Mamata Announces Rs10k Grant for ASHA and Anganwadi Workers

West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee has announced a financial incentive of ₹10,000 each for all ASHA and Anganwadi workers in the state. The Chief Minister said that these workers play a vital role in the healthcare and child welfare systems, and their dedicated service benefits a large number of people. As a gesture of appreciation and to help them perform their duties more effectively, ₹10,000 will be directly credited to the bank accounts of every ASHA and Anganwadi worker for purchasing smartphones. The formal announcement was made by Chief Secretary Manoj Pant. PG 3



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Contempt plea against Mamata **Baneriee** withdrawn in SC



MI News Service, Kolkata A petition seeking contemp Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee in connection with the teacher recruitment case was withdrawn from the Supreme Court on Thursday after At-General Venkataramani declined to grant his consent, a statutory requirement for initiat-

ing such proceedings. A Bench of the Chief Justice of India B.R. Gavai and Justice K. Vinod Chandran permitted the withdrawal after the petitioner, Aatmadeep, a charitable trust, informed the court that the Attorney General had refused to accord consent. "I have received instructions to withdraw the present contempt petition. The petitioner had approached the Attorney General seeking consent, but it was not granted," advocate Ayush Anand, appearing for the petitioner, apprised the Bench. The organisation had accused the Trinamool Congress (TMC) supremo of committing contempt of court over her remarks against the judgment delivered by the Supreme Court earlier this year, cancelling the recruitment of over 25,000 teachers in State schools in connection with the West Bengal teacher recruitment case. Earlier in July, a Bench led by the then Chief Justice had pulled up the organisation for attempting to bring "electoral battles" into the courtroom. "You must fight your political battles elsewhere, not before the courts," the Bench had remarked, accusing the petitioner of politicising the issue. In the previous hearing, senior advocate Maninder Singh, appearing for the trust, had informed the court that a request had been made to the Attorney General's office seeking consent to initiate contempt proceedings. Under Section 15 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971, read with Rule 3(c) of the Rules to Regulate Proceedings for Contempt of the Supreme Court, 1975, such consent is mandatory before moving a contempt plea. On that basis, the court had adjourned the matter for four weeks on July 21. The Attorney General's office subsequently declined to grant consent, communicating its decision to the pe-

Mamata suggests mangrove and vetiver grass as landslide 'shield' in North Bengal

jeeling: West Bengal Chief min-Mamata Banerjee has suggested planting of mangroves and vetiver grass as a natural

MI News Service, Kolkata / Dar- vetiver as a doable option and pointed out that the efficacy of the grass in erosion control had not been tested in the hills. Experts in this field have unanimously en-

Vetiver's dense root system can grow 3-4m deep, forming a strong mat that anchors soil, prevents erosion and stabilizes steep slopes. Studies show it can reduce soil erosion by over 90 per cent compared to bare slopes --CM Mamata Banerjee

shield against floods and catastrophic landslides in the calamity-hit region of North Bengal. However, multiple experts, in view of the topography of the hills and the Terai, have endorsed

dorsed Mamata Banerjee 's suggestion of vetiver grass (Vetiveria zizanioides), commonly known as "khus ghash", as a proven bioengineering solution for erosion control. "Vetiver's dense root sys-



tem can grow 3-4m deep, forming a strong mat that anchors soil, prevents erosion and stabilizes steep slopes. Studies show it can reduce soil erosion by over 90 per cent compared to bare slopes,' said Ratikanta Ghosh, a retired professor in agronomy at Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalaya. Ghosh, however, added: "Vetiver's ability (to check erosion) in hill areas has not been tested as far as I know."In March 2015, the Nadia administration launched a Rs 33 crore project to plant vetiver grass along river embankments. Speaking in the backdrop of the heavy rain that triggered flooding and landslides on October 5 that led to loss of at least 33 lives, as well as properties, livestock and

infrastructure in the Darjeeling hills and several areas in Alipurduar, Jalpaiguri and Cooch Behar, Mamata Banerjee underscored that her government intended to explore "natural options" to mitigate damage caused by floods and landslides. "Forest department should take up the task of planting mangroves and vetiver grass across north Bengal to curb floods and landslides. They should remove boulders and stones and carry out the plantation for the next three months," she said, directing officials of the Forest and Irrigation departments to explore the idea, citing the success of mangrove plantations in the

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West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee inaugurates Jan Bazar Sammilita Kali Puja Samiti, in Kolkata on Friday.

More than USD 50 billion needed to rebuild devastated Gaza, says UN report

MI News Service, New Delhi/Gaza :Reconstruction efforts in Gaza strip will require not less than USD 53 billion after two years of unending Israeli bombardment on some 2.3 million souls in a 40km long and 11km wide cramped area in a bloody war, according to the latest assessment by the United Nations, the European Union and the World Bank.

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The figures come as Arab countries continue to scramble to find a viable recovery plan as an alternative to the mass displacement of the Palestinian enclave's over 2 million residents proposed by US President Donald Trump. The Gaza and West Bank Interim Rapid Damage and Needs Assessment (IRDNA), published on Friday, calculated that Israel's war on Gaza caused destruction of property worth about USD49 billion between October 8, 2023 and October 8, 2025. Researchers con-

Funding will require a broad coalition of donors, diverse financing instruments, private sector resources, and significant improvements in the delivery of reconstruction materials to Gaza in the

-- The joint report states night in Jabalia, in the northern Gaza Strip. cluded that USD 53.2 billion is now needed for the recovery and

territory over the next 10 years,

with about USD 20 billion of the

A child recovers books from the rubble of a post-conflict period building hit in Israeli strikes the previous

three years alone. "Funding will require a broad coalition of reconstruction of the Palestinian donors, diverse financing instruments, private sector resources, and significant improvements in full amount required in the first the delivery of reconstruction materials to Gaza in the post-conflict period," the joint report states.

More than half the total estimated cost of rebuilding, or USD 29.9 billion, is needed for damaged buildings and other key infrastructure, while funds to replenish Gaza's destroyed residential housing stock form the bulk of that figure - USD 15.2 billion. Housing suffered the most during Israel's 24-month-long attack on the territory, with the report estimating that it accounted for 53 per cent of the total destruction wrought by Israeli forces in Gaza, amounting to more than 292,000 homes destroyed or damaged. Another USD 19.1 billion is required to make up for social and economic losses resulting from severe damage to Gaza's health, education, commerce and industry sectors, the report estimates. The

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210 Naxalites surrender in **Chhattisgarh with huge arms**

MI News Service, Raipur : In one of the largest programmes of laying down of arms, as many as 210 Naxalites, including a Central Committee member of the Maoist organisation, surrendered before the police and paramilitary forces in Jagdalpur, the headquarters of Bastar district on Friday, officials said. The Naxalites also handed over 153 weapons, including 19 AK-47 rifles, 17 self-loading rifles, 23 INSAS rifles, an INSAS LMG (light machine gun), thirty-six .303 rifles, four carbines and 11 barrel grenade launchers (BGL), to the security personnel. Describing it as a major achievement for security forces because of such large number of extremists, including several top leaders had laid down their arms in Chhattisgarh's Naxal-dominated ing, the sources said the surrender is also being looked as the largest collective Maoist surrender in the

country's history, marking a

turning point in the decades-

long insurgency. The formal



Naxalites hold copies of the Constitution of India after their surrender at the police lines, Jagdalpur, in Bastar district, Chhattisgarh.

surrender and reintegration ceremony took place in Jagdalpur in presence of Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Vishnu Deo Sai. The event, themed 'Poona Margem: From Rehabilitation to Rebirth," symbolised the government's efforts to bring militants back into the mainstream through rather than force. Among those who laid down arms were one Central Committee member, four Dandakaranya Special Zonal Committee (DKSZC) members, 21 Divisional Committee members,

and several other senior Maoist leaders. The cadres while handing over atotal of 153 weapons, said it was the end of their armed struggle and the beginning of a new era of peace.Chief Minister Sai also hailed the surrender as a historic step towards establishing a lasting peace and stability in the Bastar and Dandakaranya regions. "This surrender embodies the spirit of 'Poona Margem: Punarvas Se Punarjeevan' rehabilitation leading to

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India closely monitoring Afghanistan-Pakistan clashes : MEA

MI News Service, New Delhi Government of India is closely monitoring the situation arising out of the ongoing conflict betwee Afghanistan and Pakistan. conflict between

External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said here on Friday that India remains fully committed to the sovereignty, territorial integrity, independence Afghanistan.

"Three things are clear one, that Pakistan hosts terrorist organizations and sponsors terrorist activities, two, it is an old practice of Pakistan to blame its neighbours for its own internal failures," he said. "And, three, Pakistan is infuriated with Afghanistan exercising sovereignty over its own territories," he said. Amply clearing India's support towards Afghanistan in its borskirmishes Pakistan, Jaiswal said Islamabad has also a history of sponsoring terrorism and blaming neighbours for its internal failures. Clashes on the Afghanistan-Pakistan border erupted last week in the midst of a visit to India by Taliban foreign minister Amir Khan Muttaqi, who made a

push to address India's secu-



India remains fully committed to the sovereignty, territorial integrity and independence of Afghanistan

--Randhir Jaiswal

rity concerns by saying that the regime in Kabul wouldn't allow Afghan soil to be used against foreign countries. Reiterating that India is closely monitoring the situation arising from the Afghanistan-Pakistan clashes, he also made it clear that the situation had been caused by Islamabad's actions. "India remains fully committed to the sovereignty, territorial integrity and independence of

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Jan Suraaj Party more popular among migrants from Bihar, than people: Dipankar

MI News Service, Patna : CPI(ML) Liberation general secretary Dipankar Bhattacharya has claimed that the Jan Suraaj Party leader Prashant Kishor, a former poll strategist turned politician, has greater influence among migrants from Bihar than among people living in the state. The Left leader, who said he did not find it surprising that Kishor finally chose not to contest as a candidate, admitted that he did not view the Jan Suraaj party a threat to democracy like the BJP"

"I believe that the Jan Suraaj Party has created a buzz mainly among migrant workers from Bihar living in places like Delhi, where they had reposed their trust in Arvind Kejriwal and saw in Prashant Kishor what the Aam Aadmi Party had promised," said Bhattacharya. "But, in Bihar, the story is different. The party has not found the same traction among the people here. It is an open battle in poll-bound Bihar. Prashant Kishor must have wised up to the reality over the months he had been touring the state. A reason why he might have chosen to stay out of the contest himself," said the Left leader. Asked how much of a threat he believed the Jan Suraaj

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Mysterious Death of Tamluk Doctor **Sparks Investigation**

MI News Service, Tamluk: The sudden and unnatural death of a female doctor in Tamluk has left the local community and authorities alarmed. The deceased, identified as Dr. Shalini Das, 28, from Dumdum, Kolkata, was found unresponsive in her rented home in Ward No. 17, Tamluk Municipality on Thursday morning. Blood was reportedly oozing from a channel in her hand, creating an urgent and troubling scenario that prompted immediate medical attention.



Dr. Das had been serving at Kanthi Subdivision Hospital for the past three months in the anesthesia department, after previously working for two years at Tamluk Hospital. On the day of the incident, she left home around 7 am, visiting private nursing homes in Mahishadal and Tamluk, before returning to her residence at 11 am. Her mother noticed a medical channel on her hand upon her return-a device she had not been wearing earlier. Shortly thereafter, Dr. Das collapsed at home, bleeding from the hand channel, and was rushed to a nearby private hospital. Due to the severity of her condition, she was immediately transferred to Tamluk Hospital, where she was declared dead. Police sources confirmed that the exact cause of death remains unclear, and investigations are ongoing. Officers from Tamluk Police Station are examining her movements, interactions at private nursing homes, and any potential medical or external factors that could have contributed to the incident. Authorities have also begun collecting **forensic evidence** and statements from family members and colleagues. Residents and medical colleagues have expressed shock and concern, emphasizing Dr. Das's reputation as a dedicated professional. The police have assured that the case will be thoroughly investigated to determine whether foul play, medical complications, or other factors were involved in this tragic and unusual death. This incident has cast a shadow over the local medical community and highlights the importance of prompt, transparent investigations in cases of sudden deaths under unusual circumstances.

CPR Awareness Week observed by **Indian Red Cross society**



MI News Service, Howrah: Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) is a lifesaving technique that helps maintain blood flow to the brain and vital organs when the heart stops. To promote awareness and build lifesaving skills, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India and Indian Red Cross Society are observing CPR Awareness Week from October 13 to 17, 2025. As a part, Indian Red Cross Society Howrah District Branch has observing the CPR Awareness Week in various place of Howrah District. Dr. Amit Kumar Datta and Dr. Nikhilesh Santra were trained to the participants to understand and importance of CPR, emergency response steps and how to perform Compression only CPR correctly. Ms. Mandira Chakraborty, Ms. Purnima Das and Mr. Sandip Kumar Das have organised the CPR Awareness Camp on behalf of IRCS, Howrah District Branch



11 unused condoms seized from accused, New evidence emerges

MI News Service, Durgapur: The sensational Durgapur case has taken a new turn as investigators uncovered crucial evidence linking the victim's classmate to the alleged crime scene. Police sources confirm the recovery of 11 unused condoms from the hostel room of the arrested classmate and one more from the forest area, where the victim was allegedly tortured.

According to the preliminary probe, investigators suspect the classmate had purchased a pack of 12 condoms, of which 11 were seized from his possession and one recovered from the forest.

questions about his involvement and the sequence of events leading to the incident. Police have already arrested the classmate, whose interrogation reportedly revealed multiple inconsistencies in his statements. Investigators note that his version of events contradicts those of other accused persons already in custody. These discrepancies, sources say, were central to his arrest. The police have reconstructed the sequence of events, revisiting the forest area and retracing the route from the hospital, where the victim and the accused were last seen together. The suspect's clothes

tests are underway to verify potential traces of evidence. Officers close to the investigation said the recovered condom from the forest has been listed among the key items seized, strengthening the suspicion that the accused led the victim to the spot. The forensic examination of these materials is expected to play a decisive role in the next phase of the probe. While officials maintain that the investigation is progressing rapidly, sources admit that the case's complexity deepens with every new discovery — and that the forensic report will be critical in determining the full truth behind

Baduria businessman kidnapped, ransom paid despite brutal besting

MI News Service, North 24 Pgs: A shocking kidnapped and extortion case has come to light in Baduria North 24 Pargans, involving businessman Mubin Mandal and his associates. The group, en route to Gobardanga on business, was forcibly stopped by unidentified assailants near Shimultala in Naopara village. The attackers dragged all four occupants from their vehicle, assaulted them brutally, and robbed them of meager sum of 140 rupess before taking them to the remote location.

In a chilling turn, the kidnappers contacted Mandal's family demanding ransom under threat of continued violence. Complying under duress, the family transferred a total of 260,000

taka through multiple online installments and cash. Despite full payment, the attackers subjected the businessmen to further severe beatings and pressed for additional payments. A relative delivering the subsequent ransom of 100,000 taka was also physically assaulted. The harrowing ordeal ended late at night when the kidnappers released all victims, who then sought urgent medical care. Mandal and another victim were admitted to Basirhat Super Specialty Hospital, while the others received treatment at Baduria Rural Hospital. The extent of injuries underscores the violence man of collaborating with the kidnappers, subjected him to a mob beating before police intervention. The police have taken him into custody for questioning, though authorities remain guarded regarding the case details.A formal complaint has been lodged with Baduria Police Station, where investigations are underway but progressing slowly amid community outrage. Residents demand swift arrests and the full recovery of the 260,000 taka extorted from Mandal's family. This brazen crime exposes grave lapses in local security and challenges law enforcement to bring the perpetrators to justice and restore public confidence in a region rattled by violent ransom kidnappings.

villagers, suspecting a young Newlywed dies, protests erupt at Gangarampur

inflicted during the abduction.

Following the incident, local

MI News Service, South Dinajpur: A wave of anger and unrest gripped Gangarampur on Thursday night after a 22-yearold newlywed, Minu Reshma, died following alleged medical negligence at the Gangarampur Specialty Hospital. The incident has sparked protests by family members and locals, prompting a significant police deployment to control the situation.

According to family sources, Minu, who had married Raja Badsha six months ago, had been under severe mental stress due to family disputes. Two months into the marriage, her husband went for work outside the state as a migrant laborer. On Thursday, Minu reportedly consumed poison, and was first admitted to Rashid Rural Hospital before being transferred to Gangarampur Super Specialty Hospital. The family alleged that timely and proper treatment was not provided at the specialty hospital, which they claim **contributed to her death**. In addition, the family accused the nurses on duty of **misbehavior**, intensi-

fying their outrage. In response, relatives and locals staged a **massive protest outside the hospital**, demanding accountability for the alleged negligence. Police, led by Gangarampur Subdistrict Police Officer Dipanjan Bhattacharya and IC Shantanu Mitra, quickly intervened. RAF personnel and additional forces were deployed to manage the crowd and prevent escalation. Tensions flared briefly between the police and family members before the situation was brought

Job Fair for Specially-Abled Youth

A special "Job Fair" was organized at Hasnabad Block under the initiative of Joygram Social Welfare Society in collaboration with GROW (Dr. Reddy's Foundation). More than 100 educated, unemployed, specially-abled youth participated in this employment-oriented event.

From this program, 51 specially-abled young men and women were identified for employment opportunities in various companies in Kolkata, marking a significant step towards their journey to self-reliance and inclusion.

The event was graced by the presence of Amirul Islam, President of Hasnabad Panchayat Samiti; Eskendar Gazi, Vice-President of Hasnabad



Kayal, Karmadhyaksha; Shri Kalyan Saha, President of Joygram Social Welfare Society, Piyar Ali Gaine, Secretary; Maruf Billa Gazi, Treasurer; Shri Arup Chakraborty from Dr. Reddy's Foundation; Program Coordinators Afchar Gazi and Asraful Gaine, along with several other dignitaries and community members.

Through this initiative, Jovgram Social Welfare Society has set a commendable example in promoting employment inclusion and empowerment of specially-abled youth, paving the way for a more inclusive and

Birthday Party Turns Violent; Gunfire Injures Youth

Murshidabad: A birthday celebration turned nightmarish in Berhampore early Tuesday, leaving one youth injured in a shooting incident and authorities scrambling to control the fallout. Police have registered a suo motu case and arrested 14 individuals in connection with the chaotic event.

According to official sources, the incident occurred on October 15, between 12:30 am and 1 am, at a warehouse in the Phansitla area under the Berhampore police station. Approximately 20–30 guests were present when a verbal altercation escalated into gunfire. Saurabh Roy, one of the attendees, was shot in the leg and immediately admitted to Murshidabad Medical College Hospital. Initial police action saw the arrest of three suspects, who were later remanded in fiveday custody by the CGM Court, Berhampore. Following further investigation, 11 additional individuals, all residents of the Amaniganj area of Lalbagh, were arrested and presented before the court on Friday.

