Mamata Slams BJP Over SIR Panic Deaths, Vows to Resist NRC in Bengal

"We are witnessing the tragic consequences of the BJP's politics of fear, division and hate," Mamata wrote. "Within 72 hours of the Election Commission's announcement of the SIR exercise in Bengal – an exercise bulldozed through at the BJP's behest – one avoidable tragedy after another has occurred."



Morning India

Over 20 children `held hostage' in Mumbai, rescued



Mumbai: More than 20 children, held hostage by a man inside a studio in Powai area here, were safely rescued by police and fire brigade teams after an hour long drama on Thursday, an official said.

"All the children are safe," said Joint Commissioner of Mumbai Police Satyanarayan.

The man, identified as Rohit Arya who appeared to be mentally unstable, was taken into custody, said another official.

The dramatic situation unfolded at R A Studio near the L&T building over an hour on Thursday afternoon.

The children, boys and girls around 15 years old, had been called for an 'audition', as per the preliminary information.

Before the children were rescued, Arya released a video on social media, saying he wanted to speak to a few people and ask them questions, and he did not want money.

If he was not allowed to do so, he will set fire to the studio, he

TMC blames Centre for a 'calculated conspirary' to cripple Bengal

Kolkata: The ruling Trinamool Congress has charged the Union government with resorting to a calculated conspiracy "to cripple Bengal financially and punish its poor economically.

Making this charge through its official social media platform X, the TMC claimed on Thursday that the party has exposed "BJP's New Economic Conspiracy against Bengal even after the Supreme Court ordered the immediate resumption of MGNREGA in the state"

The post said the "BJP-led Lentre continues its State records show ₹6,919 crore in unpaid dues - yet the Centre's MGNREGA-Soft portal mysteriously lists only ₹6,002 crore, a shortfall of ₹917 crore. Despite this injustice, Bengal has already paid 69 lakh job card holders from its own treasury - because Delhi blocked what was rightfully theirs. This is not a clerical error — it's a calculated conspiracy to cripple Bengal and punish its poor. We would like to remind the Bangla Birodhi BJP that, You can delay justice, but you cannot defeat Bengal's spirit."

Muzaffarpur: Prime Min-

ister Narendra Modi has

alleged that Congress and

RJD leaders have been in-

sulting 'Chhathi Maiyya' to

get votes in the Bihar elec-

rally in Muzaffarpur on

Thursday, PM Modi claimed

that the Chhath Puja was

a"drama" for Congress and

RJD leaders, and people of

Bihar would never forget

this "insult", nor would they

forgive them. "It is my first

tour of Bihar after Chhath

Puja, which is now famous

world over. The festival

stands not just for devotion

but also for equality, a rea-

son why my government is

trying to get a UNESCO her-

itage tag for this festival,"

the Prime minister said

adding "I listen to Chhath

songs while travelling. I was

once moved to listen to one

of these songs rendered by

a girl from Nagaland. But

while this son of yours is

Addressing an election

TMC alleges 'silent rigging' in voter list, accuses BJP, EC of conspiracy before SIR

Ahead of launching of the state's Special Intensive Revision (SİR) of electoral rolls, the ruling TMC on Thursday accused the Election Commission and the BJP of "massive discrepancies" in the voters' rolls, alleging that thousands of names were being struck off the list in a "pre-planned conspiracy"

Making this charge at a press conference here this afternoon, TMC spokesperson and state General Secretary Kunal Ghosh claimed that the party had detected glarirregularities between the 2002 voters' list and the one recently uploaded on the Commission's website.

He alleged that the manipulation was being orchestrated from the BJP's offices 'in connivance" with sections of the poll panel.

"This is nothing but a silent rigging. In one area in Coochbehar distrct of North Bengal, the 2002 list had 717 voters; now it shows just 140. They all couldn't where multiple booths now



said, adding that "in several booths, hundreds of names have vanished without any official explanation.' According to the TMC, in Ashoknagar Assembly constituency's Guma-1 Gram Panchayat under Habra-2 block, booth number 159 currently shows zero registered voters on the EC's website, though the 2002 list had nearly 900 names.

Similar cases have allegedly

been found in Cooch Behar,

voters, the party missing claimed.

This is a calculated move to delete genuine voters from the rolls. The conspiracy was hatched inside the BJP party offices and implemented through the Election Commission's portal. Otherwise, how do BJP leaders know beforehand that lakhs of names will be removed?" Ghosh alleged.

The ruling party in Bengal said it has already lodged a formal complaint with the gation into what it described "a dangerous attempt to manipulate the electoral "We will not allow even a single legitimate voter's name to be deleted," Ghosh asserted, adding that the party was collecting booth-wise evidence to present before the EC.

State minister Chandrima Bhattacharya, who was also present at the briefing, said alleged irregularities boomeranged on the

In several areas, even BJP supporters have found their names missing. This has triggered resentment within their own ranks," she said.

TMC's explosive charge comes days after a couple of suicides and panic incidents were reported from different parts of the state including from North Bengal districts over alleged fears surrounding the SIR exercise, which seeks to verify and update the voter list using data from the

India rejects UN expert's allegation that Myanmar refugees are 'under severe pressure'



MI News Service, New Delhi / Washington (DC): India has strongly refuted the "baseless observations" made by a UN expert on Myanmar that refugees from the Southeast Asian nation were "under severe pressure" following the Pahalgam terror attack, with Delhi denouncing this "prejudiced and blin-

kered" analysis. "I express serious objection to the baseless, biased and fabricatecd observations in the report regarding my country. I strongly denounce the biased approach adopted by the Special Rapporteur of the innocent civilian victims of the April 2025 terrorist attack in Pahalgam through a biased communal lens," Member of Parliament Dilip Saikia said on

Saikia delivered India's views and statement on the situation of human rights in Myanmar at an interactive dialogue in the Third Committee of the UN General Assembly.

"India strongly rejected the observations made by the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Human Rights in Myanmar, Thomas Andrews, in his report on the situation of human rights in Myanmar',

Referring to the April 22 Pahalgam terror attack, the report by Andrews said that "following the April 2025 terrorist attack on Hindu tourists in Jammu and Kashmir, refugees from Myanmar have

MI News Service, Seoul

/ Washington (DC): After

weapons testing because oth-

er countries are testing their

He noted how Russia has

the largest nuclear weapons

arsenal, and China is a distant

third after the US, but that

nuclear testing ban.

programmes.

viduals from Myanmar were involved in the attack.'

"Refugees in India told the Special Rapporteur that they have been summoned, detained, interrogated, and threatened with deportation by Indian authorities in recent months," the report by the Special Rapporteur said.

Slamming this assertion, Saikia said the allegation that the Pahalagm terrorist attack 'impacted displaced persons from Myanmar is totally fabricated and has absolutely no factual bearing." My country rejects such prejudiced and blinkered 'analysis' by the Special Rapporteur by all means" he said.

Saikia stressed that India "seeing an alarming level of radicalisation among the displaced persons, leading to consequential pressure and impact on the law-and-order situation.

"I would also urge the SR Special Rapporteur) not to depend upon unverified and skewed media reports whose sole purpose appears to be maligning my country where people of all faiths live, including more than 200 million Muslims, which is about 10 per cent of the world's Muslim population," Saikia said.

Saikia stressed that as a close neighbour, India continues to support all initiatives aimed at fostering trust and advancing a Myanmar-owned and Myanmar-led path toward peace, stability, and democracy.

"We reiterate our consis-

China 'hopes' US will abide by nuclear testing

ban after Trump gives nuke test order

unhindered delivery of humanitarian assistance, and inclusive political dialogue.

"We firmly believe that sustainable peace can only be secured through inclusive political dialogue and the early restoration of democratic processes through credible and participatory elections,

He noted that the "deteriorating" security and humanitarian conditions continue to remain a matter of deep concern for India, particularly as these developments have cross-border implications for the country, including the challenges posed by transnational crimes such as drug, arms, and human trafficking.

Saikia pointed out that India has consistently emphasised a people-centric approach in its engagement with Myanmar.

Following the March 2025 earthquake, he said, India promptly launched 'Operation Brahma', dispatching over 1,000 metric tonnes of relief materials and deploying medical teams as the first responder.

He added that this built upon Delhi's earlier humanitarian initiatives, including Operation Sadbhav during Typhoon Yagi in 2024 and India's continued assistance during previous natural calamities.

The Special Rapporteur's report also noted that in May 2025, approximately 40 Rohingya refugees, including women and children, were detained in Delhi, flown on an Indian military aircraft to the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, and transferred to an Indian navy vessel. It added that Indian authorities also deported scores of Rohingya refugees to Bangladesh in

'The Special Rapporteur has written to the Indian government concerning these deportations and met with government officials who pledged to report back after investigating these events. The Spebeen under severe pressure tent position calling for an im-in India even though no indi-mediate cessation of violence, cial Rapporteur continues to wait for this report," it said.

EC launches helpline to clear voters' doubts of SIR in Bengal

Kolkata: In order to maintain a 'total transparency' and clarify all prevailing doubts among some people about the real purpose and aspects of the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in West Bengal, the **Election Commission of India** (ECI) has launched a voter helpline number 1950, an of-

All citizens are being informed that they can now use the 24 x7 neipline, along with various state and district-level services, to raise questions and register complaints related to electoral rolls and the SIR processes, he said.

"The SIR is a routine project under the Election Commission's supervision. Similar exercises have been conducted in Bihar very efficiently and smoothly ensuring that no legitimate voter's name was excluded during the intensive revision.," the

without mentioning

Congress leader Rahul

Gandhi during one of his

election meetings in the dis-

trict on Wednesday, alleged

that the PM had tried to en-

act a "drama" by planning

to take a dip in the Yamuna

in Delhi, on the occasion of

He had alleged that PM

Modi gave up his plans to

take a dip when it came to

light that the spot he had

chosen was a puddle creat-

ed with clean, piped water,

since the Yamuna was ex-

tremely polluted and not fit

leader by name.

Chhath Puja.

Congress-RJD leaders insulting 'Chhathi

Maiyya', Bihar will not forgive them: Modi

any



With a view to providing additional clarity and ensure voter confidence in the SIR programme, the Election Commission has activated multiple help channels apart from introducing the new helpline number of 1950, he said.

"The National Contact Centre now functions as a central helpline for all states and Union territories, operating from 8 am to 8 pm daily on the toll-free number 1800-11-1950," he said, adding

for a bath. In his reply the

Prime minister said, "Look

at the depths to which these

people can stoop while seeking votes. This is an in-

sult to the festival of Chhath

that Bihar will not forget for

centuries." He alleged that

the relationship between

the RJD and Congress was

like water and oil, and they

came together to "grab power at any cost, so that

He claimed that reports

were coming in from across

the state about fights be-

tween the leaders of the two

parties. The PM claimed

they can loot Bihar".

that trained personnel were available to assist citizens on electoral matters.

The commission has urged all eligible voters to make use of the 1950 helpline and other services to seek information, provide feedback, or report any grievances, underscoring its commitment to a tr ansparent and inclusive electoral process.

Additionally, each state and district has been instructed to establish its own

that all surveys were show-

ing that the RJD-led coali-

tion would face a humiliat-

ing defeat in the assembly

polls, so it was making

unrealistic promises". He

also alleged that the Con-

gress-RJD combine stood

for five 'Ks' -- 'katta' (coun-

try-made weapons - law-

lessness), 'kroorta' (cruelty),

'katuta' (social resentment),

'kushasan' (misgovernance)

Prime claimed that 35,000-40,000

abductions took place during the RJD regime in

the state, and "goons used to loot vehicle showrooms".

He said songs being played

at RJD-Congress rallies were talking about arms

like 'katta, dunali', which is

beyond imagination. "The

NDA, on the other hand,

stands for preserving and

honouring cultural heritage

and ensuring all-round de-

velopment of all states, in-

cluding Bihar," asserted PM

Modi, who began his speech

by making the crowds chant

'phir ek baar NDA sarkar'

and 'phir ek baar susashan

sarkar' (NDA government

once again, good gover-

nance once again).

and corruption.

fast and effective support in local languages, he said, adding that all queries and complaints are being recorded and tracked through the National Grievance Service

"Citizens can also directly contact their respective Booth Level Officers (BLOs) through the ECINET platform, which allows seamless communication with election officials," he said.

The ECINET mobile application further enables voters to connect with officials, and the Commission has directed all CEOs, DEOs, and EROs to ensure that complaints are addressed and resolved within 48 hours, he said.

The Election Commission said these new services supplement the existing complaint redressal mechanisms, and voters may also email their concerns to complaints@eci.gov.in if pre-

J-K recorded 121 pc rise in domestic violence cases in 2024-25

News Srinagar: In a shocking revelation, Jammu and Kashmir has registered more than 2,800 cases of domestic violence in the last two years, with a record 121 per cent increase in such reported incidents during the last financial year itself, the legislative assembly was informed on Thursday.

Responding to a question by National Conference (NC) MLÅ from Habbakadal, Shamim Firdous, Minister for Social Welfare Sakina Itoo said 2,872 domestic violence cases were registered during the last two years at One Stop Čentres for Women and on the Mission Shakti dashboard in Jammu and Kashmir.

Out of these, 893 cases were registered in 2023-24, while 1,979 were lodged in 2024-25, the minister said.

According to the data, an additional 1086 domestic violence cases - a hike of 121.61 per cent - were registered in the last financial year compared to The government said that the

One Stop Centre for women in 300 kmph winds. J-K, popularly known as Sakthi Centres- are functional under Continued to Pg 3

President Donald Trump's order to the Department of War to begin testing the US's nuclear weapons, China on Thursday said that it "hopes" Washington will abide by the Earlier in the day, just a short while before meeting Chinese President Xi Jinping in South Korea, Trump announced on Truth Social that he has ordered the Pentagon comes in reference to to begin conducting nuclear

the 1996 Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty (CTBT), which bars "any nuclear weapon test explosion or any other nuclear explosion". Many countries, including the US, Russia and China, are sig-

Beijing would get even within ve years. the US will resume nuclear China's remark on the weapons testing after a gap of

World War II. Four years later, the Soviet

natories to CTBT.

Trump's order implies that

33 years.
The US first opened the era of nuclear weapons in July 1945 when it tested a 20-kiloton atomic bomb at Alamogordo, New Mexico. A month later, America dropped atomic bombs on Japan's Hiroshima and Nagasaki to force Tokyo to surrender in

Union set off its first nuclear bomb in August 1949. In the five decades between

1945 and the 1996 CTBT, more than 2,000 nuclear tests were conducted, of which 1,032 were done by the US and 715 by the Soviet Union. Britain carried out 45 nuclear tests, France 210 and China

Since the nuclear testing ban treaty came into place,

Hurricane Melissa is a warning, -increasingly catching world off guard

MI News Service, New **Delhi / Kingston :** Category five hurricane Melissa tore through the Caribbean, bringing record-breaking wind of about 300 kmph and torrential rain to Jamaica causing massive damage to infrastructure.

What makes Melissa so alarming isn't just its size and strength, but the speed with which it became so powerful. In a single day, it exploded from a moderate storm into a major hurricane with about

Scientists call this "rapid intensification". As the planet warms, this violent strength-

ening is becoming more com-



These massive storms are especially dangerous as they often catch people off guard. That's because forecasting intensification, although improving, remains a huge challenge.

Better forecasting will depend on more detailed monitoring of a hurricane's inner core - especially close to the eyewall, where the strongest winds occur - and on

higher-resolution computer models that can better capture a storm's complex structure. New machine learning through AI techniques may help but are largely untested, the scientists say.

As things stand, rapidly intensifying storms mean that communities are often provided little warning to evacuate, and government agencies may have little time to make preparations, such as opening evacuation shelters or pre-

paring critical infrastructure. That's what happened with Hurricane Otis in Mexico in 2023 and Typhoon Rai in the

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busy ensuring that Chhath gets the honour that is its due, the Congress-RJD people are heaping scorn on the festival, calling it a drama, a nautanki," said PM Modi,

Amway 'Viksit Bharat 2047' vision

MI News Service, Siliguri: Amway has announced a 100 crore investment to boost Amway India's growth and transformation over the next three to five years. The move highlights India's growing importance as one of Amway's three global manufacturing hubs, alongside the US and China. The investment will focus on expanding Amway's physical presence, strengthening distributor capabilities, and elevating customer experiences through redesigned stores and advanced training programs.

Jagadhatri Puja Turns into 'Mahabharata' Stage in Durgapur

MI News Service, Durgapur: The epic battle of Kurukshetra, the intrigue over the Kuru throne, and Draupadi's disrobing — this year, the timeless saga of the Mahabharata has been brought to life at the Jagadhatri Puja pavilion of Durgapur's Arvind Sporting Association Club. The spectacular theme has become the talk of the town, drawing large crowds eager to witness the mythological grandeur recreated in dazzling artistry and light. Celebrating its 30th year, the Arvind Sporting Association's Jagadhatri Puja has evolved into one of Durgapur's most prominent and high-budget celebrations. What began decades ago as one among a handful of local pujas has today transformed into a major cultural attraction in the city's Shivaji area of the Steel Township — rivaling the famed festivities of Krishnanagar and Chandannagar. This year's theme, "Mahabharata," encapsulates the entire epic journeyfrom the royal court and the Rajasuya Yajna of the Pandavas to the exile in the forest, the Bhishma and Drona Parvas, and ultimately, the Mahaprasthanika Parva depicting the Pandavas' final ascent. Crafted meticulously by artists from Nabadwip, the elaborate sets and life-sized characters made from bamboo, fabric, and traditional materials lend an extraordinary realism to the mythic scenes.

Theme "Banglar Dakat" for SANTOSHPALLY JAGADHATRI PUJO

MI News Service, Kolkata: Santoshpally Jagadhatri Pujo inaugurated its 13th edition with grandeur and enthusiasm in the esteemed presence of Tapash Chatterjee, MLA; Shrabanti Actress; Chakraborty, MIC Bidhannagar Municipal Corporation; and several other distinguished guests.

This year, the pujo committee chose a thought-provoking theme—
"Banglar Dakat"— conceptualized and artistically executed by Suman

The theme shed light on an oftenoverlooked chapter of Bengal's history, redefining the term 'dakat' (bandit) through a patriotic lens. Contrary to the popular perception of dacoits as criminals, the pandal showcased how these individuals were, in many cases, rebels and freedom fighters who resisted British oppression and protected local



communities during colonial rule. The pandal, designed in a unique cave style, featured, as a special attraction a mesmerizing waterfall at the entrance. To step inside, visitors had to say "Banglar Dakat"! As the magical words were spoken, the waterfall momentarily stopped, and the gates to the pandal opened, welcoming every-one into the world of Banglar Dakat.

"Banglar Dakat" depicted the transformation of these misunderstood figures into symbols of defiance and courage, who fought against injustice in their own fearless ways.

Santoshpally Jagadhatri Pujo Committee has also undertaken several social initiatives this year as part of its community welfare drive. The committee announced assistance for 30 cancer patients, pledged to take responsibility for 50 underprivileged children, and extended financial support to economically weaker sections of society.

Speaking on the occasion, Ratan Mrida, President of Santoshpally Jagadhatri Pujo Committee, said, "Our theme this year, 'Banglar Dakat', pays homage to those forgotten warriors who defied colonial power and stood up for their people.'

everyone virtually.

and Rupam Islam, Allan Ao,

Deep Ghosh, Tanmoy Das

and Prasenjit Chakraborty of Fossils. Dr Palash Sen from

Euphoria also addressed

music event will bring to-

gether four of India's most cel-

ebrated bands in a grand

celebration of musical unity.

Among the headliners are

Rupam Islam's Fossils, widely

acclaimed as an iconic Bangla

rock band that redefined Ben-

gali independent music and

warts Lakkhichhara, a rock

band active since the mid-1990s, and Chandrabindoo, a

unprecedented



Jagaddhatri Puja at Salt Lake in Kolkata..

HMIL reveals all-new Hyundai Venue

MI News Service, Kolkata: Marking the beginning of a thrilling new chapter in urban mobility, Hyundai Motor India Limited (HMIL) announced the bookings of its much-awaited compact SUV, the all-new Hyundai VENUE on Thursday.

