Police Investigate Alleged Sexual Assault on a Student in School

Police are investigating a serious allegation of sexual assault on a fourth-grade student inside a private English-medium school operating within the premises of a government school in Naktala. The incident, which occurred on Tuesday, August 13, has prompted a police case to be filed under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act (POCSO). The accused is an outsider who was reportedly at the school to deliver books, and a teacher, Shampa Das, is under scrutiny for allegedly helping the suspect escape. PG 3



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NCERT module blames Cong for **Partition**

MI News Service, New Delhi: A booklet prepared by government-controlled NCERT has blamed the Congress for failing to un-derstand the ideology of religious separatism and accepting the Muslim League's demand, leading to the Partition of India. The National Council of **Educational Research and** Training's special module on Partition Horrors Remembrance Day for secondary school students lists four lessons from the historical event, including one that says "a wise, patient and determined leadership is necessary for a country". It said the leaders then had not seriously reflected on the ideology of religious separatism and the claims of special privileges for a particular religion. "Historically, three actors were responsible for Partition: 1. Jinnah, who demanded it. 2. The Congress, which accepted it. 3. Mountbatten, who formalised and implemented it. Thus, only when Jinnah remained adamant and Nehru and Patel reluctantly gave their consent did Mountbatten present Partition as a final solution. The British government tried their best to preserve India as one until the end," the module

According to the module, Muslim League leader Muhammad Ali Jinnah made the demand for Pakistan in 1940 as a separate nation for Muslims. A cabinet mission from London in 1946 proposed a federation with three groups of provinces — Group A (Hindu-majority) Groups B and C (Muslim majority). The plan aimed to grant significant autonomy to the groups, with the central government controlling defence, foreign affairs and communications. Initially, the Congress accepted the proposal, but later backtracked. Jinnah declared "Direct Action Day" on August 16, 1946, to use violence to enforce the Pakistan demand. "Nehru and Patel accepted Partition to avert civil war and anarchy. Once they did, (Mahatma) Gandhi too gave up his opposition," it stated. The module said the main lessons from the Partition were that citizens should refuse politics based on religion and leaders must prioritise the nation's welfare above personal or party interests.

ED raids TN min properties in money laundering probe

MI News Service, Chennai: The Enforcement Directorate (ED) raided properties linked to Tamil Nadu minister and DMK senior leader I. Periyasamy and his MLA son, I.P. Senthil Kumar, in Chennai and Dindigul as part of an ongoing probe under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), sources said. Responding to the ED raids, the ruling DMK in the state said it was an attempt to divert attention from "vote chori", a term coined by Congress leader Rahul Gandhi over alleged electoral fraud in the 2024 elections that the BJP-led NDA won. Periya samy represents the Athoor Assembly constituency in

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MODI inaugurates 2 high ways worth Rs 11K Cr

MI News Service, New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday inaugurated the Delhi section of the Dwarka Expressway and the Urban Extension Road-II (UER- II), worth nearly Rs 11,000 crore, which are aimed at reducing traffic jams in Delhi and its surrounding areas. The two projects have been developed under the government's comprehensive plan to decongest the capital, with the objective of greatly improving connectivity, cutting travel time, and reducing traffic in Delhi and its surrounding areas. These new projects are expected to significantly reduce travel time from Sonipat, Rohtak, Bahadurgarh and Gurugram to IGI Airport when completely operational. "Dwarka Expressway and UER-II will benefit people of Delhi-NCR...Government is making efforts to remove all difficulties of people of Delhi," Modi said after inaugurating these projects.

The 10.1 km long Delhi section of Dwarka Expressway has been developed at a cost of around Rs 5.360 crore. The section will also provide multi-modal connectivity to Yashobhoomi, Delhi Metro Blue line and Orange line, upcoming Bijwasan railway station and Dwarka cluster bus depot. The stretch has been divided into two parts: package I: 5.9 km from Shiv Murti intersection to

MI News Service, Kathua:

A cloudburst struck a re-

mote village in Kathua dis-

trict of Jammu and

Kashmir, leaving seven

persons dead and six oth-

ers injured, officials said

Jod Ghati village of Ra-

jbagh during the interven-

ing night of Saturday and

Sunday, snapping access to

the village and causing

some damage to land and

property, they said. After

hectic efforts, a joint team

of police and State Disaster

Response Force (SDRF)

have reached the scene

and joined the local volun-

teers. So far, bodies of

seven persons have been

recovered while six others

were rescued in an injured

condition and are being

shifted to hospital, the offi-

cials said. While five per-

sons lost their lives in Jodh

Ghati which was hit by the

cloudburst, snapping ac-

cess to the village and

causing damage to some

houses, two persons lost

their lives in landslide trig-

gered by rains at Janglote

The cloudburst struck

on Sunday.

Another cloudburst

claims 7 lives in Kathua

also hit Bagard and Changda villages under

the jurisdiction of Kathua

police station and Dilwan-

Hutli in Lakhanpur police

station area but there was

no major report of dam-

age. Chief minister Omar

Abdullah directed the ad-

ministration to carry out

relief, rescue and evacua-

tion measures to ensure

pressed grief over the

tragic loss of lives and

damage caused by land-

slides in several parts of

Kathua, including Jodh

Khad and Juthana, which

claimed four lives and left many injured. "He con-

veyed heartfelt condo-

lences to the bereaved

families, prayed for the

speedy recovery of the in-

jured, and assured all nec-

essary assistance," the office of the chief minister

said on X. It said the chief

minister has directed the

administration to carry out

immediate relief, rescue

and evacuation measures

"Chief Minister has ex-

safety of people.



'Delhi witnessing development revolution': PM Modi inaugurates 2 highways worth $\ge 11,000$ cr to decongest NCR.

the Road Under Bridge (RUB) at Dwarka Sector-21, package II: 4.2 km from Dwarka Sector-21 RUB to the Delhi-Haryana Border, providing direct connectivity to Urban Extension Road-II. Also Read - CJI Gavai inaugurates Bombay HC's 4th bench in Kolhapur Modi interacted with labourers while doing inspection of the Dwarka Expressway. He also held a roadshow in Mundka-Bakkarwala Village Toll Plaza, Delhi. The 19 km long Haryana section of the Dwarka Expressway was earlier inaugurated by the prime minister in March 2024

Modi also inaugurated the Alipur to Dichaon Kalan stretch of Urban Extension Road-II (UER-II) along with new links to Bahadurgarh and Sonipat, built at a cost of around Rs 5,580 crore. It will ease traffic on Delhi's Inner and Outer Ring Roads and busy points like Mukarba Chowk, Dhaula Kuan, and NH-09. The new spurs will give direct access to Bahadurgarh and Sonipat, improve industrial connectivity, cut city traffic, and speed up goods movement in the NCR.

INDIA-US trade talks called off



MI News Service, New Delhi/Washington:

planned visit by U.S. trade negotiators to New Delhi from August 25-29 has been called off, a source said, delaying talks on a proposed trade agreement and dashing hopes of relief from additional U.S. tariffs on Indian goods from August 27. The current round of negotiations for the proposed bilateral trade agreement is now likely to be deferred to another date that has yet to be decided, the source with direct knowledge of the matter said. The U.S. embassy in New Delhi said it has no additional information on the trade and tariff talks, which are being handled by the United States Trade Representative (USTR).

India's trade ministry did not immediately reply to a Reuters email seeking comments. Earlier this month, U.S. President Donald Trump imposed an additional 25% tariff on Indian goods, citing New Delhi's continued imports of Russian oil in a move that sharply escalated tensions between the two na-

The new import tax, which will come into effect from August 27, will raise duties on some Indian exports to as high as 50% among the highest levied

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ECI CANNOT BE MADE TO WORK ON GUN POINT: CEC GYANESH KUMAR

MI News Service, New Delhi: The Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls is aimed at removing all shortcomings in voters lists and it is a matter of grave concern that some parties are spreading misinformation about it, Chief Election Commissioner Gynaesh Kumar said on Sunday as the Congress and other INDIA bloc parties launched 'Voter Adhikar Yatra' in poll-bound Bihar against alleged "votechori". Addressing a press conference, the CEC rejected as baseless the allegations of double voting and "vote theft" and asserted that all stakeholders are working to make SIR a success in a transparent manner. "22 lakh 'dead voters' in Bihar did not die in past 6 months but over past several years. However, it was not put in records," said the Election

Commissioner. "It is a matter of grave concern that some parties and their leaders are spreading misinformation on SIR in Bihar. EC exhorts all political parties to file claims and objections on draft electoral rolls in Bihar... 15 days are still remaining. "Doors of the Election Commission are open to everyone, and boothlevel officers and agents are working together in a transparent manner," he said.

SHUBHANSHU

returns to India

MI News Service, New Delhi:

Shukla returned to India

early Sunday after his his-

toric visit to the Interna-

tional Space Station (ISS).

Shukla, who has been in the

US training for the Axiom-4

mission to the ISS over the

past year, was welcomed at

the airport by Union Minis-

ter Jitendra Singh, Delhi

Chief Minister Rekha Gupta,

and ISRO Chairman V

Shukla's backup astro-

naut, Prashanth Balakrish-

nan Nair, also returned to

the homeland. He is expected to return to the capi-

tal to participate in the

National Space Day celebra-

proposed a special discus-

sion in the Lok Sabha on

Monday on the subject

aboard the International

Space Station -- Critical role

of the space programme for

Viksit Bharat by 2047 -- to

mark Shukla's return to

India. "India's space glory

touches Indian soil... as the

iconic son of Mother India,

#Gaganyatri Shubhanshu

Shukla, lands in Delhi in the

early hours of this morning.

Accompanying him, another

equally accomplished Group

Captain Prashanth Balakr-

ishnan Nair, one of the as-

tronauts selected for India's

Gaganyaan, who was India's

designated backup for the

mission to the International

Space Station #ISS," Singh

said in a post on X. Earlier

on Saturday, Shukla had

posted a smiling photograph

of himself sitting in an aero-

plane on Instagram, saying

he was filled with mixed

emotions as he left the US

and looked forward to re-

turning to India to share his

experiences with everyone back home. "As I sit on the

plane to come back to India,

I have a mix of emotions

running through my heart. I

feel sad leaving a fantastic

group of people behind who

were my friends and family

for the past year during this

mission. I am also excited

about meeting all my

friends, family, and every-

one in the country for the

first time post-mission. I

guess this is what life is

Shukla said in the post.

everything all at once,"

credible love and support

from everyone during and

after the mission, I can't

wait to come back to India to

share my experiences with

"Having received in-

human mission

The government has

first astronaut

tions on August 22-23.

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Kumar said the EC cannot discriminate among political parties, and both ruling and opposition parties are equal before the poll authority. "It is an insult to the Indian Constitution if election petitions are not filed within



said. Neither the EC nor the voters are scared of "baseless allegations" of double voting and "vote chori", Kumar asserted, adding that the Election Commission will remain steadfast with voters of all classes without bothering about politics being played by some The comments come as the Opposition stepped up its attack against the poll roll revision in Bihar and on the allegations of 'vote chori' raised by Congress. Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Sunday said the whole country now knows that the Election Commission is "stealing" elections in collusion with the BJP and asserted that the INDIA bloc will not let them succeed in their "conspiracy" to steal Bihar Assembly polls by voter additions and deletions through the Special Intensive Revision of electoral rolls. He was addressing a gathering in Sasaram at the launch event of his 1,300 km 'Voter Adhikar Yatra' covering over

Chinese Foreign Min on 2-day visit to India



Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi MI News Service, New Delhi: India and China are expected to discuss new confidence-building measures for durable peace and tranquillity along their contested border during Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi's twoday visit to India beginning Monday. Wang's visit is largely seen as part of ongoing efforts by the two neighbours to rebuild their relationship after it came under severe strain following the deadly Galwan Valley clashes in 2020. The trip assumed greater significance in view of increasing tensions in India-US relations following President Donald Trump doubling tariffs on Indian goods to 50 per cent that included an additional penalty of 25 per cent for purchasing Russian oil.

The Chinese foreign minister will be in India primarily to hold a fresh round of Special Representatives (SR) dialogue on the boundary question with National Security Advisor Ajit Doval. Wang and Doval are the designated special representatives for the boundary talks. Both sides are expected to deliberate on new confidence-building measures besides reviewing the overall situation along the Line of Actual Control (LAC), people familiar with the matter said. Though the two sides disengaged troops from the friction points, they are yet to de-escalate the situation by pulling back the frontline forces from the border. Each side currently has

around 50,000 to 60,000 troops along the LAC in the eastern Ladakh region. The Chinese foreign minister will also meet External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar. It is learnt that the two sides will also use the opportunity to lay the ground for Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to China to attend the annual summit of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) on August 31 and September 1. As per the plan, PM Modi will embark on a visit to Japan around August 29 and after concluding the trip, he will travel to the northern Chinese city of Tianjin for the summit to be held on August 31 and September 1.

Modi's visit to China is being planned amid efforts by the two sides to repair their bilateral ties which came under severe strain following the deadly clashes between Indian and Chinese troops in Galwan Valley in June 2020. NSA Doval travelled to China in December last and held the SR talks with Wang, weeks after Prime Minister Modi and Chinese President Xi decided to revive various dialogue mechanisms between the two sides at a meeting in the Russian city of Kazan. The military standoff in eastern Ladakh began in May 2020 and the clashes at the Galwan Valley in June that year

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area, the officials said. **▶▶** Continued on page 3

Darjeeling Hills University to launch Astro Club with Calcutta institute

MI News Service, Darjeeling: The Institute of Astronomy, Space, and Earth Science (IASES), based in Calcutta, is set to assist Darjeeling Hills University (DHU) in establishing an Astro Člub at the varsity to encourage students to study and do research on space science. The move aims to create opportunities for students to work on projects in collaboration with universities and research bodies across the country. The decision took shape during a recent virtual meeting between university officials, including acting registrar Sujatarani Rai and finance officer Nirmal Subba, and representatives from IASES. The IASES team included its managing committee member Sudipta Shashmal, Indore IIT astrophysics head Abhirup Dutta, and Shaibal Roy, an associate director at the Centre for Cosmology, Astrophysics and Space Science in GLA Univer-



MI News Service, Kolkata: Chief

minister Mamata Banerjee

has announced financial

compensation for the de-

ceased and injured pilgrims

of the NH19 crash near Bur-

dwan town on Friday morn-

Officials said the state

government announced ₹2

lakh for the next-of-kin of

each of the 11 deceased. The

state will also give ₹1 lakh to

the severely injured persons

and ₹50,000 to those who

recieved minor injuries. On

Saturday, six out of the 11

deceased were identified.

Police said they were Mira

Devi, 30, Amarjit Kumar, 14, Jogi Sahani, 65, Nagina Sa-

hani, 76, Noresh Paswan,

45, and Kundev Paswan, 65.

All residents are residents of Motihari Chapra and Chi-

raiya in Bihar. Animal re-

minister Swapan Debnath on Saturday handed over

development

humanitarian

sity, Mathura, said sources."As a part of its first step, the institute will provide the university with a device to measure earthquakes. A telescope will be used to support astrophysics research," sources. Rai said the Astro Club would be launched in September with a new batch of students once the guidelines arrived from the de-

partment concerned in Calcutta The updates about recruitment of teachers are already posted on the university's website, and the admission process is keeping the administration busy. Alongside this project, DHU is also working with Southfield College to host an international seminar on August 21," she said. Shaibal Roy, a former fac-

Mamata announces Rs 2 lakh for

kin of deceased, relief for injured

in NH19 Burdwan bus crash

the compensation to the

family members of the de-

ceased who were identified

as well as all the injured per-

sons by cheque. East Burd-

wan district magistrate

Ayesha Rani A. and superin-

tendent of police Sayak Das were also present. On Fri-day, at least 11 persons were killed and 37, including six

children, injured when a

speeding bus they were in

rammed into a stationary

truck on the Calcutta-Delhi

highway (NH19) at Fagupur

ulty member at Darjeeling Government College, said his team wanted to establish a centre for space studies at DHU to inspire local students to pursue research in astronomy and related sciences. Research registration and coursework can be done from any department of science. The plan reflects a long-term vision to make the university a recognised hub for astronomical research in the region," Roy said. The Darjeeling university, which began in 2022, has struggled with a lack of infrastructure and other operational challenges, said sources at the DHU. "Earlier, the absence of basic facilities had discouraged many students from enrolling, but now, the balls have started rolling. The new partnership with IASES is being seen by teachers and students as another potential turning point," said a source.

under the jurisdiction of the

Burdwan Sadar police sta-

tion. Two of the deceased

were women. Police said all

the deceased and injured

persons were pilgrims and

residents of Motihari Chapra

and Chiraiya police station

areas in Bihar. They were

returning home after visiting

the Ganga Sagar island and

offering prayers at the Shiva

temple in Tarakeswar when

the accident occurred ar-

round 7.30am on Independ-

ence Day. The injured were

admitted to the Burdwan

Medical College and Hospi-

tal. Doctors, who declared

11 dead on arrival, said they

all had suffered severe head

injuries. A BJP delegation

led by Durgapur West MLA

Lakkhan Ghorui visited the

injured persons admitted to

the hospital and spoke to

them. They also appealed to

the doctors for their proper

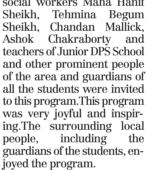
treatment

79th Independence Day was celebrated at Junior **DPS Nibra Branch**

Abdul Hafiz Khan Howrah: On Friday, like every year, 79th Independence Day was celebrated at Junior DPS (Presently J & S Delhi School) Nibra Branch on 15.08-25. The program started with Prabhatmori. Then, our school chairman Maha Hanif Sheikh hoisted the flag and everyone paid tribute through the national anthem. In this program, the students of the school performed pa-



triotic songs, dances and recitations. Through this program, everyone remembered the sacrifices of the freedom fighters.Panchayat Pradhan Sheikh Jahangir, Deputy Vikas Pradhan Naskar, Niranjan Bhat-Lawyer tacharya, members of the Education Trust, prominent social workers Maha Hanif Sheikh, Tehmina Begum Chandan Mallick, Sheikh, Ashok Chakraborty and teachers of Junior DPS School and other prominent people of the area and guardians of all the students were invited to this program. This program was very joyful and inspiring.The surrounding local

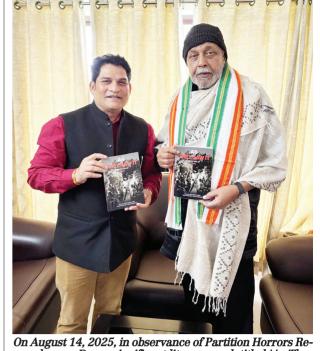


"Pujo Parbon" at Mandevilla Gardens Ahead of the Festive Season

MI News Service, Kolkata: Events has launched one of Kolkata's biggest lifestyle exhibitions — "Pujo Parbon". This three-day fair is being held at the upscale entertain-ment venue Mandevilla Gardens, The Villa Banquet in South Kolkata, Ballygange, and will continue till August 17. The exhibition offers a vibrant assortment of Pujo shopping essentials — from designer sarees, kurtis, blouses, modern and traditional dresses to stylish jewellery and various fashion products.

