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Mamata Banerjee likely to visit North Bengal in Aug

West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee is expected to visit North Bengal between August 17 and 21, according to highly placed sources. The visit comes at a politically sensitive time, with Assembly elections just a few months away. During her trip, the Chief minister may lead a protest march in Siliguri against the alleged harassment of Bengali-speaking migrant workers in several BJP ruled states. If weather permits, she may also travel to the hill regions and possibly make a stop in Cooch Behar.

North Bengal remains a key battleground for both the Trinamool Congress (TMC) and the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). In the



2021 Assembly elections, the BJP outperformed the TMC in this region, which accounts for 54 seats in total. Leader of Opposition

Suvendu Adhikari has publicly set an ambitious target of winning 40 of these seats in the upcoming

The BJP has also intensified its focus on North Bengal, evident from the recent visit of new state BJP president Shamik

assuming office, Bhattacharya spent three days in the region, holding meetings with local leaders and party workers in an effort to unite the party's old guards and newcomers. Following his visit, Suvendu Adhikari joined the party's "Uttarkanya Abhiyan" on July 21, coinciding with the TMC's Martyrs' Day rally in Kolkata. From a rally in Cilignii that come day Ad Siliguri that same day, Adhikari reiterated the BJP's goal of securing 40 seats from North Bengal.

Amid this escalating political engagement, Mamata Banerjee's potential visit assumes strategic importance. The issue of hafaced Bengali-speaking migrant

has stirred considerable debate, especially in districts like Alipurduar, Jalpaiguri, and Cooch Behar, from where many migrate for work. The Chief Minister is expected to use this issue to connect with voters and reinforce her party's regional presence.

Before her North Bengal tour, the Chief minister will visit Jhargram on August 6 and 7, ahead of the annual Adivasi Diwas celebrations on August 9. While she traditionally attends the event on the main day, this year she will inaugurate the celebrations on August 7 and return to Kolkata the same day, marking a deviation from usual protocol for reasons not officially disclosed.

Vice Presidential election on Sep 9, announces ECI

MI News Service, New **Delhi**: The election for the post of Vice President will be held on September 9, the poll authority announced on Friday.

The notification for the vice presidential election will be issued on August 7 and the last date for filing nomination papers will be August 21.

The polling, if required, shall take place in room number F-101, Vasudha, on the first floor of Parliament building on September 9 between 10 am and 5 pm. The results will be announced on the same day.

The Election Commission (EC) on Friday announced that the election for the post of Vice President, which fell vacant with the sudden resignation of Jagdeep Dhankar on July 21, would be held on September 9.

As per the schedule announced by the EC, the no-tification would be issued on August 7, starting the period for filing nominations. The last date for filing nominations is August 21. The polling and counting would be held on September 9.

"As per Rule 8 of the Presidential and Vice-Presidential Elections Rules, 1974, poll for the election will be taken in the Parliament House. The polling, if required, shall take place at Room No. F-101, Vasudha, First Floor, Parliament House, New Delhi," the EC said in its press re-lease. The EC had ap-pointed Rajya Sabha Secretary General PC Mody as the Returning Officer for the election on July 25. The electoral college for the election will comprise 782 members of Parliament - 233 elected members of Rajya Sabha (five seats are currently vacant), 12 nominated members of Rajya Sabha

and 542 elected members of the Lok Sabha (one seat is vacant), the EC said.

Voting is held by secret ballot, using the system of proportional representation with a single transferable vote. Each MP casts a vote by ranking candidates in order of preference. All votes carry equal value.

To be declared elected, a candidate must reach a required minimum number of votes - called the quota. This is calculated by dividing the total number of valid votes by two and adding one (fractions, if any, are ignored). If no candidate crosses the quota in the first round, the one with the fewest first-preference votes is eliminated, and their votes are transferred to the remaining candidates based on second preferences. The process continues until one candidate crosses the quota.

Jagdeep Dhankhar's surprise resignation came just hours after he presided over the proceedings of the Rajya Sabha on July21. He submitted his letter to resignation to President Droupadi Murmu, citing health reasons. While the government and BJP have remained quiet over the episode, sources say the government was taken aback by his decision to accept an Oppositionbacked impeachment motion against Justice Yashwant Varma even as the BJP was planning on bringing one in the Lok

The Home Ministry notified his resignation on July 22 and Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on X: "Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar Ji has got many opportunities to serve our country in various capacities, including as the Vice President of India. Wishing him good

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Bengalis and every other Indian citizen has right to go anywhere in the country, says Amartya Sen

Kolkata: Wading into the political slugfest over the alleged harassment of Bengali migrant workers in several other states, Nobel laureate and noted economist Amartya Sen feels that every citizen of India has the constitutional right and freedom to go and stay wherever they want in the country, and any effort to curb that must be protested by one and all.

Commenting on this burning issue at his ancestral home in Santiniketan on Thursday, Sen on his return to India from abroad after nearly six months, said that "it doesn't matter whether a person is a Bengali, Punjabi or a Marwari, everybody the freedom to travel wherever he wants within the country and speak whichever language he wants is his constitutional right".

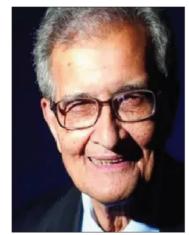
"An Indian citizen has every right of free movement in his own country. There is no mention of territorial rights any where in our Constitution," he

"Every citizen of India has the right to be happy. We have to respect everyone...," he said responding to a question on the issue that has rocked the state and echoing similar statement repeatedly made by Chief minister Mamata Banerjee for the past

Sen said if Bengalis are being tortured and neglected, it must be objected to.

"It is not a question of Bengal alone, but the whole country," he

"The language that was intewith 'Charyapad' (Bangla), its value must be acknowledged. Various poems have been written in that language. The messages of Rabindranath Tagore and Kazi Nazrul Islam have been laid out very clearly in their works. These values must be acknowl-



edged," he said.

Referring to the detention of hundreds of migrant workers from West Bengal in Maharashtra, Gujarat, Odisha and Delhi on the suspicion that they are illegal immigrants from Bangladesh, the Nobel laureate in Economics in early 2000, said, "This issue is

is a democratic nation. We will object if any Indian from any state is tortured or neglected in another state.'

Sen, who lives in the US, commented that since most de-tainees have alleged that they were singled out only because they speak Bengali, said "Bengali has a historic value. Great men like Rabindranath Tagore and Nazrul Islam gave us priceless gifts in this language. The heritage of the language cannot be ignored," he said.

The ruling Trinamool Congress (TMC), and particularly Chief minister Mamata Banerjee and the party's All India General Secretary Abhishek Banerjee, MP, have been raising their voice on the issue of 'Bengali Asmita' over the last one month, alleging that Bengali-speaking people, especially poor Muslim migrant workers, are being harassed in BJP-ruled states and

BJP thinks this is how it can delete the names of genuine voters and win elections, as it did in Delhi and Maharashtra, then it is making a big mistake," Mamata Banerjee said during the massive July 21 Martyrs' day rally in Kolkata and announced her launch a year-long Bhasha

Bangladeshi immigrants. The

Chief Minister has even led a

mega rally in adjacent Bolpur

town over the issue last week,

and also started a 'Bhasa An-

dolan', sharpening her attack on the BJP. "Nobody should panic. It

is our duty to protect citizens. If

Andolan (language movement). The BJP, on the other hand,

has dismissed the allegations, claiming that the TMC did not think about the welfare of migrant workers over the last 14 vears, and was now raising the issue with an eye on next year's assembly elections in the state.

Rahul Gandhi alleges having 100 pc proof EC doing 'vote chori' for BJP

News Service, New **Delhi**: Creating a ripple in the top political circles in the country, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Friday alleged that the Election Commission of India (ECI) is indulging in "vote chori" for the BJP for sometime now, and claimed that his party has "open and shut" evidence

The Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha has claimed that the evidence that his party has on alleged poll irregularities is like an "atom bomb", and said that when it explodes the Election Commission will have no place to hide in the country. "I have said 'vote chori' is happening and now we have open and shut proof that the Election Commission is involved in 'vote chori'," Rahul Gandhi told reporters in the Parliament House complex here on Friday.

"I am not saying this lightly. I am saying this with 100 per cent proof. As soon as we release it the whole country would know that EC is indulging in 'vote chori'. It is doing it for the BJP," he said.

Rahul Gandhi said his party had suspicions of poll irregularities in Madhya Pradesh assembly polls in 2023, then in the Lok Sabha polls and this went further in Maharashtra. "We believe that vote theft has happened at the state level in Maharashtra. Voters revision had happened and crore of new voters were added. Then we went into detail seeing that the EC is not helping and decided to dig deep into this," he said.

"We got our own investigation done, it took six months and what we have found is an atom bomb. When it explodes, the EC

would have no place to hide in the country," said Rahul Gandhi.

The Congress leader also warned that those people in the EC who are involved in this, right from the top to the bottom, should remember that they will not be spared because they are against India".

'This is treason, nothing less than that. You may be retired, you may be anywhere, we will find you," the Congress leader

The Congress leader's remarks came after he, along with leaders of several Opposition parties, wrote to Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla, urging him to schedule a special discussion on the ongoing voter list revision in Bihar without any further delay.

In their letter to Birla, the Opposition MPs expressed deep concern over the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) exercise in Bihar, especially a few months before the state assembly elections.

The opposition has been protesting in both Houses of Parliament against the SIR, alleging the EC's exercise was aimed at "disenfranchising voters" in Bihar ahead of the Assembly elections. They have been demanding a discussion on the issue in both Houses. Later several MPs of the INDIA bloc parties, including Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge. protested in the Parliament House complex for the ninth consecutive day (on Friday) against the Commission's Election voter roll revision in Bihar,

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and demanded its rollback

Ahead of the day's

ECI publishes draft electoral rolls for Bihar after SIR

cise, the Election Commission of India (ECI) published the draft electoral rolls for Bihar on Friday.

This was done following the completion of the month-long Special Intensive Revision (SIR) exercise ahead of the upcoming assembly polls, Commission sources said here today adding no compiled list was, however, made available, but voters can check their names on the EC's web-

There were 7.93 crore registered voters in Bihar before the SIR began in June, according to the ECI which also said it is yet to be known how many voters are in the just-published

The publication of the draft rolls also kicked off the process of "claims and objections", which would continue till September 1, and during the period, voters with complaints of wrongful deletion of names can approach the authorities concerned seeking a remedy. Assembly elections would be due in the state later this

The poll agency said that the exercise have covered all 243 assembly constituencies and 90,817 polling stations and was shared with politi-

However, the opposition parties have protested against the exercise and have been demanding a discussion in Parliament over the issue. The SIR exercise comes ahead of the state assembly elections, scheduled to be held around October-November this year.

"Draft Electoral Rolls for Bihar, covering each of the 243 assembly constituencies and 90,817 polling stations, are being shared with all political parties by the 38 District Collectors at 11 AM today, i.e 1 August 2025," the Election Commission

The ECI also said that the draft electoral rolls was published on the website at 3 pm also today.

Opposition parties, including the Congress, Samajwadi Party and others, led by Mallikarjun Kharge, Rahul Gandhi and Akhilesh Yadav, have been protesting since the beginning of the winter session, demanding a discussion on the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of Bihar's electoral rolls being conducted by the Election Commission.

Earlier, Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar said in a message to voters, "The draft electoral rolls of Bihar are being published on added, "Physical as well as digital copies will also be given to all recognised political parties in Bihar in all 38 Districts by all the 38 District Election Officers (DEOs) of Bihar."

On Friday, protesting MPs, including Congress leader Priyanka Gandhi Vadra,MP, displayed a banner reading "the SIR: war on democ-

A day earlier, the INDIA bloc parties unanimously resolved to intensify their protests against the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of Bihar's electoral rolls, both within and outside Parliament. The protest coincided with the Election Commission's scheduled release of the draft electoral rolls on Friday.

Congress Parliamentary Party Chairperson Sonia Gandhi also stood in solidarity with INDIA bloc MPs, joining their protest at Makar Dwar outside Parliament. She held a banner that read "SIR-attack on Democracy" and stood beside her daughter, Wayanad MP Priyanka Gandhi. A cartoon shared online depicted a man labelled "EC" in uniform and shackled, holding what looked

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NISAR mission enters critical 90-day commissioning phase

MI News Service, Chennai / Hyderabad: The historic NISAR mission, a landmark collaboration between NASA and ISRO, has entered its crucial 90-day commissioning phase, during which scientists will carry out rigorous checks, calibrations and orbital adjustments to prepare the satellite for full-scale earth observation.

The critical phase follows the successful launch of the radar imaging satellite on July 30 aboard a GSLV-F16 rocket from Srikharikota in Andhra Pradesh.

Gerald W Bawden, Programme Manager for Natural Hazards Research at NASA's Earth Sciences



Division, outlined the key activities underway.

"NISAR is inserted at an altitude of 737 km and we need to actually rise up to 747 km and it will take about 45-50 days for those operations to take place,'

he explained. After the commissioning is complete, he said the radars will be activated and it will start collecting data over "all ICE, all land, all the time" from the Earth.

"The resolution will be

every 12 days. So it is a lot of data. It is more data that NASA has collected in any other mission." On the key lessons from the collaboration with the Bengalurubased space agency for the NISAR mission, the scientist said, NASA learned from the ISRO's focus on how science can help society, while ISRO gained from NASA's deep focus on scientific research. Bawden said the project brought together scientists from two countries on opposite sides of the world. with a 12.5-hour time difference."... we had

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Amarnath Yatra from Jammu remains suspended for second day

MI News Service, Srinagar formed ice lingam. : Incessent rain and continuous inclement weather scheduled to end on Auhave prevented resumpfrom Jammu, which has remained suspended for the second straight day on Friday, causing unrest

among the pilgrims.

No fresh batch of pilgrims was allowed to proceed to the Amarnath cave shrine in the South Kashmir Himalayas due to inclement conditions, official sources said today.

Thousands of pilgrims who had come from outside Jammu and Kashmir for the vatra are housed in the high-security Bhagwati Nagar base camp for their further journey to the twin base camps of Pahalgam and Baltal after reviewing the weather situation later today, the sources said . .

Over 4 lakh pilgrims have already paid obeisance at the ice lingam of Lord Shiva at the 3,880meter-high cave shrine since the 38-day pilgrimage commenced on July 3 from the Valley.

"The yatra to the cave shrine from Jammu remained suspended today. It has been done in view of the inclement weather besides precautionary measures. No fresh batch was allowed from Jammu towards Amarnath," Yatra

information official said. This is the second time the yatra has been suspended from Jammu. On July 17, the yatra was called off due to heavy rains at the twin base

camps in Kashmir. A total of 1,44,124 pilgrims have departed from the Jammu base camp for the Valley since July 2, when Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha flagged off the first batch.

Last year, over 5.10 lakh pilgrims paid obeisance at the cave shrine, which houses a naturally

from the Pahalgam axis as urgent maintenance and repair works have to be carried out on the route, official sources said.

Torrential rains in Kashmir had rendered the roads unsafe, following which the pilgrimage was suspended on both the Baltal and Pahalgam routes on Wednesday.

"The yatra resumed this morning from the Baltal route," said an official, adding, "In view of maintenance works required to be carried out on the Pahalgam axis of Amarnath Yatra route following the recent rains, the yatra shall continue only through Baltal axis." The official said that no convoy movement would be allowed towards the Baltal and Nunwan base camps from Bhagwati Nagar base camp in Jammu on Thursday. With incessant rain lashing several parts of Jammu and Kashmir, roads towads the cave became unsafe to travel even for experienced pilgrims.In view of that holy pilgrimage was suspended

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Kolkata to host Captains Cup 2025

warriors from every corner of the country are gearing up for India's most electrifying martial arts tournament — the 4th Transient Captains Cup 2025, slated to explode into action from August 15-17 at Silver Point School, Kolkata.

Organized by the National Combat Sports Federation (NCSF) in partnership with Mike's Martial Arts, this year's edition promises more adrenaline, more talent, and more grit than ever before.

From Mumbai to Assam, Darjeeling to Barrackpore, 12 powerhouse teams will converge on Kolkata to compete in a dazzling array of combat styles in-

The lineup includes elite academies from across the country like Combatant Sports Academy (Mumbai), Anbu's Combat Club (Darjeeling), Rhino MFC (Assam), Gladiator Academy (Barrackpore), while the City of Joy will be represented by Mikes Martial Arts, Alpha Fitness and Self Defence, Battleborn Warrior Sports, The Combat Gym, Kratoz Combat, Fitclub Combat, Oyama Dojo , — all ready to test their mettle in front of roaring

"This year, we're not just hosting a tournament — we're unleashing a nationwide celebration of martial excellence," said Sensei Mayukh Banerjee,

MI News Service, Kolkata: cluding Kickboxing, Kyokushin The battlefield is ready, and Karate, and Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu. Founder of Mike's Martial Arts. "It's thrilling to welcome some of the best talent from across India to our city. Expect powerful strikes, breathtaking submissions, and the kind of heart that defines true warriors."

With more than a hundred top-tier competitors expected, the Captains Cup continues to be a launchpad for future legends, while also championing women's participation and youth development in combat sports.

Backed by title sponsor Transient Data Technologies, banking partner UCO Bank, ITC Limited and hospitality partner LBD Resorts, this edition is set to be bigger, bolder, and more unfor-

News Kolkata: State agriculture min-

State acting on alternative fuel via

recycling in agri sector

ister Sobhandeb Chattopadhyay has mentioned that special mechanisms have been applied to produce fuel alternative to coal while working with paddy. He was recently speaking at West Bengal Rice Conclave organised by Indian Chamber of Commerce. He further mentioned that

alternative fuel arising out as a by-product could be a game changer for the state as it will whittle down coal dependency and also produce employment in the state. Advance mechanisims are also being used to enhance the quality of fertilizers in the state, Sobhandeb added.

ECI identifies several fake voters during sample checking

Kolkata: The Election Commission of India has identified several fictitious names that were included in the electoral rolls of two Assembly segments — Moyna in East Midnapore and Baruipur (East) in South 24-Parganas — during a sample checking of the new voters enrolled in the past two months.

The findings assume significance as they could strengthen the case of the EC to conduct a special intensive revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in Bengal ahead of the 2026 Assembly polls. It also holds significance as nearly 70,000 Form 6 applications through which new voters apply to get their names included in the electoral rolls - were received by the poll panel over the past two weeks.

The exercise of sample checking, EC sources said, was initiated after it received more than 70,000 applications for enrollment as voters, mainly from seven bordering districts, in the past two weeks or so. During the sample checking, the EC decided to pick some of the newly included voters to check their

The findings were surprising. A total of 87 newly added voters in Moyna and 38 of the recently included electors in Baruipur (East) were found to be fictitious. It was also found that there were severe lapses on the part of the assistant election registration officers (AERO) of the Assembly segments," said a

source on the poll panel. Sources also said that details of about 600 new voters — who were included in the past two months in the two Assembly segments — were checked during the sample survey. It was found that many names were added to the electoral rolls based on a single document. Moreover, there were forged documents that were used to add the names

It was also found that most of the lictitious names were added to the list without carrying out field verification.

While the poll panel officials were tight-lipped about the number of voters added to the electoral rolls of these Assembly segments, they said that the AEROs of the two segments were called to the office of the chief electoral officer of Bengal "They were asked to explain

why so many fictitious voters

were added to the list. The of-

ficials admitted that there were lapses on their part but blamed data entry operators for the mistake. They promised that they would delete the names from the list immediately," said an in Delhi. Everything was going well. But things changed in the past couple of months when we returned to Delhi after our brief break in the village. Parvin recounted their night-

mare started last Friday when Delhi cops "branded" them as Bangladeshis. She repeated what she said in Calcutta about their being roughed up by cops, who didn't spare manhandling her 18-month-old son, the youngest of her three kids. On being detained that day, she said they were released after paying

 $\stackrel{$}{\cancel{}}$ 25,000 to the cops.

