in Changual Gram Panchayat. Archishman got admitted to St. Agnes School in Kharagpur. He studied there from class 5 to 10. After that, he stud-

Belda. One of the alumni of this school is Narayan Chandra Rana. Meanwhile, later, when the bus started in Barbetiya of Changual Gram Panchayat, Archishman got admitted to St. Agnes School in Kharagpur. He studied there from class 5 to 10. After that, he stud-

ied at DAV Model School inside the Kharagpur IIT campus. He secured fifth place by scoring 99 percent in ICSE. Archishman's dream is to study at IIT Kharagpur. His grandfather is an alumnus of that prestigious educational institution in the country. His father is an employee of a pharmaceutical company. His mother works at Vidyasagar University in Midnapore. He reminded that Archishman's maternal grandfather Bankim Bihari Maiti and completed his post-graduate degree in chemistry from IIT Kharagpur. He also said that his grandfather is an inspiration to Archishman

IGNOU RC Kolkata Participates in National Lecture on "One Nation, One Election"

MI News Service, Kolkata: The Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), organized a Special Lecture on the topic "One Nation, One Election" on 21.05.2025 at Baba Saheb Ambedkar Sabhagar, IGNOU Campus, New Delhi. The live session was part of a nationwide outreach initiative designed to engage academic institutions in vital policy dialogues. The keynote address was delivered by Sh. Shivraj Singh Chauhan, Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare and Rural Development, Government of India.

IGNOU Regional Centre (RC), Kolkata, participated in the event through online mode, along with all other regional centres across the country. RC Kolkata organized a special live screening of the event at IGNOU LSC-2887P with 88 active participants from officers, staff, and learners attending the session. The event



was also live streamed at various LSCs under the Regional Centre Kolkata through which 176 learners participated in the event.

The lecture highlighted the importance of synchronizing elections in India to reduce logistical challenges, financial expenditure, and the repeated use of manpower. Sh Chouhan emphasized that a unified election system would ensure more efficient governance and policy continuity while reducing administrative disruptions. The event also featured an address by Sunil

Bansal, National General Secretary of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), who reiterated the advantages of the proposed "One Nation, One Election" framework in strengthening democratic practices and national unity.

The session included a post-lecture discussion where students from across the country explored the relevance of electoral reforms in today's political landscape. One of the learners from RC Kolkata, Ms. Megha Goenka interacted in the valuable discourse raising pertinent questions which

aimed at strengthening the foundations of democracy.

Dr. Sujata Dutta Hazarika, Senior Regional Director, Regional Centre Kolkata, expressed her gratitude to the University for organizing such interactive and outreach programmes. She also encouraged students to actively engage with contemporary policy issues, emphasizing the importance of understanding electoral reforms for the future of democratic governance.

Learners from across India engaged in an interactive session with the dignitaries, raising pertinent questions about the impact and implementation of simultaneous elections.

The lecture was streamed live on all IGNOU's social media platforms, allowing students to join virtually. The YouTube link of the event is: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hrJD0VTlzhw>.

Salary & pension bills: State Finance dept adopts paperless approach

MI News Service, Kolkata: The state Finance department is doing away with the physical submission of bills and vouchers to Accountant General, West Bengal (AGWB) in a phased manner for salary, (including arrear salary), bills and monthly pension Bills along with monthly accounts from the month of May-2025 onwards for all state government employees.

A senior department official said that phasing out the physical submission and simultaneous transition to digitised submission of bills and vouchers to AGWB for accounting and auditing purposes has been under the active consideration of the state government for some time past; with almost all states shifting to digital mode in this regard.

A recent order issued by the Additional Chief Secretary of the Finance department PK Mishra instructs the Pay & Accounts offices and treasuries to exclude the hard copies of the salary (including arrear salary) bills during the physical submission of monthly accounts to AGWB.

"The pension disbursing treasuries shall not be required to submit hard copies of the pension bills, physically to AGWB, along with the monthly accounts for the month of May-2025 onwards, and therefore, are advised to discontinue the practice of printing of pension bills from this month," the order states.

The submission of the physical salary (including arrear salary) bills to the treasuries for processing will continue till further instructions from the department, as an additional back-up measure, during this transition phase.



Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha (BJYM) activists led by BJYM State President, Indranil Khan took part in a protest rally against West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee and State Education Minister, Bratya Basu over teachers scam issue at Salt Lake in Kolkata.

Samserganj riot: BJP hails HC report; TMC Councillor & MLA deny allegations

MI News Service, Murshidabad: The BJP's national and state leadership cited a report by a fact-finding committee appointed by Calcutta High Court to claim that local Trinamool Congress leaders orchestrated the Samserganj violence and that the police failed to act against the rioters.

The BJP demanded that chief minister Mamata Banerjee apologise for "falsely" attributing the April 11 communal tension in the northern fringe of the state to "outsiders".

"Calcutta High Court formed a committee to investigate the Murshidabad violence. The committee's report was recently submitted to the court, and it exposed the involvement of a local TMC councillor and MLA in the violence. Mamata Banerjee, who had blamed outsiders, should apologise to the people of West Bengal, as the report proves her claim was entirely false," said state BJP president Sukanta Majumdar, who is also a minister of state in the Narendra Modi government.

A high court source said the division bench of Justice Soumen Sen and Justice Raja Basu Chowdhury — constituted by Chief Justice T.S. Sivagnanam on April 12 — had formed a three-member committee to investigate the Murshidabad violence, based on a petition by the leader of the Opposition Suvendu Adhikari.

The violence was reportedly triggered by a large protest against the Wakf (Amendment) Bill and continued until April 12, claiming the lives of a father-son duo, Haragobinda and Chandan Das,

and devastating the livelihoods of over a hundred residents. One more person, Ejaz Ahmed, had died in alleged police firing.

The fact-finding committee comprised Joginder Singh (registrar, law, NHRC), Satya Arnab Ghosal (member-secretary, West Bengal Legal Services Authority), and Saugata Chakraborty (registrar, West Bengal Judicial Services), accompanied by a stenographer. They visited various areas of riot-hit Samserganj and recorded accounts from around 70 victims.

BJP leaders cited the report to assert that local TMC leaders not only orchestrated the violence but that criminals accompanied by local TMC councillor Mehboob Alam targeted Hindu lives and properties.

"Residents of Samserganj, Haisalata, Shiulitala, Digri, they came masking up their faces. Local Councillor namely Mehboob Alam came with the miscreants on 11th April. MLA is also present on Friday (April 11), he saw the vandalism and went away. But the violence continued on 12th April, 2025, Saturday," the report reads.

Alam is a former chairman of Dhulian municipality.

Alam and Samserganj MLA Amirul Islam denied the allegations.

"It is the Internet era; anyone can verify my location on that day. After my Friday prayers, I had lunch and was at home. CCTV footage will confirm this. The allegations are completely false," said Alam.

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pledged to unite and give a befitting response to the terrorists, give them a bigger punishment than they could ever imagine. And today, PM Modi said, "with your blessings, with the valor of the country's army, we have all lived up to that pledge".

The free hand given to the armed forces resulted in the three defence forces, the Army, the Navy, and the Air Force, coming together in such a way that Pakistan was forced to kneel down.

"After the airstrike, I came to Churu and said, 'I swear on this soil, I will not let my country be destroyed, I will not let my country bow down'. Today, from the soil of Rajasthan, I want to tell the countrymen, 'Those who had set out to wipe off the vermilion have been reduced to dust'," PM Modi said.

He said that those who shed the blood of the nation have accounted each and every single drop today. "Those who thought that India would remain

silent are hiding in their homes today. Those who were proud of their weapons are buried under a pile of rubble today," PM Modi added.

He described Operation Sindoor as a new form of justice and said that this is not some game of search and revenge. "This is not just anger, this is the fierce form of capable India, this is the new form of India," the PM said.

On May 7, the Indian armed forces carried out targeted strikes on nine terror infrastructures, linked to outfits like Jaish-e-Mohammed, Hizbul Mujahideen, and Lashkar-e-Taiba, in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK) under 'Operation Sindoor' that wiped out more than 100 terrorists..

The two nuclear-armed neighbours, after four days of intense cross-border fighting, reached a ceasefire understanding. However, India's punitive measures imposed against Pakistan, such as the suspension of the Indus Waters Treaty, continues to remain in effect.

PM Modi to inaugurate...

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organised by the ministry attracted investment proposals worth more than Rs 1 lakh crore across all the Northeastern states, the officials said.

In the run-up to the summit, an Ambassadors' Meet was organised here in coordination with the Ministry of External Affairs on April 15 to give exposure to foreign investors on the Northeastern region.

Ambassadors and high commissioners of more than 75 countries took part in the event.

Many industry houses, investors have already

committed large amount of investment interest, while more than Rs 1 lakh crore worth of MoUs and letters of intent have already been signed, the officials said.

Scindia credited a decade of focused investments, infrastructure development, healthcare, and education initiatives under the prime minister's leadership for laying the foundation for the north-east's rise as an economic powerhouse. The region's natural resources, skilled workforce, and proximity to captive markets in neighbouring countries further strengthen its appeal.

India expels another Pak...

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Pahalgam and India's retaliatory actions through Operation Sindoor , neither countries have severed diplomatic relations. However, the recent tit-for-tat expulsions are expected to reduce the number of officials at the two diplomatic missions amid heightened tensions between the two countries.

Following India's action, Pakistan has also expelled an Indian staffer posted at the Indian high commission in Islamabad.

According to a statement by the Foreign Office, the "Government of Pakistan has declared a staff member of the High Commission of India, Islamabad, as persona non grata for engaging in activities inconsistent with his privileged status. The concerned official has been directed to leave Pakistan within 24 hours," it said

Meanwhile, at least 12 people from Punjab, Hayana and Uttar Pradesh have been arrested over the past fortnight on charges of involvement with a Pakistan-linked espionage ring.

The Punjab Police announced on May 11 that they had arrested two persons for alleged involvement in espionage

activities linked to a Pakistani national posted at the high commission in New Delhi.

Acting on credible intelligence, the Punjab Police initially arrested a man for providing "sensitive information" on the Indian Army's movements to a Pakistan-based handler, said Director General of Police (DGP) Gaurav Yadav. Based on disclosures made by this man, a second person was identified and taken into custody, Yadav said.

A day after the Pahalgam terror attack that killed 26 civilians, India announced a slew of punitive diplomatic and economic measures against Pakistan, including the expulsion of the three defence attaches posted at the Pakistan high commission and the whittling down of the total number of diplomatic staff posted in each other's capitals from 50 to 30.