Set to redefine the urban mobility landscape, the allnew Hyundai VENUE is driven by style, innovation and the spirit of Tech up. Go beyond. The new compact SUV marks the beginning of a thrilling new chapter in urban mobility, reaffirming Hyundai's commitment to setting new benchmarks. From assertive styling to a tech-rich cabin, the all-new Hyundai VENUE has been crafted for customers who demand more from every drive. Customers can book the all-new Hyundai VENUE with an initial booking amount of Rs 25,000 at any Hyundai dealership across India.

HMIL today unveiled the all-new Hyundai VENUE through a jaw-dropping, bold and exhilarating film, designed to ignite viewers' adrenaline and leave them with goosebumps. At the heart of the film is HMIL's brand ambassador and global icon Deepika Padukone whose com-manding presence and modern charisma align effortlessly with the all-new Hyundai VENUE's dynamic attitude and progressive spirit.

Presenting the all-new Hyundai VENUE, Tarun Garg, Whole-Time Director and Chief Operating Officer, Hyundai Motor India Limited, said, "The Hyundai VENUE has been one of the most loved SUVs in India, with over 7 lakh customers choosing it for its perfect blend of design, technology and performance. With the all-new Hyundai VENUE, we are taking this success story even further, redefining bold design and modern premiumness while integrating advanced technology that resonates with the aspirations of today's new-age customers. The all-new Hyundai VENUE truly embodies our vision of 'Tech up Go beyond,' offering a driving experience that's both dynamic and deeply connected to our customers' evolving lifestyles.

People perform rituals during the 179 years of Jagaddhatri Puja celebration at BeniaTola Dawn Bari, in Kolkata

North Dinajpur administrative shake-

up sparks district-wide uncertainty

namool Congress District

President Kanaiyalal Agar-

wal** maintained, "I am

not aware of any resigna-

tion or administrative

change being ordered.'

The developments come on

the heels of a major bu-

reaucratic reshuffle al-

ready carried out under the

MI News Service, North Echoing his stance, Tri-

a press conference organised Euphoria, led by Dr Palash in Chapter 2 recently. Present Sen, long regarded as one of for the occasion were the em-India's most iconic and endurinent singers and musicians ing names in Hindi rock. Also Anindya Chatterjee of Chanperforming are Kolkata stal-

Edbar, Dipankar Kalyani: The charges for the stalls of Kolkata Book Publishers at Kalyani Boi Utsava in Nadia, has been de-

MI News Service, Kolkata:

The nostalgia is back and

so as the iconoclastic

bangla bands that rocked billions of Bengali hearts

The

rhythms, jazz, beats and

emotions that were so

meticulously fused in the

energy wire of the bands

are back in the fray to en-

thrall the crowd, this time

the generation next. Go

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Pvt. Ltd. announced the up-

coming Unity Concert 2025 at

drabindoo; Debaditya Chaud-

hury, Gaurab Chatterjee and Rajiv Mitra of Lakkhichhara

themes,

90s.



the heavy rain in Kolkata recently. The President of Kalyani Boi Utsava, and Kalyani Municipal Chairman Nilimesh Roy Chowdhury said. He added that to keep in mind that the fair is not of the committee or the organizers, but of all. "Co-operate us", he reiterated. There will be 300 stalls of Book Publishers mostly from Kolkata.

jointly organised by Kalyani Municipality and Kalyani Public Library at Kalyani Central park ground on and from December 5 to December 14. The theme of the Kalyani Boi Utsava this year is 'The Bengalis in Freedom Fight, Balaram Maji.

While many well known singers will appear on the stage during the long 10 days BookFair , the first Indian Idol Champion (2024 - 25) from the Bengalis Manashi Ghosh will place her performance. In addition, there will be Chandra Bindu band, Imon Chakraborty, Manoj and Manisha Murali Nayar, Kartick Das Boul, Ankita Bhattacharya, Anupam Roy and Mika Singh also will stage their performances on different days. The ticket price will

A 9-year-old boy who went missing from Tehatta's Jitpur area was found safe at Sealdah railway station after nearly 27 hours, police said on Saturday. The rescue brought immediate relief to anxious relatives and locals who had joined the search through Friday night. Amrik Biswas, a Class II student, disappeared while playing near a pond close to his home. His bicycle was spotted abandoned on the bank, prompting fears he might have slipped into the water. Police launched a large-scale search operation using drones and



On Saturday morning, noticed a boy wandering alone and later identified him as Amrik. Tehatta police were alerted and the minor was returned to his family. Police are investigating how the child travelled nearly 150 km to Kolkata. Officers suspect he might have boarded a local train on his own, but are verifying CCTV footage and possible assistance from strangers.

Iconoclastic BANGLA BANDS collaborate for 'UNITY CONCERT' veteran Bengali band known for its witty, satirical lyrics. "Music knows no boundaries. This Unity Concert is about

fans from all walks of life singing in harmony." said Mr Rupam Islam, Lead Vocalist, Fossils. "This concert will feel like a trip down memory lane, not just for us on stage, but for the fans who grew up with these anthems," noted Deba-ditya Chaudhury, Key-Lakkhichhara. boardist. "Even though our sounds and stories are different, what binds us together is the spirit of being a 'Bangla Band'. Standing alongside Fossils, Lakkhichhara and Euphoria feels like celebrating that shared journey," said Anindya Chatterjee, Singer-lyricist, Chandrobindoo.

CM Mamata pays glowing tribute to legendary scientist Homi J Bhabha on his birth anniversary

MI News Service, Kolkata: West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Thursday paid her glowing tribute to India's legendary scientist Homi J Bhabha on his birth anniversary.

Homi J. Bhabha was an Indian nuclear physicist and the "Father of India's Nuclear Program" who established key institutions like the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR) and the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC).

Born in Mumbai on this day in 1909, he earned his Ph.D. from Cambridge Uni-

versity and was known for his vision of self-reliance in nuclear science for India. He served as a scientific advisor to Prime Ministers and received numerous honors, but died in a plane crash in 1966.

" Remembering the legendary Nuclear Physicist Homi Jehangir Bhabha on his birth anniversary. His pioneering contributions laid the foundation for India's scientific and nuclear advancements," Baneriee said while paying her tribute to the Father of India's nuclear pro-

The Kolkata Publishers will enjoy considered stall charges in Kalyani Boi Utsava

creased following the bash to them due to



However, the 11th Kalyani Boi Utsava is going to be

Nadia: Missing 9-year-old boy traced to Sealdah station after 27 hours Dipankar Edbar, Tehatta:



partial.

Hooghly: All-Party Meeting on SIR — Parties Unite for Transparent Voter List MI News Service, Hooghly:

After the completion of the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of voter lists in Bihar under the supervision of the Chief Election Commission, the process is now being initiated in 12 states, including West Bengal, where Assembly elections are due next year.

Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar, in a press conference on October 27, outlined the timeline and procedure for conducting the SIR across these states. However, the West Bengal government has been opposing the exercise from the beginning. Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee had earlier stated, "As long as I am alive, I will not allow SIR to be conducted," questioning the urgency behind the Centre's

Following the Election Commission's announce-ment, political circles and the public in West Bengal have witnessed heightened discussions. The state and district administrations have appealed to citizens not to panic and urged all political parties to ensure that the revision process remains transparent and im-

Significantly, on the day the SIR announcement was made, the state government also issued transfer orders for 64 IAS officers. As part of this reshuffle, Mukta Arya, the former District Magistrate (DM) of Hooghly, was replaced by Khurshid Ali Oadri, who has now taken charge. Upon assuming office, Qadri convened an all-party meeting at the Chinsurah Circuit House to



discuss preparations for the SIR in the district.

The meeting, chaired by DM and District Election Officer Qadri, was attended by Additional District Magistrate (General) Tarun Bhattacharya and representatives from eight political parties. During the hour-long closed-door session, all parties emphasized the need for a transparent and error-free voter list.

According to administrative sources, the process of voter identification will begin on November 4 and continue until December 4. The draft voter list will be published on December 9, with the deadline for claims and objections set for January 8, and the final voter list scheduled for publication on February 7, as announced by the Chief Elec-

tion Commission. After the meeting, party representatives Mandeep their views: Ghosh, CPI(M) state committee member, said, "We want a transparent and accurate voter list. No valid voter's name should be left out or deleted. Some are

unnecessarily raising citizenship issues, but determining citizenship is not the Election Commission's job.'

Suresh Saw, BJP representative, stated, "Our stand is clear — only genuine citizens of the country should find their names on the voter list.

Vikas Roy, representing Trinamool Congress, said, "It is the Election Commission's responsibility to include the names of eligible voters correctly. We have conveyed our stand during the meeting."

The Election Commission is restarting this special voter list revision process after nearly 23 years, generating widespread discussion in administrative and political circles. Observers believe that the proactive initiative of the new DM, Khurshid Ali Qadri, marks an important step both administratively and politically. The united stand of Hooghly's political parties has sent a positive mes-sage toward ensuring a fair and transparent voter list in the state.

Elderly Man Ends Life Amid SIR Panic

MI News Service, Birbhum: Tension has gripped Birbhum's Ilambazar block following the death of an elderly man who, according to his family, took his own life out of fear linked to the Statewide Information Revision (SIR) process. The family alleges that the man was deeply distressed after learning that his name was missing from the 2002 voter list. The incident marks yet another tragedy

in the backdrop of growing anxiety over the SIR, following similar reports from North 24 Parganas earlier this week. According to local sources, the deceased—identified as Kshitish Babu, a resident of Ilambazar—had migrated from Bangladesh decades ago. Family members said he never possessed formal identification documents such as a voter ID or Aadhaar card and, therefore, "did not attach much importance to paperwork." They claim that when he learned his name was absent from the 2002 voter list, he became fearful about "where he would go" if deemed ineligible under the SIR process "Our request is that this SIR be stopped. It is creating immense fear among ordinary people," said one of the deceased's family members. "My grandfather came here long ago, but he never made any papers. He was terrified that he might be excluded.'

BJP claims 59 dead on Katwa voter list, EC to investigate

MI News Service, East Burdwan: As the State Inspection Report (SIR) exercise continues across Bengal, a major controversy has erupted in Katwa after the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) alleged that 59 deceased individuals are still listed as active voters in a single polling booth. The complaint has prompted the Election Commission to launch an inquiry into possible irregularities in the 2025 voter list. According to the BJP, Booth

No. 258 of Kowara village under Katwa Block No. 2 has 1,125 registered voters, among whom 59 have long been dead-some for over a decade. Party leaders allege that despite repeated revisions of the electoral roll, the names of these deceased individuals have not been deleted. Survadev Ghosh, BJP's Mandal President in the area, stated, "We have identified 59 dead voters whose names still exist on the list. Trinamool Congress has been win-



ning this booth for years by manipulating votes through these ghost entries. We have submitted the list to the Election Commission demanded immediate corrective action.' Local inquiries revealed that many of the individuals named by the BJP had indeed passed away between five and twelve years ago. Family members of several deceased voters reportedly confirmed the deaths but expressed confusion about how their relatives' names remained on the active voter roll. Reacting sharply to the allegations, Trinamool Congress (TMC) has dismissed the BJP's claims as "politically motivated." District General Secretary Bishwanath Saha said, "The BJP's accusations are entirely baseless. The process of adding or removing names from the voter list is under the sole jurisdiction of the Election Commission, not the Trinamool Congress or the state government." District Magistrate Ayesha Rani confirmed that the administration has taken cognizance of the matter. "A thorough inquiry will be conducted, and appropriate action will be taken if any discrepancies are found," she said. The issue has stirred the political atmosphere in East Burdwan, already tense due to the SIR-led administrative reshuffles. Analysts say the allegations, if proven, could raise serious questions about the accuracy of the electoral roll and the credibility of voter verification mechanisms ahead of the 2025 elections.

changes. According to districtlevel insiders, the **Board Administrators of Raiganj Municipality is likely to be dissolved, while chairpersons Dalkhola and Islampur Mubeen instructed to tender their resignations. The move is believed to be part drive initiated after the SIR findings highlighted irreguadministrative functioning across the district. However, confusion and denial level. Kaliaganj Municipality Chairman Ram Niwas Saha categorically stated, "I have no information about any such directive."

Dinajpur: Political tremors

are being felt across North

Dinajpur following the

State Inspection Report

(SIR), with strong indica-

tions of an impending ad-

ministrative overhaul in

several key municipalities

of the district. Reliable

sources suggest that the

Boards of Administrators

and Chairpersons of mul-

tiple civic bodies-includ-

ing Raiganj, Kaliaganj, Dalkhola, and Islampur—

may soon face sweeping

nicipalities have reportedly of a larger restructuring SIR framework. In a series of transfers, Raiganj's Sub-Divisional Officer (SDO) and larities and inefficiencies in **Block Development Officer** (BDO) were both replaced. Tanmoy Banerjee, previously Executive Officer of the Shantiniketan Developpersist at the local political ment Authority, has taken

administrative corridors suggest that the state government is determined to tighten its grip over civic bodies ahead of upcoming political developments in North Bengal. If implemented, the reshuffle could mark one of the most sigcharge as the new SDO of nificant reorganizations in Raiganj, while Kingshuk the district's civic and ad-Maiti has been reassigned ministrative apparatus in to Tufanganj. Meanwhile, recent years.

Islampur SDO Priya Yadav

has been transferred to

Kurseong, with Ankita

Agarwal appointed in her

place. In Chopra block,

Sourav Majhi has replaced

Soumen Monda as BDO.

While official confirmation

regarding the municipal-

level shake-up is still

awaited, sources within the

KMC to introduce music in place of whistle for waste collection

MI News Service, Kolkata: In a first-of-its-kind move, the Kolkata Municipal Corporation (KMC) is replacing the traditional whistle sound used by garbage collectors with music and awareness songs. The initiative aims to make the city's daily waste collection routine more pleasant and citizen-friendly, while spreading the message of cleanliness in a creative way.

According to officials from the KMC's Solid Waste Management Department, the plan involves installing sound boxes in the battery-operated mini garbage collection vehicles that go door-to-door each morning. These sound systems will play songs along with short messages encouraging citizens to keep their surroundings clean and dispose of their waste responsibly.

For years, citizens have complained about the shrill, repetitive sound of whistles used by garbage collectors to announce their arrival. The civic body believes that replacing the noise with soothing tunes and civic messages will make the process less disruptive and more engaging. "The idea is to make people feel good about participating in cleanliness efforts. Music can motivate them to cooperate more readily," said a senior KMC official

Aayakar Bhawan observes Vigilance **Awareness Week**

MI News Service, Kolkata: As part of Vigilance Awareness Week, a special event was organised at Aayakar Bhawan, Kolkata, under the leadership of Debashis Majumder, ADG (Vigilance) East, CBDT. Surabhi Varma Garg, Principal Chief Commissioner of Income Tax, graced the occasion as Chief Guest. Eminent speakers including Swami Vedatitananda and Supriya Sinha addressed the gathering on the theme 'Vigilance: Our Shared Responsibility.' The event concluded with a prize distribution ceremony for winners of various

Chandannagar **Spirit Shines**

A glimpse of Chandannagar came alive at Joka's DTC Southern Heights during their first-ever Jagaddhatri Puja. Centred on the theme "Sanatan Sanskriti" (Eternal Tradition), the beautifully designed pandal blended heritage with modernity, recreating Chandannagar's festive charm. Organized by the DTC Southern Heights Cultural Association, the celebration united over 3,500 residents. With creative inputs from Salil Kumar Das, the event inspired plans for an even grander puja next year.

China 'hopes' US will abide

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10 nuclear tests have been conducted. India carried out two in 1998, Pakistan also two in 1998, and North Korea conducted tests in 2006, 2009, 2013, twice in 2016, and 2017.

The US last tested a nuclear weapon in 1992, while China and France did so in 1996 and the Soviet Union in

Russia inherited Since most of the nuclear weapons arsenal of the Soviet Union, it has never carried out such

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the Directorate of Mission Sakthi . These Centres are operational across Jammu and Kashmir since 2018 providing all kinds of support to women in distress, like providing them medical aid, phycological counselling, legal and temporary

shelter and police assistance. These Centres are currently integrated with the toll-free

numbers – 181- with Women Helpline Service and -112with Emergency Response Support System providing seamless services and coordinated support to women, the minister said . [I1] The government said these Centres are mandated to provide maximum support to women affected by incidents of domestic violence, cyber harassment, eve teasing, sexual harassment and rape .



Partha Pratim Sengupta, MD & CEO of Bandhan Bank, addresses a press conference to announce the Bank's Q2 FY26 financial results, in the presence of Rajinder Kumar Babbar, Executive Director & CBO of Bandhan Bank, in Kolkata on Thursday.

Bandhan Bank's Total Business Grows 9% to Rs 2.98 Lakh Crore in Q2 FY26

Kolkata: Bandhan Bank on Thursday announced its financial results for the second quarter of FY 2025-26. reporting a 9% year-on-year growth in total business to ₹2.98 lakh crore. The share of retail deposits now accounts for nearly 71% of total deposits.

The growth during the quarter was driven by the bank's wider distribution network, improved operational efficiency, and a favourable business climate. Bandhan Bank currently serves over 3.23 crore customers through 6,350 banking outlets across 35 of India's 36 states and union

Service, territories, supported by a workforce of more than 73,500 employees.

In Q2 FY26, the bank's deposits grew 11% yearon-year to ₹1.58 lakh crore, while total advances rose to ₹1.40 lakh crore. The Current Account and Savings Account (CASA) ratio stood at 28%. The Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR), an indicator of financial strength, was reported at a healthy 18.6%, well above the regulatory requirement.

Commenting on the performance, Partha Pratim Sengupta, MD & CEO of Bandhan Bank, said, "This quarter's performance reflects a transitional phase as

diverse and resilient portfolio. Our focus is on achieving balanced, profitable growth to drive sustainable long-term value for all stakeholders. By innovating in technology, refining our processes, and enhancing product and people capabilities, we are well-positioned to drive the next phase of growth for Bandhan Bank

The bank emphasized its strategic focus on diversifying its asset base with greater emphasis on retail growth, alongside accelerating digitization to improve efficiency, productivity, and

Six State Universities in Bengal Get Permanent VCs

Kolkata: The long-standing impasse over the appointment of vice-chancellors in West Bengal's universities has finally ended. Following the directive of the Supreme Court, six state universities — Calcutta University, Jadavpur University, Gour Banga University, Kazi Nazrul University, Biswa Bangla University, and Jhargram Sadhu Ramchand Murmu University — have received permanent vice-chancel-

newly appointed vice-chancellors are: Professor Ashutosh Ghosh (Calcutta University), Professor Bhattacharya Chiranjib (Jadavpur University), Professor Ashis Bhattacharya (Gour Banga University), cellors of respective state

Professor Uday Bandyopadhyay (Kazi Nazrul University), Professor Abu Taleb Khan (Biswa Bangla University), and Professor Chandradeepa Ghosh (Sadhu Ramchand Murmu University, Jhargram).

All six appointees met Governor and Chancellor C.V. Ananda Bose at Raj Bhavan on Monday, following which the Raj Bhavan officially announced the appointments on Wednesday through a post on its X (formerly Twitter) handle.

A statement from the Raj Bhavan Media Cell confirmed the decision: "Hon'ble Governor of West Bengal has appointed the following distinguished academicians as Vice-Chan-

(Dr.) Abu Taleb Khan, Biswa Bangla University; Professor (Dr.) Chandradeepa Ghosh, Sadhu Ramchand Murmu University, Jhargram; Professor (Dr.) Ashis Bhattacharya, Gour Banga University; Professor (Dr.) Ashutosh Ghosh, Calcutta University; Professor (Dr.) Uday Bandyopadhyay, Kazi Nazrul University; and Professor (Dr.) Chiranjib Bhattacharya, Jadavpur University."

Education Minister Bratya Basu also congratulated the appointees on X, writing, 'Today, six state-run universities have got vice-chancellors who were the first choices of the Hon'ble Chief Minister. My heartfelt congratulations and best wish-

VC Ghosh Vows to Fill Vacancies, **Restore Academic Excellence**

News Kolkata: "A university should never be a centre of controver sy," said Professor Ashutosh Ghosh after formally taking charge as the permanent Vice-Chancellor of Calcutta University on Thursday. Earlier this week, he had met Chancellor and Governor C.V. Ananda Bose, clearing the final administrative hurdles before assuming office. Upon taking charge, Ghosh stressed his commitment to steering the prestigious institution away from controversies and focusing on real academic and administrative work.