After the chief minister posted the video of them being manhandled by Delhi cops on her X handle on Sunday evening, which the saffron ecosystem branded as fake, the family was picked up by the Delhi police that same night.

"I and my wife, our three minor children, my father Ajmal Khan and my mother Farida Bibi got inhuman treatment in police custody," alleged Muktar.

Like in Calcutta, the couple on Thursday repeated they were

cleaning staff in Delhi for over forced to sign Hindi and English on Thursday, said: "The state district.

Chakdaha road water logged for last month, CPIM

catches fish on the road with net, BJP MLA swims

barely understand. "We were so frightened that

we signed them. We were freed on Monday night," said Parvin. Helped by the Bengal government, the family reached Calcutta on Wednesday.

On Thursday, they reached Malda by the NJP-bound Vande Bharat Express and were kept in the Malda zilla parishad guest house where they had their health check-up.

District magistrate Nitin Singhania said they were making provisions for a good and safe ife for the family.

"We will arrange a respectable source of income for Muktar and his wife. Their children's education will be arranged by the administration. Doctors will monitor their health. The family will get facilities of all state schemes they are entitled to,"

For now, two constables and eight civic volunteers are guard-

ing their house. Nihar Ranjan Ghosh, the TMC MLA of Chanchal, who met them marily for a concrete house for the family.

"We are grateful to the chief minister and the state government. But the atrocities we endured in Delhi will remain vivid in our memory," Muktar said.

Political observers said that backing Muktar's family was a part of Trinamool's broader strategy before the 2026 state

"Trinamool wants to drive home the point that the state government will extend all possible help to affected migrant workers if they return home to consolidate its support base and exert pressure on the BJP," said

an observer. The BJP claimed the Khan family's charges were baseless. 'Senior officers of the Delhi police have clarified that the charges levelled by the couple are baseless and motivated. Trinamool is in a spot. Hence it is using the administrative mechanism to hide the mess," claimed Pratap Singha, the BJP chief of

১লা অগাস্ট ২০২৫ সময়: বিকাল ৪ টে

Protesters from the Joint Platform of Doctors, West Bengal, and Abhaya Mancha took part in a protest march over the lack of justice, one year after Abhaya's murder. The march proceeded to the CGO Complex in Salt Lake, Kolkata, on Friday.

State govt gives back 'good life' to Malda

family after Delhi police harassment

Gold Necklace stolen by Nail Artist, recovered by Kalyani Police

MI News Service, Kalyani: A gold necklace stolen by a nail artist from a local flat, was recovered by Kalyani police on Wednesday.

According to police sources, one Subhan-kar Mondal, a resident of B-2/339 (LIG) under Kalyani police station limits in Nadia, lodged a complaint on July 31 stating that a nail artist had visited his home the previous day. The next morning, he found that a gold necklace was missing from their flat.

Based on his complaint, a specific case was registered at Kalyani PS. During the investigation, the nail artist Isha Adhikari (around 23) was detained and later confessed to the theft during interrogation. The stolen gold necklace was



Shubhankar Mondal said that the nail artist came to their flat for the nail extension works of her wife Trisha. He stayed for more than two hours and returned at around 2.30 pm. on Wednesday. But next day, before going to a wedding program, they found the golden necklace was

lost. " Then we suspected the nail artist because outsiders come out home very rare and recently none came at our flat except Isha. During nail extension works my wife went to other rooms including washroom. At that time she took up the golden necklace from the ornament box kept on table along bed, Shubhankar said.

He then called the artist over phone to know about it. She refused. Then Ghosh lodged complaint with Kalyani police. Subsequently she, on pressure of the cops, confessed. The necklace was of around 12

Finally it was recovered from a jwellery shop at Kalvani A block

Police said the investiga-

Police foil possible pre-puja plot, seized arms from warehouse, 3 arrested

MI News Service, Chakdaha: In a major pre-Puja crackdown, Nadia police unearthed a cache of illegal arms from a warehouse in Chakdaha on Thursday night and arrested three alleged criminals. Investigators suspect the weapons were being stockpiled for a possible subversive act ahead of the festive season.

Acting on a tip-off, officers from Chakdaha police station raided a warehouse in Darap pur Shitala tala village. One youth, identified as Priyanshu Biswas, was detained at the spot and interrogated. His statement led police to a startling ginding inside the warehouse.

A 7 mm. country-made pistol, a magazine, four rounds of live ammunition, a large sword, and a sharp weapon were recovered from the premises, police said. Based on further leads, two more suspects were apprehended from nearby areas.

All the 3 accused were produced in court on Friday. Police are continuing to question them to trace the origin of the arms and determine whether a larger network is involved.

"In recent weeks, we have seized multiple il-



Police District," a senior officer said. "This raises serious concerns about possible attempts to disrupt peace during the upcoming Durga Puja

To address these developments, Additional SP of Ranaghat Police District, Siddhartha Dhapola, held a press conference at Chakdaha police station on Friday. Also present were the officer-in-charge of Chakdaha PS, Arindam Mukhopadhyay and other senior officials. Investigators are now probing whether the weapons were brought in from outside the district for storage or distribution. Police have not ruled out the possilegal firearms from different parts of Ranaghat bility of more arrests as the probe deepens.

Two day teachers training camp of Ananda Marga Primary School

Khagrabari: A two day teachers training camp has inaugurated today in Ananda Marga Primary School, Khagrabari, Coochbehar. Almost 150 teashers of 16 Ananda marga schools of Coochbehar district participated in the training camp. The camp was inaugurated by the Central ERAWS secretary Acharya Avadhut. Tathagatananda Dr. Biswajit Bhowmik, Regional Director of IGNOU, Šiliguri, Sri Sushanta Kumar



ri Lal Bahadur Ssastry High

School, Coochbehar, Dr. Sunandita Bhowmik, Assistant Professor, Coochbehar Panchanan Barma University and Acharya Prajinanananda Avadhut, Principal, Purulia Ansnda Marga High School remained present as trainers. The impact of Neohumanism on Ananda Marga School and psychological foundations of education were highlighted in the camp. The teachers were taught different skills and techniques of classroom

love and care, and to ensure

MI News Service, Chakdaha (: Local BJP MLA Bankim Ghosh was seen swimming on a water logged road at Čhakdaha in Nadia on Friday to protest the apathy of concerned authority regarding removing the woo. According to him, the road is the life line of Chakdaha and about 1.5 lakh people use it daily. But since last one month it is water logged. A file with DPR and budget of Rs. 22 crore is laying in almirah of a concerned Officer, Ghosh alleged.

Malda district administration

made elaborate arrangements

to receive the family of Muktar

Khan, the 40-year-old migrant

worker who had alleged torture

by Delhi police, promising him

and his wife "a good and safe

They reached Malda town

this morning and left for their

village, Phirojabad in Chanchal-I

Muktar and his wife Sa-

jnoor Parvin said it would not

be easy for them to overcome

their "trauma" in Delhi where

cops "abused and manhandled"

them, suspecting them to be

Parvin had spoken to report-

ers at Kolkata's Trinamool Bha-

van — in the presence of senior

party leaders like Firhad Hakim,

Kunal Ghosh, Samirul Islam and

Her husband Muktar said:

"We had lost all hopes of return-

ing home. But chief minister Ma-

mata Banerjee's timely interven-

Muktar, who worked as a

Bangladeshi infiltrators.

others — on their ordeal.

tion made it possible

block, around 75km away.

The concerned road of around 2 km. connects station and NH 12 at Chakdaha in Nadia. According to sources, it is partly under Panchayat and partly under Chakdaha Municipality. The road, so to speak, is the life line of Chakdaha. The bus stand, a little away from Chakdaha station, is adjoining to it and all local bus routes use the road. Not only that, the auto, toto (e - rickshaw) and many other vehicles move along the road to reach

But it is an old problem. Ghosh said, " I have moved to several offices within the last the burning problem of the said road. From DM, Nadia to concerned Minister Pulak Roy. Eventually, I came to know that a DPR was prepared and sent for processing. The project showed that it will incur a cost of Rs. 23 crore. But there is a doubt if the finance department would sanc-

However, he alleged that the file was idly laying in the al-

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Kolkata for about last 4 months. It hints the negetive future of the project, he added.

The locals have been facing a critical problems since about last one month.

However, Ashok Mandal, Savapati, Chakdaha Panchayat Samiti, said, " Our project of around Rs. 22 crore is sent to the concerned department and we are hopeful that the work will be initiated after Puja." He

of road of about 2 km. from NH 12 to Basant Kumari School will be done with drainage system. Finally, the drains will flow through the town and meet at Ganga. While BJP showed protest on Friday, CPIM protested on Thursday. CPIM sailed boat on road with placard written Dwaree Nouka " and spread fishing net on road to satire the water logged situation. Swimming of BJP MLA Bankim Chandra Ghosh also was a satire.

stated that the first phase work female literacy and Women Empowerment Programme Adult

"The International Mission for Social Welfare and Charity" (I.M.S.W.C) organized its 45thAnniversary of National and International Convention for integrated management framework on Constitutional Rights of Women, adult female literacy and Women Empowerment, help generate a social environment, through the open and distance learning education, free from inequalities disfavoring women. Free secondary education, vocational and practical training for women and girls, to provide universal access, equity, quality at primary, upper primary, secondary and higher secondary education. Prevention of Sexual Harassment at Workplace for Women, Gender Pay Gap and Wage Disparity. Digital Economy and Women Entrepreneurs. Prevention of Acid Attacks for women, Women and Economic Empowerment, Legal Aid and Support for Women. IMSWC ensured that Political Participation and Leadership, Importance of Women's Political Representation, Judiciary in Women's Justice, Women in Politics and decision Making. on. 25th July, 2025. at. Mangalamedu, Sengunam and Chettikulam village of Perambalur district, within the

women, adult female and especially girls Children have participated in this Programme.

26th July, 2025. IMSWC arranged Innovative integrated programme for free school education for women and Promoting Adult Education in women empowerment, Higher Education, health, nutrition coverage. Women's Empowerment and Development. IMSWC Provides free inclusion and inclusive education for adult women and to be able to ensure that women stay in power, there is a need for creating more harmony and balance between responsibilities within the family and professional work, IMSWC enables the highest integrity the highest standards of excellence and mutual respect in all women. at. Thamarakulam, Chinnakada and Umayanalloor village of kollam district, within the state of Kerala. The 658 women and especially girls Children have participated in this Programme.

27th July, 2025. IMSWC also organized Integrated management workshop on universal elementary quality and standards in free School education for women and girls'. Homeless girls Children regular individual contact, offering much needed their civil, economic and fundamental right of every girls Children, to a standard of living adequate for the child's physical, mental, Spiritual moral and social development, logistical support, project on Violence Against Women, poverty reduction, Social Security, food, Clothing, wasteland, Prevention of Human Trafficking and Exploitation, Cyber Crimes against Women, Sexual harassment and abuse, Strategies to Combat Gender-Based Violence, physical abuse, rape and murder. Providing support for social integration, mental health, legal issues, and personal development. community development, advocacy, skill development. To provide a conducive learning environment through learning activities, discovery and exploration in a child friendly and child centered manner. These include child development, enjoy better health care, nutrition and well being. at. Ratanpur, maruki and kansara village of Sitamarhi district, within the state of Bihar. The 739 women, widows and especially girls Children have Participated in this Programme.

28th July, 2025. IMSWC arranged Decentralization devel-



opment programme for Rural employment Generation training Programme for Women Girls 'On Horticulture, Fruits and Vegetables Processing, Agriculture cultivation, Mat making, Embroidered Sari, mushroom cultivation, Computer Software and application, Architecture, Dress Making, and women empowerment through

29th July, 2025. IMSWC arinnovative handloom production and economically capacitating and strengthenthg of rural poor women and girls and provides financial independence and to Create income Security opportunities for the rural Women stigmatization, and Girls. To develop the skills necessary to address and overcome gender inequality and dis-

crimination. Adult female school education, digital Literacy for Women. at. Gunanagar, Samu-guri and Bhogamur village of Namsai district, within the state of Arunachal Pradesh. The 588 women and especially girls Children have Participated in this

ranged Access to Integrated development programme for bridge education for girls' and adult female, Cultural expression and Sports and Game coverage, social integration and to prevent abuse, discrimination, negligence, dowry, Child marriage and exploitation against women and girls. To provide social, polit-

from domestic violence against woman and girls'. Promoting Women's Education, widows and Adult exclusion in Education, Girls' school Education and Literacy workshop, Providing support for social integration, mental health, legal issues, personal development and to advocate for women's rights, Political movements, Electoral Participation of Women, equal pay, Violence Against Women and Social Justice, prevention of forms of Gender-Based Violence domestic, Workplace, Community, human Trafficking and Exploitation, Cyber Crimes Against Women, Sexual harassment and Abuse, Strategies to Combat Gender-Based Violence. at. Ghughudanga, Kuripara and Belakoba Girls' High School (Higher Secondary) of Jalpaiguri district within the state of West Bengal. The 776 women, adult women, widows and especially girls Children have Participated in this Programme. The International Mission for Social Welfare and Charity's Secretary General-Shri, Debasish Ghosh graced the occasion to spread the message that Compulsory free education to all girls

children and remind mothers about the importance of sending their daughters to school and to ensure a favorable teaching, learning atmosphere for girls in schools. He special focus on adult and widows education who suffered in pitiable condition owing to the socio-economic condition. He promote women's economic, social and political participation and integrated support and assistance to women affected by violence. Preventing female feticide. Ms. Mali Bagchi spread the message that support to women free education at the grassroots. Fundamental human right for women and girls. She provides legal protection to women against sexual harassment and ensures their rights to work with dignity and safety. Renowned and respected personalities Mr. Debasish Ghosh-Secretary General of IMSWC and Chief Secretary of Indian Detective and Investigation Organization, Miss. Mali Bagchi-President of The International Mission for Social Welfare and Charity, Honorable Smt. Annpurna Devi-Minister, Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India, Honorable Shrimoti, Vijaya K. Rahatkar- Chairperson, National Commission for Wom-

orable Smt, Rashmi Singh-IAS, Secretary, Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India, Honorable Km. Shobha Karandlaje-Minister of State of Micro. Small and Medium Enterprises, Government of India, Honorable Shri Dharmendra Pradhan-Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Education, Government of India, Honorable Smt. Sanghamitra Ghosh- IAS, Principal Secretary, Department of Women and Child Development and Social Welfare, Government of West Bengal, Honorable Smt. Leena Gangopadhyay- Chairperson, West Bengal Commission for Women, Honorable Smt, Shama Parveen-IAS, District Magistrate and Collector, District: Jalpaiguri, Government of West Bengal, Honorable Shri, Dhiman Barui-IAS, Additional District Magistrate (General), District: Jalpaiguri, Government of West Bengal, Honorable Shri, Nilanjan Mukherjee-WBCS(Executive), District Social Welfare Officer, District: Jalpaiguri, Government of West Bengal, Srimoth Swami. Suratmananda Moharaj, Srimoth Swami. Purnamayananda Moharaj, Srimoth Swami. Kamalasthananda Moharaj were present at this Pro-

ECI publishes draft electoral...

like an Electronic Voting Machine (EVM), with a speech bubble saying "YES SIR." The tweet was tagged with the hashtag #SIR, hinting at the opposition's allegation that the Election Commission is operating under the influence of the central government, particularly in the context of develop-

ments in Bihar. The publication of the draft electoral rolls also marks the beginning of the "claims and objections" phase, which will run until September 1. During this period, voters who believe their names were wrongly deleted can approach the relevant authorities for redressal. According to the Commission, there were 7.93 crore registered voters in Bihar before the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) process began late last month.

However, the revision has sparked criticism and protests from the Opposition, who have raised concerns over possible large-scale deletions of possible voters to the tune of about 6.5 million.

In the initial stage of the SIR, voters were issued "enumeration forms" by booth-level officers (BLOs) booth-level agents (BLAs) appointed by political parties. These forms were to be signed and returned along with valid identity documents. Voters also had the option of downloading and submitting the forms online.

Rahul Gandhi alleges having 100...

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proceedings in Parliament, Kharge, Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, DMK's TR Baalu and A Raja, as well as opposition MPs and slogans protested against the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in

There was a huge banner in front of them which read 'SIR- Loktantra Pe Vaar' as they lined up near the steps of the Makar Dwar of Parliament and staged a protest for the ninth consecutive day.

NISAR mission enters critical...

culture differences and the other thing is that we are on the opposite side of the world. We have to work together and we have the common love for technology", he said "The two scientists (of ISRO and NASA) are building partnerships by working together, friendships. This NISAR partnership is more than building an amazing satel-lite, it is teams that are together to solve bigger problems," he noted. To a query on the opportunities the collaboration with ISRO offers for NASA, NASA Earth Sciences Division Programme Executive Sanghamitra B Dutta said, This is the first large earth observing mission that India and the United States have put together. India is also working on this human space flight. So there are collaborations between the US and India on this over the last 4-5 years." "Indian astronaut Subhanshu Shukla recently went to the International Space Station that has also been built as part of a collaboration between the US and India. We are enormously proud to work

Regarding the mission's dual-band radar, Dutta said radar missions have happened in the past."But simultaneous observation (of the Earth) in two different frequencies by two different radars flying together did not hap pen before. Scientists need not confine to the boundary of a country and they always discuss possibilities of new missions and bigger and better science," she said. Dutta said scientists from ISRO and NASA came up with the idea to fly two Radars at once, using two different frequencies to collect more data in different technical ways.

"The idea was first discussed between Space Applications Centre, ISRO Ahmedabad and scientists from Jet Propulsion Laboratory, NASA. They discussed, brainstormed and came up with the idea of two radars working simultaneously." Supporting Dutta's statement, Bawden said there are major benefits of having two frequencies. "We have technology challenge, and at the end of the day, we are building the technology to address scientific questions and NASA has the long L Band while ISRO has S band. It is fantastic to study agriculture like how corn grows. soya beans soya grow, "he said.

Amarnath Yatra from Jammu...

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area," she said.

on both the tracks Baltal and Pahalgam yesterday. No new batch of devotees was allowed to depart from Bhagwati Nagar base camp in Jammu to holy 'Baba Barfani' nestled in Kashmir's Himalayas on Thursday

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Divisional Commissioner, Jammu, Ramesh Kumar Jangid has said that owing to incessant rain, the safe movement of pilgrims has been affected from Base Camps in Kashmir, adding, given that the yatra will be halted from

Matrimonial site meetup turns into nightmare

MI News Service, Kolkata: A young man's search for a life partner through a matrimonial website ended in deception and theft, as he was drugged and robbed during a planned meetup at a hotel near Kolkata's Airport Gate 2.5. The accused woman, along with her Bangladeshi accomplice, has been arrested by the Airport police following an official complaint filed on July 27.

The complainant, an employee of a private firm, had uploaded his profile and photo on a matrimonial platform after deciding to get married. Soon after, he connected with a woman online, and their conversation gradually progressed to an in-person meeting. They agreed to meet at a hotel near Air-

port Gate 2.5. According to the victim, upon arrival at the hotel, the woman asked him to visit the restroom. During that time, she allegedly prepared coffee. After drinking it, he began to feel disoriented and eventually lost consciousness. When he regained consciousness several hours later, he discovered that his mobile phone, wallet, and bag had been stolen-and

the woman was gone. He promptly lodged a complaint at the Airport police station with the help of hotel staff. Investigators collected CCTV footage from the hotel and used the woman's phone number, obtained from the victim, to contact her-posing as a prospective suitor. Using mobile tower location tracking, they successfully traced and arrested the woman.

SC upholds CM Mamata's recommendation for VC appointments

MI News Service, Kolkata: In a significant development, the Supreme Court of India has directed that the appointments of Vice-Chancellors at two state universities in West Bengal be carried out in accordance with the recommendation of Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee. The apex court on Friday mandated that SonaliChakravarti Banerjee be appointed as Vice-Chancellor of RabindraBharati University, while the first-choice candidate listed in the Chief Minister's preference order be appointed at Cooch Behar PanchananBarma University.