Tensions between the two countries spiked after India targeted terrorist infrastructure in territories controlled by Pakistan on May 7 under Operation Sindoor. After four days of intense armed clashes, the two sides reached an understanding on stopping firing and implement a cease fire .

Fresh COVID-19 case...

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known sub-lineage of Omicron. "The particular sub-variant causing a resurgence is an identified one. Similar to the last outbreaks, people with comorbidities like kidney and liver diseases or cancer must take precautions and wear face masks while in gatherings and going out," he told reports here.

Health authorities said that while the situation does not currently warrant a public advisory, the state will issue one if infections rise or if the central government releases new guidelines. They, however, have reiterated the impor-

tance of personal vigilance, urging the public to mask up in crowded areas, maintain hand hygiene, and seek medical attention in case of flu-like symptoms. "There is no need to panic. But people, particularly those with comorbidities, must remain cautious and follow the Covid safety protocol," Dr Mishra added.



Celebrated actress Kajal paid a visit to Dakshinেশ্বর Temple in Kolkata on Thursday. Kajal came to Kolkata for the promotion of her new film 'Maa'.

Rashtriya Raksha University gears up to launch National Security Courses this year

MI News Service, Kolkata : A number of academic crouse, entirely dedicated to different aspects of the national security, will be launched at the Rashtriya Rashtriya University (RRU) from 2025-26 session Announcing this here on Thursday, Pro Vice Chancellor of the University Kalpesh H. Wandra emphasized that the University is recognized as an Institution of National Importance (INI) and a pioneering national security and police university under the Ministry of Home Affairs. The university also focuses on providing com-

prehensive academic programmes, research opportunities, training, and innovations in the fields of national security and policing. The new courses will have a range of pre and post graduate programmes across various domains including cyber security, police administration, criminology, law, forensic sciences, artificial intelligence, defense studies, international languages, sports sciences, private security and other allied areas. This initiative aims to equip students with necessary skills and knowledge to

address contemporary challenges in national security, the Pro Vice Chancellor said. . With the RRU campuses being located in Gujarat, Arunachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Karnataka, and Puducherry, they aim to provide footprints across the nation, accommodating regional demographics in security related education. The new academic courses launched by RRU in 2025-2026 are designed to address the evolving needs of national security by focusing on specialized domains of security, Professor Wandra said. RRU

also provides training-cum-specialized skill development programs for in-service personnel from various state police forces, defense forces, government sectors, and field practitioners in various security and allied domains. These programmes cover areas such as policing, forensics, technological, juridical, military, diplomatic, and strategic affairs. As per the latest data, the University has organized more than 425 training programs, upskilling over 21,000 participants across the nation and globally. Welcoming

the new graduated students at RRU Pasighat campus in Arunachal Pradesh to serve the nation, the Pro VC said given its proximity to West Bengal, this campus provides a diverse array of courses aimed at enhancing skills relevant to national security. The courses available here include BA in Security Management, MA in Police Administration and Security Management, PG Diploma in Cyber Security and Digital Forensics, PG Diploma in Strength and Conditioning and Diploma in Police Science.

AISEC Releases Draft People's Education Policy 2025 as Alternative to NEP 2020

MI News Service, Kolkata: On the birth anniversary of Raja Ram-mohan Roy, the All India Save Education Committee (AISEC) launched the Draft People's Education Policy (PEP) 2025 as an alternative to the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. AISEC criticized NEP 2020 for being imposed during the COVID-19 lockdown without parliamentary debate or state consultation. The draft PEP, now open for nationwide discussion, will be finalized through public input and presented at a National People's Parliament in Bengaluru in January 2026. PEP 2025 proposes a secular, scientific, and inclusive education system, calls for 10% of the central and 20-25% of state budgets for education, and recommends shifting education to the State List. It supports the 10+2 structure, 3-year UG and 2-year PG programs, classroom-based learning, and institutional autonomy. It opposes CUET, NEET, the Indian



Miratum Nahar, (educationist), Jahar Sarkar former Union education Secretary, Prof. Alok Banerjee former Vice Chacellor, Prof. Chandraskher Chakraborty former Vice Chancellor and President of ABSEC, Dhruvrajyoti Mukherjee former Professor, Calcutta University, Prabhat Dutta former Professor Calcutta University, Professor Tarun Kanti Naskar General Secretary, AISEC released a Draft alternative to National Education Policy 2020 "People's education policy 2025" on Thursday at Kolkata Press Club

Knowledge System (IKS), and emphasizes independent research free

from political or bureaucratic interference.

Professor apologizes after allegedly calling student "Militant" at Kolkata Medical college, Investigation underway

MI News Service, Kolkata: Tension erupted at Kolkata Medical College on Wednesday after a professor allegedly referred to a student as a "militant" based on his attire and beard. Fellow students filed a formal complaint with the college authorities, condemning the comment as inappropriate and discriminatory.

The college administration responded promptly, launching an internal investigation into the matter.

Principal of Kolkata Medical College personally summoned the accused professor, Dr. Bijan Adhikari, to discuss the incident. An inquiry committee has been set up to examine the allegations in detail. MSVP Dr. Anjan Adhikari confirmed the formation of the committee and emphasized that such remarks are unacceptable in any academic setting, especially in an institution with the legacy of Kolkata Medical College. "We do not endorse or tolerate

any form of discriminatory or hateful comments," he said. Following the backlash and initiation of the probe, Dr. Bijan Adhikari met with the concerned students and issued an apology. Referring to the student in question, he stated, "If my words have hurt him, I sincerely apologize." The administration has assured that the investigation will be conducted fairly and any necessary actions will be taken based on the findings.

Seven unidentified flying objects spotted in one night, Lalbazer reveals details

MI News Service, Kolkata: A wave of intrigue swept through the city as multiple unidentified flying objects (UFOs), believed to be drones, were reportedly seen hovering over various parts of Kolkata on Monday night. According to Kolkata Police, the objects were visible between 9:00 pm and 9:30 pm, with as many as seven separate flying lights observed across the skyline. The initial sighting was reported in the port area, with the objects later seen moving across prominent locations such as

Hastings and the Maidan. Witnesses reported seeing the lights clearly from high-rise buildings including 'The 42' and 'Chatterjee International'. Kolkata Police confirmed the sightings and stated that an investigation is currently underway to determine the origin and purpose of the flying objects. A police officer on duty first alerted Lalbazar Control Room after noticing the lights, prompting immediate communication with multiple police stations to track the aerial activity.

Free eye check-up camp for Income Tax Department staff in Kolkata

MI News Service, Kolkata: A free check-up and treatment camp was recently organized in Kolkata for subordinate staff of the Income Tax Department. The initiative, led by the Principal Chief Commissioner of

Income Tax (West Bengal & Sikkim Region) and the Revenue officials Women's Association (ROWA), aimed to promote employee well-being. ROWA Chairperson Archana Kumar inaugurated the camp, em-

phasizing the vital role of Group C and subordinate staff in the department's operations. Senior officials including Esther Lal Rutkimi, IRS, and Parmita M. Biswas, IRS, were also present.

Monsoon Advances Across India; Low Pressure in Bay of Bengal to Bring Heavy Rains to South Bengal

MI News Service, Kolkata: The Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) has forecast the formation of a low-pressure area over the Bay of Bengal on May 27, which is expected to intensify and move towards the northern Bay by Thursday. This weather system is likely to bring widespread rainfall to parts of South Bengal before the official onset of the southwest monsoon. According to the IMD, heavy rainfall is forecast for several districts of South Bengal on May 28, with alerts issued for North and South 24 Parganas, as well as East and West Midnapore. Addi-

tional showers and thunderstorms are expected across Kolkata and other districts in the region over the coming days. The weather office has also warned of possible heavy rainfall in Birbhum and Murshidabad between Thursday and Friday. Several districts in North Bengal are also likely to experience intense showers during this period. Meanwhile, the southwest monsoon has already made its onset over the Andaman and Nicobar Islands by mid-May and is expected to reach Kerala by the end of the month.

OBC quota row delays college admissions across Bengal, students left in Limbo

MI News Service, Kolkata: Even fifteen days after the Higher Secondary (HS) results were declared in West Bengal, undergraduate admissions to colleges and universities remain stalled, triggering confusion and anxiety among students and educators alike. The delay stems from an unresolved legal challenge surrounding the state's implementation of the OBC reservation policy, which has landed the government in a complex legal situation before the Calcutta High Court. The core of the issue lies in the 2010 expansion of

the OBC reservation list in Bengal, which introduced a 7% quota for newly recognized OBC groups. The High Court has recently raised serious questions about the legality of this inclusion, stating that proper legal and constitutional procedures may not have been followed in identifying the newer OBC beneficiaries. As a result, the court has effectively cast the existing quota policy into doubt, compelling the state's Higher Education Department to halt the ongoing admission process while seeking legal clarity.

Name Change
I, Didemoni, W/o.-Late Gopin Hembam, residing at Vill-Jaypur, P.O.-Gung, P.S.-Rampurhat, Dist.-Birbhum, W.B. do hereby declare that Due to inadvertent my actual name is Didemoni has mentioned in my temporary receipt Ex Servicemen contributory health scheme but by wrongly recorded in Aadhar card as Jaba Hembram, W/o.- Late Gopin Hembram in place of actual name.Henceforth Didemoni, W/o, Late Gopin Hembram & Jaba Hembram , W/o. Late Gopin Hembram both are same and one identical person by affidavit made before the Court of Ld. Executive Magistrate, Rampurhat, Birbhum vide affidavit no. 10003 Dt. 16.05.2025.

Name Change
I, Rekha Mondal Mother of No. 15779142P Rank Ex Hav Name Bhaskar Mondal resident of Vill.-Guskara, P.O.-Guskara, Dist.-Purba Bardhaman (WB), Pin-713128 have change my Name from Rekha Mondal to Rekha Rani Mondal vide Affidavit dated 22.05.25 before the Executive Magistrate at Purba Bardhaman.

Name Change
I,Aslam Sekh, S/o Late Rejjak Sekh residing at Mallickpur Faridpur, P.O.-Mallickpur, P.S.-Baruipur, Dist-South 24 Parganas, Kol-700145. My son's actual name is Sobhan Sekh instead of Sobhan Seikh also my actual name is Aslam sekx instead of Ismail seikh before the Ld.1st class judicial magistrate at Baruipur, kol-144 on 20/05/2025. That Sobhan Sekh and Sobhan Seikh both are the same and one identical person and also Ismail Seikh and Aslam Sekh both are same and one identical person.