Mobiles Recovery



Nurul Islam Khan: the 'Operation Prayas' Saikat Swarnakar DySP Probationer, Howrah Rural District, Abhijit Das Inspector in charge Bagnan PS, SI Digantan Mukherjee Mobile Recovery Officer and his team, handed over 29 recovered mobile phones to their owners at Bagnan PS compound. Moreover, today in the 5th Phase of the 'Prayas Operation' under the direct kind initiative of Subimal Paul IPS, Superintendent of Police Howrah Rural District, total 175 recovered mobile phones have been handed over to their owners at various Police Stations compound of this District.Earlier, 167,180, 226 & 158 recovered mobile phones have been handed over to their owners in the 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th phase of Operation Prayas' on 21/1/25, 03/4/25, 21/6/25 & 10/8/25 respectively.

National Talent Search Examination

News National Tal-Kolkata: ent Search Examination was organized by the IEM-UEM group of Kolkata The award ceremony of 'Dr. Satyajit Chakraborty National Talent Search Examination (SCN-TSE-2025)' was organized by the IEM-UEM group of Kolkata, wnere tne best talented students from all over India were honored. The winners of this competition, organized in memory of late Professor (Dr.) Satyajit Chakraborty, received a scholarship of ₹1,00,000 and a certificate of excellence. The speakers at the event emphasized the importance of creativity, exploration and equal opportunities.

GSI Celebrates UNESCO International Geodiversity and Geoethics Day

MI News Service, Kolkata: Geological Survey of India un-der the Ministry of Mines, Government of India, celebrated the 4th UNESCO International Geodiversity Day and the 9th International Geoethics Day with a workshop on "Harnessing Geodiversity for Geoconservation" at its Central Headquarters, Kolkata. The event highlighted India's rich geological heritage and announced two new Geoheritage Sites Guryul Ravine in Jammu & Kashmir and Orbicular Granite in Madhya Pradesh. A short film titled "Seven Marvels of Earth's Geological Legacy" was also released during the

TMC sets performance bar: "win your area, earn your ticket"

With the 2026 Assembly elections drawing closer, the Trinamool Congress leadership in Bankura has shifted into high gear - issuing a direct warning to its local leaders and public representatives: perform or perish. In a decisive tone, district leaders have made it clear that those who fail to secure victories in their respective areas will lose both their positions and future party tickets.

The message was loud and unambiguous during the series of Vijaya Sammelani meetings held across the district this week. Bishnupur organizational district president Subrata

MI News Service, Bakura: Dutta declared, "The party must win in its own area. Only then can one continue in office. Those who fail will not be allowed to hold posts and make tall claims." Echoing the sentiment, Trinamool MP Arup Chakraborty, addressing workers at a separate event in Bankura town, warned municipal councilors, "A councilor who cannot make the party win in his area will not get a ticket in the next municipal election." The tough talk reflects Trinamool's renewed urgency to reclaim lost ground in a district that delivered one of its weakest results in the 2021 Assembly polls, when the BJP in Bankura. The setback was compounded in the Lok Sabha elections, where the party lost the Bishnupur seat. With the 2026 battle approaching, district leaders like Tarashankar Roy are also urging unity, warning against factionalism that has long plagued the organization. Meanwhile, the BJP has seized on the Trinamool's internal warnings, claiming that such statements expose the ruling party's anxiety and fear of defeat. However, within Trinamool ranks, the message is clear - discipline, accountability, and performance will

BSF Foils Gold Smuggling Attempt, Seizes Rs 76 Lakh Worth Bullion

MI News Service, North 24 Pgs: In a significant anti-smuggling operation, Border Security Force (BSF) personnel intercepted a suspect and recovered a gold bar valued at approximately Rs 76.5 lakh at the Hakimpur border post in North 24 Parganas. The swift action prevented a major contraband shipment from crossing the border.

According to BSF sources, on October 16, based on specific intelligence inputs, a vehicle moving from Hakimpur Bazar towards Swarupdaha was flagged for inspection by a patrolling BSF team. The vehicle raised suspicion due to unusual movement patterns. Upon thorough checking, the team discov-

wrapped in a black ribbon on the dashboard. Once unwrapped, the item was identified as a gold bar weighing 579 grams. The recovered gold and the vehicle were immediately seized, and the accused smuggler was apprehended on the spot. Following preliminary questioning, the suspect was handed over to the concerned law enforcement authorities for further legal proceedings. The South Bengal Border Public Relations Officer of BSF emphasized the vigilance of the force, stating, "BSF members are always alert and ready to prevent illegal activities on the border. Strict action will be taken against any smuggling or residents of border areas to report any suspicious activity, including gold smuggling, via the Seema Saathi helpline (14419) or through WhatsApp/voice messages at 9903472227. This successful interception underscores the BSF's proactive surveillance and intelligence-driven operations, which are crucial in curbing cross-border smuggling and ensuring law and order along vulnerable stretches of the border. The recovery of such a high-value consignment reflects both the challenges faced by the border security forces and their commitment to safeguarding the country's interests against illegal trade and criminal networks.

Vijaya Sammelan in Ward No. 56

Nurul Islam Khan A grand Vijaya Sammelan was held in Ward No. 56 under the inspiration of Hon'ble Chief Minister Shrimati Mamata Banerjee. A grand Vijaya Sammelan was held at Ward No. 56 under the initiative of Hon'ble Shri Swapan Sammelan, Member of the Mayoral Council of Kolkata Municipality and Municipal Representative of Ward No. 56, President of North Kolkata INTTUC and Member of North Kolkata Core Committee. A grand Vijaya Sammelan was held

Minister Pradeep Majumder, Member of the Mayoral Council

at the Ganguli Math premises of

Ward No. 56.



Shri Jiban Saha, and Municipal Mata of Ward No. 55 Sabitarani Das were present.

The program was performed by Sanchita Das and eminent mu-

vating performances captivated the audience. This program was symbol of unity, culture and humanity - it brought joy to the hearts of people under the leadsic artist Raju Das, whose capti- ership of Śwapan Samaddar.

Cultural program in Adi Ballygunj



The 76th year of Adi Baliganj Sarvajanin Durgot-

sav Samiti was celebrated. Palm Avenue was an eye-catching picture of

people of all religions living there. Like every year, Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee inaugurated the puja this time too. Local MLA Babul Supriyo, Pandit Debajyoti Bose, classical dance artist Shilpi Baruri, and Pourmata Nivedita Shar-

ma were present as special guests.

A week-long Mahayajna was held in front of the principal's house in the office of Haji Mazhar. Apart from the police administration, tea and

tiffin were given to the people who were tired of the road twice a day. Haier Company has been cooperating with ad-

vertisements in Adi Baliganj Šarvajanin Utsav. Manager Kingshuk Majumdar also regularly supervises from their stall. They have also cooperated with souvenirs in the cultural program. The

festival has started to attract a new wave of people. This year too, Adi Baliganj has won several awards. The news spread through various media outlets. The people of the district are also getting to know about the club. The festival was attended by the son-in-law of the neighborhood, the famous wrestier, state minister Snobhan Deb Chattopad hyay, MLA Ashok Deb and others. On the day of the cultural program, the audience seats were full. The moon market was also present at the program. There was a reception, songs, poetry and dance performances by talented artists. The meeting was conducted by Srabani Chatterjee, a eloquent artist and TV channel host. The chief guests on the day were Additional Chief Secretary of the state Atri Bhattacharya (IAS), Indian team footballer Joydeep Bose, Program Executive, Kolkata Doordarshan Joyita Nandi Majumdar, eminent journalist Kunal Bose, eminent music artist Parimal Bhattacharya, DC 2 DD Nurul Absar, DC Gautam Kumar Das, OC of Kolkata Police SB Dipankar Raptan, eminent government lawyer Calcutta High Court Ansar Mandal, Joint Secretary of the Puja Committee Mahesh Bhattacharya, Assistant Secretary of the Puja Committee Debashish Bhattacharya, Bablu Biswas, Alok Mukherjee and Dipankar Mukherjee. Music was performed by Ustad Sahabuddin Betar, Professor Suchanda Ghosh sang. Recitation collage was performed by Anindya and Paulmi. Tollywood actress Prantika Das performed the dance, while Pushpak Dance Academy performed the ensemble dance. The entire program was conducted by the cultural secretary of the puja committee and prominent journalist

Potters urge people to buy Indian-made diyas for Diwali celebrations

Diwali festival is a delightful occasion for the potters who make high profits during this festival week. At Ultadanga Dakshindari in West Bengal's North 24 Parganas, the skilled artisans have been designing different shapes

and sizes of diyas for this festival. While the sale of diyas often dominates the market during Diwali, the hard work of the potters behind them is often overlooked. In an interview with ANI, potter Madan Prajapati revealed that, unlike previous years, the

during this year's diya production was the unpredictable rains. "We have done about 50,000 production. The biggest challenge this year was the rain, as it affected people and business,"

biggest challenge they faced

said Madan Prajapati.

The potter also urges people to buy the Indian made clay lamps to propagate Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision for promoting India manufactured

"I would like to request the people of India that, at least, like our Indian government wants, vocal for local, there are many people who are hungry for burn-

one to use clay lamps this Diwali. Madan Prajapati said that it takes them 4-5 months to complete their vast production of diyas.

"We start making it 4-5 months before Diwali because in 2-4 days, there is not much production. It takes three days to process a single clay lamp. One day we make it, the other day we dry it, the third day we paint it, the fourth day we put it in the bin," added Madan Prajapati.

One of the customers who was spotted at the market highlighted the need to shift their attention towards the eco-friendly Diwali.

"We should celebrate Diwali as eco-friendly as possible. I also influence my colleagues and family by giving small gifts," said

She also discussed the efforts of the potters behind the creation of clay lamps.

"Diwali festival is essential for them (potters). I know that they start preparing for Diwali a long time ago. They begin at the very start of the season. It is very hard work. They work day and night," said a customer.

People celebrate Diwali to mark the victory of good over evil and light over darkness. The biggest Hindu festival honours Lord Rama's return to his kingdom after defeating the demon

king Ravana. When Lord Rama came back to Ayodhya, people lit lamps and decorated their homes to welcome him and celebrate his

Challenges & Opportunities for Business Tourism MI News Service, Kolkata:

Nova Realtime Solutions, a city-based business communication services provider, curated and presented a panel discussion on Business Tourism - Challenges & Opportunities, moderated by Amit Sengupta, Head of Media & Communications at the British Deputy High Commission, Kolkata. The session explored how business tourism can drive economic growth and cross-border collaboration.

The panel included Arun Agarwal (SEO & LLM Visibility Expert), Manoj Saraf (CMD, Gainwell Travel), Phalguni Parikh (GM - East, ITQ Technologies Pvt. Ltd.), Manab Paul (Founder, Sree Balaji), and Anusreea Paul (Social Media Influencer & Travel Blogger).

Arun Agarwal highlighted the need for curated experiences for spouses of business travelers. Manoj Saraf emphasized MICE as the new buzzword, offering unique



experiences for corporates to motivate teams and partners. Phalguni Parikh spoke about year-round business tourism as a key revenue driver for hotels, airlines, and convention centers, promoting networking and expansion. Manab Paul shared how his vacation homes are increasingly used for meetings and conferences, while Anusreea Paul

expressed optimism about Kolkata's growing potential as a business tourism hub in the next five years.

Guest of Honour, Celebrity Nutritionist Priyanka Shah, remarked that India's booming economy and cultural richness are making it a global hotspot for business tourism-where professionals now blend work

Three Rajasthan Criminals Arrested in Salt Lake

MI News Service, Kolkata: In a dramatic police operation reminiscent of a movie chase, three criminals from Rajasthan were arrested from Salt Lake, while one accomplice is still on the run. The accused were wanted in connection with a murder case in Rajasthan and had been hiding in Kolkata to evade arrest. According to police sources,

acting on specific intelli-gence inputs, officers of the Kolkata Police tracked down the suspects to the Phoolbagan area. On spotting the police, the accused tried to flee but were chased and eventually caught after a tense pursuit. Eyewitnesses said the three men tried to enter a residential complex in the eastern part of Salt Lake and ran up to the fourth floor of the building in a bid to escape. The police, assisted by security guards, followed them closely. In a desperate attempt to get away, the ac-cused fled towards the Bengal Tennis Academy area, where they were fi-nally apprehended. The arrests have sparked serious concerns over the safety of residents in Kolkata. The incident has raised questions about how criminals from other states are managing to take shelter in the city without detection. Former Deputy Police Commissioner SatyajitBandopadhyay commented, "These criminals use various means like trains and buses to enter the city and then hide in residential areas. With the help of the public and the STF team, we managed to arrest three of them. One is still absconding. It seems there was a lapse in intelligence and limited communication between the police and the public."

210 Naxalites surrender in Chhattisgarh with huge arms

rebirth. Guided by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah, the state government is committed to connecting every section of society with the mainstream of peace and development. This historic step is proof that our aplogue, and development not violence — is yielding results," the Chief minister said. The surrender is being seen as a major success of the government's Naxal Eradication Policy 2025, which focuses on a trust-based approach combining security operations with welfare initiatives. Among the key Maoist leaders who surrendered were Rupesh alias Satish (Central Committee member). Bhaskar alias Rajman Mandavi (DKSZC Member), Ranita (DKSZC Member), Raju Salam (DKSZC Member), Dhannu Vetti alias Santu (DKSZC Member), and Ratan Elam (RCM Member). Officials said the coordinated efforts of the police, security forces, local administration, and community organizations made the mass surren-

Jan Suraaj Party more popular among migrants from Bihar, than people : Dipankar

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der possible.

INDIA bloc, of which he is a part, Bhattacharya replied, 'I do not believe in demonising a new party as a threat. In a democracy, the more the merrier should be the norm. Unless, you are like the BJP, which is indeed a threat to democracy and the Constitution". A trained statistician, who did his masters from the Indian School of Statistics in Kolkata, Bhattacharya cited Jan Suraaj Party's performance in assembly by-polls last year to predict the performance of the party, which, according to its founder, will come out with flying colours or bite the dust.



Streets decorated with lighting near Janbazar Sammilita Kali Puja Samiti ahead of Kali Puja in Kolkata on Friday.

Mamata Announces Rs10k Grant for ASHA and Anganwadi Workers

MI News Service, Kolkata: West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee has announced a financial incentive of ₹10,000 each for all ASHA and Anganwadi workers in the state. The Chief Minister said that these workers play a vital role in the healthcare and child welfare systems, and their dedicated service benefits a large number of people. As a gesture of appreciation and to help them perform their duties more effectively, ₹10,000 will be directly credited to the bank accounts of every ASHA and Anganwadi worker for purchasing smartphones. The formal announcement was made by Chief Secretary Manoj Pant. According to official data, there are around 1.05 lakh Anganwadi workers and 72,000 ASHA workers across West Bengal. The initiative has been undertaken jointly by the Departments of Health and Family Welfare, Women and



Child Development, and Social Welfare. In addition to this announcement, the Chief Minister also mentioned that police personnel, civil service officers, fire department staff, and others who have shown exemplary service during natural calamities across North Bengal are being

recognized and rewarded. She personally visited Darjeeling, Kalim pong, and Mirik to present awards to outstanding contributors, while awards for other districts are being distributed from the main stage at

Among those felicitated at the

other Civil Defence Volunteers,RajibKundu, Station Officer, Fulbari Fire Station,BankimMondal, Forest Guard, Fulia Wildlife Squad,Raju Toppo, Station Manager, WBSEDCL, Nagrakata and Dr.Molla Irfan Hasan, Block Medical Officer of Health, Nagrakata. Chief Secretary Manoj Pant also assured that the state government will extend all necessary assistance to the erosion-affected areas in Cooch Behar, Alipurduar, Malda, and Murshidabad. He emphasized that the government remains committed to supporting people impacted by natural disasters and to recognizing those who serve the community selflessly during times of crisis. The Chief Minister's initiative is aimed at empowering grassroots workers and ensuring that their efforts toward public welfare and community health continue with greater efficiency and

Fire Services on High Alert Across Bengal Ahead of Kali Puja, Chhath and Jagaddhatri Festivals

Chhath Puja, and Jagaddhatri Puja approaching, the West Bengal Fire and Emergency Services Department has intensified preparations to ensure public safety during the festive season. Special fire safety measures are being implemented across the state, with additional temporary fire stations being set up in key areas.

Currently, West Bengal has 166 permanent fire stations in operation. To strengthen the safety network during the festival period, the department will establish 51 temporary fire stations across the state. These will be set up in highdensity areas, including Chandannagar, Barasat, Krishnanagar, Naihati, and firecracker market zones, where fire-related risks are considered higher. With Kali Puja scheduled for October 20, preparations are in full swing.

Fire service teams will be deployed on the ground from October 19, a day before the festival, to monitor

MI News Service, Kolkata: key locations and respond With Diwali, Kali Puja, swiftly in case of emergencies. Firefighters will be stationed at various points Naihati, and other areas where fireworks markets operate. In addition to the temporary fire units, firefighter motorcycles will also be mobilized to navigate narrow lanes and reach congested areas quickly in case of fire incidents. Emergency response teams will remain on standby round-the-clock until the festive season con-

> Following Kali Puja, attention will shift to Chhath Puja, during which special surveillance will be maintained along river ghats and at temporary camps to prevent any fire or electrical hazards. Officials have planned increased patrolling and monitoring to ensure the safety of devotees during sunrise and sunset rituals. Preparations are also underway for Jagaddhatri Puja, particularly in Chandannagar, where the celebrations last for four days and attract massive crowds.

More than USD 50 billion needed to rebuild devastated Gaza, says UN report

researchers also state that 95 per cent of Gaza's hospitals are now non-functional, while the local economy has contracted by 83 per cent. The IRDNA is a follow-up to the Interim Damage Assessment (IDA) published by the UN, EU and World Bank in April 2024, which estimated about USD 18.5 billion in damages after just four months of Israel's war. Years of clearing unexploded ordnance and removing millions of tonnes of rubble also lie ahead as part of the reconstruction efforts. The report's findings come amid a fragile ceasefire between Israel and Hamas, with the Israeli military accused of carrying out repeated violations of the truce since it came into effect on January 19. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has also failed to rule out a return to war in the coastal enclave if Hamas does not return the bodies of all 28 captives from Gaza. The report has therefore cautioned that conditions are not yet in place for large-scale recovery and reconstruction work to begin given the lack of clarity over Gaza's future, not least how it will be governed. "The speed, scale, and scope of recovery will be shaped by these conditions," the report states. Since returning to the White House in late January, Trump has said he would "take over" and "own" Gaza, which involves emptying the Strip of its inhabitants and transforming the territory into what Trump described as the "Riviera of the Middle East". As part of this plan, Trump has said he would permanently displace 2 million Palestinian people. He has pressured both Jordan and Egypt to take in those who are forced out of Gaza.