This directive comes amidst a prolonged standoff between the state government and the Governor of West Bengal regarding the appointment of interim Vice-Chancellors

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Kolkata: In a sensational

Bangladeshi model and

actress Shanta Pal has

been arrested by Kolkata

Police for allegedly forg-

ing Indian identity docu-

property jointly with her

live-in partner in South

Kolkata. According to po-

lice sources, she entered

Bangladeshi passport but

later acquired fake Aad-

haar, PAN, and voter ID

cards to pose as an In-

that Shanta claimed to

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employee whom she had

media. However, authori-

ties have found no legal

precedent or procedural

a Bangladeshi airline,

Shanta was a celebrated

figure in the Bangladeshi

fashion circuit. She won

several beauty contests,

Indo-Bangla Beauty Pag-

eant (2016) and repre-

Miss Asia Global (2019).

She also ventured into

acting, appearing in a

Bangladeshi film Bache-

lor in Trip and was in-

volved in several South

Indian and Bengali film

projects, including a few

Shanta moved to

Kolkata in 2023, bringing

Ashraf along. The couple

ments in Park Street and

later in Golf Green, where

arrangement. During this

period, she allegedly cre-

ated fraudulent documen-

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Bardhaman district, West

Bengal. With the help of a

ally spent nearly 60 lakh

Ashraf's identity, the duo

managed to buy the prop-

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network. Notably, in 2021, Shanta had courted

her involvement in a

wider document fraud

controversy during the

Bangladesh pageant by

the final selection. She

even filed a legal com-

itan Court and made

headlines after posting

suicidal threats on social

media. Her case has now

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Police's special branch is

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pute had escalated to the Supreme Court, which had, in July 2024, constituted a Search-cum-Selection Committee led by former Chief Justice U.U. Lalit to streamline the process. The committee was tasked with preparing a panel of recommended candidates for each university, to be submitted to the Chief

However, Governor C.V. Ananda Bose later informed the court that he had reservations regarding 15 out of the 36 recommended names, citing procedural issues. This divergence in opinion between the Governor and the Chief Minister led the court to seek a detailed report from the committee. That report was submitted

On Friday, a bench comprising Justice Surya Kant and Justice JoymalvaBagchi heard the matter and issued an interim order focused on the two aforementioned universities. The court underscored the impartiality and procedural integrity of the committee, and directed Justice Lalit to finalize the order of preference for candidates as swiftly as possible, after considering the views of both the state and the Governor.

The next hearing in this case has been scheduled for four weeks from now. Until then, the appointments at RabindraBharati University and Cooch Behar PanchananBarma University will proceed in accordance with the Chief Minister's recommendations, as endorsed by the Supreme



Congress activists held a protest rally against Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi and U.S. President Donald Trump at Jadubabur Bazar in Kolkata on Friday.

Nabanna march disruptions: PIL planned to protect civic life

MI News Service, Kolkata: Frequent disruptions in Howrah due to repeated "NabannaAbhijan" rallies have prompted prominent environmental activist Subhas-Datta to take legal action in the public interest. Datta is preparing to file a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) in the Calcutta High Court, citing severe inconvenience faced by daily commuters, students, and emergency medical services during such demonstrations

Since the West Bengal state secretariat 'Nabanna' was relocated to Howrah in 2013, the city has witnessed multiple political and non-political mobilisations aiming to reach the administrative headquarters. These events lead to massive congestion, particularly on vital corridors like Howrah Bridge, GT Road, Foreshore Road, and Kona Expressway, with police barricades and traffic diversions paralyzing the city's normal functioning.

"Over 25 lakh people commute through Howrah daily, with more than 15 lakh residing in the city. On protest days, they are virtually held hostage, with metro, local trains, and roads severely impacted," said Datta, calling the situation a violation of fundamental citizen rights.

Ahead of the PIL, Datta has submitted a formal representation to five top administrative officials, including the Chief Secretary, Home Secretary, Director General of Police, Howrah District Magistrate, and the Police Commissioner. He stated that crores of taxpayers' money are being spent on deploying police forces, erecting barricades, and repairing damaged infra-structure — costs he believes should be borne by the political parties organising

'Ŵhile democratic rights must be protected, they cannot come at the expense of the common citizen's constitutional rights," Datta argued.

He also raised concerns over broader issues plaguing Howrah, including illegal encroachments, unregulated e-rickshaws, poor drainage, and unplanned urbanisation, which are further exacerbated by such protest activities. This is not the first legal intervention of its kind. In the past, traders from the Mangalhat market in Howrah also moved court against disruptions, leading to restrictions on protest gatherings near Nabanna. Now, Subhas-Datta is once again turning to the judiciary to restore normalcy in Howrah.

Khidirpur fire: 387 compensation claims, temp stalls to be built

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KMC has begun construct-

MI News Service, Kolkata: The process of compensating traders affected by the devastating fire at the OrphanganjPur Market in Khidirpur is well underway. The Kolkata Municipal Corporation (KMC) has received 387 applications for compensation, and a thorough assessment is currently being conducted to determine the extent of damage—whether shops were fully destroyed or partially affected.

According to KMC sources, the scrutiny process is nearing completion. One key issue that has emerged during verification is that several of the affected shops are not registered under the current owners' names, having been transferred informally over the years. To resolve these ownership discrepancies, the municipal team is cross-checking documentation. Traders with clear and verified paperwork will be prioritized for financial aid and rehabilitation.

The state government has announced a two-tier compensation package: 1 lakh for those whose shops were completely gutted, and 50,000 for partial damage. In parallel with the ing temporary market stalls on a vacant plot adjacent to the original site to ensure rapid rehabilitation. An initial Detailed Project Report (DPR) has been drawn up for 250 stalls, though that number may rise to 320 based on final demand. The project faced initial resistance from some locals, which escalated into a legal challenge. However, securing favourable court ruling, construction activities were greenlit.

Debolina Biswas. Chairperson of the local borough, stated that the administration is making every effort to expedite relief. However, heavy monsoon rains have disrupted construction, slowing progress. Despite this. efforts are underway to complete the work as quickly as possible.

In the aftermath of the devastating fire at Khidirpur's Orphanganj Market, the Kolkata Municipal Corporation (KMC) has initiated enhanced protocols fire safety across its municipal markets. Recognising the urgent need for systemic fire preparedness, the civic body has decided to conduct comprehensive fire audits across 53 KMC-run markets, with implementation already

The responsibility for these audits has been entrusted to the Fire and Emergency Services Department, which has completed initial assessments in 13 major markets including College Street, Bansdroni, Lake Road, New Alipore, Park Circus, Gariahat, and Bakultala.

Between July 7 and 22, joint teams from KMC and the fire department carried out on-site inspections. These audits have focused on assessing the availability and functionality of water sources, the necessity for new reservoirs or pumping stations.

Mayor Firhad Hakim stated that many of the city's municipal markets are old and poorly planned, making them particularly vulnerable to fire hazards. The fire audits are aimed at identifying risks and ensuring a swift response strategy. "Based on the fire department's recommendations. the KMC will undertake all necessary development and safety upgrades in these markets," he said.

Police bust fake Aadhaar SIM racket, two arrested

MI News Service, Kolkata: A massive SIM card fraud operation involving fake Aadhaar cards has raised serious security concerns across West Bengal, including Kolkata. According to alarming reports from the Union Ministry of Home Affairs and the Department of Telecommunications (DoT), nearly 23,000 SIM cards have been issued in recent months using forged Aadhaar details—prompting a crackdown swift Kolkata Police and intelligence agencies.

Officials reveal that a significant number of these illegally obtained SIMs have landed in the hands of cybercriminals, while others have been funnelled into different states, potentially feeding organized fraud networks. More worryingly, intelligence agencies suspect that some of these SIM cards may have reached sleeper cell operatives of terror outfits, making the issue not just a cybercrime, but a potential national security threat.

individuals— Two Ramesh Dubey and Samad Khan—have been arrested so far. Investigators allege that the duo created fake documents, acquired SIM cards from local distributors, and sold them to cyber fraudsters at rates ranging from 800 to 1,000 per SIM. The scam reportedly involves manipulated Aadhaar cards, where the number remains unchanged but names and photos are altered. Officials suspect possible collusion from employees at certain Aadhaar registration centres.

These SIMs are now being used in a range of fraudulent activities—from phishing and financial scams to international VoIP calls and WhatsAppbased frauds, complicating digital surveillance. The DoT has already submitted a comprehensive list of the fraudulent numbers to the West Bengal government, which triggered an immediate probe by the Lalbazar Detective Department.

Sources say that SIM cards used in cybercrimes are typically discarded within a week, making it nearly impossible to trace the perpetrators. This tactic allows cybercriminals to remain untraceable, frustrating investigators. The Ministry of Home Affairs has expressed deep concern over the potential misuse of these SIMs for anti-national activities.

Authorities are now investigating whether any government employees or Aadhaar centre staff were complicit in the scam. With the possibility of terrorist links, both the Centre and State have classified the situation as a "high-risk security issue." The probe continues to expand as law enforcement tracks deeper connections behind this large-scale identity and telecom fraud.

KMC explores paver blocks for improved road durability

MI News Service, Kolkata: Year after year, the Kolkata Municipal Corporation (KMC) introduces new road repair strategies, yet the city's streets continue to suffer from chronic degradation. Last vear, KMC experimented with plastic roads as a supposed remedy. However, within months, heavy rains exposed potholes and deep craters across several key thoroughfares. Now, the civic body has unveiled its latest

solution: paver blocks. According to KMC officials, water is the primary enemy of asphalt. During washes away bitumen layers, leaving roads vulnerable and eroded despite repeated investments. In response, KMC has decided to replace asphalt with interlocking paver blocks on major city roads. A few pilot projects using this method have already been implemented across

Moreover, infrastructure experts warn that covering large areas with paver blocks could prove financially unsustainable, especially given the current fiscal constraints of the civic body.

Experts argue that beyond material innovation, quality of construction and materials used is the real issue. Even when budget allocations are sufficient, poor-quality materials lead to rapid deterioration. As a result, minor water accumulation is enough to dislodge poorly laid asphalt patches, worsening road safety. The latest push for paver blocks has sparked cautious optimism, but also considerable skepticism, particularly within KMC's roads and engineering department. Many fear that unless structural issues and quality control are addressed, even this strategy may fail to deliver lasting improvements.

Kolkata Durga Puja introduces **Entry tickets ahead of Mahalaya**



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Name Change

I, Hamanta Roy S/o. Motia Roy (old name) R/o. Purbapara, Konchmali, Boinchi, Pandua, Hooghly-712134, W.B., have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as He manta Roy S/o. Matilal Roy (new name) vide an affidavit no. 6812 sworn before Judicial Magistrate, Sadar, Hooghly Court on 01/08/2025. Hamanta Roy S/o. Motia Roy & Hemanta Roy S/o. Matilal Roy all are the same & one identical person.

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I, (Old Name) HELEMA AHMED order, concluded that the W/o- MUKUL AHAMED Residing payment was a quid pro quo at, Vill - Kuttitola Lane, Post-Malda, Ps- Englishnazar, Dist-Malda, Pin- 732101, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from HELEMA NuPower Renewables Pvt AHMED To HELENA AHMED Ltd, a company controlled (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) HELENA AHMED in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 25 July 2025 HELENA AHMED and HELEMA AHMED both are Same and one identical person.

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(Old Name) SUKURULLA SEKE S/o- ANCHAR SEKH Residing at, Vill - Miraraypara, Post- Plassey, Ps- Kaliganj, Dist- Murshidabad, Pin- 741156, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from SUKURULLA SEKH To SUKUR ALI SK (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) SUKUR ALLSK in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 25 July 2025, SUKUR ALI SK and SUKURULLA SEKH both are Same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, Murtaza Ali son of Julum Miya residing at 14/15, Nando Ghosh Road, P.S- Golabari, Howrah -711101, West Bengal, have change my name and shall henceforth be known as Murtuza Ali as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata dated 01/08/2025. Murtaza Ali and Murtuza Ali both are same and one

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I, Sankari Sue S/o Anil Sue Residing at Vill+P.o - Mandra, P.s - Indus, District - Bankura, Pin - 722201, West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Shankari Sue. I de-clare that Sankari Sue and Shankari Sue is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, Kolkata on 01-08-2025.

Name Change

I, Anil Kumar Sue S/o Late Kashinath Sue Residing at Vill+P.o - Mandra, P.s - Indus, District -Bankura, Pin - 722201, West Bengal India shall henceforth be known as Anil Sue. I declare that Anil Kumar Sue and Anil Sue is same and one identical person by virtue of an affidavit sworn before the Notary Public, Kolkata on 01-08-2025.

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SK JAMALUDDIN (Old Name) S/6 SEKH HABIBAR RAHAMAN resident of V-137/1, KARBALA ROAD, PO-BARTALA, PS-RAJABAGAN, dent of V-13/1, KARBALA ROAD, PO-BARTALA, PS-RAJABAGAN, KOLKATA - 700018 do hereby de-clare that I have changed my name from SK JAMALUDDIN to SEKH JAbe known as SEKH JAMALUDDIN in 237436 sworn before the Notar SEKH JAMALUDDIN and SK JA-MALUDDIN both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

, Meena Jangid W/O Dinesh Kuma Jangir, R/O SV138/6, SV Air Force Station Kalaikunda, Dist. Paschim Medinipur, have changed My Name from Meena Jangid to Meena Jan gir both are same and one identical person Vide Affidavit No. 2053/25, dt. 11.07.2025 before Notary at Midnapore court.

NAME CHANGE I, Nadeem Ahmad, R/O- H No. 29, B.L. No.- 3. Navabazar, P.O.- Kankinara, P.S.-Bhatpara (Old Jagaddal), Dist.- 24 PGS Kochhar after she furnished (N), Pin- 743126. So Now I have proof of legitimate origin. changed my name & shall henceforth be known as Nadim Ahamed as declared before 1st Class Judicial Magistrate Barrackpore Court vide affidavit no. 10AC 292091 dated 03/07/2025 Nadeem Ahmad & Nadim Ahamed all are same & identical person.

NAME CHANGE I, Lalit Bajaj, S/O- Rajesh Bajaj, R/O- P/12, Girish Avenue Baghbazar, Kol-700003. Now I have changed my name & shall henceforth be known as Lalit Mohan Bajaj as declared before Notary Public, Sealdah Court vide affidavit no. 4750 dated 30/07/2025 Lalit Bajaj and Lalit Mohan Bajaj both are same and identical person.

NAME CHANGE I, Sorola Bajaj, W/O- Rajesh Bajaj, R/O- P/12, Girish Avenue Baghbazar, Kol- 700003. Now I have changed my name & shall henceforth be known as Sarla Bajaj as declared before Notary Public, Sealdah Court vide affidavit no. 4749 dated 30/07/2025 Sorola Bajaj and Sarla Bajaj both are same and

Chanda Kochhar found guilty in **Videocon Ioan** case: Report

MI News Service, New Delhi: An appellate tribunal under the Smugglers and Foreign Exchange Manipulators (Forfeiture of Property) Act (SAFEMA) has held former ICICI Bank CEO Chanda Kochhar guilty of accepting a Rs 64 crore bribe in exchange for sanctioning a Rs 300 crore loan to the Videocon Group in 2009. The tribunal, in its July 3, 2025 order, concluded that the arrangement, with the money routed through Supreme Energy Pvt Ltd to NuPower Renewables Pvt Kochhar's husband, Deepak Kochhar.

The loan in question had been cleared by a committee headed by Chanda Kochhar herself, reported NDTV Profit. Overturning a 2020 order from the adjudicating authority under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), which had directed the release of assets worth Rs 78 crore, the tribunal described the earlier ruling as based on "irrelevant considerations" and for having "ignored material facts.'

According to the tribunal's findings, the Rs 64 crore was transferred just one day after ICICI Bank disbursed the Rs 300 crore loan to Videocon International Electronics Ltd. While NuPower was originally held in the name of Videocon promoter Venugopal Dhoot, the tribunal accepted Dhoot's PMLA statement that Deepak Kochhar was in full control of the company. The tribunal backed the Enforcement Directorate's (ED) view that the ₹64 crore represented proceeds of crime, reinforcing the provisional attachment of Kochhar familv assets.

properties is a prime flat in Mumbai's Churchgate area, which the tribunal said was acquired by Kochhar's family trust through Videoconlinked companies at an undervalued price of Rs 11 lakh. While Chanda Kochhar has denied wrongdoing, the tribunal noted "gross misconduct" and failure to disclose a conflict of interest during the loan sanctioning process. The ruling marks a key turning point in a case that originated from a January 2019 FIR filed by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI). based on 2016 whistleblower complaints. The FIR named Chanda Kochhar. Deepak Kochhar, and Video-

Among the attached

Kochhar had stepped down as ICICI Bank CEO in October 2018. She, her husband, and Dhoot were arrested in December 2022 but are out on bail. The case remains under judicial scrutiny, with the Supreme Court monitoring the proceedings. Of the total seized assets, only Rs 10.5 lakh in cash has been returned to

con Group's Venugopal

Dhoot, charging them with

criminal conspiracy, cheat-

ing and abuse of official po-

sition.

Name Change (Old Name) JOLEKHA SEIKH N/o- ABDUR RAHIM SEKH Residng at, Vill - Barabelun, Post-Bhatra, Ps- Burdwan, Dist- Purba bardhaman, Pin- 713125, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I nave Changed my name from IOLEKHA SEIKH To JULEKHA KHATUN (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) JULEKHA KHATUN in all ourpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 25 July 2025, JULEKHA KHATUN and JOLEKHA SEIKH both are Same and one identical person.

Name Change

(Old Name) SABANA PARVIN W/o- MD SADIKUL HOOUE Residng at, Vill - Biswaspara, Post-Chhoto Sujapur, Ps- Kaliachak, Dist- Malda, Pin- 732206, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from SA-BANA PARVIN TO SABANA BIBI (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) SABANA BIBI in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the no-tary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 25 July 2025, SABANA BIBI and SABANA PARVIN both are Same and one

identical person.

South Eastern Railway undertakes Swachhata Activities

Additional General Manager Administers Swachhata Pledge to SER officials



Soumitra Majumdar, Additional General Manager, South Eastern Railway administering Swachhata Pledge to Officers and Staff at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach on 01.08.2025.

MI News Service, Kolkata: South Eastern Railway has initiated Swachhata Activities from 1st August, 2025 to 15th August, 2025 till the occasion of Independence Day Celebration at Headquarters and at Divisions. In connection with that, Shri

Soumitra Majumdar, Additional General Manager, South Eastern Rail-

MI News Service, New Delhi:

The Enforcement Direc-

torate (ED) filed a Foreign

Exchange Management Act

(FEMA) case against Flip-

kart-backed e-commerce

platform Myntra Designs Pvt

Ltd and its related entities

for flouting foreign direct in-

vestment (FDI) norms to the

tune of over Rs 1,654 crore.

ties carried out multi-brand

retail trade operations while

claiming to function as

"wholesale cash and carry"

businesses, an activity not

permitted under the current

FDI policy, according to the

ED. The agency said this was a misrepresentation in

violation of India's FDI pol-

icy, which places curbs on

foreign investment in multi-

brand retail. The case was

registered against the Ben-

galuru-headquartered Myn-

tra, its linked companies

and its directors, under Sec-

tion 16(3) of FEMA after re-

ceiving what it called

vidual liability or potential

penalties are expected as

the probe progresses. The

investigation comes at a

time when e-commerce

firms operating in India, particularly those backed by

foreign investment, are fac-

ing increasing regulatory

scrutiny for allegedly by-

passing FDI rules through

MI News Service, New

Delhi/London: India and

the UK inked a free trade

agreement (FTA) that will

cut tariffs on British

whisky, cars and an array

of items, besides boosting

bilateral trade by around \$

34 billion annually. Com-merce minister Piyush Goyal and his British coun-

terpart Jonathan Reynold

signed the deal in the pres-

ence of Prime Minister

Narendra Modi and his

British counterpart Keir

trade pact as a milestone

moment in bilateral rela-

tions. "Today marks a his-

toric day in our relations. I

am delighted that after the

years, today our two na-

tions have signed the Com-

prehensive Economic and

Trade Agreement," Modi

will be created in the

British market for India's

agricultural produce and

processed food industry.'