11 Bihar pilgrims killed, 37 injured as bus rams into truck in Burdwan

MI News Service, Burdwan: At least 11 pilgrims were killed and 37, including six children, injured when a speeding bus they were travelling in rammed into a stationary truck on NH19 near Burdwan town on Friday morning. Police said all the deceased and injured persons were pilgrims and residents of Motihari in Bihar. They were returning home after visiting the Ganga Sagar island and offering prayers at the Shiva temple



membrance Day, a significant literary work titled 'As They Saw It Partition 1947' was unveiled by Mithun Chakraborty, a prominent Indian actor, film producer, screenwriter, entrepreneur, and politician, at his party office in Kolkata. This book, co-authored by Dr. Sachichanand Joshi and Dr. Ravi Tekchandani, explores the complex historical narra-tives surrounding the partition of India, shedding light on the experiences of those who suffered during this tumultuous period. It captures the voices of partition victims, presenting their stories as living legends whose invaluable contributions and perspectives enrich the collective memory of this critical chapter in history. During the launch, Mithun Chakraborty commended the authors for their efforts in bringing these often-overlooked memories to the forefront and emphasized the importance of producing more such works to ensure that the truths of the partition are conveyed to future generations.



Announced by Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee, in collaboration with West Bengal Sports Department, Sports Day (Khela Hube Football Tournament) is celebrated in all the wards of Bengal and Kolkata, which is inaugurated and celebrated under the patronage of a footballer. Each ward councillor organises a football tournament competition to encourage the youth of their area to stay fit and healthy. Following the same pattern, Ward 63 councillor and Borough Seven chairperson Sushmita Bhattacharya Chatterjee and Ward 63 Trinamool president Bablu Pyne and former footballer Jamshed Nasiri as the chief guests inaugurated the football competition by shaking hands with the players of all the participating teams at the Rawdon Square Park ground. While four teams of six players each were ready for the competition, the competition was very tough and the final match was played between the two teams in which the youth of Ward 63's Collin Street emerged victorious by two goals, while Mubarak Ali's Shakespeare Sarani team came second and won the cup. On this occasion former Trinamool Youth President Sheikh Ali Jan, 63 Ward Trinamool Youth President Vishal Khatik, Anwar Bhai, and all Trinamool leaders and workers encouraged the players, gave them prizes and congratulated everyone.

Sikkim set to resume Gangtok-Bagdogra helicopter service after trial run

MI News Service, Gangtok: drawn as it failed to draw The Sikkim Tourism Development Corporation (STDC) has initiated the process of resuming helicopter services between Gangtok and Bagdogra.On Thursday, an MI-172 helicopter conducted a trial run and landed at the Burtuk heliport near Gangtok. "We will soon resume helicopter services in association with Sky One Airways Limited. The service will be available depending on the weather conditions," said a source in STDC.In June, the Sikkim tourism and civil aviation department had decided to replace the MI-172 helicopter with 10-seater light choppers. The service, which was introduced in

March 2024, was with-

passengers. However, in due course, it was decided to resume the service with the same MI-172 chopper. "The helicopter will have 20 seats with a one-day fare of ₹4,500. A passenger can carry a hand baggage weighing up to 10kg," the source said. Those associated with the tourism industry have welcomed the initiative. "Tourists will start reaching Sikkim from the third week of next month during the festive season. A section of them want to avail the chopper service, and if it is introduced by then, it will boost the industry," said De-basish Chakra borty, the general secretary of the Eastern Himalaya Travel & Tour Operators' Association.

Darjeeling MP Raju Bista visits closed NH10 stretch, reviews repair works

MI News Service, Darjee-ling: Raju Bista, the BJP MP of Darjeeling, on Saturday visited the affected stretches of the NH10, the principal highway that connects Sikkim and Kalimpong with Siliguri, to take stock of the situation. The MP also held a meeting with officials of the National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL), NHPC and IRCON for details on the current state of the highway. The NHIDCL, which maintains the highway, has closed a 30km stretch of it from Sevoke to Chitrey in Kalimpong due to multiple landslides and caveins. According to its latest order issued on Friday, the stretch will remain closed till Sunday evening owing to repairs. "We held the meeting to address the issue of the NH10 and find holistic solutions to the perennial prob-lems of landslides, cave-ins and erosion. I will update the Union ministry of road transport and highways (MoRTH) and the central government on the outcome of today (Saturday)'s meeting," Bista said. In recent days, landslides have occurred at Selfiedara, 27th Mile, 18th Mile, and

cave-ins at Swetijhora, all located within this 30km stretch. As a result, the NHIDCL had to stop traffic on this stretch for repairs as as well as for the safety of commuters. Vehicles going to Sikkim and Kalimpong from Siliguri and vice-versa are taking detours.

Earlier, the Bengal part of the NH10, which is 52.1km long, was maintained by the NH division of the Bengal PWD. However, in December last year, MoRTH handed over its maintenance to the NHIDCL. On Saturday, Bista went to Bhasua, between Sevoke Bazar and Kalijhora, where NHIDCL officials told him that it was currently in the process of widening a 150metre-long stretch of the road by 12 metres. They are also carrying out a 38-metrelong slope protection work and constructing drains on the mountainside, they said. The highway runs parallel to the Teesta river. "The officials of NHIDCL explained how they are constructing a protection wall from the base itself so that landslides are controlled and the road is protected from further erosion," Bista said.

Youth dies after blister treatment, tea garden workers allege hospital neglect MI News Service, Jalpaig-

uri: A 19-year-old youth

from the New Glanco tea estate in Jalpaiguri, who was under treatment for a blister at the super-specialty hospital in Malbazar, died on Friday evening. On Saturday, a group from the tea garden resorted to a demonstration at the hospital, alleging that he had died due to neglect. The sit-uation was brought under control after the hospital authorities and police assured them of a probe into the case. Sources said Amit Oraon, the deceased, developed a blister on his right leg. On Thursday afternoon, he was admitted to the hospital. He was ini-tially stable, but on Friday night, his condition deteriorated, and he died. People from the tea estate accused the hospital authorities of neglect and demanded action against the doctors and medical staff concerned. "He was in excruciating pain and died.
This is complete negligence on the part of the doctors and the paramedical staff of the ward where he was under treatment. If the doctors had treated him on time, he could have lived," said Sushil, the youth's father. Sushil filed a complaint with the hospital superintendent, demanding a complete investigation of the case. "It is an unfortunate incident. We are extending all possible help to the bereaved family. They have filed a complaint, and we are conducting an inquiry," said Souraranjan Bose, the superintendent. The protest led the police to intervene. "Based on the information received from the hospital authorities, we

Punarbhaba embankment breach floods South Dinajpur villages, 7,000 displaced



MI News Service, S. Dinajpur: A stretch of the em-Punarbhaba river flowing through South Dinajpur district was breached by the swollen river on Thursday night. The river flooded a few villages in the Nandanpur area of Gangarampur and Tapan blocks of the district because of the breach, leaving around 7,000 people inconvenienced. The administration has shifted them to safer places, while the irrigation department has initiated repairs to stop the river from flooding more areas. Sources said that because of the monsoonal downpour, water levels of the Atrayee, the Punarbhaba and Tangan three principal rivers of the district — had increased in the past few days. On Thursday night, the Punarbhaba breached a 20-metrelong stretch of the embankment in the Jadabbati-Jhartala area of Nanand flooded localities like Amtalighat, Sutil, Basor, and Gonahor. "The river has flooded our area. There are around 500 families who have to shift from the village. The agricultural land is under water. We often face floods and want the administration to

carry out the repairs in a

proper manner," said

Kaushalya Biswas, a Nan-

danpur resident. On Friday, officials from the block offices concerned visited the locations. People were asked to stay away from the river, which is flowing close to the danger level. "The embankment was built during the Left rule, and since then, no major repairs have been carried out. We suspect it has weakened over the years and needs a comprehensive repair. Or else, we have to face the problem of flooding," Manik Biswas,

another resident, said. On Saturday, Sukanta Majumdar, a Union minister of state and the Balurghat MP, visited the affected areas and delivered tarpaulins to the affected families. "The embankment is maintained by the local panchayat. It has become old, and we want the state irrigation department to take over the embankment and carry out proper repairs. We will take up the issue at the necessary quarters," Majumdar said. Sources said the irrigation department had engaged workers to put sandbags and fill the 20metre-long gap to stop water from entering the area. "The water level of the river has started receding. Some immediate works are being carried out, and after the monsoon ends, further repairs will be carried out.

in Tarakeswar.

West Bengal Millat Trust's Blood Donation Camp-2025



Abdul Hafiz Khan, Uluberia: A grand blood donation camp was organized by the West Bengal Millat Trust in Shyampur Gohal Beria, Howrah on Sunday. A total of 50 people, including men and women, donated blood in the camp today. The blood was collected by Phuleshwar Sanjeevan Hospital. Also, the All Bengal Yoga Asana Competition-2025 was organized on the same stage by the West Bengal Millat Trust. The competition was conducted by Yoga and Physio Therapy Center. Supervised by the Expert Yoga Judges Team. This competition was held in five categories among men and women from children to 25 years of age. A total of four hundred and fifty competitors participated in this yoga compe tition. Present at the event today were the Secretary of Millat Trust Sheikh Ansarul Bashar, Secretary of the Program Committee Sheikh Mehbul Hasan, President Sheikh Mohibur Rahman, Sheikh Azahar Uddin, Jahangir Khandaker, Kazi Nazrul Islam, Local Panchayat President Mousumi Maiti, Deputy President Jayanta Patra and others. On this day, the Secretary of the Trust Sheikh Ansarul Bashar said that we have been doing service work for more than 12 years, we work for the society in the field of health education, a school called Disha Public School is running under the supervision of Millat to expand education in the area



On the occasion of Independence Day on August 15, the flag hoisting was done by the chief guest Hawker Union leader Ashok Kumar Mana Chakraborty in the presence of all the members led by South Kolkata Trinamool (INTTUC) Chowringhee & New Market unit Hawker Union Vice President Raja Warsi Prince and Suraj Saha. On this occasion Saif Ali, former councillor Mohammed Mukhtar Ansari, Mohammed Zahid, Jitu, Mohammed Shamir and local residents as well as all the members of Hawker Union were busy celebrating Independence Day with the people present

Grand Celebration of Nand Utsav and Janmashtami at Manmathpur



MI News Service, Manmath**pur:** At the rural service centre of Bharat Sevashram Sangha — the Manmathpur Pranab Mandir in South 24 Parganas, managed by Swami Pranabananda Matri Suraksha Mancha - Shri Krishna Janmashtami and Nand Utsav were celebrated with great devotional fervour and enthusiasm. The event was attended by over a hundred devotees, monks of the ashram, and local dignitaries. One of the main highlights of the festival organised to mark Lord Kr-

ishna's birth anniversary was a grand procession involving 130 students of Man-Pranabananda Vidyamandir, commemorating the 130th birth anniversary of Swami Pranabananda Ji Maharaj. Children dressed as Lord Krishna and Mother Yashoda took part in the Nand Utsav tableau. Beginning from the Swami Pranabananda Matri Suraksha Mancha, the colourful procession traversed nearly five kilometres before concluding at the Manmathpur Pranab Kolkata, Monday 18 August, 2025

SSC protest controversy: Police release audio

MI News Service, Kolkata: A controversy emerged over the ongoing protests by job aspirants outside the School Service Commission (SSC) office, as police have alleged that a section of demonstrators planned violent activities during their movement. The Bidhannagar Police Commissionerate on Sunday released an audio recording, which they claim contains a conversation between two members of the protesting group Odhikar Mancha. According to the police, the purported phone conversation refers to plans of throwing bombs, stones, and socket bombs at law enforcement personnel during the protest. "We received this information from a secret source and secured a recorded conversation between two individuals. Both are members of Odhikar Mancha. Several objectionable remarks indicating violent intent were found in the recording. Based on this, we have seized the conversation as evidence," the Police Commissioner stated at a press conference. The police also claimed that the agitators had been preparing for a large-scale demonstration on August 18, with the possibility of unrest near the SSC office in Salt Lake.

ED raids TN min properties in money laundering probe

Dindigul district. Sources said

the premises of Senthil Kumar, the son of the 72-year-old minister for rural development, panchayats and panchayat unions, were also raided. An ED official said Periyasamy allegedly amassed assets disproportionate to his known sources of income. Assets in his name, and those of his wife and son, valued at ₹2.1 crore, were allegedly acquired during his tenure as a minister from 2006 to 2010. The investigation by the ED follows a directive in April from Madras High Court, which ordered a special court in Dindigul to frame charges against Periyasamy and his family members in connection with the "disproportionate" assets case. The order came in response to some criminal rectorate of Vigilance and Anti-Corruption (DVAC), challenging a special court order discharging Perivasamy and his family members from the case. The high court also directed the special court to conduct the trial on a day-to-day basis and complete it within six months. DMK organisation secretary R.S. Bharathi said the party would "neither fear the ED nor Modi". In a party statement, Bharathi alleged the BJP was using empowered and autonomous bodies as its "election instruments". The same BJP that was accusing others of... "illegal money laundering", was running the "politics of vote chori", he alleged in a statement. "The BJP stands exposed for indulging in electoral fraud by using the Election Commission. The country is shocked over this. To divert attention from the illegal vote chori, the Enforce-Directorate conducting searches at premises linked to Periyasamy," he alleged. The DMK has in the

INDIA-US trade talks called off

target its leaders.

past accused central agencies

of misusing their powers to

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on any U.S. trading partner. Trade talks between New Delhi and Washington collapsed after five rounds of negotiations over disagreement on opening India's vast farm and dairy sectors and stopping Russian oil purchases. India's Foreign Ministry has said the country is being unfairly singled out for buying Russian oil while the United States and European Union continue to purchase goods from

DIAMOND'S 'ABHISHEK' AT DURAND CUP SEMI-FINAL



MI News Service, Jamshedpur/Kolkata: Diamond Harbour Football Club (DHFC), the brain child of Abhishek Banerjee has created history. Diamond Harbour has entered into the prestigious Durand Cup Semi-Final for the first time. Diamond Harbour has beaten Jamshedpur FC 2 – 0 in a scintillating Quarter Final match at Jamshedpur JRD Tata Sports Complex on Sunday. For Diamond Harbour, coached by former I-League-winning coach Kibu Vicuna, the win meant a semifinal spot in its maiden appearance in the tournament. Rautkima scored both the goals for Diamond

Theft at Calcutta University girl's hostel sparks concerns over student safety

MI News Service, Kolkata: A theft inside the women's hostel of Calcutta University has left students alarmed and raised questions over security arrangements within the premises. The incident, which took place late Sunday night, has prompted the Trinamool Chhatra Parishad (TMCP) to demand a thorough investigation and swift action against the culprit.

According to hostel residents, the incident occurred when most students were away due to the holiday. Chemical Engineering student Sayantani Chakraborty, who was inside her room at the time, reported that an intruder entered through the balcony after climbing the railing. The miscreant allegedly took away her mobile phone, some money, and other valuables before fleeing. Sayantani, who woke up after hear-

ing sounds in the room, attempted to confront the thief but could not prevent the escape. Deeply shaken by the incident, she said, "I am very scared. I have been staying here for a long time, but never faced anything like this. Today it was theft-tomorrow something worse could have happened." Following the incident, TMCP leaders expressed solidarity with the students and stressed that the matter should be taken seriously. A student leader said, "This kind of incident is unprecedented and deeply concerning. We will be lodging a formal complaint with the police to ensure the accused is brought to justice." Meanwhile, hostel superintendent Chhayarani Murmu has rejected allegations of negligence on her part. Explaining her response, she said, "The student told me the

thief had already fled. I searched the area with the security guard and later accompanied them to the police station in the morning. Since the incident happened at night, I did not have the contact details of the police station immediately." The police have been informed and an investigation is underway. University officials have also assured that security measures at the hostel will be reviewed to ensure better safety for students in the future. The incident has drawn attention to the importance of strengthening campus vigilance, particularly in hostels housing women students. While no further untoward events have been reported, both students and authorities agree on the need for enhanced safety protocols to prevent such incidents in the future.

Assembly Constituency missing from voter list sparks controversy

MI News Service, Kolkata: A fresh controversy has erupted in West Bengal over the ongoing *Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls, after it was discovered that the Kulpi Assembly Constituency in South 24 Parganas does not feature in the list of 294 constituencies published by the Election Commission. The matter has triggered widespread concern among local residents and political circles, raising urgent questions about voting rights and representation.

According to reports, the latest voter list uploaded on the Commission's website, based on the year 2002, has completely excluded Kulpi con-While stituency. other constituencies of the state are mentioned, no information related to Kulpi has been reflected in the records. The omission has left both citizens and their elected representatives deeply unsettled. Trinamool Congress MLA from Kulpi, Jogranjan Halder, expressed concern and stated that he had already contacted the District Magistrate regarding the matter. *"I called the District Magistrate yesterday. He informed me that Kulpi is not found in the 2002 list. But does that mean our people are not citizens? Will we be de-

prived of our voting rights? We have requested the Election Commission to resolve this issue urgently. If the constituency is missing from the 2002 base year records, then the 2003 voter list should be considered. We will take a decision on the next steps within a day or two," the MLA said. The Commission, however, has clarified that the SIR exercise is being conducted in a phased manner across several states. In a press conference held on Sunday, Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar stated, "The Election Commission will not back down from its constitutional duty. The process has already started in Bihar. At the appropriate time, announcements will be made regarding SIR in other states, including West Bengal." It is noteworthy that the last revision of the voter list in West Bengal under the SIR mechanism was carried out in 2002. Reports suggest that the Election Commission is considering that year as the "base year" for the current exercise, which may have led to the omission of Kulpi from the records. Opposition parties have seized upon the issue, and protests have reached national forums, with discussions even surfacing in

From Jaundice to rat fever: **Double health crisis in village**

MI News Service, Kolkata: A sudden rise in cases of leptospirosis, commonly known as rat fever, has created alarm in Jalpaiguri district, with health experts cautioning that the situation may be developing into an been reported from Chekarmari village under Sannyasikata gram panchayat in Rajganj block, where nearly 150 people are currently infected. The surge in cases comes at a time when the region was already battling a spate of jaundice. Local hospitals have reported a steady increase in admissions, prompting concerns from both the medical community and the state health department. doctor Specialist

Saugata Ghosh, who has been closely observing the outbreak, expressed serious concern. "The matter is very worrying. In our state, leptospirosis cases occur sporadically in different districts including Kolkata. But this is the first time it is happening in one specific location at such a high level, which we call an epidemic. We have seen such situations in places like Surat and parts of Odisha. But this

is the first time in West Bengal," he said. Dr. Saugata Ghosh also explained the nature of the disease. "Leptospirosis is a water-borne disease. People working in agriculture or fishing are particularly vulnerable as contact with contaminated water. In case of any symptoms such as high fever, headache, or muscle pain, immediate testing is necessary. Currently, 44 government hospitals in Bengal are equipped to conduct leptospira tests, and facilities are also available in private hospitals. The key is early diagnosis and treatment," he advised. Despite the rising numbers, health authorities in Jalpaiguri have urged people not to

Chief Health Officer Dr. Asim Halder assured that adequate measures are being taken to contain the spread. "There is no reason to panic. This disease is treatable. We have already started organizing health camps, health workers are going door to door, water tanks are being cleaned, and safe drinking water is being supplied to house-

Heavy rains in North, passing showers for South

MI New Service, Kolkata: With Durga Puja preparations already underway and festive shopping in full swing, many are keeping a close eye on the skies. The Meteorological Office has issued its latest forecast, indicating that while South Bengal may not face heavy showers immediately, North Bengal districts are likely to receive significant rainfall today.