CHANGE OF NAME
I SANJAY KUMAR RAI,son of Vinod Kumar Rai residing at I, Ashubabu Lane, P.S. Watgunge, Khididpur, Kolkata-700023, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that my correct and original name is SANJAY KUMAR ROY which are used and recorded in my Voter Identity Card, Pan Card and Adhaar Card Inadvertently in the academic papers and documents my name has been wrongly recorded SANJAY KUMAR RAI instead of SANJAY KUMAR ROY. By an affidavit before the Notary Public at Alipore on 16.05.2025 that SANJAY KUMAR ROY and SANJAY KUMAR RAI is the same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Ashish Kumar Mahato S/o Sanjoy Mahato residing at 9 No. Rail Gate, Dankuni (M), Dist-Hooghly Pin- 712311 WB declare that as my mother has Two marriage and formerly her name was Rekha Upadhyia and now her name is Rekha Mahato so I have changed my name from Ashish Kumar Upadhyia to Ashish Kumar Mahato and henceforth shall be known as Ashish Kumar Mahato vide affidavit No. 8059 dated 02.05.2025 before the Court of Ld. 1st Class Magistrate at Calcutta. Ashish Kumar Upadhyia and Ashish Kumar Mahato both are same and one identical person.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Basudeb Dey S/o Late Dharendra Dey Residing at 370/B, G.T Road Manasatala, Po-Chatra, P.s-Serampore, District - Hooghly, Pin - 712204 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Basudeb Dey. I declare that Basudeb Dey and Basudeb Dey is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, Kolkata on 22-05-2025.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Zulfiqar Ali S/o Late Mujibur Rahaman Residing at 103, Belitious Road, Po - Howrah, P.s - Howrah, District - Howrah, Pin - 711101 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Zulfiqar Ali. I declare that Zulfiqar Ali and Zulfiqar Ali is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, Kolkata on 22-05-2025.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Sangeeta Sultania W/o Atul Kumar Sultania Residing at Urbana Tower 7, Flat No - 1704, 783 Chowbaga Road, Po - E.K.T, P.s - Anandapur, District - Kolkata, Pin-700107 West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Sangita Sultania. I declare that Sangeeta Sultania and Sangita Sultania is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, Kolkata on 22-05-2025.

Name Change
After accepting Islam on & from 01/09/2024, I, Santu Das S/o. Ramen Das R/o. Kumirmora Mollapara, Kumirmora, Chanditala, Hooghly-712704, known everywhere as Sk Masud Rahaman. I, Sk Masud Rahaman & Santu Das S/o. Sheikh Moksud Rahaman is the same self & one identical person vide affidavit no. 12281, dt. 04/09/2024 before S.D.E.M. Serampore, Hooghly Court.

NAME CHANGE
I, Avinash Jain S/o Rabindra Kumar Jain residing at 5, Murari Mohan Mitra, Texmarka, Agarpura, P.O. Kamarhati, North 24 Parganas, Kolkata-700058 do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that my Father's original and correct name is **Rabindra Kumar Jain**. That due to some inadvertence clerical error my Father's name has been incorrectly recorded as **Ravindra Kr. Jain & Rabindra Kr. Jain** in his and my some official documents. That **Rabindra Kumar Jain & Ravindra Kr. Jain and Rabindra Kr. Jain** are same and one identical person indicating my Father's name only vide affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, Kolkata on 21-05-2025.

Name Change
I, Narayan Tamang, S/o Late Narbahadur Tamang residing at 49/51/L, Karl Marx Sarani, P.O.-Khiddepore, PS - South Port, Kolkata - 700023 WB, declare that my daughter's name has been wrongly recorded in her Birth Certificate under registration no. 266/1439 dated 19.02.1997 issued by KMC health Dept as Natasha Muktan D/o Narayan Muktan instead of her actual name Natasha Tamang D/o Narayan Tamang. That Natasha Muktan D/o Narayan Muktan and Natasha Tamang D/o Narayan Tamang both are same and one identical person vide affidavit 30872 dated 20.05.2025 before the court of Ld. Judicial Magistrate First Class, Alipore, South 24 Pgs. For any enquiry please contact Sudipta Manna, Advocate, Mob- 9674056758

Name Change
I, Munsii Badare Alam S/O Munsii Habibul Islam resident of Vill-Nichintapur, P.O.-Nichintapur, P.S.- Khandaghosh, Dist-Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal, PIN-713142, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as 'MUNSI BADRE ALAM' vide an affidavit before the Notary Public at Purba Bardhaman on 22/05/2025. That Munsii Badare Alam and Munsii Badre Alam both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Gopal Chandra Das S/O- Nirmal Das resident of Khanpukur,P.O.-Burdwan, P.S.-Burdwan, Dist-Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal, PIN-713101, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as 'GOPAL DAS' vide an affidavit before the Notary Public at Purba Bardhaman on 19/05/2025. That Gopal Chandra Das and Gopal Das both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Somenath Das S/O- Gopal Chandra Das @ Gopal Das resident of Loco Golghar, Ghosh Para, P.O.-Burdwan, P.S.-Burdwan, Dist-Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal, PIN-713101, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as 'SOMNATH DAS' vide an affidavit before the Notary Public at Purba Bardhaman on 19/05/2025. That Somenath Das and Somnath Das both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I Deepak Ghimrey, S/O Hari Prasad Ghimrey, R/O Lower Lohay, Dokandara, Po-Lohay Dokhan Dara, Ps-Kalimpong, Kalimpong, 734301, West Bengal, Shall Henceforth Be Known As Dipak Ghimrey,Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 22/05/2025,That Deepak Ghimrey And Dipak Ghimrey All Are The Same And One Identical Person

Name Change
I Srijana Chetri,W/O Dipak Ghimirey, R/O Lower Lohay,Dokandara,Po-Lohay Dokhan Dara,Ps-Kalimpong, Kalimpong, 734301, West Bengal, Shall Henceforth Be Known As Srijana Chetri,Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 22/05/2025,That Srijana Chetri And Srijana Chetri All Are The Same And One Identical Person

Name Change
I, Manica Rasul (old name) son of Sk Salauddin Anam, residing at 6B Serang Lane, Entally, P.S.-Taltala, Kolkata-700014, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Manika Rasul (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 22/05/2025. Manika Rasul (New Name) and Manica Rasul (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Sheikh Salauddin Anam (old name) son of Mohd Abdul Jalil, residing at 6B Serang Lane, Entally, P.S.-Taltala, Kolkata-700014, West Bengal,INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Sk Salauddin Anam (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 22/05/2025. Sk Salauddin Anam (New Name) and Sheikh Salauddin Anam (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Yash Kamlesh Chopra (old name) son of Kamlesh Ravilal Chopra, residing at 237/G, Manikalta Main Road, Kankurgachi, Kolkata- 700054, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Yash Chopra (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 22/05/2025. Yash Chopra (New Name) and Yash Kamlesh Chopra (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Ritu Hamirwasia (old name) daughter of Pawan Gopalka, residing at C/J-113, Salt Lake City, Tank-9, Sec-2, Bidhannagar (M), Sech Bhawan, Dist.- North 24 Pgs, Pin- 700091, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Ritu Agarwal (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 22/05/2025. Ritu Agarwal (New Name) and Ritu Hamirwasia (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Ajay Hamirwasia (old name) son of Laxman Kumar Agarwal, residing at C/J-113, Salt Lake City, Tank-9, Sec-2, Bidhannagar (M), Sech Bhawan, Dist.- North 24 Pgs, Pin- 700091, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Ajay Kumar Agarwal (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 22/05/2025. Ajay Kumar Agarwal (New Name) and Ajay Hamirwasia (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Taziuddin Gazi (Old Name), son of Tappel Gazi, residing at Vill.-Kharbaria, P.O.- Kamduni, P.S.-Rajarhat, Dist.- North 24 Parganas, Pin- 700135, West Bengal, INDIA, I have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Tajiruddin Gazi (new name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata dated 20/05/2025. Tajiruddin Gazi (new name) and Taziuddin Gazi (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Masum Ahmed (Old Name), son of Babu Molla, residing at 21 Nawazpara Natagarh, Panihati, P.S.-Ghola, Barrackpore, Pin- 700113, West Bengal, INDIA, I have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Masum Ahmed Molla (new name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata dated 20/05/2025. Masum Ahmed Molla (new name) and Masum Ahmed (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Bablu Molla (Old Name), son of Ld Khalek Molla, residing at 21 Nawazpara Natagarh, Panihati, P.S.-Ghola, Barrackpore, Pin- 700113, West Bengal, INDIA, I have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Babu Molla (new name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata dated 20/05/2025. Babu Molla (new name) and Bablu Molla (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Khokan Pal (old name) son of Jogesh Chandra Paul, residing at 6, Gopal Jew Mandir Road, Birati, Barrackpore, Pin- 700051, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Khokan Paul (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 22/05/2025. Khokan Paul (New Name) and Khokan Pal (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Purnima Paul (old name) wife of Khokan Pal, residing at 6, Gopal Jew Mandir Road, Birati, Barrackpore, Pin- 700051, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Purnima Paul (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 22/05/2025. Purnima Paul (New Name) and Purnima Pal (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, S Rama (old name) wife of S Srinivas, residing at Bhagawanpur, P.O.-Kharagpur, Dist-West Midnapore, Pin- 721301, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as M Rama (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 22/05/2025. M Rama (New Name) and S Rama (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Laikat Karim (Old Name) S/O Late Ramjan, Residing At 6/H/6, Taltala Lane, Po-Entally, Ps-Taltala, West Bengal,India. Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Sk Liyakat(New Name) As Declared Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 21/05/2025. Laikat Karim(Old Name) And Sk Liyakat (New Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change
I, Sandeep Santra (Old Name) S/O Late Bikash Santra And Bikash Chandra Santra Residing At Vill & Po-Purba Nichintapur, Pin-700138, Dist-24 Parganas South, West Bengal, India. Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Sandeep Kumar Santra (New Name) As Declared Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 21/05/2025. Sandeep Santra (Old Name) And Sandeep Kumar Santra (New Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change
I, Shampa Basu (old name) wife of Sumit Basu, residing at 27/21, Shibtala Lane Sheoraphuli, Hooghly- 712223, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Shampa Basu Mondal (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 21/05/2025. Shampa Basu Mondal(New Name) and Shampa Basu (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Susanta Mandal & Sushanta Mondal (old names) son of Lalit Mohan Mondal, residing at Nodakhali, Baratala, Bahirkunja, Dist.- South 24 Pgs, Pin- 743318, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Susanta Kumar Mondal (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 22/05/2025. Susanta Kumar Mondal (New Name) and Susanta Mandal & Sushanta Mondal (old names) all are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Debarati Mukherjee (old name) wife of Somnath Mukherjee, residing at 42/B James Long Sarani, P.O. & P.S.- Behala, Kolkata- 700034, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Debarati Chanda Mukherjee (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 22/05/2025. Debarati Chanda Mukherjee (New Name) and Debarati Mukherjee (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Chandrani Mukherji (old name) son of Kaushik Mukherjee, residing at Opp-Girish Manch,20A, Kaliprasad Chakravorty ST, PO-Girish Avenue,Kolkata, 700003, WestBengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Chandrani Mukherjee (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 21/05/2025. Chandrani Mukherjee (New Name) and Chandrani Mukherji (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Sarmistha Mukherji (old name) wife of Kaushik Mukherjee, residing at Opp-Girish Manch, 20A, Kaliprasad Chakravorty ST, PO-Girish Avenue, Kolkata, 700003, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Sarmistha Mukherjee (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 21/05/2025. Sarmistha Mukherjee (New Name) and Sarmistha Mukherji (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Kaushik Mukherji (old name) son of Jyoti Prasad Mukherjee, residing at Opp-Girish Manch, 20A, Kaliprasad Chakravorty ST, PO-Girish Avenue, Kolkata, 700003, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Kaushik Mukherjee (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 21/05/2025. Kaushik Mukherjee (New Name) and Kaushik Mukherji (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Noor Jahan Begum (old name) wife of Syed Irfan Ali, residing at 2/3, Shah Aman Lane, P.S.-Ekbapore, Kolkata- 700023, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Noor Jahan (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 21/05/2025. Noor Jahan (New Name) and Noor Jahan Begum (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Irfan Ali (old name) son of Syed Yacob Ali, residing at 2/3, Shah Aman Lane, P.S.- Ekbapore, Kolkata- 700023, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Syed Irfan Ali (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 21/05/2025. Syed Irfan Ali (New Name) and Irfan Ali (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Seikh Md Samiullah (old name) son of Md Saud, residing at 13/H/23, Braun Feld Row, P.S.- Ekbapore, Kolkata- 700027, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Sk Md Samiullah (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 21/05/2025. Sk Md Samiullah (New Name) and Seikh Md Samiullah (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Supriya Bibi (old name) wife of Harun Mondal, residing at Vill-Swarupdaha, PO-Hakimpur, North 24 Parganas, Pin- 743273, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Supiyya Mondal (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 22/05/2025. Supiyya Mondal (New Name) and Supriya Bibi (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Mohammad Arjmand Waqar (old name) son of Waqar Ahmed, residing at 15, Monoshotolla Row, P.S.-Ekbapore, Kolkata-700023, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Md Arjmand Waqar (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 22/05/2025. Md Arjmand Waqar (New Name) and Mohammad Arjmand Waqar (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Pradip Kumar Nandy (old name), son of Amal Krishna Nandi, residing at AG 76, Hanapara, Krishnapur, P.S. Baguati, Kolkata- 700102, West Bengal, INDIA, I have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Pradip Kumar Nandi (new name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata dated 22/05/2025. Pradip Kumar Nandi (new name) and Pradip Kumar Nandy (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Druz Olga (old name), daughter of Anthony Norman Fernandes, residing at BD 203, Kamal Apartment, Kamal Park, P.O. Prafullakanan, P.S. Baguati, Kolkata- 700101, West Bengal, INDIA, I have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Olga Druz (new name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata dated 21/05/2025. Olga Druz (new name) and Druz Olga (old name) both are same and identical person.