The FTA is expected to

benefit 99 per cent Indian

exports from tariff and will

make it easier for British

firms to export whisky.

cars and other products to

India, besides boosting the

trade basket, according to

Indian officials. The UK

said Indian consumers will

benefit from improved ac-

cess to the best British

products -- from soft

drinks and cosmetics to

cars and medical devices -

- as average tariffs will

drop from 15 per cent to 3

per cent after the FTA

shrimp, tuna, fishmeal,

and feeds, which currently

such

kicks in.

Exports

work of several

"New opportunities

PM Modi called the

Starmer.

said.

Further details on indi-

'credible information.'

Myntra and related enti-

way, administered the Swachhata Pledge to Officers and Staff at SER Headquarters, Garden Reach on 01.08.2025. South Eastern Railway officials took oath to maintain cleanliness and keep India as a neat and clean country. SER Officers and Staff took pledge to remain committed towards cleanliness and devote time

complex business arrange-

ments. In November, 2024,

the ED conducted several

searches under the FEMA at

19 premises located in

Delhi, Bengaluru, Mumbai,

Hyderabad and Panchkula

(Haryana) at main vendors

the e-commerce entities pro-

viding marketplace are vio-

influencing the sale price of

goods or services and not

providing a level playing field

for all the vendors. Earlier,

an Indian antitrust investiga-

tion found that Amazon as

well as Walmart-owned Flip-

kart had violated local com-

petition laws by giving

preference to select sellers

on their shopping websites,

according to Reuters. Both

refuted the charges. In Au-

gust 2024, commerce minis-

ter Piyush Goyal said

Amazon's investments in

India have often been used to

cover its business losses,

adding that such losses

"smell of predatory pricing."

Myntra generated a profit of

Rs 31 crore in FY24, a sharp

turnaround from a loss of Rs

782 crore in the previous

year. Revenue grew 15 per

cent to Rs 5,122 crore in

FY24 as the company deliv-

ered growth along with prof-

itability. Flipkart acquired

Myntra in 2014 and Walmart

attract duties ranging from

4.2 per cent to 8.5 per cent

in the UK, will now be able

to access the British mar-

ket duty-free. Other im-

ported goods, such as

medical devices and aero-

space parts, will also be

cheaper in India now. "Sig-

nificant share of medical

devices like surgical in-

chines, X-Ray systems will

not attract any duty," a

commerce ministry official

told. Exporting labour-in-

tensive products such as

footwear and clothing will

now be easier, and the cost

of whiskey and cars im-

ported from the UK will re-

duce. The deal will also

provide duty-free access to

several domestic sectors

such as leather, electrical

machinery and chemicals

in the British market, said

Goyal Goyal said the

agreement will ensure

duty-free exports of nearly

95 per cent of agricultural

products, while fisherfolk

gain from zero duty on 99

per cent of marine exports,

boosting their incomes.

India's talent in IT, serv-

ices, and education will

gain from easier access to

the UK's high-value mar-

kets and will make it more

affordable for Indians to

live in the UK. Indian firms

and freelancers will have

access to 36 service sec-

tors in the UK with no

Indian professionals can work in 35 UK sectors

for 24 months, even with-

out an office in the country.

They will be exempt from

UK social security pay-

ments for three years

under this deal.

'Economic Needs Test'.

diagnostic

ECG ma-

struments,

equipments,

bought Flipkart in 2018.

India-UK FTA to make

commodities cheaper

According to the agency,

FDI rules by

of Amazon and Flipkart.

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for this. Principal Head of the Departments, Senior Officers and Staff of SER Headquarters were present at the pledge taking ceremony. Further Cleanliness Activities to be undertaken at Headquarters and at four divisions of South Eastern Railway and all Officers & Staff will take part in cleanliness drive.

Regulation of trains Due To Devel-Myntra under ED scanner opmental Works in Eastern Railway for flouting FDI norms

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

Diversion of trains via Asansol-Andal-Sainthia and

St.	Train No.	Train Name	Journey Commencing On		
1	12551	SMVT Bengaluru-Kamakhya Express	13/9/25 & 20/09/25		
2	12552	Kamakhya- SMVT Bengaluru Express	10/9/25 & 17/09/25		
3	13417	Digha-Malda Town	11/9/25 & 18/09/25		
4	13418	Malda Town-Digha Express	11/9/25 & 18/09/25		
5	13425	Malda Town -Surat Express	13/9/25 & 20/09/25		
6	13426	Surat- Malda Town Express	08/09/25 & 15/09/25		
7	15629	Tambaram-Silghat Town	08/09/25 & 15/09/25		
8	15630	Silghat Town-Tambaram Express	12/09/25 & 19/09/25		
9	15639	Puri-Kamakhya Express	09/09/25 & 16/09/25		
10	15640	Kamakhya -Puri Express	07/09/25 & 14/09/25		
11	15661	Ranchi- Kamakhya Express	10/09/25,& 17/09/25		
12	15662	Kamakhya-Ranchi Express	09/09/25 & 16/09/25		
13	15929	Tambaram-New Tinsukia Express	11/09/25 & 18/09/25		
14	15930	New Tinsukia -Tambaram Express	08/09/25 & 15/09/25		
15	22611	MGR Chennai-New Jalpaiguri	10/09/25, & 17/09/25		

SL	Train No.	Train Name	Journey Commencing On	short terminated at	short originated from
1	13503	Barddhaman-Hatia MEMU Express	01/9/25, 02/9/25, 11/9/25, 14/9/25, 18/9/25, 19/9/25, 20/9/25, 21/9/25 & 22/9/25		Asansol
2	13504	Hatia-Barddhaman MEMU Express	31/8/25, 01/9/25, 10/9/25, 13/9/25, 17/9/25, 18/9/25, 19/9/25, 20/9/25 & 21/9/25	Asansol	

Great achievement of RPF Madhupur Post under operation Rail Prahari



MI News Service, Kolkata: The RPF Madhupur Post, Division, has cracked a major vehicle theft case under Operation Rail Prahari. On the night of 19/20 July 2025, a bike was stolen from Madhupur station premises. Acting on CCTV analysis and surveillance, RPF personnel led by SI D. Prasad apprehended the accused Sunil Thakur (28, Dhanbad) on 29th July 2025, who confessed to the crime. During interrogation, he admitted to stealing more

16 bikes from Madhupur, Giridih and Dhanbad areas Based on this input, a joint raid was conducted with local police on 29/30 July 2025, resulting in the recoverv of 14 stolen two-wheelers and the arrest of three more persons, including the receiver of stolen vehicles. The arrested persons, including the habitual offender Sunil Thakur, have been remanded to judicial custody. Further investigation is in progress with full assistance from RPF.

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maturity, and Apple's growing confidence in

India as a core manufac-

iPhone exports from India surge 53%

MI News Service, New Delhi: India's iPhone exports surged 53 per cent year-on-year in the first half of 2025, hitting 23.9 million units, up from 15.6 million units in the same period last year— marking Apple's fastest-ever firsthalf ramp in exports from the country, according to a Moneycontrol report citing data from market analyst firm Canalys. The US emerged as the primary export destination, accounting for 78 per cent of iPhones shipped from India in the first half of 2025 — up from 53 per cent a year ago. In contrast, the share of other key markets such as the Netherlands, UAE, Czech Republic, UK and Japan declined, each contributing between 2–4 per cent this year. "Foxconn led with over half the volume, while the Tata group now accounts for nearly 4 in 10

iPhones exported from

India. This shift reflects

turing base," said Sanyam Chaurasia, principal analyst at Canalys. India is now seeing the early stages of iPhone 17 production testing, with Tata Electronics also involved in handling component manufacturing. Chaurasia added that customs data from June points to an uptick in critical iPhone 17 component imports to Foxconn's India facility, signalling an accelerated trial production phase ahead of Apple's traditional September launch. While the ramp-up reflects Apple's growing bet on India, it comes at a critical time. The reported exit of Chinese engineers from Foxconn India introduces short-term execution risks, even as the company pushes to localise operations using Taiwanese, Vietnamese and Indian talent.

Khurda Road Railway Division Continues Intensive Cleanliness Drive under Swachhata Abhiyan



MI News Service, Khurda Road: As part of Indian Railways' commitment to a cleaner and greener India, the Khurda Road Railway Division has launched a comprehensive Swachhata Abhiyan (Cleanliness Drive), continuing from 01 August to 31 October 2025, aligning with the Independence Day celebrations and broader national Swachh Bharat Mission. The campaign was flagged off with a Swachhata Pledge taken by railway employees and cleanliness staff across stations and railway

establishments. Key highlights of the campaign include: • Swachhata-Themed Selfie Booths (01–03 August): Installed at major stations to engage passengers and spread awareness. • Mass Awareness Drives: Focused on responsible behavior such as use of dustbins, anti-littering, and bio-toilet usage. • Cleanliness Announcements & Pamphlets: Regular PA announcements in trains and stations; distribution of cleanliness pledge pamphlets "Use the Dustbin, Donate a Dustbin" Campaign: Encouraging active passenger participation. • Poster Displays & Audio-Visual Campaigns: To promote environmental sustainability, responsible waste disposal, and railway cleanliness

Special Focus (16 Aug -

31 Oct): o Cleaning of toilets, vestibules, linen areas in trains. o Pest and rodent control in coordination with IRCTC. o Coach inspections, bio-toilet cleaning, OBHS counseling drives. O Cleanliness in pantry cars, food stalls, base kitchens, and canteens. o Waste segregation, plastic-free platforms, and bio-composting initiatives. o Cleanliness in Railway Colonies, offices, hospitals, and schools. This extensive drive emphasizes passenger cooperation, urging everyone to "Use the Bin - Keep Railways Clean." The division aims to set a benchmark in cleanliness, hygiene, and eco-

sustainability in the railway

Swachhata pledge marks launch of Swachhata Abhiyan in Howrah Division ahead of **78th Independence Day**



MI News Service, Howrah: As India approaches the 78th anniversary of its Independence, Indian Railways has reaffirmed its commitment to the national mission of cleanliness and public hygiene. In line with this vision, the Howrah Division of Eastern Railway has commenced a fortnight-long Swachhata Abhiyan from 1st August to 15th August, 2025. To kickstart the campaign, Swachhata Pledge ceremonies were organized at several locations across the division. These events were held under the leadership and guidance of Shri Sanjeev Kumar, Divisional Railway Manager/Howrah, emphasizing the core message of collective responsibility in maintaining cleanliness in railway premises and beyond. The main highlight of the opening day was the administration of the Swachhata Pledge by Shri Sanjeev Kumar, Divisional Railway

Manager/Howrah joined by

all branch officers of the division. The pledge was taken at the conference hall of the newly inaugurated DRM Building, symbolizing a unified commitment from the top leadership to foster a culture of hygiene, orderliness, and national pride.

The Swachhata Abhiyan will feature a range of activities, including intensive cleanliness drives, awareness campaigns, public participation initiatives, and inspections at stations, offices, colonies, and railway installations. Through this initiative, the Division aims to inspire railway personnel, passengers, and the general public to uphold the values of cleanliness as a tribute to the spirit of Independence.

Howrah Division remains dedicated to the national objective of a Swachh Bharat and continues to take proactive steps toward ensuring a cleaner and healthier environment for all.

Clarification on foundation design of Kavi Subhash Metro Station and its infrastructure maintenance

MI News Service, Kolkata: It has come to the notice of Metro Railway that certain statements have been made in some sections of the media regarding the foundation design of Kavi Subhash Metro Station, suggesting it to be of shallow or raft foundation type with a depth of 1–3 metres. Additionally, concerns have been raised about the alleged poor maintenance of Kavi Subhash station infrastructure. Metro Railway would like to clarify that this information is not correct. The foundation of Kavi Subhash Metro Station has been constructed using deep pile foundations extending up to 22 metres, arranged in pile groups comprising 2 to 4 piles. All design decisions are based on detailed geotechnical investigations following established engineering standards to ensure structural integrity and passenger safety. Furthermore, the maintenance of Metro Railway infrastructure is carried out as per laid down procedures. Metro Railway appreciates public interest in infrastructure development and welcomes informed deliberations.

Centre withdraws order recommending cuts in 'Udaipur Files' movie, Delhi HC dispose of petitions MI News Service, New Delhi: It also said that it would hear the by Chief Justice Devendra Kuma

withdrew the order recommending

EASTERN RAILWAY Abridged Tender Notice No.: EL-ASN-CON-TRD-176-2025-NIT, Tender No.: EL-ASN-CON-TRD-176-2025. Date 31.07.2025. Open Tender is invited through e-tendering procedure by Deputy Chief Electrical Engineer (Con), Eastern Railway, Asansol Division, Station Road, Pin-713301 from experienced Electrical Contractors, Partnership firms etc. with adequate financial capability and sufficient experience for the following work: Name of work: Design Drawing, Supply, Erection, Testing & Commissioning of 2X25KV A.C. Single Phase Overhead Equipment LT Supply Transformer, Aluminium Feeder Wire, AEC Earthing and BEC Earthing in connection with multi tracking DFCCIL work from Kalipahari DFCC Chainage 205.778 (KPK incl KM 205) to Pradhankhunta DFCC Chainage 261.135 (PKA-KM-260.2) on Asansol Division of Eastern Railway. Tender Value: Rs. 94,92,48,475.64. Earnest Money: Rs. 48,96,300/-. Cost of Tende Document: Nil. Completion period: 30 (Thirty) months. Date and time of closing: 27.08.2025 at 15.00 hrs. Tende documents can be downloaded and bids can be submitted at www.ireps.gov.in after online payment of "Cost of Tender Document" and "Earnest Money" as mentioned above against this tender on or before the tender closing date and time mentioned above. Tenders complete in all respects and with all documents as stated above should be unloaded at www.ireps.gov.in against this tender Bidding for the tender is to be submitted through e-tendering on above website Manual offers are not allowed against this tender and any manual offer if received shall not be accepted and will be summarily rejected. Tender Documents details of tender notice, corrigendum(s issued from time to time (if any) and other basic information are available at www.irens.gov.in This tender notice can

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also be seen in the notice board of Deputy

Chief Electrical Engineer /Con, Paschim

Burdwan, Asansol-713301.

EASTERN RAILWAY E-Tender No.: 118_2025-26, 119_2025-26, 120_2025-26 & 121_2025-26, dated 30.07.2025. Following e-Tender is invited online by Divisional Railway Manager Eastern Railway, Howrah, DRM Building, Near Railway Station, Howrah-711101 from Tenderers having experience of Simila Nature of work and required financial capabilities including those registered with Irrigation/CPWD/ SEB/MES or any public sector undertaking for the following work under Sr. DEN/3/Howrah. Sl. No. 1, E-Tender No.: 118 2025-26. Description of work : Construction of Ladies Dress Changing Room alongwith attached toilet to facilitate of all Ladies Staff under section of ADEN/AZ Approx. Cost: ₹ 1,16,400/-. Completion Period: 06 months from the date of issue of acceptance letter SI. No. 2, E-Tender No. : 119_2025-26 Description of work: Rectification o depressed PF surface & protection of High Bank platform portion, Lifting of PF surface & changing damaged chequered tiles etc at KCY, BCF, KMDC, LBP etc. under the section of SSE/W/KWAE in the jurisdiction of AEN/KWAE. Approx. Cost: 2,16,14,010.24; Earnest Money: ₹ 2,58,100/-. Completion Period: 08 months from the date of issue of acceptance letter Sl. No. 3, E-Tender No. : 120 2025-26 Description of work · Howrah Division BDC - KWAE, BSAE DN Loop Line No. 10 1 0 - 0.965 = 0.965 KM ABKA DN Loop O - 0.944 = 0.944 KM DTAE DN Loop Line 0 - 0.936 = 0.936 KM SMAE UP Loop Line 0.056 -0.960 = 0.904 KM NDAE DN Loor Line 1 0 - 0.948 = 0.948 KM PSAE DN Loop Line 2 0 - 0.907 = 0.907 KM PTAE DN Loop 0 - 1.329 = 1.329 KM & TFR 45.572 TKM In following Locations- BDC - KWAE : DN 27.000 - 32.203 = 5.203 KM 32.249 - 34.265 = 2.016 KM, 34.590 36.000 = 1.410 KM DN 51.605 - 58.000 = 6.395 KM UP 58.000 - 86.535 = 28.535 KM, 87.442 - 89.455 = 2.013 KM under the Jurisdiction of AEN/NDAE under Sr DEN/3/HWH. Approx. Cost: 1,75,10,734.42; Earnest Money: 2.37.600/-. Completion Period: 12 months Sl. No. 4, E-Tender No. : 121 2025-26 Description of work : Howrah Division TRR(P)-21.441 TKM in locations: -BDC KWAE : UP 17.170 - 21.821 =4.651 KM 28.481 - 34.730 = 6.249 KM 35.239 -35.360 = 0.121 KM: 35.420 - 42.781 = 1.80 KM, BDC - KWAE UP 9.800-10=0.2 KM, 10.307-11.185= 0.878 KM, 11.719 11.900=.181 KM, TTR-19 Sets-(TTR (FS+TWS+WCMSC) -1 IN 12 - 14 Sets 8 TTR (FS+TWS+WCMSC) -1 IN 8.5 -5 Sets, & TSR (P) -1.27 KM in location : - BDC-KWAE- DN - 10.40-11.67 = 1.27 KM 8 TBR-8 027 TKM In location :- BDC - KWAE UP 2.180 -2.200 = 0.020 KM, 3.700 - 3.790 = 0.090 KM, 5.340 - 5.490 = 0.15 KM, 5.79 - 7.028 = 1.238 KM, 7.112 - 7.370 = 0.258 KM, 9.070 - 11.810 = 2.740 KM, 57.900 58.145 = 0.245 KM, 59.795 - 59.960 = 0.165 KM, 62.535 - 62.625 = 0.090 KM, 63.092 - 64.690 = 1.598 KM, DN 53.840 54.270 = 0.430 KM, 54.730 - 54.900 : 0.170 KM, 56.750 - 56.980 = 0.230 KM 56.997 - 57.200 = 0.203 KM, 57.800 58.200 = 0.400 under the Jurisdiction of Approx. Cost: ₹ 2,34,41,366.49; Earnest Money: ₹2,67,200/-. Completion Period 12 months from the date of issue of acceptance letter. In case the date of closing mentioned in the Notice Inviting Tender is declared a holiday/bandh/strike on any account, the date of closing tender online will not be changed as the application in the website of IREPS does not permit submission of any offer after closing date and time of the tender However, opening of tenders online will be done next working day. Closing date and time of tender: 21.08.2025 at 14.00 hrs. The details of tender are available a website www.ireps.gov.in Tenderers are

manual offer will be accepted. HWH-220/2024-25 Tender Notices are also available at Website www.er.indianrailways.gov.in/www.ireps.gov.in Follow us at: 🗶 @EasternRailway @easternrailwayheadquarter

the above website. Payment of EMD and

TDC- Payment of Earnest Money Deposit

(EMD) and Tender Document Cost, in

repsect of e-tendering, should be accepted through Net Banking or payment gateway

only. Note: Fixed deposit receipt (FDR)

will not be accepted as EMD for Tenders

invited on IREPS (e-Tender Portal). No

parties afresh and would pass an appropriate order in revision.