Speaking to the media after assuming office, Vice-Chancellor Ghosh outlined his immediate priorities - addressing the long-pending vacancies and restoring the university's academic excellence. "Several key posts, including those of teachers, clerks, and officers, have been lying vacant for a long time. If a university functions with so many empty teaching positions, how can it strive for sured that all necessary steps



would be taken to fill these positions. Ghosh also highlighted the need to create better employment opportunities for students. "We must establish a strong placement cell to ensure job security for our students," he added.

Over the past few years, Calcutta University has reportedly slipped in various parameters — including NIRF rankings and student enrolment numbers. Acknowledging the challenges, Ghosh admitted, "These issues require urgent attention. excellence?" he asked. He as- Otherwise, the situation might worsen. Even in basic sciences,

student admissions have declined due to the fear of limited job opportunities. This disinterest is also affecting research output and national rankings." He further pointed out that

lack of adequate funding has worsened the problem. "Our research funding has reduced considerably. Funding is crucial for any university's progress. We plan to adopt strategies similar to those at Jadavpur University, which receives substantial support from its alumni. Calcutta University has not explored that route yet, but it's worth considering," he said.

The university has been mired in multiple controversies in recent years, particularly during the tenure of former acting Vice-Chancellor Shanta Dutta. Setting a new tone, Professor Ghosh remarked, "The university should not be a breeding ground for disputes. Differences can occur, even with the government, but it's our responsibility to resolve them swiftly. A university must be a place for education, not

Class 12 Semester-I **Results to Be Declared on Friday**

West Bengal

MI News Service, Kolkata: The results of the first-ever semester-based Higher Secondary (Class 12) examinations in West Bengal will be declared on Friday. This marks a major shift in the state's education system, as it is the first time that the semester method has been introduced at the Class 12 level. According to the West Bengal Council of Higher Secondary Education (WBCHSE), the results of the first semester will be announced just 39 days after the exams were conducted.

Council President Chiranjib Bhattacharya will announce the results at a press conference scheduled for 12:30 p.m. on Friday. The results will be available online from 2:00 p.m. onwards. Students can check their scores on the official website — https://result. wb.gov.in — using their roll and registration numbers. The results can also be viewed on the TV9 Bangla website, and the announcement will be broadcast live on the channel.



Once downloaded, students will be able to take printouts of their marksheets, which will later be verified, stamped, and signed by the heads of their respective institutions before being handed over to them.

The Higher Secondary semester exams were conducted between September 8 and September 22 this year. West Bengal was the first state in India to introduce the semester system for Class 12 students, an initiative aimed at easing the academic burden and improving assessment qual-

According to Council sources, a total of 6,60,343 students had enrolled for the examinations this year, of whom 98.42 percent appeared. Only 1.58 percent registered candidates were absent, the lowest absentee rate since 2014. The WBCHSE attributed this improvement to the newly introduced semester-based system, which encouraged more consistent student participation.

For the first time, the examinations were conducted using OMR sheets, bringing a standardized, objective approach to answer evaluation. This new system, council officials said, has helped streamline assessment and ensure faster

publication of results. The announcement of the results is expected to generate significant interest among students, parents, and educators across the state. With the implementation of the semester system, education authorities are hopeful that it will bring greater transparency and efficiency to the evaluation

TMC MP Dola Sen, West Bengal Minister of State for Consumer Affairs Srikanta Mahata, and TMC Trade Union leader Purnendu Basu participate in a protest against the BJP over the killing of a

Mamata Slams BJP Over SIR Panic Deaths, Vows to Resist NRC in Bengal

Kolkata: Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Thursday launched a scathing attack over a series of tragic incidents in Bengal allegedly triggered by panic surrounding the Special Inquiry Revision (SIR) process initiated by the Election Commission. Taking to social media, she accused the BJP of spreading fear and division, declaring that Bengal would resist any attempt to implement the NRC in any form.

"We are witnessing the tragic consequences of the BJP's politics of fear, division and hate," Mamata wrote. "Within 72 hours of the Election Commission's announcement of the SIR exercise in Bengal — an exercise bulldozed through at the BJP's behest — one avoidable tragedy after another has occurred."

She cited three shocking incidents that occurred within days of the announcement. On October 27, 57-year-old Pradeep Kar of Panihati, Khardaha, allegedly died by suicide, leaving a note that read, "NRC is responsible for my death." The next the courage to speak out?"

day, a 63-year-old man from Dinhata, Cooch Behar, attempted to end his life out of fear of harassment under the SIR process. And on October 29, 95-year-old Khitish Majumder from Ilambazar, Birbhum, reportedly took his life fearing his name was missing from the voter list and that he might be branded an outsider or pushed

In a strongly worded message, Mamata questioned, "Who will answer for these avoidable, politically inflicted tragedies? Will the Home Minister accept responsibility? Will the BJP and its allies, under whose watch this fear psychosis has spread, find

back to Bangladesh.

Calling the deaths a "betrayal of humanity," she added, "A 95-year-old man, who has given his life to this soil, forced to die to prove he belongs to It - what could be a deeper wound on the nation's conscience?'

The Chief Minister urged citizens to stay calm, avoid extreme steps, and not give in to provocation. "Our Maa-Mati-Manush Sarkar stands with you. We will not allow the NRC to be implemented in Bengal — neither through the front door nor the back door. Until the last drop of our blood, we will fight to protect the rights of the people and defeat the BJP's divisive agenda," she

TMC Calls Key Virtual Meet on SIR, Abhishek to **Lead Preparations**

News Kolkata: The Trinamool Congress has called a crucial virtual meeting on Friday at 4 pm to discuss the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of the voters' list. The meeting, to be attended by both state and district leaders, will be chaired by the party's national general secretary Abhishek Banerjee. Sources said the primary agenda will be to stand by the people during the SIR process and ensure full cooperation and assistance at

Ahead of the meeting, Trinamool leaders were also scheduled to meet booth-level agents (BLAs) on Thursday to assess ground-level preparedness. The ruling party has claimed that it has the



2 representatives for every booth and that all are ready to assist in the SIR process. To strengthen coordination, the party has decided that experienced members who have previously worked on voter list scrutiny will accompany the BLOs and agents.

Trinamool leaders have stated that the upcoming Assembly election in 2026 will make the current revision required number of BLA- exercise particularly signif-

icant, as it will directly imcuracy. In some cases, minor reshuffles have been made to appoint the most qualified agents.

Party sources added that Abhishek Banerjee personally lead a detailed training session for BLAs to guide them on their responsibilities. Over 6,000 party functionaries — including MPs, MLAs, ministers, and block-level leaders — have been invited to attend Friday's virtual meeting. The focus, Banerjee is expected to stress, will be on ensuring that "not a single legitimate voter's name is left out' during the SIR process. Trinamool has reiterated that protecting every citizen's voting rights remains its top

Major Accident at Park Circus: Dumper Overturns After Hitting Lamp Post

News Kolkata: A major road accident occurred on Thursday morning at Park Circus, when a speeding dumper lost control and rammed into a roadside lamp post before overturning on the busy stretch near the No. 4 bridge leading toward Science City. The impact was so severe that the lamp post was uprooted from its base and crashed directly into a nearby cab. Fortunately, no casualties or serious injuries were reported.

According to eyewitnesses, the dumper was heading towards Science City when its driver apparently lost control of the vehicle. The truck swerved sharply, collided with the lamp post, and overturned across the road. The uprooted lamp post then fell onto a cab parked nearby. One part of the metal post pierced through the cab's windshield, shattering the glass and damaging the vehicle's front section. The cab driver, a young

man who was alone inside at the time, managed to escape unhurt. "I'm safe, but I'm still shaken by the incident," he told reporters. The accident caused panic



among commuters and pedestrians in the area.

The Park Circus No. 4 bridge is one of the most crucial links connecting central and eastern parts of Kolkata, and the overturned dumper caused severe traffic congestion during the morning rush hour. Vehicles lined up for several hundred meters on both sides, as police struggled to clear the jam. Police and traffic officers from the local Park Circus outpost arrived promptly at the scene. A crane was deployed to remove the overturned dumper and restore normal traffic movement. "Our first priority was to ensure that no one was trapped or injured," said a senior police official on duty.

investiga-Preliminary tions suggest that the driver may have been speeding or lost control due to mechanical failure. Authorities have started a probe to determine the exact cause of the mishap.

By noon, the damaged vehicles were towed away, and traffic was gradually restored to normal. The incident has once again highlighted the growing problem of reckless driving by heavy vehicles in congested urban areas like

Hurricane Melissa is a warning, -increasingly Scientists are confident

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Philippines in 2021. Both rapidly intensified shortly before landfall, and hundreds of people died because they were unable to reach to safety.

Fortunately, the chance of Melissa reaching a category 5 hurricane was forecast sometime before it made landfall, helped by the storm moving very slowly towards Jamaica.

A particular set of conditions are required to fuel rapid intensification: high humidity in the atmosphere, low wind shear (the change in wind speed with height), and warm sea-surface temperatures. Recent research suggests that since the early 1980s, warmer seas and a more moist atmosphere means these conditions are becoming more common. These trends can't be explained by natural variability. It seems human-caused climate change is significantly increasing the probability of rapid intensifica-

In the case of Melissa, the fingerprints of climate change are visible on many of the factors that made it such a devastating storm. Sea-surface temperatures in the region are currently more than a degree above normal - conditions that may be 500 to 800 times more likely due to climate change. Warmer seas provide extra energy for a storm's intensification. Rising sea levels also mean storm surges and coastal

flooding are more severe.

that rainfall is increasing as a result of climate change, because a warmer atmosphere holds more moisture, a trend evident in the North Atlantic. Melissa is travelling slowly, which leads to higher rainfall totals over land. Forecasts predicted mountainous regions of Jamaica could receive up to a metre of rainfall, raising the risk of severe flooding and landslides.

Some studies even suggest that climate change is slowing down the speed of cyclones themselves (the rate at which the whole storm moves). This would mean they linger over land and dump more rain. Simulations at the University of Reading confirmed that past hurricanes striking Jamaica would produce more rainfall in today's warmer climate.

The growing tendency for storms to rapidly intensify is helping more of them to reach the strongest categories, and that can be deadly when this surge in strength is not well forecasted. As the planet warms, this risk will only grow. That makes it crucial for scientists to improve hurricane monitoring and forecast models, as well as for emergency responders to prepare for the scenario of an intense hurricane arriving with little time to prepare.

Hurricane Melissa has brought the risks into sharp focus: storms are intensifying faster, hitting harder and giving people less time to escape.



Name Change

I, Sahida Hazra Yasmin (Old Name) W/o Zahir Hazra Residing at 10, Nazrul Islam Avenue Vip Road, Kaikhali, P.o - Airport, P.s - Baguiati District - North 24 Parganas, Pin 700052, West Bengal, India have Changed my name and shall hence forth be Known as Sahida Yasmir (New Name) as declared before the Notary public Kolkata vide affidavit Dated 30-10-2025. Sahida Hazra Yasmin (Old Name) and Sahida Yasmin (New Name) both are same and ne identical person.

Name Change

I, Susmita Mondal (Old Name) W/o Bibhash Chandra Mondal Residing at 1/12, Govt. Housing Est, 20 Harey Kristo Sett Lane, P.o+P.s - Sinthee District - Kolkata, Pin - 700050 West Bengal, India have Changed my name and shall henceforth be Known as Sumita Mondal (New Name) as declared before the Notary public Kolkata vide affidavit no 14 Dated 29-10-2025. Susmita Mondal (Old Name) and Sumita Mondal (New Name) both are sam and one identical person.

Name Change

I, Saynaj Begum (Old Name) W/o Abdul Mafijul Khan Residing at Vill+P.o - Hadia, P.s - Sutahata, Dis-trict - Purba Medinipore, Pin 721645, West Bengal India have Changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Sainaj Khatur Bibi (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public Kolkata vide affi davit no 12/2025 Dated 30-10-2025 Saynaj Begum (Old Name) and Sainaj Khatun Bibi (New Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, Harendra Mahadev Rana, Haren dra Rana (Old Name) S/o Mahadey Keval Rana Residing at 3rd Floor Flat No-303, Podrah, District Howrah, Pin - 711109, West Benga India Have Changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Harendra M Rana (New Name) as declared before the Kolkata vide affidavit Date 30-10-2025. Harendra Mahadev Rana, Harendra Rana (Old Name) and Harendra M Rana New Name) both are same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE

l, Mir Mahammad Rakib (Voter Card/Aadhar Card/PAN Card), s/o. Card/Addnar Card/PAN Card), 8/o. Mir Abdul Mannan, r/o. Vill-Bamanpukur, P.O.-Sree Mayapur, P.S.- Nabadwip, Dist.-Nadia, WB, declare that my actual name has wrongly mentioned in my Madhyamik Admit Card of WBS. Madinyaliik Adlilik Carlo II Wbsz. as Mir Md Rakib, before the Judicial Magistrate, (1st Class) at Nabadwip, Nadia vide Affidavit No.-3351 Dtd. 14.08.2025, Mir Mahammad Rakib & Mir Md Rakib both are the same and one identical

NAME CHANGE

Samapati Mondal spouse of Goutam Mondal residing at 4D, Block 2, Empiryan, Puratan Bazar, Vtc: Kharagpur (M), P.O Kharagpur, Dist-Paschim Medinipur, State -West Bengal, Pin 721301, have changed my name from Samapati Mondal to Samapti Mondal vide affidavit no 13058 before the 1st Class Judicial Magistrate at Kharagpuron 29/10/2025

Name Change

, Palash Biswas, S/O Kanai Biswas, R/D at-Kulgachi, P.O.-Daluabari, P.S Dhantala, Dist-Nadia That my father name wrongly Written as Kanailal Biswas in my Passport vide No- N 2816705, dt-03/09/2015, vide Affidavit Sworn before the count of Ld. Judicial Magistrate (1st class) at Ranaghat. on-14/07/25. That my Father Kanai Biswas, Kanailal Biswas & Kanai Chandra Biswas am the ame and one identical Pereson.

Name Change

I. Raju Sk. S/o Rajab Sk residing at Vill. Biruri, P.O. Srigram, P.S Ketugram, Dist. Purba Bardhaman West Bengal do hereby declared that due to inadvertence my father's name has been recorded as Rajob Sk in my WBBSE Madhyamik Board Certificate On 29.10.2025 vide an affidavit before 1st Class Judicial Magistrate 2nd Court, Katwa, Purba Bardhaman, affirm that Rajab Sk & Rajob Sk is the same & identical person.

Name Change

residing at Vill-Kripalpur, P.O-Gouribhoj, P.S- Basirhat (at present Matia), Dist-North 24 Pgs, PIN-743445, WB, do hereby declare that in my voter card my name has been recorded Merina Bibi & in my birth certificate my father's name has been recorded as Sahidu Islam Mondal. On 14.10.25 vide affidavi no.6493, before the 1st class Judicia Magistrate, Barasat, I affirm that Merina Khatun & Merina Bibi and Saidul Mondal & Sahidul Islam Monda ooth are same & one identical person.

NAME CHANGE

I, Padam Bothra, R/O- 2, Kshirod Ghosh Road Lane, Golabari, Howrah, West Bengal- 711101. So now I have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Padam Raj Bothra as declared before Notary Public, Calcutta Court vide affidavit no. 001, Dated 22/08/2025 Padam Bothra and Padam Raj Bothra both are same and identical person.

I, Jhimly Samanta, D/o Late Jagannath Nayek, R/o-Pragati Pally, 4th Floor, Flat No. E-17, 486, Mahatma Gandhi Road, P.S.- Haridevpur, P.O.-Thakurpukur, Kolkata: 700063, shall be known as Jhimly Nayek, changed vide Notary, Alipore Court, Affidavit No.: 06, Dated: 29.10.2025. Henceforth, Jhimly Samanta and Jhimly Nayek is the same & identical person.

Name Change

, Sekh Sabir (Old Name) S/o Sk Abdul Karim Residing at Vill - Badhia. P.o - Mirgoda. P.s - Ramnagar. - Purba Medinipur, Pin 721446, West Bengal, India have name and shall henceforth be Known as Sk Sabir New Name) as declared before the Notary public Kolkata vide affidavit Dated 30-10-2025. Sekh Sabir (Old Name) and Sk Sabir (New Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

Abdul Karim (Old Name) S/o Sk Kalimuddin Residing at Vill - Bad-hia, P.o - Mirgoda, P.s - Ramnagar, District - Purha Medininur Pin 721446, West Bengal, India have Changed my name and shall henceforth be Known as Sk Abdul Karim New Name) as declared before the Notary public Kolkata vide affidavit Dated 30-10-2025. Abdul Karim (Old Name) and Sk Abdul Karim (New Name) both are same and one

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আমি Samser Ali Sk, S/O Golam Rabbani Sekh, বয়স-৪৮ বৎসর,, সা গ্রাম+পোঃ-করজগ্রাম, থানা-কাটোয়া, জেলা পু বর্ধমান। আমার পুত্রের প্রকৃত নাম Sakil Akta Sk উল্লেখিত হয়েছে আধার কার্ডে (নং 7450 6903 6760), কিন্তু আমার পুত্র Sakil Aktar Sk এর জন্ম শংসাপত্তে Sakil Aktar Sk/Sk Sakil Aktar উদ্লেখিত হয়েছে, যাহা কাটোয় পৌরসভা কত্তক পুদত্ত ও রেজিঃ নং WB BR 2015/20101/1/366. আমি এতদ্বার ঘোষনা করছি যে, গত 15.10.2025 তারিখে কাটোয়া আদালতে 3RD Court জুডিশিয়া ম্যাজিস্ট্রেটের (ফার্স্ট ক্লাস) এফিডেভিট বলৈ Sakil Aktar Sk ও Sk Sakil Aktar এক খ অভিন্ন ব্যক্তিঃ হিসাবে পরিচিত হইল

NAME CHANGE JAMINUL ISLAM S/o- Late HATEM ALI MANDAL R/o- Vill. Baikara, PO- Arbalia, PS-Baduria, North 24 Pgs., do hereby declare that deceased father HATEM ALI MONDAL and HATEM MONDAL is the same one and identical person vide Affidavit sworn the before the 1st Class Judicial Magistrate Basirhat Court Affidavit no.- 24186 dt. 29.10.25.

NAME CHANGE . RANEMA BIBI (Old Name) W/o BDULLA MONDAL R/o- VIII Maguruti PO- Taragunia, PS Baduria, Dist.- North 24 Pgs., PIN 43401. Have changed my name RANIMA BIBI (New Name) as declared before the Executive
Magistrate Basirhat Court Affidavit no. 4691/BC-I/25 dt. 30.10.25. RANEMA BIBI (Old Name) and RANIMA BIBI (New Name) both are same and identical person.

NAME CHANGE I, NAZMUN NAHAR (Old Name) W/ o- JAMIRUL ISLAM R/o- Vill.aikara, PO- Arbalia, PS- Baduria Dist. North 24 Parganas. Have changed my name and shall nenceforth be known as NAJMUN NAHAR (New Name) as declared before the 1st Class Judicial Magistrate Basirhat Court Affidavit o.- 24185 dt. 29-10-25. NAZMUN NAHAR (Old Name) and NAJMUN and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE I Moumita Dutta W/o Dhritiman

Chatterjee residing at 116 Rabindra Nagar Kolkata name and shall henceforth be known as Moumita Chatterjee as declared before the First Class Judicial Magistrate lowrah Court vide affidavit no 94AB 576640 Dt.29/4/24. Moumita Dutta and Moumita Chatterjee both are same and identical person.