India closely monitoring Afghanistan-Pakistan clashes: MEA

Afghanistan," Jaiswal told a weekly media briefing this afternoon.. Jaiswal also denounced the deaths of many Afghan civilians in clashes along the Afghanistan-Pakistan border.The developments came against the backdrop of India-Pakistan relations hitting their lowest point in more than a decade. The deadly clashes between the two former allies began last week after Pakistan launched air strikes on targets inside Afghanistan, including at capital Kabul. One of the strikes reportedly targeted a Pakistani Taliban com-

an audio message saying he had survived. Dozens were killed and more than 100 injured on both sides before the Afghan and Pakistani forces agreed on a 48-hour ceasefire mediated by Saudi Arabia and some other Islamic countries on Wednes-Authorities Afghanistan's Spin Boldak region said fighting along the border killed 40 Afghan civilians before the ceasefire came into effect. The fighting along the Durand Line has been described as the worst violence since the Taliban took power in Kabul in August 2021.

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Mamata suggests mangrove and vetiver grass as landslide 'shield' in North Bengal

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Sundarbans and on Sagar Island. "Start planting mangroves and vetiver. These are stronger than concrete. which often collapses within six months. I am not interested in investing money and draining (it like) water," the Chief minister pointed

According to experts,

mangroves are shrubs or small trees that thrive in saline or brackish coastal waters. Their dense root networks filter pollutants and prevent erosion by stabilising the soil. Species such alba), Peyara Bain (Avicennia marina), Hargoja (Acanthus ilicifolius), Kewra (Pandanus), Geoan (Excoecaria agallocha), Garan (Ceriops decandra), and Sundari (Heritiera fomes) dominate the Sundarbans ecosystem. However, welcoming the idea and enthusiasm of the Chief minister, a section of agriculturists have suggested that the idea of planting mangroves in the hills might not be scientifically untenable. Debolina Sarkar Bhattacharya, assistant professor in agri-geo informatics at Neotia University and a senior research fellow with the CSIR, said: "Mangroves are a special type of salt-tolerant trees that grow only in warm and subtropical coastal areas where freshwater mixes with seawater. Cold climate, freshwater sources and rocky terrain are not at all conducive to mangroves." Bhattacharya

added: "Even if we plant mangrove saplings in the hills, they will not survive. These trees cannot tolerate cold or snowy conditions and require brackish water, which is found only in coastal areas.""Mangroves thrive in tidal, low-lying coastal zones where the rhythm of high and low tides sustains them—conditions entirely absent in the hills,' added. Jatiswar Bharati, an academic based in Jalpaiguri, spoke in a similar vein. "Plantation is one of the ways by which we can get long-term results (to control floods and landslides).

But mangroves are not a suitable species for north Bengal," Bharati, the assistant general secretary of Bangiya Bhugol Mancha, said. A retired botany teacher in Malda, said: "Mangroves grow in clay soil, while the soil in the hills is rocky and sandy." Umashankar Mandal,

popularly known as the 'Mangrove Man of Sundarbans" for his reforestation initiatives through his platform Purbasha, said: "Planting mangroves on the riverbanks in Darjeeling's hilly terrain will not be effective for scientific reasons. The climate, atmosphere, and soil composition of the hills do not support mangrove species. "But the proposal was good.", he said adding "Pine, spruce, and deodar are naturally adapted to cold and rocky environments to stabilise

India's Push for a Global-Standard Ship Repair Network MI News Service, Kolkata: Inland Waterways Authority smaller floating repair units India is rapidly reshaping its of India (IWAI), these faciliand mobile teams. They

of trade, transport, and industrial growth. Central to this vision under Maritime AmritKaal Vision 2047 is the development of modern Ship Repair Facilities (SRFs). The recently announced SRFs at Patna and Varanasi on the Ganga (NW-1), along with the upcoming SRF at Pandu, Guwahati for the Brahmaputra (NW-2) and Barak (NW-16), mark a leap toward a self-reliant inland vessel ecosystem. Operated by the

of vessels locally, reducing travel to distant coastal docks and generating employment, skill developand ment. regional industrial growth. The Pandu SRF will become the Northeast's maintenance hub, enhancing connectivity with Bangladesh and Bhutan. Equipped with dry docks, workshops, and specialised machinery, these SRFs decentralise critical infrastructure, supporting

inland waterways into hubs ties will repair a wide range also lay the foundation for manufacturing, and MSME participation, fostering entrepreneurship and local technical skills. Environmentally sustainable, en-ergy-efficient, and aligned with India's Blue Economy, these SRFs are pivotal to building a future-ready, world-class inland shipping ecosystem, driving economic growth and green logistics in the AmritKaal leading to 2047.

SC Relief for DGP Rajeev **Kumar in Saradha Scam Case**

The Supreme Court on Friday granted major relief to West Bengal Director General of Police (DGP) Rajeev Kumar by upholding his anticipatory bail in connection with the Saradha chit fund scam. The top court dismissed the Central Bureau of Investigation's (CBI) plea challenging the Calcutta High Court's 2019 order granting him anticipatory bail. However, the Supreme Court clarified that the contempt of court case pending against Kumar will continue, and the future of his anticipatory bail will depend on the outcome of that proceeding. The apex court, comprising Chief Justice B.R. Gavai and Justice K. Vinod Chandran, said the case will be heard again after eight weeks. Rajeev Kumar, a senior IPS officer, was part of the Special Investigation Team (SIT) set up by the West Bengal government to probe the multicrore Saradha chit fund scam. The CBI had accused

him of not cooperating with

its investigation despite

MI News Service, Kolkata:



being a member of the SIT. Alleging obstruction of justice, the CBI had sought his custodial interrogation. In October 2019, the Calcutta High Court had granted anticipatory bail to Kumar, a decision the CBI challenged in the Supreme Court. Nearly six years later, the apex court rejected the agency's petition, upholding the earlier order in his favor. During Friday's hear-Solicitor General Tushar Mehta argued strongly on behalf of the CBI, calling the issue "serious." He told the bench, "This is a serious matter. CBI officers were harassed during the probe.

State to Build and Repair 9k km of Rural Roads with Rs7k Cr **Approval**

MI News Service, Kolkata: The West Bengal government is set to launch an ambitious project to build and repair over 9,000 kilometres of rural roads across the state. According to Nabanna sources, the state has already approved more than ₹7,000 crore for the initiative, which will be implemented under the Pathashree scheme for the year 2025. Preparations have been completed, and guidelines have been sent to all districts for execution. The state aims to complete the entire project by December 2025.

State Panchayat Minister PradipMajumdar said, "Despite financial deprivation from the Centre, Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee has approved over ₹7,000 crore for rural road construction and repair. This initiative will significantly improve the socio-economic and business connectivity of rural Bengal. Around 9,000 km of roads will be newly built and upgraded.'

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Hand-Pulled Rickshaw Pullers Seek Alternative Livelihood as Kolkata's Icon Fades Away



MI News Service, Kolkata: Once an inseparable part of Kolkata's identity, the handpulled rickshaw — a lifeline for residents during waterlogged days — is now fighting for survival. Seen mostly in north and central Kolkata, these rickshaws, once symbolic of the city's charm, are disappearing fast, much like the trams and yellow taxis that once defined the streets of the metropolis.

For generations, hand-pulled rickshaws have navigated the narrow lanes of Chittaranjan Avenue, College Street, Bowbazar, and Shyampukur, as well as parts of Bhabanipur. Yet today, the men who pull them find themselves in deep distress, with dwindling income and no clear future. Many are forced to consider alternative occupations.

Highlighting their existential crisis, the All Bengal Rickshaw Union, representing hand-pulled rickshaw workers, has written to West Bengal Chief Secretary Manoj Pant, urging the government to provide them with alternative means of

> Name Change I, Harosit Ray (Old Name), Son Of Ranjit Roy, Residing At Vill-Kundipur, Po-Ganrapota, North 24 Parganas-743251, West Bengal,

Have Changed My Name And Shall

Henceforth Be Known As Harosit

Roy (New Name) Vide An Affidavit

Sworn Before The Ld Executive

Magistrate At Bongaon On 08/10/2025. Harosit Ray (Old

Name Change

Kolkata On 14/10/2025. Hasem Ali

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Name Change

Sabita Devi (old name) W/o Awadh

Kishor Tiwari, resident of United

House, Fuleswar, Vill- Baikuntha

our, P.O.- Sijberia, P.S.- Uluberia

Dist.- Howrah, Pin- 711316, West

Bengal, India, have changed my

name and shall henceforth be

known as Sabita Tiwari (new

name), as declared Before The No-

tary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 17/10/2025. Sabita

Tiwari (new name) and Sabita Devi

(old name) both are same and one

Name Change

I, Syed Saif Jaffar, Saif Jaffar, Syed Saif

(old names) S/o Sayed Hasan Jaffar, resident of 102/1, Prothama Udita

Apartment Bengal Ambuja Complex, Vill & P.O.- Santoshpur, Kolkata-

700075, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall hence-

forth be known as Sayed Saif Jaffar (new name), as declared Before The

Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affi-davit dated 17/10/2025. Sayed Saif

Jaffar (new name) and Syed Saif Jaffar, Saif Jaffar, Syed Saif (old names)

all are same and one identical person.

Name Change

Rakhi Das (Old Name) W/O vishampati Banerjee Residing At F-

15/5, Karunamoyee Housing Estate,

Sector-2, Salt Lake City, Bidhan Nagar,

Dist-24 Parganas(North), Pin-700091, West Bengal, India. Have Changed My

Name And Shall Henceforth Be

Known As Rakhi Banerjee (New

Name) As Declared Before The Notary

Public At Kolkata On 16/10/2025

Bakhi Das (Old Name) And Bakhi

Banerjee (New Name) Both Are Same

Name Change

Paresh Chanda Das (old name) S/o

Late Biren Chandra Das, resident of

17, Satish Nandi Road, Kanchrapara,

izpur, Dist.- North 24 Pgs, Pin-

743145, West Bengal, India, have

nanged my name and shall hence

forth be known as Paresh Chandra

Das (new name), as declared Before

The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an

iffidavit dated 17/10/2025. Paresh

Chandra Das (new name) and Paresh Chanda Das (old name) both are

Name Change

Soumen Nath (old name) S/o

Ramen Nath, resident of 60D, Beltala Road, Bhawanipore, Kolkata- 700025, West Bengal,

India, have changed my name and

shall henceforth be known as

Soumen Kumar Nath (new name)

as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit

dated 17/10/2025. Soumen Kumar

Nath (new name) and Soumen

Nath (old name) both are same

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One Identical Person.

Affidavit

I MD SHAHID C/O Sajid residing at 297/1/H/12, A.P.C Road Amherst Street, Kolkata-700009 do hereby solemnly affirm and confirm that my correct date of birth is 16/02/2007 which has been recorded in my Aadhaar card no. 3074 3192 6643. Inadvertently my date of birth has been corded in my School Recorded as 05/02/2007 instead 16/02/2007. By an affidavit no.10735 dated 16.10.2025 in the first Judicial Magistrate at Sealdah that the above statement made is all true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

NAME CHANGE

I, Rimpa Bibi, D/o Anichur Rahaman Mandal, W/o Imran Molla residing at Vill. N0023 Kripalpur Paschim Para, P.O. Gouribhoj, P.S Matia, North 24 Parganas, do hereby declare that in my birth certificate (no. 4224) in my name has inadvertently been recorded as Rahaman, On 10.10.2025 vide ar Class Judicial Magistrate, Basirhat Rimpa Bibi, D/o Anichur Rahamar Mandal & Rimpa Khatoon, D/o Md Anisur Rahaman is the same & one

NAME CHANGE

I, CHAMPA BIBI, D/o - Anichur Rahaman Mandal residing at Vill-Hadipur Jikra P.O.-Harpukuria P.S.- Deganga, North 24 Pgs. do hereby declare that in my birth certificate, my name has wrongly recorded as CHAMPA KHATOON my father's name has wrongly recorded as ANISUR RAHAMAN instead of his real name as recorded in his Aadhaa Card (449156412017). In an affidavi Infront of 1st Class Judicial Magistrate a Basirhat, North 24 Pgs., CHAMPA BIBI D/o - Anichur Rahaman Mandal 8 CHAMPA KHATOON D/o - Anisu Rahaman will be considered as one and same identical person.

NAME CHANGE

I. Sk Rakibul, S/o Sk Abdur Rasid residing at Vill. Paschim Bibipur P.O. Begumpur, P.S. Matia, Dist North 24 Parganas, W.B. do hereby declare that in my birth certificate (regd. no. 360) in my father's name has wrongly been recorded as Sk Rasid in place of Sk Abdur Rasid. On 16.09.2025 vide an affidavit (no 5601) before 1st Class Judicial Magistrate, Barasat, North 24 Parganas, I affirm that Sk Abdur Rasid & Sk Rasid is the same & one identical person i.e. my father

Name Change

Razia Khatun wife of Md. Quresh Ashraf and daughter of Shaukat Ali Khan residing at B-2H/24, Radha Gobinda saha lane, Circus Avenue Kolkata-700017, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that my name is Razia Khatun my husband's name is Md Quresh Ashraf. That my father's name is recorded in all his documents as Shaukat Ali Khan. But in my Central Board of Secondary Education Certificate my father's name is unadvertendly recorded as Shaukat Ali instead of Shaukat Ali Khan.I swear my affidavit before the Court of the Learned First Class Judicial Magistrate at Kolkata on 16.10.2025, that Shaukat Ali Khan and Shaukat Ali is the same and one identical person.

I, Apifa Bibi Gazi, D/o Aminuddin Sardar, W/o Abdul Alim Gazi, residing at Purba Himchi, P.O. Nabagram, P.S. Baruipur, Dist. South 24 Parganas, PIN - 743372, West Bengal do hereby declare that my name has been wrongly recorded in my husband's passport (no. M5853589) as Afifa Bibi. Or 17.10.2025 vide an affidavit before Notary Public Baruipur, I affirm that Apifa Bibi Gazi & Afifa Bibi is the same & one identical person.

Name Change

Agarwal, R/O.- Sri Ram Garden, 15. Belvedere Rodad, Alipore Kol-27 W.B., declare shall henceforth be known as Shyam Sundar Agarwal (New Name) before the Notary Public at Kolkata, Dtd.-17.10.2025, Shyam Sunder Agarwal (Old Name/previously) (Old Name) & Shyam Sundar Agarwal (New Name) both are the same and identical person.

ate steps to rehabilitate nearly 6,000 rickshaw pullers who still depend on this traditional mode of transport.

The union's letter notes that though the Kolkata Municipal Corporation had officially revoked licenses for hand-pulled rickshaws years ago, many operators continue the trade out of sheer necessity. Discussions about introducing e-rickshaws as an alternative have taken place in the past, but no concrete measures have been implemented so far.

Union representatives argue that the government should follow the example set by Maharashtra, where the Supreme Court had directed authorities to convert hand-pulled rickshaws into eco-friendly erickshaws, ensuring both livelihood protection and modernization of public

"Most of us have spent our lives pulling rickshaws. Now our bodies are giving up, but we have no other work," said a rickshaw puller from the College Street area. Many of these workers live in small rented rooms, struggling to feed their families as passenger demand declines with the rise of autos and app-

As Kolkata modernizes rapidly, these hand-pulled rickshaws - once etched into the city's cultural memory — face an uncertain future. The appeal to the state government is perhaps their last hope for dignity and survival in a city that is slowly moving on.

Regulation Of Trains In Howrah **Division**



MI News Service, Kolkata, Name) Both Are The Same And 17 Oct.25: Due to track maintenance work, 240 minutes (from 00:10 hrs to I, Hasem Ali Sapui (Old Name), Son Of Mujibar Sanfui, Residing At 04:10 hrs) traffic and power block has been Vtc:Kalikatala, Canning-Ii, South 24 planned at Bandel station, Parganas-743329, West Bengal, Have Changed My Name And Shall following arrangements in train running have been Henceforth Be Known As Hasem Ali Sanfui (New Name) Vide An Affimade as under: davit No 214 Sworn Before The Ld 1st Class Judicial Magistrate At

Cancellation of train: • 37289 Howrah - Bandel Local will remain cancelled on 18.10.2025.

37212 Bandel Howrah Local will remain cancelled on 19.10.2025. Diversion:

63501 Howrah - Barddhaman MEMU 19.10.2025) will be diverted via Howrah - Ban-Chord (Dankuni -Barddhaman).

Moreover, 13154 Malda Town-Sealdah Gour Express will be controlled 90 minutes enroute on 19.10.2025.

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Haryana: In a shocking

development that has sent

ripples through the state

Haryana Assistant Sub-In-

spector (ASI) Sandeep

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hat village, just hours after

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Puran Kumar, raising

questions about possible

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Friends of ASI Lather

Collective Efforts Towards A Cleaner And Greener Railway Environment Under Special Campaign 5.0



MI News Service, Kolkata, 17 Oct.25 :The Swachhata Abhiyan Campaign 2025, launched nationwide, has been actively observed in the Sealdah Division of Eastern Railway with remarkenthusiasm and participation from railway officials, staff, volunteers, and passengers alike. The campaign, which runs from August 1 to October 31, $202\overline{5}$, aims to foster cleanliness, hygiene, and sustainability across the railway network. Today, Environment & Housekeeping Management (EnHM) Department of Sealdah Division organized a series of impactful activities at various stations under its jurisdiction as part of Swachhata Pakhwada.

Mass awareness programmes and intensive cleanliness drives were conducted at stations such as Agarpara, Ballygunge, Berhampore Court, Barasat, Krishnanagar City Jn., Naihati and others. These initiatives aimed at educating passengers and railway staff on the importance of maintaining cleanliness and sustainability to ensure a cleaner, healthier, and more hygienic environment for all commuters.

An "Amrit Samvaad" (Interactive Session) was also organized at Baruipur Station, where passengers were encouraged to share their valuable feedback and suggestions regarding cleanliness and station upkeep. The interactive engagement helped strengthen passenger participation in railway cleanliness initiatives.

The observance of Swachhata Abhiyan and Amrit Samvaad on October 17, 2025, underscored the collective commitment of Sealdah Division's EnHM Department and its coordination with other departments in driving forward the mission of a Cleaner, Greener, and Sustainable Railway Environment.