Noting the statement given by the Additional Solicitor General (ASG), the Delhi High Court disposed of two petitions seeking a stay on the release of the movie. The division bench headed

S. E. RAILWAY – TENDER Sr.Coaching Depot Officer, Santragachi South Eastern Railway KGP Division, acting hrough the President of India invites an onen tender, through e-tendering in www.ireps.gov.in website as per details mentioned below. Eligible tenderers are requested to apply for the same through online only in www.ireps.gov.in website as per details mentioned below. No offline tender will be accepted. Please read the tender document uploaded in the document section for details. Tender Notice No. C-MCC-N3-DT-30-07-25, Name of the work: Mechanized cleaning of Coaches at New composite Grid, at Santragachi Coaching Depot" for 3 years. **Tender Value :** ₹ 32,89,22,939.68/-, EMD: ₹ 17,94,600/-Closing date of Tender: 25.08.2025 at 12.00 hrs., Cost of Tender Document

<u>EASTERN RAILWAY</u> Tender Notice No.: 222-S/1/W-II. Date :

: ₹ 10,000/-. (non-refundable) (PR-468)

30.07.2025. Following e-Tenders are invited

Railway Sealdah, 2nd floor DRM Building

the following work: Sl. No. 1. Tender No.: Provision for repair and renovation at Panel Room, Relay room, SM Chamber, LC Gate at Shantipur under SSE/Works/Ranaghat in the jurisdiciton of AEN/Ranaghat, ii) Provision of repair and renovation of LC gate road, station approach road and connecting roads under SSE/ Works/Ranaghat in the jurisdiction of AEN/ Ranaghat, Tender Value: Rs 96,91,933.10. **EMD** : Rs. 1,93,800/-. **SI**. No. 2. Tender No.: TN-104-25-26. Name renovation at Panel Room, Relay room, Pump Room, SM Chamber, LC Gate etc. with all other ancillary works at SSE/Works/ Krishnanagar in the jurisdiction of AEN/Ranaghat. ii) Provison for Reparing and Renovation of station approach road at Krishnanagar, Badkulla, Muragacha, Dhubalia & Bahadurpur station including Repairing and Renovation of circulating area at Krishnanagar station with other Krishnanagar in the jurisdiction of AEN/Ranagaht. **Tender Value:** Rs 1.03.81.083.26. EMD: Rs. 2.01.900/-Date and time of closing of tender 22.08.2025 at 15.00 hrs. for each Completion period for the work : 06 months for each. Date and time of hrs, for each. The Tender documents and www.ireps.gov.in The bidding for the ender is to be submitted through the e-tendering on above website. Manual offers will be summarily rejected. SDAH-140/2025-26

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EASTERN RAILWAY Tender Notice No. : SG.Tender/DSTE/SDAH/563, dated 31.07.2025. e-tender is nvited by Sr. DSTE, Eastern Railway, Sealdah, 2nd Floor, Control Building, DRM Building, Kaizer Street, Sealdah, Kolkata-700014 for the following work : e-Tender No. SDSTE/TELE/T/12/25-26/CAP, REV. Name of work with its location: Provision of Train Indication Board (IPIS System) at 26 no. of stations and provision of Train Indication Board (IPIS System) at 15 no. f stations over Sealdah Division and CAMC of the system for 5 years after expiry of guarranty period of three years. Tender Value: ₹ 9.32.11,483.45. Earnest Money Bid Security to be deposited ₹ 6.16.100/-. Cost of tender document Nil. Completion period of the work: 09 Months, Tender Submission start date : 4.08.2025. Tender Submission end date: 28.08.2025 upto 14.00 hrs. Tender bid opening date: 28.08.2025 at 14.30 hrs. Details may be available : www.ireps gov. in Technical Eligibility Criteria The tenderer must have successfully completed or substantially completed any one of the following categories of work(s) during last 07 (seven) years, ending last day of month previous to the one in which ender is invited : (i) Three similar works ach costing not less than the amount equa to 30% of advertised value of the tender or (ii) Two similar works each costing not ess than the amount equal to 40% of dvertised value of the tender, or (iii) One similar work costing not less than the mount equal to 60% of advertised value of the tender. Financial Eligibility Criteria he tenderer must have minimum average annual contractual turnover of V/N or 'V alue of the tender in crores of Runees N=Number of vears prescribed for

peen invited. The average annual contractual turnover shall be calculated as n average of "total contractual payments" n the previous three financial years, as pe he audited balance sheet. However, in case balance sheet of the previous year is palance sheet of the fourth previous yea shall be considered for calculating average annual contractual turnover. The tenderers hall submit requisite information as per Annexure-VIB of GCC 2022 (Form-6 of the nstant tender document), along with copies of Audited Balance Sheets duly certified by the Chartered Accountant/Certificate rom Chartered Accountant duly supported by Audited Balance Sheet. Other document to be submitted : As mentioned in he tender document. Similar nature of Work: "Any work of supply & installation of Train Indication Board/Coach guidance system/PA system/Clock/IPIS/Touch scree enquiry system/Display board." Note: The enderer shall submit along with the tender offer, documents in support of his/their clain o fulfill the eligibility criteria as mentioned copy of documents/certificates in suppor of credentials, submitted by the tenderer shall be self-attested/digitally signed by the enderer or authorized representative of the tendering firm. Self-attestation shall nclude signature, stamp and date (on each (SDAH-150/2025-26)

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by Chief Justice Devendra Kumar Upadhyay and Justice Tushar Rao Gedela noted the statement given by ASG Chetan Sharma on institutions, stating that the Government is withdrawing the order of July 21, which recommended cuts in

hear the parties afresh. While disposing of the petitions, the Delhi High Court on Friday directed the parties to appear before the revisional authority on Monday.

the movie Udaipur Files. We will

The High Court has directed the authority to take an appropriate decision by Wednesday.

The High Court was dealing with the petition moved by Mohd. Javed, who is an accused in the murder case of Kanhaiya Lal. Maulana Arshad Madani filed another petition. In response to a query by the chief justice, from where did the government get the power to recommend the cuts in the movie? ASG Chetan Sharma submitted that the recommendations of the examining committee were sent to the chairperson, and it is as per the dictum of the rules under the Act. The government has not issued any notification after examining the movie in question. It means the revision stands dismissed. On the concern of the petitioner Mohd Javed regarding the fair trial, ASG submitted that Judges are trained in a particular way, they don't get influenced by the movies. It is the answer to the question of

EASTERN RAILWAY The following E-Tender is invited by the Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer (General), Eastern Railway, Sealdah, 2n Floor, Remote Control Building, Kolkata 700014 in connection with the following work : SI. No. : 1; Tender No. : ELEG-O1 1223-2025-26-R, Particulars of the work Provision of Maintenance free earthin over Sealdah Division. **Tender value**: 2.67.03.380/-. Earnest Money: OT-1250-2025-26, Particulars of the work: Provision of AT power and RDSO auto change over panel at Interlocked Level crossing gate over Sealdah. Tender value: ₹ 68,87,799/-. Earnest Money: ₹ 1,37,800/-SI. No.: 3; Tender No.: ELEG-OT-1260-

the petitioner

2025-26, Particulars of the work Electrical works in connection with the commissioning of MRI Machine at B. R Singh Hospital, Sealdah. **Tender value** 9,17,000/-. Earnest Money: ₹ 18,300 Completion period: 08 months for S No. 1, 09 months for SI. No. 2 and 3. Cos of Tender document: 0.00. Tende losing Date & Time: 21.08.2025 14.00 hrs. Tender Bid Opening Date Time: 21.08.2025 after 14.00 hrs. Tende Bidding Start Date: 07.08.2025. Detail of Tender Notice and corrigendum issue

SDAH-144/2025-2 SDART-144/2025-2 : Tender Notice is also available at websites ://www.er.indianrailways.gov.in/www.ireps.gov.ii Follow us at : 🗶 @EasternRailway @easternrailwayheadquarter

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CORRIGENDUM Corrigendum to Tender No. DCPM-GS ENG-SDAH-05-25-26 published earlier b Dy. Chief Project Manager, Gati Shakt Unit/Engg, Eastern Railway, Sealdah Control Building, DRM Building, Kaizer Street, Sealdah, Kolkata-700014, Namof work : Sealdah Division - Engineering Design Consultancy Work including opographical Surveying and Geotechnica vestigation Works in connection with Construction of ROB in lieu of Leve Crossings at different locations under th urisdiction of Sealdah Division of Easter Railway (Total 40 Level Crossings). The bid due date of the Tender has been extended to 11.08.2025. All other term and conditions will remain same

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Metro Railway, Kolkata Complete Traffic Block on Green Line on 03.08.2025 (Sunday) There will be a Complete Traffic Block between Esplanade to Sealdah in Green Line on 03.08.2025 in connection with ATO Testing. No services will be available on that day in Green Line-2. Normal services in Green Line will be available from Monday (04.08.2025). Inconvenience caused is deeply regretted.

Principal Chief Operations Manager

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Tender Notice No.: SG.Tender/DSTE/SDAH/562 dated 31.07.2025. e-tender is invited by Sr. Divisional Signal and Telecommunication Engineer, Sealdah, Easter Railway, 2nd Floor, Control Building, DRM Office, Kaiser Street, Kolkata-700014 for the following work: e-Tender No.: SDSTE/TELE/T/13/25-26/CAP, Name of work with its location: Reliability improvement work with replacement and rehabilitation of telecom gears and Telecom cable, OFCs in Ranaghat-Gede Shantipur-Lalgola, Ranaghat-Bangaon, Sealdah-Ranaghat & Circular section o Sealdah Division, Tender Value: ₹ 2.76.68.738.62, Cost of tender document Nil. Earnest Money/Bid Security to be deposited : ₹ 2,88,400.00. Completion period of the work: 12 months. Tender Submission Start Date: 12.08.2025 Tender Submission End Date: 26.08.2025 upto 14.00 hrs. Tender Bid Opening Date: 26.08.2025 at 14.30 hrs. Details may be available at www.ireps.gov.i Technical Eligibility Criteria: The tenderer must have successfully completed or substantially completed any one of the following categories of work(s) during last 07 (seven) years, ending last day of month previous to the one in which tende is invited: (i) Three similar works each costing not less than the amount equal to 30% of advertised value of the tender, or (ii) Two similar works each costing no less than the amount equal to 40% of advertised value of the tender, or (iii) One of the tender. Financial Eligibility Criteria: The tenderer must have minimum average annual contractual turnover of V/N or 'V' whichever is less; where V Advertised value of the tender in crores of Rupees, N = Number of years prescribe for completion of work for which bids have been invited. The average annua ontractual turnover shall be calculated as an average of "total contractual payments in the previous three financial years, as per the audited balance sheet. Howeve in case balance sheet of the previous year is yet to be prepared/audited, the audite balance sheet of the fourth previous year shall be considered for calculating average annual contractual turnover. The tenderers shall submit requisite information a per Annexure-VIB of GCC 2022 (Form-6 of the instant tender document), alon with copies of Audited Balance Sheets duly certified by the Chartered Accountant/Certificate from Chartered Accountant duly supported by Audited Balance Sheet. Other document to be submitted: As mentioned in the tender document. Similar nature of work: Any work Railway Telecommunica involving supply, installation, testing & commissioning of SDH/PDH (STM, MU) etc.) equipments or IPIS items (TIB, PA system, clock, CGDB etc.) or electronic/IF exchange/intercom or Quad/OFC based networking for different application of Railways. Note: The tenderer shall submit along with the tender offer, document in support of his/their claim to fulfill the eligibility criteria as mentioned in the tende document. Each page of the copy of documents/certificates in support of credentials submitted by the tenderer, shall be self-attested/digitally signed by the tendere or authorized representative of the tendering firm. Self-attestation shall includ

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signature, stamp and date (on each page).

New policy to transform UP into global leather footwear manufacturing hub: CM Yogi

Currently, India ranks as the

second-largest producer and

consumer in the world in this

sector, with Uttar Pradesh play-

ing a significant role. Over 200

operational tanneries are locat-

ed in Kanpur and Unnao, while

Agra is recognised as the 'Foot-

Moreover, Yogi also empha-

sised that the policy should

not only promote leather and

non-leather footwear manu-

facturing units, but also extend

special incentives to ancillary

units producing components

like buckles, zips, soles, insoles,

laces, dyes, chemicals, heels,

threads, tags, and labels. He

also stressed support for units

manufacturing specialised ma-

chinery for leather stitching,

cutting, moulding, and produc-

tion of non-leather safety shoes.

he said, would help establish

a complete and localised 'de-

within the state. Additionally,

he highlighted the need for

robust strategies for skilling,

packaging, and marketing to

enhance product quality and

discussion on the proposed Ut-

tar Pradesh Industrial Asthan

Policy. Officials noted several

challenges in the current sys-

tem, including inefficient land

utilisation, lease execution

complexities, unauthorised

The meeting also included a

sign-to-delivery'

competitiveness.

This integrated approach,

ecosystem

wear Capital' of the country.

manufacturing.

MI News Service, Lucknow: hub for footwear and leather Uttar Pradesh is taking decisive steps to position its footwear, leather, and non-leather manufacturing sector on the global map. Chairing a meeting of the MSME department on Friday, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath highlighted the state's strong base of skilled artisans, raw materials, and industrial hubs like Agra, Kanpur, and Unnao and called for a practical, results-driven policy to unlock its

full potential. While reviewing the draft of the Uttar Pradesh Footwear, Leather and Non-Leather Sector Development Policy 2025, the Chief Minister instructed officials to adopt a cluster-based development model as a core

CM Yogi emphasised the importance of clearly identifying regions in the state best suited for industry-specific development. He further stated that integrating production, design, research, and training on a single platform could not only attract large-scale investments, but also generate employment opportunities for lakhs of youth.

The officials informed him that the proposed policy could generate around 22 lakh new jobs in the coming years, marking a potential turning point in Uttar Pradesh's rise as a global

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Tender Notice No. SANDT/CON/ HWH/ TN/11/2025 Dated: 31.07.2025. Open Tender is invited through e endering procedure by Dy. Chief Signal & Telecom Engineer (Con), Eastern Railway, Howrah, 371, Telkol Ghat Road, Howrah - 711101 from experienced Signalling & Telecommunication Contractors holding valid Contractor's license. Partnership firms etc. with adequate financial Capacity and sufficient experience for the following work :- Tender No. SANDT-CON-11-2025-HWH; Name of the Work: Electronic Interlocking work at Durgapur Coke Oven Plant in connection with 5th line work in between Durgapur Coke Oven plant and Durgapur in Asansol Division of Eastern Railway. Approx Tender Value (Rs.): ₹ 26,49,63,489.91; Cost of the Tender Document (Rs.): ₹ 0.00; Earnest Money Deposit (in Rs.) : ₹ 14,74,800.00 to be deposited in favou of FA & CAO/Con/Eastern Railway/Kolkata. (1) Validity of Offer and Earnest Money should be 90 days from date of Opening of Tender: (2) Date and Time of Closing of Tender: 22.08.2025 at 11.00 hrs.; (3) Completion Period for the Work: 12 (Twelve) Months from the date of issue of LOA: The Tender Documents can be downloaded and bids can be submitted at www.ireps.gov.in after online payment of "Cost of Tender Document" and "Earnest Money" as mentioned above against this tender on or before the tender closing date and time mentioned above. Tenders complete in all respects and with all

documents as stated above should be uploaded at www.ireps.gov.in against this tender. Bidding for the tender is to be submitted through e-tendering on above website. Manual Offers are not allowed against this tender. Any manual offer it received shall not be accented and will be summarily rejected. Tender Documents, details of tender notice corrigendum(s) issued from time to time (if any) and other basic information are vailable at www.ireps.gov.in Detail ender notice can also be seen in the otice board of Dy. Chief Signal & Telecom, Engineer (Con), Eastern

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Howrah- 711101.

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জেলা- হাওডা

আমমোজারনামা

আমমোক্তার গ্রহীতা- সুরেন্দ্র মুখোপাধ্যায়, পিতা- সত্যনারায়ণ মুখোপাধ্যায়, সাং + পোঃ- পাঁতিহাল,

উক্ত আমমোক্তার দলিল মুলে

mortgaging and subletting, and idle plots.

The new policy aims to eliminate these hurdles by introduc-

Calling the proposed policy practical and forward-looking," the Chief Minister said, "A clear, simplified, and accountable process from land allotment to lease execution, construction, and production would provide confidence to investors and catalyse industrial growth."

velopment.

Delhi: Senior BJP leader and sharp attack on Leader of Opposition Rahul Gandhi, accusing him against the Election Commission and other institutions out of "deep frustration" over the continued

electoral defeats of the Congress.

"All of Rahul Gandhi's frustration stems from the fact that he doesn't get votes. So, what can we do about it? They lost the country

আমমোক্তার দাতা- (i) সন্ধ্যারাণী মান্না, স্বামী- অষ্টমী কুমার মান্না, সাং-কুমারিয়া, পোঃ- রসপুর, থানা-আমতা, জেলা-হাওড়া

উক্ত আমমোক্তার দলিল (I-875/07) মুলে মিউটেশন হইলে যদি কাহারও কোনওরূপ অভিযোগ থাকে, তা হইলে ১ মাসের মধ্যে জে.বি.পুর বি.এল.অ্যান্ড.এল.আর. অফিসে প্রমাণ-সহ যোগাযোগ করিবেন।

মৌজা- শ্যামপুর, জে.এল. নং- 30, দাগ নং- 566, খতিয়ান নং- 437, পরিমাণ- 55 শতক, শ্রেণি- শালি, আমমোক্তার দলিল নং- 2989/2007

হাম্বীর, পিতা- বৈদ্যনাথ হাম্বীর, (ii) ছবিহাস্বীর কোলে, স্বামী- মণিমোহন কোলে, সাং + পোঃ- দেবান্দী, আমতা, হাওডা

থানা- জে.বি.পুর, জেলা- হাওড়া

করিবেন।

ing a transparent, streamlined, and time-bound system. Plot allotment will be conducted via e-auctions or other transparent methods, with land prices determined area-wise. However, land rates for anchor units will be set by the state government.

He also suggested the adoption of a 'lease rent model' to ensure optimal utilisation of limited industrial land, minimise capital expenditure for investors, and accelerate de-

cy implementation process.

Ravi Shankar Prasad hits out at Rahul Gandhi for saving "EC involved in vote theft"

News Service, New Member of Parliament Ravi Shankar Prasad on Friday launched a of making baseless allegations

side Parliament today.

মৌজা- গুমাডাঙ্গা, জে এল নং- ২1,

আমুমোক্তার প্রহীতা- জনাব মাসার আলি জমাদার, পিতা- জনাব আনসার আলি জমাদার, সাং + পোঃ-দক্ষিণ ঝাপড়দহ, থানা- ডোমজুড়,

আমমোক্তার দাতা- (i) শস্তু

নোটিশ/বিজ্ঞপ্তি

এতহারা সকলকে জানানো যাইতেছে যে আমার মরেজগান ১) বেদানাথ দে কবিরাজ, পিতা মত সাত্যাচরন দে কবিরাজ সিন্ধর এ। তেন আর অধিক বিরাজ সিন্ধর এ। তেন আর অধিক বিরাজ, পিতা মত করাল পাল কবিরাজ, পিতা মত বিরাজ দিক কবিরাজ, পিতা মত বিরাজ বি To promote private indus-

trial parks, the UP CM also advocated for incentives such as capital subsidies, stamp duty exemptions, and electricity and logistics support, along with a single-window approval system. He directed officials to develop an integrated online portal for applications and disbursement of incentives to ensure a fully digital, seamless, and trackable poli-

Rahul has levelled serious allegations against the Election Commission of India (ECI), accusing it of direct involvement in large-scale voter fraud, with the Congress having "open-and-shut proof" of the alleged theft. "Votes are being stolen. We have openand-shut proof that the Election Commission is involved in this vote theft. And I'm not saying this lightly, I'm speaking with 100% proof. And when we release it (proof), the entire country will come to know that the Election Commission is enabling vote theft. And who are they doing it for? They're doing it for the BJP," Rahul Gandhi said while talking to reporters out-

দাগ নং- 1497, খতিয়ান নং- 1220, পরিমাণ- 115 শতক, শ্রেণি- শালি, আমমোক্তার प्रिल I-875/2007

(I-2989/07) মিউটেশন হইলে কাহারও যদি কোনওরূপ অভিযোগ থাকে, তা হইলে ১ মাসের মধ্যে জে.বি.পুর বি.এল.অ্যান্ড.এল.আর. অফিসে প্রমাণ-সহ যোগাযোগ

concern to Dist. Hooghly, P.S. Uttarpara, under Uttarpara-Kotrang Municipality, J.L. No. 9, Mouza Bhadrakali, Khatian No. R.S. 102 & L.R. 1628, Dag No. R.S. & L.R. 2554, 49, Ghoshpara Lane, Ambika Apartment, Ground Floor, One Flat, for the third time, lost Maharashtra, lost Haryana, lost Delhi No.-G2, which Super built up area and now they will lose Bihar and 800 Sq. Ft. which was lost on

Bengal too, so what can we do about it? When they won, was the Election Commission fine then?... Rahul Gandhi and the Congress party should first look within themselves to understand why the public isn't voting for them..." Prasad told ANI. The BJP MP also addressed concerns raised by Congress over the ongoing Special Intensive Revision

(SIR) of electoral rolls in Bihar,

which the opposition alleges may

lead to voter suppression.