Name Change

Pradip Biswas (Old Name) S/o Ratikanta Biswas Residing hyamnagar, Vtc - Kowgachi(P), P.o Shyamnagar, District - North 24 Parganas, Pin - 743127, West Bengal India have Changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Pradip Kumar Biswas (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public Kolkata vide affidavit no 13/2025 Dated 30-10-2025. Pradip Biswas (Old Name) and Pradip Kumar Biswas (New Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

Munni Devi (Old Name) W/o Kam-Pandey Residing at /New, West Puthalkhali D1/97/1/New, Mandal Para, Maheshtala (M), Dis-trict - South 24 Parganas, Pin -700139, West Bengal India have Changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Munni Pandey New Name) as declared before the Notary Public Kolkata vide affidavit no 11/2025 Dated 30-10-2025. Munni Devi (Old Name) and Munni Pandey (New Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

Malaya Banerjee (Old Name) W/o siswapati Banerjee Residing at ivekananda Road Bye Lane 2, P.o+P.s - Sonarpur, District - South 24 Par-ganas, Pin - 700150, West Bengal, India have Changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Malaya Chatterjee (New Name) as declared before the Ld. Judicial Magistrate (1st Class) at Baruipur vide affidavit no 8291 Dated 24-09-2025. Malaya Banerjee (Old Name) and Malaya Chatterjee (New Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

Bhudeb Chandra Patra Residing at Bhanderkhali, P. Hasnabad, District - North 24 Parganas, Pin - 743439, West Bengal India have Changed my name and shall henceforth be Known as Pradip Patra (New Name) as de-clared before the Notary public Kolkata vide affidavit Dated 30-10-2025. Prodip Patra (Old Name) and Pradip Patra (New Name) both are same and one identical person.

Prodip Patra (Old Name) S/o

Name Change

Md Amirul Islam (old name) son of Nurul Islam Khalifa, residing at Vill-Bagati, P.O.- Bhabla, P.S.-Basirhat, Dist.- North 24 Parganas Pin- 743422, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Amirul Islam Khalifa (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 30/10/2025. Amirul Islam Khalifa new name) and Md Amirul Islam (old name) both are same and one

Name Change , Md Atiar Rahaman (old name) so of Mohammed Akkas Ali, residing at Vill-Dakshin Shimla, P.O.- Shimla Durgapur, P.S.- Baduria, Dist.-North 24 Parganas, Pin- 743401, West Bengal, India, have changed ny name and shall henceforth be nown as Atiar Rahaman (new ame), as declared Before The No tary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 30/10/2025. Rahaman (new name) and Md Atiar Rahaman (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change , Md Sariful Mondal (old name) son of Jalil Mondal, residing at Vill & P.O.- Itinda, P.S.- Basirhat, Dist.-North 24 Parganas, Pin- 743292, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Sariful Mondal (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 30/10/2025. Sariful Mondal (new name) and Md Sariful Mondal (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

, Sahanara Bibi (old name) W/O ate Asgar Mollick, residing at Vill-Barberia, P.O - Fatepur, P.S - Falta, District- South 24 Parganas, PIN -743513, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Sahanara Mollick (new name), as declared before the notary public at Kolkata, vide an af-fidavit dated 30/10/2025. Sahanara Mollick (new name) and Sahanara Bibi (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

, Md Mansur Ali Mondal (old name) on of Ekrad Ali Mondal, residing at Faleva, Shrirampur, Bongaon, Dist. North 24 Parganas, Pin- 743262, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Munchur Ali Mondal (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 30/10/2025. Munchur Ali Mondal (new name) and Md Mansur Ali Mondal (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

Muslima Bibi (old name) wife of Munchur Ali Mondal, residing at Faeya, Shrirampur, Bongaon, Dist. North 24 Parganas, Pin- 743262, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Muslima Mondal (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affi davit dated 30/10/2025. Muslima Mondal (new name) and Muslima Bibi (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

(Old Name) MD ALAUDDIN MON-DAL S/o- ALAHI BOX MONDAL Residing at, Vill- Jhowbona, Post-Jhowbona, Ps - Nowda, Dist- Murshidabad, Pin- 742175, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from MD ALAUDDIN MONDAL To ALAUD-DIN MONDAL (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as New name) ALAUDDIN MON-DALin all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 27 Oct 2025 ALAUDDIN MONDAL and MD ALAUDDIN MONDAL both are Same and one identical person.

Name Change

, (Old Name) MD HASANUZZAMAN MONDAL S/o- ALAUDDIN MONDAL Residing at, Vill- Jhowbona, Post-Jhowbona, Ps - Nowda, Dist- Mur-shidabad, Pin- 742175, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have hanged my name from MD HASANUZZAMAN MONDAL To HASANUZZAMAN MONDAL (New ame) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) HASANUZ-ZAMAN MONDAL in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 27 Oct 2025, HASANUZZAMAN MONDAL and MD HASANUZZAMAN MONDAL both are Same and one

Name Change

(Old Name) RAJENDRA NARAYAN CHAUDHURI S/o- DIGINDRA NARAYAN CHOUDHURY Residing at, Vill- B.S Road (Binay Sarkar Road), Post- Malda, Ps - Englishbazar, Dist-Malda, Pin- 732101, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from RAJENDRA NARAYAN CHAUDHURI To RAJENDRA NARAYAN CHOUDHURY (New name and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) RAJENDRA NARAYAN CHOUDHURY in all purpose Vide an affidavit Sworn before the notary pub-lic at Berhampore Murshidabad On 27 Oct 2025, RAJENDRA NARAYAN CHOUDHURY and RAJENDRA CHOUDHURY and RAJENDRA NARAYAN CHAUDHURI both are ame and one identical person.

Name Change

(Old Name) MST SAIMA KHATUN & MANDAL SAIMA AKHTER C/o-JAMIL AKHTER Residing at, Vill-Tayeb Mandal para, Post- Chhoto Sujapur, Ps - Kaliachak, Dist- Malda, 741101, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from MST SAIMA KHATUN & MANDAL SAIMA AKHTER To SAIMA KHATUN (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) SAIMA KHATUN in all purpose Vide an af-fidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 27 Oct 2025, SAIMA KHATUN and MST SAIMA KHATUN & MANDAL SAIMA AKHTER both are Same and one identical person.

Name Change

I. Rabia Begum (old name) wife of Arsadul Karim Mondal, residing at U-24 Karbala Road, PS - Raja Bagan Kolkata- 700018, West Bengal, India have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Rabeya Begum (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata vide an affidavit dated 30/10/2025 Rabeya Begum (new name) Rabia Begum (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

, PRABHATI SAMANTA(old name) W/o BIBHUTI BHUSHAN, resident of BAG-DANGA, P.O.- BAGDANGA, SOUTH 24 PARGANAS, PIN-743357, West Bengal India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as PRAVATI SAMANTA (new name), as declared Before The The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 24/10/2025. PRA-VATI SAMANTA (new name) and PRABHATI SAMANTA (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, Md Abu Kalam Molla (old name) so of Alauddin Molla, residing at Vill & P.O.-Gandhabaduli, P.S.- Bishnupur, Dist.-South 24 Parganas, Pin- 743503, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Abu Kalam Molla (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 30/10/2025. Abu Kalam Molla (new name) and Md Abu Kalam Molla (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

Ispehan Bagani (old name) son Rayhan Ali Bagani, residing at B1-65 New Halder Para Road, Mahesshtala PS-Rabindranagar, South 24 Pgs-700066, West Bengal, India, hav changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Ispihan Bagani (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavi dated 30/10/2025. Ispihan Bagani (new name) and Ispehan Bagani (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

Shampa Das Gupta (Old Name), Son Of Tridib Kumar Gupta, Residing At Flat 1a, Ce 73, Street 202 Newown Aa1, Newtown Bidhannagar 700156, West Bengal, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Shampa Gupta (New Name) Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 30/10/2025. Shampa Das Gupta And Shampa Gupta Both Are The Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change

Quazi Farheen Zaman Zaman (old name) W/o Md Tousifullah and D/o Quazi Faizur Zaman, resident of 202 Praptineer,Fl-202 1st Floor,Kazipara Main Road,Barasat, North 24 Parganas-700124, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Quazi Farheen Zaman (new name), as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 29/10/2025. Quazi Farheen Zaman (new name) and Quazi Farheen Zaman Zaman (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, Ajifa Begum (old name) daughter of Subid Ali Sardar, residing at 2 No, Moukhali Halder Para, P.O.- Jagacha, Howrah- 711111, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Ojifa Begum (new name), as de-clared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 30/10/2025. Ojifa Begum (new name) and Ajifa Begum (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

Safuddin Halder (old name) son of Saogat Ali Halder, residing at 2 No, Moukhali Halder Para, P.O.-Jagacha, Howrah- 711111, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Safiuddin Halder (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 30/10/2025. Safjuddin Halder (new name) and Safuddin Halder (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change I, Sahida Bibi (Old Name), W/O Of Sariyatulla Sekh,Residing At Vill-Kamargaria, Po-Humaniapota,Ps-Ganganapur, Nadia-741238, West Bengal, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Sahida Khatun Bibi Sekh (New Name) Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 30/10/2025. Sahida Bibi And Sahida Khatun Bibi Sekh Both Are The Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change

, Md Rob Sarkar (Old Name), Son Of Golan Chanoar Sarkar, Residing At Vill-Aminpur, Po+Ps-Deganga, North 24 Parganas-743423, West Bengal, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Md Rab Sarkar (New Name) Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 28/10/2025. Md Rob Sarkar And Md Rab Sarkar Both Are The Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change

ICHARULLA SAIKH (old name GORAN BOSE BHARATGARH, BAS-ANTI, BARUIPUR- 743312, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as ICHA SHEKH (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 30/10/2025. ICHA SHEKH (new name) and ICHARULLA SAIKH (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

surupa purkayastya dasgupta (OLD NAME),WIFE OF SIDDHARTHA PURKAYASTHA, RESIDENT OF 3RD-FR, FL-302,8/9/1A, ALIPORE PARK ROAD, ALIPORE, KOLKATA, 700027, WEST BENGAL, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME AND SHALL HENCEFORTH BE KNOWN AS surupa dasgupta (NEW NAME)VIDE AN AFFIDAVIT SWORN BEFORE THE NOTARY PUBLIC AT KOLKATA ON 31/10/2025. surupa purkayastya dasgupta AND surupa dasgupta BOTH ARE THE SAME AND

British Council announces creative convergence

MI News Service, Kolkata: British Council, the UK's international organisation forcultural relations and educational opportunities has announced the launch of 'Creative Convergence': Growth Reimagined, a two-daygathering that will bring together India and the UK'sleading voices in arts, culture, and enterprise to shape the future of

the creative economy.

Taking place on 5 and 6 November 2025 at the Bangalore International Centre, the inaugural edition will convene creative entrepreneurs, policymakers, and cultural change makers to exchange ideas, share insights, and explore new models of collaboration for inclusive and sustainable growth.

Building on the UK-India Programme of Cul-Cooperation (2025-2030) and the British Council's twodecade legacy of nurturing global creative ecosystems, Creative Convergence aims to strengthen the cultural connections between the two countries and highlight how creativity can drive economic and social transformation.

Leading voices across arts, culture, design, film, music, education, and enterprise will contribute to shaping the next decade of India-UK creative collaboration.

Name Change

I, (Old Name) BIBEKANANDA SARKAR S/o- NITYAGOPAL SARKAR Residing at, Vill-Marita Kunda, Post-Marita Kunda, Ps - Nabagram, Dist-Murshidabad, West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from BIBEKANANDA SARKAR To VIVEKANANDA SARKAR (New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) VIVEKANANDA CARKAR in all purpose Vide an affi-davit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 14 Oct 2025, VIVEKANANDA SARKAR and BIBEKANANDA SARKAR both are Same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, (Old Name) ABU TAHER SEKH AKBOR SK Residing at, Vill Gantla, Post- Gantla, Ps - Kandi Dist- Murshidabad, Pin- 742136 West Bengal. Do hearby declare that I have Changed my name from ABU TAHER SEKH TO ABU TAHER SK New name) and hence forth I Shall be Known as (New name) ABU TAHER SK in all purpose Vide an af-fidavit Sworn before the notary public at Berhampore Murshidabad On 27 Oct 2025, ABU TAHER and ABU TAHER SEKH both are Same and one identical person.

Name Change

Sunita Jain (old name) wife of Mukesh Sethi, residing at 36/2B Ram Krishna Samadhi Road Kankurgachi, Kolkata- 700054 West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Sunita Sethi (new name) as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 30/10/2025. Sunita Sethi (new name) and Sunita Jain (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

Mukesh Jain (old name) son o Prakash Chand Sethi, residing at Swarnamani, Block-5th, 7Th Floor Flat-7XA, 163B, Manicktala Mair Road, P.O.- Kankurgachi, Kolkata 700054, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall hence forth be known as Mukesh Seth (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an af fidavit dated 30/10/2025. Mukesh Sethi (new name) and Mukesh Jain (old name) both are same and one

Name Change

Avush Jain (old name) son Mukesh Sethi, residing at Swarna-mani, Block-5th, 7Th Floor, Flat-7XA 163B, Manicktala Main Road, P.O. Kankurgachi, Kolkata- 700054, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Ayush Sethi (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata vide an affidavit dated 30/10/2025 Avush Sethi (new name) and Avush Jain (old name) both are same an one identical person.

Name Change

I, Mainuddin Mansuri (Old Name), son of Gul Mohammad, residing at eedaha, Morolpara, Telenipara Nilganj Bazar, Titagarh, North24Par ganas- 700121, West Bengal, have changed my name and shall hence forth be known as Mainuddin (New Name) vide an affidavit sworn before the notary public at Kolkata on 15/10/2025. Mainuddin Mansuri and Mainuddin both are the same and on identical person.

Name Change

Sangit Das Mal(old name) w/o Sukesh Chandra Mal residing at Vill & Po-Khas Ramkarchar,Ps-Sagar,Dist-24 parganas(South),Pin- 743373,West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Sangita Das Mal (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata on 30/10/2025. Sangita Das Mal (new name) and Sangit Das Mal (old name) both are same and one

Howrah Division Organises 'Amrit Samvaad' & Cleanliness Drive Under Special Campaign 5.0

MI News Service, Kolkata, 30 Oct.25: Under the ongoing Special Campaign 5.0, Howrah Division of Eastern Railway organised a series of 'Amrit Samvaad' programmes across multiple stations including Tarapith Road, Swadinpur, Karnasubarna, Nalhati, Adisaptagram, Lalbagh Court, Chuchura, Chatra, Azimganj, Konnagar, Serampore, and Murarai.

These interactive sessions served as a dynamic platform for railway employees to exchange ideas and suggestions aimed at enhancing workplace efficiency, improving passenger service quality, and strengthening the citizen-railway interface. The ini-

public service. tensive cleanliness drives

MI News Service, New Delhi: The Centre has decided to call an 'open house' to discuss issues related to steel imports with stakeholders on Monday, signalling its concern in the matter even after the commerce ministry recommended a safeguard duty of 12 per cent for three years. The ministry askeď companies and associations to present their issues in the open

In August, the Directorate General of Trade Remedies recommended that a 12 per cent safeguard duty on certain steel products remain in force for three years. A final customs notification from the finance ministry is still awaited. Meanwhile, the US and EU announced that import duty on steel will attract 50 per cent tariffs. Earlier week, Jayant Acharya, JSW Steel MD & CEO, told The Telegraph that the 12 per cent duty

by India is not adequate. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has also noted that steel imports have seen a surge, largely driven by lower import prices. It has also called for policy support to boost the competitiveness of domestic steel production.



tiative reaffirmed the Division's core principles of transparency, accountability, and responsiveness in

In continuation of the campaign's objectives, in-

were conducted at Bandel Barddhaman, Tarakeswar, Kamarkundu, gachi, Rampurhat, Adisaptagram, Pandua, and Konnagar stations. The drives focused on thorough cleaning of platforms, waiting areas, toilets, drains, and circulating zones to ensure a cleaner and more passenger-friendly environment.

Through these initiatives, Howrah Division reiterates its unwavering commitment to the goals of Special Campaign 5.0 promoting cleanliness, efficiency, and proactive engagement with both employees and passengers for a better railway experience.

Govt to discuss steel import concerns

house scheduled for October 27 in the national cap-

ital, it said in a statement. development comes at a time when domestic players have been complaining about cheap imports affecting their competitiveness. Benchmark hot rolled coil prices have come down by close to ₹3,000 a tonne after hitting a high in May, days after the 200-day provisional safeguard duty was imposed in April.

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Augmentation Of Different Type Of Coaches With Five Express Trains

MI News Service, Kolkata, 30 Oct.25: The augmentation of additional coaches in popular Express trains is an ongoing initiative aimed at improving overall travel experience for passengers. Accordingly, in response to the overwhelming demand for tickets throughout the year, Railway has decided to augment additional Air-conditioned and Sleper class coaches in following Express trains:

One additional AC 3-Tier Economy class & Sleeper class coach will be permanently augmented with 13418/13417 Malda Town – Digha – Malda Town Express leaving Malda Town with effect from 06.11.2025 & leaving Digha with effect from 06.11.2025. Additional 152 berths will be generated in each trip. The train will run with 16 coaches instead of 14 coaches.

One additional AC 3-Tier Economy class & Sleeper class coach will be permanently augmented with 13419/13420 Bhagalpur – Muzaffarpur – Bhagalpur Express leaving Bhagalpur with effect from 06.11.2025 and leaving Muzaffarpur with effect from 06.11.2025. Additional 152 berths will be generated in each trip. The train will run with 19 coaches instead of 17 coaches

One additional AC 2-Tier coach will be augmented with 19608/19607 Madar Jn. – Kolkata – Madar Jn. Weekly Express leaving Madar Jn. with effect from 03.11.2025 to 24.11.2025 & leaving Kolkata with effect from 06.11.2025 to 27.11.2025. Additional 52 berths will be generated in

One additional AC- First Class coach will be augmented with 1288/12987 Ajmer – Sealdah – Ajmer Express leaving Ajmer with effect from 01.11.2025 to 30.11.2025 & leaving Sealdah with effect from 02.10.2025 to 01.12.2025. Additional 18 berths will be generated in each trip.

One additional AC-3 tier Economy coach & Sleeper Class Coach will be augmented with 12495/12496 Bikaner – Kolkata - Bikaner Express leaving Bikaner with effect from 06.11.2025 to 27.11.2025 & leaving Kolkata with effect from 07.11.2025 to 28.11.2025. Additional 152 berths will be generated in each trip.

Grievance Camps Organized At Different Metro Stations



MI News Service, Kolkata, 30 Oct.25 :Metro Railway has been observing Vigilance Awareness Week

October to 2nd November, 2025. This year's theme of celebration is "Vigilance: Our Shared Responsibility". As part of this programme, grievance camps were organized at Esplanade, Howrah and Sealdah Metro Stations to commuters as well as staff against corrupt practices today i.e. on 30.10.2025.

In these camps, grievance cases as submitted by the passengers and staff, were received and examined at length for early remedial action.

Vigilance Awareness Seminar Organised In Metro Railway

MI News Service, Kolkata, 30 Oct.25 :Metro Railway, Kolkata is observing Vigilance Awareness Week from 27th October to 2nd November, 2025. A Vigilance Awareness Seminar was organised by the Vigilance Department of Metro Railway at Metro Rail Bhavan, Kolkata on 29.10.2025. Shri Subhransu Sekhar Mishra, General Manager, Metro Railway presided over this seminar in which Shri Deepak Nigam, Chief Vigilance Officer and other senior officers of Metro Railway and



In his address, General Manager stressed on the importance of vigilance a shared responsibility of all concerned.

Sealdah Division Continues Swachhata Abhiyan Campaign With Mass Awareness And Cleanliness Drives

Collective efforts towards a cleaner and greener railway environment MI News Service, Kolkata, 30 Oct.25: As part of the

ongoing Swachhata Abhiyan Campaign 2025, the Environment and House-Management keeping (EnHM) Department of Sealdah Division organized a series of impactful activities todav at various stations, including Belgharia, Chakda, Dum Dum Junction, Kolkata, Naihati, and Ranaghat, among others.