According to the weather department, a fresh low-pressure area is expected to form over the north-west and west-central Bay of Bengal, closer to the Odisha coast. However, meteorologists have clarified that this system will have little to no direct impact on Bengal for the time being. As a result, South Bengal will only see scattered and passing showers rather than widespread heavy rain. Kolkata and adjoining districts such as North and South 24 Parganas, Howrah, Hooghly, Nadia, East and West Midnapore, Jhargram, and Bankura may experience occasional rainfall, but no major downpour is expected today. In contrast, heavy rain is likely across parts of North Bengal on Sunday.

Districts including Kalimpong, Jalpaiguri, Alipurduar, and Cooch Behar are expected to receive sustained showers accompanied by gusty winds. Residents of these regions have been advised to remain alert as weather conditions may turn challenging at times. The Met Office further stated that light rainfall is likely on Monday in a few western districts such as East and West Midnapore, Jhargram, Purulia, and Bankura. While the intensity of showers will be low, the weather pattern is expected to change more significantly from Tuesday. On Tuesday and Wednesday, thundershowers accompanied by gusty winds of 30 to 40 kmph are likely in almost all districts of South Bengal, including Kolkata. The sky is expected to remain partly cloudy, adding to discomfort levels with humidity and sporadic thunderstorms. Meteorologists have assured that conditions will gradually improve from Thursday onwards, with rainfall activity tapering off. For now, the immediate focus remains on North Bengal where heavy showers are forecast today, while South Bengal, including the capital, will experience only brief spells of rain and cloudy skies.

Unemployed Teachers' movement loses known face

MI News Service, Kolkata/

West Medinipore: The sud-

den demise of Subal Soren (37), a qualified, has left his family, colleagues, and students in deep sorrow. He passed away at RN Tagore Hospital, Kolkata, on Friday morning after suffering a stroke earlier in the week. Subal Soren who taught political science to Class XI and XII students at Boulasini Vivekananada Higher Secondary School in Mohanpur, was remembered by students as a dedicated a much-loved teacher. He was also one of the recognizable faces of the unemployed teachers said he had been under considerable mental stress in recent months. His wife, Sandhya Subal Soren, spoken through tears about her concerns for their twoyear-old child the uncertainty the family now faces. "He was a qualified teacher. After losing his job, he had been very worried about family sources, his salary was secured only until December 31 as per court order, which had added to his anxiety . Colleagues who visited his home in Mohanpur after his last rites recalled that he had often spoken about the pressures of unfinished work and uncertainty over what lay ahead. They also extended financial assistance to wife. TMC State General Secretary Kunal Ghosh described the teacher's passing as "very unfortunate," nothing that many teachers in similar situation were under great stress. He said the matter of employment and job security was still under judicial consideration. The last rites were preformed at his ancestral home in Sarkistamat on Friday evening, attended by grieving family members, fellow teachers, and villagers. His untimely demise across the teaching community in West Midna-

Clash over festival and football match turns violent

MI News Service, Kolkata: Tension erupted in Kasba on Saturday night after an altercation broke out near a local club, eventually leading to violent clashes that left several people injured.

sources, the dispute began when a resident expressed his displeasure over the lack of participation in a nearby temple's Janmas-tami festival. Many of local youth were instead busy preparing for a football match at the Matangini Sporting Club members and the resident's family. Eyewitnesses claimed that the situation spiraled out of control when a group allegedly attacked the resident, his brother, and family members near their home. The victims alleged that iron rods were used during the assault and that mobile phones and other belongings were damaged in the scuffle. They also claimed that their house was vandalized during the attack. Family members of the

was not an isolated incident but connected to previous disputes in the area. They recalled earlier tensions over a local office space and claimed that the fresh violence stemmed from old en-Meanwhile, the mity. president of Matangini Sporting Club, Shankar Naskar, said the initial dispute had been resolved amicably on the spot but admitted that further clashes broke out afterward, causing unrest in the locality. Police have since detained several individuals for questioning. The investigation is ongoing to determine the sequence of events and the extent of damages. Security has been increased in the area to prevent any further disturbances. The incident has left the neighborhood tense, with both families and local club members urging for

peace and resolution.

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Police Investigate Alleged Sexual Assault on a Student in School

MI News Service, Kolkata: Police are investigating a serious allegation of sexual assault on a fourth-grade student inside a private English-medium school operating within the premises of a government school in Naktala. The incident, which occurred on Tuesday, August 13, has prompted a police case to be filed under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act (POCSO). The accused is an outsider who was reportedly at the school to deliver books, and a teacher, Shampa Das, is under scrutiny for allegedly helping the suspect escape. According to reports,

the young girl was allegedly sexually assaulted in an empty classroom. The accused man was caught in the act by parents who

were gathered outside the school. A local resident reported witnessing the man attempting to tear the child's clothes. An employee of the school is said to have caught the man and began to beat him, but a teacher, who local residents identified as a staff member, allegedly intervened and instructed the man to leave the premises quickly. This alleged intervention has raised serious questions about the school's response and has led to accusations that the teacher intentionally aided the suspect's escape. Despite the immediate confrontation and the presence of a crowd, the accused was able to flee before police arrived. Following the incident, the school authorities filed a complaint with the Netajinagar police station. However, the accused remains at large. Parents and local residents, furious over the incident and the perceived lack of a proper response from the school, gathered to protest outside the building. A large police presence was deployed to manage the escalating situation. The alinvolvement of teacher Shampa Das has become a central point of the investigation. It is believed the accused was at the school to meet with her. When contacted for a statement, Das initially claimed to be sick and unable to speak. Subsequently, she and her family were reported to have left for Puri, a popular pilgrimage and tourist destina-

tion, adding to the suspicions surrounding her conduct. Statements from Officials and Child Protection Advoincident has

drawn strong condemnation from child protection advocates. Archana Majumdar, a member of the National Women's Commission, expressed her dismay, noting the alarming frequency of such incidents. "What immense mental stress, fear, and panic [the child must be feeling! Instead of removing it, the teacher is trying to cover it up! Shocking," Ma-jumdar stated. Her comments reflect a growing public demand for accountability and stricter safety protocols in educational institutions. The ongoing investigation will focus on apprehending the suspect and determining the extent of any assistance provided to him by school staff, particularly the teacher in question.

SHUBHANSHU SHUKLA returns to India

From PG 1 all of you. Goodbyes are hard,

but we need to keep moving in life. As my commander Peggy Whitson fondly says, 'The only constant in spaceflight is change.' I believe that applies to life as well," he added. Shukla also wrote, "I guess at the end of the day -Yun hi chala chal rahi - jeevan gaadi hai samay pahiya'," recalling the song from the Bollywood movie Swades, before he embarked on the Axiom-4 mission to the ISS on June 25 from the US. Shukla and his backup astronaut Nair participated in the Independence Day celebrations at the Indian Consulate in Houston on Friday. Addressing the 79th Independence Day celebrations at the Red Fort,

Prime Minister Modi on Friday said India was developing its own space station and noted that Group Captain Shukla had returned from a space mission. "Our Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla has returned from the space station. In the coming days, he is returning to India," Modi had said. Shukla was part of the Axiom-4 private space mission that lifted off from Florida on June 25 and Space Station on June 26. He returned to Earth on 15 July. Along with three other astronauts - Peggy Whitson (US), Uznanski-Wis-Slawosz niewski (Poland), and Tibor Kapu (Hungary) - Shukla conducted over 60 experiments and 20 outreach sessions during the 18-day mission.

Another cloudburst claims 7 lives in Kathua

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to ensure the safety and support of affected families.Union Minister Jitendra Singh said the civilian administration, military and paramilitary forces have swung into action to carry out rescue and relief operations in Kathua district. "Spoke to SSP Kathua Sh. Shobhit Saxena after receiving information about a cloudburst in the Janglote area," Singh wrote on X. He further said, "Four casualties have been reported. In addition, damage has occurred to the railway track, National Highway, while Police Station Kathua has also

been affected." The civilian administration, military and paramilitary forces have swung into action, he said, adding the situation is being continuously monitored. My sincere condolences to the families of the deceased," he added. The heavy rains have led to sharp increase in the level in most of the water bodies with the Ujh river flowing near the danger mark, the officials said. The district administration is closely watching the situation and have requested people to stay away from water bodies for their safety, the officials said.

Chinese Foreign Min on 2-day visit to India

resulted in a severe strain in bilateral ties. The face-off effectively ended following completion of the disengagement process from the last two friction points of Demchok and Depsang under an agreement finalised on October 21 last year. The decision to revive various dialogue mechanisms was taken at a meeting between Prime Minister Modi and Chinese President Xi in Kazan on October 23, 2024. The Modi-Xi meeting came two days after India and China firmed up a disen-

and Demchok. The two sides also initiated a number of initiatives to rebuild the ties that included resumption of Kailash Mansarovar Yatra and New Delhi restarting issuance of tourist visas to Chinese nationals. Both sides are also discussing modalities to resume direct flight services between the two countries. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and External Affairs Minister Jaishankar visited China in the last two months to attend SCO meetings. China is the current chair of the SCO

gagement pact for Depsang

NAME CHANGE

I Arshi Shiban W/O, Shiban Anzar R/o 81/1 Phears Lane Kolkata 700012 have changed my name to Arshiya Afreen.

NAME CHANGE

NAMIE CHANGE

I, Md Kalimuddin, father of Md Kaif,
R/O 29/TA, Giri Babu Lane, Kolkata

- 700012, hereby declare that in
my son's Marksheet my name
has been mentioned as Md Kalim,
whereas in other decuments my whereas in other documents my name is written as Md Kalimuddin. state that Md Kalim and Md Kalimuddin are one and the same person, which is myself

NAME CHANGE

Bahni Aich W/o. Dr. Arnab Kumar Moulik, D/o. Nani Gopal 3/1752, Latbagan haganj, Chinsurah, Jo. 371762, Sahaganj, Chinsuran, 712104, W.B. declared Dr Bahni Hooghly-712104, that in I, Bahni Aich, Dr. Bahni Aich(Moulik), Bahni Aich(Moulik) & Smt. Bahni Aich Moulik W/o. Dr. Arnab Kumar Moulik, D/o. Nani Gopal Aich, all are the self same one & identical person, vide an affidavit No. 7462, sworn before Judicial Magistrate, Chinsurah, Hooghly Court on 14/08/2025.

NAME CHANGE Arnab Kumar Moulik S/o. Late Bimal Kumar Moulik, R/o. 3/1752, Keota, Chinsurah, Hooghly-712104, W.B. declared that in I, Arnab Kumar Moulik, Dr. Arnab Kr. Moulik, Arnab Kr Moulik, Shri Arnab Kr Moulik, Dr Arnab Kr Moulik, Maulik Arnabkumar, Arnab Kumar Maulik & Dr. Arnob Kumar Moulik S/o. Late Bimal Kumar Moulik, all are the self same one & identical person, vide an affidavit No. 7461, sworn before Judicial Magistrate, Chinsurah, Hooghly Court on 14/08/2025.

Change of Name

I, Mojammel Mondal (Old Name) S/o Late Moslem Mondal Residing at Vill - Keotsha. P.o - Burui P.s - Baduria, District - North 24 Parganas, Pin - 743401, West Bengal India have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Mozammel Haque (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public Kolkata vide affidavit Date 14-08-2025. Mojammel Mondal (Old Name) and Mozammel Haque (New Name) both as same and one identical

Change of Name Hafijur Rahaman (Old Name)

S/o Ahammed Ali Sanpui Residing at Vill - Goalbari, P.o - Pithapukur, P.s - Polerhat, District - South 24 Parganas, Pin - 700135, West Bengal India have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Hafijur Rahaman Sanpui (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public Kolkata vide affidavit Date 14-08-2025. Hafijur Rahaman (Old Name) and Hafijur Rahaman Sanpui (New Name) both as same and one identical

Change of Name
I, Sabera Bibi (Old Name) W/o
Akhtar Ali Khan Residing at my name and shall henceforth be Bibi (Old Name) and Sabera Khan Sheikh (New Name) both as same and one identical person.

Change of Name Atier Rahaman Biswas

S/o Maiid Name) Biswas Residing at Barachupria, Chupria Hanskhali, District - Nadia, Pin -741502 West Bengal India have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Ativar Biswas (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public Kolkata vide affidavit Date 14-08-2025 Atier Rahaman Biswas (Old Name) and Atiyar Biswas (New Name) both as same and one identical

Change of Name

Pada Saha, residing at S V Road, 1st Bye Lane Birati Dist: North 24 Parganas, Kolkata - 700051, West Bengal, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Manoranian Saha as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata dated 14/08/2025. Manorajnan Saha and Manoranian Saha both are same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE

Mohammad Jahidul Islam (old name) son of Habibur Rahaman residing at Nabapalli, Krishnapur Murshidabad. West Bengal, India. have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Zahidul Islam (new name), as declared The Notary Public at Kolkata vide an affidavit dated 13/08/2025. Zahidul Islam (new name) and Mohammad Jahidul Islam (old name) both are same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE

I, Shanowar Mohiuddin (my Date of Birth 02/10/1984) S/O Late Gholam Mohiuddin (father) and Chand Bibi (mother), declare that my father said name Golam Mohiuddin (father old name) residing at B/36/1/H/3, Bright Street, PO-Circus Avenue, PS-Karaya, Kolkata - 700017,West India. I have changed my father name and he shall hénceforth be known as Gholam Mohiuddin (father new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/08/2025. Gholam Mohiuddin (new name) and Golam Mohiuddin (old name) both are same and one identical person (myfather).

NAME CHANGE Aabid Ali (old name) son of

Mohammed Abdur Rouf, residing Vill- Basirhat Paschimpara,
- Basirhat College, P.S.-Basirhat, Dist.- North 24 Parganas, Pin- 743412, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Aabid Ali Gazi (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/08/2025. Aabid Ali Gazi (new name) and Aabid Ali (old name) both are same and one identical

NAME CHANGE , Abu Sufiar Gazi (old name) son of Azihar Rahaman Gazi, residing at Vill- Basirhat Paschimpara, P.O.- Basirhat College, P.S.-Basirhat, Dist.- North 24 Parganas, Pin- 743412, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Md Abu Sufiar Gazi (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/08/2025. Md Abu Sufiar Gazi (new name) and Abu Sufiar Gazi old name) both are same and one

I, Mritunjoy Sardar (old name) son of Ganesh Sardar, residing at Vill- Mirzapur Basirhat College, P.O.- Basirhat College, P.S.-Basirhat, Dist.- North 24 Parganas, Pin- 743412, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Mrityunjay Sardar (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/08/2025. Mrityunjay Sardar (new name) and Mritúnjoy Sardar old name) both are same and one

I, VISHAL AHER (old name) S/O ASHOK RAYBHAN AHER, residing at AO 16/3, CARIAPPA COMPLEX PANAGARH MIL STN, PO-PANAGARH, Paschim Bardhaman, 713420, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as VISHAL ASHOKRAO AHER (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata. vide an affidavit dated 12/08/2025. VISHAL ASHOKRAO AHER (new name) and VISHAL AHER (old name) both are same and one

NAME CHANGE

I, VAISHALI AHER (old name) W/O VISHAL ASHOKRAO AHER, residing at AO 16/3,CARIAPPA COMPLEX PANAGARH MIL STN, PO-PANAGARH, Paschim Bardhaman, 713420, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as VAISHALI VISHAL AHER (new name), as declared Before The Notarý Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 12/08/2025. VAISHALI VISHAL AHER (new name) and VAISHALI AHER (old name) both are same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE

I, Mohammad Samsul Arifin (old name) S/O Golam Rahaman Kustia, P.s - Sonarpur, District - Gazi, residing at Vill- Paschim Dandirhat, P.S.- West Bengal India have changed Basirhat, Dist.- North 24 Parganas, Pin- 743412, West Bengal, India, known as Sabera Khan Sheikh (New Name) as declared before shall henceforth be known as Md the Ld. Judicial Magistrate (1st Sumsul Arifin Gazi (new name), as Class) at Baruipur vide affidavit declared Before The Notary Public no 5713 Date 06-08-2025 Sabera at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/08/2025. Md Sumsul Arifin Gazi (new name) and Mohammad Samsul Arifin (old name) both are same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE

Skeikh Aslam Nadim (old name) son of Sk Md Yusuf, residing at 7/A, Colootola Street. C.R. Chittaranjan Avenue, Avenue. Kolkata- 700073, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Sk Aslam Nadim (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/08/2025. Sk Aslam Nadim (new name) and Skeikh Aslam Nadim (old name) both are same and one

NAME CHANGE

I, Kadbanu Bibi (old name) W/O Golam Rahaman Gazi, residing at Vill- Paschim Dandirhat, P.O. Dandirhat, P.S.- Basirhat, Dist.-North 24 Parganas, Pin- 743412, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Kadabanu Bibi Gazi (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/08/2025. Kadabanu Bibi Gazi (new name) and Kadbanu Bibi (old`name) both are same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE

I, Sandeep Bajaj S/O Late Lalit Kumar Bajaj, declare that my father said name Lalit Bajaj (father old name), residing at 19, GARCHA 1ST LANE, P.O-BALLYGUNGE, PS-GARIAHAT, Kolkata, 700019, West Bengal, India, I have changed my father name and he shall henceforth be known as Lalit Kumar Bajaj (father new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/08/2025. Lalit Kumar Bajaj (new name) and Lalit Bajaj (old name) both are same and one identical person (my father).

NAME CHANGE

Mohammed Sahid (old name) , S/O Abdul Gaffar, residing at 1 No Moukhali Sekh Para,P.O.- G.I.P Howrah- 711112, West Colony, Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Mohammad Sahid (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/08/2025. Mohammad Sahid (new name) and Mohammed Sahid (old name) both are same and one identical

NAME CHANGE

-Late Sk. Sirajuddin R/O-2/L, Tiljala Road, Kolkata - 700019,West Bengal, Shall Henceforth Be Known As Parveen Sultana (New Name),Vide An Affidavit Sworn In The Court Of 1St Class Judicial Magistrate At Kolkata On 04/08/2025. That "Paramjit Kaur" And "Parveen Sultana" All Are The Same And One Identical Person.

NAME CHANGE

I, PRADIP GHOSH (old name) son of LATE SUBAL CHANDRA GHOSH, residing at KALYANI ROAD, BARASAT(M) KALPUKUR, NORTH 24 PGS-700126, W.B, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as PRADIP KUMAR GHOSH (new name), as declared before the notary public at Bidhannagar, vide an affidavit No 818 dated 08/08/2025. PRADIP KUMAR GHOSH (new name) and PRADIP GHOSH (old name) both are same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE

l, Alo Nag(Old Name), Wife Of Shyamal Nag, Residing At 118A/10,Ananda Palit Road, Po & Ps-Intally, Kolkata-700014,West Bengal,Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Tumpa Nag(New Name) Vide An Affidavit No 10316 Sworn Before The Ld 1St Class Judicial Magistrate At Sealdah On 13/11/2024.Alo Nag And Tumpa Nag Both Are The Same And One Identical Person.

NAME CHANGE

I, Mustafa (Old Name), Son Of Huseni Bhai,Residing At 22C/1 Gora Chand Road,Po - Entally, Kolkata - 700014,West Bengal, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Mustafa Yead Ali, residing at Purba Bainan, Husenbhai Attarwala(New Name) P.O.- Bainan, P.S.- Bagnan, Vide An Affidavit Sworn Beforé Dist-Howrah, Pin- 711303, The Notary Public At Kolkata On Bengal, India, have changed my 14/08/2025.Mustafa And Mustafa name and shall henceforth be Same And One Identical Person.