Howrah Division Conducts Extensive Cleanliness Drive and Amrit Samvaad under Special Campaign 5.0

MI News Service, Kolkata, 17 Oct.25 : In alignment with Indian Railways' commitment to cleanliness and engagement. Howrah Division undertook a comprehensive cleanliness drive and hosted an Amrit Samvaad session at Bandel Station as part of Special Campaign 5.0 on 17th October 2025. This campaign reinforces the objectives of the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, aiming to enhance passenger experience and ensure a hygienic and welcoming railway environment.

A large-scale cleanliness drive was conducted across multiple stations and railway colonies within the division. Key locations included Bandel, Adisaptagram, Katwa, Azimganj, Arambag, Tarakeswar, Rampurhat, and Bolpur stations, as well as railway colonies in Bandel, Katwa, and Bamangachi. Surrounding areas were also included in the drive to ensure a comprehensive approach to hygiene and sanitation.

Railway officers, staff, and housekeeping personnel took active part in the campaign, demonstrating collective responsibility and



Enhanced Welfare Infrastructure For

Rpf Personnel In Eastern Railway

dedication to maintaining high standards of cleanliness across all touchpoints of passenger interaction. The initiative focused on deep cleaning of platforms, waiting areas, circulating zones, drains, toilets and station surroundings. Amrit Samvaad at Bandel Station Promotes Passenger Engagement

In addition to the cleanliness drive, an Amrit Samvaad session was organized at Bandel Station. Senior officials including Sr. DME (EnHM and Freight) and ACM/HC engaged directly with passengers, local stakeholders, and staff. The interactive session aimed to gather feedback on station facilities, cleanliness, and overall service quality, while also informing the public about ongoing and

upcoming improvements under the Special Campaign. Passengers were encouraged to actively participate in maintaining cleanliness and to offer suggestions for betterment, thereby strengthening the spirit of cooperation between the Railways and the traveling public. Commitment to a Cleaner and Passenger-Centric Railwav Network

Through initiatives like Special Campaign 5.0, **Howrah Division continues** to take proactive steps toward creating a cleaner, safer, and more passengerfriendly railway ecosystem. The active involvement of staff and positive response from the public reaffirm Indian Railways' dedication to sustainable and inclusive development.

Regulation Of Trains In Sealdah Division

MI News Service, Kolkata, 17 Oct.25: In connection with Tramway type Overhead Equipment work, 150 minutes (from 00:45 hrs to 03:15 hrs) traffic and power block has been planned at Sealdah station on 18/19.10.2025 (Saturday/Sunday). Consequently following arrangements in train running have been made as under: 31542 Shantipur - Sealdah local will be short-terminated at Barrackpore on 18.10.2025 (Saturday) and 31511 Sealdah - Shantipur local will be short originated from Barrackpore on 19.10.2025 (Sunday). Moreover, 13106

Balia - Sealdah Express (journey commencing on 18.10.2025) & 03102 Malatipatpur – Sealdah Special (journey commencing on 18.10.2025) will be controlled enroute for 75 min-90 respectively on Sunday (19.10.2025).

Two Years in Pakistani Jail: Bengali Fishermen Families Plead for Sons' Return

MI News Service, North 24 Parganas: Nearly two years have passed since Laltu Das and Sujoy Das, two young fishermen from Mominpur village, were arrested by the Pakistan Coast Guard after their trawler accidentally crossed into Pakistani waters while fishing off the Gujarat coast. Since then, the men have been held in a Karachi jail, leaving their families in a state of anguish and uncertainty.

According to relatives, the last communication with the men was an eight-monthold video call, and earlier exchanges of letters have now completely stopped. The families, who depend on Laltu and Sujoy as the primary earners, continue to pray daily for their safe return. "We have approached the Basirhat and Matia police stations, and officials from Delhi recently gathered information. But no updates have been re-

11:30 am, Lather received

a phone call and left,

claiming he was heading to the Rohtak Cyber Cell.

Within an hour, his body

was discovered at his

uncle's residence in a field.

Witnesses noted that he

had deceptively informed

friends about his office

plans before the fatal inci-

dent. Preliminary evidence

indicates striking similari-

ties between the two

cases: both involved gun-

shot wounds to the head,

no witnesses, and the

presence of notes left be-

hind. While IGP Puran

Kumar's typed eight-page

note alleged corruption

among nine serving IPS of-

ficers, ASI Lather's four-

page handwritten note

supported DGP Shatrujit

Kapoor and Rohtak SP

Narendra Bijarnia, in-

stead accusing the late IGP

of corruption. Additionally,

Lather recorded a six-

minute, 28-second video,

whose contents are under

ceived since then," said a family member. The incident highlights the vulnerabilities faced by fishermen in disputed waters. While India and Pakistan maintain diplomatic channels for such cases, the prolonged detention has left the families in despair, living with the uncertainty of whether their sons will ever return home. Local authorities are in touch with higher officials, but no progress has been reported publicly. The Das family continues to look to the skies, hoping for a day when Laltu and Sujoy will return to their homeland, ending the years of separation and heartache. With tensions along the maritime border and routine crossings by fishermen, incidents like this underscore the urgent need for structured communication and timely resolution to prevent families from enduring prolonged distress.

Inauguration of "Sahid Sanjay Sahani Ladies Hostel" and Foundation Stone Laying of New RPF Barrack at MDSTI, Kanchrapara MI News Service, Kolkata,

17 Oct.25: In a major step towards strengthening welfare and accommodation facilities for Railway Protection Force (RPF) personnel, Eastern Railway inaugurated a newly constructed 50-bedded RPF Lady Barrack, titled "Sahid Sanjay Sahani Ladies Hostel", and laid the foundation stone for a new 100-bedded RPF Barrack at the Multi Disciplinary Specialised Training Institute (MDSTI), Kanchrapara, today.

The "Sahid Sanjay Sahani Ladies Hostel", equipped with modern amenities and designed for comfort and convenience. was inaugurated by Smt. Seema Deouskar, President, Eastern Railway Women's Welfare Organisation (ERWWO). The inauguration ceremony was graced by Shri Milind Deouskar, General Manager, Eastern Railway; Shri Amiya Nandan Sinha, Principal Chief Security Commissioner; Smt. Zarina Fidausi, Principal Chief Personnel Officer; Shri Rajeev Saxena, Divisional Railway Manager, Sealdah; and other senior officials. Members of ERWWO were also present on the occasion.

Furthering Eastern Railway's commitment to providing improved living standards for RPF personnel, Shri Milind Deouskar, General Manager, Eastern Railway, laid the foundation stone of a 100-bedded RPF Barrack at MDSTI, Kanchrapara, in the presence of Smt. Seema De-President, ERWWO; Shri Amiya Nandan Sinha, PCSČ; Shri Vikram Gupta, Principal Chief Engineer; Shri Rajeev Saxena, DRM/Sealdah; and other senior Adding to the day's sig-

nificance, the 33rd All India Inter-Railway RPF Men's Football Tournament-2025 concluded at MDSTI, Kanchrapara. The tournament, featuring 14 teams from various zonal railways, showcased exceptional sportsmanship. The final match was ceremonially kicked off by Shri Milind Deouskar, General Manager, Eastern Railway, in the presence of Shri Amiya Nandan Sinha, PCSC, and other senior officers. Smt. Seema Deouskar, President, ERWWO, graced the event as Special Guest.

In an exciting finale, Southern Railway emerged as the Champion, defeating Eastern Railway in a spirited contest. Shri Milind Deouskar, General Manager, Eastern Railway, handed over the Champion Trophy to the Southern Railway team and runners up trophy to the Eastern Railway Team, while Smt. Seema Deouskar presented the 2nd Runners-up Trophy to the Northeast Frontier Railway team.

MI News Service, Kolkata, 17 Oct.25: To clear extra rush of the passengers during Deepavali, it has been decided to run Special train as per following schedule: 06233/06234 SMVT Bengaluru-Santragachi-SMVT

06233 SMVT Bengaluru-Santragachi Special will leave SMVT Bengaluru on 17.10.2025 at 16:35 hrs and will reach Santragachi at 23:55 hrs, the next day. In the return direction, 06234 Santragachi-SMVT Bengaluru Special will leave Santragachi on 19.10.2025 at 16:30 hrs and will arrive SMVT Bengaluru at 02:30 hrs, the third dav. The Special train will have stoppages at Baleshwar and Kharagpur in SER jurisdiction.

Barbers Stand by Flood Victims with Razors, Not Money

and solidarity, members of the Amguri Barbers' Association in Jalpaiguri have gone beyond conventional relief efforts, offering free haircuts and grooming services to residents affected by the recent devastating floods in North Bengal. Large areas of Jalpaiguri district, including the villages of Betgara, Tarabari, Khatorbari, and Kharibari in the Amguri Gram Panchayat**, were left in ruins after the torrential rains, leaving many families struggling with basic needs such as hygiene and personal care. Recognizing this urgent need, the barbers abandoned their shops and headed into the flood-hit areas to provide their services free of charge. "We are not very strong financially, but we had a strong desire to support the flood-affected people," said Deepak Sharma, president of the association. "We decided to help with what we have, even if it's just our skills." Local residents lauded the initiative, noting that such gestures go beyond material relief. "This is not just a small service; it is an expression of care and solidarity," said one beneficiary. The barbers' unique approach underscores the principle that compassion and community service are not measured by money, but by heart. In a time when floods have left lasting scars, the actions of these local heroes have provided not only practical assistance but also a renewed

investigation.

MI News Service, Jalpaiguri: In an extraordinary act of humanity sense of hope and humanity for the affected communities.

Running Of Smvt Bengaluru-Santragachi-Smvt Bengaluru Special

Bengaluru Special:

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Sincerely Authorised Officer

Shyam Sunder Agarwal (Old Name/previously), S/o.- Late Inderlal

and one identical person. Name Change Ratan Kr Aich (Old Name), Son

Of Debendra Aich.Residing At Bidhan Pally, Madhyamgram(M), Po-Madhyamgram, North Parganas-700129, West Bengal Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Ratan Aich (New Name) Vide An Affidavit worn Before The Notary Public At Barasat On 22/08/2025. Ratan Kr Aich (Old Name)And Ratan Aich (New Name) Both Are The Same And One Identical Person.

Amed Rahaman, residing at Vill.- 2No Ratanpur, P.O. & P.S. Singur, Dist. Hooghly, Pin-712409 do hereby decla that my actual and correct date of bir was 5th day of March, 1994 (05.03.1994 but inavertently my date of birth ha recorded as 5th day of March, 1993 in m Admit Card of Secondary & High Secondary Education. That correct spelling of my father's name is SEKI AMED RAHAMAN, but inadvertently it my all education documents my fath my all education documents my father name has been recorded as SK AMED RAHAMAN and in my Driving Licence being No. WB1520140194994 my father's name has been recorded as SK A RAHAMAN. That SEKH AMED RAHAMAN, @ SK AMED RAHAMAN, @ SK A RAHAMAN is the same one an identical person vide an Affidavit no. 623 vorn before 1st class Judicial Magistra

NAME CHANGE

t Chandannagar on 14.10.2025.

I, Debashis Das, S/o Deb Kuma Das, resident of 5, Khairu Place Kolkata - 700072 have change my name from Debasish Das to Debashis Das vide Affidavit no 104 before 1st Class Judicia Magistrate, Calcutta on 10/10 2025 that said Debasish Da and Debashis Das is Identical same and one person

21-year-old girl brutally murdered in Bengaluru over rejected proposal

Siddu Nema Gowda con-

firmed that the attack ap-

pears to have been

triggered by the repeated

rejection of a love proposal.

"The incident took place

near the railway tracks. We

have registered a case

under Section 302 of the In-

dian Penal Code for mur-

der. Multiple teams are

working to identify and ap-

prehend the accused," he

said. The police have initi-

ated a thorough investiga-

tion, examining CCTV

footage from nearby areas

and questioning residents to

trace the perpetrator. Offi-

cers indicated that the ac-

cused is known to the victim

and belongs to the same lo-

cality, increasing the ur-

gency of the manhunt. This

brazen daytime attack has

shocked Bengaluru and

raised serious concerns

about public safety, particu-

larly for women commuting

alone. Authorities have

the accused to justice.

Place: Bankura

pledged swift action to bring

ASI Sandeep lather's death deepens mystery around IGP Puran Kumar Case MI News Service, Ben**galuru:** A shocking act of violence has left the city in turmoil as 21-year-old Jamini Priya, a B.Pharm student, was brutally murdered in broad daylight near the Srirampura railway line. The incident occurred on Thursday afternoon around 2:30 pm, as Jamini was returning home after an examination

in the Hosakerehalli area. According to police sources, a 23-year-old man named Vignesh, reportedly from the same locality, approached Jamini from behind, threw a chemical substance into her eyes,

and slashed her throat and face with a sharp weapon. Jamini collapsed on the spot and succumbed to excessive bleeding, leaving witnesses horrified. Locals immediately alerted the po-

lice, who rushed to the scene and began collecting evidence. Deputy Commissioner of Police (North)

Metro to run special services on Kali Puja

facilitate the devotees to visit Dakshineswar and Kalighat Temples on Kalipuja night (i.e. 20.10.2025) extended special services will be run in UP and DN directions on

BLUE LINE Metro will run 144 services (72 UP & 72 DN) on 20.10.2025 (Monday) instead of 272 services.

First Service: -At 07:54 hrs. from Noapara to Shahid Khudiram (Instead of 06:50 hrs.)

At 08:00 hrs. from Shahid Khudiram to Dakshineswar (Instead of 06:54 hrs.) At 08:00 hrs. from Mahan-

SC upholds promotion of Chandigarh DSP Ram Gopal to SP rank

News Chandigarh: Chandigarh Police officer DSP Ram Gopal has received a major relief from the Supreme Court of India, which dismissed the Chandigarh Administra-

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MI News Service, 17 Oct, ayak Uttam Kumar to Dak-2025, Kolkata: In order to shineswar (Instead of 06:55 Sector V to Howrah Maidan

At 08:00 hrs. from Dakshineswar to Shahid Khudiram (Instead of 06:55 hrs.) Last Service: -At 22:51 hrs. from Dak-

shineswar to Shahid Khudiram (Instead of 21:28 hrs.) At 23:00 hrs. from Shahid Khudiram to Dakshineswar (Instead of 21:33 hrs.) **GREEN LINE**

Metro will run 124 services (62 UP & 62 DN) on 20.10.2025 (Monday) instead of 226 services.

First Service:-At 06:30 hrs. from Howrah Maidan to Salt Lake Sector V

(Instead of 06:39 hrs.) **Last Service:-**

At 21:45 hrs. from Howrah Maidan to Salt Lake Sector V (No Change) At 21:47 hrs. from Salt Lake

Sector V to Howrah Maidan (No Change) YELLOW LINE

Metro will run 52 services (26 UP & 26 DN) on 20.10.2025 (Monday) instead of 120 services. First Service:-

At 10:00 hrs. from Noapara to Jai Hind Bimanbandar (Instead of 07:55 hrs.) At 10:22 hrs. from Jai Hind Bimanbandar to Noapara At 17:34 hrs. from Noapara to Jai Hind Bimanbandar

(Instead of 20:00 hrs.) At 17:54 hrs. from Jai Hind Bimanbandar to Noapara (Instead of 20:05 hrs.) **PURPLE LINE**

Metro will run 44 services (22 UP & 22 DN) on 20.10.2025 (Monday) instead of 80 services.

First Service:-At 10:00 hrs. from Joka to Majerhat (Instead of 06:50 At 10:24 hrs. from Majerhat

to Joka (Instead of 07:14 hrs.) Last Service:-At 17:28 hrs. from Joka to Majerhat (Instead of 20:36

ORANGE LINE Metro will run 40 ser-

vices (22 UP & 22 DN) on 20.10.2025 (Monday) instead of 60 services.

First Service: -At 09:55 hrs. from Beleghata

to Kavi Subhash (Instead of At 10:00 hrs. from Kavi Subhash to Beleghata (Instead of 08:00 hrs.)

Last Service: -At 17:55 hrs. from Beleghata

to Kavi Subhash (Instead of 20:05 hrs.) At 17:55 hrs. from Kavi Sub-

hash to Beleghata (Instead

Maoists surrendered 153

weapons, including 19 AK-

47 rifles, 17 SLR rifles, 23

INSAS rifles, one INSAS

LMG, 36 .303 rifles, four car-

bines, 11 BGL launchers, 41

twelve-bore or single-shot

Officials hailed the sur-

render as one of the most

significant breakthroughs

in recent years, saying it

underscores the growing

success of the govern-

ment's Naxal Eradication

and Rehabilitation Policy

2025, which combines de-

velopment, dialogue, and

trust-building measures to

encourage militants to re-

With this, officials said,

most of Abujhmad has been

freed from Naxal influence,

bringing an end to the de-

cades-long Red terror in

North Bastar. "Only South

Bastar now remains affect-

ed," the top government of-

turn to the mainstream.

guns, and one pistol.

2025, Kolkata: Two more AFC-PC (Automatic Fare Colhat to Joka (Instead of 20:57

lection-Passenger gates have been opened at Salt Lake Sector Metro Station for the benefit of the Metro users. These new gates will enable Green Line commuters to exit directly from the paid area to the unpaid area and will ensure a smooth and free flow of pas-

> With the addition of these two new AFC-PC gates, there are now 13 Smart Gates at Salt Lake Sector V Metro Station to effectively manage the rush. Out of these 13 gates, 5 gates are exclusively for Entry, 6 gates are exclusively for Exit

> MI News Service, 17 Oct,

Control)



and 2 gates are bi-directional, facilitating both entry and exit for passengers travelling with Tokens, Smart Cards, and QR Code-based tickets.

Out of these 2 bi-directional gates, one is earmarked for wheelchair-bound passengers to ensure accessibility and comfort.

Commuters can punch

their Metro Tokens or Smart Cards at these gates. In addi-

We are proud of 'AAMAR METRO'. To avoid long queues at booking counters, commuters are requested to use digital modes of ticketing such as Smart Cards and Mobile QR Tickets, which come with a 5% bonus/rebate if booked through the Aamar Kolkata Metro app or during recharge.