Ray's 'Aranyer Din Ratri' gets standing ovation

MI News Service, Cannes: A 4k restored version of Oscar-winning filmmaker Satyajit Ray's 1970 film Aranyer Din Ratri (Days and Nights in the Forest) received a standing ovation at the 78th Cannes Film Festival.

Veteran actors Sharmila Tagore and Simi Garewal, who were part of the ensemble cast of the 1970 Bengali film, attended the screening in France.

The film was restored by The Film Foundation's World Cinema Project at L'Imagine Ritrovata in collaboration with Film Heritage Foundation, Janus Films, and The Criterion Collection. Filmmaker Wes Anderson was also present at the film screening.

The film also stars Soumitra Chatterjee, Subhendu Chatterjee and Rabi Ghosh.

The official Instagram handle of Film Heritage Foundation shared a video of the standing ovation following Aranyer Din Ratri screening at Cannes.

"The newly restored version of Satyajit Ray's Aranyer Din Ratri (1970) received a resounding standing ovation at the Festival de Cannes 2025, following the world premiere yesterday. The emotional response from the audience underscored the film's enduring power and Ray's timeless storytelling. Presented by an illustrious group including Wes Anderson, Sharmila Tagore, Simi Garewal, and all the partners involved in the restoration of this film, the screening was a moving tribute to one of Indian cinema's most celebrated auteurs." Film Heritage Foundation wrote alongside the video, which also shows Sharmila and Simi thanking the audience.

Adapted from Bengali author Sunil Gangopadhyay's eponymous novel, the film follows a group of men from Kolkata - played by Soumitra Chatterjee, Subhendu Chatterjee, Samit Bhanja, and Rabi Ghosh - as they head out for a weekend in the wilderness.

In the film, Sharmila portrays Aparna, a sophisticated city woman, while Garewal takes on the role of Duli, a tribal Santal girl.

Aranyer Din Ratri was nominated for Best Film at the 20th Berlin International Film Festival in 1970. A sequel, Abar Aranye, directed by Goutam Ghose, was released in 2003. The film continued the story of the four friends and their families who return to the wilderness.

Sharmila last visited Cannes in 2009 as part of the gala jury. Previously, her 1960 film Devi, also directed by Ray, competed for the Palme d'Or, the festival's top honour.

The 78th edition of the annual film festival, currently underway in southern France, is set to conclude on May 24.

Name Change
I,Ajehar Mondal (old name) son of Moslem Mondal, residing at Vill- Kharida Chapra, P.O.-Puratan Chapra, P.S.- Ranaghat, Dist-Nadia, Pin- 741202, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Ajahar Mondal (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 21/05/2025.Ajahar Mondal(New Name) and Ajehar Mondal(old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Aktar Hossain (old name) son of Abdul Rashid, residing at Majherhat Shirakolesirakol, Magrahat, P.O.- Shirakole, Diamond Harbour, Pin- 743513, West Bengal, INDIA, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Aktar Hossain (New Name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata, dated 22/05/2025. Aktar Hossain (New Name) and Aktar Hossain (old name) both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Allwyn Richard Syiemlieh Druz (old name), son of Stanley Robert Druz, residing at BD 203, Kamal Apartment, Kamal Park, P.O. Prafullakanan, P.S. Baguati, Kolkata- 700101, West Bengal, INDIA, I have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Allwyn Richard Druzsyiemlieh (new name) as declared before the Notary public at Kolkata dated 21/05/2025. Allwyn Richard Druzsyiemlieh (new name) and Allwyn Richard Syiemlieh Druz (old name) both are same and identical person.

Prime Minister virtually inaugurates 103 Amrit Stations including Joychandi Pahar station of South Eastern Railway

MI News Service, Kolkata: Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi virtually inaugurated 103 railway stations across the country under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme along with various important railway infrastructure projects through video conferencing today (22.05.2025). Joychandi Pahar station of South Eastern Railway was also inaugurated as a part of this nationwide project.

A colourful programme was organized at Joychandi pahar station to mark the occasion. The programme was graced by the presence of Dr. Subhas Sarkar, Ex Minister of Education, Govt of India and Shri Vivekananda Bauri, Hon'ble MLA as chief guests. In addition, a large number of local residents, school children, media personnel, Social media influencers, families of Indian Army personnel, Sarpanch of the nearby villages, representatives from Govt. offices and other guests attended the event with great enthusiasm.

Joychandi Pahar station in Purulia District of West Bengal serves as a vital point for passenger and freight transportation. The redeveloped station under Amrit Bharat Station



Redevelopment of Joychandi Pahar Station under Amrit Bharat Sation Scheme

Scheme will provide world class travel facilities to the passengers and boost the economic growth of the area. It will also enhance local tourism. Redevelopment of Joychandi Pahar Station of Adra Division has been completed in record time to provide improved passenger amenities.

During the programme, winners of the essay and painting competitions themed "Mera Amrit Station" & "Operation Sindoor - Virta

ki misaal" were also felicitated. Students from railway schools under Adra Division and members of the Scouts and Guides participated actively in the competition. A total of 36 participants were awarded by the chief guests. Before the ceremonial inauguration, a cultural programme was also organized on the theme of patriotism. Divisional Railway Manager/ Adra, other railway officers and staff were also present on the occasion.

Kalyani Ghosh Para station inaugurated by PM through video conferencing

MI News Service, Kolkata: Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister has inaugurated, laid the foundation stone and dedicated to the nation multiple development projects worth Rs 26,000 crore from Bikaner, Rajasthan today (22.05.2025). Emphasising India's continuous efforts to modernise its Railway network, Hon'ble PM pointed out the significant infrastructure advancements over the past 11 years, including modernization of more than 1,300 railway stations is being carried out to improve passenger experience significantly. Hon'ble PM has dedicated 103 Amrit Bharat Station today to the Nation of 18 states today through video conferencing, one of which was Kalyani Ghosh Para Station in Sealdah Division.

Kalyani Ghosh Para Station is now upgraded as World standard station with improved station building, Concourse, Circulating area & Facade. The entire station is now fully covered by shed. It's now



loaded with Single/double Face Train Information Boards, GPS Clock, Speaker, GPS Based outdoor True Colour LED Tower Clock etc. For Divyangians - Two ramps, low height booking counter, Toilet & Water booths have been installed. A fully furnished waiting hall is also there with a small library. PM has mentioned that, Amrit Bharat Station Scheme plays a pivotal role in achieving goal of modernizing world class Railway stations, loaded with improved modern amenities.