Mother-Mosemmet Anuare Begam. Residing At Vill-Bahadurpur,Po-Ps-Debra, Dist-West Medinipur, 721136, West West Medinipur, 721136, West Bengal, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known, Shaikh Mustakin (New Name) S/O Md Aslam, residing at FL-18H, Veronia, BL-6, Active As Shaikh Mustakin (New Name) Acres, 54 10, D.C. Dey Road, Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before Tangra, Kolkata- 700015, West The Notary Public At Kolkata On Bengal, India, have changed my 14/08/2025. That Sk Mustakin Are The Same And One Identical known as Md Fazle Rehman (new

NAME CHANGE

At Vill-Bahadurpur, Po-Golgram, Ps-Debra, Dist-West Medinipur,721136, West Bengal, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Shall Henceforth Be Known As I, Mohammad Aslam (old name) Sabina Khatun Bibi (New Name) S/O Late Md Samsul Huda,

I, Sk Muslemin Ali(Old Name),Son Of Shaikh Mohammed Ebrahim, Mother-Mosemmet Anuare Begam. Residing At Vill-Bahadurpur, Po-Golgram, Ps-Debra, Dist-West Medinipur, 721136, West Bengal, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Shaikh Henceforth Be Known As Shaikh I, Swapan Kumar Chakravarty(Old Muslemin Ali (New Name) Vide An I, Swapan Kumar Chakravarty(Old Name), Son Of Late Ananta Kumar Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Kolkata On /08/2025. That Sk Muslemin Are The Same And One Identical Person.

NAME CHANGE

,Salma Khatun(Old Name), Son At Vill-Bahadurpur,Po-Golgram, Ps-Debra, Dist-West Medinipur, 721136, West Bengal, Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Salma Bibi (New Name) Vide An Affidavit And One Identical Person. Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 14/08/2025.That Salma Khatun Are The Same And One Identical Person

NAME CHANGE

Prasulkumar Madhukar Harkulakar son of Madhukar Gopal Harkulkar declare that my son Aaditya (old name), residing at GHOSH PAUL (New name) and 74 BN BSF, Digberia, P.O.- Badu, P.S.- Madhyamgram, Dist.- North (New name) RIMPA GHOSH PAUL 24 Pgs, Pin- 700128, West Bengal, in all purpose Vide an affidavit India, I have changed my son name and he shall henceforth be Berhampore Murshidabad On known as Aaditya Prasulkumar Aug 2025, RIMPA GHOSH PAUL Harkulkar (new name), as declared and RIMPA PAUL both are Same Before The Notary Public at Barasat, North 24 Parganas, vide affidavit dated 12/08/2025. Aaditya Prasulkumar Harkulkar I, (Old Name) DHUNSAD SK S/o-NASARTULLA SEKH Residing

NAME CHANGE HOSNEHARA KHATUN BEGAM SAIFUDDIN, Residing at Vill-Santoshpur Dakshin Po-Santoshpur, Jagatballavpur, Howrah- 711404 all purpose Vide an affidavit West Bengal, India, have changed Sworn before the notary public at my name and shall henceforth be Berhampore Murshidabad On 13 known as HOSNEHARA BEGAM Aug 2025, DHUNSHAD SEKH (new name), as declared Before and DHUNSAD SK both are The 1st Class Judicial Magistrate Same and one identical person. Chinsurah, Hooghly, vide affidavit dated 23/08/2024. HOSNEHARA BEGAM (new name) and SK HOSNEHARA KHAN KHATUN BEGAM (old name) both KHAN CHOWDHURY Residing are same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE Md Tajnur Mondal (old name) 732201, West Bengal. Do hearby son of Md Jabed Ali Mondal, declare that I have Changed my residing at Vill- Murarisha, P.O.-Murarisha, P.S.- Hasnabad, Dist.- KHAN North 24 Parganas, Pin- 743456, CHOWDHURY (New name) and West Bengal, India, have changed hence forth I Shall be Known my name and shall henceforth as (New name) LAILA KHAN be known as Tajnur Mondal (new CHOWDHURY in all purpose name), as declared Before The Vide an affidavit Sworn before Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an the notary public at Berhampore affidavit dated 14/08/2025. Tajnur Murshidabad On 13 Aug 2025. Mondal (new name) and Md Tajnur LAILA KHAN CHOWDHURY and Mondal (old name) both are same LAILA CHAUDHURI KHAN both and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE I, Paramjit Kaur (Old Name), D/O -Late Sk. Sirajuddin R/O-2/L, Tiljala Awareness Campaigns by RPF / Malda Division to Prevent CRO, HRO, ACP and Stone Pelting Incidents on Trains

Malda Division of Eastern Railway, under the leadership and guidance of Shri Manish Kumar Gupta, Divisional Railway Manager, is consistently undertaking proactive measures for prevention of Cattle Run Över CRO), Human Run Over (HRO), Alarm Chain Pulling (ACP) and incidents of Stone Pelting on Trains. On 16 August, 2025, Rail-

way Protection Force (RPF) officers and staff of the division conducted intensive awareness drives at Bariarpur Railway Station along with Level Crossing Gate No. 14 C/E (between Kalyanpur Road - Bariarpur Station), Barharwa, Kahalgaon, Sahibganj, Mirza Cheuki, Sultanganj, Dharhara, Abhaipur and Dashrathpur stations, including adjoining village areas under Jamalpur jurisdiction. Additionaly, between Sahibganj and Mirza Cheuki, the campaign organised at Level was Crossing Gate No. 2/C-T/Spl, in the presence of the Imam of Tetariya village mosque, ensuring wider community

NAME CHANGE Sk Asrap Ali (old name) S/O Sk Husenbhai Attarwala Both Are The known as Sekh Asraf Ali (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/08/2025. Sekh I, Sk Mustakin(Old Name),Son Asraf Ali (new name) and Sk Asrap Of Shaikh Mohammed Ebrahim, Ali (old name) both are same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE

name and shall henceforth be name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/08/2025. Md NAME CHANGE
I, Sabina Khatun(Old Name),
Son Of Sk Sattar Ali, Residing
At Vill-Bahadurpur, PoVill-Bahadurpur, PoName CHANGE
Fazle Rehman (new name) and
Mohamad Fazle Rehman (old name) both are same and one

NAME CHANGE

Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before residing at FL-18H, Veronia, BL-The Notary Public At Kolkata On 6, Active Acres, 54 10, D.C. Dey 14/08/2025.That Sabina Khatun Road, Tangra, Kolkata- 700015, Are The Same And One Identical West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Md Aslam (new name) as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/08/2025. Md Aslam (new name) and Mohammad Aslam (old name) both are same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE

Residing At Uttar Para Dakshin.Chandanpiri.Ps Namkhana, South 24 Parganas 743357, West Bengal, Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Swapan Sk Saidul Islam, Residing Chakraborty (New Name) Vide An Affidavit No 197 Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 02/07/2025.Swapan Kumar Chakravarty And Swapan Chakraborty Both Are The Same

NAME CHANGE

I, (Old Name) RIMPA PAUL W/o-RAJYA DHAR PAUL Residing at, Vill - Pathdanga, Post- Joypur, Ps-Khargram, Dist- Murshidabad, Pin-742159, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed m hence forth I Shall be Known as Sworn before the notary public at

NAME CHANGE

name) both are same and one identical person.

at, Vill - Murcha, Post- Sahi Sherpur, Ps- Khargram, Dist-Murshidabad, Pin- 742159, West Bengal Do hearby declare that HOSNEHARA KHATUN I have Changed my name from DHUNSAD SK To DHUNSHAD (New name) and hence (molla forth I Shall be Known as (New P.s- name) DHUNSHAD SEKH

NAME CHANGE

(Old Name) LAILA CHAUDHURI W/o-GIYASUDDIN at, Vill Dakshin Lakshmipui Dakshin Post-Lakshmipur Ps- Kaliachak, Dist- Malda, Pinare Same and one identical person.



participation.

During these drives, villagers and passengers were sensitized on the dangers of trespassing, cattle grazing near tracks, tampering with signal gears, placing objects on the railway track, alarm chain pulling, and Stone Pelting on Trains. They were strictly warned that such acts are punishable offences under provisions of the Railway Act. Pamphlets were distributed at Barharwa, Kahalgaon, Dharhara, and Dashrath-

pur stations, and pasted at prominent locations to enhance public visibility. Special focus was laid on the ill-effects of drug addiction, urging the youth to stay away from such practices.

In continuation of the anti-addiction drive, RPF teams also reached out to passengers onboard running trains. Travelers were cautioned not to accept food, beverages, or intoxicating substances such as pan, gutkha or narcotics from unknown persons, as such

hazards, unsafe situations, and criminal activities. Clear messages were conveyed inside coaches to spread awareness among passengers during their journey.

· Stay away from intoxication - Addiction destroys health, family and society.

• Say NO to drugs and tobacco for a safe and healthy

Passengers, villagers, commuters and local residents actively participated in these drives. RPF officers explained that unlawful activities like Stone Pelting on Trains, alarm chain pulling and trespassing not only endanger lives but also disrupt safe train operations and damage railway property.

Malda Division remains firmly committed to ensuring safety and security across its jurisdiction. Such awareness drives will continue at sensitive stations and Level Crossing Gates in the coming days to seek greater public cooperation and further Eastern Railway's mission of making railway safety a people's

Sealdah RPF brash band performance on Independence Day



On the occasion of 79th Independence Day on15th August 2025, RPF/Sealdah has displayed RPF Brash Band performance from 17:00 hrs to 19:00 hrs infront of Sealdah Railway station adjacent to main entrance gate. During the programme, huge number of public as well as passengers attended and enjoyed the Band performance with their family. They also took selfie at the selfie point. The programme ended successfully.

Kolkata hosts 'Raktabeej2' teaser launch



MI News Service, Kolkata: Raktabeej 2" is the upcoming sequel to the 2023 Bengali film "Raktabeej," produced by Windows Production and directed by Nandita Roy and Shiboprosad Mukherjee. The film is an action thriller and is set to be released during the Durga Puja festivities in October 2025. The probable date of release is September 26 of this year.

The sequel will feature a larger scale than its predecessor, with filming taking place across multiple locations. The plot will delve deeper into the story, with a focus on a terrorist threat and a hunt for a terrorist. The city of Kolkata witnessed the grand teaser of the film.

launch of the much awaited film 'Raktabeej2' on August 14, Thursday.

The sequel will continue the story of "Raktabeej," fo-

cusing on a terrorist threat and a hunt for a terrorist, likely building upon the events of the first film. The film will star Abir Chatterjee, Mimi Chakraborty, and Victor Banerjee, with Ankush Hazra taking on the role of the terrorist Munir Alam along with top actors rom Bengal IIIm industry

Shiboprosad Mukherjee and Nandita Roy will once again helm the project which is quite visibly going to be another blockbaster much like the earlier one. Director Shiboprosad Mukherjee has expressed his gratitude to the government of West Bengal for all sorts of cooperation that was needed in the making

East Bengal beats Mohun Bagan 2 - 1 as **RED & GOLD DAZZLES AT SALT LAKE STADIUM**



News Service, Kolkata: It's a long cherished victory for the East Bengal supporters at the Salt Lake stadium on Sunday evening as East Bengal beats Mohun Bagan 2 - 1 to reach the Semi Final of the Durand Cup. East Bengal secured a 2-1

victory over arch-rivals Mohun Bagan Super Giant in a tense Kolkata Derby at the Salt Lake Stadium on Sunday, sealing a crucial Durand Cup quarterfinal win in front of a roaring crowd. Two goals from Dimitrios Diamantakos proved decisive, while Anirudh Thapa's strike for the Mariners kept the contest alive until the final whistle. The match began with East Bengal on the front foot, pressing hard and unsettling Jose Molina's men. The Red and Gold Brigade scored the first goal via penalty as Diamantakos converted from the gal a further lead to make it 2-0 for Fact P

- 0 for East Bengal with a

আমার মক্কেল সঞ্জিত মাল্লা পিতা নিমাই মাল মাতলা সাবরেজিস্ট্রী হইতে গত ইং ০২-০১-২০১ তারিখে ০০৩২ নং দলিলমূলে গৌড়দহ মৌজাঃ াগের ২ কাঠা জমি রসোময় মণ্ডলের নিকট হইতে খরিদ করেন। রসোময় মণ্ডল উক্ত সম্পত্তি ইং ০৮.১০.২০১০ তারিখে ৬৪৮৯ নং দলিল মুক্তে রেকর্ড মালিক জরিনা বিবি ও ফরিদা বিবির পরে আমমোক্তার বাপী নক্ষর পিতা পালান নক্ষরের নকট হইতে খরিদ করেন। আমমোক্তার দলিল নং 77 তাং 24.05.2010 ADSR মাতলা। উত্ত আমমোক্তার দলিল লইয়া কাহারো কোন আপরি থাকিলে ক্যানিং ১নং B.L. & L.R অফিসে ৩০ দিনের মধ্যে আপত্তি দাখিল করিবেন

> Shreva Shil Red.No-F/2180/2506/2019

আমার মক্কেল জয়ন্ত মিস্ত্রী পিতা মনোরঞ্জন মিস্ত্রী আলিপুর D.S.R-IV হইতে গত ইং 13.08.2025 তারিখে 6780 নং দলিল মুকে গৌড়দহ মৌজার L.R ২৮৩৯ নং খতিয়ানের L.R ৫৬৬ ও ৫৬৭ নং দাগের ০২ শতক জমি অনিল গাসু ও সন্ধ্যা দাসের নিকট হুইতে খরিদ করেন অনিল দাস ও সন্ধ্যা দাস ইং 13.03.2013 তারিখে 1870 নং দলিল মূলে রাম নারায়ণ সেঠেঃ পক্ষে আমমোক্তার হেমন্ত মণ্ডল পিতা সুরেন মণ্ডলের নিকট হইতে খরিদ করেন। আমমোক্তার দলিল নং 70 তাং 06.02.2013 A.D.S.R মাতলা। রাম নারায়ণ দাস 1364/07 নং দলিলে উক্ত সম্পত্তি খরিদ করিয়াছিলেন। উক্ত আমুমোক্তার দলিল লইয়া কাহারো কোন আপত্তি থাকিলে ক্যানিং ১নং B.L. & L.R অফিসে ৩০ দিনের মধ্যে আপত্তি দাখিল করিবেন।

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box. Mohun Bagan reduced the margin via Thapa's deceiving long ranger. But that was not enough for the mariners as East Bengal sealed a much deserved 2 - 1 win against their arch rival Mohun Bagan.

আমমোক্তারনামা সংক্রান্ত বিজ্ঞপ্তি ষ্পবালা দেবী ওরফে পারুল বালা মুখোপাধ্যা জয়পুর, বাঁকুড়া, মহাশয়া, **শ্রী দুলাল মুখোপাধ্যায়** পুতা অরবিন্দ মুখোপাধ্যায় সাকিম সোয়াসাল বাঁকডা, মহাশয়কে আমমোক্তারনামা দলিল বৰে মতাপ্রাপ্ত আমমোক্তার নিযুক্ত করেন এবং উৎ ক্ষমতাপ্রাপ্ত আমমোক্তারনামা বলে <u>শ্রী</u> দুলাক **ুখোপাধ্যায়** বিগত ইংরাজী ১৮/০৫/১৯৮৬ র্টারিখে এ.ডি.এস.আর., আরামবাগ, হুগর্ল মফিসে রেজিষ্ট্রীক্তু I-3019/1983ু নং বিক্রয় কোবালা দলিল মূলে বিষ্ণুপদ মন্ডল, পিতা কেবল চন্দ্র মন্ডল, সাকিম কানপুর, আরামবাগ, হুগলী মহাুশয়কে ০.১৪ শতক সম্পুত্তি বিক্রয় চরিয়াছেন। প্রকাশ থাকে যে, উক্ত **বিষ্ণুপ**া মন্ডল, পিতা কেবল চন্দ্ৰ মন্ডল মহাশয় তাহার উত্ত খরিদা সম্পত্তি নিজ নামে নামপত্তন না করিয়া বিগ্ত ইংরাজী ২৭/০৫/১৯৮৩ তারিখে এ.ডি.এস.আর., আরামবাগ, হুগলী অফিরে রেজিষ্ট্রীকৃত I-3315/1983 নুং বিক্রয় কোবাল রোজদ্বাক্ত 1-3310/1200 স্থান্ত কুডু পিতা দলিল মুলে আমাদেরকে ১)শ্রীকান্ত কুডু পিতা তারক দাস কুডু ও ২)রীনা কুডু স্বামী শ্রীকান্ত কুডু সাকিমু কুমরুল, ধুনিয়াখালি, হুগলী, ০.১৪ শতক

ম্পত্তি বিক্রয় করিয়াছেন। <u>চপশীল</u> - জেলা হুগলী, থানা আরামবাগ, মৌজ ক্রগড়িয়া, ৮২ নং জে.এল ভুক্ত, হাল এল.আর ১৫২ নং খতিয়ানে, আর.এস, ৬০৭ তথা হাল এল.আর. ৬১৮ নং দাগে শালি জমি ০.১৪ শতক এলা আর্মার ওচল সামে শানাশানা তের সত্ত্বকৃত্ যাহা উক্ত আমমোজারনামা বলে বিক্রয়ক্ত সম্পত্তি হইতেছে। প্রকাশ থাকে যে, আমরা বর্তমান ক্রেতাগণ ১)শ্রীকান্ত কুতু পিতা তারক লাস কুতু ও ১)রীনা কুতু স্বামী শ্রীকাত কুতু আমানের পরিদা সম্পৃত্তি নিজ নিজ নামে নাম াত্তন করিবার জন্য বি.এল এ্যান্ড এল.আর.[.] যারামবাগ ব্লক অফিসে আবেদন করিয়াছি আমান্বাণ স্প্রক আব্দুলে আবেদা ব্যৱস্থাই ইহাতে কাহারও কোন আইনানুগ আপত্তি থাকিলে বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রচার হইবার আগামী ১ মাসের মধ্যে অন্যথায় নিয়ম অনসারে কার্য্য করা হইবে। ইতি-১)শ্রীকান্ত কুন্ডু ও ২)রীনা কুন্ডু (ক্রেতাদ্বয়

Temporarily Cancellation of Trains due to Safety works

MI News Service, Bhubaneswar: To enhance safety, improve operational efficiency, and provide better train handling capacity, East Coast Railway will undertake Pre-Non Interlocking (Pre-NI) and Non Interlocking (NI) works at Rahama, Badabandha, and Paradeep stations in Khurda Road Division. These works are being executed for the commissioning of Auto-Signalling system between Rahama-Paradeep section, along with the provision of an additional loop line at Badabandha station.

For smooth execution of these important safety-related works, the following trains will remain cancelled from 16th August to 20th August 2025.

Train No. 68435/68436 Cuttack-Paradeep-Cuttack MEMU passenger train and 58405/58406 Cuttack-Paradeep-Cuttack passenger train cancelled from both the direction.

People are requested to note the changes.