Commuters are also encouraged to download the 'Aamar Kolkata Metro' app to book tickets or recharge their Smart Cards anytime and save valuable time.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Certificate (s) for 264 Equity Shares for bearing certificates. No(s) 418371 and Distinctive Nos. 11983525-11983788 under the folio No 2221351 of LINDE INDIA LIMITED standing in the name (s) of MANOHARI RAJ and RAMESH RAJ has/have been lost or mislaid and the undersigned has / have applied to the Company to issue duplicate Certificate(s) for the said shares. Any person who has any claim in respect of the said shares should write to our Registrar, **KFin Technologies Limited**. Selenium Tower B, Plot 31-32, Gachibowli, Financial District, Hyderabad-500032 within one month from this date, else the company wil proceed to issue duplicate Certificate(s)

RAMESH RAJ

Name(s) of Shareholder(s) **Additional District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission** Raiarhat (New Town), West Bengal

Premises No. 38-0775, Plot No. AA-IID-31-3, NewTown, P.S.- ECO Park Kolkata-700 161

Kreta Suraksha Bhavan, Rajarhat (New Town), 2nd Floor,

NOTICE M/s Vedic Corp Services Pvt. Ltd

Christan Para Krishnapur,

North 24-Parganas,

West Bengal- 700 102

Whereas Mr. Ravindra Kumar Agarwal, Mr. Sandeep Agarwal and Mrs. Sweta Agarwal has instituted a Complaint Case No. CC/451/2003 against M/s Vedic Corp Services Pvt. Ltd. Therefore M/s Vedic Corp Services Pvt. Ltd is hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble President / Member of this Commission through its authorized representative or through by a Pleader, along with your written version within 30 days of publication of this Notice in default of which, the above mentioned case will be heard or considered in your absence.

Please be present on the 10/12/2025 at 10:30 O'clock in the forenoon, in default, the case will be heard and considered in your absence. Given under my hand and seal on the Commission, this 22nd day o September, 2025. By Order

SWATTIK KR. PRAMANIK Registrar

ানুসারে কার্য্য করা হইবে। ইতি- মীর মহঃ কলিমুদ্দিন (উকিলবারু)

Maoists have taken right decision: Chhattisgarh Home Minister welcomes the surrender of 208 Naxalites

MI News Service, Bastar: Chhattisgarh Home Minister Vijay Sharma on Friday welcomed the surrender of 208 Naxalites in the North Bastar region. He said that the Maoists have taken the right decision and saved

Speaking to ANI, Vijay Sharma said, "The decision is according to the wishes of the people of Bastar. A large number of people from various Maoist organisations have decided to rehabilitate and begin a new life. They have taken the right decision and saved many lives. The development schemes were unable to reach the

remote locations of Bastar. They have paved the way for development. Through them, we appeal to other Maoists to surrender. The government will set red carpet to welcome them."

Earlier, Chhattisgarh CM Vishnu Deo Sai on Friday on Friday.

Deputy Chairman of Rajya

Sabha, Harivansh Narayan

Singh, speaking exclusively to

ANI, shared his take on the his-

torical and contemporary politi-

cal landscape of Bihar, drawing

parallels between past and pres-

Regarding the political influ-

ence of Jayaprakash Narayan

and Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia,

Singh noted that the Socialist

Party's focus on fundamental

public issues gained significant

traction by 1967, despite initial

confidence in the 1952 elections.

raised by Prashant Kishor and

the Socialist Party, will take time

to gain widespread resonance.

However, Singh acknowledged

that Prashant Kishor's group

could secure some seats in the

Narayan's assemblies drew

larger crowds than ours. In Bi-

har, we were confident of victory

in the 1952 elections. However,

the fundamental public issues

raised by the Socialist Party, led

by Jayaprakash Narayan and Dr.

Ram Manohar Lohia, had a sig-

"In many places, Jayaprakash

upcoming election.

He suggested that the issues

group, similar to those of

ent political movements.

hailed the surrender of 208 Naxalites, calling it a "historic day"

The Chief Minister assured that the State government will work towards skilling and rehabilitating the Left Wing Extremists, who laid down their arms.

CM Sai told reporters, "It is a historic day not just for Chhattisgarh but the entire nation when Naxalites in large numbers will surrender and join the mainstream. The government will work to skill them and rehabilitate them. We had been urging them to quit violence and join the mainstream."

In a major development in the battle against Left Wing Extremism, 208 Naxalites surrendered before security forces, expressing confidence in the Indian Constitution as they joined the mainstream of society

nificant impact by 1967. Similarly,

the questions raised by Prashant

Kishor and his group will require

time to resonate widely. Prashant

Kishor may secure some seats-

-I'm not saying they won't. In

earlier times, Left parties like CPI

and CPI(M) were strong, and even

now, they remain influential. The

issues Prashant Kishor has raised

are also being voiced by other

parties, but not on a large scale,"

Jay Prakash Narayan led the

Janata Party, which formed the

first non-Congress government

in 1977 at the Centre by uniting

the entire Opposition against the

corrupt and unjust rule that im-

posed the emergency. A socialist

and political leader, he is remem-

bered for leading the mid-1970s

Opposition parties against Prime

Minister Indira Gandhi, for whose

overthrow he had called for a

'total revolution" (Sampoorna

Kranti). Ram Manohar Lohia was

a member of the Praja Socialist

Party and the Samyukta Social-

ist Party. In 1962, he contested

against Jawaharlal Nehru from

around 'vote chori' and SIR, the

Deputy Chairman of Rajya Sabha

Given the prevalent discourse

Phulpur, but he lost.

representing various ranks of the outlawed CPI (Maoist) organisation. Among them are one Central Committee Member (CCM), four Dandakaranya Special Zonal Committee (DKSZC) members, one Regional Committee Member, 21 Divisional Committee Members (DVCMs), 61 Area Committee Members (ACMs), 98 Party Mem-

bers, and 22 PLGA/RPC/oth-

er cadres.

According to officials, the

surrendered group includes

110 women and 98 men,

Among the top Maoist leaders who laid down arms were Rupesh alias Satish (Central Committee Member), Bhaskar alias Rajman Mandavi (DKSZC Member), Ranita (DKSZC Member), Raju Salam (DKSZC Member), Dhannu Vetti alias Santu (DKSZC Member), and Ratan Elam (Regional Committee Member).

During the operation, the

criticised certain groups for at-

tempting to undermine the coun-

Singh questioned the motives

behind raising doubts about the

system, pointing out that critics

accept the electoral process when

they secure victories, such as in

the country who want to weak-

en the institutions. When you go

abroad, you realise that. Today,

an important watchdog, the judi-

ciary, is there, and elections are

separate; moreover, everything

is happening in a transparent

manner. Even after that, they

are raising these questions.

Where they win in Karnataka,

where they get the majority in

other places; then when they get

an undisputed victory in some

place during the Lok Sabha elec-

tions, then that ballot is fine and

then the system is fine,' he said.

bly elections will take place on

November 6 and 11. The results

will be announced on November

In the seat-sharing arrange-

ment within the NDA, the BJP

and JD(U) will be contesting 101

seats each, while the Lok Jan-

gana government declared Sadar

Sammelan as a state festival,

highlighting its cultural signifi-

cance and potential to promote

the Yadav community and people

from other backgrounds, show-

casing the rich cultural heritage

state festival is expected to boost

tourism and promote cultural ex-

Edla Hari Babu Yadav, Sa-

dar festival organiser, speaking

to ANI, said, "We are going to

celebrate the Sadar festival this

year more grandly than last year.

We have brought five bulls from

Haryana, named Golu 2, Bajran-

gi, Rolex Basha, and others. The

youth are eagerly waiting for the

Sadar festival. This year, we are

organising the Sadar festival with

nine bulls in Musheerabad. The

procession will end at Narayan-

guda, attracting lakhs of people

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movement to Socialist Party, predicts slow rise shakti Party (headed by Ram Vilas) will contest 29 seats. The Rashtriya Lok Morcha (RLM)

> The main contest will be be-Tejashwi Yadav of the Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD). The INDIA alliance is aiming to unseat Chief Minister Nitish Kumar, who

Howrah Municipal Corporation

E-TENDER NOTICE

For details of N.I.T. please refer to Notice Board of Borough-V. Visit the sites: www.wbtenders.gov.in (for o <u>www.myhmc.in</u>. Bid submission starting date **18.10.2025 at 6:00** P.M. (ON-LINE). Bid submission closing date 13.11.2025 at 6:00 P.M. (ON-LINE).

Borough-V, H.M.C.

Howrah Municipal Corporation Borough-III

Ph: 033-2640-4049/6292299603 TENDER NOTICE

notice board of Borough-III & also H.M.C. Wbsite <u>www.myhmc.in</u> & wbtenders.gov.in. Bid submissior starting date: 17.10.2025 at 06.00 P.M. (On-Line). Bid submission closing date : 05.11.2025 at 15.00 P.M. (On-Line). Sd/-

Assistant Engineer

NIT No.: TN/004/AE/B-III/25-26, Date: 17.10.2025

Borough-III, H.M.C.

NOTICE Notice to all concern that one original Gift

Deed vide Deed No. 4254/1995 date 29/09/1995 in the name of **Sri Somnath** Ghosh S/o. Late Rabindranath Ghosh Donee), Registered at A.D.S.R., Sadar, Hooghly, concern to the "Danga a present Viti" Land of 2 Katha 30 Sq.Ft. ying under Kodalia-I G.P., P.S Chinsurah, District Hooghly, Mauza Simla, J.L. No. 16, under L.R. Khatian No. 1161/4, Dag No. R.S. 1714 and Hal L.R. 1765, which was lost. In this regard a missing GDE No. 889, dated 16/10/2025 under P.S. Chinsurah, Hooghly is lodged. At present my clients Somnath Ghosh S/o. Late Rabindranath Ghosh R/o. Moynadanga Chinsurah R.S., Chinsurah, Hooghly 712102, is the present owner of the above property. If any person, Bank or Financial Institution having any objection, claim, demand or information against the above property or about above original lost Gift Deed please intimate the undersigned in writing with supporting within 14 days from this publication. No claim and demand shall be entertained after the stipulated period. If any transaction is made with any person/s or authority by the strength or this loss Gift deed, shall be deemed to be null and void & the above mention property is free from all encumbrances Tapas Kumar Mondal (Advocate)

Judges' Court, Chinsurah, Hooghly

TARAKESWAR MUNICIPALITY **E-TENDER NOTICE**

The Chairman, Tarakeswar Municipality invites of e-tender for following De velopment work Under APAS Scheme withinTarakeswar Municipality

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	2025_MAD_928003_1	18.10.2025	07.11.2025	10.11.2025		
	2025_MAD_928003_2	18.10.2025	07.11.2025	10.11.2025		
	2025_MAD_928003_3	18.10.2025	07.11.2025	10.11.2025		
	2025_MAD_928003_4	18.10.2025	07.11.2025	10.11.2025		
	2025_MAD_928316_1	18.10.2025	07.11.2025	10.11.2025		
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The Chairman, Tarakeswar Municipality invites Quotation Notice for following Development work Under APAS Scheme within Tarakeswar Municipality:

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Sd/- Chairman **Tarakeswar Municipality**

Office of the Concillors of Haringhata Municipality Notice Inviting e-Tender

Chairman, Haringhata Municipality invites e-Tender No. WBMAD/ULB/HM/NIT-23e/2025-26, Memo. No-2006/HM/2025 Dated: 17/10/2025. Tender Id: 2025_MAD_926647_1 to 2025_MAD_926647_4, Date of Publishing-17/10/2025, Bid Submission Closing Date-08/11/2025, For details please visitwww.wbtenders.gov.in

CHAIRMAN

HARINGHATA MUNICIPALITY UNRESERVED SPECIAL TRAINS Between Howrah & Raxaul, Kolkata & Gorakhpur, Kolkata & Madhubani and Asansol & Gorakhpur

CORRIGENDUM In reference to the above captioned advertisement published in this newspaper on 17.10.2025 regarding running of Unreserved

Special Trains between Howrah & Raxaul, Kolkata & Gorakhpur, Kolkata & Madhubani and Asansol & Gorakhpur, this is to be stated that the stoppage of 03133/03134 Kolkata-Gorakhpur Kolkata Unreserved Special train and 03529/03530 Asansol Gorakhpur-Asansol Unreserved Special train at Samastipur to be read as Shahpur Patoree. Chief Passenger Transportation Manager

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tion, the gates are equipped with QR code scanners, enabling passengers with QR code-based tickets to enter or exit the station conveniently.

আমমোক্তারনামা সংক্রান্ত বিজ্ঞপ্তি ১) শ্রীমতী অপর্না পাল, স্বামী- 🗸 হরিসাধন পাল

সাকিম - অমরপুর, পোঃ - সুগন্ধা, থানা- গোলবা, জেলা - হুগলী, পিন - ৭১২১০২ ২) শ্রীমতী

জেলা - হগলা, পিন - ৭১২১০২ ২) শ্রীমতা তাপসী দাস, স্বামী - গদাধর দাস, সাকিম ও পোঃ - ৭১২২২৩ ৩) শ্রীমতী রুপসী পাল, স্বামী - বরেন বাগ, সাকিম - ডুপ্লেজ পট্টি, কুমোরপাড়া, পোঃ ও থানা- চন্দননগর, জেলা - হগলী, পিন -৭১২১৩৬, ও ৪) শ্রীমতী তপতী সাউ, স্বামী -তন্ময় সাউ, সাকিম -কাপাসহাঁড়িয়া, পোঃ- বড়া থানা- চন্ডীতলা, জেলা- হগলী, পিন - ৭১২৩০৬ বিগত ইং 08/04/2025 তারিখে এ.ডি.এস.আর সদর ভগলী অফিসে বেজিস্টিকত I-4243 সপর, হুগলা, আঞ্চসে রোজাস্তরুত 1-42-45.)
2025 নং আমমোক্তার দলিল মূলে আমার মঞ্জেল
১) সেখ নিজাম আলি, পিতা- সেখ সোরাপ
আলি, সাকিম - ভাটুয়া, পোঃ- রাজহাট, থানাপোলবা, জেলা - হুগলী, পিন - ৭১২১২৩, ২) প্রী
অরিজিত্ব মারা, পিতা- গোপাল চন্দ্র মারা, সাকিম ও পোঃ - রাজহাট. থানা- পোলবা. জেলা - হুগলী পিন - ৭১২১২৩ ও ৩) শ্রী আকাশ ধাড়া, পিতা তরুন কুমার ধাড়া, সাকিম - নবগ্রাম পশ্চিমপাড়া, পোঃ- মানকুঞ্জু, থানা - ভদ্রেশ্বর, জেলা - হুগলী, পিন - ৭১২১৩৯, ত্রয়কে ক্ষমতাপ্রাপ্ত আমমোক্তার নিযুক্ত করেন ও নিম্ন বর্ণিত তপশীল সম্পত্তি উক্ত আমমোক্তারনামা বলে আমার মঞ্চেলত্রয় বিক্রয় করিতেছেন্। <u>তপশীল</u> - জেলা- হুগলী, থানা-গোলবা, মৌজা - অমরপুর, জে.এল - ৭৪, হাল ৪৫৫, ৪৫৬, ৪৫৭ ও ৪৫৮ নং খতিয়ানে এবং ১) হাল ২৫ নং দাগে 'কলাবাগান' জমি ষোল আনায় ৩৫ শতকের মধ্যে ১৮ শতক, ২) হাল ২৬ নং দাগে কলাবাগান জমি ষোল আনায় ৫৭ শতকের মধ্যে ৫৭ শতক ৩) হাল ২৯ নং দাগে কলাবাগান জমি ষোল আনায় ২৮০ শতকের মধ্যে ৬৯ শতক ও ৪) হাল ৩০ নং দাগে 'কলাবাগান' জমি ষোল ও ৪) হাল ৩০ নং দাগে 'কলাবাগাল ভাগে হযান আনায় ১৭৯ শতকের মধ্যে ৩৩ শতক, একুনে মোট চারটি দাগে ১৭৭ শতক সম্পত্তি আমমোজারকৃত সম্পত্তি হইতেছে। এতদ্বারা সকলকে অবগত করা যাইতেছে যে, উক্ত আমমোক্তারকৃত সম্পত্তির ক্রেতাগন বি.এল. আমমোক্তারকৃত সম্পত্তির ক্রেতাগন বি.এল. এ্যান্ড এল.আরু.ও পোলবা অফিসে নিজ নিজ নাম পত্তন করিতে পারিবেন, ইহাতে কাহারও কোনো আইনানুগ আপত্তি থাকিলে, বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রচার হইবার আগামী ১ মাসের মধ্যে সংশ্লিষ্ট অফিসে আপত্তি জানাইতে পারিবেন। অন্যথায় নিয়ম

জেলা জজ আদালত চুঁচুড়া, হুগলী

PWD (GOVT. OF WB) TENDER NOTICE

e-Tender of NIQ No 03 of 2025-26 by the of E.E. Diamond Harbour Highway

<u>Division</u> EE, Diamond Harbour Hwy Div, Dakshir

Hazipur, Diamond Harbour-743331 invites on line percentage rate e-tender whose ID No. 2025_SH_926388_1 to 9.The details can be obtained from the website https://wbtenders gov in & office notice board. Corrigendum or Addendum if issued will be published only on website previously mentioned Documents down load end date (online) & Bid submission, end date (online) will be 21.11.2025 upto 12.00 Hrs.

EE.Diamond Harbour Highway Division P.W.(Roads) Directorate, Govt. of WB

PWD (GOVT. OF WB) TENDER NOTICE

e-Tender of NIT No 18 of 2025-26 by the Diamond Harbour Hic <u>Division</u>

EE, Diamond Harbour Hwy Div, Dakshin Hazipur, Diamond Harbour-743331 invites on line percentage rate e-tender whose ID No. 2025_SH_928317_1 to 2.The details can be obtained from the website https://wbtenders gov in & office notice board. Corrigendum or Addendum if issued will be published only on website previously mentioned Documents down load end date (online) & Bid submission. end date (online)

EE.Diamond Harbour Highway Division P.W.(Roads) Directorate, Govt. of WB

will be 14.11.2025 upto 12.00 Hrs

বিজ্ঞপ্তি

আমার মক্কেল স্বপন মুখার্জী, পিতা-স্বর্গীয় গৌর হরি মুখার্জী ইংরাজী ০৫/১১/২০২৪ সালে এ.ডি.এস.আর ভাঙ্গড় রেজিষ্ট্রী অফিসে ১০৬৬৩ দলিল মলে মৌজা ধর্মতলা পাঁচডিয়া জে এল ৬ এল আর ৬৮৪২ নং খতিয়ানে এল.আর. ১২১৯ নং দাগে ০২ কাঠা জমি কমল কফঃ মন্ডল মহাশয়ের নিকট হইতে ক্রয় করিয়া মিউটেশানের জন্য আবেদন করেন। উক্ত জমি কমল কৃষ্ণ মন্তল মহাশয় বিগুত ইংরাজী ০৫/১১/২০২৪ তারিখে উক্ত অফিসে রেজিষ্ট্রীকৃত ১০৬৩৯ নং পাওয়ার দলিল মূলে আমমোক্তার অভিষেক মন্ডল মহাশয়কে বিক্রয় ক্ষমতা অর্পন করেন। উক্ত বিষয়ে যদি কাহারো কোন আপত্তি থাকে তাহলে ভাঙ্গড়-II বি.এল.এন্ড এল.আরও অফিসে ১৫ দিনের মধ্যে যোগাযোগ করুন।

Prabir Kumar Roy Advocate Alipore Criminal Court Regist. No.-W.B.-828/81

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE Branch Office: ICICI BANK LTD, BP-4, Technopolis Building, 4th Floor, Sector V, Salt Lake City, Kolkata West Bengal- 700091 ICICIBank V, Salt Lake City, Kolkata west Bengui- 700091 CIN No: L65190GJ1994PLC021012, www.icicibank.com

The Authorised ICICI Bank Officer under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notices to the borrower(s) mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice.