Shantanu Thakur, Hon'ble MOS Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways , Shri Ja-

gannath Sarkar/Hon'ble MP, Shri Ashim Sarkar/Hon'ble MLA, Shri Swapan Majumder/Hon'ble MLA, Shri Ambika Roy/Hon'ble MLA and Shri Subrata Thakur/Hon'ble MLA were present in the inauguration ceremony. Shri Rajeev Saxena, DRM/Sealdah alongwith Divisional Officers were also present in the dedication function at Kalyani Ghosh Para. About 2300 spectators were also witnessed the historic dedication ceremony today and also expressed their happiness after witnessing station premises with cutting edge technological upgrades.

Eastern Railway, Howrah Division Launches World Environment Day Campaign at Howrah Station

MI News Service, Kolkata: Under the guidance of Shri Sanjeev Kumar, Divisional Railway Manager, Howrah Division of Eastern Railway today launched a special environmental awareness campaign at Howrah Station as a prelude to World Environment Day, observed globally on 5th June. This year's theme, "End Plastic Pollution," reflects a renewed commitment to sustainability and ecological responsibility.

The campaign commenced with a live demonstration at the station's Material Recovery Facility (MRF), where the plastic baling machine was operated to highlight its pivotal role in reducing plastic waste. This 50-tonne hydraulic press compacts segregated plastic waste into dense bales, thereby facilitating efficient recycling and minimizing environmental impact.

Earlier, all waste—including



ing plastic—was indiscriminately sent to the municipal dumping ground. However, with the operationalization of the MRF, plastic waste is now systematically segregated and processed for recycling. This initiative marks a significant step forward in reducing plastic pollution and protecting the ecosystem from hazardous waste.

The campaign will continue until 5th June, featuring a series of awareness

drives, cleanliness activities, and green initiatives to foster public participation in environmental conservation.

Howrah Division reaffirms its commitment to sustainable practices and calls upon passengers, staff, and the public to join hands in building a cleaner, greener future.

"Say No to Plastic, Say Yes to Eco-friendly Products."

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PM Inaugurates Redeveloped Pirpainti and Rajmahal Stations as “Amrit Station”



MI News Service, Kolkata: Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Inaugurates Redeveloped Pirpainti and Rajmahal Stations as “Amrit Station”

In a historic moment for Indian Railways and the Nation, Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, today inaugurated, laid the foundation stone, and dedicated multiple development projects worth over 26,000 crore in Bikaner, Rajasthan. In a landmark initiative under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme, the Prime Minister also inaugurated 103 redeveloped Amrit Stations located in 86 districts across 18 States and Union Territories, developed at a cost of more than 1,100 crore.

Among these, Pirpainti Railway Station in Bihar and Rajmahal Railway Station in Jharkhand under Malda Division, Eastern Railway, were proudly inaugurated as Amrit Stations by the Hon'ble Prime Minister.

Pirpainti Railway Station – Bhagalpur District, Bihar Pirpainti Station, categorized as an NSG-5 station, has been redeveloped to reflect the cultural richness of Bihar while ensuring world-class amenities for passengers. The station's architectural design and interiors are inspired by regional art and nearby historical monuments, creating a seamless fusion of tradition and modernity.

The inauguration ceremony at Pirpainti station was graced by Hon'ble M.L.A. of Pirpainti Shri Lalan Kumar and Hon'ble M.L.A. of Kaliaang Shri Pawan Kumar

EASTERN RAILWAY

CANCELLATION OF TENDER

Open E-Tender No. SDSTE-MN-FREE-EARTH-25-26 Dt. 01.05.2025 to be opened on 26.05.2025, published earlier by Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer/I, Eastern Railway, Howrah, is hereby cancelled due to some technical reason.

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

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Tender No.: F_LLH_CMT_59, Dated: 20.05.2025. Dy. CME/BGB/Liluah, Carriage & Wagon Workshop, Eastern Railway, Liluah, Howrah, Pin-711204 invites open e-Tenders against Tender No. F_LLH_CMT_59 for the following work. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids upto closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. Name of the work: Radiography Test of Butt Weld joints for a period of one year from BARCA/ERB approved outside agency on open tender basis through Works Contract. Advertised Value: Rs. 1,42,16,640/- Earnest Money: Rs. 2,21,100/- Cost of Tender Document: 0.00. Period of completion: 12 months. Validity of offer: 120 days. Bidding System: Single Packet System, Date & Time of Uploading Tender: 20.05.2025 at 11.46 hrs. Bidding Start Date: 30.05.2025. Tender closing Date & Time: 13.06.2025 at 15.00 hrs. The details are available at website www.ireps.gov.in

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S. E. RAILWAY – TENDER

For and on behalf of President of India, the Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer/TRD/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., Tender Notice No. and Description of works are as follows: 1. TRD-KGP-W-2025-26 dated 21.05.2025. 1. Belda : Provision of 12.0m wide Foot Over Bridge (FOB) under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme, 2. Jaleswar : Provision of 12.0m wide Over Bridge (FOB) under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme, 3. Ghatshila : Provision of 12.0m wide Foot Over Bridge (FOB) under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme and 4. Jhargram : Provision of 12.0m wide Over Bridge (FOB) under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme. Tender Value: ₹ 1,44,38,511.80. EMD: ₹ 2,22,200/- 2. TRD-KGP-W-2025-26 dated 21.05.2025. Rupsa: Provision for extension, raising, resurfacing of Platform & other amenities at Rupsa station (Raising of PF No.1 & 2). Tender Value: ₹ 36,07,687.20. EMD: ₹ 72,200/- Cost of tender document : Nil for each. Date of Opening: 13.06.2025 for each. Completion Period: 12 months for SI. No. 1 and 9 months for SI. No. 2. Date of Submission: upto 15:00 hrs. of 13.06.2025 for each. Interested Tenderers may visit website www.ireps.gov.in for full details, description, specification of the tender and submit their bids online. In no case manual tender for this work will be accepted. Note: Prospective bidders may regularly visit www.ireps.gov.in to participate in all tenders. (PR-187)

Prime Minister virtually inaugurates 103 Amrit Stations including Govindpur Road Station of South Eastern Railway



MI News Service, Kolkata: Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi virtually inaugurated 103 railway stations across the country under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme along with various important railway infrastructure projects through video conferencing today (22.05.2025). Redeveloped Govindpur Road station of South Eastern Railway was also inaugurated as a part of this nationwide project.

A colourful programme was organized at Govindpur Road station to mark the occasion. Shri Santosh Kumar Gangwar, Hon'ble Governor of Jharkhand virtually joined the Inaugural programme and appreciated the initiative of Railways. The programme was graced by the presence of Shri Deepak Birua, Minister of Transport, Revenue, Registration & Land Reforms (non -registration), Govt of Jharkhand, Shri Arjun Munda, Ex Chief Minister, Jharkhand, Shri Sudeep Gudhiya, MLA and Shri Koche Munda, Ex M.L.A. In addition, a large number of local residents, school children, media personnel, Rail fans, Social media influencers, Sarpanch of the nearby villages, representatives from Govt. offices and other guests attended the event with great enthusiasm.

Regulation of trains for construction of limited height subway over Malda division

MI News Service, For construction of a Limited Height Subway (LHS) at Level Crossing Gate No. 29 between Barabhat – Mandar Hill section over Malda Division, 7 hrs. (from 09:15 hrs. to 16:15 hrs.) Traffic & Power Block has been planned on 23.05.2025. Consequently, following arrangements in train running have been made as under:

- Cancellation of trains on 23.05.2025 (Friday): * 73441 Hansdihā – Bhagalpur DEMU Passenger
- * 73444 Bhagalpur – Hansdihā DEMU Passenger
- * 73443 Hansdihā – Bhagalpur DEMU Passenger

PM inaugurates redeveloped railway stations of Sankarpur and Panagarh stations



MI News Service, Kolkata : In a significant stride towards transforming India's railway infrastructure, Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, today inaugurated 103 redeveloped railway stations across the country under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme (ABSS) through video conferencing. Among these were Sankarpur Railway Station in Jharkhand and Panagarh Railway Station in West Bengal—both under the jurisdiction of the Asansol Division of Eastern Railway—where local inaugural programmes were held to celebrate the occasion.

At Sankarpur Station, the programme was graced by Dr. Nishikant Dubey, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Godda Lok Sabha Constituency, Prof. (Dr.) Saurabh Varshney, Executive Director cum AO, AIMS Deoghar, Shri Chetna Nand Singh, Divisional Railway Manager, Asansol Division/Eastern Railway, other senior railway officials, and dignitaries. A large number of local residents also participated with great enthusiasm. A patriotic-themed cultural programme was organised, along with competitions in painting, essay writing, elocution, and recitation among school students. Winners were awarded by the distinguished guests.

Sankarpur Station, situated on the Howrah-Patna Main Line and classified as an NSG-6 station, has been redeveloped with key upgrades including a new station building with second entry, modern ticket counters, spacious waiting areas, Divyangjan-friendly toilets, extended and widened platforms with additional platform sheds, enhanced circulating area, green landscaping, architectural entrance porch, and

Chandrayaan-4 will be a complex & ambitious lunar mission: ISRO chief

MI News Service, Bengaluru: Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) chairman Dr V. Narayanan said Chandrayaan-4 will be ISro's most complex and ambitious lunar mission. “ISro is preparing itself for its next mission — Chandrayaan-4. Under this mission, its endeavour will be to collect lunar surface samples and return with the samples to Earth, which will later be used for various experiments. It will give an insight into the understanding of lunar geology,” he told a gathering of scientists in Bhubaneswar.

He was in the city to visit the Central Tool Room and Training Centre (CTTC) that used to provide key components to ISro's various programmes, including Chandrayaan. “The year 2027 is going to be a defining year in India's space journey. The country is preparing for two missions — Chandrayaan-4 and the first human space flight under the Gaganyaan Programme,” he told scientists.

The ISRO chief said: “India will showcase its technologies such as precision landing, sample collection, lift off from the lunar surface, docking and undocking in lunar orbit, mid-space sample transfer and return to earth. The mission will focus on four modules: transfer, lander, ascender and re-entry.”

The ace scientist said: “After Chandrayaan-3 made a soft landing near the south pole of the moon and made the country proud, we embarked on our next mission, Chandrayaan-4.”

Elaborating further, he said: “The Chandrayaan-4 Mission will substantiate the technologies needed for a future crewed lunar landing, planned for 2040. At the same time, in collaboration

with Japan's space agency JAXA (Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency), work has simultaneously begun on the Chandrayaan-5 mission. All the mission showcases India's growing proficiency in space exploration.”