The day's events included Mass Awareness Programs and cleanliness drives to educate passengers and railway staff on the importance of maintaining hygiene and contributing to a sustainable environment. Volunteers and staff actively participated in these initiatives to ensure a cleaner and more hygienic atmosphere for



An "Amrit Samvaad" (Interactive Session) was also conducted at Dum Dum Junction station, where passengers shared their feedback and suggestions regarding cleanliness fostering initiatives, greater public participation in maintaining railway

The Swachhata Abhiyan activities held today reflected the collective effort of the EnHM Department and other wings of Sealdah Division, Eastern Railway, reaffirming their commitment to a cleaner, greener, and more sustain-

EASTERN RAILWAY

No.: MC/Acs-12/OT/PVC/25/2397 Dated: 29.10.2025, Dy. Chief Mechanical Engineer/C, Eastern Railway, Kanchrapara Workshop, North 24 Parganas, West Bengal, Pin-743145 invites E-Tender for under mentioned work. e-Tender Notice No.: PVC 25-26 Date: 25-10-2025; Name of work and its location: PVC Stripping, Laying & Welding Work on Flooring of Conventional, LHB, MEMU (Trailer & Motor) and DEMU (Trailer & Motor) Coaches during POH at Carriage Complex, Kanchrapara through Works Contract on Open Tender basis for a duration of 01 (one) year; Approx. cost of the work : Rs. 63,22,815.40 (including GST); Tender Document Cost (TDC): Nil; Bid Security to be deposited: Rs. 1,26,500.00; Completion period of the work 01 (one) year; Advertisement Period: 25.10.2025 to 17.11.2025 till 11.00 hrs. Offer Submission Period: 15 (Fifteen) days prior to 17.11.2025 till 11.00 hrs. Date & time of closing of tender 17.11.2025 till 11.00 hrs. Validity of the tender: 69 (sixty-nine) days; Date & time for opening of Tender: The tender will be opened on and after 12.00 hrs. on 17 11 2025 Website from where the tender documents will be available: Complete set of tender document is available on the Indian Railways e-procurement website www.ireps.gov.in from 25.10.2025 to 17.11.2025 till 11.00 hrs.

(MISC-256/2025-26) Tender Notices are also available at Website www.er.indianrailways.gov.in / www.ireps.gov.in Follow us at : ■ @EasternRailway

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No.OAH/2/1/Genl. Dated: 29.10.2025. Following E-tender is invited by Divisional Railway Manager, Eastern Railway, DRM Building, near Howrah Station, Howrah-711101 from tenderers having experience of similar nature of work and required financial capabilities including those registered with Irrigation/CPWD/ SEB/MES or any public sector undertaking for the following work Under: XEN/BRL/HWH. 1) E-Tender No.: 150_2025-26; Description of work: Replacement of girders of Br. No. - 209 over DN/HBC and DN/main between stations Gangpur and Barddhaman on Main Line section of Howrah Division.; Approx. Cost: Rs. 13.48.34.432.00; Earnest Money: Rs. 8,24,200.00; Completion period: 12 (Twelve) months from the date of issue of acceptance letter. 2) E-Tender No.: 162_2025-26: Description of work Replacement of BGML standard girders of Bridge no-17 DN /ACCL including strengthening of sub structure by RCC jacketing In ACCL section of Howrah Division, Approx. Cost: Rs. 1,48,30,076.76; Earnest Money: Rs. 2,24,200.00; Completion period: 09 (Nine) months from the date of issue of acceptance letter.Closing Date & Fime of Tender: 19.11.2025 at 14.00 hrs. In case the date of closing mentioned in the Notice Inviting Tender is declared a holiday/bandh/ strike on any account, the date of closing tender online will not be changed as the application in the website of IREPS does not permit submission of any offer after closing date and time of the tender. However, opening of tender online will be done on the next working day. The details of tender are available at website: www.ireps.gov.in Tenderers are requested to submit their offer online on the above website. Payment of EMD and TDC payment of earnest money deposit [EMD] and tender document cost [TDC] in respect of E- tendering should be accepted through net banking or payment gateway only NOTE: Fixed Deposit Receipt (FDR) will not be accepted as EMD for tenders invited on IREPS (e-tender portal). No manual offer will be accepted. (HWH-363/2025-26) Tender Notices are also available at Website

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S. E. RAILWAY – TENDER

For on behalf of the President of India, the General Manager (Engg.), South Eastern invites e-tender for the following works: Tender No. : BR-HQ-ADA-RNC-25-26-<u>06</u>; Description of the work : "Ranchi Adra Division"- "Regirdering of bridges for running of 25T Axle loaded freight trains @ 100Kmph in (a) Bridge no. 489 (9x18.3m) & 574 (6x18.3m) of Orga-Hati section (b) Bridge no. 520 (11x18.3m) of Orga-Hatia section (c) Bridge no. 156 UP (9x18.3m) of Muri-Kotshila section (d) Bridge no. 409 UP (5x12.2m + 5x30.5m) of Adra - Gomo section (e) Bridge No. 414 DN (5x30.50m + 1x24.40m) of Adra - Chandil section (f Bridge No. 284 (13x18.3m) of Adra Midnapur section (g) Bridge No. 443 (1x18.3m) of Bokaro Steel City - Talgoria section (h) Bridge No. 412 DN (1x30.5m + 5x45.7m + 1x12.2m) of ADRA - N.C.B. Gomoh section (i) Bridge No. 392 UP (2x18.3m) and 394 UP (2x18.3m) of KTD - URA station." Tender Value ₹ 102,21,02,145.18; Earnest Money ₹52.60.500.00: Tender Document Cost Nil; Tender Closing Date & Time 08.12.2025 at 11:30 hrs. Period of Completion: 18 (Eighteen) Months. Interested Tenderer's may visit website www.ireps.gov.in for full details/ description of the tenders and to know the status of this tender so as to submit their bids online. Physical/manual tender for this work will not be accepted. (PR-781)

2025, Kolkata: In a ma-

jor stride toward employee

welfare and administrative

Manager, Eastern Rail-

way Sri Milind Deouskar

open "Rail Mitra Kendra"

at Sealdah Division today.

This dedicated single-win-

dow facility is conceived

strongly reflecting the Di-

vision's sustained commit-

ment to enhancing effi-

accessibility for its work-

force. Smt. Seema Deous-

ern Railways endeavour

as a testament to the ethos

facility has been created on

a site that was previously

characterized by neglect

and accumulated debris.

Congress leader Adhir Ran-

jan Chowdhury on Thurs-day highlighted the role

of the party under Rahul

Gandhi's leadership in op-

posing vote manipulation

and expressed confidence

that the Mahagathbandhan

alliance with Tejashwi Ya-

dav has created a strong

challenge for the BJP in the

they would not let SIR be

conducted in Bengal... But

under the leadership of Ra-

hul Gandhi, we have made

ourselves clear. We have

not only opposed the Vote

'They used to say that

'Swachhta Hi Seva'. The

sports promotion.

modernization

Division - A Landmark One-Stop Employee Facilitation Centre cleanliness drive, the location was fully transformed. Crucially, the entire trans-General formation was executed with special consideration for the challenges faced by Senior Citizens, Retired Employees, and Differently-Abled Staff (Divyangjan). To ensure their utmost conas an all-inclusive solution, venience and comfort while seeking assistance, a dedicated waiting lounge has been created for employees ciency, transparency, and visiting with their problems, keeping the needs of these groups central to the design. This initiative kar also open renovated P.L.Roy Indoor stadium as a effectively addresses all difficulties they previously step further towards Eastencountered in accessing services, making the Ken-The establishment of the dra truly inclusive and us-Rail Mitra Kendra stands

er-friendly. The new facility eliminates the previous fragmented approach where staff had to approach multiple departments for their queries and documenta-

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There is also going to be a change in Bihar. Rahul

Gandhi and Tejashwi Ya-

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Congress leader and for-

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da also emphasised that

the people have decided to

form a government led by

"In Bihar, people have made up their minds, and

the Mahagathbandhan will

form the government in the

Mahagathbandhan.

BJP in Bihar...," Chowd-

hury told ANI.



Eastern Railway Inaugurates 'Rail Mitra Kendra' at Sealdah

tion, a process that often led to wasted time and significant delays. By centralizing and streamlining the process, Sealdah Division ensures employees can now access a wide array of services conveniently in a single location. This significant move is expected to save valuable time, drastically reduce paperwork, and elevate

levels across the work-

"Rahul Gandhi and Tejashwi Yadav's pair has stirred

BJP in Bihar": Congress' Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury

all, it is the people who will

cast their votes, regardless

of how many prominent

politicians the BJP deploys

on the ground," Hooda

Earlier today, Congress

MP Rahul Gandhi launched

a sharp attack on Prime

Minister Narendra Modi,

accusing him of failing to

provide employment op-

portunities and quality

Addressing a gather-

ing in Bihar's Sheikhpura,

Gandhi questioned why the

hardworking youth of Bi-

har are forced to migrate

healthcare in Bihar.

Chori, whenever the right upcoming election. After

The facilitation centre will cater to a broad spectrum of employee needs, operating on the principles of "Accessibility, Transparency, and Efficiency." Services include: •Settlement and Pension

services for retiring staff. •Grievance Redressal support with dedicated help

•HRMS (Human Resource

ment, asserting that Bihar

should once again become

India's hub of education

and industry.
"A city like Dubai was

built by the hard work of

the people of Bihar. When

you are working so hard,

why are you not getting

employment? What is the

reason that Bihar's youth

go to other states to do

manual labour, but they

cannot get work in Bi-

har? Second question: for

medical treatment, why

do you have to go from Bi-

har to AIIMS Delhi -- why

can't you get treated in

Welfare, and Pass/PTO (Privilege Ticket Order) facilitation. •Guidance on loans, ad-

vances, and allowances. Support for family members of employees, particularly in settlement and compassionate appointment cases.

To further ensure inclusivity, trained staff at the centre will guide employees through both online and offline processes, making digital services accessible even to those less familiar with technology.

DRM Sealdah, Sri Rajeev Saxena, stated that the Rail Mitra Kendra is intended to be "a friend and guide for every railway employee and their family." He added, "By consolidating services, we aim to provide timely, transparent, and hassle-free solutions.

Bihar? Bihar used to be a

centre of education long

ago; it should become one

again. There should be the

world's best university in

Nalanda, the whole coun-

try should know that the

best education is available

in Bihar." Rahul Gandhi

"I want the label on the

back of your phone should

not read Made in China,

but Made in Bihar," he em-

The Bihar assembly

elections will be held in

two phases on November 6

and 11. The results will be

declared on November 14.

said.

phasised.

ment to employee welfare, which remains the backbone of Indian Railways."

In a parallel move to boost employee well-being, the P.L. Roy Indoor Stadium has also been renovated and reopened. The upgraded stadium now provides comprehensive facilities for various sports and activities, including Badminton, Table Tennis, and Yoga, promoting a healthy and productive lifestyle among the

railway fraternity. The Rail Mitra Kendra at Sealdah Division is envisioned as a model facilitation centre for Eastern Railway, setting a new benchmark for creating a supportive and productive workplace.

আমার মঞ্চেল সুশান্ত কুমার পাল, পিতা রাধাকান্ত পাল, সাং- পাতিহাল, জগৎবল্লভপুর হাওুড়া মহাশয় বিগত ইংরাজী- ২৪/০১/২০২ং তারিখে বডগাছিয়া সাব রেজিঃ অফিসে রেজি কৃত ০৫০৮০০২২৯ নং দলিল দ্বারা রেখা সাহ স্বামী বৈদ্যনাথ সাহা দিগর নিকট হইতে খ্রিদ সূত্রে হাওড়া জেলার জগৎবল্লভপুর থানার অধীন পাতিহাল মৌজায় জে. এল. ৪৯ নং ভুক্ত, এল গাতিখা মোলার হো এন, ১৯ বং ছুজ, এন, আর. - ১৮৬১ নং খতিয়ানে এল, আর. - ৮৫৫ নং দাগে শালি ১৬,৫০ শতক এবং এল আর.-৮৫৩ নং দাগে শালি ০৪,৫০ শতক সম্পত্তি ক্রয় করিয়াছেন। উক্ত সম্পত্তির বিক্রেতাগন বিগত ইংরাজী ২০১১ সালে বড়গাছিয়া সাব রেজিঃ অফিসে রেজিঃ কৃত ০৪ নং বহির ০১৩ নং আমমোক্তারনামা এবং বিগত ইংরাজী ২০১৪ আমমোজারনামা অবং বিগত হংরাজা ২০১১ সালে বড়গাছিয়া সাব রেজিঃ অফিসে রেজিঃ কৃৎ ০৪ নং বহির ০৯৫ নং আমমোক্তারনামা দলিল ০৪ নং বাহর ০৯৫ নং আমনোভারনামা দাণ্ড মূলে বিক্রেতা গনের পক্ষে সুকুমার মন্ডল পিত ডাঃ শশাঙ্ক শেখর মন্ডল, সাং- পাতিহাল ভাঃ শশার্ক শেবর মওল, সাং- গাভিত্য। জগৎবল্লভপুর, হাওড়া মহাশয়কে আমমোভার নযুক্ত করিয়াছিলেন। উক্ত বিক্রয়ের বিষয়ে নিবুজ বন্ধরাহিলেন ওজ নিক্রয়ের নিবর্ড কাহারও কোন প্রকার আপত্তি থাকিলে এব মাসের মধ্যে সংশ্লিষ্ট বি. এল. অ্যান্ড এল, আর, ৬ Rimo Bhakt

বিজ্ঞপ্তি আমার মঙ্কেল শ্রী অভিক রক্ষিত পিতা- শ্রী বিমল রক্ষিত হৈ ২০২৫ সালে (ADSR ডোমজুড় অফিস) ৪৬৮২ দানপর্চ দলিল মূলে চেন মারক্ষৎ ৭৪/২০২৫ ও ৭৫/২০২৫ (DSR হাওড়া ১ অফিসে) কোবোলা দলিল সূত্রে গোঁতম দাস দীগর এর পক্ষে নিয়ুত্ব আমমোনডার শ্রী জয়ন্ত মিত্র এর নকট থেকে রেজিফ্রিকত ৫২৯৮/২৪ (হাওড়া ১ অফিসা- আমোনডার দলী লারা মৌজা বার্টাছ হাল অফিসা-ই আমমোনডার দলিলা লারা মৌজা বার্টাছ হাল খতিয়ান –৭৩২/১৪ হাল দাগ –৮১ নং মোট ৯৩.২২শতক জ্বামি ক্রম করে নামপভনের জন্য আবেদন করেছেন। উচ্চ জ্বামি ক্রম করে নামপভনের জন্য আবেদন করেছেন। উচ্চ ক্রমেক করে করে করে জন্ম জিবলা কিঞ্জি প্রকাশের ১ মানের মধ্যে ডোমজুড় B.L. & L.R. ০অফিসে বোগাযোগ করবেন। Prabir Kumar Roy Advocate

Office of the Concillors of Haringhata Municipality Subarnapur, Haringhata, Nadia Notice Inviting e-Tender

Chairman, Haringhata Municipality invites e-Tender No. WBMAD/ULB/HM/NIT-24e/2025-26, Memo. No-2044/HM/2025 Dated: 29/10/2025. Tender Id: 2025_MAD_933811_1 to 2025 MAD_933811_10, Date of Publishing-30/10/2025. Bid Submission Closing Date-18/11/2025. For details please visit- www. wbtenders.gov.in

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ALLAHABAD

"PM uses words like 'mujra', has guts to object to words like 'dance": Pawan Khera over BJP complaint against Rahul Gandhi

MI News Service, Patna: After the Bharatiya Janata Party lodged a complaint against Rahul Gandhi over "dance" jibe at Prime Minister Modi, Congress leader Pawan Khera on Thursday accused the BJP of being "issueless" and lacking any vision or report card for the Bihar elections.

'Just imagine how issueless a party can be. They have no agenda, no report card, no vision for the Bihar elections, and yet they're making this an issue. A party whose Prime

ject to words like 'dance'. What bigger joke could there be? Let them complain...," Khera told ANI.

Earlier today, the BJP lodged a complaint to the Bihar Chief Election Officer (CEO) against Congress MP Rahul Gandhi over his 'dance" remarks against Prime Minister Narendra

complaint stated that Rahul Gandhi made "Highly derogatory, indecent, and personal reagainst PM Modi marks Minister uses words like during his election rally sion take immediate and Rahul Gandhi launched

held in Muzaffarpur and Darbhanga on October 29.

The BJP said that the statement of the Congress MP is not only deeply disrespectful to the office of the Prime Minister, but it "also crosses all boundaries of decency and democratic discourse.'

"Such comments are personal, mocking, and intended to insult the dignity of the highest constitutional office of the Republic of

India," the BJP stated. The party demanded that the Election Commis-

Rahul Gandhi for lating the Model Code of Conduct, committing corrupt practices under Section 123(4) of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, and lowering the dignity of the Prime Minister's office through indecent and unbecoming

It asked the poll body to issue a show-cause notice to the Congress MP and direct him to tender an unconditional public apology. Earlier on weanesaay

a fierce attack on Prime Minister Narendra Modi, alleging that he would 'do anything for votes'. Addressing an election

rally at Muzaffarpur on Wednesday, Gandhi reiterated his "vote theft" allegations, accusing PM Modi of attempting to steal votes in the Bihar elections.

The Congress leader said, "He (PM Modi) just

wants your vote. If you ask him to do a drama for votes, he will. You can make him do anything. If you teli Narenara Moai to dance, he will dance.

ervices should not be terminated by way 'discharge simpliciter' for his unauthorized absence, improper service and unsuitability to the job. The show cause notice sent by registered post on 09.09.2025 to his last known address has been returned undelivered with the reason LEFT. Hence notice was given by way of substituted service to the Officer vide Advertisement in Sukhabar and Morning India dated 10.10.2025. Final notice sent to him invoking the "discharge simpliciter" clause mentioned in Offer of Appointment has also been returned for the reason LEFT.

Therefore Final notice is hereby given by way of substituted service to the officer; that invoking the clause mentioned in Offer of Appointment, he will be discharged from the ervices of the Bank by way of "discharge simpliciter" on completion of one month from the date of this notice without any further intimation whatsoever

इंडियन बैंक

"Does he know anything about it?": Tej Pratap Yadav slams Rahul Gandhi over Chhath

MI News Service, Patna: Janshakti Janata Dal (JJD) chief Tej Pratap Yadav on Thursday took a sharp swipe at Congress MP Rahul Gandhi's remarks on Chhath Puja, questioning his knowledge and connection with the festival.

Speaking to reporters, Yadav asked whether Gandhi had ever observed Chhath or understood its traditions, adding that "a man who runs away abroad" cannot comprehend the significance of the festival, which is deeply rooted in devotion and

discipline. "What does Rahul Gandhi ji know about Chhath? Has Rahul Gandhi observed Chhath? Does he know anything about it? What knowledge does a man have about the Chhath festival who runs away abroad ?" Tej Pratap Yadav said.

Delhi Minister Kapil Mishra also slammed the Congress MP, saying he had never seen anyone from Rahul's family perform Chhath Puja. "...Woh chullu bhar

paani mein doobne wali the Yamuna is clean by

rajneeti kar rahe hai unhe Yamuna Maiyya kya samajh aaegi. Rahul Gandhi should have come to perform the Chhath Puja. I have never seen anyone from his family perform Chhath Puja... Today he is insulting Čhhathi Maiyya, and I believe that any person who worships Chhathi Maiyya will not accept this insult...," Mishra said.

Earlier today, Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi alleged that there are "two Indias"; one which pretends that

making a separate pond for Prime Minister Narendra Modi, while on the other side, the pollution of the river has been evident.

'There are two Indias. During the Chhath Puja, PM Modi decided to take a bath in the Yamuna. On one hand, there is the reality of India and Bihar, where the Yamuna is polluted, and on the other hand, PM Modi has built a small pond of clean water. Clean water was brought from pipes so that PM Modi could take a bath in dressing a rally in Bihar's Nalanda.

This came after the Aam Aadmi Party in Delhi alleged that the BJP government created "fake Yamuna" for PM Modi to take a dip during Chhath

Puja.
"Rekha Gupta's government created a fake Yamuna at Vasudev Ghat for making Reels and Videos. Filtered water from the Ganga was poured into it, and it was claimed that the Yamuna had been cleaned," AAP wrote on X on Tuesday.

it," Gandhi said while ad-3-day Akhil Bharatiya Karyakari Mandal Baithak of RSS begins in Jabalpur

Jabalpur: The Akhil Bharatiya Karyakari Mandal Baithak of the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) began on Thursday at Kachnar City in Madhya Pradesh's Jabalpur.