<u>আমমোক্তারনামা সংক্রান্ত বিজ্ঞপ্তি</u> এতদ্বারা সকলকে জানানো যাইতেছে যে, শ্রী রাধাকান্ত ভট্টাচার্য্য পিতা ৺বিভূতি ভূষণ ভট্টাচার্য্য রাব্যবিত্র ভট্টাচাব্য শিচা নাযুদ্ধি ভূব দ ভট্টাচার সাকিম ধারাপাড়া, পোস্ট ও থানা- কোনা,জেলা-হাওড়া-৭১১১১৪ মহাশয় বিগত ইং 12/07/2022 ারিখে এ.ডি.এস.আর, পান্ডুয়া, হুগলী, অফিসে রেজিষ্ট্রীকৃত IV-0065/2022 নং আমমোক্তারনা লিল মূলে আমাকে (শ্রী দেবাশীষ ভট্টাচার্য্য পিতা ৺শ্রীকান্ত ভট্টাচার্য্য সাকিম বৈঁচিগ্রাম পূর্বপাড়া, পোস্ট-বৈঁচিগ্রাম, থানা-পাভুয়া, জেলা-নযুক্ত করেন ও উক্ত আমমোক্তারনামা ও স্বয় _ফমতা বলে ও অপর শরিক কুমকুম ভট্টাচার্য্য স্বামী শান্তনু ভট্টাচার্য্য, পিতা ৺শ্রীকান্ত ভট্টাচার্য্য মহাশয়ার সহিত যৌথ ভাবে আমি নিম্লোক্ত পুশীল বর্ণিত সম্পত্তি বিগত ইং 11/07/2025 তারিখে এ.ডি.এস.আর, পাভুয়া, হুগলী, অফিসে রেজিষ্ট্রীকৃত I-4040/ 2025 নং বিক্রয় কোবালা লিল মুলে **জবা মাঝি** স্বামী রাজু মাঝি, সাকিম চাপাহাটী ১৯নং রেলগেট, পোস্ট-চাম্পাহাটি ানা-পান্ডুয়া, জেলা-হুগলী-৭১২১৩৫ মহাশয়াকে ১০ শতক সম্পত্তি বিক্রয় করিয়াছি। <u>তপশীল</u> – জেলা হুগলী, থানা পান্ডুয়া, মৌজা বৈঁচি, ২০ নং জে.এুল ভুক্ত, হাল এলे.আর. ২৩৮৮ ও ২৭৬৮ নং খতিয়ানে. সাবেক ১১৪১৪ তথা হাল এল.আর. ১১৭৩০ নং দাগে শালি জমি ষোল আনায় ২১ শতক, তন্মধ্যে (০.২৫০০ +০.২৫০০) = ০.৫০০০ অংশে ১০ শতক অত্র দলিলে আমমোক্তারনাম বলে বিক্রয়কৃত সম্পত্তি হইতেছে। এতদ্বার সকলকে অবঁগত করা যাইতেছে যে. বর্তমান ক্রেতা জবা মাঝি স্বামী রাজু মাঝি, তাহার খরিদ ম্পত্তি নিজ নামে নাম পত্তন করিবার জন্য বি.এল এ্যান্ড এল.আর.ও পান্ডুয়া ব্লক অফিসে আবেদন করিয়াছেন। ইহাতে কাহারও কোন আইনানুগ আপত্তি থাকিলে বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রচার হইবার আগামী ১ মাসের মধ্যে সংশ্লিষ্ঠ অফিসে আপত্তি জানাইতে পারিবেন, অন্যথায় নিয়ম অনুসানে ইতি- শ্রী দেবাশীষ ভট্টাচার্য্য (আমমোক্তার

আমমোক্তারনামা সংক্রান্ত বিজ্ঞপ্তি এতদ্বারা সকলকে জানানো যাইতেছে যে, **সেলি** বেগম স্বামী মরহুম আবুল কাসেম সাকি পুরুষোত্তমপুর, পাভুয়া, হুগলী-৭১২১৪৯ মহাশয়া বঁগত ইং ১৫/০৬/২০২০ তারিখে এ.ডি.এস.আর, পান্ডুয়া, হুগলী, অফিসে রেজিষ্ট্রীকৃত ১)I-3074/ 2023 নং আমমোক্তারনামা দলিল মলে ১)শ্রী তরুন কুমার রায়, পিতা শ্রী জগবন্ধ রায়, সাকিম চাঁপাহাটী, সিমলাগড়, পান্ডুয়া, হুগলী-৭১২১৩৫ ও **২)শ্রী ভরত চন্দ্র ঘোষ**, পিতা নিমাই চন্দ্র ঘোষ, সাকিম উত্তরখন্ড, সিমলাগড়, পান্ডুয়া, হুগল ৭১২১৩৫ মহাশয়দ্বয়কে এবং ২)I-3075/2023 নং আমমোক্তারনামা দলিল মূলে <mark>শ্রী রামকৃষ</mark> **হালদা**র, পিতা ৺অশ্বিনী হালদার সাকিম চাঁপাহাঁটী সিমলাগড়, পাভুয়া, হুগলী-৭১২১৩৫, মুহাশয়কে একনে দুইটি পথক আমুমোক্তাবনামা দলিল মুক্তে ক্ষমতাপ্রাপ্ত আমমোক্তার নিযুক্ত করেন এবং উক্ত *নু*ইটি আমমোক্তারনামা দলিল বলে আমরা উত্ত আমমোক্তারগণ নিম্নোক্ত তপশীল বর্ণিত সম্পত্তি বিগত ইং ০৪/১০/২০২৩ তারিখে এ.ডি.এস.আর পান্ডুয়া, হুগলী, অফিসে রেজিষ্ট্রীকৃত I-5220/ 2023 নং বিক্ৰয় কোবালা দলিল মূলে শ্ৰী **বিবে**ব মন্ডল পিতা ৺অনিল চন্দ্ৰ মন্ডল, সাকিম গোয়াডা সিমলাগড়, পান্ডয়া, হুগলী-৭১২১৩৫ মহাশয়বে ০.৬২ শতক সম্পত্তি বিক্রয় করিয়াছি।

<u>তপশীল</u> – জেলা হুগলী, থানা পান্ডুয়া, মৌড চাঁপাহাটী, ৫২ নং জে.এল ভুক্ত, হাল এল.আর. ১৬৮০ নং খতিয়ানে ১) আঁব এস ৯৬৮ তথ হাল এল.আর. ১১৯৯ নং দাগে বাস্ত জমি যোল আনায় ২১ শতকের মধ্যে ১৮.৭৫ শতক তন্মধে ০ ৩১ শতক এবং ১)আব এস ৯৭০ তথা হাল এল আব ১১০১ নং দাগে বাস্ক জমি ষোল আনায ২১ শতকের মধ্যে ৬.৫ শতক তন্মধ্যে ০.৩১ শতক, একুনে একটি খতিয়ানে, দুইটি দাগে মোট ০.৬২ শতক সম্পত্তি অত্র দলিলে আমমোক্তারনাম বলে বিক্রয়কৃত সম্পত্তি হইতেছে। এতদ্বারা সকলকে অবঁগত করা যাইতেছে যে, বর্তমান ক্রেতা **শ্রী বিবেক মন্ডল** পিতা ৺অনিল চন্দ্র মন্ডল, তাহার খরিদা সম্পত্তি নিজ নামে নাম পত্তৰ কবিবাব জন েবি এল এগড়ে এল আব ও পাড়য ব্লক অফিসে আবেদন করি্যাছেন। ইহাঁত<u>ে</u> কাহারও কোন আইনানুগ আপত্তি থাকিলে বিজ্ঞঙ্ প্রচার হইবার আগামী ১ মাসের মধ্যে সংশ্লিষ্ অফিসে আপত্তি জানাইতে পারিবেন, অন্যথায় নিয়ম অনুসারে কার্য্য করা হইবে। ১)শ্রী তরুন কুমার রায়, ২) শ্রী ভরত চন্দ্র ঘোষ

৩)শ্রী রামকষ্ণ হালদার (আমমোক্তারগণ

আমমোক্তারনামা সংক্রান্ত বিজ্ঞপ্তি এতদ্বারা সকলকে জ্ঞাত করা যাইতেছে যে, ১)ওঁ <u>জ্</u>য়দেব দাস, ২)শ্রী সুজ্য় দাস, ৩)শ্রী হরিগোপাল দাস, সকলের পিতা ৺সতীশ চন্দ্র দাস, সকলের সাকিম মহেশপুর, সুগৃন্ধ্যা, পোলবা, হুগলী-৭১২১০২, মহাশয়গণ বিগত ইংরাজী ১৮/১০/২০১৭ তারিখে এ.ডি.এস.আর চুঁচুড়া, অফিসে রেজিষ্ট্রীকৃত IV 280/2017 নং আমমোক্তার দলিল বলে আমারে শ্রী অজয় দাস, পিতা ৺সতীশ চন্দ্র দাস, সাকি নহেশপুর, সুগন্ধ্যা, পোলবা, হুগলী-৭১২১০২ ক্ষমতাপ্রাপ্ত আমমোক্তার নিযক্ত করেন এবং উত্ত ফম্তাপ্রাপ্ত আমমোক্তারনামা[ঁ] ও স্বয়ং ক্ষমতা বলে আমি, **শ্রী অজয় দাস**, পিতা ৺সতীশ চন্দ্র দাস নিমোক্ত তপশীল বর্ণিত সম্পত্তি বিক্রয় করিতেছি। <u>তপশীল</u> - জেলা হুগলী, থানা পোলবা, মৌজ

৪৪০, ৪৪১, ৪৪২ ও ৪৪৩ নং খতিয়ানে আর.এস. তথা হাল এল.আর. ৭৮৯ নং দাগে বাগান জমি ষোল আনায় ০.৬১ শতক, যাহা উত্ত আমমোক্তারনামা ও স্বয়ং ক্ষমতা বলে বিক্রয করিতেছি/করিয়াছি। প্রকাশ থাকে যে, উক্ত ম্পুজি বিক্রয়ের পর বর্তমান ক্রেতাগণ তাহাদে খরিদা সম্পত্তি নিজ নিজ নামে নাম পত্তন করিবার জন্য বি.এল এ্যান্ড 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। ইতি-শ্রী অজয় দাস (আমমোক্তার)

Remarkable Achievement: CLW rolls out the 300th locomotive of FY 2025-26



"Unfortunately, when we make allegations, BJP comes to their defence": DMK leader TKS Elangovan slams CEC Gyanesh Kumar

MI News Service, Chennai: ers had alleged instances of Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK) leader TKS Elangovan on Sunday criticised Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) Gyanesh Kumar, alleging that whenever the opposition raises concerns against the Election Commission of India (ECI), the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) comes to its "defence."

He further said that if the ECI is "bungling" with the voter list, then it must answer the "vote theft" allegations made by the opposition

"If the Election Commission is bungling with the voter list, they will have to answer the allegations made by the opposition party...unfortunately, when we make allegations, the BJP comes to their defence...", Elangovan

Earlier in the day, refuting the opposition's claims derly, women, youth without of "vote theft" during the any pecial Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in pollbound Bihar, Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar said that neither the ECI nor the voters are "afraid" of

such "false" allegations. It was the first press conference conducted by the constitutional body following the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of the electoral rolls in Bihar. Opposition leaders had raised allegations of "vote theft" during the SIR exercise in Bihar and the 2024 Lok Sabha polls.

Gyanesh Kumar mentioned that while some vot- Sunday.

double voting in recent days, no proof was submitted when asked.

"Some voters alleged double voting. When asked for proof, no answer was given. Neither the Election Commission nor any voter is afraid of such false allegations," CEC Kumar told reporters.

CEC affirmed that the Election Commission "stood like a rock" with every section of society without any

"When politics is being done by targeting the voters of India by keeping a gun on the shoulder of the Election Commission, today the Election Commission wants to make it clear to everyone that it fearlessly stood like a rock with all the voters of all sections and all religions including the poor, rich, eldiscrimination," CEC

said He stated that the ECI doesn't belong to any party and it will not step back from its "constitutional duty". CEC stated that there is no discrimination in the eyes of the ECI and every political party

is equal. "For the Election Commission, there is neither any opposition nor any party. All are equal. No matter who belongs to any political party, the Election Commission will not step back from its constitutional duty," CEC Kumar told reporters on

Congress, RJD have votes of "illegal intruders": BJP's Manoj Tiwari

MI News Service, New Delhi: spreading lies to mislead Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) MP Manoj Tiwari on Sunday claimed that Congress and Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) bank upon the vote bank of

"illegal intruders". Tiwari further accused Congress leader Rahul Gandhi of spreading anarchy, further stating that the Election Commission of India should take proper action against

"Congress-RJD have made votes of illegal intruders...The whole of Bihar will be against them if they cast votes of illegal intruders... Rahul Gandhi in the nation by lying wants to spread anarchy. The Election Commission of India should take strict action against him. This is the nobility of the Election Commission of India that they are explaining everything by holding a press conference," Tiwari told ANI.

BJP National General Secretary Tarun Chugh hit back at Congress leader Rahul Gandhi for trying to "malign" India's democracy through his ongoing 'Voter Adhikar Yatra.'The Bharatiya Janata Party leader said that the Congress MP had failed to present real issues before the people and was instead

Speaking to ANI, Chugh said, "Rahul Gandhi's 22nd launch has also failed because he has no issues to raise. He has become issueless, which is why he is running a campaign to defame the country's democracy, constitution, and institutions by creating an atmosphere of lies and fear to please his foreign masters.

"The BJP leader also alleged that the Congress MP lacked evidence to back his claims against democratic in-

"You (Rahul Gandhi) have no facts, you have no evidence when the Election Commission asks for evidence," Chugh said.

He further argued that Rahul Gandhi's repeated campaigns had not connected with the public. According to him, the Congress leader had attempted several political relaunches but failed to gain

Chugh also claimed that the 'Voter Adhikar Yatra' was another attempt to target the Election Commission and question India's democratic framework without substantiating the allegations.



Chittaranjan: CLW has manufactured 302 locos in 115 working days in the financial year 2025-26.The 300th electric locomotive of the financial year 2025-26 was rolled out on 14.08.2025 from CLW workshop premises. A total of 302 locos were manufactured as on 14.08.2025 comprises 228 from CLW Chittaranjan & 74 from Dankuni Ancillary Unit. This remarkable accomplishment was achieved in a record 115 working days, marking the fastest production rate of 300 locos

Bhubaneswar: On the occa-

sion of the 79th Independence

Day, the General Manager of

East Coast Railway (ECoR)

Sh Parmeshwar Funkwal ex-

tended heartfelt greetings to

the entire ECoR family. He

commended the unwavering

dedication and collective ef-

forts of the employees, which

have consistently placed the zone among the top perform-

ers in Indian Railways year

ECoR has made history by

becoming the first railway

zone in the country to achieve

100 Million Tonnes (MT) of

freight loading in just 134

days in the current financial

year 2025-26 — a remarkable

improvement over the previ-

ous record of 148 days set in

2024-25. This feat, achieved

on 12th August 2025, is 14

days ahead of last year and

reflects a 10.7% increase over

In 2024–25, ECoR retained

its No.1 position in freight

loading for the eighth consec-

utive year, with 259.25 MT,

surpassing the previous year's

85.57 million), and originating earnings touched ₹29,562.85

crore. The operating ratio

56.22 M1. Passenger trainc

the same period.

after year.

CLW's ancillary unit at Dankuni has contributed immensely in achieving this milestone of 302 locos. It has produced 74 locos, which is also the best ever production achievement corresponding to this period in any financial year.

This year's production of record 300 locos is achieved in 115 days posting an advance production by 33 working days compared to the production of the same number of locomotives during last financial year 2024-25, which was rolled out on 24.09.2024 in 148

of 58.98% is the second-best

Key Achievements & Initia-

• Passenger Services: Op-

erated 840 special trains in

2025; introduced LHB coach-

es on Puri-Bangiriposi and

Bhubaneswar-Junagarh

Express; upgraded wait-

ing halls, installed Sleeping

Pods and ATVMs, and added

Infrastructure Develop-

ment: Major station upgrades

at 11 locations; 57 stations

under Amrit Bharat Station

aged 368 special trains, han-

dled a record 4.91 lakh pas-

control and enhanced ameni-

• Safety & Technology: In-

climbed to 93.52 million (from sengers with efficient crowd

• Rath Yatra 2025: Man-

Scheme progressing rapidly.

Divyang-friendly facilities.

among all zones.



earlier in this financial year, CLW has produced the fastest 200 locos (CLW Chittaranjan 152 nos.& Dankuni Ancillary Unit 48 nos.) in 75 working days achieved on 28.06.2025 compared to the production of the same number of locomotives during last financial year 2024-25, which were rolled out on 30.07.2024 in 102 working days. Thus, posting an advance production by 27 working days for 200

CLW has also produced the fastest 100 locos (CLW Chit-

stalled Automatic Fire Detec-

tion systems, implemented

Kavach, carried out interlock-

ing and auto-signaling works,

introduced elephant intrusion

detection, and relaxed speed

missioned a new ROH depot

at Angul for enhanced rake

maintenance; speed upgrades

planned on Sambalpur-Bal-

angir and Cuttack–Paradeep

• Freight Operations: Com-

limits on key sections.

loop lines.

augurated

Ancillary Unit 21 nos.) in 41 working days on 20.05.2025 compared to the production of the same number of locomotives during last financial year 2024-25, which were rolled out on 30.05.2024 in 50 working days. Thus, posting an advance production by 9 working days for 100 locos.

It is mentioned here that, for this financial year 2025-26, CLW has been given production target of 777 loco-

Shri Vijay Kumar, General

Manager congratulated the entire 'Team CLW' for this remarkable achievement.

ECoR Achieves Record Freight and Passenger Growth - GM Commits to 'Next-Level Excellence' on Independence Day

through solar power, and introduced HOG-equipped rakes.
• Security: RPF saved 33 lives, rescued 529 minors/ elderly, seized contraband worth 1.70 crore, and recovered 748 passenger belong-

Human Resources: Trained 7,400+ staff, processed 1,127 promotions, made 117 new appointments, and adopted digital HR initia-

• Sports & Welfare: ECoR athletes excelled at the national level; ECoRWWO commended for welfare activities.

Reaffirming East Coast Railway's commitment to excellence, General Manager Sh Parmeshwar Funkwal stated, "The challenges ahead are significant, but with dedication and collective effort, we will continue to set new benchmarks for Indian Rail-

• Project Milestones: In-Sonepur-Purunakatak new line; commissioned major doubling sections and the longest tunnel T-4 under the Khurda

Road–Balangir project.
• Environment & Energy: Conducted 3,246 cleanliness drives, planted 40,500

The Independence Day celebrations featured a prize distribution ceremony for winners of various competitions, a lively cultural program presented by school children, and a captivating dog snow organized by the Railway Protection Force, all of which added vibrancy and enthusiasm to

Special emphasis was

ity, proper chlorination,

timely maintenance of wa-

ter purification systems, and the upkeep of storage facilities. Officials also in-

teracted with staff on duty

and emphasized the impor-

tance of sustained cleanli-

ness drives and preventive

maintenance to ensure un-

interrupted access to safe

drinking water for passen-

Howrah Division reaf-

firmed its commitment to-

wards providing a clean,

hygienic, and passen-ger-friendly railway en-vironment, in line with

the vision of Swachh Rail,

Swachh Bharat. Regular

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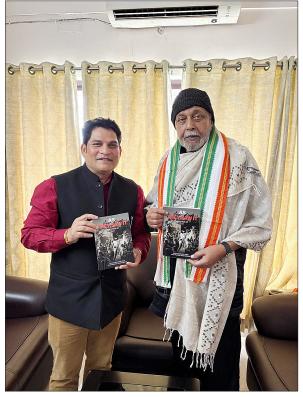
will continue across the di-

vision to strengthen public

amenities and promote the

cess for granting recognition to

'As They Saw It Partition 1947' unveiled



MI News Service, Kolkata: On August 14, 2025, in observance of Partition Horrors Remembrance Day, a significant literary work titled 'As They Saw It Partition 1947' was unveiled by Shri Mithun Chakraborty, a prominent Indian actor, film producer, screenwriter, entrepreneur, and politician, at his party office in Kolkata. This book, co-authored by Dr. Sachichanand Joshi and Dr. Ravi Tekchandani, explores the complex historical narratives surrounding the partition of India, shed-

during this tumultuous period. It captures the voices of partition victims, presenting their stories as living legends whose invaluable contributions and perspectives enrich the collective memory of this critical chapter in history. During the launch, Shri Mithun Chakraborty commended the authors for their efforts in bringing these often-overlooked memories to the forefront and emphasized the importance of producing more such works to ensure that the truths of the partition ding light on the experienc- are conveyed to future gen-

Khela Hobe dibas celebrated



MI News Service, Kolkata: As per the wishes of Our Hon'ble Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee the West Bengal Sports Dept cele-brates KHELA HOBE DIBAS in all KMC Wards.