Having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is issued to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described below, by exercising powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-

l		nentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with he property. Any dealings with the property will be subject to charges of ICICI Bank Limited.				
	Sr. No.		Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)	Name of Branch	
	1.	Bibi/ Q-Tr No. T/37A1, U No. 06, Ward No. 22, Gole Kholi Traffic, P.O. Inda, P.S. Kharagpur Town, District Paschim Midnapore West Bengal Matkatpur- 721305/ LBCAL00005766670/	R.S. & L.R. Plot No. 247, R.S. Khatian No. 80, L.R. Khatian No. 343, J.L. No. 208, Mouza Jharia, Panchyet Area Barkola, P.S. Kharagpur (Local), District Paschim Midnapore, West Bengal (Admeasuring An Area of Measuring Area 05 Dec. Bastu Consisting 2525 Sq. Ft. Double Storied Building (Ground Floor 1252 Sq. Ft. And First Floor 1000 Sq. Ft.) With 20ft. Wide Road North: Vacent Land of Mr. Laxman Mandal South: Vacent Land of Khurshid Ahmed East: Land of Rashiid Khan West: 20 Ft Wide Road/ Date of Symbolic 14/10/2025	June 21, 2025 Rs. 19,95,105.52/-	Kharag- pur/ Delhi	

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/guarantors(s) is/are hereby issued a 30 day Notice to repay the amount else the mortgaged properties will be sold after 30 days from the date of publishing this Notice, as per the provisions under Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 Date: October 18, 2025

Sincerely Authorised Officer For ICICI Bank Ltd.

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tion's petition challenging many lives. his promotion to the rank of Superintendent of Po-With this, the administration is now bound to implement the orders of the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) and the Punjab and Haryana High Court, granting him the promotion along with all consequential benefits. EASTERN RAILWAY Tender Notice No.: ENGG-08/25-26 (Open), Dated: 16.10.2025. e-Tenders are invited by Chief Works Manager, Eastern Railway, Kanchrapara Workshop, Pin-743145, 24-North Parganas, West Bengal through website Rajya Sabha Dy Chairman compares Prashant Kishor's www.ireps.gov.in from reputed Contractors with sufficient experience and financial capability who have executed similar nature of work in the past preferably with Railway/CPWD/PWD/MES/Irrigation MI News Service, Patna:

or any other public sector undertakings for the following works: SI.No.-1. Tender No.: WT-14-25-26. Description of works: At Kanchrapara Workshop: Renovation of Heritage building, heritage garden & gallery in Loco and Carriage Complex in Kanchrapara Workshop. Tender Value: ₹ 2.02.51.003.75. Earnest Money/Bid Security* ₹ 2,51,300. Sl.No.-2. Tender No.: WT-15-25-26. Description of works: At Kanchrapara Workshop: Renovation of old and new filter house including replacement of various valves and media. Tender Value: ₹ 1,16,88,286.54. Earnest Money/Bid Security*: ₹ 2,08,500. Cost of Tender Document (nonrefundable): Nil (for Sl.No. 1 & 2). Completion period ending on from date of issuance of LOA: 12 Months (for SI.No. 1 & 2). Date & time of opening of tender: 07.11.2025 (for Sl.No. 1 & 2). *The Rly BD vide L.No-2020/CE-1/CT/3E/GCC/POLICY, DT-30.12.2020 had instructed not to take any EMD for any works tender upto 31.12.2021. But, as there is no such further instruction till date. hence, the EMD system is returned back. The scope of work is indicative only. However, details can be (IREPS) i.e

viewed at Indian Railway e-tendering https://www.ireps.gov.in Advertisement Period: Time during which all information pertaining to tender shall be available but offers cannot be submitted. Offer submission period: Fifteen days prior to opening of tender, during which tenderers can submit their offer. Tender will be closed on 07.11.2025 at 14.00 hrs. and tender will be opened on same date at any time after 14.30 hrs. as per availability of opening personnel and net accessibility. (MISC-238/2025-26)

Service, Hyderabad: Haryana's pride, the magnificent Murrah bulls, are all set to take center stage at the Sadar Sammelan festival in Hyderabad. Among the participants are renowned champions such as Golu 2, Bajrangi, Rolex, and Basha, promising to capture the hearts of attendees with their impressive stature

and strength. This festival not only highlights the rich cultural heritage of Haryana but also showcases the exceptional breeding of these iconic bulls that are cele-

brated across the country. The festival, scheduled to be-

Admin Unit/Zone: Sealdah Division - Commercial Publicity, DRM Building, Kaizer Street, Sealdah, Kolkata-700014. Auction Catalogue No.: MPS-SDAH-04-25. Auction Authority: Sr. DCM/SDAH. Auction Start (all Lots): 30.10.2025, 13.00 hrs. Auction close date/time 30.10.2025, 14.00 hrs. Auto Extension Zone : 120 seconds. Auto Extension duration: 120 seconds. Initial Cooling Off Period: 30 minutes. Successive Lots closing interval: 10 minutes. Maximum Auto Extensions: 10 times. Seq No., Lot/Category, Description. Lot end date/time are as follows: AA/1, MPS-SDAH-GBG-MPS-3-25-1 (MPS - Multi purpose stall), Allotment of Multi Purpose Stall (MPS) (6ft.x10ft.) at Gobardanga Railway station on Platform no. 1 for a period of 5 years, 30.10.2025 at 13.30 hrs. AA/2, MPS-SDAH-HLR-MPS-2-25 1 (MPS - Multi purpose stall), Allotment of Multi Purpose Stall (MPS) (6ft.x10ft.) at Halisahar Railway station on Platform no. 2 near mast no. 41/22 for a period of 5 years, 30.10.2025 at 13.40 hrs. AA/3, MPS-SDAH-KNR-MPS-6-25-1 (MPS - Multi purpose stall), Allotment of Multi Purpose Stall (MPS) (6ft.x10ft.) at Kankinara Railway station on Platform no. 2 for a period of 5 years, 30.10.2025 at 13.50 hrs. AA/4, MPS-SDAH-MGT-MPS-4-25-1 (MPS - Multi purpose stall), Allotment of Multi Purpose Stall (MPS) (6ft.x10ft.) at Magrahat Railway station near booking office for a period of 5 years, 30.10.2025 at 14.00 hrs. Rate Unit: Annual Licensing Fee for all. Min. Incr. (%): 0.2 for all. Lot status: New in Draft Catalogue for all. Tender Notices are also available at Website www.er.indianrailways.gov.in / www.ireps.gov.in

Murrah bulls from Haryana to take center stage at Sadar Sammelan gin on October 22 in the evening, will feature a grand procession of

decorated bulls. The Sadar Sammelan festival is a significant celebration observed by the Yadav community in Telangana, India. It is an annual festival that showcases buffalo cattle, highlighting the community's dependence on these animals for their livelihood.

The festival has its roots in ancient tales, particularly one from the Dwapar Yug, where Lord Krishna lifted a mountain to save people. It's a celebration of community bonding, tourism, and cultural exchange, featuring decorated buffaloes paraded through the streets, accompanied by traditional music and dance. The buffaloes are adorned with garlands, paint-

ed horns, and anklets with bells. The festival is typically celebrated for two days after Diwali and takes place in Hyderabad, particularly in areas like Narayanguda, Shaikpet, Saidabad, Ameer-

pet, and Khairatabad. In November 2024, the Telan-

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Leading Causes of Fertility Challenges in Males and Females

ovulation, making conception dif-

ficult. Other common causes

include blocked fallopian tubes,

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Fertility challenges are increasingly common in India, affecting a significant number of couples seeking to conceive.
Understanding the leading causes of infertility is crucial for timely intervention and treatment.

"Fertility challenges can arise from various factors in both males and females. In females common causes include ovulation disorders, such as PCOS, blocked fallopian tubes, and endometriosis. For males, issues like low sperm count, poor sperm motility, and hormonal imbalances are primary contributors. Age, lifestyle factors like smoking or obesity, and underlying medical conditions can also affect fertility in both seadows. in both genders. Early diagnosis and targeted treatments are essential for addressing these challenges effectively," says Dr. SonaliMandalBandyopadhyay, an IVF specialist at Birla Fertility &

IVF in Howrah. In females, sever-

al factors contribute to fertility



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issues. Ovulation disorders, such as Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOS), are among the most prevalent. PCOS affects hormone levels and can disrupt regular

Women Infertility

Pain During Sex Dark or Pale Menstrual Blood Irregular menstrual cycle Hormonal

endometriosis, a condition where tissue similar to the uterine lining grows outside the uterus, causing pain and fertility chal-

equally concerning. Key issues include low sperm count, poor sperm motility, and hormonal imbalances, which can signifi-cantly impede fertility. Recent studies indicate that environmental factors, such as exposure to pollutants and chemicals, alongside lifestyle choices like smoking and excessive alcohol consumption, are also detrimental to male reproductive health.

Age is another critical factor affecting fertility in both genders. Women over 35 and men over 40 face declining fertility rates, with advanced age linked to decreased egg and sperm quality. Lifestyle factors such as obesity and sedentary behavior further exacerbate these challenges, as they can lead to hormonal changes that impact reproductive capabilities. Recognizing the diverse causes of fertility issues can empower couples to seek appropriate medical assistance and improve their

LOS ANGELES [US] : According to a study published today in the Journal of the American College of Cardiology, bariatric surgery is more effective at controlling hypertension rates, or high

blood pressure, in people with obesity and uncontrolled high blood pressure, than blood pressure medication alone. People who had bariatric surgery had a lower BMI and were on fewer drugs after five years while maintaining normal

sive medications. According to the CDC, the U.S. obesity and hypertension rates in adults are 41.9 per cent and 45.4 per cent, respectively.

Obesity is a proven risk factor for cardiovascular disease and a key contributor to high blood pressure, both of which can increase the chance of a heart attack, stroke, and heart

"In clinical practice, obesity is an overlooked condition. As a consequence, there is a frequent failure in approaching obesity as a crucial step for mitigating the risk of important cardiovascular risk factors including hypertension," said Carlos Aurelio Schiavon, MD, FACS, lead author of the study and a surgeon specializing in bariatric surgery at Heart Hospital and BP Hospital in Sao

Researchers in this study looked at the impact of treating obesity to lower high blood pressure. While there are new medications to treat obesity, tion can be challenging.

This study looks at bariatric surgery as a better long-term solution to control obesity and, as a result, high blood pressure.

The GATEWAY trial included 100 people (76 per cent of which were female) who had a around 36.9 kg/m2. All participants had hypertension and were using at least two medica-

People with previous cardiovascular events and poorly con-

Weight loss surgery is more effective in controlling hypertension rates: Study



trolled Type 2 diabetes were excluded. assigned to either Roux-en-Y gastric bypass with medical therapy or medial therapy alone and the primary outcome was reduction of at least 30 per cent antihypertensive medications while maintaining blood pressure levels less than 140/90

mmHg at five years. At five years, BMI was 28.01 Kg/m2 for those who received bariatric surgery and 36.40 blood pressure levels than those Kg/m2 for those on medical who solely used antihypertentherapy alone. People who had bariatric surgery had an 80.7 per cent reduction in the number of medications they were

taking compared to a 13.7 per cent reduction in those only using medical therapy. Hypertension remission, defined as controlled blood pressure without medications,

was 46.9 per cent in those who underwent bariatric surgery compared to 2.4 per cent in those on medical therapy alone. "Our results underscore the

Subjects were

importance of approaching obesity in reducing hypertension rates," Schiavon said.

Limitations of the study included that it was a singlecentre, open-label study with a small sample size and there was loss of follow-up in some

In an accompanying editorial comment, Michael Hall, MD, MSc, professor and chair of the Department of Medicine at the University of Mississippi Medical Center, said the study provides important long-term data on the benefits of gastric bypass on weight loss and blood pressure control, but questions

"Further studies assessing the threshold for bariatric surgery in people with obesity, optimal timing of bariatric surgery in obese people with cardiometabolic diseases, type of bariatric surgery and compara-tive studies of obesity pharmacotherapies and bariatric surgery are needed to clarify the optimal treatment pathways for this common and growing dis-

from the blood, it changes the matrix structure

and thus disrupts the functioning of the neu-

rons. Mice who are affected by this process dis-

play changes in behavior that are similar to

those seen in humans with depression," says

responsible for the behavioural changes, the

researchers removed the MMP-8 gene from

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Nevertheless, says Cathomas, "our work once

Clinical studies with patients planned

Many more studies are needed before the

In order to prove that MMP-8 was really

Males born to obese moms more likely to develop health issues as adults: Research



WASHINGTON DC [US]: Males born to obese mothers are more likely to be overweight at birth and suffer metabolic issues later in life, such as liver disease or diabetes. The way that male sex hormones activate path-

ways in the developing liver is partly to blame

That's the finding from a new study led by University of South Australia (UniSA) researchers looking at the impact of maternal obesity on fetal liver androgen signalling.

Male fetuses of obese pregnant women have different signals that are activated by male sex hormones in the liver, which encourages them to prioritise growth at the expense of their health.

UniSA researcher Dr Ashley Meakin says androgens give men their male characteristics and are crucial in their development, but if there are too many, male fetuses grow too large, causing not only problems at birth, but impacting liver function

Female fetuses exposed to excess testosterone from an obese pregnancy are wired to switch off the androgen pathway in the liver, restricting their growth and lowering the risks of metabolic disorders in adulthood.

'We know there are sex differences in metabolic disorders in later life in response to maternal obesity," DrMeakin says.

"Men are more prone to non-alcohol fatty liver diseases and diabetes as an adult if their mother is obese during pregnancy and their birth weight is above 4 kg (9 lb 15 oz).

"They are genetically wired to prioritise androgens because it supports the development of male characteristics - including size - but too much androgen is bad." Study lead author Professor Janna Morrison,

Head of the Early Origins of Adult Health Research Group at UniSA, says it's a fine balance for women getting the right nutrition in pregnancy to ensure optimal conditions for their unborn child to flour-"There are also risks for offspring being mal-

nourished during pregnancy," she says. "If you are too little, too big, born too early, or a male, you are more vulnerable to negative outcomes later in life. You need the Goldilocks pregnancy: you must be the right size, born at the right time

Prof Morrison says unless society changes its approach to nutrition, it will be an uphill battle to reduce obesity and associated health issues, from the womb into adulthood.

'As a society, we urgently need to address obesity. If children were taught early on about the importance of healthy eating, it would carry through into adulthood, including during pregnancy, where the right nutrition is so important.

DrMeakin says in the intervening period, supplements that address nutritional imbalances in pregnancy could provide the fetus with the best chance of optimal development.

The liver androgen signalling study, recently published in Life Sciences, is among a series of studies by Prof Morrison and colleagues that investigates the impact of maternal under- and overnutrition on the placenta, heart, lung, and liver.

New type of cell therapy shows promise for ARDS patients

Changes

LOS ANGELES [US] : A study suggested that a new type of cell therapy may improve the prognosis of patients criti-cally unwell with acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS) caused by

Professor Justin Stebbing of Anglia Ruskin University (ARU) is a joint sen-ior author of a new study published in the journal Nature Communications that looks into the usage of agenT-797, MiNKTherapeutic's allogeneic, unmodified invariant natural killer T (iNKT)

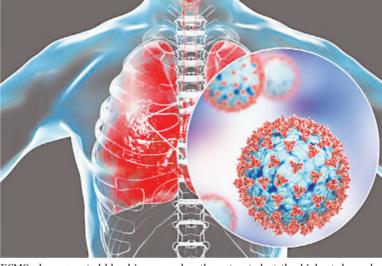
cell therapy.

The iNKT cell therapy has the effect of rescuing depleted T cells and inducing an anti-inflammatory cytokine response, perhaps activating antiviral immunity to assist these patients fight infection while also reducing severe, pathogenic inflammation of the lung. The new research was carried out

at three medical centres and found that agenT-797, which is also under investigation in cancer trials, could be manufactured rapidly, had a tolerable safety profile and appeared to have a positive effect on mortality among critically unwell COVID-19 ARDS patients receiving intensive care.

The exploratory trial included 20 mechanically ventilated patients with severe ARDS secondary to Covid-19. Of the 20 patients in the trial, 14 survived (70 per cent) at 30 days (compared to a control group of 10 per cent), and there was an 80 per cent lower occurrence of bacterial pneumonia amongst those who received the highest dosage of agenT-797, compared to those who received fewer cells.

Twenty-one patients were treated overall (the main trial, plus one under compassionate use), which included five who were also receiving venovenous extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (VV-ECMO), known as 'the most aggressive salvage therapy' for critically ill patients with ARDS. In VV-



ECMO, deoxygenated blood is pumped through a membrane lung and returned to the body via a cannula.

This trial is believed to be the first immune cell therapy of any type to be used in critically unwell patients undergoing VV-ECMO. Survival of the VV-ECMO cohort was 80 per cent after 30 and 90 days, and 60 per cent after the overall survival of 51 per cent for patients with Covid-19 who were treated with just VV-ECMO at the same institution, during the same timeframe.

Joint senior author Justin Stebbing, Professor of Biomedical Sciences at Anglia Ruskin University (ARU) in Cambridge, England, said, "During this small, exploratory study we observed that MiNK'siNKT cell treatment, which is also being advanced for people with cancer, triggered an anti-inflammatory response in ARDS patients.

"Despite a poor prognosis, critically ill patients treated with this therapy showed favourable mortality rates and those treated at the highest dose also had reduced rates of pneumonia, underscoring the potential application of iNKT cells, and agenT-797 in particular, in treating viral diseases and infections more broadly.

"AgenT-797 was manufactured rapidly and as opposed to using patients' cells, it is 'off-the-shelf' and potential of this therapy to be used across a number of severe infections warrants randomised controlled tri-Dr Marc van Dijk, Chief Scientific

Officer at MiNK and co-author of the study said, "These published findings reinforce the unique power and potential of iNKT cells to mitigate severe acute respiratory distress.

"The data demonstrate agenT-797's encouraging survival benefit, ability to help clear secondary infections, and tolerable administration in ventilated patients and those on VV-ECMO support.