The meeting was inaugurated by Param Pujaneeya Sarsanghchalak Mohan Bhagwat and Mananiya Sarkaryavah Dattatreya Hosabale, who offered floral tributes to the idol of Bharat Mata.

Attending this meeting are all six Sah-Sarkaryavahs - Krishna Gopal, Mukunda, Arun Kumar, Ramdatt Chakradhar, Alok Kumar, and Atul Limaye - along with members of the Akhil Bharatiya Karyakarini, Sanghchalaks, Karyavahs, Pracharaks, and invited karyakartas from all 11 Kshetras and 46 Prants, totalling 407 partici-

At the beginning of the meeting, homage was paid to several distinguished personalities who passed away recently, including former Pramukh Sanchalika of Rashtra Sevika Samiti Pramila Tai Medhe, senior Pracharak Madhu Bhai Kulkarni, former Chief Minister Vijay Rupani (Gujarat) and Shibu Soren (Jharkhand), senior Delhi leader Vijay Malhotra, eminent

scientist Dr. Kasturirangan, former Governor L. Ganesan, lyricist Piyush Pandey, film actors Satish Shah and Pankaj Dheer, comedian Asrani, and renowned Assamese musician Zubeen Garg.

Tributes were also offered to the Hindu tourists killed in the Pahalgam incident, victims of the Air India tragedy, and those who lost their lives in natural calamities across Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Uttarakhand, Punjab, and other parts of the country. Information was also shared

regarding the relief and service activities carried out by

did not come out for lunch, the

RSS Swayamsevaks, with the cooperation of society, in various regions affected by natural disasters.

During the meeting, statements will be issued on the 350th martyrdom anniversary of Shri Guru Tegh Bahadur, the 150th birth anniversary of Birsa Munda, and the completion of 150 years of the composition of Vande Mataram. Discussions on related programs will also take place.

The meeting will further hold discussions on preparations for the upcoming RSS Shatabdi Varsh (centenary year) initiatives, such as the

Griha Sampark Abhiyan, Hindu Sammelans, Sadbhav Baithaks and Pramukh Jan Sangoshthis.

Additionally, there will be a review of recent Vijayadashami celebrations and discussions on the current national situation.

<u>আমমোক্তারনামা</u> (ক) বিকাশ চন্দ্ৰ কোলে ও (খ) পলাশ কোলে, উভয়ের

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এতদ্বারা সকলকে অবগত করা হইতাছে যে কাহারে যদি কোন আইনানুগ আপত্তি ও অধিকার থাকে, তাহার জন্য সঠিক পদক্ষেপ গ্রহণ করে ১ মাসের মধ্যে রঞ্জ টোধরী, পিতা-কালীচরণ টোধরী, সাং-১১৬/এ, জি.টি রোড, কোতরং, পোঃ- হিন্দমোটর, থানা-উত্তরপাড়া

REGULATION OF TRAINS FOR MAINTENANCE WORK OVER SEALDAH DIVISION For complete conversion of point no. 135B/136A, Traffic Block for

7 hours will be necessary on Down Passenger Line at Ballygunge Junction station limit from 23.10 hrs. of 01.11.2025 (Saturday) to 06.10 hrs. of 02.11.2025 (Sunday). Consequently, the following arrangements in train running have been made: ● CANCELLATION OF TRAINS ON 01.11.2025 (Saturday): Sealdah-Komagata Maru Budge Budge: DN 34166/UP 34165. Sealdah-Lakshmikantapur: DN 34754/UP 34755. ● CANCELLATION OF TRAINS ON 02.11.2025 (Sunday): Sealdah-Diamond Harbour: DN 34812/UP 34815. Sealdah-Sonarpur: DN 34412/UP 34411. Sealdah-Komagata Maru Budge Budge: DN 34114/UP 34113. Sealdah-Baruipur: DN 34612/UP 34611. Sealdah-Lakshmikantapur: DN 34716, 34718/UP 34713, 34715 • SHORT TERMINATION & SHORT ORIGINATION OF TRAINS: (i) 34557 UP Canning-Sealdah Local will be short terminated at Ballygunge on Saturday (01.11.2025) and 34554 DN Sealdah-Canning Local will be short originated from Ballygunge on Saturday (01.11.2025). (ii) 34859 UP Diamond Harbour-Sealdah Local will be short terminated at Ballygunge on Saturday (01.11.2025) and 34860 DN Sealdah-Diamond Harbour Local will be short originated from Ballygunge on Saturday (01.11.2025). (iii) 34757 UP Lakshmikantapur-Sealdah Local will be short terminated at Ballygunge on Saturday (01.11.2025) and 34712 DN Sealdah-Lakshmikantapur Local will be short originated from Ballygunge on Sunday (02.11.2025). (iv) 34163 UP Komagata Maru Budge Budge-Sealdah Local will be short terminated at Ballygunge on Saturday (01.11.2025) and 34112 DN Sealdah-Komagata Maru Budge Budge Local will be short originated from Ballygunge on Sunday (02.11.2025). (v) 34111 UP Komagata Maru Budge Budge-Sealdah Local will be short terminated at Ballygunge on Sunday (02.11.2025) and 34116 DN Sealdah-Komagata Maru Budge Budge Local will be short originated from Ballygunge on Sunday (02.11.2025). (vi) 34811 UP Diamond Harbour-Sealdah Local will be short terminated at Ballygunge on Sunday (02.11.2025) and 34714 DN Sealdah-Lakshmikantapur Local will be short originated from Ballygunge on Sunday (02.11.2025). (vii) 34711 UP Lakshmikantapur-Sealdah Local will be short terminated at Ballygunge on Sunday (02.11.2025) and 34814 DN Sealdah-Diamond Harbour Local will be short originated from Ballygunge on Sunday (02.11.2025). (viii) **34813 UP** Diamond Harbour-Sealdah Local will be short terminated at Ballygunge on Sunday (02.11.2025) and 34816 DN Sealdah-Diamond Harbour Local will be short originated from Ballygunge on Sunday (02.11.2025). (ix) **34511 UP** Canning-Sealdah Local will be short terminated at Sonarpur on Sunday (02.11.2025) and 34352 DN Sonarpur-Canning Local will be short originated from Sonarpur on Sunday (02.11.2025). (x) 34513 UP Canning-Sealdah Local will be short terminated at Ballygunge on Sunday (02.11.2025) and 34512 DN Sealdah-Canning Local will be short originated from Ballygunge on Sunday (02.11.2025). NOTE: 34718 DN Sealdah-Lakshmikantapur Local will be controlled at Ballygunge Home Signal till cancellation of Block. Inconvenience is regretted. Divisional Railway Manager, Sealdah

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MI News Service, Mumbai: A 50-year-old man, identified as Rohit Arya, who had taken children hostage in Mumbai's Powai area, was declared dead after being taken to HBT Hospital, police said on Thurs-

Police said that Arya was seriously injured in the incident and was admitted to the hospital for treatment.

Dinesh Goswami, who was present at the spot, said that a man conducting auditions in Mumbai's Powai area for the past few days allegedly took 17 children hostage after extending the session, leading to panic among parents when the children did not come out

Speaking to ANI, Dinesh Goswami said, "An audition was ongoing here for the past 3 days, the man (Rohit Arya) extended it by 3 more days. Suddenly, a message was received that he kidnapped 17 children. When these children

parents panicked. Someone might have called up the Police. When the Police reached here, it was found that the children had been kidnapped. Mumbai Police team went in and safely rescued the children...It should be investigated whether the studio is legal or

illegal, the perpetrator should be given strict punishment."

Earlier, Mumbai Police detained Rohit Arya, who had allegedly held several children

hit Arya had released a video claiming that he wanted to speak with certain people and threatened to set everything on fire and harm himself along with the children if his demand was not met.

Man who held children hostage in Mumbai's Powai declared dead at HBT Hospital hostage in the Powai area of According to the police, Ro-

> Police officials said the man appeared to be mentally unstable, and they were trying to handle the situation

Stem cell therapy may help reduce heart failure after a heart attack

NEW DELHI: Patients with weak heart function who receive stem cell therapy shortly after a heart attack are less likely to suffer heart failure, according to a study

Heart failure can occur after a heart attack when the heart muscle is extensively damaged, weakening its ability to pump blood effectively.

This can be a sudden complication (acute heart failure) or a long-term one. Symptoms include breathing, fatigue, swelling in the legs, and an irregular heartbeat

The clinical trial, published by the BMJ, suggests stem cell therapy may be a valuable add-on procedure for this particular group of patients after a heart attack to prevent subsequent heart failure and reduce the risk of future adverse events.

An international team of researchers, including those from Queen Mary University of London in the UK, set out to assess the impact of delivering stem cells directly into coronary arteries (known as intracoronary infusion) after a heart attack on the devel opment of heart failure over three

years.
"The results suggest that this

Cipla global CEO Umang Vohra to step down, Achin **Gupta announces** as successor

NEW DELHI : Pharma

major Cipla Ltd on

Thursday announced a change, with Umang Vohra, Managing Director and Global Chief Executive Officer (MD and GCEO), set to step down at the end of his current term in March 2026. The company's board has approved the appointment of Achin Gupta, currently the Global Chief Operating Officer, as the next MD and GCEO, effective April 1, 2026, subject to shareholder approval.

Vohra, who has been at the helm since 2016, has led Cipla through a period of strong global expansion and strategic transfor-

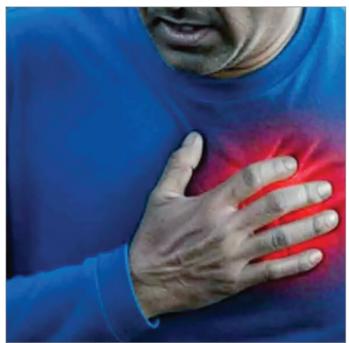
mation over the past decade. "Umang Vohra, Managing Director and Global Chief Executive Officer (MD and GCEO), expressed his intention not to seek re-appointment upon completion of his current term on March 31, 2026," the Company said in its exchange filing. "As part of the Company's structured succession planning, Achin Gupta, Global Chief Operating Officer, has been elevated and appointed as the MD and GCEO of the Company with effect from April 1, 2026, for a term of 5 years," it added. However, Gupta's appointment is subject to the approval of the shareholders, who have also been appointed as an additional director of the Company with effect from April 1.

Gujarat's dental college wins award for 2nd consecutive year, patients praise its awareness drives

AHMEDABAD: In a remarkable achievement, the government dental college and hospital in Gujarat's Jamnagar recorded significant success in dental care and oral health. This is the second consecutive year that the dental college has been awarded by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

The dental college won the honours in the Best Performing Dental College this year, for promoting dental health and spreading awareness about the harms of tobacco use. According to patients, the dental hospital not only provides dental treatment with modern equipment but also creates awareness about tobacco and cigarette addiction.

"I've been coming here for treatment for four months and have gradually reduced my tobacco use because I'm now afraid of contracting a serious illness, like cancer. I feel confident that I'll receive quality treatment here," said one of the patients. The hospital also has a centre dedicated to educating patients about the ill effects of tobacco use, and counselling is also provided.



technique may serve as a valuable procedure myocardial infarction to prevent the development of heart failure and reduce the risk of future adverse events," the team said.

The trial included 396 patients (average age 57-59 years) with no previous heart conditions at three teaching hospitals in Iran. They had all experienced a first heart

attack (myocardial infarction).

intervention group received an intracoronary infusion of allogenic Wharton's jelly-derived mesenchymal stem cells within 3-7 days of their heart attack in addition to standard care.

The remaining 260 control group patients received standard care alone.

Compared with the control group, intracoronary infusion of stem cells was associated with reduced rates of heart failure (2.77 vs. 6.48 per 100 person years), readmission to hospital for heart failure (0.92 vs. 4.20 per 100 person years), and a combined measure of cardiovascular death and readmission for heart attack or heart failure (2.8 vs. 7.16 per 100 person years).

The intervention did not have a statistically significant effect on readmission to the hospital for heart attack or death from cardio-

vascular disease. However, by six months, heart function in the intervention group showed a significantly greater improvement compared with the control group, said the researcher, while also urging the need for additional trials confirming the

Transport Corporation of India Ltd. (TCI) Announces Strong Growth in Q2FY2026 Financial Results

PATNA: Transport Corporation of India Ltd. (TCI), India's leading integrated multimodal logistics and supply chain solutions provider, today announced its financial results for the secondquarter ended September30,

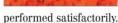
Financial Highlights for Q2/FY2026:

- Revenue: TCI reported a consolidated revenue of Rs 12174Mn, marking a growth of 8% compared to Rs 11314Mn in the same period last vear.

- EBIŤDA: The Company's Earnings before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation, and Amortization (EBITDA) stood at Rs 1624Mn, a 7% increase 1519Mn from 02/FY2025.

- Profit after Tax (PAT): PAT rose by 6% to Rs 1135Mn, compared to Rs 1073Mn in the corresponding quarter of the previous year.

Management Commentary : Commenting on the Q2FY2026 performance, Mr. Vineet Agarwal, MD - TCI, said: "We are pleased to report a steady Q2 performance, driven by strong demand across auto, FMCG and consumer durables, reflecting the strength of our strategy, operational effi-ciency, and effective execution. All product segments/divisions have



The implementation of GST 2.0 has brought much-needed clarity in compliance and simplified taxation, enabling smoother logistics operations. Early signs of improved affordability and faster fulfilment are already visible, further supported by festive season demand across key consumption categories. In response to this uptick, we expanded our warehousing footprint and continued to invest in automation, smart multimodal assets. Our rail and coastal multimodal Logistics offering continues to scale up, delivering efficient, high-capacity, and green logistics across long-haul routes.

On the sustainability front, we continue to invest in our green fleet by piloting alternative fuel technologies, while progressing

on broader initiatives such as clean energy adoption, waste management systems, and modal shift strategies. The TCI-IIM Bangalore lab is making significant progress in its contribution to the Transport & Logistics industry A major milestone was achieved as the Lab's Transportation Emissions Measurement Tool (TEMT), developed under the TCI-IIM Bangalore initiative, has now been formally adopted by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) and is hosted on its official website (https://dpiit.freightemissions.com/). As India's logistics landscape evolves rapidly, TCI remains committed to delivering integrated, tech-enabled, and environmentally sustainable supply chain solutions.



Dalmia Bharat Foundation Organizes 'Swachhta Hi Sewa 2025' Cleanliness Drive in Bokaro



BOKAR : In line with the national mission of 'Swachh Bharat Dalmia Bharat Foundation (DBF), the corporate social responsibility (CSR) arm of Dalmia Bharat Ltd., has organized a special cleanliness campaign under "Swachhta Hi Sewa 2025" in the industrial zone of Bokaro district. Themed around "Clean Industrial Zone Initiative," the drive aimed to promote awareness and collective responsibility towards cleanliness, health, and hygiene nearby DCBL, bokaro plant premises and it's surrounding areas. The initiative was graced by several key dignitaries

including Sri Sunil Kumar K. Bhusari, Unit Head, DCBL, Bokaro; Sri Pritam Raj, District Project officer - Namami Ganges, Bokaro; Sri Ashish Kumar Mahto, Block Project officer - Namami Ganges, Bokaro and Sri Amit Kumar, District Officer, UNICEF,

Commenting on the initiative, Shri Sunil Kumar K. Bhusari, Unit Head, DCBL, Bokaro, said, "At Dalmia Bharat, sustainability and community well-being are at the heart of everything we do. Through the 'Swachhta Hi Sewa 2025' initiative, we aim to promote cleanliness, hygiene, and a collective sense of responsibility towards protecting our environment. This campaign reflects our continued commitment to building cleaner, greener, and healthier surroundings, not just for today

but for future generations. The event witnessed the participation of over 50 participants, including officials and executives of Dalmia Cement (Bharat) Limited (DCBL), along with representatives from the District Administration, Bokaro. The cleanliness drive involved road cleaning, waste removal, painting of road dividers, and general beautification of the industrial

area including removal of bushes along the roadside. Awareness sessions were also conducted to emphasize the importance of maintaining hygiene and ensuring sustainable waste management

Through such initiatives, DBF continues to reaffirm its vision of fostering sustainable community development by promoting environmental stewardship and civic responsibility. By driving awareness and encouraging participa-tion at the grassroots level, the Foundation remains committed to creating healthier and more resilient communities across its areas of operation.

About Dalmia Foundation: Dalmia Bharat Foundation focuses on building Sustainable Livelihoods and ensure Rural Development in its program areas. These programs combine in-depth, long-term plans and strategies along with medium- and short-term initiatives and campaigns. Owing to the great differences across locations, DBF has adopted a flexible, multiintervention approach that allows programs and people to grow together and sustain each other. The two focus areas have been derived from the felt needs of the community and issues material to business. Visit at?http://www.dalmiabharatfoun-

City doctors report 50 pc rise in eye problems as smog continues to engulf Delhi

NEW DELHI: The national capital's continued poor air quality and thick smog engulfing the city are not only harmful for the lungs but also eye health, said ophthalmologists on Thursday, while reporting a 50 per cent surge in eye-related problems. The thick blanket of smog and dangerously high levels of pollution have led to a spike in cases of eye allergies, dryness, burning sensations, and excessive watering, affecting both adults and children. Doctors say that the toxic cocktail of smoke, particulate matter, and chemical residues released during firecracker burning is not only harmful for the lungs, but for the eyes as well. "If your cornea gets damaged, you need a corneal transplant to restore your vision. However, if pollution levels continue to rise, a time will come when no corneal transplant will be effective, because the cornea is getting damaged due to pollution," Prof Sudarshan Khokhar, Professor of Ophthalmology at AIIMS, told IANS, adding that the elderly are more vulnerable as the cornea is already weak in them.

"In the last few days, the number of patients suffering from dryness, burning, and watery eyes has increased by around 50 per cent. Many of them come in complaining that their eyes feel gritty or heavy -- symptoms typical of pollution-induced ocular allergy. Even healthy individuals are experiencing irritation due to the poor air quality," added Dr. Rajesh Sinha, Professor of Ophthalmology at the RP Centre, AIIMS.

The expert explained that tiny particulate matter (PM2.5 and PM10) suspended in the air can settle on the surface of the eyes, damaging the tear film and causing inflammation. The eyes, being directly exposed to the environment, are among the first organs to suffer when pollution levels soar. Pollutants like nitrogen dioxide, sulfur dioxide, and carbon particles react with the moisture in the eyes, leading to chemical irritation and inflammation." Every year after Diwali, we brace for a rise in eye complaints. The number of patients complaining of itching, redness, and irritation has gone up by almost 50-60 per cent. We are seeing es and those w are experiencing much more discomfort than usual. The combination of pollution, dust, and chemical exposure is proving extremely harmful for the ocular surface," said Dr. Harbansh Lal, Delhi-based senior ophthalmologistHe explained that people who wear contact lenses and eye makeup are particularly vulnerable, as tiny particles trapped between the lens and the cornea can worsen inflammation. Sinha further noted that repeated exposure to high pollution levels can lead to chronic inflammation and progressive damage to the ocular surface, affecting both comfort and long-term vision. "Protecting your eyes is just as important as protecting your lungs during this season," he said. "Even small steps like wearing glasses and using lubricating drops can make a big difference.

Heat-related deaths rose by 63 pc since 1990s, claiming 546,000 lives yearly: The Lancet

GENEVA: Heat-related deaths have increased by 63 per cent since the 1990s, averaging 546,000 deaths yearly from 2012-21, according to an alarming report of the Lancet Countdown on Health and Climate Change on Wednesday.

The report, authored by 128 multidisciplinary experts worldwide, showed how climate inaction is claiming millions of lives every year, causing widespread floods, droughts, and wildfires. and also facilitating the spread of infectious diseases across the

The report, which comes ahead of the COP 30 to be held in November in Brazil, found that 12 of 20 key indicators tracking health threats have reached record levels, showing how climate inaction is costing lives, straining health systems, and undermining economies.
It warned that continued over-

reliance on fossil fuels and failure to adapt to a heating world are already having a devastating toll on human health.