In Ward 63 like every year Footballer Tournament is Bhattacharya Chatterjee Chairperson Br7 Council- happily and were encourlor W63, Bablu Pyne President W63, Vishal Khatick seniors

Youth President ,Sk Alijaan Ex -Youth President, Anwar Hossain ,Sk Taslim and all members of TMC were present includingmembers of Alviva Sporting Club .The Chief Guest was Jamshed Nasiri well known footballer and resident of the area who organized in Rawdon Square shook hands with all team 16th August.Susmita members.Four teams with all youth of the Ward played

Yellow Line from Noapara to Jai Hind Bimanbandar to improve connectivty to airport

Kolkata: The stretch of Yellow Line Corridor of Metro Railway,Kolkata Noapara and Jai Hind Bimanbandar (6.77-Km) is now all set to commence Metro services. This stretch of Metro section has two other stations enroute viz Dum Dum Cantonment and Jessore Road. This will reduce the hardship of the residents of this area to reach Kolkata Airport as after commissioning of this section fast and comfortable Metro journey can be enjoyed to Kolkata Airport. The total cost of this project is approximately Rs 1866 crores with three newly built stations i.e. Dum Dum Cantonment, Jessore and Jai Hind Bimanbandar. State of the art passenger amenities will be provided at the newly built stations.

First phase Metro will ply on this 6.77-km long stretch having four stations. Jessore Road station is the only station which is being constructed on the surface on this stretch. Noapara and Dum the passengers.

Dum Cantonment stations have been built on viaduct and Bimanbandar station is an underground station. People residing at Baranagar, Tobin Road, Sinthee, Dum Dum, Nagerbazar, Kaikhali More areas will find it very convenient to go to any part of the city by using these stations. As Noapara is further connected to southern part of the Kolkata through interchange point for the journey through Blue Line from Noapara to

of Eastern Railway. There will be adequate number of ticket counters, sitting benches, elevators, toilets for ladies, gents and divyangjan, Public Address System for the convenience of

Kavi Subhash. Dum Dum

Cantonment is also in vicinity

of Sealdah- Bongaon section

CJI Bhushan Gavai inaugurates fifth bench of Bombay HC at Kolhapur

Kolhapur: Chief Justice of India (CJI) Bhushan Gavai on Sunday inaugurated the new Circuit bench of the Bombay High Court at Kolhapur, marking it as the fifth seat of the High Court.

At present, the Bombay High Court has its principal seat in Mumbai and benches in Nagpur, Aurangabad, and Goa. With Kolhapur now added, the High Court expands its reach to Western

Maharashtra. The Kolhapur Circuit

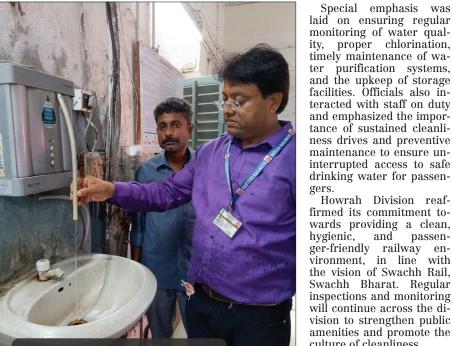
Service, Sangli, Solapur, Kolhapur, Ratnagiri, and Sindhudurg districts of Maharashtra. A notification regarding the bench was issued by Bombay High Court Chief Justice Alok Aradhe on August 1.

The demand for a bench at Kolhapur had been pending for over two decades, with litigants and lawyers repeatedly stressing the need to reduce travel to Mumbai for hearings. Officials said the new bench would save citizens' time, effort, and money while Bench will have jurisdiction improving access to justice over six districts; Satara, across the region.

Swachhta Abhiyan: Howrah Division Conducts Inspection of Water Installations at Railway Premises

MI News Service, Kolkata: As part of the ongoing Swachhta Abhiyan, Howrah Division of Eastern Railway organized a comprehensive inspection of water installations across various stations on 17th August 2025. The initiative was aimed at ensuring the availability of clean and safe drinking water, hygiene, and proper maintenance of water supply systems at passenger amenities.

Senior officials of the Division carried out thorough inspections at Bandel (BDC), Sheoraphuli (SHE), Srirampore (SRP), Bard-dhaman (BWN), Rampurhat (RPH), Azimganj (AZ), and Tarakeswar (TAK) stations. The inspections primarily focused on the functionality, cleanliness, and quality of water supplied at drinking water kiosks, overhead tanks, pipelines, and platform water taps.



culture of cleanliness. "Many congratulations to Dhami govt": Uttarakhand Waqf Board Chairman on Minority Bill

MI News Service, Dehradun: After the Uttarakhand Cabinet decided to introduce the Uttarakhand Minority Educational Institutions Bill, 2025, Uttarakhand Waqf Board Chairman Shadab Shams on Sunday extended his congratulations to the Pushkar

Singh Dhami government. Speaking to ANI, Uttarakhand Waqf Board Chairman said, "Many congratulations to the Dhami government. Today, there has been talk of forming a minority education authority in Devb-hoomi Uttarakhand. With this, the new minority institutions that will be formed will get approval, and minority does not mean only Muslims, minorities also include Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains, Parsis, so everyone will get rights. I think it is a very positive step taken in that direction."

Meanwhile, the Uttarakhand Cabinet made a historic decision by deciding to introduce the Uttarakhand Minority Education-al Institutions Bill, 2025, in the coming session of the Legislative Assembly starting on August 19. Until now, the status of minority educational institutions has been given only to the Muslim commu-

According to the release, the Bill seeks to extend the benefits of Minority Educational Institutions

status to the minority communities other than Muslims as well. Once enacted, it will permit the study of Gurmukhi and Pali also in recognised minority education-

al institutions. The Uttarakhand Madrasa Education Board Act, 2016 and the Uttarakhand Non-Government Arabic and Persian Madrasa Recognition Rules, 2019, will stand repealed from July 1, 2026.

Under the proposed Bill, this facility will also be available to other minority communities i.e Sikhs, Jains, Christians, Buddhists and Parsis. This is the first such Act in the country, aimed at establishing a transparent pro-

educational institutions set up by minority communities in the state, while ensuring quality and excellence in education. Key features of the Act include the formation of an authority - an

"Uttarakhand State Authority for Minority Education" will be constituted in the state to grant the status of minority educational institutions. It includes mandatory recognition, ie any educational institution established by Muslim, Christian, Sikh, Buddhist, Jain, or Parsi communities must obtain recognition from the Authority to qualify as a minority educational

Used cooking oil to produce sustainable aviation fuel IndianOil

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"The paint industry is growing at a CAGR of 13-14 per cent, and the bulk of the raw material they use is imported. In July, we commissioned the BA unit at Koyali refinery, which will eliminate the need to import, saving foreign exchange for the country," he said. Together with the Kochi plant, the new unit can substitute as much as 80-90 per cent of imports, he said. On green hydrogen, Sahney said the company awarded a tender for the country's largest green hydrogen plant to L&T. "The 10,000 tonnes a year green hydrogen unit at the Panipat refinery will be ready in 27 months," he said.

New Delhi : Cooking oil is often discarded after being used for frying at home or in restaurants. However, a refinery of IndianOil has now won a certification to use the same oil to produce sustainable aviation fuel (SAF), the company chairman Arvinder Singh Sahney said

SAF is an alternative fuel made from non-petroleum feedstocks that reduces emissions from air transportation. It can be blended up to 50 per cent in conventional aviation turbine fuel (ATF or jet fuel), depending on availability. India has mandated 1 per cent SAF blending in jet fuel sold to international airlines from

IndianOil's Panipat refinery Haryana has won the International Civil Aviation Organization's (ICAO) ISCC COR-SIA certification (International Sustainability and Carbon Certification - ISCC - developed under the Carbon Offsetting and Scheme Reduction International Aviation (CORSIA) to produce SAF from used cooking oil, he said.

"We are the only company in the country to get this certification," he said.

annum of SAF from the end of the calendar year."

The production will be enough to meet the mandated 1 per cent blending requirement for the country in 2027, he added.

Explaining the process, agencies will collect used cooking oil from large users, such as hotel chains, restaurants, and snacks and sweets producing companies like Haldiram, and supply it to Panipat refinery. Panipat refinery will use this

oil to produce SAF, he said.

Large hotels and restaurant chains normally discard cooking oil after one use. At present, this used cooking oil is collected by agencies and exported. "There is a large amount of

such oil available in the country. The only challenge is collection. While it is easy to collect from large hotel chains, a solution needs to be found for collection from small users, including households," he said.

Parallely, the company has also set up a Rs 5,000 crore plant at its Koyali refinery in Gujarat to produce Butyl Acrylate (BA), which is used in making paints.

The 1,50,000 tonnes per annum Butyl Acrylate plant, only second in India after BPCL's unit from splitting water using renew-

3,20,000 tonnes of annual paint feedstock that the country currently imports, Sahney noted.

State-owned Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) has been at the forefront of innovations, particularly in the areas of green energy, sustainable solutions, and technological advancements. The firm is working on renewable energy sources, like 2G ethanol, fuel cells, bio-diesel, and energy storage

"The paint industry is growing at a CAGR of 13-14 per cent, and the bulk of the raw material they use is imported. In July, we commissioned the BA unit at Koyali refinery, which will eliminate the need to import, saving foreign exchange for the country, he said.

Together with the Kochi plant, the new unit can substitute as much as 80-90 per cent of imports, he said.

On green hydrogen, Sahney said the company awarded a tender for the country's largest green hydrogen plant to L&T.

The 10,000 tonnes a year green hydrogen unit at the Panipat refinery will be ready in 27 months," he said.

at Kochi refinery, will help end able energy, is a clean energy

vapour and leaves no residue in the air, unlike coal and oil. It can be used in industries and automobiles as fuel, but the prohibitive production cost has been a stum-

India has relatively cheaper renewable energy (electricity pro-duced from sunlight and wind), which has helped keep green hydrogen production cost at less than USD 4 per kg, the chairman said, adding that IndianOil will use the fuel in its Panipat refinery.

Refineries, currently, use grey hydrogen - hydrogen produced from fossil fuels - in hydrocracking units to produce fuels like petrol and jet fuels.

"IndianOiľ remains agile and nimble in product innovation and meeting fast-changing energy dynamics," Sahney said. "A lot of other innovations are in the works, which will be unveiled when they mature.

Explaining the SAF certification process, he said, "SAF produced at IOC's Panipat refinery has undergone rigorous assessment for lifecycle carbon emissions and traceability, creating a clear pathway for Indian airlines to integrate certified SAF into their operations"

Certifications like ISCC COR-SIA ensure the fuel meets environmental and social standards.

The certification also sets a benchmark for other domestic refiners and industry players to scale up SAF production, in line with the government's vision of achieving net-zero emissions by

With this recognition, IOC has once again reaffirmed its role as a trailblazer in India's energy transition, bringing India closer to a greener and cleaner aviation future. India plans to mandate blending of SAF with conventional ATF in a staged manner. One per cent SAF blending in ATF sold to all international flights is to start from 2017 and increase to 2 per cent in the following year.

SpiceJet had flown a test

flight, using a blend of 75 per cent regular ATF and 25 per cent biofuel in August 2018. Subsequently, IndiGo did a demonstration flight using a 10 per cent SAF blend on an international flight in February While CORSIA is a key part

of the International Civil Aviation Organization's (ICAO) strategy to achieve carbon-neutral growth for international flights going

Expressing gratitude isn't necessary but a little appreciation may still go a long way

Burnaby (Canada) : (The Conversation) Gratitude statements like "Thanks! You are so kind!" and "Thank you! What you did was really helpful," are common when someone receives assistance from another person.

Such expressions of gratitude and appreciation have long been thought to encourage the helper to do kind things again in the future. But do they?

In contrast to past research, our new findings published in the Journal of Experimental Social Psychology suggest that gratitude does not always promote future helping. Our research was conduct-

ed using a new approach called a Registered Report. It required that the design of our experiment, along with our hypotheses and analytic plans, were vetted by experts before we started. This new best practice in science increases rigour and transparency.

Expressions of gratitude We conducted two large pre-registered experiments and found mixed results. In the first experiment, more than 600 university students recorded a short video to welcome a new student (played by a member of our research team) to campus.

In response to this kind act, we sent participants one of three randomly assigned pre-recorded participants Some received a video in which the new student expressed gratitude for the participant's kind act: "Thank you! What you did was very kinď.

Other participants received a video in which the new student expressed gratitude for the participant's kind character: "Thank you! You are very kind.

Finally, some participants in a control condition received a video of the new student acknowledging that they had received the recording, but with no expression of gratitude at all.

Afterwards, all participants were invited to write up to five brief notes to welcome other new students to university, which we treated as a measure of future helping behaviour. Reception and kindness

By sending participants one of the three video replies, we were able to test two important questions about gratitude. Does receiving an expression of gratitude, regardless of whether it mentions your kind act or kind character, lead to more helping in the future compared to not receiving gratitude? Also, does the content of the gratitude matter - in other words, do some gratitude notes lead to more helping in the future than others?

To find out, we compared how many welcome notes participants wrote across the three video conditions provided. We found no differences across conditions, which suggests that receiving a gratitude expression and its contents may not impact future helping.

These results were in contrast to our predictions and past work by others.

Written expressions

Welcoming new students is one way to be kind, but there are many other ways to help. So, we conducted another experiment to test the same key questions. Does receiving a gratitude expression increase future helping behaviour? And does the content of the gratitude message matter?

This time, however, we used written thank-you messages instead of videos and measured helping in the form of donations. Over 800 adults recruited

online completed an innocuous survey that provided an opportunity to complete an initial kind act of donating to charity. days later, participants were invited back to complete a second survey that began with what we told participants was a thank-you letter from the charity they supported - participants received one of three letters we had created for the purposes of

As in the first study, some participants were thanked for their kind act: "Thank you! Your generous donation was very kind." Other participants were thanked for their kind character: "Thank you! You are very kind

Once again, some partici-

of thanks, but were informed that their donation had been received. Participants completed a few other questions and were then given the opportunity to help again by deciding how much, if any, of an additional one-dollar bonus they would like to donate to a new charity.

We compared donations across the three conditions and found that people who received a thank-you note gave more money than people who received a simple message that their donation was received.

Donation levels did not differ between the two types of gratexpressions. thanked for their kind act gave roughly as much (42 cents) as people who were thanked for their kind character (42 cents) which was higher than the 34 cents given by people in the control condition.

Everyday importance While we did not see significant differences in help provided by people who were thanked for their kind action or character this does not mean that people should stop saying thanks. Expressing gratitude can make the person expressing appreciation feel good and strengthen social relationships.

There may be less reason to stress over how exactly you express your appreciation to others. Past research has shown that many people are uncertain about how to properly and eloquently relay their gratitude.

Unfortunately, these wor ries can reduce the likelihood of someone sharing a simple but heartfelt statement of appreciation and our work reinforces this same underlying idea.

Exactly what is said when pressing thanks may be less important than communicating

Left in the dark Western UP's migrant workers lose light faith with unmaintained solar panels

dusty brick kiln colony on the outskirts of Aligarh, 32-year-old migrant worker Kamal Singh stands beside a lifeless solar panel mounted on his hut.

Yeh toh roshni ka sahara tha. Par ab pehle jaise nahi chalta. (This was our source of light. But now it doesn't work like before," he said.

Once a symbol of self-reliance that lit up his hut and powered a fan through scorching summers, the panel is now coated in grime, barely functioning -- a casualty of lack of maintenance, guidance and rising air pollution.

As India expands its renewable energy footprint, stories like Kamal have revealed a troubling gap between solar

adoption and solar maintenance. Many migrant workers across the dusty interiors of western Uttar Pradesh -- Hathras, Bulandshahr, Aligarh -embraced solar as a lifeline to meet their energy needs but are now finding them-

selves disillusioned. Some even pooled money to install small solar panels on their huts using their savings from months of labour under the sun and for a while, it even worked: two bulbs lit up their rooms, a fan offered respite from the heat, and

mobile phones stayed charged. But today, the lights flicker weakly and the fan barely moves.

"We don't know what went wrong. When we took it to the shop, they said dust had accumulated on it. Then we cleaned it properly with a cloth, but it's still not working like before," said Kamal's wife, Rashmi.

Neeraj Jain, director at Solar Square, an Indian company focused on residential solar energy solutions, pointed out that cleaning must be done gently and correctly.

"Leaning or scrubbing too hard can cause micro-cracks or damage the anti-reflective coating, which significantly reduces the panel's lifespan," he cau-

But this knowledge hasn't reached the brick kiln workers of western Uttar Pradesh, who often rely on second-hand information or trial-and-error methods.

With little formal training and no local technicians to guide them, families clean panels with the same cloth and phenyl solution they use to mop floors or dust it the way they do dusting at home.

Some lean directly on the glass surface while scrubbing, unaware they may be damaging the very panels they depend on for electricity. In these informal settlements, where electricity theft, outages, and diesel costs once made solar seem like a breakthrough, the lack of aftercare and support has quickly turned innovation into frustration.

"I saved Rs 3,000 on electricity last year. But now, the panel stopped working properly. No one ever told us how to take care of it," said Kishore Kumar, a migrant construction worker in Nanau

Others tell similar stories.

"We bought it thinking it would help during nights as we were either dependent on oil lamps or pilfering electricity, but it became more headache than help," said Sangeeta, who migrated from Bihar's Gaya to work in a brick kiln in Nanau village of Uttar Pradesh's Aligarh district.

Experts agree that while solar systems are marketed as low-maintenance, they are not maintenance-free.

"Within 90 days, performance drops by up to 35 per cent if not cleaned," said Jain.

"In rural, off-grid areas, the panels often face poor air quality, dust, bird droppings, and no guidance on upkeep. After a year or two, many just abandon them," he added.

Shopkeepers in surrounding areas like Pilakhana and Bijauli also report declining use.