Dr Narayanan said that Chandrayaan-5 will focus on explorations in the south polar region, search for water and prepare for future long-term lunar missions. “Chandrayan-5 will carry the rover, which would be capable of surviving the long lunar night. Its total launch mass will be more than that of Chandrayaan-3 and will be 6,400kg. We are working to ensure that the Chandrayaan-5 mission will last at least 100 days.”

Chandrayaan-5 will be launched aboard JAXA's H3-24L rocket and will carry IS-

ro-developed lander.

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আমমোক্তার নামা

এতদ্বারা সকলের জ্ঞাত করা যাচ্ছে যে, ১)শ্রীমতী মনোরমা মজুমদার ১৩১১ নং নকশার মজল, ৩)শ্রী শ্যামসুন্দর মজল, ৪)শ্রী নিখিচ চন্দ্র মজল, সকলের সাক্ষর গজঘাট, পুরা, হাঙ্গলী-১১১৪০১, ৫)শ্রীমতী কল্পনা সেন (বক্স), ৬)শ্রী নরেন্দ্রনাথ সেন, সাক্ষর জিলাই চন্দ্র ঘোষ, পিতা ১১১৪০১, ৬)শ্রীমতী শীলা সাক্ষর মজল, ৭)শ্রী শঙ্কর মজি, সাক্ষর শিবপুর মেডিকেল, ক্রিস্টো, মগরা, হাঙ্গলী-১১১৪০১, ৮)শ্রীমতী সত্যনাথ মজল, ৯)শ্রীমতী সত্যনাথ মজল, সাক্ষর সত্যনাথ মজল, পাতুয়া, হাঙ্গলী-১১১৪০১, ১০) শ্রীমতী ১ নং ১১৪০১ নং হাঙ্গলী-১১১৪০১, ১১) শ্রীমতী ১ নং ১১৪০১ নং হাঙ্গলী-১১১৪০১, ১২) শ্রীমতী ১ নং ১১৪০১ নং হাঙ্গলী-১১১৪০১, ১৩) শ্রীমতী ১ নং ১১৪০১ নং হাঙ্গলী-১১১৪০১, ১৪) শ্রীমতী ১ নং ১১৪০১ নং হাঙ্গলী-১১১৪০১, ১৫) শ্রীমতী ১ নং ১১৪০১ নং হাঙ্গলী-১১১৪০১, ১৬) শ্রীমতী ১ নং ১১৪০১ নং হাঙ্গলী-১১১৪০১, ১৭) শ্রীমতী ১ নং ১১৪০১ নং হাঙ্গলী-১১১৪০১, ১৮) শ্রীমতী ১ নং ১১৪০১ নং হাঙ্গলী-১১১৪০১, ১৯) শ্রীমতী ১ নং ১১৪০১ নং হাঙ্গলী-১১১৪০১, ২০) শ্রীমতী ১ নং ১১৪০১ নং হাঙ্গলী-১১১৪০১, ২১) শ্রীমতী ১ নং ১১৪০১ নং হাঙ্গলী-১১১৪০১, ২২) শ্রীমতী ১ নং ১১৪০১ নং হাঙ্গলী-১১১৪০১, 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60 Minutes for Surgery, 6 Hours to Count

8,125 Gall Bladder Stones Successfully Operated and Removed from 70-Year-Old Male at Fortis Gurugram

Gurugram : In a rare reported case, Doctors at Fortis Memorial Research Institute, Gurugram have successfully removed as many as 8,125 gallstones from the abdomen of a 70-year-old man, bringing an end to years of chronic pain and discomfort. The elderly patient had been suffering from persistent abdominal pain, intermittent fever, loss of appetite, and weakness alongwith a feeling of heaviness in the chest and back for several years. The complex case was managed by a team of doctors led by Dr Amit Javed, Senior Director, Gastrointestinal Oncology, Fortis Memorial Research Institute, Gurugram and Dr Narola Yanger, Principal Consultant - GI, GI Oncology, Minimal Access & Bariatric Surgery, Fortis Memorial Research Institute, Gurugram who successfully performed a laparoscopic cholecystectomy (gallbladder removal) in an hour-long surgery and removed the gallstones from his abdomen in



and relieved him from years of pain and suffering. The patient was initially reluctant to seek treatment. However, the patient's condition deteriorated due to increased and uncontrollable pain, and he was rushed to Fortis Gurugram in a critical state. Upon admission, an immediate ultrasound of the abdomen was conducted which revealed densely packed gallbladder. Looking at the condition, the team of doctors immediately performed a minimally invasive laparoscopic surgery to remove the massive numbers of gallstones. The sur-

gery was completed in an hour, and the patient was discharged in a stable condition within 2 days. However, the tedious task began post-surgery, when the support team began counting the number of gall stones removed. They sat for hours post the surgery to count the number of stones, the staggering numbers reported to be 8,125. Giving details of the case, Dr Amit Javed, Director, Gastrointestinal Oncology, Fortis Memorial Research Institute, Gurugram said, "This case is indeed rare, though not unprece-

dent. The gall stones can significantly multiply over time if left untreated. In this patient's case, years of delay led to the accumulation of stones. Had the surgery been delayed any further, the condition could have resulted in serious complications, including gallbladder infection, abdominal pain. In more advanced stages, this could have progressed to pus formation within the gallbladder, thickening and fibrosis of the gallbladder wall and even an increased risk of gallbladder cancer. Post the surgery, the patient is stable and has no discomfort. What sets this case apart is the exceptionally high number of stones removed. Most gallstones are composed of cholesterol and are often linked to obesity and high-cholesterol diets. Yash Rawat, Vice-President & Facility Director, Fortis Memorial Research Institute Gurugram said, "This case was particularly challenging due to the massive number of gallstones present. Nonetheless, our team of doctors, led by Dr. Amit Javed, handled it with exceptional skill. Clinical expertise and best-in-class care to manage such cases are the hallmarks of Fortis Hospital Gurugram, and we continuously endeavor to provide highest level of care to save lives and get improved outcomes."

DIABETES MEDICINE MAY LOWER RISK FOR COLORECTAL CANCER



Washington DC: A revolutionary study by Case Western Reserve University researchers reveals that a class of medications used to treat type 2 diabetes may also lower the risk of colorectal cancer (CRC). The findings, published in the journal JAMA Oncology, support the need for clinical trials to determine whether these medications could prevent one of the deadliest types of cancers. Eventually, the medications may also show promise in warding off other types of cancer associated with obesity and diabetes. "Our results clearly demonstrate that GLP-1 RAs are significantly more effective than popular anti-diabetic drugs, such as Metformin or insulin, at preventing the development of CRC," said Nathan Berger, the Hanna-Payne Professor of Experimental Medicine at the Case Western Reserve School of Medicine and the study's co-lead researcher. Glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonists, or GLP-1 RAs, are medications to treat type 2 diabetes. Usually given by injection, they can lower blood-sugar levels, improve insulin sensitivity and help manage weight. They've also been shown to reduce the rates of major cardiovascular ailments.

Importantly the protective effect of GLP-1 RAs are noted in patients with or without overweight/obesity. "To our knowledge," said co-lead researcher Rong Xu, a professor at the School of Medicine, "this is the first indication this popular weight-loss and anti-diabetic class of drugs reduces incidence of CRC, relative to other anti-diabetic agents." Berger and Xu are members of the Case Comprehensive Cancer Center.

National health problem Being overweight or obese or having diabetes are risk factors for increasing incidence of CRC and for making its prognosis worse. The National Institutes of Health (NIH) defines being overweight and obese as an increase in size and amount of fat cells in the body above certain levels. These conditions are common nationally and are caused by several factors -- among them diet, lack of sleep or physical activity, genetics and family history. Healthcare providers use body mass index to measure body fat based on height and weight. Nearly 75% of adults ages 20 or older in the United States are either overweight or obese, and nearly 20% of children and teens ages 2 to 19 have obesity, according to the NIH. Obesity is a chronic health condition that raises the risk for heart disease -- the leading cause of death in the United States -- and is linked to many other health problems, including type 2 diabetes and cancer.

The American Cancer Society estimates CRC is the third-leading type of cancer in both sexes, with 153,000 new cases per year. It is also the second-leading cause of cancer mortality with 52,550 deaths per year.

The study Since GLP-1 RAs have been shown to be effective anti-diabetic and weight-loss agents, the researchers hypothesized they might reduce incidence of CRC.

Using a national database of more than 100 million electronic health records, the researchers conducted a population-based study of more than 1.2 million patients. These individuals had been treated with anti-diabetic agents from 2005-19; the CWRU team examined the effects of GLP-1 RAs on their incidence of CRC, as compared to those prescribed other anti-diabetic drugs. Population-based research means matching as many people as possible with the same characteristics -- sex, race, age, socio-economic determinants of health and other medical conditions -- to accurately compare the drug's effects.

Among 22,572 patients with diabetes treated with insulin, there were 167 cases of CRC. Another 22,572 matched patients treated with GLP-1 RAs saw 94 cases of CRC. Those treated with GLP-1 RAs had a 44% reduction in incidence of CRC.

In a similar comparison of 18,518 patients with diabetes treated with Metformin, compared to 18,518 patients with diabetes treated with GLP-1 RAs, had a 25% reduction in CRC.

"The research is critically important for reducing incidence of CRC in patients with diabetes, with or without overweight and obesity," Berger said.

researchers explore how baby brain responds to touch

Tokyo Metropolitan University researchers have studied how an infant's brain reacts to touch based on the amount of oxygenated haemoglobin in their blood. They discovered that while the amount of variation in levels over time changes with infant age, the moment at which they peak remains constant. They made this discovery using spectroscopic techniques and external sensors applied to the scalps of sleeping babies. Findings such as these provide insight into the development of neonatal physiology. The first phase of a newborn's life is a dazzling array of rapid developmental changes. Neuroscience is giving us unprecedented insight into these processes, powered by state-of-the-art measurement techniques. Two key tools on this journey are functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) and near-infrared spectroscopy (NIRS) of the brain. With NIRS, an array of external sensors placed on an infant's head lets scientists

track how the flow of different compounds in the brain changes over time. There is a particular focus on haemoglobin, the key oxygen-carrying component of our blood. As the brain responds to input from the outside world like light, heat, and touch, oxygen rushes to the brain; NIRS lets us pick out levels of haemoglobin, even telling apart whether it is carrying oxygen or has already delivered its cargo. Now, a team led by Assistant Professor Yutaka Fuchino from Tokyo Metropolitan University have applied NIRS to study how infant brains respond to touch. Looking at a range of infants aged zero to one, the team placed sensors on infants' scalps as they slept, and tracked how oxygenated haemoglobin levels changed over time as their limbs were given a very gentle shake. Interestingly, infants at different ages over their first year showed a very similar response time, with a small peak in haemoglobin appearing a few minutes after the stimulus began.