"The climate crisis is a health crisis. Every fraction of a degree of warming costs lives and livelihoods," said Dr Jeremy Farrar, Assistant Director-General for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention and Care at the World Health Organization. "This report, produced with WHO as a strategic partner, makes clear that climate inaction is killing people now in all countries. However, climate action is also the greatest health opportunity of our time. Cleaner air, healthier diets, and resilient health systems can save millions of lives now and protect current and future generations," Farrar

Driven by human-caused greenhouse gas emissions, climate change is increasingly claiming lives and harming peo-ple's health worldwide. The

report noted that mean annual temperatures exceeded 1.5 degrees Celsius above those of preindustrial times for the first time in 2024.

Climate change exposed an average person to 16 days of dangerous heat in 2024, with infants and older adults facing a total of over 20 heatwave days per person -- a four-fold increase over the last twenty years. Heat exposure 640 billion potential labour hours to be lost in 2024, with productivity losses equivalent to \$1.09 trillion. The costs of heatrelated deaths among older adults

reached \$ 261 billion.

Further, the incidence of extreme precipitation days (which affect health and can trigger flash floods and landslides) increased in 64 per cent of the world's land surface between 1961-90 and 2015-24. Meanwhile, a recordbreaking 61 per cent of the global land area was affected by extreme drought in 2024, which is 299 per cent above the 1950s average, further threatening food and water security, sanitation, and causing downstream economic

In addition, the hotter and

drier weather increased the risk of wildfires, and 2024 saw a record-high 1,54,000 deaths from wildfire smoke-derived small particulate matter (PM2·5) air pollution. The changing climatic conditions are also affecting the risk of transmission of deadly infectious diseases. The average climatedefined transmission potential of dengue by Aedes albopictus and Aedes aegypti increased signifi-

On the other hand, governments spent \$956 billion on net fossil fuel subsidies in 2023, more than triple the annual amount pledged to support climate-vulnerable countries. Fifteen countries spent more subsidising fossil fuels than on their entire national

health budgets.
"Rapidly phasing out fossil fuels in favour of clean renewable energy and efficient energy use remains the most powerful lever to slow climate change and protect lives. At the same time, shifting to healthier, climate-friendly diets and more sustainable agricultural systems would massively cut pollution, greenhouse gases, and deforestation, potentially saving over 10 million lives a year," said Dr Marina Romanello, Executive Director of the Lancet Countdown at University College

Satish Singh will be distinguished with the conferment of the "Dr. **Vipul Trikha Smriti Sahitya Sadhna Samman**"

DURING a forth-coming literary event, the Sahitya Sabha of Kaithal, Harvana. organizing a Kavi Sammelan and

in Kaithal.

Felicitation scheduled Ceremony November 9, 2025, at RKSD College, located on Ambala Road

The event aims to honour twenty-four eminent literary personalities and journalists. Mr. Satish Singh, a banker, prominentsenior columnist, and literary figure based in Mumbai, will also receive this prestigious award. Currently serving as the Assistant General Manager at the State Bank of India's Corporate Centre in Mumbai, Mr. Singh has dedicated the past thirty years to literary pursuits and has been active in promoting financial literacy for the past seventeen years. His extensive body of work includes over 2,500 articles, sixty stories, and more than 250 poems published across various newspapers and magazines. Additionally, he has released seven music albums on OTT platforms. Mr. Singh has received more than a dozen accolades in.



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Trump says China agreed to 'immediately' purchase 'large and tremendous amounts' of soybean

MI News Service, Busan: US President Donald Trump on Thursday announced that China has committed to immediately purchase "large and tremendous amounts" of soybeans and other US farm products as part of a deal between the two nations following his muchanticipated meeting with his Chinese counterpart Xi Jinping on the sidelines of the APEC Summit in Busan, South Korea.

Speaking to reporters during a gaggle aboard Air Force One following his departure to Washington, Trump hailed the decision as a "very nice gesture' from President Xi Jinping, noting that his Chinese counterpart had authorised the purchase a day

"We're in agreement on so many elements. Large amounts, tremendous amounts of the soybeans and other farm products are going to be purchased, starting immediately. If you notice, Presauthorised yesterday for China to start buying very large quantities of soybeans and other things, which I appreciated. That was a very nice gesture," Trump said.

According to CNN, in May, China halted its purchases of US soybeans fol-Trump's announcement of tariffs, leaving farmers nationwide with billions of dollars' worth of unsold crops and prompting some to question the policies of a president many had supported. The administration has

been considering a bailout package to assist farmers. but the recent government shutdown complicated matters, casting doubt on whether such aid will be delivered. Prior to the Trump-Xi meeting, US Secretary Treasury Bessent announced a framework agreement that could encourage China to resume purchasing a significant volume of US soybeans, as reported by CNN.

"Unacceptable": MEA slams Pakistan over border tensions with Afghanistan, cross-border terrorism

MI News Service, New Delhi: India on Thursday slammed Pakistan for border tensions with Afghanistan, calling it "unacceptable" and reprimanding Pakistan for practising cross-border terrorism with impunity.

In a weekly media briefing, Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) spokesperson RandhirJaiswal said "infuriated" with Afghanistan for exercising sovereignty over its own territories.

"I reiterate what I had said in my last briefing," Jaiswal told reporters, "Pakistan is infuriated with Afghanistan exercising sovereignty over its own territories. Pakistan seems to think that it has the right to practice cross-border terrorism with impunity. Its neighbours find it unacceptable. India remains fully committed to the sovereignty, territorial integrity, and independence of Afghanistan."

The MEA's remarks come amid worsening relations between Pakistan and Afghanistan following the failure of peace talks held in Turkey this week. The two countries have seen an escalation in border tensions, with both sides trading accusations and en-



gaging in skirmishes.

According to Dawn, hostilities began on the night of October 11, after the Taliban government in Kabul accused Pakistan of carrying out airstrikes inside Afghanistan an allegation Islamabad has neither confirmed nor denied.

On Wednesday, the tensions deepened after Pakistan's Defence Minister Khawaja Asif issued a severe warning to the Taliban regime, threatening possible military strikes inside Afghan

Speaking to reporters at Pakistan's Parliament House, Asif said that if another militant attack occurred on Pakistani soil, the country would not hesitate to respond militarily.

We will conduct strikes, we definitely will." Asif said, as quoted by Dawn. "If their territory is used and they violate our territory, then, if we need to go deep into Afghanistan to retaliate, we surely will.

He added that Pakistan had engaged in peace talks "to give peace a chance" at the request of friendly nations, but described the Taliban's statements as "venomous" and reflective of a "devious and splintered mind-

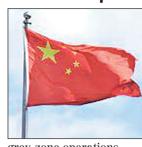
The failed peace talks between Pakistan and Afghanistan were mediated by Turkey and Qatar, with the aim of curbing cross-border terrorism and reducing military confrontations. The negotiations, held in Istanbul, lasted four days but ended without any agreement or roadmap for de-escala-

Pakistan's Information Minister AttaullahTarar confirmed that the discussions "failed to bring about any workable solution." The talks were part of ongoing international efforts to de-escalate border violence after several deadly clashes earlier this month

China's covert maritime tactics deepen Taiwan's security worries

MI News Service, Taipei: Taiwan's National Security Bureau (NSB) has revealed that Chinese vessels are using at least eight covert tactics to enter restricted maritime zones near Kinmen County, further complicating Taiwan's ability to monitor its territorial waters, these repeated incursions have become an alarming feature of China's escalating maritime pressure campaign against Taiwan, as reported by The Taipei Times.

According to The Taipei Times, speaking before the legislature's Foreign Affairs and National Defence Committee, NSB Director-General Tsai Ming-yen said that a recently captured image showed seven to eight commercial Chinese vessels sailing into restricted areas near Kinmen. He noted that some ships had disabled their automatic identification systems (AIS), making them impossible to trace. The observation adds to growing concerns over Beijing's use of non-military assets for



grey-zone operations.

KMT Legislator Chen Yeong-kang questioned whether these vessels were fishing boats commissioned by Beijing or dis-guised China Coast Guard ships conducting intelligence-gathering missions. He argued that such intrusions should not be dismissed provocations but instead be treated as direct challenges to Taiwan's sover-

eignty. Tsai said intelligence has identified eight to nine different methods employed by Chinese ships, including switching off AIS systems, forging vessel identities, and using fake maritime mobile service numbers. These practices,

he admitted, have made surveillance "significantly more complex." In response, Taiwan's Coast Administration (CGA) has begun deploying more patrols and approved a NT\$20 billion (US\$653 million) plan to strengthen its naval capacity and improve intelligence-sharing systems, as cited by The Taipei Times.

Meanwhile, warned that the upcoming completion of China's Xiamen Xiangan International Airport could be exploited to expand Beijing's air jurisdiction over parts of Kinmen under the guise of civil aviation management. He urged Taiwan's Ministry National Mainland Affairs Council, and CGA to remain alert. Analysts state China's tactics reflect a broader pattern of maritime coercion and hybrid warfare, aimed at testing Taiwan's response capabilities while gradually undermining its control over its own waters, as reported by The

Vigilance Awareness Week Observed by Khurda Road Division

Delhi, 30 Oct.25: As part of the ongoing Vigilance Awareness Week–2025, a seminar on the theme "Vigilance - Our Shared Responsibility" was organized by Khurda Road Division of East Coast Railway at the Divisional Conference Hall today. Shri Jagadananda, noted Social Activist, Civil Society Leader and former State Information Commissioner, Government of Odisha, graced the occasion as the Guest Speaker.

In his inspiring address, Shri Jagadananda emphasized the transition "From Awareness to Action", highlighting the three pillars of vigilance Preparation, Participation and Purpose. He urged everyone to view vigilance as a way of life, driven by inner inspira-tion — "Not in catching, but in creating true vigilance." He elaborated that vigilance embodies integrity, practice and

MI News Service, New shared responsibility, and cited the Whistle Blower Act as an important example of participatory vigilance and accountability.

He further appealed to all railway employees to walk with integrity and purpose, work with honesty and passion, and build an ecosystem based on trust and moral values. Shri Jagadananda also spoke on the importance of moral leadership and moral compass, saying that every employee should remember being a citizen of the country first, committed to upholding the credibility and values of public institutions. "Vigilance is not about fear," he remarked, "it is about freedom — freedom to work with dignity, honesty and responsibility." He concluded that Vigilance Awareness Week is an opportunity to build a system of integrity and a future of trust and responsibility.

The event was attended by Additional Divisional Railway Manager (Operation) Shri Pradeep Kumar Behra, Khurda Road along with senior officials of the Division. Divisional Personnel Officer Shri Pramod Kumar Behera welcomed the guest and set the tone for

the seminar. Senior officers, staff and representatives from various departments of Khurda Road Division actively participated in the session, which encouraged open discussion on preventive vigilance, ethical governance and honesty in daily work culture.

The event forms part of a series of programs being conducted throughout the week across the Division to promote awareness against corruption and reinforce the message of honesty, transparency and responsibility every sphere of railway

Augmentation Of Different Type Of Coaches With Five Express Trains MI News Service, New Delhi, 30 Oct.25: The augmentation of additional coaches in popular Express trains is an ongo-

ing initiative aimed at improving overall travel experience for passengers. Accordingly, in response to the overwhelming demand for tickets throughout the year, Railway has decided to augment additional Air-conditioned and Sleper class coaches in following Express trains: One additional AC 3-Tier Economy class & Sleeper class coach will be permanently augmented with 13418/13417 Malda Town - Digha -Malda Town Express leaving Malda Town with effect from 06.11.2025 & leaving Digha with effect from 06.11.2025. Additional 152 berths will be generated in each trip. The train will run with 16 coaches instead of 14 coaches.

One additional AC 3-Tier Economy class & Sleeper class coach will be permanently augmented with 13419/13420 Bhagalpur - Muzaffarpur - Bhagalpur Express leaving Bhagalpur with effect from 06.11.2025 and leaving Muzaffarpur with effect from 06.11.2025. Additional 152 berths will be generated in each trip. The train will run with 19 coaches instead of 17 coaches. One additional AC 2-Tier coach will be augmented with 19608/19607 Madar Jn. - Kolkata -Madar Jn. Weekly Express leaving Madar Jn. with effect from 03.11.2025 to 24.11.2025 & leaving Kolkata with effect from 06.11.2025 to 27.11.2025. Additional 52 berths will be generated in each trip. One additional AC- First Class coach will be augmented with 1288/12987 Ajmer - Sealdah Ajmer Express leaving Ajmer with effect from 01.11.2025 to 30.11.2025 & leaving Sealdah with effect from 02.10.2025 to 01.12.2025. Additional 18 berths will be generated in each trip. One additional AC-3 tier Economy coach & Sleeper Class Coach will be augmented with 12495/12496 Bikaner - Kolkata - Bikaner Express leaving Bikaner with effect from 06.11.2025 to 27.11.2025 & leaving Kolkata with effect from 07.11.2025 to 28.11.2025. Additional 152 berths will be generated in each trip.

Developing passenger holding areas at various railway stations

MI News Service, New Delhi, 30 Oct.25: Railway Minister approved the plan for developing passenger holding areas at various railway stations. This decision was taken looking at the success of passenger holding area at New Delhi station. New Delhi station could smoothly handle the extremely heavy rush of Diwali and Chhath with the help of holding area. The holding area was completed within four months. The holding areas will be in modular design. They will be constructed considering the local conditions. Railway Minister directed that all the holding areas should be constructed well before 2026 festival season

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Muslim Personal Law Board's State Waqf Convention

Nurul Islam Khan: The State Organizer Meet and State Waqf Convention of the All India Muslim Personal Law Board was held on Thursday at the Frontpage Academy of Deganga Police Station in North 24 Parganas. The meeting, chaired by the Board's Working Committee member and State Convener Maulana Abu Talib Rahmani, was attended by leaders of mass organizations and social workers from different parts of the state. The meeting discussed various ongoing

social and legal issues of the Muslim community. He called for spontaneous initiatives to protect religious rights and waqf property. Convener of the meeting and board member Muhammad Kamruzzaman said that even if the Modi government's Kala Kanun Waqf Amendment Act is not accepted by the Muslim community of the country, information about waqf property should be uploaded on the UMID portal as per the guidelines of the Minority Development Department of the country. Allegedly, various graveyards in the state are changing from their own ledgers to government number one ledgers! How is this

happening? Maulana Abu Taleb Rahmani

said that the central government has given

time till December 5 to upload information

on the portal, before that we will ask the



government how the property of the mosque and madrasa is becoming number one ledger. And the board has filed an application in the Supreme Court that it is not possible to upload so much information from all over the country in such a short time, so a request has been made to give at least one year to upload the information on the Umid portal. The speakers at the meeting urged people not to panic about the SIR. Kamruzzaman said that we have to do all the work by being aware and cooperating with the BLOs.

Present were All India Muslim Personal Law Board member Haji Mahmud Alam, Furfura Sharif Jamiat Ulama-e-Bangla's Syed Sajjad Hossain, All India Sunnat Al Jamaat's Mufti Abdul Matin, Jamiatul Aima Al Ulama's Mufti Imdadullah, Jamiat Ahle Hadith's Alamgir Sardar, former Jamaat-e-Islami's Ameer social activist Muhammad Nuruddin, Aiktan's Maw: Aminul Ambia, Minority Youth Federation's Maw: Anwar Hossain Qasemi, and many others.

Russia tests nuclear-capable Posiedon underwater drone

MI News Service, Moscow: Russia has successfully conducted a test of its advanced nuclear-capable underwater drone, Poseidon, Russian President Vladimir Putin announced on Wednesday, RT reported. Speaking during a visit to a military hospital in Moscow, Putin confirmed that the trials of the Poseidon system were carried out on Tuesday. "When it comes to speed and depth, there is nothing comparable to this unmanned vehicle anywhere in the world, and it is unlikely to appear anytime soon," the Russian President said.

Putin added that the Poseidon currently has "no interception methods" underscoring its strategic importance to Russia's defence capabilities. "For the first time, we succeeded not only in launching it from a submarine using its booster engine, but also in activating its nuclear power unit, which provided energy to the vehicle for a certain period. This is a tremendous success," Putin stated.

According to him, the capabilities of Poseidon "significantly exceed the power of even our most promising Sarmat intercontinental-range missile." First unveiled in 2018, the Poseidon is described by Russian media as a deep-sea unmanned vehicle equipped with a nuclear propulsion system that allows for virtually unlimited range. The drone, reportedly measuring around 20 meters in length and weighing about 100 tons, can reach speeds of up to 200 kilometres per hour and dive to depths exceeding 1,000 meters, RT reported.

This development comes within a week of the successful test of the nuclear-powered Burevestnik cruise missile test by Moscow, which US President Donald Trump described as "inappropriate" and advised Putin to focus on ending the conflict with Ukraine.

Taiwan reports Chinese military activity, with five PLAN vessels, five PLA aircraft sorties MI News Service, Taipei: operating around Taiwan stated that 23 of the 25 sor-Taiwan's Ministry of Na- were detected up until 6 ties crossed the median line

tional Defence (MND) re- a.m. (UTC+8) today. 1 out of and entered the country's ported Chinese military 5 sorties crossed the me- northern and southwestern activity around its territory dian line and entered Tai- Air Defence Identification aircraft sorties and five PLAN vessels operating till 6 am (local time) today. In a post on X, the MND stated that one out of the five sorties crossed the median line and entered the country's southwestern Air Defence

Identification Zone (ADIZ). "5 sorties of PLA aircraft and 5 PLAN vessels We have monitored the situation and responded," it stated. Earlier on Wednesday, Taiwan's MND reported an increase in Chinese military activity around its territory on Wednesday, with 25 PLA aircraft sorties and 5 PLAN vessels operating till 6 am (local time).

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of PLA aircraft and 5 PLAN vessels operating around Taiwan were detected up until 6 a.m. (UTC+8) today. 23 out of 25 sorties crossed the median line and entered Taiwan's northern southwestern ADIZ. We have monitored the situation and responded," it stated.

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Demand Notice u/s 13 (2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 issued by the Bank of Baroda as Secured Creditor against the following Borrowers:

Name / NPA 13(2) Notice 09.10.2025 Vidyarthy /

25.09.2025

Mr. Sandeep Kumar /idyarthy (Borrower) deal Enclave, Building 'Dark Blue'. lat No. D-11, First Floor, Rajarhat Road, Ward No. , North 24 Parganas, olkata-700152 Mrs. Soma Vidyarthy NPA Date:

(Co-Borrower) deal Enclave, Building 'Dark Blue' Flat No. D-11, First Floor, Rajarhat Road, Ward No. 5, North 24 Parganas, Kolkata - 700152

Name &

Address of

Nature and type of facility **Amount Outstanding** Housing Loan A/c. No. 40140600000299

Rs.68.84.000/-Rates of Interest: Applicable rate of nterest is 8.35 % Per annum with monthly rest) Outstanding Amount: as on 09.10.2025 inc. of int. up to Rs. 72,00,330.76 Plus interest and

other charges

06.10.2025

Security Agreement with brief description of Securities

Equitable Mortgage of: All that piece and parcel of a residentia Flat being No.'D-11", on the First Floor on the South-East portion, measuring an area 2015sq.ft. super built up area be the same a little more or less and right to park one medium sized Car in the Parking Space being No. 'C-21' on the Ground Floor of Block named 'Dark Blue' forming part of buildings comprised in Phase I of the project named IDEAL ENCLAVE together with undivided proportionate impartible share of land with common users of benefits and amenities and constructed upon the land measuring about 19 Bighas 15 cottahs 7 chittacks 19.8 sq.ft. be the same a little more or less comprised in Mouza - Gopalpur J.L. No. 2, appertaining to R.S. Khatian Nos. 6842, 6927, 6843 6861, 6816, 6817, 6987,6920, 6841, 6952, 6849, 6860, 6859 6845, 6844, 6922, 6862, 6850, 6846, 6923, 6984, 6921, 6918 6926, 6925, 6919, 6985, 6818, 8391, 7799, 6948, 6950, 6924,6951, 6949, 6947, 6848, 6847, 7861, 7756, 7757, 7758 7759, 7760, 7761, 7781,7782, 7783, 7784, 7785, 7786, 7792 7793, 7794, 7795, 7796, 7797, 7798, 7800, 7801, 7802, 7803 7804, 7805, 7806 and 7807, under R.S./L.R. Dag Nos 2730,2731, 2732, 2737, 2852, 2853, 2854, 2860, 2861, 2863 2864, 2865, 2866, 2868, 2874, 2875, 2876, 2877, 2879, 2880, 2881 and 2883, lying or situated in Municipal Holding Nos. RGM-21/343, RGM-21/1483 and RGM-29/1480, Raiarhat Road, Ward No 5 within the limits of Rajarhat Gopalpur Municipality, under Police Station - Airport, in the District of 24 Parganas (North) which is Butted and bounded By: On the North: Land comprised in Dag No. 2727, 2726 and 2725; On the South: Rajarhat Main Road; On the East: Land comprised in Dag No. 2878,2882 and 2883 (P); On the West: Demarcated

You have committed default in repayment of credit facility mentioned above with further interest at the agreed rate availed from our branch as mentioned in the above. The bank has issued notice under the said Act to you to repay the outstanding amount in the above mentioned table. The Demand Notices sent to borrower's address by registered post has been returned unserved. You are called upon to pay the dues together with interest within 60 days from the date of this notice failing which bank will be constrained exercise right of Enforcement of Security interest as against the secured assets given in the schedule of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002. This notice is without prejudice to any other right remedy available to the bank including initiation of legal action.