"Earlier, families came to us to buy



So far, over 5,000 individuals have been trained and 3,000 vendors registered, according to Singh. But such programs are yet to reach the migrant belts of western UP in any meaningful way. India is home to over 450 million internal migrants, according to the 2011 Census, with current estimates by independent researchers suggesting the number could now exceed 600 million, as many move in search of work, education, or better living conditions. Among them, Uttar Pradesh is both a major sending and receiving

state, with millions of migrant workers moving seasonally between states like Bihar, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, and Maharashtra. For these workers, access to reliable and affordable energy is not a luxury -- it is essential for their empowerment, said Nirmal Gorana, convenor of the National Campaign Committee for the Eradication of Bonded Labour, who has extensively documented labour conditions in kilns. But without basic maintenance support, even this modest progress begins to unravel. "We turned to solar with hope and invested our hard-earned savings in it. To buy this panel, we made sacrifices'"whether it meant cutting back on better food, medicine, or even sending money home. So when the panel stops working, it isn't just a financial loss'"it shatters our trust in the system, " said Kamal.

DC fans and LED bulbs for their solar setups," said Virendra Singh, who owns a shop in Pilakhana. "Now some of them come asking for kerosene lamps again."

The problem isn't the technology but the lack of education and support. Like Jain said that solar panels do not need complicated maintenance.

"But users must know not to rub too hard, not to use saltwater, and to avoid leaning on them. Even small cracks or residue can ruin them," Jain

When PTI reached out to the shops selling solar panels, the shopkeepers said that they themselves are not sure how to ensure effective maintenance and just tell the people to wipe it properly with wet and dry cloth.

"Like we do dusting at home," said a shopkeeper in Bulandshahr.

Air pollution is further making the situation worse.

"In Delhi and surrounding regions, performance falls by at least 15"20% during peak pollution. And this isn't just about fog'it's the dust, the particulates, everything in the air that blocks sunlight," said Jain. Researchers at IIT Delhi's Centre for Atmospheric Sciences (2001-"2018) found that particulate pollution reduces direct sunlight radiation (called atmospheric attenuation) and causes soiling (i.e. particle deposition). As a result, solar panel efficiency in India declines by approximately 12 per cent for fixed panels and up to 41 per cent for dual-axis tracking systems. In the eastern and northern power grids, reductions in received sunlight range from 12-"16 per cent.

For families relying on solar for basic needs -- charging a phone, running a light or fan -- such a drop makes a system nearly unusable.

Indrajit Singh, Managing Director the Uttar Pradesh New and Renewable Energy Development Agency (UPNEDA), acknowledged the issue.

access, but now we are scaling up training and 30,000 Surya Mitras are being trained in UP for installation and maintenance," he said.

'We've also started pilot programs with women's self-help groups in rural areas to take on local repair and upkeep," he said. So far, over 5,000 individuals have

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OUR!!!VOICES

Independence Day play in Gujarat sparks outrage after Muslim girls portrayed as terrorists

have been a day of unity and pride turned into one of humiliation for Muslims in Gujarat's Bhavnagar. On 15 August, at Kumbharwada School, a play staged as part of Independence Day celebrations has triggered widespread anger after a video surfaced showing young girls dressed in burqas and depicted as terrorists.

The performance, witnessed by students, parents, and local residents, portrayed burqa-clad girls carrying out acts of terrorism. Critics have condemned the act as a deliberate attempt to vilify Muslims and spread Islamophobia under the guise of patriotism.

"This is not a drama, this is poison," said Shahid Khan, a local activist. "On Independence Day, when we should talk about brotherhood and equality, they chose to humiliate Muslims.

The video has since gone viral, sparking nationwide outrage. Citizens and community leaders say the play reflects the growing atmosphere of hate encouraged in public spaces. "Dressing Muslim girls as terrorists is not an accident-it is a planned attempt to divide society," said Fatima Bano, a parent.

Serious questions have been raised about the school's administration and teachers who permitted such a perfor-

mance. Social groups argue that classrooms, meant for harmony and education, are being turned into platforms of hate. Retired teacher Prof. Iqbal Ansari warned, "When textbooks already show bias, and now schools stage plays calling Muslims terrorists, what will the next generation believe?'

For Gujarat's Muslims, the incident deepens a sense of insecurity. Activists allege that silence from authorities emboldens such acts. "From streets to classrooms, Muslims are branded as terrorists," said lawyer Naseem Ahmed. "Why the double standard? A Hindu accused of crime is called a criminal, a Muslim accused is called a terrorist.

Local authorities have said an investigation is underway, but no police statement has been issued yet. Muslim organisations have pledged to file complaints and demand accountability.

"This is not Gandhi's Gujarat," said student leader Aslam Pathan. "The state that gave the world a message of peace is now parading Muslim girls as terrorists. This is an insult to the very idea of freedom."

The Bhavnagar play is being seen as more than a local controversy-critics argue it is a warning sign of how hate is being normalized in education and society under the

Ghazi Miyan Dargah vandalised in Rewa: Community outrage, police launch probe MI News Sevice, Gurh (Madhya Pradesh): A reconflicts, warning that cur-

vered shrine, the Ghazi Miyan Dargah located in the village Gorgi under Gurh police station in Rewa district of Madhya Pradesh, was vandalised late on Friday night. The incident has triggered anger, fear, and unrest among the local Muslim community, with residents demanding swift action against the culprits.

According to eyewitnesses, a group of unidentified individuals entered the dargah premises under the cover of darkness and desecrated the tomb, leaving visible damage. As news of the attack spread on Saturday morning, large numbers of Muslims gathered at the local police station, pressing authorities for an immediate response

Residents strongly condemned the vandalism, describing it as a deliberate attempt to inflame communal tensions. "Hurting someone's faith is an attempt to divide society and disturb peace," said one villager. Another community elder noted that the dargah holds deep religious and emotional significance: "An attack on this shrine is an attack on our faith and identity.

Community leaders linked the incident to a broader national pattern of targeting Muslim religious sites, pointing to recent disputes over Idgahs, mosques, and dargahs. They recalled the long-standing Babri Masjid rent tensions around Gyanvapi, Sambhal's Shahi Masjid, and Ajmer Dargah are fuelling widespread unease among Muslims.

Authorities moved quickly to manage the situation. SDM Anurag Tiwari assured that the administration was on high alert, noting that damaged portions of the shrine were already being repaired with community support. "We have appealed to the villagers to maintain peace. The situation is under control," he said.

DSP Headquarters Himani Pathak confirmed that a video of the vandalism had surfaced online, making the scale of the damage visible. she stated that a case has been registered against unknown persons. "No accused will be spared. The matter is being thoroughly investigated," she added.

Police deployment has been significantly increased around the dargah to prevent further disturbances. While the community has pledged cooperation with authorities local leaders are urging the government to ensure stronger protections for religious heritage and prevent similar attacks in the future.

The incident underscores the fragile state of communal harmony in the region, highlighting the urgent need for decisive action to preserve peace and trust.

Prevailing situation in country worse than time of Emergency: Lalu



MI News Sevice, Patna: RJD president Lalu Prasad on Sunday alleged that the situation prevailing in the country under the BJP-led central government was worse than the time of the Emergency.

The former Bihar chief minister was speaking to reporters here before leaving for Sasaram for Congress leader's 'Voter Adhikar Yatra', which kicked off on Sunday in Rohtas district.

"We are fighting a battle against the prevailing situation in the country, which is worse than what it was during the Emergency. It is good that Rahul Gandhi is also with us,' Prasad, accompanied by his son Tejashwi Yadav, said.

The 1,300 km-long 'Voter said.

20 districts in Bihar. With the assembly polls barely three months away, Gandhi, along with Yadav and other Mahagathbandhan leaders, will launch the yatra from the BIADA Ground in Sasaram. It will conclude after 16 days with a rally in Patna on September 1.

"It is the duty of every citizen to protect democracy and the Constitution... The Constitution guarantees every voter the right to vote. The BJP and its allies are attempting to snatch away this right... We will not allow that to happen. We are confident that we will get the blessings of the people of Bihar in this yatra," Yadav

Israel bombs Gaza hospital, advances plans to displace Palestinians

MI News Sevice, Gaza: Hamas has slammed Israel's plan to seize Gaza City, calling talk of shelter provision and humanitarian aid "blatant deception".

Israeli forces bomb al-Ahli Hospital in Gaza City, killing at least seven people.

The Palestinian Health Ministry says 11 more people have died of Israel-induced starvation in the past 24 hours, taking the death toll to 251. The victims include

raelis rally in Tel Aviv, calling for an end to the war on Gaza and the return of the captives held by Hamas, as global protests continue over Israel's killing of Al Jazeera's journalists.

Israel's war on Gaza has killed at least 61,827 people and wounded 155,275. An estimated 1,139 people were killed in Israel during the Hamas-led October 7, 2023, attacks, and more than 200

ISRAEL'S WAR ON GAZA



Israel preparing to forcibly displace **Palestinians to southern Gaza**

MI News Sevice, Gaza: Israel has announced preparations to forcibly evacuate Palestinians from "combat zones" to southern Gaza from Sunday, days after it announced a new offensive to seize control of Gaza City, the enclave's largest urban centre.

The army's Arabic-language spokesperson Avichay Adraee said on Saturday that residents would be provided with tents and other shelter equipment transported through the Karem Abu Salem, or Kerem Shalom, crossing by the United Nations and international relief organisations.

The UN has not commented on the plan or on its alleged role in providing humanitarian assis-

The statement comes less than a week since Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu announced that the military had been given the green light to "dismantle" what he described as two remaining Hamas strongholds: Gaza City in the north and al-Mawasi further to the south.

The army has not specified whether the shelter equipment was intended for Gaza City's population, estimated at around one million people presently, and whether the site to which they will be relocated in southern Gaza would be the area of Rafah, near the border with Egypt.

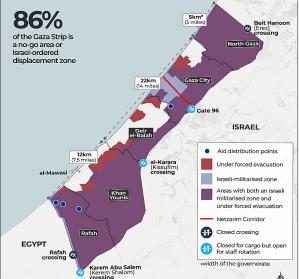
The UN did not immediately comment on the Israeli announcement, however, it warned on Thursday that thousands of families already enduring appalling humanitarian conditions could be pushed over the edge if the Gaza City plan moves ahead.

The Palestinian group Islamic Jihad, an ally of Hamas, described the military's announcement as "part of its brutal attack to occupy Gaza City" and "a blatant and brazen mockery of international conventions."

"Forcing people to flee amidst starvation, massacres, and displacement is an ongoing crime against humanity. Criminal behaviour in Gaza is inseparable from the daily crimes committed by the occupation in the occupied West Bank," the group said n a statement.

Israeli forces have increased operations on the outskirts of Gaza City over the past week.

Israel escalates bombing of Gaza City Israel says it will force Palestinians from "combat zones" to southern Gaza from Sunday, days after it said it wants control of Gaza City. Three of the Israeli-backed aid



Residents in the neighbourhoods of Zeitoun and Shujayea have reported heavy Israeli aerial and tank fire.

An Israeli drone targeted a group of people in the Asqaula area of the Zeitoun neighbourhood in eastern Gaza City, killing two and wounding several others, the Wafa news agency

Another person was killed and three were injured when a house near the al-Alami Mosque on az-Zarga Street, also in eastern Gaza City, was hit.

The tented encampment of al-Mawasi, in southern Gaza, also came under attack on Saturday. An Israeli air raid killed Motasem al-Batta, his wife and their baby daughter in their tent. The area was designated a so-called "humanitarian", or safe", zone early in the war, but it has nonetheless repeatedly come under attack.

neighbour of the family, Fathi Shubeir, told The Associated Press that displaced civilians were living in the densely populated al-Mawasi area. Speaking of the baby girl, he said, "Two and a half months, what has she done?"

Israel's war on Gaza has killed at least 61,827 people since October 2023. Malnutrition has killed 251 people so far, according to Gaza's Health

Eleven people, including a child, have starved to death in the past 24 hours, the ministry said on Saturday. At Gaza City's al-Shifa Hospi-

tal, the lives of more than 200 patients were hanging by a thread, due to acute shortages of medicine and malnutrition.

Director Mohammed Abu Salmiya said the hospital was overcrowded with wounded patients amid relentless Israebombardments and doctors were performing an increasing number of amputations as they were unable to combat the infection of wounds.

According to the World Health Organisation, more than 14,800 patients need lifesaving medical care that is not available in Gaza. Yet, leaving the Strip is not always enough to save a lile.

Twenty-year-old Marah Abu Zuhri arrived in Pisa on an Italian government humanitarian flight overnight on Wednesday while severely emaciated. The University Hospital of Pisa said she had a "very complex clinical picture" and serious wasting, before she was reported dead

Director-General of Gaza's Health Ministry Munir al-Bursh told Al Jazeera that 40,000 infants in the territory were suffering from severe malnutrition amid critical food shortages caused by Israel's restrictions on aid into Gaza.

Al Jazeera correspondent Hind Khoudary said the reality of hunger in Gaza was "devas-

"Palestinians have no choice but to see their children die of malnutrition and starvation," she said. "The latest to have died from hunger were siblings, aged 16 and 25, who died on the same day.'

According to Amjad Shawa, director of the Palestinian NGOs Network, "only 10 percent" of the daily food supplies needed are entering the territory, "while the health system is collapsing day by day and our capacity is very limited"

He said Israel's war in Gaza destroyed its socioeconomic structure, leaving Palestinians in the territory "totally dependent on humanitarian aid".

What is making it into the country is "a very limited amount, which is only to keep the people alive [at a] minimum level," he added.

The United Nations has warned that levels of starvation and malnutrition in Gaza are at their highest since the war be-

The families of 50 Israeli captives still held in Gaza were shaken by the recent release of videos showing their emaciated relatives pleading for help and

A group representing the families urged Israelis into the streets on Sunday. "Across the country, hundreds of citizen-led initiatives will pause daily life and join the most just and moral struggle: the struggle to bring all 50 hostages home," it said in a statement.

Netanyahu has rejected criticism that his plan to widen the military offensive would endanger the lives of the remaining captives. The mobilisation of forces is expected to take weeks, and the Israeli prime minister has defended his decision, saying he had "no choice" but to

targeted a tent housing jour-nalists within Gaza's al-Shifa hospital compound. This was not an accident of war, but a precision strike aimed at si-

to reporting the truth. The killings came after weeks of public incitement against Al Jazeera reporters, particularly al-Sharif. Israeli army spokesperson for Arabic media, Avichay Adraee, had singled him out in recent online posts, accusing him of spreading "false propaganda". This perhaps is prelude to a larger massacre which is about to take place for Israeli to takeover Gaza City and forcefully ethnic cleanse Palestinians. There were even reports that discussions are

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underway to settle Gaza Pal-

its people," it said. While international media was barred from entering, Al Jazeera journalists remained within besieged Gaza, experiencing the hunger and suffering they documented through their lenses. Through continuous, courageous live coverage, they have delivered

the impending massacre MI News Sevice, Gaza: of the horrors unleashed over 22 months of relentless bombing and destruction," Sharif's reporting entered millions of homes across the Arab world. More than a journalist, he became a trusted witness. His audience knew his grief as much as they knew his voice: the killing of his father by Israeli fire, and his separation from his mother, his daughter Sham, his baby son Salah born during the genocide and his wife Bayan.

Killing of Palestinian

journalists: A ploy to conceal

Columnist Maram Humaid said Al Jazeera Arabic's entire northern Gaza crew had been wiped out - correspondents, cameramen and equipment - erased. The charges against them were ready-made, fabricated. But everyone knows Israel fears only one thing: the truth. Israel has killed 238 Palestinian journalists in Gaza since the beginning of the war in 8 October 2023. Sharif knew this might be his fate.

Sharif's killing is not an ending. It is the erasure of a witness before the curtain rises on what comes next: massacres planned in plain view, sanctioned by United States, United Kingdom, European allies and shameless Arab tyrants, to drive Gaza's last survivors from their land. Sharif's blood is not Israel's burden alone. It stains the hands of every government that looked away; every newsroom that echoed the mur

Shortly before his killing, in a final message, the re-porter said that he had "lived through pain in all its details, tasted suffering and loss many times, yet I never once hesitated to convey the truth as it is, without distortion or falsification."

This is my will and my final message. If these words reach you, know that Israel has succeeded in killing me searing eyewitness accounts and silencing my voice.

Saudi Arabia will not normalize relations with a genocidal maniac, says Prince Turki al-Faisal

MI News Sevice, Riyadh: tanyahu's vision of a "Greater Former Saudi intelligence chief Prince Turki al-Faisal has ruled any possibility of normalisation with Israel under Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, labelling him a 'war criminal" and a "geno-

cidal maniac.' In an interview with CNN's Christiane Amanpour on August 15, Al-Faisal said the Kingdom cannot engage with a leader who promotes expansionist ambitions while disregarding peace efforts.

He highlighted the Arab Peace Initiative and a Saudi-French proposal for Gaza, which call for a governing authority under the Palestinian Authority, civilian reconstruction, and long-term stability. 'We don't need to reinvent the wheel," he said.

Al-Faisal also criticised Ne- on Saturday, August 16.

Israel," accusing him of displaying maps stretching from the Nile to the Euphrates. "Is he proposing to occupy Syria, Lebanon, Iraq, Palestine and Egypt?" he asked.

His remarks followed Netanyahu's claim that he was on a "spiritual mission" to achieve Greater Israel, sparking condemnation across the Arab world and beyond.

Saudi Arabia maintains it will not move towards normaiisation without a state solution based on 1967 borders, with East Jerusalem as the Palestinian capital.

The number of Palestinians killed in Israel's genocidal war on the Gaza Strip since October 2023 has risen to 61,897, the Health Ministry in the blockaded enclave said

Israeli military bombs power plant

The Israeli navy has carried out attacks on a power plant near the Yemeni capital Sanaa, according to Israeli media reports.

Houthi-affiliated Al Masirah TV reported on Saturday that the "aggression" damaged generators at the Hezyaz power plant, sparking a fire that was later contained. The country's deputy prime minister confirmed emergency crews managed to prevent further damage. Residents in Sanaa also reported hearing at least two oud explosions.

Israeli claimed that the site was being used by Houthi fighters. But it did not present evidence to justify hitting a civilian power station, raising concerns that the strike may constitute a war crime.

In a statement carried by Israeli outlets on Sunday, the military said the assault was a direct response to repeated Houthi attacks, including missiles and drones launched towards Israel.

The Houthis have repeatedly fired rockets and drones at Israel since 2023 in response to Israel's genocide in Gaza. Israel has retaliated by bombing Yemen's infrastructure, including Hodeidah port, a vital lifeline for humanitarian aid deliv-

Israel has also attacked Yemen's international airport, claiming it was being used by Houthis.



aimed at Israel have been intercepted, but the exchanges have widened the regional fallout of Israel's war on

The United States and the United Kingdom have also carried out bombings in Yemen as the Houthis attacked ships linked to Israel passing through the Red Sea. Houthis said the move, which disrupted global trade passing through the waterway, was in response to Israel's war and blockade of Gaza.

In May, Washington announced a surprise truce with the group, halting its bombing campaign in exchange for an end to Houthi attacks on US-linked vessels in the Red Sea. The Houthis insisted the deal did not apply to their operations

against Israel. US forces had carried out hundreds of air raids in Yemen, killing more than 250 people, before the ceasefire was declared. US President Donald Trump said the truce

would "stop the bombing".

The deal appeared to blindside Israel, with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu stressing his country would "defend ourselves alone" if necessary.