MRI tech detects alterations in brain

RESEARCHERS FROM Linköping University in Sweden analysed the brains of 16 people who had previously been hospitalised for Covid-19 and still had symptoms. They discovered changes in brain tissue structure between patients who experienced persistent symptoms after taking Covid-19 and healthy people. Their findings, which were published in the journal Brain Communications, may shed light on the underlying causes of neurological disorders that persist following Covid-19.

Several previous studies of persisting problems after Covid have involved MRI brain scanning. Although researchers have found differences compared with healthy brains, these differences are not specific to Covid-19.

"It can be frustrating for me as a doctor when I understand that the patients have problems, but I can't find an explanation because there's nothing in the MRI scan to explain it. To me, this underlines the importance of trying other examination technologies to understand what's happening in the brain in patients with persisting symptoms after Covid-19," says Ida Blystad, neuroradiologist in the Department of Radiology at Linköping University Hospital and researcher affiliated with the Department of Health, Medicine and Caring Sciences at Linköping University and the Centre for Medical Image Science and Visualization (CMIV).

In their current study, the researchers have therefore added a new type of MR imaging called advanced diffusion MRI. They were particularly interested in the brain's white matter. This consists mainly of nerve axons and is very important for transporting signals between the different parts of the brain and the rest of the body.

"Diffusion MRI is a very sensitive technology that allows changes in how the nerve axons are organised to be detected. This is one of the reasons why we wanted to use diffusion MRI to study the effects of Covid-19 on the brain that other imaging technologies might not pick up," says Deneb Boito, doctoral student at the



Department of Biomedical Engineering at Linköping University. To get an idea of what diffusion MRI is, we can imagine a big city at night. Car headlights and rear lights shine like red and white strings of pearls on the most trafficked roads. We cannot see the road itself, but we understand that it is there, as the cars can easily move about right there. Similarly, doctors and researchers can get an insight into how the brain is constructed on a microscopic level through diffusion MRI. This technology builds on the fact that there is water

Axis Bank & super.money Launch RuPay - Powered Cashback Credit Card

Axis Bank, one of the largest private sector banks in India and super.money, a leading credit-first UPI platform from the Flipkart Group, today unveiled their co-branded credit card - the Axis Bank super.money RuPay credit card. The credit card is available on RuPay, a global card payment network from India, enabling customers with the best rewards and convenience. The new RuPay credit card, available both digitally and physically, supports seamless transactions via UPI.

Card POS terminals, online platforms and ATMs. The card provides 3% cashback on 'Scan & Pay' transactions via super.money app for credit card transactions and 1% cashback across all other spending categories, making it one of the best RuPay credit cards in India. This offering underscores super.money's commitment to seamless and accessible modes of payments through its cardless, QR-based credit transaction solutions, without any annual fees, making it lifetime free for its customers.

The partnership brings together Axis Bank's expertise as one of the leading card issuers in India and super.money's strong multi-channel presence across digital payments and product innovation - creating a unified experience for users.

Key benefits: ~ Cardholders can earn cashback up to Rs 500 per statement cycle.

~ The card offers a 1% fuel surcharge waiver for fuel transactions between Rs 400 and Rs 4,000, with a maximum waiver of Rs 400 per statement cycle. Standard exclusions apply.

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card, customers have to download the super.money app and follow the instructions on the home page. Arnika Dixit, President & Head - Cards, Payments and Wealth Management, Axis Bank, said, "At Axis Bank, we have a full suite of credit cards and we are constantly innovating with our value propositions. We continue to build partnerships to tap newer customer segments and their evolving needs. Today, we are delighted to partner with super.money to introduce the Axis Bank super.money RuPay credit card enabling UPI payments via credit cards, while providing significant customer value and accelerating innovation. This new product is one more that aligns with our vision to make payment solutions accessible, value-driven, seamless and ubiquitous."

Prakash Sikaria, Founder & CEO of super.money, said, "The launch of this credit card sets a new benchmark as one of the most rewarding credit solutions in India today. The card offers unparalleled benefits, including FLAT 3% cashback, making it a game-changer for users seeking maximum value from any transaction. This card is designed to make secure, rewarding, and

seamless transactions accessible to all. We are proud to collaborate with Axis Bank to equip individuals with innovative tools that simplify financial management and promote responsible credit behavior. This partnership reinforces our commitment to advancing financial inclusion and shaping a more equitable and accessible credit ecosystem for all."

RBI data reveals at end-February 2025, the number of credit cards has more than doubled to around 10.93 crore as compared to December 2019, when there were 5.53 crore cards in circulation. This data highlights the exponential growth of the credit card usage in the last couple of years.

Ms. Sohini Rajola, Executive Director - Growth, NPCI, said, "We are happy to launch this RuPay credit card in collaboration with Axis Bank and super.money. This UPI-enabled credit card is designed to offer users a seamless and efficient payment experience, making everyday transactions easier. With RuPay's secure and widely accepted network, it ensures both reliability and convenience, while offering meaningful rewards".

Honda Expands Production Capacity by Adding New Production Line at Fourth Motorcycle Plant in India

AHMEDABAD : Honda Motorcycle & Scooter India Pvt. Ltd. (HMSI), Honda's motorcycle production and sales subsidiary in India will build a fourth production line at its fourth plant (Vithalapur, Ahmedabad district, Gujarat). Planned to begin operation in 2027, the new line will have an annual production capacity of 650,000 units, bringing the total capacity of the fourth plant to 2.61 million units, making it Honda's largest assembly plant for Honda motorcycles in the world. Tsutsumu Otani, President & CEO, HMSI "Honda has long been investing and expanding its production capacity in India, the world's largest motorcycle market, to bring joy to its customers. 25 years on, with much support, HMSI has reached the milestone



of 70 million units of cumulative production. With the additional investment in our fourth plant, Honda will continue to deliver attractive products and services

to its customers around the world who have higher expectations and trust in the company, and further solidify its Indian motorcycle business.

Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports revises Scheme of Assistance to NSFs, 13 Sports to adopt league culture

NEW DELHI [INDIA] : Thirteen sports in India will soon have league culture, basketball, badminton, archery, boxing, wrestling, white water sports and polo are the main games under which the league will start, according a release from Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS).

These reforms aim to build a robust, accountable, and performance-driven sports ecosystem, ensuring alignment with India's long-term goal of becoming a global sporting powerhouse and eventual host of the 2036 Olympic Games. Games that are under operation in leagues include Hockey, Kabaddi, Shooting, and Yogasana. Games in which progress is going on for a league culture include Cycling and Rugby.

Under planning leagues include Basketball, Badminton, Archery, Boxing, Wrestling, White Water Sports and Polo.

The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports had revised the Scheme of Assistance to NSFs; the last revision was in February 2022. The revision follows the commencement of a new Olympic Cycle post-Paris Olympics 2024, reflecting India's aspirations to host the 2036 Olympic Games and addressing emerging challenges.

Revision considers increased costs due to inflation in training, infrastructure development, equipment procurement, and athlete welfare. Financial assistance for conducting National Championships increased to 90 lakhs for high priority sports, 75 lakhs for priority sports (Up from the previous limit of Rs51 lakh). Financial assistance for hosting International Tournaments in India doubled to Rs2 crore.

Pro Kabaddi League and Hockey India League are one of the major sports leagues of the country. Hockey India League was founded in 2013 as a part of Hockey India's attempt to develop an International Hockey Federation-sanctioned league.

The Pro Kabaddi League (PKL) is an Indian professional Kabaddi



league for men. It was founded in 2014. It is the most popular kabaddi league in the world.

Salary Hikes for Coaches:

Chief National Coach: from 5 lakh to 7.5 lakh per month, other Coaches: from 2 lakh to 3 lakh per month. Diet Charges increased significantly, senior athletes: from 690 to 1000 per day per athlete, for junior athletes: from 480 to 850 per day per athlete.

Focus on Grassroots and Athlete Development:

NSFs must earmark at least 20% of their annual budget for grassroots development, channelled through affiliate units for junior/youth development. NSFs of High Priority and Priority sports disciplines shall identify a probable group of athletes in two categories of Senior Group and Junior Group with high performance potential.

These athletes will be trained at accredited academies, selected by NSFs through a fair and transparent process. The training programme delivered at these accredited academies for a particular sport will be monitored by the High Performance Director (HPD) of the respective sport.

Each Probable Group athlete is to receive Rs10,000 per month as dietary allowance during non-camp days, so that they are not deprived of a proper diet.

At least 10% of Scheme funds will be allocated for:

Coach and technical staff development, conduct of training courses in India, courses for Indian personnel abroad, development of coaching curriculum, conduct of Conferences, seminars, workshops.

Inviting Foreign/Indian experts for conduct of workshops/courses, conduct of national and international certification courses, all NSFs to have a Coaching Education Expert dedicated to the training of trainers, foreign Experts shall also mandatorily train and build capacity of local officials and coaches during non-training periods as part of Key Results Areas (KRAs).

India U-19 squad: IPL's young stars Ayush Mhatre, Vaibhav Suryavanshi in spotlight for England tour

IPL 2025's young sensations Ayush Mhatre and Vaibhav Suryavanshi made big gains when the India U-19 team for next month's tour of England was announced today. While Mhatre was made the skipper of the Indian team, Suryavanshi was included in the squad. Mumbai's wicketkeeper-batter Abhigyan Kundo has been named the vice-captain.

The tour will begin on June 24, and India U-19 and England U-19 will play a 50-over warm-up match, followed by a five-match Youth One-Day series and two Multi-Day matches.

Both the teenagers have have an impactful season for their IPL franchises this season. While Mhatre has been one of the few positives in the Chennai Super Kings' otherwise dismal campaign



this season, Suryavanshi has benefited from a breakthrough season with Rajasthan Royals.

Mhatre, 17, has provided the much-needed impetus at the top of the batting order for the M.S. Dhoni-led CSK, with 206 runs in

six matches at a strike rate of 187.27.