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We invite your attention to Sub-section 13 of the said Act in terms of which you are barred from transferring any of the secured assets referred to in para 1 above by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than inthe ordinary course of business), without obtaining our prior written consent. We may add that non- compliance with the above provision contained in Section13 (13) of the said Act, is and offence punishable under Section 29 of the Act. 8.

We further invite your attention to subsection (8) of section 13 of the said Act in terms of which you may redeem the secured assets, if the amount of dues together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank is tendered by you, at any time before the date of publication of notice for public auction/inviting quotations/tender/private treaty. Please note that after publication of the notice as above, your right to redeem the secured assets will not be available Date: 31.10.2025, Place: Kolkata

Authorised Officer, Bank of Baroda

Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw Approves Plan for Developing 76 Passenger Holding Areas at Various Railway

Stations Across the Country

 New Passenger Holding Areas to Be Completed Ahead of the 2026 Festival Season: Ashwini Vaishnaw New Holding Areas to Follow Modular Design and Will Be Constructed According to Local Condi-

 New Holding Areas to Be Developed Following the Success of Yatri Suvidha Kendra at New Delhi Rail-

way Station MI News Service, New Delhi, 30 Oct.25 : Union Minister for Railways, Information & Broadcasting, and Electronics & Information Technology, Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw has approved a plan for developing 76 passenger holding areas at various railway stations across the country. This decision was taken following the success of the passenger holding area at New Delhi Railway Station.

The new holding areas planned across the country will follow a modular design and will be constructed keeping in view local conditions. The Union Minister has directed that all holding areas should be completed well before the 2026 festival season.

The New Delhi station managed the extremely heavy rush of passengers during Diwali and Chhath with the help of its newly developed holding area, which was completed within four months. The Yatri Suvidha Kendra (Permanent Holding Area) at New Delhi Railway Station is designed to accommodate approximately 7,000 passengers at any given time, significantly enhancing pre-boarding comfort and passenger flow. The facility is strategically divided into

three zones — Ticketing,

Post-Ticketing, and Pre-Ticketing — to streamline passenger movement. The New Delhi station holding area can accommodate over 7,000 passengers and is equipped with 150 toilets each for men and women, ticket counters, automatic ticket vending machines, and free RO water facilities.

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Banners in China demand democratic reforms and end to CCP monopoly

MI News Service, Dharamshala A rare act of public defiance shook China's Sanlitun district this week as anti-Chinese Communist Party (CCP) banners briefly appeared, openly condemning the ruling regime and calling for democracy, political plurality, and the end of oneparty dominance. The bold protest, staged soon after the conclusion of the Fourth Plenary Session, has been described as a striking reminder of the simmering discontent beneath China's tightly controlled political surface, as reported by Phayul. According to Phayul, images circulating on social media showed two tall white banners hanging in one of Beijing's busiest neighbourhoods. One accused the Communist Party of being "an anti-human evil cult bringing endless suffering to China," while the other urged the creation of "a new China based on liberty, humanity, and rule of law," demanding the right to form new political parties and ensure free choice.

Super Cup: Kolkata derby on cards as East Bengal face Mohun Bagan in Fatorda

FATORDA: Two weeks ago, the lights at the Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan flickered over a heartbreak that still lingers in East Bengal FC's mem-

A tense IFA Shield final had ended in penaltyshootout defeat at the hands of Mohun Bagan SG, and with it, a familiar ache returned to the Red and Golds - so close, yet once again, outmanoeuvred by their bitter rivals

On Friday, East Bengal will get a shot at taking revenge against their arch rivals when the two giants collide once more at the PJN Stadium in Fatorda, Goa, at 19:30 IST.

This final Group A clash of the AIFF Super Cup 2025-26 carries permutations as intricate as the rival-ry itself. If either East Bengal or Mohun Bagan win the derby, the winners will march straight into the semifinals. If the teams play out a scored draw, East Bengal will advance.

But the equation twists dramatically if the match ends goalless. The result of the earlier match between Dempo SC and Chennaiyin FC (played at 16:30) at the GMC Athletic Stadium, in Bambolim, Goa, will come into play. If Dempo defeat Chennaiyin by five or more goals, they will leapfrog both Kolkata clubs to qualify. If they win by fewer than a four-goal margin, East

Bengal will progress.

However, if Dempo win exactly 4-0, it will all come down to a draw of lots between the Golden Eagles and the Red and Gold Brigade, provided the derby ends goalless. There's one more wrinkle yet. If Dempo win by a four-goal margin despite having conceded against Chennaiyin, and the derby ends goalless, then the Goan club will qualify.

In essence, East Bengal hold the upper hand, but Mohun Bagan's fate is still in their own hands - win, and they are through. With such fine margins and enormous stakes, the third Kolkata Derby of the 2025-26 season promises nothing less than a thriller under

the Goan floodlights. The arithmetic adds tension to an already combustible fixture, but East Bengal head coach Oscar Bruzón has repeatedly warned his players against complacency. "We're not thinking about a draw," he insisted. "Mohun Bagan can score at any moment. So we will go out to win. Our mentality will be the same

from the first minute to the last."

Bruzón's words reflect a squad rediscovering its rhythm. Recent East Bengal performances in the derby proved that they could match the ISL champions Mohun Bagan SG stride for stride.

In the ongoing AIFF Super Cup, the Red and Golds

have scored six goals in two games, their attacking fluidity built around Naorem Mahesh Singh's creativity, Bipin Singh's directness, and Hamid Ahadad's pres-

Spanish midfielder Saúl Crespo described the team's buoyant mood. "The players are enjoying every moment. It's like a breath of fresh air after the win over Chennaiyin. We know what this derby means. We can feel that energy," Crespo said.

For Mohun Bagan SG, the AIFF Super Cup campaign has been steady but not spectacular. José Molina's men remain unbeaten yet short of their trademark cutting edge, as the goalless draw with Dempo SC showed.

The Mariners' defensive organisation, marshalled by captain Subhasish Bose, has been immaculate, but goals have been scarce. Now, with everything on the line. Australian forwards Jason Cummings and Jamie

Maclaren must rediscover their spark. "This season hasn't been easy," Molina admitted.
"But we've been here before. We will fight for the supand try to make them hann

Molina also believes that midfield control will be decisive in the derby. Apuia and Anirudh Thapa will look to dictate tempo for Bagan, threading passes for their forwards, while Bruzón's Crespo and Lalchungnunga aim to choke supply lines in what promises to be a bruising tactical contest. "At this point, there aren't many surprises left. Both teams know each other very well," Molina said. "It'll come down to who takes their chances.

History, however, defies logic. Mohun Bagan's captain Subhasish Bose captured the emotion succinctly, "Every derby feels like a final, and this one truly is. The fans expect us to win, and we'll give everything." His words echo the mood across both camps: a mix of nerves, fire, and deep-rooted pride.



India vs SA: Kohli, Rohit set for ODI return at home - or farewell?

NEW DELHI: The buzz around Indian cricket is building once again - this time over the possible return of Virat Kohli and Rohit Sharma to international action on home soil. While there's no official confirmation yet, sources close to the BCCI suggest that both senior pros are in contention for selection in India's upcoming ODI series against South Africa, starting November 30, 2025, in

If picked, it would mark their first home assignment since the duo announced their decision to focus solely on the 50-over game. However, whispers in the cricketing circle suggest that the South Africa series could also be their farewell to ODI cricket - though, as always,



only the selection committee knows for sure. Until any official word is put out, speculation continues on social media. Both Kohli and Rohit last featured in the ODI series against Australia, where India lost 1-2. While Kohli found form only in the final game of the threeseries, impressed with composed knocks in two games. Their partnership in the series decider, which India won comfortably, reminded fans of the poise and authority the duo still bring to the crease. According to insiders, discussions within the selection committee are ongoing. The management is keen to test younger faces ahead of the 2027 World Cup, yet there's a strong argument for recalling experienced campaigners like Rohit and Kohli to stabilise the batting order and mentor emerging talents. The home ODIs against

South Africa will be India's final one-day assignment of 2025, making it a crucial opportunity to experiment with combinations before a busy calendar in 2026. With India still working to strengthen its middle order and build reliable bench depth, the experience of Kohli and Rohit could prove invaluable - both tactically and psychologically.

final announcement is expected later in November, and all eyes will be on whether India's two modern greats make the cut - or prepare for one last dance in the

Before departure, the wrestlers were provided with

The officials from JEPC Ranchi and JSSPS also extended their encouragement expressed confidence that Jharkhand wrestlers will deliver an outstanding performance at

Girls' Category:

Team Leaves for Panipat to Compete in 69th SGFI National School Games 2025
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59 kg

Jharkhand Wrestling

RANCHI: A 23-member Jharkhand school wrestling team departed from Ranchi to Panipat, Haryana, to participate in the 69th SGFI National School Wrestling Championship (Under-19 Boys and Girls Freestyle), scheduled to be held from November 1 to 5, 2025.

The team, comprising 10 boys, 9 girls, two coaches, and two team managers, was selected on the basis of performances in the statelevel Khelo Jharkhand SGFI School Wrestling Championship, organized by the Jharkhand Education Project Council (JEPC) from October 17 to 19, 2025, at Khelgaon, Hotwar, Ranchi.

tracksuits, T-shirts, and sports kits by JEPC.

the national stage.

Sneha Kumari - 50 kg Monika Dhanwar - 53

Anisha Kerketta - 55 Rohila Kumari - 57 kg Simran Bilchan Minz Suhani Kumari - 62 kg

Khushbu Kumari - 65 Abhishree Tiwari - 68

Khushi Upadhyay - 76 Coach: Chanchal Kumari

(Ranchi) Team Manager: Asha Kumari (Education Department)

Boys' Category:

1. Neeraj Kumar - 57 kg
2. Anand Kumar - 61 kg Rehan Akhtar - 65 kg Ramchandra Mandal

Himanshu Kumar - 74 kg Roshan Kesari - 79 kg Prabhu Nath Privam

86 kg Prahlad Kumar Sahu -92 kg

9. Jeet Singh - 97 kg 10. Ayush Kumar - 125 kg Coach: Rajeev Ranjan (JSSPS) Team Manager: Shambhu Nath (Education Department)



The Poona Club Open 2025: Yuvraj Sandhu moves into sole two-shot lead after round three

PUNE: At the end of round three of The Poona Club Open 2025, PGTI Order of Merit leader and pre-tournament favourite Yuvraj Sandhu (65-67-65) came up with a terrific six-under 65, the day's best, in the tough conditions following the overnight rain to take a two-shot lead at a total of 16under 197.

Shaurya Bhattacharya (69-63-67), winner on the PGTI this year, kept himself in contention with a round of 67 that placed him second, two shots behind the leader at 14-under 199.

Former PGTI No. 1 Manu Gandas (67-69-66) posted a 66 to end the penultimate round in third place at 11-Shivendra Singh Sisodia and Jairaj

Singh Sandhu made up the top five as they were both placed tied fourth at eight-under 205. There was a two-hour delay in the start of play as a result of the overnight

rain. Play began at 10 am local time on

Veer Ahlawat, the reigning PGTI Order of Merit champion, occupied tied sixth position at seven-under 206.

Pune's Rohan Dhole Patil was the highest-placed among the local professionals as he was tied 20th at two-

Yuvraj Sandhu, a four-time winner this year, began his day with a bogey on the third but came roaring back with seven birdies over the next 12 holes. The 28-year-old Sandhu finally ended the day with a bogey and a birdie on the last three holes. Yuvraj made two long birdie conversions, drove the green on the Par-4 ninth hole and scored birdies on all the three Par-5

Yuvraj said, "The overnight rain

made the conditions tough out there. But since I've played a lot of golf in Asia in recent times, I'm accustomed to such wet conditions, so it worked to my advantage. Despite the rains the greens are playing well. So, kudos to the course staff for all the work that they've put in.
"The delayed start today helped me

get a little extra sleep and that helped me as well. It was a steady day for me, after a little blip at the start I got my momentum back from the fifth hole onwards. I held on to that momentum right till the end.

"Playing with Shaurya is fun because I've known him for a long time and seen him as an amateur and a rookie. We've been room-mates and have travelled to events together. So, I'm looking forward to playing the final round with him accompanying me in the leader group.

FIDE World Cup 2025: India's golden generation led by world champion Gukesh D poised for glory

PANAJI: A strong Indian contingent led by World Champion Grandmaster Gukesh Dommaraju, and the entire Olympiad-winning squad will once again look to assert the country's supremacy on the world stage as they compete for the coveted FIDE World Cup 2025 crown here starting from Saturday.

The FIDE World Cup, one of the most prestigious global chess event is being held in India after a gap of 23 years. In these two decades, Indian chess players have already made a mark on the world stage, with the country now boasting more than 85 Grandmasters-nearly eight times more than it did when the World Cup was last staged in India.
In this edition, GM Gukesh

Dommaraju, GM Arjun Erigaisi and GM R Praggnanandhaa have been given the top three seedings, while every 10th chess player who has qualified for this 206-strong field will be an Indian. Dutch GM Anish Giri will be the highest-ranked foreign

Two-time former champion Levon Aronian of the USA will be the only past winner in action in Goa and has been seeded 15th in the competition. Meanwhile, reigning champion GM Magnus Carlsen won't be defending his title, while 2021 winner GM Jan-Krzystof Duda of Poland has opted

The FIDE World Cup 2025, which carries a prize purse of \$2,000,000, will follow a single-elimination knock-out format in which each round will have two classical games



followed by a tiebreaker if required. The tie-breaker will consist of two Rapid Games while the single-bidding Armageddon will be employed if no result is achieved at the end of the Rapid games.

The event also offers three spots for the Candidates 2026, which will decide Gukesh's opponent for the next World Championship cycle.

Among the other participants, GM Anish Ğiri and GM Matthias Bluebaum of Germany have already qualified for the Candidates event through the FIDE Swiss Tour and if any of them or Gukesh finish in the top-three the Candidates spot will be awarded to the next player in the

legendary Viswanathan Anand won the first two editions of the World Cup played in Shenyang, China and Hyderabad, India. These two editions followed a round-robincum knock-out format.

But since 2005, the World Cup follows a single round elimination system with total number of players increased to 206 since 2021 with the top-50 ranked players getting a bye in the first round.

Third seed Praggananandhaa had reached the summit clash in the last edition in 2023 and will look to go one step further on home turf. He is likely to open his campaign against

126th ranked Jan Subelj of Slovakia in the second round with compatriot Raunak Sadhwani to be a potential third-round opponent.

Gukesh's second round opponent is likely to be Kazybek Nogerbek of Kazakhstan while Arjun may face Krikor Mekhitarian of Brazil at the Apart from this trio, India's hopes

will rely on Vidit Gujrathi, P Harikrishna, Aravindh Chithambaram, Karthikeyan Murali among others and all of them will be in action only in the second round.

FIDE Women's World Cup champion Divya Deshmukh of India will be Nagpur-born player will open her campaign against Greek GM Stamatis Kourkoulos Arditis and if she clears this hurdle, compatriot Nihal Sarin awaits her in the next round. Argentinian prodigy Faustino Oro

is the youngest player in the compewild card International Master turned 12 only two weeks before the start of the competition and will face GM Ante Brkic of Croatia in the opening round. Oro, who already has earned one Grandmaster Norm, can fasttrack his journey to becoming a GM if he can reach the Round of 16.

There are a total of 30 teenagers in the competition, while Georgiaborn GM Igor Efimov will be the oldest participant at the age of 65. Now representing Monaco, Efimov qualified for the World Cup by winning the 2024 Small Nations Open Championships and is set to take on Turkish GM Ediz Gurel, who is 49 years younger than him.

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WORLD CUP: LITCHFIELD, PERRY

NAVI MUMBAI : Phoebe Litchfield raced to a majestic hundred while Ellyse Perry and Ashleigh Gardner scored halfcenturies as Australia put on a brilliant display of power hitting before they were all out for 338 against India in the second semifinal of the ICC Women's ODI World Cup here on Thursday.

Opener Litchfield hammered 119 off 93 balls, Perry scored 77 off 88 balls, while Gardner blasted 63 off 45 balls as Australia made the most of batting first on a helpful wicket.

The Indians failed to capitalise on the overcast conditions early in the afternoon. Kranti Gaud made the breakthrough but was wavward; Renuka was steady, but the spinners failed to tie down the batters. However, the hosts pulled things back a bit with off-spinner Deepti Sharma claiming two wickets in two balls

in the 50th over.

Australia suffered an early setback as skipper Alyssa Healy struggled to hit the straps coming into the side after missing two matches due to a wrist problem. She pottered around for 15 balls before getting out, chopping on a delivery from Kranti. It was a big relief for the Indians as skipper Harmanpreet Kaur dropped a couple of overs earlier, putting down a sitter running behind the bowler from mid-off. Healy was their tormentor-in-chief when the two sides met in the Group stage, feasting on the Indian bowling to hammer a majestic 142 off 107

Though India got the prized scalp of Healy early, Australia cruised to 72/1 in the Powerplay as Ellyse Perry and Phoebe Litchfield laid the foundation for a big partnership for the second wicket. Perry was saved by the



DRS early in her knock and went on to hit Kranti Gaud for three fours, two of them off successive balls, back-to-back fours in the 10th over. Litchfield helped herself to a couple of boundaries off Kranti, who was quite wayward in her first spell of five overs and conceded 49 runs. She struck Deepti Sharma for a four and six in consecutive overs and went after Gaud, hitting her for three fours in the 10th over. The Australians were cruis-

ing, bruising and squeezing the Indians out of the match, scoring at a brisk pace against an ineffective bowling attack. Litchfield and Perry reached 100 runs in their partnership off just 85 balls. Litchfield, who had her heart in her mouth being given out for a catch by Amanjot off Shree Charani that was ruled as bump ball by the TV umpire,

struck three fours in an over off

Radha Yadav and went down the track to hammer Charani over the long-off boundary for a six. She kept slicing, cutting, driving and reversing with ease as she raced towards her century.

The 22-vear-old left-handed opener hammered Deepti Sharma for sixes off successive balls -- first straight down the ground, followed by a brilliant switch hit. She fell for 119, moving across to hit Amanjot Kaur and getting castled instead. Litchfield struck 17 boundaries and three sixes in the 93 balls she faced, adding 155 runs for the second wicket partnership with Perry.

Perry continued to drop the anchor as she added 40 runs for the third wicket with Beth Mooney (24, 22b, 3x4). The defending champions lost their way a bit as three wickets fell for 23 runs. Mooney chipped to

Jemimah Ridrigues in covers off Charani, Perry was cleaned up by Radha Yadav for 77 off 88 balls, studded with six boundaries and two sixes, while Annabel Sutherland was caught by Charani off her own bowling for three runs.

With Ashleigh Gardner hitting a couple of big ones, Australia crossed the 300-run mark. Gardner added 66 runs for the seventh wicket partnership with Kim Garth. Gardner blasted back-to-back sixes off Radha Yadav in the 49th over before being run out for 63 off 45 balls (4x4, 4x6), going for a non-existent run. **BRIEF SCORES:**

Australia 338 all out in 49.5 overs (Phoebe Litchfield 119, Ellyse Perry 77, Ashleigh Gardner 63; N Shree Charani 2-49, Deepti Sharma 2-73) against