"Regarding the SIR issue. 99.9% of people in Bihar have filled the forms. The law clearly states that only genuine voters who reside in that area can vote... So, if this action is being taken, why are they troubled by it? Do they want to win based on such fake voters?... At least once, Rahul Gandhi should speak frankly," he said.

Meanwhile, Union Minister Kiren Rijiju also refuted the claims made by Rahul Gandhi against the Election Commission's involvement in voter fraud and stated that the opposition was running a "malicious plan" to discredit constitutional organisations, further stating that the Congress leader was "threatening" Constitutional organisa-

PWD (GOVT OF WB) Corrigendum

eNIT No.: 45/Citv(M) of 2025-26 of The E.E.-I, City Dvn., P.W.D. for a work related to Independence day 2025 on Red Road are invited from bonafied decorators having credential for similar urgent nature of works & State Ceremonies. Bid submission closing date (online) will be on 08.08.2025 at 16.00 hrs. Tender

2025_PWD_886472_1 Other details may be seen from the web site: http:// etender.wb.nic.in & http:// /wbpwd.in

Executive Engineer-I City Division, P.W.D

Memari-II Panchayat **Samity** Paharhati, Purba Bardhama e-Tender Notice

e-Tender is invited vide NIT No. 101/2025-26 & Memo No.: 896 Date: 01.08.2025, for 03 nos **scheme** under Memari-II Panchaya Samity. Documents download/se end date (Online) for Bid Submissi up to 18.08.2025 for detai Memari-II PS office notice board. SAE Section and go through e-Tende site www.wbtenders.gov.in

Executive Officer, Memari-II Panchayat Samity

Jamgram Mondlai Gram Panchayat Jamgram, Pandua, Hooghly Notice Inviting e-Tender & Re e-Tender

e-Tender & Re e-Tender are invited from bonafied resourceful contractor for execution of 07 nos. development works under **15th FC (Tied & Untied)** Fund vide Memo No.: 360(NIT-03) (3rd Call) & 359(NIT-05), Date: 29.07.2025. Bid Submission Start Date (Online): 30.07.2025 at 03.00 PM. Bid Submission End Date (Online): 06.08.2025 up to 04.00 PM. Bid Opening Date: 11.08.2025 at 10.00 AM. For details please visit www.wbtenders.gov.in & undersigned GP office. Sd/-

Jamgram Mondlai GP

Passenger slapped mid-air on IndiGo

flight; accused handed over to CISF MI News Service, New slapped him. The motive behind **Delhi**: In IndiGo flight 6E138 from Mumbai to Kolkata, on Friday, a passenger was allegedly assaulted mid-air by a fellow traveller while receiving assistance from the IndiGo crew.

A passenger who appeared to be feeling unwell was being attended to by IndiGo cabin crew when another flyer suddenly

NOTICE OF DEED LOST

Notice to all concern that one original

Sale Deed vide **Deed No. I-5095/2008 dated 01/09/2008** in the

name of Late Gobinda Chakraborty

11/07/2025. In this regard a missing

GDE No. 827 dated 14/07/2025

under P.S. Uttarpara, Hooghly is

lodged. At present my client Smt. Anindita Gupta W/o. Bilash Gupta,

D/o. Late Gobinda Chakraborty is the

owner of the above property. If any

erson, Bank or Financial Institution

having any objection, claim, demand

or information against the above property or about above original lost

Gift Deed please intimate the undersigned in writing with supporting

within 15 days from this publication. No claim and demand shall be

ntertained after the stipulated period

f any transaction is made with any

erson/s and authority by the strength

of this loss said Gift deed, shall be

emed to be null and void.

Late Aurobindo Chakraborty

Deed Registered at

Serampore, Hooghly

Khejuri-I Panchayat Samity

assault remains unclear at this

time. Sources confirmed that In-

diGo has termed the assailant's

behaviour as "unruly" and that

the individual was handed over

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Sd/-**Executive Officer,**

Khejuri-1 Panchayat Samity

আমমোক্তারনামা সংক্রান্ত বিজ্ঞপ্তি এতদ্বারা সকলকে জানানো যাইতেছে যে, ১)শ্রী অসীম মিশ্র পিতা ৺সাক্ষী গোপাল মিশ্র, ২)শ্রী অপূর্ব চ্যাটাজ্জী পিতা ৺নিতাই চন্দ্র চ্যাটার্জী, উভয়ের সাকিম বড়বাজার, হোসেনগলি, চুঁচুড়া, হুগলী-৭১২১০১ মহাশয়গণ বিগত ইং ২৪/০১/২০২৫ তারিখে ডি.এস.আর.-I, হুগলী, ২৪/০১/২০২৫ তারিবে তি.এস.আর.ন, ব্রান্ত, চুঁচুড়া, অফিসে রেজিস্টিকৃত I-00759/2025 নং আমমোক্তারনামা দলিলু মূলে আমাদিগকে নং আমমোক্তারনামা দলিল মুলে আমাদিগকে (১) প্রী অনুপ কুমার দাস পিতা ৺কৃষ্ণচন্দ্র দাস, সাকিম দাস, সাকিম দাস, সাকিম দাস, সাকিম দাস, চুড়া আর.এস., চুড়া, হুগলী-৭১২১০২ ও ২) প্রী প্রদীপ কুমার সিকদার পিতা প্রী কার্ত্তিক চন্দ্র সিকদার সাকিম রবীন্দ্রনগর পশ্চিমপাড়া, রবীন্দ্রনগর, চুঁচুড়া, হুগলী ব১২১০৩) ক্ষমতাপ্রাপ্ত আমমোক্তার নিযুক্ত করেন ও নিম্ন তপশীল বর্নিত সম্পত্তি উক্ত আমমোক্তারনামা বলে আমরা বিগত ইং ০৩/০৪/২০২৫ তারিখে ডি.এস.আর.-I, হুগলী চুঁচুড়া, অফিসে রেজিস্ট্রিকৃত I-2858/2025 নং দলিল মুলে শ্রী রঞ্জন ভট্টাচার্য্য পিতা ৺রসরাজ ভট্টাচার্য্য সাকিম সুকান্তনগর, রবীন্দ্রনগর, চুঁচুড়া, গলী-৭১২১০৩ মুহাশয়কে ২ কাঠা ২ ছুট বৰ্গফুট বা কমবেশী ৩.৫৯ শতক সম্পত্তি বিক্ৰয় ক্রিয়াছি। <u>তপশীল</u> - জেলা হুগলী, থানা পোলবা মৌজা গোটু, জে.এল নং ৬৩, ১)হাল এল.আর. ৩৬৬৬ নং খতিয়ানে, আর.এস. তথা হাল এল.আর. ৪৪৩৯ নং দাগে বাস্তু জমি যোল আনায় ০.৫৬ একর তন্মধ্যে ১ কাঠা ১ ছটাক ১৮.৫ বর্গফুট ও ১)হাল এল.আর. ৩৬৬৫ নং খতিয়ানে, আর.এস. তথা হাল এল.আর. ৪৪৩৯ নং দাগে বাস্ক জমি ষোল আনায় ০.৫৬ একর তন্মধ্যে ১ কাঠা ১ ছটাক ১৮.৫ বর্গফুট, একুনে একটি দাগে, দুইটি খতিয়ানে মোট ২ কাঠা ২ ছটাক ৩৭ বর্গফুট বা কমবেশী ৩.৫৯ শতক সম্পত্তি অত্র দলিলে আমমোক্তারনামা বলে বিক্রয়কৃত সম্পত্তি হইতেছে। এতদ্বারা সকলবে অবগত করা যাইতেছে যে. বর্তমান ক্রেতা শ্রী রঞ্জন ভট্টাচার্য্য পিতা ৺রসরাজ ভট্টাচার্য্য তাহার উক্ত খরিদা সম্পত্তি নিজ নামে নাম পত্তন করিবার জন্য বি.এল এ্যাভ এল.আ্র.ও পোল্বা-দাদপুর ব্লক অফিসে আবেদন করিয়াছেন/করিতেছেন ইহাতে কাহারুও কোন আইনানুগত আপত্তি থাকিলে বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রচার হইবার ১ মাসের মধ্যে সংশ্লিষ্ঠ অফিসে আপত্তি জানাইতে পারিবেন অন্যথায় নিয়ম অনুসারে কার্য্য হইবে।

১)শ্রী অনুপ কুমার দাস ২)শ্রী প্রদীপ কুমার সিকদার

Kultali Development

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Block Jamtala, Jalabaria, South 24 PGS Tender Notice

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Kultali Development Block Office. Sd/-**Block Development Officer**

আমমোক্তার বিজ্ঞপ্তি মৌজাতে Jl. No- 140, L.R. Plot No- 1030, L.R. Khatian No-207 নিতাই গিরি নামে রেকর্ডভুক্ত সম্পত্তি

ছল, তাহার থেকে বিভিন্ন দলিল মূলে K. Tarakeswa Rao পিতা-K. Laxminarayan কিনে 215/18 তারিখ 11/09/2018 সালে B. Bhujanga Rao পিতা-Late Krishna কে আমমোক্তারনামা প্রদান করে এবং তিনি বিভিন্ন দলিল মূলে ওই জমি বিক্রয় করে (Deed No-9342/24) থাকে। তাহাতে সম্পত্তির ওয়ারীশ ব অংশিদালেরর কোন আপত্তি থাকিলে B.L & L.R.O Kharagpur-I দপ্তরে ৩০ দিনের মধ্যে লিখিত আপত্তি জানাতি হইবে নচেৎ পরবর্ত্তীকালে কোন ওজর আপত্তি

গ্রহম যোগ্য হইবে না।

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Kultali Development Block ৷৷ আমমোক্তারনামা সংক্রান্ত বিজ্ঞপ্তি ৷৷ এতদ্বারা সকলকে জ্ঞাত করা যাইতেছে যে, ১**)শ্রী ব্যোমকেশ ঘোষ, ২)শ্রী হৃষিকেশ ঘোষ** উভয়ের এওধান্তা সন্দল্যে জ্ঞান্ত দল্যা বিষ্টেশ্যের হৈ, 3)ন্ত্রা ব্যোগ্যক্ষেশ বোর, ২)ন্ত্রা স্থাবন্দেশ বোর ভণ্ডয়ের পিতা ৺কেনারাম ঘোষ, উভয়ের সাকিম দিগসুই, মগরা, হুগলী-৭১২১৪৮, ৩)শ্রীমতী মায়া মন্ডল স্বামী শ্রী সমতুল মন্ডল পিতা ৺কেনারাম ঘোষ, সাকিম মোনবেড়, মৃগলা, চন্ডীভলা, হুগলী-৭১২৩১১, ৪)শ্রীমতী পুষ্প ঘোষ স্বামী শ্রী মনীন্দ্র ঘোষ, পিতা ৺কেনারাম ঘোষ, সাকিম দিগসুই, মগরা, হুগলী-৭১২১৪৮, ৫)শ্রীমতী কমলা পাল স্বামী শ্রী বিমলেন্দু পাল, পিতা ৺কেনারাম ঘোষ, সাকিম বেগমপুর, ঘরহারস্কর, হোপ্রামাতা কমলা পাল স্থামা আ বিমালেশু পাল, গিতা শবেনারাম বোব, স্যাহ্ম বেগমপুর, চন্ডীতলা, হগলী-৭১২৬০৬, ৬)প্রীমতী পৌরী সাহা স্থামী গ্রী নীতিন সাহা, পিতা শবেনারাম বোব, সাকিম অবানীপুর, মিলনগড়, বলাগড়, হগলী-৭১২৫০১ মহাশন্ত্রামহাশন্ত্রাগণ বিগত ইং ১১/১০/২০২৬ তারিখে এ.ডি.এস.আর., টুচুড়া, হগলী, অফিসে রেজিষ্ট্রীকৃত I-9772/2023 নং আমমোক্তারনামা দলিল বলে আমার মঙ্কেল শ্রী মুকেশ ঘোষ পিতা শবেনারাম ঘোষ্, সাকিম দিগসুই, মগরা, হগলী-বালল বলে আনাত্র নজেল আ মুকেশ ঘোষ শিতা ওকেশারাম ঘোষ, সাক্রম দিশসূহ, মশরা, হণলা-৭১২১৪৮, মহাশয়কে ক্ষমতাপ্রাপ্ত আসমোজ্ঞার নিযুক্ত করেন এবং উক্ত ক্ষমতাপ্রাপ্ত আমমোজ্ঞারনামা ও স্বয়ং ক্ষমতা বলে আমার মঙ্কেল নিমোক্ত কপনীল বর্ণিত সম্পত্তি বিগত ইং ১৫/০১/২০২৫ ভারিখে এ.ডি.এস.আর., ইচুড়া, হুগলী, অফিসে রেজিষ্ট্রীকৃত I-1976/2025 নং বিক্রয় কোবালা দলিল মূলে ১)প্রী সুদীপ্ত ঘোষ পিতা প্রী বর্ণবিধান ঘোষ, সাক্রিম আমপালা, রাজহাট, পোলবা, হুগলী-৭১২১২৩, ২)শ্রী পিনাকী ঘোষ পিতা শ্রী পরিতোষ ঘোষ, ৩)শ্রী অতন ঘোষ পিতা শ্রী অনতোষ ঘোষ, ২/৩ এর নাকিম ড্যামরা, মগরা, হুগলী-৭১২১৪৮ মহাশয়গণকে ০৭ শতক সম্পত্তি বিক্রয় করিয়াছেন। <mark>তপশীল</mark> - জেলা হুগলী, থানা পোলবা, মৌজা হোসেনাবাদ, ২৬ নং জে.এল ভুক্ত, হাল এল.আর. ৮৭ ন খতিয়ানে, আর.এস. ৬৯৪ তথা হল এল.আর. ৪২১ নং দাগে কলা বাগান যোল আনায় ২০ শতক তত্মধ্যে ০.৩৩৩৩ অংশে ০৭ শতক সম্পত্তি অত্র দলিলে আমমোক্তারনামা ও স্বয়ং ক্ষমতা বলে বিক্রয়কৃত সম্পত্তি হইতেছে। এতদ্বারা সকলকে অবগত করা ঘাইতেছে যে, বর্তমান ক্রেতাগণ ১)শ্রী সুদীপ্ত ঘোষ পিতা শ্রী বংশীবদন ঘোষ, ২)শ্রী পিনাকী ঘোষ পিতা শ্রী পরিতোষ ঘোষ ও ৩)শ্রী অতনু পুনাপ্ত ঘোষ নিতা আন্বাননার বাংগ, বস্তুনানার ব্যক্তির স্থানি । ঘোষ পিতা বী অনুভোষ ঘোষ, তাহানের খরিনা সম্পত্তি নিজ নিজ নামে নাম পত্তন করিরার জন্য বি.এল গ্রান্ড এল.আর.ও পোলবা-দাদপুর ব্লক অফিসে আবেদন করিয়াছেন/করিতেছেন। ইহাতে কাহারও কোন আইনানুগ আপত্তি থাকিলে বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রচার হইবার আগামী ১ মাসের মধ্যে সংশ্লিষ্ঠ অফিসে আপত্তি জানাইতে পারিবেন, অন্যথায় নিয়ম অনুসারে কার্য্য করা হইবে।

Stoppage of some Trains at different stations

ইতি-মীর মহঃ কলিমুদ্দিন (উকিলবাব), চন্দননগর কোর্ট, হুগলী

For the convenience of commuters, the following trains will provide stoppage at the stations mentioned against them as per timings mentioned below:

Train No. & Name	Station	Arr.	Dep.	Stoppage w.e.f
11447 Jabalpur-Howrah Shaktipunj	Bhandaridah	15.36	15.38	
Express [w.e.f. (JCO) 02.08.2025]	Chhipadohar	10.32	10.34	03.08.2025
	Obra Dam	06.00	06.02	
11448 Howrah-Jabalpur Shaktipunj	Bhandaridah	18.56	18.58	02.08.2025
Express [w.e.f. (JCO) 02.08.2025]	Chhipadohar	23.26	23.28	02.00.2020
	Obra Dam	04.31	04.33	03.08.2025
13025 Howrah-Bhopal Weekly	Barwadih Jn.	22.27	22.29	04.08.2025
Express [w.e.f. (JCO) 04.08.2025]	Obra Dam	03.05	03.07	05.08.2025
13026 Bhopal-Howrah Weekly	Barwadih Jn.	03.16	03.18	07.08.2025
Express [w.e.f. (JCO) 06.08.2025]	Obra Dam	22.38	22.40	06.08.2025
13151 Kolkata -Jammu Tawi	Gurpa	19.29	19.31	02.08.2025
Express [w.e.f.(JCO) 02.08.2025]	Gujhandi	19.08	19.10	02.06.2023
13152 Jammu Tawi -Kolkata	Gurpa	07.16	07.18	04.08.2025
Express [w.e.f. (JCO) 02.08.2025)]	Gujhandi	07.37	07.39	04.00.2023
13403 Ranchi -Bhagalpur Vananchal Express [w.e.f. (JCO) 02.08.2025]	Phulwartanr	22.24	22.26	02.08.2025
18603 Ranchi -Bhagalpur Express [w.e.f. (JCO) 02.08.2025]	Phulwartanr	18.19	18.21	02.08.2025
18604 Bhagalpur-Ranchi Express [w.e.f. (JCO) 03.08.2025)]	Phulwartanr	01.57	01.59	04.08.2025
19607 Kolkata - Madar Jn. Express [w.e.f. (JCO) 07.08.2025]	Bokaro Thermal	19.02	19.04	07.08.2025
19608 Madar Jn Kolkata Express [w.e.f. (JCO) 04.08.2025]	Bokaro Thermal	07.35	07.37	06.08.2025

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Study reveals healing ozone hole helps Southern Ocean take up carbon

gests that the ozone hole's nega-tive effects on the Southern Ocean's carbon uptake are reversible, but only if greenhouse gas emissions rapidly decrease.
The study, led by the University

of East Anglia (UEA), finds that as the ozone hole heals, its influence on the ocean carbon sink of the Southern Ocean will diminish, while the influence of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions will rise.

Relative to its area, the Southern Ocean takes up a disproportionate amount of carbon, which reduces the radiative effects of carbon in the atmosphere and strongly mitigates human-caused climate change. Therefore, knowing how much carbon it will absorb, and what controls this carbon uptake, is important.

Scientists from the UEA and National Centre for Atmospheric Science (NCAS), in the UK, looked at the relative role of ozone and GHG emissions in controlling the circulation of the Ocean Southern around Antarctica, focusing on how it would impact the carbon uptake.