Suryavanshi, on the other hand, had a promising start to his IPL career, becoming the youngest to smash an IPL hundred and his 35-ball century last month against

Gujarat Titans. It was also the second fastest in IPL history. He has 252 runs to his name in seven matches, at a strike rate of 206.55 - the highest this season so far.

Suryavanshi made a hundred against the Australia U-19 in the first Youth Test at Chennai last year. The 14-year-old from Bihar's Samastipur has played five first-class matches and six List A games for his state but is yet to score a hundred there.

Mhatre, in his debut Ranji season, scored 471 runs in eight matches with two centuries and one fifty. He has played nine first-class matches and seven List A games, scoring 962 runs. The 17-year-old made the squad after CSK skipper and opener Ruturaj Gaikwad was ruled out with an elbow injury midway this season.

Kerala leg-spinner Mohammed

Enaan, who took 16 wickets from two Youth Tests against Australia U-19 in December last year, too, was included in the squad. Punjab off-spinner Anmoljeet Singh, who was the second highest-wicket taker in the series with nine scalps, too, made the squad.

India U-19 squad for England tour

Ayush Mhatre (Captain), Vaibhav Suryavanshi, Vihaan Malhotra, Mauryarajsinh Chavda, Rahul Kumar, Abhigyan Kundo (Vice-Captain & WK), Harvansh Singh (WK), R.S. Ambrish, Kanishk Chouhan, Khilan Patel, Henil Patel, Yudhajit Guha, Pranav Raghavendra, Mohammed Enaan, Aditya Rana, Anmoljeet Singh. Standby Players: Naman Pushpak, D Deepesh, Vedant Trivedi, Vikalp Tiwari, Alankrith Rapole.



Suryakumar Yadav levels elusive T20 feat, DC becomes first to enter unwanted list

MUMBAI (MAHARASHTRA) : Mumbai Indians' (MI) dynamic batter Suryakumar Yadav levelled the all-time joint-highest streak for successive 25-plus scores in T20s following his masterclass against Delhi Capitals (DC) in the 18th season of the Indian Premier League (IPL).

Suyrakumar lit the Wankhede with his swashbuckling 73* to turn the tide in favour of the hosts as Mumbai drubbed Delhi with a commanding 59-run triumph to blaze their way to the final spot in the playoffs at the expense of the Capitals.

The 34-year-old's match-defining effort was his 13th 25-plus consecutive score in the T20s, taking him level with South Africa Test captain Temba Bavuma's tally for the elusive milestone and powered Mumbai to a daunting 180/5.

While the 34-year-old relished success, Delhi, on the other hand, became the first team to fail to punch its ticket for the playoffs after scoring four victories on the trot at the beginning of an IPL season. Mumbai pulled the plug on DC's winning streak, and on Wednesday, they showed them the exit gate with a clinical performance across all facets of the game.

During DC's pursuit of the 181-run target, Mitchell Santner and Jasprit Bumrah ran rampant with their sizzling three-wicket hauls. Despite their feeble attempts to stay alive in the playoffs, Delhi never threatened to challenge the in-form five-time champions.

Mumbai bowled out Delhi on 121, highlighting the tenacity with which their bowlers approach the game. It was the fifth time that Mumbai bowled out a team in IPL 2025, while the rest have bundled out their opponents a combined seven times.

With seven matches remaining in the group stage, this is the earliest the four playoff spots have been decided in the cash-rich league's history. The earliest the four spots were settled was back in 2011, when they were confirmed by the end of the 67th match in a season that featured 70 league games.

Mumbai joined Royal Challengers Bengaluru, Gujarat Titans and Punjab Kings in the race for the coveted title. The next group-stage clashes will determine which spot these four sides will occupy in the standings before the playoffs.

REMAINDER OF PSL 2025 TO BE PLAYED WITHOUT DRS

NEW DELHI [INDIA] : Following its suspension earlier this month due to border disputes between Pakistan and India, the remaining games of the Pakistan Super League (PSL) 2025 will continue to be played without the Decision Review System (DRS), according to ESPNcricinfo.

The Hawk-Eye team that provides the technology did not return to Pakistan after the league resumed. The first five games since the restart of the tournament have been without incident or dispute. The PSL or the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) is yet to make any public comment about its absence.

Following the growing tensions between India and Pakistan, the PSL faced significant logistical difficulties due to the fluidity of scheduling. To minimise travel and movement of camera gear, a match in Multan was moved to Lahore, and the production team were required to extend their presence for a further week.

The series between Pakistan and Bangladesh was originally placed to begin from 25 May, the day the final of the PSL will now be held. The Pakistan vs Bangladesh series has been delayed by three days, while the number of games has been slashed from five to three.

The Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) on Wednesday announced a revised schedule for the upcoming three-match T20I home series between Pakistan and Bangladesh. The Bangladesh team is scheduled to arrive in Lahore on May 25, three days before the opener.

The tourists' training sessions are planned for May 26 and 27 to ensure optimal preparation for the series.

For the three T20Is, former skipper Babar Azam, veteran keeper-batter Mohammad Rizwan and pace spearhead Shaheen Afridi are notable absentees in the 16-player group that will take on Bangladesh in three matches in Lahore.

Karachi Kings (KK) and Lahore Qalandars (LQ) take each other on in the PSL Eliminator at the Gaddafi Stadium on Thursday. On Wednesday, Quetta Gladiators booked their place in the final for the first time since 2019 when they beat defending champions Islamabad United by 30 runs.

United will now take on the winner of Thursday's game for a berth in the final alongside the Gladiators on Friday.



Tim Seifert joins RCB as temporary replacement for Jacob Bethell

BENGALURU (KARNATAKA) : Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) have roped in New Zealand wicketkeeper-batter Tim Seifert as a short-term replacement for England's Jacob Bethell, who is set to return home for national duties. Seifert will be available for selection from May 24 as per a media advisory from the Indian Premier League (IPL).

Currently part of the Karachi Kings in the Pakistan Super League (PSL), Seifert's arrival in India hinges on how far his team advances in the tournament. The Kings are scheduled to face Lahore Qalandars in the Eliminator on Thursday night, with the PSL final lined up for May 25. If Karachi reach the final, Seifert will only be able to join RCB on May 26 in Lucknow, just a day before their final league game against Lucknow Super Giants, according to ESPNcricinfo.



Seifert has made a decent impact at the top of the order for Karachi, scoring 226 runs in nine innings at a strike rate of 145.80, with a top score of 47. Though he's no stranger

to the IPL, his previous stints with Delhi Capitals (DC) (2022) and Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) (2021) were limited to just a handful of games.

His inclusion fills the void left by Bethell, who impressed in his brief time with RCB. The young England batter replaced an unwell Phil Salt earlier in the season and made headlines with a 33-ball 55 against Chennai Super Kings (CSK) on May 3. That innings remains RCB's last completed fixture, as their home clash against Kolkata Knight Riders was washed out due to rain.

Bethell's return to England is scheduled after Friday's match against Sunrisers Hyderabad (SRH), which has been shifted to Lucknow due to poor weather conditions in Bengaluru.

RCB's overseas roster has also been hit by uncertainty over Australia pacer Josh

Hazlewood, who is currently recovering from a shoulder issue at Cricket Australia's High-Performance Centre in Brisbane. The team is still in discussions with CA regarding his availability, but there's no confirmation yet.

In another blow, South Africa fast bowler Lungi Ngidi will also be unavailable for the playoffs, as he gears up for the World Test Championship final. He was recently replaced in the squad by Zimbabwe's Blessing Muzarabani.

RCB have been in strong form this season, winning eight of their 11 matches so far. They face Sunrisers Hyderabad in Lucknow on Friday before concluding their league campaign against Lucknow Super Giants (LSG). A top-two finish remains within reach, and the team will hope the new additions can provide timely reinforcements.

BFI names 19-boxer squad for Thailand Open; Elite National Camp gets underway in Patiala

NEW DELHI [INDIA] : The Boxing Federation of India (BFI) has announced a 19-member squad for the 4th Thailand Open International Boxing Tournament 2025, scheduled in Bangkok from May 24 to June 1.

The squad, comprising 10 men and nine women, has been selected from the ongoing elite national camp at the Netaji Subhas National Institute of Sports, Patiala, which is underway as the season builds toward key tournaments.

The BFI followed its selection criterion, providing opportunities to silver medalists from the 2025 Elite Men's and Women's National Championships. Held under the aegis of Asian Boxing, the Thailand Open will see top

national teams from across the continent compete, including powerhouses like China, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Japan, Korea, and host nation Thailand.

India's men's squad features Naotohi Singh Kongkham (47-50kg), Pawan Bartwal (50-55kg), Nikhil (55-60kg), Amit Kumar (60-65kg), Hemant Yadav (65-70kg), Deepak (70-75kg), Dhruv Singh (75-80kg), Jugnoo (80-85kg), Naman Tanwar (85-90kg), and Anshul Gill (90kg-plus).

The women's team includes Yasika Rai (45-48kg), Tamanna (48-51kg), Abha Singh (51-54kg), Priya (54-57kg), Sanju (57-60kg), Saneh (65-70kg), Anjali (70-75kg), Lalfakmawii Ralte (75-80kg), and Kiran (80kg+). No boxer



has been named in the women's 60-65kg category for this edition.

Speaking on the occasion, BFI President-Chairman, Interim Committee, Ajay Singh

said, as quoted from a press release by the body, "With the team set to leave for the Thailand Open, we're entering a very exciting phase for Indian boxing. This marks the

beginning of a packed international calendar, with the World Cup stage tournament in Kazakhstan, the World Championship in Liverpool, the World Cup Finals in New Delhi, and several key tournaments, including the Asian Championship, lined up towards the end of the year."

"We have prioritised performance and transparency in our selection process—every boxer has earned their place through hard work and consistency. The national camp is already underway, and with the level of talent and structure now in place, I believe we are well-positioned to make a strong global impact in the months ahead," he added.

The Patiala camp initially brought together 60 male and 60 female boxers, shortlisted

from standout performers at the 2025 Nationals and gold and silver medalists from the 2024 REC Combined National Talent Hunt in Rohtak and the Chief of Army Staff Cup in Pune. Following a round of internal assessments, the pool was pruned to 40 in each category.

This refined core group will continue training through June, with additional athletes from an upcoming Elite Women's Competition joining in July.

The Thailand Open marks an important international outing in India's boxing calendar, providing a platform for elite boxers to test themselves against Asia's best, with momentum building toward the World Boxing Cup later this year.