Stress effects brain, psyche through immune system: Study

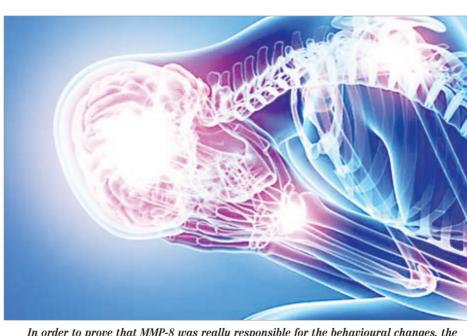
Zurich: Chronic stress has far-reaching effects on our bodies. Many stress-related psychiatric diseases, including depression, are linked to immune system abnormalities. However, the basic mechanisms governing how these alterations influence the brain remain largely

Enzyme from immune cells in the blood affects nerves in the brain

An international research team led by the University of Zurich (UZH), and the University Hospital of Psychiatry Zurich (PUK) and the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, New York, has now uncovered a novel mechanism. We were able to show that stress increases the amount of the matrix metalloproteinase-8 (MMP-8), an enzyme in the blood of mice. The same changes were found in patients with depression," says first author FlurinCathomas. MMP-8 travels from the blood to the brain, where it alters the functioning of certain neurons. In the affected mice, this leads to behavioral changes: they withdraw and avoid social Potential for new treatments for depression

According to Cathomas, the findings are novel in two respects: "Firstly, they indicate a new 'body-mind mechanism', which might be relevant not only for stress-related mental illness, but also for other diseases that affect both the immune and nervous systems." And secondly, says the psychiatrist, identification of the specific MMP-8 protein could be a potential starting point to develop new treatments for

Changes to brain extracellular matrix The researchers were able to use animal models to show that stress increases the



In order to prove that MMP-8 was really responsible for the behavioural changes, the researchers removed the MMP-8 gene from some of the mice. Compared to the control mice, these animals did not display stress-related negative behavioral changes. "Blood analyses of patients with depression indicate that the findings from the mouse models are also relevant for humans: both the monocytes and MMP-8 were increased in the blood of people with depression in comparison to healthy participants."

migration of a specific type of white blood cells called monocytes into the vascular system of the brain, particularly into the reward center

again demonstrates the importance of the interaction between the immune system and the brain in the development of psychiatric disorders. These insights are already being incorporated into psychiatric treatment today." On

the PUK's special ward for integrative care led by Cathomas, the clinicians take a holistic

mind-body approach based on the latest scientific findings when treating their patients. The research team is now planning clinical studies to investigate the extent to which the immune system can be influenced by stimulating certain areas of the brain. They will also look at whether any changes in the immune system cells of depressive patients influence

MMP-8 is involved in the restructuring and regulation of the net-like frame that surrounds neurons in the brain - called the extracellular regions. These monocytes produce MMP-8. matrix. "If MMP-8 penetrates the brain tissue

India-Uganda discuss enhancing defence cooperation through professional military education

MI News Service, Delhi: COAS General UpendraDwivedi met Lieutenant General KayanjaMuhanga, Commander Land Forces, Uganda and held discussions towards enhancing defence cooperation through joint training, professional military education and institutional exchanges. In details shared by the Additional Directorate General of Public Information (ADGPI) of the Indian Army, it was noted, "On the sidelines of #UNTCC2025, General UpendraDwivedi, #COAS, engaged in a productive interaction with Lieutenant General KayanjaMuhanga, Commander Land Forces, Uganda. The discussions centred on enhancing defence cooperation through joint training, professional military education and institutional exchanges. Both sides reaffirmed their shared commitment to strengthening the partnership under the UN peacekeeping framework and advancing mutual learning for achieving excellence."



The meeting between the leaders comes shortly after Union Minister of State for External Affairs KirtiVardhan Singh held talks with OdongoJejeAbubakar, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Uganda, on Thursday to expand partnership across all domains. Singh said that both countries enjoy warm ties based on mutual respect.In a post on X, he said, "Delighted to meet H.E. Mr. OdongoJeje-

fairs of the Republic of Uganda. India and Uganda enjoy warm relations grounded in historical ties and mutual respect. We held productive discussions on strengthening and expanding our partnership across dimensions--including trade, defence, development cooperation, and capacity building."

India and Uganda have historic ties. The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) had noted in a previous statement that the relations between India and Uganda, over the years, have acquired a greater depth and breadth in areas such as political, defence, economic, commercial, cultural, education, health and tourism to name a few. The meeting between the two leaders came on the sidelines when New Delhi hosted the UNTCC Chiefs Conclave from October 14 to 16, 2025, bringing together senior military leadership of over 30 nations.

Trump unveils measures to cut IVF costs with insurance, drug discounts

MI News Service, Washington: US President Donald Trump unveiled two initiatives aimed at expanding access to in vitro fertilization (IVF), fulfilling a key campaign promise. Speaking from the Oval Office. Trump announced that his administration would issue guidance allowing employers to provide IVF coverage as part of company health insurance plans. He also revealed an agreement to lower the price of a widely used fertility

drug.

The updated guidance, developed by the Department of Labor, Treasury Department, and Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), would make opting into fertility benefits similar to enrolling in dental or vision coverage. Administration officials stressed that offering the benefit would revoluntary



employers, and implementation would take time. Premiums would depend on each employer's contribution and the structure of their health plans, The Hill reported. Trump highlighted the agreement with EMD Serono to provide discounted fertility drugs, including Gonal-F. "EMD Serono, the largest fertility drug manufacturer in the world, has agreed to provide massive discounts to

all fertility drugs they sell in the United States,' Trump said.

EMD Serono's vice president of fertility and HIV/endocrinology in US, Libby Horne, confirmed the company would offer treatments at an 84% discount off list prices. She added that another IVF drug, Pergoveris, had been submitted for review under the FDA's National Priority Voucher program.

Pergoveris is already available in multiple countries, including Canada, Europe, and Asia. According to Hill, Trump, who has billed himself as the "fertilization president," also credited Alabama Senator Katie Britt ® for initiating efforts to expand IVF access. "This is the most pro-IVF thing that any president in the history of the United States of America has done," Britt said from the Oval Office.

The Initiatives follow February executive order by Trump directing federal agencies to explore ways to reduce IVF costs. IVF procedures can cost between \$15,000 and \$20,000 per cycle, a point Trump highlighted during the campaign, though some Republicans questioned the feasibility of government or insurance coverage for such expenses.

US Senator raises alarm over poor-quality drug imports from India and China, seeks tougher FDA inspections



MI News Service, Washington: US Senator Jim Banks has urged the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to step up inspections of overseas pharmaceutical manufacturing facilities, expressing concern over poor-quality drugs being imported from countries like India and China. In a letter to FDA Commissioner Martin Makary, Banks said the agency must "do more to protect the US drug supply," warning that lax oversight could endanger American consumers. He pointed out that inspections of foreign drug plants have not yet returned to pre-pandemic levels, even as the number of manufacturers continues to grow. "The public expects the FDA to protect them from impure

drugs by identifying them at the source and blocking them from entering the supply chain. The FDA's import alerts demonstrate the extent of the problem", Banks

According to the senator, data from the FDA's Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER) shows that nearly 39 per cent of all facilities facing import alerts were located in China, and 13 per cent were in India, compared to an average of 10 per cent for other regions. He added that In fiscal year 2024, the FDA inspected only 28 per cent of Chinese facilities and 33 per cent of Indian facilities listed in its Site Catalog, a record of facilities known to manufacture pharmaceuti-

"Indian manufacturers had the highest rate of serious manufacturing violations, at 13 per cent," Banks said, citing Current Good Manufacturing Practice (CGMP) breaches. The Indiana Republican said that while the FDA has prioritized inspections in China and India, "it must do more to keep pace with the risk we are facing." He welcomed the agency's "green list" initiative, which publishes facilities meeting FDA standards, but said it can only be effective if more sites are inspected regularly. Banks also called for faster approval and inspection of new US-based pharmaceutical manufacturing facilities, urging expansion of the proposed FDA PreCheck program to support domestic drug production.

US Chamber of Commerce challenges \$100,000 H-1B visa fee, cites legal concerns

MI News Service, Washington: The US Chamber of Commerce has filed a legal challenge to the administration's \$100,000 fee on H-1B visa petitions, an official release by the



government in processing visas. In announcing today's action, Neil Bradley, Executive Vice President and Chief Policy Officer at the US Chamber, issued the following "The new \$100,000 visa fee will make it cost-prohibitive for US employers, especially start-ups and small and midsize businesses, to utilize the H-1B program, which was created by Congress expressly to ensure that American businesses of all sizes can access the global talent they need to grow their operations

ment that fees be based on the costs incurred by the

by the US Chamber of Commerce. "President Trump has embarked on an ambitious agenda of securing permanent pro-growth tax reforms, unleashing American energy, and unraveling the overregulation that has stifled growth. The Chamber and our members have actively backed these proposals to attract more investment in America. To support this growth, our economy will require more workers, not fewer.

here in the US," Bradley said, as per an official release

Ahead of Zelenskyy's White House visit, Trump says will hold second summit with Putin on Ukraine in Budapest

MI News Service, Washington: Ahead of his meeting on Friday with Ukrainian President VolodymyrZelenskyy in the White House, US President Donald Trump said that his country cannot deplete its own stockpile of Tomahawk cruise missiles by supplying them to Ukraine. Following an hour-long telephone call with Putin in which "great progress" was made, Trump said that the two leaders will meet in Hungary in the coming few weeks.

"President Putin and I will...meet in an agreed-upon location, Budapest, Hungary," Trump said in a post on Truth Social. Trump and Putin had previously met in Alaska. Kremlin aide said that Trump proposed a meeting in Budapest and Putin "immediately supported" the idea. The US President noted that the issue of supplying US Tomahawk missiles Ukraine was discussed in the call. "We need Tomahawks for the US too. We have a lot of them, but we need them. he said as cited by a report in TASS. "I mean, we can't deplete for our country. So, you

know, they're very vital, they're very powerful, they're very accurate, they're very good, but we need them too. so I don't know what we can do about that," Trump was cited as saying by the Rusian state media. Kremlin aide Ushakov

told reporters that Putin had raised the issue of a possible supply of Tomahawks to Ukraine in his call with Trump on Thursday. He stressed that Putin told Trump the Tomahawks would not change the situation on the battlefield, but would harm US-Russian relations and the chance to move forward in the peace process. Zelensky has re-peatedly asked the US to increase supplies of missiles for Patriot systems and to transfer Tomahawk missiles to Kiev. Last week, the US president has stated that before making a final decision on Tomahawk missiles, he should most likely discuss it with the Russian president. Tomahawk missiles have a range of up to 1,500 miles, putting even Moscow easily Ukraine's reach.

Howrah-Rourkela-Howrah **Vande Bharat Express To**

RUN WITH 16 COACHES W.E.F 19TH OCTOBER, 2025 MI News Service, Kolkata, 17 Oct.25: To fulfill a long standing demand of passengers and tourists, now 20871/20872 Rourkela-Howrah Vande Bharat Express will run with 16 coaches w.e.f 19.10.2025 from Howrah and from Rourkela. Earlier, the train was running with 8 coaches. However, the timings and stoppages of the train will remain unchanged.

Indian firms look to localise pharma production in Russia

MI News Service, Moscow:

The Russian market is attracting growing interest from Inpharmaceutical companies exploring opportunities to establish production facilities across various regions of the country. This was announced by Moscow Government Minister and Head of the Department for External Economic and International Relations, Sergey Cheremin, during the "TIME: Russia-Mutual Efficiency' India.

"At present, productive with a Russian pharmaceutical company on the establishment of joint production in India. Indian pharmaceutical firms are actively exploring the possibility of localisation in different regions of the Russian Federation. We hope that neering enterprises and industrial groups will also turn their attention to the Russian market," Cheremin said in an exclusive comment to TV BRICS.

He cited the example of a makes joint production particularly promising.

COAS General Upendra Dwivedi, Ethiopia Land Force Chief **General Balcha discuss defence capacity-building**

of the Army Staff (COAS) Gentraining, peacekeeping and UNTCC Chiefs' Conclave on eral UpendraDwivedi inter- defence capacity-building. General of Land Force & Military Advisor of Ethiopia, on the sidelines of the UNTCC Conclave and"held discussions on enhancing defence cooperation along with capacity-building. In a post on X on Friday, the Additional Directorate General of Public Information (ADGPI) of the Indian Army stated that the meeting between the leaders reflected the shared commitment to fostering stronger defence ties

"On sidelines #UNTCC2025, #GeneralUpendraDwivedi, #COAS, inter-General AlemshetDegifeBalcha, Chief of Land Force & Military Advisor, Ethiopia. The discussions f"cused on enhancing cooperation in training, peacekeeping and defence capacity-building. The meeting reflected the shared commitment of both nations towards fostering stronger defence ties and promoting regional peace and stability through multilat-

MI News Service, Delhi: Chief and enhancing cooperation in eral engagement." At the Tuesday, Gen AlemshetDegife, Cdr-in-Chief, Land Force, Ethiopia, noted the current global security threats. He said, "the contemporary global security environment is increasingly complex and dynamic. Challenges such as asymmetric warfare, terrorism, violent extremism, cyber threats, regional instability and humanitarian crisis demand not only courage and professionalism, but also enhanced collaboration and unity of purpose among troop contributing countries.

Pirsahebs of Furfura Sharif have strongly opposed those derogatory comments. Pirzada Saferi Siddiqui, Pirzada Sanaullah Siddiqui, Pirzada Mosfekin Siddiqui, Pirzada Mujahid Siddiqui and Pirzada Minhaj Siddiqui, Pirzada Syed Nazim Uddin Hossain and Pirzada Syed Aftab Uddin Hossain, all of them expressed

their anger and said

Nurul Islam Khan: Recently, it was

seen on social media that BJP leader

Masum Akhtar made ugly comments about Pirsaheb and the Muslim com-

munity and spoke against Islam. The

educated people, his head no longer functions normally. Qazi Masum Akhtar is a clear proof of this. He called his statement ignorant and an educated fool. They said that saints. darvesh Pirsaheb and scholars have enriched the society by forming it. Scholars have given the country a taste of independence by agitating from the Khangah and have given a message of peace and harmony to the whole of India. Some have said that Masum Akhtar is actually mentally ill and needs treatment. Pirsaheb also said that he gets money and rewards from the BJP for speaking against Muslims. Furfura Sharif has also

called him a pollution and a disgrace

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Women's Welfare Organi-

In the hadith, when the devil gives

birth to a devil in the head of some

to the society. Furfura Sharif's Pirsaheb Dada Huzur, the great-grandfather of Mujaddid-e-Zaman Furfura Sharif, was a social reformer. He was a strong bridge of harmony for the Hindu-Muslim community. His principles, ideals and outstanding social contribution are well known throughout the subcontinent. He strongly protested against Masum's such unintended and derogatory statement about that great scholar.

Furfura Pirsaheb's protest against Masum Akhtar

The greatness of that Islamic ideal is being observed time and again in human society.

There is no contribution from the selfish, resource-oriented opportunist Masum Akhtar. There are those who create confusion in the society and complete dishonest processes. The culture of BJP leaders like Masum is to go after scholars and Muslims and plan to change them and end Islam.

Since coming to power, Masum's BJP government has forcibly seized the madrasas, mosques, educational institutions and huge waqf properties of Muslims. They are destroying democratic constitutional process of the country by occupying the mosques and building temples there. They have taken away the fundamental rights of minorities! Many people have come over the ages to end the good Muslims and Islam - they have ended but Islam re-

major agreement under which Russia's largest engineering holding will manufacture 120 new-generation railway trains in India -- a move he said confirms the competitiveness of Russian engineering and demonstrates the country's ability to succeed in Asian markets, as reported by TV BRICS. Head of the Tatarstan Investment Development Agency, TaliyaMinullina, emphasised the importance of involving enterprises and sectoral bodies in implementing bilateral agreements, highlighting that this approach

Asansol Division Organises 'Amrit Samvaad' At Madhupur Station Under Special Campaign 5.0

MI News Service, Kolkata, 17 Oct.25: As part of Special Campaign 5.0, Asansol Division of Eastern Railway organised Amrit Samvaad at Madhupur Railway Station, an Amrit Bharat Station, to promote direct interaction between railway authorities and passengers. The initiative, inspired by the concept of Rail Chaupal, aims to strengthen participatory governance and deepen citizen engagement in line with the Amrit Kaal vision and the Panch Pran ideals articulated by the Hon'ble Prime Minister.

The session was conducted by officers and staff from the Environment & Housekeeping Management and Commercial Departments. The discussions focused on the transformation of Madhupur Station under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme, evaluation of ongoing works and identification of areas for further improvement to enhance passenger comfort and amenities. Passengers shared feedback on infrastructure upgrades, facilities and cleanliness standards while being encouraged to take active responsibility for maintaining a clean and pleasant environment.

Representatives from the



tary Club, Chamber of Commerce, Samvad NGO and Marwari Manch participated actively in the interaction. They appreciated the developmental works at Madhupur Station and lauded the efforts of Asansol Division for implementing people-centric improvements. Under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme, Madhupur Station in Jharkhand is undergoing a significant transformation including a refurbished station building façade, improved parking and circulating areas, a modern waiting room and booking complex with attached retiring room and toilet block, enhanced platform shelters and surfaces, upgraded signage systems, installation of Coach Indication Boards and promotion local art and culture within the station premises.

During the event, officials urged passengers to uphold civic sense, avoid littering or spitting and use dustbins for waste disposal. They emphasised that cleanliness and upkeep of public assets are shared responsibilities reflecting civic pride and discipline. The Amrit Samvaad at Madhupur Station highlights Asansol Division's proactive approach towards inclusive and responsive administration. By taking governance to the grassroots level, the Division continues to strengthen citizen participation and ensure a cleaner, greener and more passenger-friendly railway environment.

sation (ERWWO). The inau-MI News Service, Kolkata, 17 Oct.25 :In a major step guration ceremony was graced by Shri Milind Destrengthening welfare and accommodaouskar, General Manager, tion facilities for Railway Eastern Railway; Shri Protection Force (RPF) per-Amiya Nandan Sinha, Prinsonnel, Eastern Railway incipal Chief Security Comaugurated a newly missioner; Smt. Zarina 50-bedded Fidausi, Principal Chief RPF Lady Barrack, titled "Sahid Sanjay Sahani Ladies Hostel", and laid the Personnel Officer; Shri Rajeev Saxena, Divisional Railway Manager, Sealdah; foundation stone for a new and other senior officials. 100-bedded RPF Barrack Members of ERWWO were at the Multi Disciplinary also present on the occa-Specialised Training Institute (MDSTI), Kanchra-Furthering

Railway's commitment to providing improved living standards for RPF personnel, Shri Milind Deouskar, General Manager, Eastern Railway, laid the foundation stone of a 100-bedded RPF Barrack at MDSTI, Kanchrapara, in the presence of Smt. Seema De-



President, ERWWO; Shri Amiya Nandan Sinha, PCSČ; Shri Vikram Gupta, Principal Chief Engineer; Shri Rajeev Saxena, DRM/Sealdah; and other senior officers.