They were interested in how the amount of atmospheric carbon taken up by the Southern Ocean has changed in the 20th century, and how it will change



over the 21st century. Their findings are published today in the journal Science Advances

author DrTerezaJarnikova, of the Tyndall Cente for Climate Change Research at UEA, said: "An interesting, and hopeful, highlight of this work is that the effects of human-caused ozone hole damage on the winds, circulation, and carbon uptake of the Southern Ocean are reversible, but only under a lower scenario of greenSouthern Ocean takes up lots of atmospheric carbon because of its unique circulation and properties. Winds have intensified in past decades due to the loss of stratospheric ozone, acting to reduce the uptake of carbon.

However, the study shows that this phenomenon could reverse as the ozone hole recovers. At the same time, increasing GHG emissions could also lead to stronger winds, so how the Southern Ocean

circulation will behave in the future, and therefore how much carbon this ocean will take up, is uncertain. "We found that in the past decades, the depletion of ozone led to a relative reduction of the carbon sink, in general because of a tendency of the stronger winds to bring highercarbon water from depth up to the surface of the ocean, making it less suitable for taking up atmospheric carbon," said DrJarnikova.

"This isn't true in the future: in

the future, the influence of ozone on the winds, and therefore on the Southern Ocean, diminishes, and it's replaced by the increasing influence of greenhouse gas emissions, which also lead to strong

The study also shows that in the future, changes in ocean circulation will have less influence on carbon uptake than they had in the past, because of the changing distribution of carbon between the surface and the deep ocean.

The team used an Earth system model (UKESM1) to simulate three sets of ozone conditions for the time period 1950-2100: a world where the ozone hole never opened; a realistic world where the ozone hole opened but started healing following the adoption of the 1987 Montreal protocol that banned ozone depleting substances; and a world where the ozone hole persisted at its 1987 size throughout the 21st century.

They also simulated two future greenhouse gas scenarios: a low emissions scenario and a high emissions scenario, and then cal culated how the main physical features of the ocean change over the 150 simulated years, as well as how the amount of carbon taken up by the ocean changes in response to these physical changes. (ANI)

Ageing reduces CAR-T cell effectiveness by impairing metabolism, study shows

Lausanne [Switzerland] : People's immune systems deteriorate as they age, making cancer therapies that rely on immune cells difficult to implement.

In a new study, researchers

from the University of UNIL), the Lausanne University Hospital (CHUV), the Geneva University Hospitals (HUG), and the EcolePolytechniqueFederale de Lausanne (EPFL) show that age-related immune decline has a measurable impact on CAR-T cell therapy, one of the most advanced forms of cancer immunotherapy. CAR-T therapy works by engineering a patient's T-cells to recognize and destroy cancer cells. But the study found that CAR-T cells from aged mice had poor mitochondrial function, lower "stemness", and reduced antitumor activity. The culprit: a drop in levels of nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide (NAD), a molecule essential for cellular energy and metabolism of mitochondria.

"CAR-T cells from older individuals are metabolically impaired and significantly less effective," said first author Dr. Helen Carrasco Hope. "What's exciting is that we were able to rejuvenate these aged cells by restoring their NAD levels--

reviving their antitumor function in preclinical models.

"Our findings strengthen the growing recognition that aging fundamentally reshapes immune cell function and metabolism," she added. They highlight the urgent need to model age more accurately in preclinical studies, so that therapies are developed with the real-world cancer population in mind--where most patients are older

The team used NAD-boosting compounds currently under clinical investigation for other conditions, demonstrating that this approach is translatable and potentially applicable in humans. "This is a major step toward personalized and age-conscious immunotherapy," said senior author Dr. Nicola Vannini. "By correcting age-related metabolic defects, we could improve outcomes for a large segment of cancer patients."

The study adds to a growing body of work showing that age is not just a chronological number, but a biological factor that can shape therapy response. The authors call for age to be systematically considered in the development and evaluation of cell-based immunotherapies. (ANI)

NSE crosses 23 crore (230 million) investor accounts

Patna: The National Stock Exchange of India (NSE) reached another milestone in July 2025, with total unique trading accounts surpassing 23 crore (230 million)-in just about three months after crossing the 22-crore mark (220 million) in April 2025. Meanwhile, the number of unique registered investors stands at 11.8 crore (As of July 28th, 2025).

An investor may hold

accounts with multiple brokers and therefore can have multiple client codes. In terms of regional distribution, Maharashtra continues to lead with nearly 4 crore accounts (17% share), followed by Uttar Pradesh (2.5 crore, 11% share), Gujarat (over 2 crore, with 9% share), and West Bengal and Rajasthan (each with over 1.3 crore, 6% share). Collectively, these five states account for nearly half of all investor accounts, while the top ten states contribute close to threefourths of the total.

A growing share of market participants are young and first-time investors. To support their investment journey, SEBI and NSE have launched large-scale awareness initiatives on risk management, fraud prevention, or long-term investment principles. NSE has substantially expanded its efforts in this area over the past five years. The number of **Investor Awareness** Programs (IAPs) conducted by NSE has grown fourfold-from 3,504 in FY20 to 14.679 in FY25-reaching over 8 lakh participants across all states and union territories. NSE's Investor Protection Fund (IPF) has increased by over 22% year-on-year to Rs 2,573 crore as of June 30th,

This focus on investor education has become even more critical in the context of significant wealth creation in Indian equity markets. Over the past five years, the Nifty 50 and Nifty 500 have delivered strong annualised returns of over 17% and 20%, respectively. India's surge in retail investor growth is propelled by digitization, fintech access, growing middle class and supportive policy measures under the leadership of Prime Minister ShriNarendraModi and Hon'ble Finance Minister Smt. NirmalaSitharaman.

Shopsy Turns 4 with 450M+ Downloads, Expands Deep into Tier 4+ Cities of India

Bengaluru: Shopsy by Flipkart, on offering a wide selection of one of India's fastest-growing hypervalue platforms, celebrates its fourth anniversary by deepening its mission to enable Bharat live king/queen-size, offering unbeatable value to value-conscious shoppers. The platform has surpassed 450 million app downloads and now delivers to over 19,000 pin codes, reaching all four regions of the country, from metro cities to Tier 4+

This year alone, Shopsy has onboarded 11.5 million new shoppers, many of whom are experiencing e-commerce for the first time. As its footprint deepened, it saw sharp growth in demand from Tier 4 towns and remote districts, including Bhagalpur, Medinipur, Dunda, trust in Shopsy's value-led pricing, ease of use, and curated selection under ?300/-.

KapilThirani, Business Head, Shopsy and Flipkart Marketplace, Flipkart, said, "In just four years, Shopsy has emerged as the go-to destination for value-conscious shoppers across India. Our focus has been quality products, simplifying discovery, and delivering a seamless, localized experience to customers in the many 'mini-Bharats' that comprise our country. Shopsy's selection is shaped by the diverse tastes of these regions. We've built a platform that not only scales but truly resonates with the everyday choices and expectations of shoppers across regions. As we celebrate this milestone, we remain committed to making hypervalue ecommerce even inclusive, intuitive, and trusted for every Indian household.

Reaching All 4 Corners of Bharat: From Tier 1 to Tier 4

Since launch, Shopsy has expanded its footprint by over 2X, reaching every corner of the Sitamarhi or a mixer in Mokokchung, the platform powers everyday commerce in Bharat's deepest heartlands. States like J&K, Mizoram and Sikkim, led growth in the North and East, while Telangana, AP, Maharashtra, and Goa emerged as high-growth markets in the

Waist-to-height ratio predicts heart failure incidence: Study

height ratio predicts the incidence of heart failure, according to data presented today at Heart Failure 2025, a scientific congress of the European Society of Cardiology.

Obesity affects a substantial proportion of patients with heart failure (HF) and it has been reported that the risk of HF increases as body mass index (BMI) increases.2

Study presenter, Dr. AmraJujic from Lund University, Malmo, Sweden, explained why the current analysis was carried out, "BMI is the most common measure of obesity, but it is influenced by factors such as sex and ethnicity, and does not take into account the distribution of body fat. Waistto-neight ratio (WtHK) is considered a more robust measure of central adiposity, the harmful deposition of fat around visceral organs. In addition, whereas BMI is associated with paradoxically good HF outcomes with high BMI, this is not seen with WtHR.3 We conducted this analysis to investigate the relationship between WtHR and the development of



ed of 1,792 participants from the Malmo Preventive Project. Participants were aged 45-73 years at baseline and were selected so that approximately onethird had normal blood glucose levels, one-third had impaired fasting glucose and one-third had diabetes. All participants were followed prospectively for incident

mean age of 67 years and 29 per cent were women. The median WtHR was 0.57 (interquartile range, 0.52-0.61).

During the median follow-up of 12.6 years, 132 HF events occurred. Higher WtHR was associated with a significantly increased risk of incident HF (hazard ratio [HR] per one standard

fidence interval [CI] 1.12-1.61; p=0.001), independent of confounders. When WtHR was categorised into quartiles, individuals with the highest values of WtHR (median of 0.65) had a significantly higher risk of HF compared with individuals in the other three quartiles (HR 2.71; 95% CI 1.64-4.48; p<0.001).

Study co-author, Dr. John Molvin from Lund University and Malmo University Hospital, Sweden, noted, "The median WtHR in our analysis was considerably higher than 0.5, the cut-off for increased cardiometabolic risk. Having a waist measurement that is less than half your height is ideal." He concluded: We found that WtHK was a si nificant predictor of incident HF and our results suggest that WtHR may be a better metric than BMI to identify patients with HF who could benefit from therapies for obesity. Our next step is to investigate whether WtHR predicts incident HF and also other cardiometabolic disorders in a

Study finds if mindfulness can combat anxiety

the status of the world, or anything else, try a moment of mindfulness.

Paying close attention to the present moment without judgment -- the basic idea behind all mindfulness techniques -- can help calm anxiety and improve focus, said Resh Gupta, a postdoctoral research associate with the Mindfulness Science and Practice research cluster.

"A lot of research has shown that mindfulness can reduce anxiety symptoms," she said.

The calming power of mindfulness is well-known to people who have made the practice a part of their daily lives. Still, experts continue to investigate how it works and which types of mindfulness might be most useful for different types of anxiety, ranging from fleeting bouts of worry to more chronic, clinical anxiety disorders. "We all experience anxiety, but it can manifest in many different ways," Gupta said. "It's a tough problem to pin down.

In a paper published in Neuroscience and Biobehavioral Reviews, Gupta and co-authors laid out a new approach to understanding the relationship between mindfulness and anxiety. Instead of taking a one-size-fits-all approach, they propose that different kinds of mindfulness practices might be helpful for different varieties of anxiety. The proposed framework should ultimately help us understand how to match anxiety sufferers with more precise treatments, Gupta said

Todd Braver, the William R. Stuckenberg Professor in Human Values and Moral Development and a professor of psychological and brain sciences, is a co-author of the paper. The other co-author is Wendy Heller, a professor of psychology at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. The work was supported in part by the Mindfulness Science and Practice cluster and the Arts & Sciences' Incubator for Transdisciplinary Futures.

Braver said that the new paper is emblematic of the kinds of work being done by the cluster. "There is a growing recognition that these practices can be incredibly useful in enhancing psychological wellbeing," Braver said. "But we still do not fully understand the mechanisms of action by which mindful-



ness can produce beneficial effects. That's where the scientific research can be so valuable, by helping us more precisely identify why and how certain practices are effective." Gupta, Braver, and Heller suggest that mindfulness combats anxiety by improving a mental process called cognitive control. "Cognitive control is the ability to regulate your thoughts and your actions in a way that helps you achieve your goals," Gupta said. "For example, if you know you have to go to the grocery store right after work, you can keep that goal in mind during the workday and turn down an offer to do something else after work."

As Gupta explained, mindfulness and anxiety have opposite impacts on cognitive control. People who are more mindful generally perform better on tasks requiring cognitive control. That observation is supported by neuroimaging studies, which have shown that mindfulness meditation can effectively modulate activity in brain regions that support cogni-On the other hand, anxiety can worsen cognitive

control. "Worry occupies a lot of space in the brain's working memory system," Gupta said. "This is where your goals are stored." This impairment in

using mindfulness to improve cognitive control can help interrupt the harmful cycle of worry.

Depending on the type of anxiety people are experiencing, some approaches might work better than others, Gupta said. People who spend a lot of time worrying may especially benefit from a type of mindfulness meditation called focused attention. 'Focused attention teaches you to choose an anchor, such as your breath or a sound," she said. "You keep bringing your attention back to that anchor every time your mind wanders. Instead of focusing on the worry, you're focusing on the present moment expe-

People who are hypervigilant and experiencing a lot of physical symptoms of anxiety -- rapid heartbeat, sweaty palms, tightness in the chest -- may do better with a different approach. "For this type of anxiety, a form of mindfulness meditation called open monitoring may be beneficial," Gupta said. 'Înstead of focusing on one thing, such as the breath, you can observe all internal and external experiences from moment to moment in a non-reactive, non-judgmental way."WashU's Mindfulness Science & Practice cluster offers many resources for university and community members who want to add mindfulness to their lives. The cluster sponsors regular talks as well as other events, including those in which participants can learn mindfulness practices from trained practitioners. "We're dedicated to helping the WashU and greater St. Louis community get access to tools to learn about mindfulness science and practice," Gupta said. Braver is enthusiastic that recent research from the cluster and other institutions will help people gain a greater appreciation of the wide variety of practices that fall under the mindfulness umbrella. "People have different options they can choose from, so it becomes easier to find one that best fits your particular temperament, concerns, or current situation," he said. "It's quite empowering to learn these types of practices, and to feel like we can be in charge of how we use them to improve our quality of life." (ANI)

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Trains to run from Earmar ked Platforms at Sealdah for different Sections

Massive initiative for effective Crowd Management during peak hours

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The primary objective of this significant exercise is to ensure safety, security, improved circulation and smoother operations during peak hours. Dedication of specific platforms for particular sections will certainly de-congest platform area by helping passengers in navigating the station more easily and avoid near misses. Further, it will embolden Railway authority to manage train schedules and movement more efficiently by reducing likeli-hood of delays and cancellations. Sealdah Division appeals to all daily passengers for their active cooperation and urges everyone to stay attentive to announcements and follow instructions provided at Sealdah Station for a safer and hassle free journey. The segregations of plat-forms for different sections at Sealdah Station will certainly play a pivotal role in improving operational efficiency and providing better

Regulation of trains for Track Maintenance Work near Dum Dum Jn. Station

MI News Service, Kolkata: For track maintenance work on down suburban line at Dum Dum Jn. station limit, 7 hours (from 22:50 hrs. of 2.8.2025 to 05:50 hrs. of 3.8.2025), traffic block has been planned. Consequently, following arrangements in train running have been

CANCELLATION OF EMU LOCAL ON 2.8.2025 (Saturday):

Sealdah - Bangaon : UP33861/DN33858 Sealdah - Naihati : UP 31447/DN 31450 CANCELLATION OF EMU

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33651/DN 33652 Sealdah – Dankuni: UP 32211, 32213, 32215, 32217/DN 32212, 32214, 32216, 32218 Sealdah – Barasat: UP 33431/DN 33432 Sealdah – Ranaghat: UP 31611/DN 31612

Sealdah - Bangaon: UP 33817/DN 33826 Moreover, DN 33812 Ban

gaon - Sealdah EMU local will be short terminated at Dum Dum Cantt. Station instead of Sealdah and UP 33813 Sealdah – Bangaon EMU local will be short originated from Dum Dum Cantt. Station instead of Sealdah & will be rescheduled at 04:45 hrs. from Dum Dum Cantt. station on 3.8.2025 (Sunday). The block is absolutely essential from the safety point of view as well as smooth running of trains.

Regulation of trains for Track Maintenance Work near Bandel Station

MI News Service, Kolkata: For track maintenance work near Bandel station, traffic and power block has been planned on 02.08.2025 (Saturday). Consequently, following arrangements have been made

Cancellation of EMU locals on 02.08.2025 (Saturday) : From Bandel: 37538, 37540, 37751

From Naihati : 37537, 37539

Moreover, 13465 Howrah - Malda Town Intercity Express will be controlled for 30 minutes enroute.

Educational meeting in Pakshi



Nurul Islam Khan

A four-day semi-annual educational meeting was held in Pakshi, organized by Furfura Darbar Sharif. Today, on the fourth day, i.e. Friday, the current Gaddinshin of Furfura, Pir Shaikh Mishkat Siddiqui Sahib, presented the sermon. The Pir Sahib prayed for world peace.



A shop owner arranges 'Rakhis' ahead of the 'Raksha Bandhan' festival, in Agartala.

Additional stoppage of six (6) express trains at different stations in Dhanbad division over East Central Railway

MI News Service, Kolkata: Railway has decided to provide additional stoppage of six (06) express trains at Bhandaridah, Chhipadohar, Obra Dam, Barwadih, Gurpa, Gujhandi, Phulwartanr and Bokaro Thermal stations in Dhanbad Division over East Central Railway for two (2) minutes as under:

11447 Jabalpur - Howrah Express (journey commencing on & from 02.08.2025) will arrive at Bhandaridah, Chhipadohar & Obra Dam stations at 15:36 hrs, 10:32 hrs & 06:00 hrs respectively and 11448 Howrah - Jabalpur Express (journey commencing on & from 02.08.2025) will arrive at Bhandaridah, Chhipadohar & Obra Dam stations at 18:56 hrs, 23:26 hrs & 04:31 hrs re-

General Manager felicitates

retired Metro Employees

MINews Service, Kolkata: Today i.e. on 01.08.2025, Shri P. Uday

MI News Service, Bulandshahar: Nearly seven years after

mob violence over alleged cow slaughter rocked Buland-

shahr, a district court on Tuesday convicted 38 people in-

cluding BJP leader and former Bajrang Dal district convener Yogesh Raj in connection with the incident that claimed the lives of police inspector Subodh Kumar Singh The violence erupted on December 3, 2018, in Chin-

grawathi village, Syana tehsil, after carcasses of cows were reportedly discovered in a sugarcane field near Mahav village. The rumours triggered a mob that clashed with police, set the Chingrawathi outpost ablaze, damaged vehicles, and pelted stones. Inspector Singh, who

had been investigating a cow slaughter case, was shot

dead. A 20-year-old man, Sumit Kumar, also died, al-

The Special Investigation Team filed a chargesheet

against 44 people. On Tuesday, the court found 38 guilty

gesh Raj, and the rest for rioting, arson, criminal con-

spiracy, and attempt to murder. One accused was a minor

and is being tried separately, while five others died dur-

Sentencing for the 38 convicts will be announced on Au-

gust 1. All are in judicial custody. The verdict is being

seen as a significant moment in a case that highlighted

political involvement in mob violence, cow vigilantism,

five for murder under Section 302 IPC, including Yo-

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13025 Howrah – Bhopal Express (journey commencing on & from 04.08.2025) will arrive at Barwadih & Obra Dam stations at 22:27 hrs & 03:05 hrs respectively and 13026 Bhopal - Howrah Express (journey commencing on & from 06.08.2025) will arrive at Barwadih & Obra Dam stations at 03:16 hrs & 22:38 hrs re-

13151 Kolkata – Jammu Tawi Express (journey commencing on & from 02.08.2025) will arrive at Gurpa & Gujhandi stations at 19:29 hrs & 19:08 hrs respectively and 13152 Jammu Tawi - Kolkata Express (journey commencing on & from 02.08.2025) will arrive at Gurpa & Gujhandi stations at 07:16 hrs & 07:37 hrs respectively.

13403 Ranchi - Bhagalpur Express (journey commencing on & from 02.08.2025) will arrive at Phulwartanr station at 22:24 hrs.

18603 Ranchi - Bhagalpur Express (journey commencing on & from 02.08.2025) will arrive at Phulwartanr station at 18:19 hrs. and 18604 Bhagalpur – Ranchi Express (journey commencing on & from 03.08.2025) will arrive at Phulwartanr station at 01:57 hrs.