RSS Chief: Does he mean what he says uting the whole process to Tablighi Jamaat's As far as Christians are concerned, they

of three lectures, to begin with in Vigyan Bhavan Delhi on 26, 27 and 28 August. This will be followed by similar series in Mumbai, Bengaluru and Kolkata. RSS Chief Mohan Bhagwat has earlier delivered three lectures in Vigyan Bhavan, Delhi in 2018. The difference this time is that the lectures are being held in four major cities of India. In the third lecture there will be question answer session, and many people not belonging to RSS Combine ae being invited. There are twelve categories of invitees. These include the foreign embassy staff, intellectuals and political leaders belonging to other parties. In foreign embassy staff the one's from Pakistan, Bangladesh and Türkiye will be excluded. As far as political parties are concerned those from non-BJP parties who are

making some noises, akin to what Modi Gov-

ernment is saying, will be particularly invit-

ed. This is one of the major initial programs

which is being organized. Other programs

As a century year of RŠS is beginning on

2nd October 2025, it has planned many pro-

grams to celebrate. One of this is a series

include Conferences of Hindus etc. We recall that lot of importance was given to Bhagwat's Vigyan Bhavan lectures 2018, after which some political commentators naively felt that 'RSS is changing'. An insider of RSS commented that RSS is undergoing a process of Glasnost. What happened in due course was the repetition of the same divisive actions which are the core of RSS agenda. Bhagwat stated very strongly on Hindu Muslim relations and said that "A person is not a Hindu if he says Muslims should not live in India. Those involved in mob lynching are against Hindutva." Did the acts lynching Muslims stop after this. No way! It continued as seen in the incidents of Shahrukh Saifi in UP and Lukman in Haryana in 2020. Added to this was the use of bulldozers against

Most of the anti-Muslim activities continued as the propaganda against them is the major weapon for RSS combine. As Covid 19 tormented the country, the occasion was used to further demonize Muslims by attribConference going on in Delhi. The word like Corona Jihad, Corona bomb was floated. Accompanying this was the boycott of Muslim hawkers, discriminated against in Hindu

Bhagwat stated that one is not a Hindu if he says that Muslims should not stay in India. The huge and painful exercise of NPR was undertaken followed by CAA, which opened the backdoor for citizenship in India to all except the Muslims. This also was responded to by courageous Muslim women by staging the Shaheen Baug Movement. Tragically this movement was countered by the likes of Kapil Mishra of BJP, who openly threatened that if police do not evacuate them, Mishra and Company will do it. The Delhi violence which took place after this killed 51 innocent lives, 2/3 of them being Muslims. In a way RSS Combine under the leadership of Bhagwat is supporting every move which is intensifying the hate against Muslims and also their marginalization. What was the aim of the lectures of 2018? Clearly it was neither glasnost(open policy) nor the observation that RSS is changing.

RSS is pursuing the path of Hindu Nationalism, plain and simple. It may theoretically disown M.S. Golwalkar's, "Three internal threats to Hindu Nation-Muslims, Christians and Communists", in practice it is pursuing precisely the same path. The Muslim community over a period of last many decades is feeling intimidated and marginalized. Even Sudheendra Kulkarni, who was loudly declaring that RSS is changing, at the same time could see the plight of Muslims, "In the case of communal riots, Muslim property worth 'thousands of crores of rupees are lost and destroyed', and yet 'proper FIRs are not registered'. Furthermore, a 'majority of perpetrators and perpetrators of violence, looting and rape go scot-free'. In contrast, Muslims 'exercising their constitutional right to protest are severely penalized, killed in police firing, mass arrests made and personal recoveries fixed for the losses accrued to public property. Where is

are subjected to sub radar level chronic violence, which is low intensity and scattered all over. This has been rising at the painful speed more so during the last over a decade. Every day we have four or five attacks on churches and pastors, and every Sunday it doubles to roughly ten – this we have never seen before" said a persecuted Christian leader of a major denomination in 2023. As per him the main source of Christian persecution in India are the Sangh Parivar, an organization of Hindu extremists that include

ty and the Bajrang Dal, a violent youth wing. As far as communists are concerned, all human rights workers are being labeled as Urban Naxals. Many of them were arrested in the Bhima Koregaon case. And now in Maharashtra a new "Peoples Security Bill" is being brought in. This legislation empowers the state to monitor, investigate, and act against individuals or organizations suspected of providing intellectual, logistical, or financial support to banned Maoist outfits.

the influential paramilitary and strategic

group known as the RSS (National Volunteer

Association), the BJP, the main political par-

All these policies and street violence which is the outcome of what RSS propagates in its Shakhas and affiliated organizations. So why such lectures as the ones in 2018 and now in 2025? Surely the agenda of RSS is crystal clear, and has intensified during the last few decades. These lectures are an occasion to sugarcoat the negative outcome of RSS agenda. Since they are operating in a democratic set up, though a formal one, it is necessary to show that their concept of Hindu Nation is compatible with present times. The comparison with the lecture series of 2018 makes it clear that what RSS articulates through its Chief is not meant for implementation but merely to keep its critics in good humor. And who knows with the dissidents of other parties being invited, it may also be the beginning of 'operation Kamal' in some form? RSS may be aiming at winning over those dissident elements from other parties. Let's wait and

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Durand Cup 2025: Key players who could decide Kolkata Derby

KOLKATA: The fourth and final quarter-final of the Durand Cup 2025 promises to be a mouthwatering clash, as Kolkata giants East Bengal FC and Mohun Bagan Super Giant go head-to-head at the Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan on Sunday, as per the official website of the Indian Super League. While the Mariners boast a

strong record against their archrivals in recent derbies overall, East Bengal FC have had the upper hand in cup competitions, winning two of their last three encounters. Both teams enter the fixture with perfect records from the group stage, adding extra spice to an already tantalising tie.

With the margins expected to be fine, we take a closer look at five players who could decide the outcome of Sunday's Kolkata

The man in red-hot form, Liston Colaco, is jointly leading the Golden Boot race with five goals and one assist, having scored in every game so far in the Durand Cup. A fleet-footed winger with a sharp eye for goal, he has been a constant menace to opposition defences throughout the tourna-

Colaco's ability to cut inside, take on defenders, and finish with precision makes him one of MBSG's most dangerous weapons going into the derby. With his confidence sky-high, East Bengal FC's full-backs will have their hands full trying to contain him, because if given space, Colaco has the pace and composure to tilt the derby in



the Mariners' favour. Moroccan striker Hamid Ahadad has quickly become a name to watch for East Bengal FC. He announced himself in style with a match-winning goal on

followed it up by finding the net again against the Indian Air The Aussie marksman Jamie Force, showing that his finishing touch is very much alive. What makes Ahadad special is his ability to adapt; he can drop deep to link play, run the chan-nels, or lead the line as a classic target man. In a fixture like the

debut against Namdhari FC. He

Kolkata Derby, where fine mar-

gins often decide the outcome, his sharp movement and knack for

scoring could prove decisive. The Red and Gold Brigade have long been searching for a reliable goalgetter in big matches, and Ahadad has the chance to write his name into Derby folklore by becoming East Bengal FC's new hero on the grandest stage of them all.

Maclaren has already proven his big-game pedigree, scoring in both legs of the Kolkata Derby in the Indian Super League (ISL) last season. A classic poacher, he is the type of striker who needs just one chance to change the game. Making his first appearance of the tournament in MBSG's 5-1 win group game, he wasted no time getting on the scoresheet.

East Bengal FC may have conceded only one goal so far in the competition, but keeping Maclaren quiet will be their toughest defensive test yet. The centre-back pairing of Kevin Sibille and Anwar Ali will need to stay switched on throughout, as Maclaren will be lurking for that one opportunity to write his name into Kolkata Derby history once

Another new signing, Miguel Figueira, has reunited with coach Oscar Bruzon, and his performances in his first two appearances

there. As I say, it's like family.

When I come here, I feel like

they're my brothers. I think that is

decision to bring him in. For a team that has long searched for a true playmaker, Figueira fits the bill perfectly. Possessing brilliant vision, close control, and the ability to dictate the tempo, he offers East Bengal FC a creative spark they have sorely missed in previous seasons

The Brazilian has registered an assist in each of his two matches so far. Against MBSG, his quick thinking, precision passing, and ability to unlock defences could be vital in breaking down the Mariners' backline. Having faced the Mariners before in the AFC competition, Figueira knows the intensity that is required, and the derby could be the perfect stage for him to stamp his authority.

Sahal Abdul Samad has been in scintillating form for Mohun Bagan Super Giant, delivering two goals and four assists in just two Durand Cup appearances. His creativity, quick feet, and eye for the final pass have made him one of the most influential players in the tournament so far.

Blessed with the versatility to operate across multiple attacking roles, Sahal offers Jose Molina the freedom to switch tactics mid-game, which makes him a valuable asset going into the derby. Whether drifting into pockets of space, threading through-balls, or arriving in the box to finish moves himself, Sahal has the tools to unlock East Bengal FC's defence. If he finds his rhythm on Sunday, he could be the spark that propels the Mariners into the final four.

Alyssa Healy shines in Australia 'A' series against India ahead of T20 World Cup



NEW DELHI: Australia women's team skipper Alyssa Healy showed exceptional form in the 'A' series against India, ahead of her international return next month for the ICC Women's T20 World Cup in India.

Healy was the highest run-getter for her side in both T20s and ODIs of the 'A' series. The right-hand batter scored 124 runs in three T20s before upping the ante with 242 runs from three one-day games, as per the ICC.

Healy, who has struggled with injuries since late 2024, was last seen in Australia colours in February 2025 against England.

While none of the games had international status, Healy would take heart from the fact that she thrived against a competitive India A team featuring Shafali Verma, Radha Yadav, and Yastika Bhatia. The Australia 'A' coach, Dan Marsh, certainly felt that Healy had a good outing in the middle, believing that her per-formances place her well ahead of the upcoming ICC Women's Cricket World Cup in India.

"Alyssa batted well today. All pre-season, she's been looking good, and it was just nice to see her get some match practice and put that into place heading into India. She'll be really happy with her two weeks (with Australia A), will have a nice little rest at home now and be ready to go to India, Marsh was quoted as saying by cricket.com.au, in the aftermath of her match-winning 137* in the third one-day game.

While Australia A had won the T20S 3-0, they lost the one-day series 1-2.

But it proved to be a good practising ground for the likes of Healy, Tahlia McGrath and Darcie Brown, with Healy also keeping the wickets in the one-day segment. Australia will feature in a three-game ODI series in India ahead of the World Cup, ensuring that their skipper gets more games to be at her very best before the global tournament.

"We've got to try and win every trophy that we're in": MBSG striker Cummings well. I've got some good friends

KOLKATA: Mohun Bagan Super Giant (MBSG) forward Jason Cummings reflected on last season's win and vowed to keep adding silverware to the club's cabinet, as per the official website

of Indian Super League (ISL). The Australian World Cupper joined the Mariners in 2023 and since then, has won the League Shield twice and also clinched the ISL Cup and Durand Cup during his stint. Cummings has featured in 48 Indian Super League (ISL) games in the iconic Green and Maroon colours and racked up 19 goals and eight assists.

Goals bring glory, and clutch moments for the Kolkata giants. From being the top goalscorer for MBSG with 12 goals in his debut campaign to playing an all-around role last season with seven goals and six assists to his name, the 30-year-old forward has established himself as a consistent goalscorer in the Mariners'

Cummings reflected on his time at MBSG, describing it as nothing short of successful, with the Mariners becoming the first team to defend the ISL League Shield and breaking numerous records in the process.

"Since I've come, it's been successful. The first season was good, but we just missed out on the final, and then last season was amazing. We won the double. There was never a time I was worried or we weren't doing well. We seem to just keep getting bet-



ter and better," he said on MBSG TV, as quoted from the official website of ISL. MBSG boast a formidable

squad, and Cummings believes that having several match-winners in the team is key to clinching silverware. The Mariners are currently preparing for their Durand Cup quarter-final clash against arch-rivals East Bengal FC and Cummings urged his teammates to maintain their positive momentum and give their all on the pitch to win every match they play.

"We've got some of the best players in the league for sure. I enjoyed it. Last season was amazing. I feel like we did the best that we could. So now this season we need to do even better, and we've

the difference. Players want the best for each other. Even if you're on the bench, you still want the best for the team; that's the most important thing at the end of the day," he continued. The Australian has scored a

couple of crucial goals for the Mariners, playing a key role in their glorious achievements. From netting the winner against Mumbai City FC in the 2023-24 League Shield decider to scoring against Bengaluru FC in the 2024proved his worth time and again.

When asked about his favourite goal in MBSG colours, the forward replied, "Every goal I love, even the small goals and the big goals; if it goes in the back of the net, it brings me joy.'

"But if I have to pick a few goals, I would say any goal obviously against East Bengal FC is amazing because I know how much it means to the fans. Obviously, the one I scored against Mumbai City FC in my first year to win the League Shield. And last season, the freekick that I scored (against Jamshedpur FC), I've never scored a goal like this in my career. For some reason, it just went to the top corner. And then the penalty I scored in the final, you know, any goal that leads to trophies is special," he signed

"Getting success is easy, keeping it is hardest thing": Aslam Inamdar reflects on his rise from tea stall to Kabaddi glory

MUMBAI: For Puneri Paltan star Aslam Inamdar, kabaddi has been more than just a sport -- it has been a lifeline. From humble beginnings helping his mother make ends meet by washing tea glasses at a stall, to lifting the Pro Kabaddi League (PKL) trophy in Season 10, Aslam's story is one of grit, resilience, and self-belief.

"My childhood was very hard. Our only goal was that nobody in the family should go hungry. I worked in hotels, on farms, anywhere I could -- but I never let go of my passion for kabaddi, recalled Aslam on 'The Chill Hour' podcast with Deepak Pareek.

thanks to his brother Wasim and local coach Rahul Balkar. Despite years of obscurity -- "For 10 years, I was just a kabaddi player with no money or fame" Aslam's big breakthrough came in 2019. By 2021, he was making his Pro Kabaddi League debut with Puneri Paltan, soon establishing himself as a fearless raider.

The economics of PKL, he believes, have transformed not only players' lives but also the perception of the sport. "If a PKL player gets INR 2 crores continuously over three-four seasons, it means he earns at least Rs. 8 crores... This changes a person's life and the way the sport is being viewed," Aslam said as quoted by PKL press release.

But success came with setbacks. After captaining Puneri to their maiden PKL title in Season 10 and being named Most



Valuable Player, he suffered a major injury in Season 11. Doubts about his comeback swirled.

"People said I won't be able to play at that level again. But I don't pay attention to negativity. I believe in myself more than anything else," he said.

It is this mindset -- equal parts calm and determined -- that defines Aslam. "I don't take life too seriously. I live in the present. Whatever you do, do it openly, enjoy every moment," he said while smiling.

Consistency, he believes, is the real test of a sportsperson. "Getting success is easy. Keeping it is the hardest thing. Many players shine for a year and disappear. For me, it's about hard work plus smart work. That's what keeps you at the top.

He credited much of his growth to Puneri Paltan's ecosystem and his mentor Ashok Shinde. "Every player hears advice

from hundreds of people. But in life, you must listen to one person you trust completely. For me, that's Ashok sir. He always told me -- I'll make you a big player. And I trusted him," the player concluded. Today, Aslam Inamdar is not just a kabaddi champion but an inspiration for youngsters chasing big dreams from small towns. His journey is proof that hunger, discipline, and self-belief can carry you from the sidelines of a tea stall to the centre stage of

ICC expresses sadness at passing of Bob Simpson



DUBAI: The International Cricket Council (ICC) has expressed grief on the demise of former Australia captain Bob Simpson at the age of 89, according to a release from ICC.

The Australian legend passed away on Saturday. In a statement, ICC Chairman Jay Shah praised Simpson's con-

tributions and said he would be long remembered. "Bob Simpson was one of the true greats of our sport, and it is deeply saddening to learn of his passing. His legacy is immense. As a player,

captain, and later as a coach, he shaped Australian cricket and inspired the global game," the Chairman said, as quoted from ICC. 'He nurtured and guided a generation of players who went on to become legends in their own right, and his influence extended far

beyond the field." Shah added. 'On behalf of the International Cricket Council, I extend our heartfelt condolences to his family, friends, and the entire cricket fraternity. His passing is a profound loss for the game, but his contributions will always be remembered and cherished." he noted.

An ICC Hall of Famer, Simpson played 62 Tests for Australia between 1957 and 1978, scoring 4,869 runs at an average of 46.81 with 10 centuries, 27 half-centuries and a highest score of 311.

A fine leg-spinner, he took 71 wickets at 42.26 with two five-wicket hauls and best figures of five for 57. He was also an astute fielder, taking 110 catches. After retiring in 1968, Simpson made a famous comeback as Test captain in 1978 at the age of 41, to lead a weakened

Mansukh Mandaviya gives clarion call to citizens to contribute towards fitter India, download Fit India mobile app

NEW DELHI: Union Minister of Youth Affairs & Sports Mansukh Mandaviya gave a clarion call to all citizens to adopt an active lifestyle by participating in the FIT India Sundays on Cycle initiative from his home village Hanol in Palitana, Gujarat.

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that we're in. Every game, we

need to go in and win. We're excit-

of team spirit, noting that the

strong bond among players both

on and off the pitch is a critical

factor in their collective success.

with players that you know you

get on well with, on and off the

pitch. The most successful teams

have a good bond, and the bond in

the changing room is really close.

We feel like a family here (at

MBSG). All the foreigners, we're

really close. We've got a good bond," he noted. "Everybody's

together, even the Indian guys as

"I think it's important to play

Speaking in context, he said:

Cummings stressed the value

ed." he stated.

Started by the Hon'ble Sports Minister in December 2024, the cycling initiative has been organised across more than 46,000 locations till now with an overall participation of 8 lakh-plus individuals. Continuing its mission to build a healthier, pollution-free India, the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports organised a special edition of 'Fit India Sundays on Cycle' today in partnership with the National Cadet Corps across locations nationwide. Around 3000 Namo Fit India Clubs also participated in the

Mandaviya urged fellow villagers to download the FIT India mobile app and utilise the carbon



credit feature. "I would urge everyone to download the FIT India mobile app and check how much carbon is being saved by

cycling to work or going around the village. The app has been developed so that it gives you all information about your health

from a distance, including the time taken to the heart rate, etc., which is beneficial for monitoring one's health. Cycling is a great tool for fighting obesity and a solution to pollution. I would ask everyone to become part of our Fit India Sundays on Cycle movement," Mandaviya said in Hanol as quoted by a SAI Media press release.

In Delhi, over 1200 enthusiastic cyclists rode around the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, enjoying participation in Zumba, meditation, and yoga sessions, as well as a rope skipping activity organised by Dr Shikha Gupta. Further, fencers Naziya Shaik and Beni Quebha pledged their support for the cycling movement, saying that it is spreading much-needed awareness in Tier 1 and Tier 2/3 cities about the harmful effects of obesity and air pollution. "This is my first experience of cycling with such a huge crowd. I am very happy to be part of it. Fit India Sundays on Cycle is a great initia-

tive to make people aware of lifestyle diseases like obesity and air pollution. It was great to see people enjoying a variety of physical activities, including Zumba, voga, rope skipping, badminton, and net cricket, all in one place. The morning began with high energy, and the message was clear to everyone that we have to adopt an active lifestyle to remain fit and healthy," said Beni Quebha, a National Games medallist in fencing. Meanwhile, more than 100 riders from the Railway Sports Promotion Board (RSPB) actively participated in the Fit India Sundays on Cycles at the Patiala Locomotive Works (PLW). The event was organised in conjunction with the Indian Railway's cycling training camp currently being held at PLW. This successful event not only promoted physical fitness but also reflected RSPB's unwavering commitment to encouraging a healthy and active lifestyle among its athletes.