Enhanced Welfare Infrastructure For Rpf Personnel In Eastern Railway

GM/ER kickes off the final match of the 33rd All India Inter-Railway RPF Men's Football Tournament-2025 at MDSTI, Kanchrapara.

Inauguration of "Sahid Sanjay Sahani Ladies Hostel" and Foundation Stone Laying of New RPF Barrack at MDSTI, Kanchrapara

Adding to the day's significance, the 33rd All

India Inter-Railway RPF Football Tourna-Men's ment-2025 concluded at MDSTI, Kanchrapara. The tournament, featuring 14 teams from various zonal railways, showcased exceptional sportsmanship.

The final match was cere-

monially kicked off by Shri Milind Deouskar, General Manager, Eastern Railway, in the presence of Shri Nandan Sinha, PCSC, and other senior officers. Smt. Seema De-President, ERWWO, graced the event as Special Guest. In an exciting finale, Southern Railway emerged as the Champion, defeating Eastern Railway in a spirited

Shri Milind Deouskar, General Manager, Eastern Railway, handed over the Champion Trophy to the Southern Railway team and runners up trophy to the Eastern Railway'team, while Smt. Seema Deouskar presented the 2nd Runners-up Trophy to the Northeast Frontier Railway

Dalma's Iconic Elephant to Symbolize SAAF Athletics Championship in Ranchi

RANCHI: The upcoming 4th South Asian Athletics Federation (SAAF) Championship in Ranchi is set to blend sporting excellence with Jharkhand's natural heritage, as the event's mascot - a majestic elephant from the famed Dalma Wildlife Sanctuary - takes center stage as the official symbol

The grand unveiling of the logo, mascot, and anthem song took place on Friday in a glittering ceremony graced by State Sports Minister Sudivya Kumar, Sports Secretary Manoj Kumar, and Jharkhand Olympic Association General Secretary Dr. Madhukant

The elephant mascot, inspired by Dalma's famous elephants, aims to showcase Jharkhand's biodiversity and cultural richness



NEW DELHI : Ajit Agarkar, India's chief selector, has called his current role the "biggest challenge" of his cricketing journey, admitting that the pressures of shaping careers and making tough calls far outweigh the demands of his playing and commentary days. Speaking at the NDTV World Summit 2025 on Saturday, Agarkar reflected on his three distinct roles in cricket - as a player, commentator, and now selector - saying that while playing was the most fulfilling, selection has been the most demanding. "I will probably go with the easier one first. Being a commentator, and I mean no disrespect, you still work hard, spend hours on the ground. As long as you get the right words out, your job as a commentator is done and you go home," Agarkar said. "Playing gives you the most satisfaction. Every time you step on the field, you know your job is on the line, your place is on the line. One thing that goes for you as a player is that the ball or bat is in your hand. Very little margin between a win and a loss; that's on the line. More often than not, if you play well or make a mistake, it dictates where you go as a player," he explained. The former India pacer, who took 349 international wickets, said the role of a selector is uniquely difficult because so much is out of one's control once a squad is chosen. "As a selector, once you pick a squad of 15, there is nothing else in your hand. It is challenging because of the depth of cricketers we have at the moment. A lot of things are out of your hands. It is a demanding, hectic, high-pressure job. It is a big responsibility. Once you've been a player, you know that you're shaping careers. A decision that you make can impact a player's career in a good or a bad way. You can't please everyone. So, you try and do the best job you can as a selector," Agarkar said. The 47-year-old, who took charge as chief selector on July 4, 2023, also acknowledged the intense scrutiny that comes with the job, particularly in a cricket-obsessed nation like India. "Having so many players to pick from is a good problem to have. It improves the competition levels, and the performance levels stay high. The sport is so popular in India that there will be people who will be critical of your decisions. The fanbases have increased multiple times over the last few years," he said.

#JusticeForShreyasIyer, Agarkar was candid: "I don't. It is a no-win situation. We watch a lot of cricket through the course of the year.

When asked if he pays atten-

tion to social media trends





on an international sporting platform. Organizers said the mascot embodies strength, endurance, and wisdom - virtues that mirror both the state's wildlife and the

spirit of athletics.
"The SAAF Championship is a matter of pride for Jharkhand. We will ensure world-class arrangements for all participants," said Minister Sudivya Kumar, adding that around 5,000 students from across the state will be brought in to witness the event and get inspired to pursue sports.

When Morning India asked why no athlete from Jharkhand had been selected for this prestigious international event - despite the state boasting top-class infrastructure and training facilities -the minister acknowledged the

He responded, "The government is currently providing spe-



cialized training to 5,000 players across disciplines. The results of this investment will be visible soon." However, when questioned about the decision to host an international meet on the old synthetic track, the minister could not provide a satisfactory answer, drawing murmurs from the media

The championship will feature around 300 athletes from six India, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan, and the Maldives. Organizers are confident of India's dominance, predicting that the host nation will bag at least 25 out of 30 gold medals on offer.

With the Dalma elephant leading the way as a symbol of power and pride, Ranchi is gearing up to welcome the region's finest athletes - turning the city into a vibrant hub of sports, culture, and

retain their double-digit lead with the score at 32-21, heading into

The Steelers soon shut the door for any possibility of a comeback though. Shivam Patare got

Ishan Kishan's Blazing 173 **Puts Jharkhand in Command Against Tamil Nadu**

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RANCHI: Jharkhand took firm control of their Ranji Trophy clash against Tamil Nadu on Day 2, courtesy of a magnificent century by Ishan Kishan (173) and a lethal bowling spell led by Jatin Pandey (5/35) and Sahil Raj (4/21) at Coimbatore on Friday. Tamil Nadu now stare at an uphill task, trailing by 274 runs with seven wickets remaining in their second

innings.

Resuming their innings at the Coimbatore Cricket Stadium, Jharkhand posted a formidable 419 all out in 132.1 overs. The innings revolved around a breathtaking knock from Ishan Kishan, who dominated Tamil Nadu's bowling with his trademark aggressive stroke play. His 173-run innings featured a flurry of boundaries and confident footwork against both pace and spin.

Youngster Sahil Raj provided solid support with a fluent 77, while Sharandeep Singh contributed a valuable 48, ensuring Jharkhand reached a commanding total. For Tamil Nadu,

ing total. For Tamil Nadu, Gurjapaneet Singh was the standout bowler, claiming 4 for 71, while D.T. Chandrasekhar and Hemchudeshan J took two wick-

In response, Tamil Nadu's batting lineup faltered under relentless pressure from Jharkhand's bowlers. The hosts were bundled out for a paltry 93 in 50.4 overs. R.S. Ambrish offered some resistance with a gritty 28, but the rest of the batting order collapsed around him.

Jatin Pandey's five-wicket haul (5/35) and Sahil Raj's four-for (4/21) ripped through the lineup, leaving Tamil Nadu with a massive first-innings deficit of 326

Following on, Tamil Nadu's second innings began on a shaky note as they reached 52 for 3 in 27 overs by stumps. N. Jagadeesan top-scored with 21, but the Jharkhand bowlers continued to dominate. Rishav Raj struck twice, returning 2 for 9, to keep the visitors firmly on top.

With Tamil Nadu still 274 runs behind and only seven wickets in hand, Jharkhand are well-positioned to push for an inning vic-

tioned to push for an innings victory on Day 3. The match has so far been a display of complete dominance from Ishan Kishan and company - combining batting brilliance, sharp fielding, and clinical bowling to leave the home side in

PKL 12: Shivam Patare stars as Haryana Steelers record biggest margin win of season defence didn't let their guard NEW DELHI: Haryana Steelers Guman Singh and Hitesh chipped in, and they managed to cut the

delivered a dominant display to register the biggest win margin of PKL 12, decimating UP Yoddhas 53-26 at the Thyagaraj Indoor Stadium in Delhi on Thursday.

The 27-point win also helped them climb to fifth place on the points table.

Jaideep Dahiya led the way with a high five, and Shivam Patare also made his mark with a super 10. Substitute Ghanshyam Magar also made his presence felt with eight raid points, while Neeraj secured four tackle points.

The defending champions flew off the blocks with a rollicking start. Vinay got the ball rolling with his 100th raid point of the season, while Sahil Narwal set the tone in defence with a tackle. Gagan Gowda and Guman Singh

PERTH: India all-rounder Axar

Patel said the touring squad is

well familiar with Australian con-

ditions and is less concerned

about the pitches, focusing instead

on devising the right strategy for the three-match ODI series start-

in Perth on Friday, Axar talked

about the team's preparations for

visit Down Under), there have

been a lot of changes. When we

used to come, the talk was about

pitches, conditions, bounce and

we used to play less as well," he

after the 2015 World Cup, and the

series started getting longer, and

after that the batters started doing

"We started playing regularly

"When we come now, it doesn't

the all-important series.

After India's training session

"I feel that since 2015 (his first

ing Sunday.

told reporters.



got themselves on the board for the Yoddhas early on, but it was about the Haryana Steelers' aggression and execution in the first ten minutes.

Shivam Patare also proved to be a menace for the Yoddhas, with

Not talking about the pitch, but how

feel like Australian conditions and

we have to be more ready. We are

now thinking about where we can

make runs, so we talk about strat-

egy and timing. We are not talking

about the pitch, we are talking

about how we can strategise,

The all-rounder added that the

"For Gill, it's perfect, Rohit

presence of senior pros Rohit

Sharma and Virat Kohli will be

crucial for the growth of new leader Shubman Gill in the for-

bhai and Virat bhai are there, and

along with that, they have been

captains, so they can give their

input also, so it is very good growth of Gill's captaincy," Axar

Gill's captaincy thus far is that he

has not been pressurised."

"What has been good about

Axar is well aware of his role

we can strategise, says Axar Patel

Axar added.

down. Rahul Sethpal made that early pressure count, executing a brilliant tackle to inflict the first all out of the game, giving his side a 12-5 lead.

Haryana Steelers continued to dominate proceedings with Shivam Patare completing his Super 10, scoring 11 points in 10 raids. Keshav Kumar showed a bit of resolve for UP Yoddhas - first with a do-or-die raid and then following that up with a Super Tackle. However, he didn't have enough support as his side conceded a second all out, giving the Haryana Steelers a commanding 26-12 lead at half time.

It was an encouraging start to the second half by UP Yoddhas with Gagan Gowda finding his deficit down to ten points with around thirteen minutes to play in With a couple of tackles from Ashu Singh and Hitesh, and contributions from Bhavani Rajput,

UP Yoddhas kept chipping away. However, a Super Tackle from Sahil Narwal helped the Steelers the final quarter.

Haryana Steelers' first raid points in the second half after eleven minutes, and Jaideep also completed his High Five, registering a third all out on the opposition to

WORLD JUNIOR C'SHIPS: TANVI SHARMA BECOMES FIRST INDIAN FEMALE IN 17 YEARS TO BE ASSURED OF A MEDAL

became the first Indian female player to be assured of a 2025 BWF World Junior Championships medal in 17 years when she fought back from a game down to beat Japan's Saki Matsumoto and reach the girls' singles semifinals at the National Centre of Excellence here on Friday.

The 16-year-old kept her nerves under pressure and found winners with her cross-court slice hits to beat Matsumoto 13-15, 15-9, 15-10 in a 47-minute quarterfinal clash that kept the spectators on edge.

The last Indian female player to win a world junior medal was Saina Nehwal, who bagged the gold medal in the 2008 edition in Pune. Saina, who had also won a silver medal in 2006 and Aparna Popat (1996 silver) are the only other Indian female players to stand on the podium in the history of the competition.

Top-seeded Tanvi, who had also bagged a bronze medal in the Badminton Asia Junior Championships earlier this year, began aggressively and looked like she was in control as she opened up a 10-6 lead. But a flurry of errors allowed Matsumoto to stage a comeback as the Japanese won seven straight points to take the lead. The Indian managed to stem the run but could not avoid losing the game.

The US Open finalist was much more comfortable with her shot selection in the second game and raced through to a 15-9 win. However, errors once again pegged her back at the start of the third game, and it was clear that the top seed was under pressure as the players changed ends with the Indian trailing 5-8.

Those nerves definitely settled as she clinched four straight points to take the lead at 9-8 and then used her flat tosses and cross smashes to outplay her opponent. "It is difficult to play against Matsumoto as she slows down the game. So, I knew that I had to be aggressive. I am happy that I am assured of a medal," said Tanvi, who will now face China's Liu Si

The Chinese defeated Sri Lanka's Ranithma Liyanage 15-9, 15-6 in the other quarterfinals.

However, India's hopes of another medal in girls' singles were dashed when eighth seed Unnati Hooda went down 15-12, against second seed Anyapat Phichitpreechasak of Thailand.

Unnati clearly struggled with her front-court movement, and though the Indian fought for every point in the 32-minute battle, she was repeatedly caught by Anyapat with her quick cross drops and smashes.

In the boys' singles quarterfinals, Gnana Ďattu put up a strong fight against third seed Liu Yang Ming Yu of China, but his spirited effort was not enough to avoid a 15-11, 15-13 loss.

The mixed doubles combination of Bhavya Chhabra and Vishakha Toppo also fell short in the quarterfinals against Chinese Taipei's Hung Bing Fu and Chou Yun An, 15-9, 15-7

Results (as of 5.30 PM): Boys singles:

1-Mohd. Zaki Ubaidillah (Indonesia) bt Zi Sheng Wu (China) 15-6, 17-15 (saved 2 gp); Li Zhi Hang (China) bt Chung Ching Cyrus (Hong Kong) 15-4,

15-7; 3-Liu Yang Ming Yu (China) bt Gnana Dattu TT (India) 15-11, 15-13; 2-Richie Duta Richardo (Indonesia) bt Ayu Fu Sheng (Malaysia) 15-9, 15-9

Girls singles:

1-Tanvi Sharma (India) bt Saki Matsumoto (Japan) 13-15, 15-9, 15-10; Liu Si Ya (China) bt 4-Ranithma Liyanage (Sri Lanka) 15-9, 15-6; 6-Yataweemin Ketklieng (Thailand) bt Yuzuno Watanabe (Japan) 15-3, 15-12; 2-Phichitpreechasak Anyapat (Thailand) bt 8-Unnati Hooda (India) 15-12, 15-13 Mixed doubles:

Ziheng/Noraqilah 1-Loh Maisarah (Malaysia) bt 9-Ikhsan Pramudya/Rinjani (Indonesia) 15-10, 15-8; Hung Bing Fu/Chou Yun An (Chinese 14-Bhavya Taipei) Chhabra/Vishakha Toppo (India) 15-9, 15-7; 4-Chen Jun Ting/Cao Zi Han (China) bt 8-Shuji Sawada/Aoi Banno (Japan) 15-3 15-10; 2-Lee Hyeong Ŵoo/Cheon Hye In (Korea) bt 5-Tan Zhi Yang/Nicole Tan (Malaysia) 17-15, 14-16, 15-6

THE 16-YEAR-OLD **KEPT HER NERVES** UNDER PRESSURE AND FOUND WINNERS WITH HER CROSS-COURT SLICE HITS TO BEAT MATSUMOTO 13-15, 15-9, 15-10 IN A 47-MINUTE **QUARTERFINAL CLASH** THAT KEPT THE SPECTATORS ON EDGE.

Formula 1: George Russell confident Mercedes offers 'best chance' for 2026 world title

NEW DELHI : George Russell says he is "in the best seat in Formula 1" to challenge for the world championship in 2026 after signing a new multi-year contract with Mercedes. The team officially confirmed on Wednesday that Russell and rookie Kimi Antonelli would continue as their driver pairing for the 2026 season.

The announcement, though widely expected after Max Verstappen reaffirmed his commitment to Red Bull, came following weeks of negotiation between Mercedes and Russell over final contract terms Speaking publicly about the

deal for the first time on Thursday in Austin ahead of the United States Grand Prix, Russell said he never had any doubt about where he wanted to be. "Looking into next year, there

were a lot of things I wanted offtrack to get right to allow me to perform at my very best on track," Russell explained. "And the truth is, if every single seat was available, and I could choose any single seat to race for in 2026, I would choose to be in the

"I truly think that is the place that will give you the best chance of winning the world championship next year with everything I know now. We might turn out to be wrong, but with everything we know now, I'm feeling really happy with the deal we've done, confident with the team, and looking forward to moving

onwards and upwards. Formula 1 will introduce a sweeping overhaul of its chassis and power unit regulations in 2026, with Mercedes tipped by many to once again set the standard - as it did in 2014 when it began a run of eight consecutive Constructors' titles.

While the team's statement only confirmed Russell and



for 2026, it did not specify contract lengths, prompting speculation that Mercedes may be keeping its options open for Verstappen in 2027. However, Russell confirmed to reporters that his deal extends beyond a

single season. "I think if you look at Formula 1 as a whole, people say a driver has signed for X years, but then it doesn't turn out to be like this, and there are all different clauses and stuff," he said. "It's almost like an irrelevant piece of information, because if things are

going well, everything continues; if they're not, that's where the discussions happen, generally speaking.

in the series, where he has been

picked ahead of veteran all-

rounder Ravindra Jadeja in the

series. In the Asia Cup, I did well both with bat and ball. After a

long time (2022 T20 World Cup), I

would be playing in Australia. I

am ready for the challenge," he

"I am very confident about this

"I'm loyal to Mercedes, they've shown their loyalty in me, and I believe going into 2026, Mercedes without a doubt has my best chance of winning a world championship." Russell added that his

approach remains simple - perform consistently and let results dictate the rest. "It always just comes down to performance. For any driver, or at least for myself, what allows me to sleep well at night is knowing that my performances are strong, and that is what will keep me in the sport. Our intention and my goal is to continue with Mercedes indefinitely, and we're here to focus on winning in 2026.

The 27-year-old Briton has enjoyed an impressive 2025 campaign, winning two Grands Prix including in Singapore - and comfortably outperforming highly rated teammate Antonelli. Russell acknowledged that Mercedes team principal Toto Wolff's confidence in him was reflected in the terms of his new deal.

"I think it's less about what you believe, it's more about what you have delivered," he said. "Everybody believes they are worth more probably than the reality, but I think it's always down to what you have delivered on track - the consistency, the performances, how you work with the team.