19607 Kolkata - Madar Jn Exress (journey commencing on & from 07.08.2025) will arrive at Bokaro Thermal station at 19:02 hrs. and 19608 Madar Jn - Kolkata Express

(journey commencing on & from 04.08.2025) will arrive at Bokaro Thermal station at 07:35 hrs. No deal between Iran, US

MI News Service, Tehran: There will be no deal between Iran and the United States as long as Washing-ton demands that Iran agree to zero uranium enrich-ment, Iranian Foreign Minister Seyed Abbas Araghchi has said. In an interview re-Araghchi told Financial Times (FT) in Tehran that the two sides can negotiate, but "with zero enrichment, we don't have a thing." Noting that Iran retains its capabilities to enrich uranium, Araghchi said when and how the country restarts its enrichment "depends on the circumstances," according to the FT report.

As for the possibility of resuming the nuclear talks between Iran and the United States, Araghchi said "the road to negotiation is narrow but it's not impossible," urging Washington to show "real determination for a win-win deal" and come up with "real confidence-building measures." Washington must explain why it attacked Iran, compensate Iran for the damage it has done, and ensure it will not attack Iran again during future talks, he said, Xinhua news agency reported.

On Monday, Araghchi had stated that Iran needs to continue domestic uranium enrichment for the production of radiopharmaceutimatic efforts in recent weeks over the nuclear issue. Last week, Iran as well as France, Britain and Germany, collectively known as the E3, resumed nuclear talks in Istanbul. Iranian Foreign Ministry Spoke sman Esmaeil Baghaei said a team of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) will visit Iran within the next two weeks, during which a manual regarding the future of Iran's cooperation with the IAEA will be presented. In recent days, Washington has repeatedly demanded that Iran completely cease uranium enrichment, a request firmly rejected by Tehran.

Israel launched major airstrikes on several areas in Iran on June 13, including nuclear and military sites, followed by US airstrikes on three Iranian nuclear sites on June 22. After 12 days of fighting, a ceasefire between Iran and Israel was reached on

'Swachhata Abhiyan -**2025**' campaign observed across Malda Division



News Service, Malda: As part of 78th Independence Day of our nation the 'Swachhata Abhiyan - 2025' campaign is being observed over Malda Division from 1st August to 31st October 2025 with a series of cleanliness activities aimed at promoting hygiene and environmental consciousness. To formally inaugurate the campaign, Divisional Railway Manager, Malda, Shri Manish Kumar Gupta administered the Swachhata Pledge to officers and staff to contribute 100 hours per year, or Two (2) hours per week, towards cleanliness. The pledge-taking ceremony witnessed enthusiastic participation from Railway officials, including Chief Medical Superintendent, Malda, Smt. Anupa Ghosh, along with other Senior Branch Officers and staff members.

In alignment with the objectives of the campaign, an awareness drive was also conducted to educate employees about the harmful

effects of consuming Pan and Gutkha, which often lead to life-threatening diseases such as cancer. Leading the campaign, Smt. Anupa Ghosh sensitized employees about the health hazards and also emphasized the importance of refraining from spitting in public places, as it undermines cleanliness and public health efforts. Such awareness and cleanliness campaigns were simultaneously carried out at Malda Town Station, Bhagalpur Station, DEMU Shed/Sahibganj, and Diesel Shed/Jamalpur, engaging staff across multiple departments. This threemonth-long campaign will focus on intensive cleanliness drives across stations, office premises, trains, tracks, and railway colonies, along with awareness programmes for staff and passengers and will reaffirm the Railways' commitment to maintaining a carbonneutral and clean environ-

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demand: Iranian FM cals and to fuel the country's "nascent" nuclear power reactors. "No one in their right mind would abandon the fruits of tremendous investment in homegrown and peaceful technology which is saving lives — and simply because bullying foreigners demand it," Araghchi said on social media platform X. Iran has stepped up diplo-

amid zero enrichment

Kumar Reddy, General Manager, Metro Railway has felicitated 104 retired Metro employees. Terming these staff as the pride of Metro Railway, General Manager thanked them for giving their best for the improvement of Metro Railway. All senior officers and staff were present in this programme. BJP leader Yogesh Raj among 38 convicted in 2018 Bulandshahr violence over alleged cow slaughter

European powers' rising call for Palestine's statehood exposes transatlantic divide

MI News service, London: Mounting civilian suffering and humanitarian crises in Gaza are pushing European powers toward formal recognition of the State of Palestine, exposing a widening rift between Europe and the United States over the future of the Middle East peace process.

France is taking the lead, with Britain and Germany increasing pressure on Israel to act. On July 24, French President Emmanuel Macron announced that his country would officially recognize Palestine during the United Nations General Assembly in September, making it the first G7 country to do so. France's decision marks a shift from previous European positions on the issue. According to Le Monde, the tipping point was Israel's continued bombardment of Gaza and its deliberate obstruction of humanitarian aid, which has fueled famine and civilian suffering. The failure of ceasefire negotiations, limited U.S. diplomatic engagement, and the Israeli Knesset's recent symbolic vote to annex parts of the West Bank have reinforced perceptions in Paris and London that long-standing international mediation efforts have broken down. Adel Bakawan, a researcher at the French Institute for International

and Strategic Affairs, said France was seizing a "window of political opportunity" as U.S. influence in the region continues to decline. "France is offering an alternative vision," he said. Analysts view the move as a calculated effort to inject momentum into a peace process long dominated by Israel, Hamas, and the United States, all of whom, they say, have shown little appetite for compromise. In London, the British government stepped up pressure on Israel on Tuesday, as Downing Street issued a statement urging "immediate and meaningful" action to ease the humanitarian disaster in Gaza.

JSCA Stalwarts Dominate East Zone Selection for Duleep Trophy 2025-26

RANCHI: In a significant moment of pride for Jharkhand cricket, the East Zone Selection Committee has handpicked six exceptional talents from the Jharkhand State Cricket Association (JSCA) for the upcoming Duleep Trophy Domestic Season 2025-2026. The selection meeting convened today at the JSCA International Stadium Complex, Ranchi, marked a monrecognition Jharkhand's cricketing prowess on the national stage

The prestigious Duleep Trophy renowned for being a breeding ground for India's future cricketing elites, is scheduled to be held at the BCCI Centre of Excellence, Bengaluru, from August 28 to September 15, 2025.

A total of six formidable players from the JSCA fold have carved their names into the elite squad representing East Zone. Leading this illustrious contingent is Ishan Kishan, who has been entrusted with the captaincy, reflecting his tactical acumen and aggressive batting flair.

PAKISTAN TO FACE AFGHANISTAN **AND UAE IN T20 TRI-SERIES AHEAD OF ASIA CUP**

NEW DELHI [INDIA] : Pakistan will lock horns with Afghanistan and the United Arab Emirates in a triangular series which will be played in the T20 format from August 29 onwards, as per the ICC. The tournament will take place ahead of the Asia Cup in September, as the sub-continent teams prepare for next year's T20 World Cup. The opening fixture will see Pakistan square up against last year's T20 World Cup semi-finalists, Afghanistan. All three teams will face each other twice, with the top two sides then advancing to the final scheduled for 7 September. The two teams have played against each other at the Sharjah Cricket Stadium five times in T20Is, with Pakistan having got the better of Afghanistan thrice while the latter have emerged victorious on two other occasions. Pakistan are currently in the midst of a three-match T20I series against West Indies, having lost 2-1 against Bangladesh in

their previous assignment. Meanwhile, Afghanistan last featured in the shortest format back in December, when they bested Zimbabwe 2-1 in a threematch series.

UAE also arrive into the tournament on the back of a memorable T20I series win against Bangladesh in May.

Tri-series schedule: (All matches to be played in

Sharjah) August 29 - Afghanistan v

August 30 - UAE v Pakistan. September 1 - UAE v

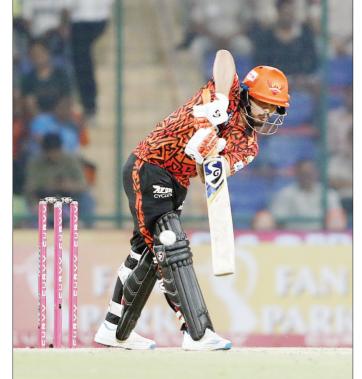
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5 Šeptember - Afghanistan vs

7 September - Final.





order batsman Virat Singh, the technically sound Sharandeep Singh, the ever-reliable all-rounder Utkarsh Singh, the emerging left-arm spinner Manishi, and the explosive young wicketkeeperbatsman Kumar Kushagra.

This selection is being hailed as a testament to the robust cricketing infrastructure and relentless talent cultivation undertaken by JSCA in recent years. It is also indicative of Jharkhand's steady rise as a formidable force in

Indian domestic cricket. With the Duleep Trophy often regarded as the litmus test for players eyeing national team callups, the inclusion of these six players underscores the strategic depth and bench strength JSCA has nurtured. Particularly notable is the blend of seasoned campaigners like Ishan Kishan and Virat Singh, who bring interna-tional and IPL experience, alongside promising young guns like Kushagra and Manishi, eager to leave their mark.

JSCA Secretary and former Team India player Saurabh Tiwari

"This is a proud day for Jharkhand cricket. The consistent finally been rewarded at the zonal level. We believe this contingent has the capability to shine at the way into Team India's future

performances of our players across domestic formats have national platform and pave their The upcoming Duleep Trophy

fixtures will not only provide these players with a highly competitive environment but also serve as a critical platform to catch the selectors' eye for India A tours and potentially the senior national side. With Ishan Kishan at the helm, leading a squad brimming with Jharkhand talent, cricket aficionados are anticipating a power-packed campaign from the East Zone contingent, heavily reliant on the JSCA stalwarts to deliver match-winning performances. The cricketing fraternity in Ranchi and beyond now eagerly awaits the team's exploits in Bengaluru, hoping to witness another chapter of Jharkhand's

and Deepak Prakash Toppo (17'), who also scored one goal each. On the other side, Rehan Shafi Khan (34) managed to score the only goal for his side, Hockey Maharashtra. Hockey Punjab defeated Hockey

In the last match today, Hockey Haryana won 3-0 against the Hockey Unit of Tamil Nadu. Captain Ankur Ror (28', 53', 55') led from the front and singlehandedly took the game away Konthoujam (41') also contributed joined by Romit Pal (20', 25') who Randhawa (51') scored the conso- Unit of Tamil Nadu.

Day 5 Results: 15th Hockey India Sub Junior Men National Championship 2025 CHAMPIONSHIP 025, CHENNA

Odisha faced off Maharashtra in the next match of Division 'A' where Hockey Association of Odisha won 5-1 after defeating the opponent.

Arman Soreng (12', 43', 49') scored a hat-trick, joined by his teammates Sanjeet Raj Lakra (51')

Also, in the next match, Karnataka 10-0. Mandeep Singh (5', 41') scored a brace whereas Gursimranpreet Singh (14'), Varinder Singh (17'), Arshpreet Singh (23'), Yuvraj Singh (30'), Akash Deep (36'), Jashanpreet Singh (47'), Anurag Singh (55') and Vijay Kumar Pal (60') also scored one goal each to secure first win in the tournament.

Oval Test: Siraj-Prasidh fightback as England finish at 215/7 at Tea (Day 2)

LONDON [UK] : Three scalps each from Mohammed Siraj and Prasidh Krishna brought India right back into the game as England finished on 215/7, trailing by nine runs at the end of the second session on Day 2 of the fifth Test at the Oval, on Friday.

Prasidh took two wickets right before tea as he removed England's highest run scorer of the ongoing series, Jamie Smith, for eight, followed by Jamie Overton for a duck.

At the start of the second session's play, England were 109/1, with Crawley (52*) and Ollie Pope (12*) unbeaten. They trail by 115

Prasidh Krishna gave the host an early blow in the second session as he removed Zak Crawley 64 off 57 balls, and Joe Root joined Pope in the middle.

Krishna's partner from the other end, Mohammed Siraj, joined the party as he removed Pope for 22 off 44 balls in the 25th over, and Harry Brook joined Root in the middle.

Root continued to attack Indian seamers; he surpassed Sachin Tendulkar (7216 in India) to have the second most runs at home venues in Tests. The No.1 Test batter now has 7220 in England.

Root also completed 2000 Test runs against India at home. Only Don Bradman has a higher aggregate against an opponent in home Tests (2354 vs England).

Siraj removed Root in the 33rd over for 29 off 45 balls, and Jacob Bethell joined Brook in the middle. England reached 190/4 after 36 overs, trailing India by 34 runs, with Harry Brook and Jacob Bethell at the crease.

Siraj, on a toe-crushing yorker, removed Bethell, who was struggling to put bat on ball for 6 in the 37th over. As a partnership was building between Brook and Jamie Smith, Prasidh Krishna removed Smith 8 courtesy of a brilliant catch from KL Rahul in Earlier in the day, a five-wick-

et haul by pacer Gus Atkinson and a quickfire 92-run opening stand by Ben Duckett and Zak Crawley pushed India to the back foot during the first session of the second day of the fifth Test against England at The Oval on Friday.

At the end of the session's play, England was 109/1, with Crawley



(52*) and Ollie Pope (12*) unbeaten. They trail by 115 runs. India kick-started day two at 204/6, with Karun Nair (52*) and Washington Sundar (19*) unbeat-

The duo started the day on a positive note, with Nair and Sundar getting a boundary each against Josh Tongue in the first over of the day.

Nair did survive a leg-beforewicket against Atkinson, but Josh Tongue got him lbw for 57 in 109 balls, with eight fours. Tongue sprayed it down the leg side and well outside off, but the ball nipped back in sharply and beat the inside edge of Nair's bat to crash into his back pad knee roll.

India was 218/7, with the 55run partnership over between the duo. Sundar also holed it to the deep square leg in the hands of Jamie Overton, with Tongue getting his wicket for 26 in 55 balls, with three fours. India was 220/8.

Mohammed Siraj and Prasidh Krishna were done away with by Atkinson, who got his five-wicket haul. India was bundled out for 224 runs in 69.4 overs. Atkinson (5/33) and Tongue (3/57) were destructive with the ball for England, never letting India settle

with a massive partnership .
Brief Scores: England: 215/7
(Zak Crawley 64, Ben Duckett 43; Prasidh Krishna 3/51). Vs India 224 (Karun Nair 57, Sai Sudharsan 38; Gus Atkinson

ISRL crosses season two dates with fan parks, motorsport festivals

MUMBAI (MAHARASHTRA): The Indian Supercross Racing League (ISRL), in collaboration with the Federation of Motor Sports Clubs of India (FMSCI), on Friday officially confirmed the Season 2 racing calendar, marking the return of India's most electrifying stadium-based motorsport spectacle.

CHENNAI (TAMIL NADU) : On Day-5 of the 15th Hockey India Sub Junior Men National

Chhattisgarh, Manipur, Uttar Pradesh, Odisha, Punjab and Haryana had a fruitful outing

after securing win in their respec-

tive matches at the Mayor

Radhakrishnan Hockey Stadium

in Chennai, according to a release

the first

Chhattisgarh won 6-2 against Bengal in Division 'B'. Adarsh Raj

Singh (3', 8', 20', 60') scored the

opening goal of the match and

stood out as the top goal scorer for

Chhattisgarh. Aman Verma (48')

and Abhishek Yadav (58') also

scored one goal each to put their

team in a strong position.

On the other side, Abhishek

Shaw (6') and Hiten Rajak (35')

scored for Hockey Bengal but fell

short. In the next match, Manipur

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Ningombam Singh (4', 55') and

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After a record-breaking debut season with 30,000-plus live spectators across three rounds and over 11.50 million broadcast and digital viewers, ISRL is back to deliver a bigger, bolder, and more immersive experience for motorsport enthusiasts across the coun-

ISRL SEASON 2 CALENDAR -Round 1: October 25 & 26 -Round 2: December 6 & 7 -Round 3: December 20 & 21 Each round will feature two adrenaline-fueled days of official

practice sessions, high-stakes qualifying heats, and thrilling main races, where Indian riders will compete shoulder-to-shoulder with international stars from six continents.

with one goal each to take the

game further away from Hockey

Division 'A', Uttar Pradesh Hockey

defeated Delhi 10-1. Shahrukh Ali

(5', 29', 38', 43') scored four goals

in the match for Uttar Pradesh

Also, in the next match of

Fans can expect: -Immersive Reise Moto Fan Parks - featuring pit-lane access, AR/VR racing simulators, live

entertainment, and family-friendly interactive zones -Meet-and-Greets with Riders and exclusive behind-the-scenes experiences.

-Lifestyle and automotive showcases, turning each round into a full-fledged motorsport fes-

"ISRL Season 2 is designed to be more than just a race, it is a celebration of motorsports culture in India. With international legends, home-grown heroes, and



the first-ever ISRL Fan Park presented by Reise Moto, we are bringing fans closer to the thrill of Supercross than ever before," Eeshan Lokhande, Co-founder,

also scored a couple of goals in the

(26'), Mohmmad Danish (42') and

Mohd Aqib Raynee (60') also

scored one goal each to confirm

the first victory in the tournament.

Captain Uday

Dhanuk Karan (23'), Sunil Pal

second quarter.

With strategic gaps between rounds, teams will fine-tune their

machines to ensure world-class racing that pushes the limits of skill, speed, and spectacle. Season 2 is set to cement India's place on the global Supercross map, uniting motorsport fans, families, and thrill-seekers in a next-generation racing festival.

Young boxers begin their campaign at U19 Asian Boxing Championships 2025 in Bangkok

BANGKOK [THAILAND] : India's junior boxing team kicks off its campaign today at the U19 Asian Boxing Championships 2025 in Bangkok, with four young athletes representing the country on the opening day. As the tournament unfolds, these rising stars are set to showcase their grit and determination against some of Asia's toughest opponents.

The morning session, scheduled for 9:30 AM IST*, saw Suman Kumari taking on Meng-Sin Cheng of Chinese Taipei in the Women's Light Flyweight (48kg) category, in which the Indian pugilist emerged victorious. Additionally, Aakash Badhwar will step into the ring in the Men's Flyweight (50kg) division, facing a formidable opponent



in Odilshoh Khalimov of Uzbekistan, as per a release from

The action continues in the evening session at 4:30 PM IST*. where Sarthi Saini will face off against Haosheng Zhang of China in the Light Middleweight (70kg) category. Later in the session, Lokesh will represent India in the Light Heavyweight (80kg) division, going up against Norbek Abdullaev of Uzbekistan. These bouts mark a significant start for India at the championships, with each athlete carrying the promise of future glory. With focused preparation and national pride on their shoulders, the Indian contingent is aiming to set a strong tone early in the tournament. India have sent a total of 40 promising youngsters to the Asian U19 and U22 Boxing Championships. Spanning until August 12, the tournament will bring together 396 boxers from 26 nations, making it one of the premier stages for emerging talent across the continent, as per a release from BAI.

The tournament is being held at the iconic Indoor Stadium Huamark, the event is being organised by the Asian Boxing in association with World Boxing and the Thailand Boxing Association. It featured two age groups, U19 (born between 2007 and 2008) and U22 (born between 2004 and 2006), with both men and women competing under Olympic-style boxing

Duckett-Crawley slams most 50+ partnerships as opening pair against India in Test

LONDON [UK]: England openers Zak Crawley-Ben Duckett continue their brilliance against India as the duo now has the most 50+ (8) partnerships for an opening pair against the Men in Blue in Tests.

They achieved this feat in their outing in the fifth and final match of the Anderson-Tendulkar Trophy against India on Friday at the Duckett and Crawley in 18 innings have added 984 runs as open-

ing pair against India the most runs by an England openers, against the Men in Blue surpassing 932 runs in 20 innings added by Alastair Cook and Andrew Strauss. Duckett is the second highest run scorer for England in the ongo-

ing Test series against India, he has slammed 408 in 8 innings at an average of 51.00 with two fifties and a hundred under his belt. On the other hand, Crawley has got starts in the Anderson-

Tendulkar Trophy but has not converted them into big scores; he has managed to make 264 runs in eight innings at an average of 37.71 with three fifties under his name. Coming to the match, a five-wicket haul by pacer Gus Atkinson

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