

KMC to Roll Out Mandatory Online Attendance for Staffs

In an attempt to bring greater transparency, discipline and accountability to civic administration, the West Bengal government is preparing to introduce a mandatory online attendance system for employees across all municipal bodies in the state. The new system aims to put an end to long-standing complaints about irregular attendance and lax work culture in municipalities — a concern that has often been echoed in public spaces and even popular culture, such as in Nachiketa Chakraborty’s famous 1990s song that mocked the casual approach of some government employees. To implement the initiative, the State Urban Development Agency (SUDA), functioning under the Urban Development and Municipal Affairs Department, is developing a specialized attendance application. **PG 3**



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West Bengal's Raj Bhavan renamed “LOK BHAVAN”



MI News Service, Kolkata: In a historic move, the iconic Raj Bhavan of West Bengal has been renamed “Lok Bhavan” following approval from the central government at the request of the state Governor, C.V. Ananda Bose. The renaming comes as part of a nationwide initiative to remove colonial-era nomenclature from Raj Bhavans and make the establishments more accessible and people-centric. The change has already been implemented on official letterheads, signage, and online platforms of the Raj Bhavan in Kolkata, as well as its counterpart in Darjeeling. Governor Bose had long advocated for a name that would resonate more closely with the people of Bengal, stating that the word “Raj”, a legacy of British colonial rule, should be removed. “Since Raj Bhavan belongs to the people, it is only appropriate that its name reflects this ethos,” Bose remarked. The proposal received approval from the Ministry of Home Affairs, aligning with similar decisions across the country to rename Raj Bhavans and Raj Niwas to Lok Bhavan and Lok Niwas, respectively. The announcement has been widely welcomed as a step towards creating a more open and approachable image of the office. Following the renaming, Governor Bose took to Kolkata’s streets to interact with the public, sharing tea from traditional clay cups and conversing with children and residents, reflecting the very essence of the new people-centric approach.

On social media, Governor Bose highlighted the historical significance of this initiative, noting that on March 27, 2023, the then President of India, Droupadi Murmu, handed over a symbolic key of the Raj Bhavan to Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee. This gesture marked the inception of Jana Raj Bhavan, conceptualized to make the establishment responsive to the needs, aspirations, and challenges of the people. Over the past three years, several constructive, people-focused programs were initiated, providing support during emergencies ranging from natural calamities to incidents of social distress. Bose emphasized that the renaming is in line with the transformational leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, whose vision encourages participation of citizens from all segments of society in building a Viksit Bharat. The Ministry of Home Affairs issued a notification on November 25, 2025, mandating the uniform renaming of Raj Bhavans and Raj Niwas across the country. From now on, all references to West Bengal’s former Raj Bhavans will officially be as Lok Bhavan, symbolizing openness, accessibility, and a closer connection with the people of the state. With this change, Lok Bhavan aims to shed the aura of exclusivity and authority traditionally associated with Raj Bhavans, instead emerging as a vibrant hub for public engagement, welfare initiatives, and direct interaction between the state’s leadership and its citizens.

EC appoints SPECIAL OBSERVERS for SIR

MI News Service, New Delhi/ Kolkata: The Election Commission appointed 12 senior IAS officers of Bengal cadre as electoral roll observers for the ongoing special intensive revision (SIR) of voters’ list.

The move assumed significance as the order was issued soon after the EC sent three senior officers from Nirvachan Sadan to the office of the Bengal CEO, Manoj Agarwal, to assist him during the SIR. The 12 special observers will also report to the Bengal CEO.

“It is significant that the EC appointed 12 electoral roll observers to monitor the preparation and revision of the electoral roll and help the DEOs and EROs in taking timely corrective measures. All these measures are being taken after the chief minister recently said that the situation in Bengal could turn

turbulent after the draft rolls were published on December 9,” said a senior government official.

According to a notification issued by the EC, Smita Pandey, a 2005-batch IAS officer, would monitor the exercise in Burdwan East and West and Birbhum, while Tanmoy Chakraborty, a 2006-batch IAS officer, would be sent to monitor the SIR in Murshidabad and Malda. Randhir Kumar, a 2006-batch IAS officer, would monitor the exercise in North 24-Parganas and North Calcutta, while C. Murugan, a 2007-batch IAS officer, would be responsible for monitoring the exercise in South 24-Parganas and South Kolkata. R. Arjun, a 2010-batch IAS officer, would be sent to monitor the exercise in Cooch Behar, Alipuduar and Jalpaiguri. Two IAS officers — Rajeev Kumar of



the 1997 batch and Jagdish Meena of the 2004 batch —

would be responsible for overseeing the exercise in Howrah, while Neelam Meena, a 1998-batch IAS officer, would be tasked with the exercise in East and West Midnapore and Jharkhand.

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gram. The 2001-batch IAS officer, Ashwini Kumar Yadav, would monitor the SIR in North and South Dinajpurs. Nirranjan Kumar, a 2007-batch officer, would monitor the exercise in Darjeeling and Kalimpong, while the progress of the SIR in Purulia and Bankura would be monitored by Devi Prasad Karanam, a 2008-batch IAS of-

many senior bureaucrats in carrying out the SIR in Bengal has left many in the administration in a state of surprise, as they were not clear why the move was initiated. Although the EC officially pointed out that observers were deployed as the districts in Bengal were quite large in terms of areas and the number of electors and Assem-

bly segments, and included long international borders. A section of the officials pointed out that the move was initiated to rule out any kind of loopholes in preparing a clean electoral roll after the SIR.

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NDRF personnel along with a consignment of Indian humanitarian aid, arrive in cyclone-hit Sri Lanka as part of ‘Operation Sagar Bandhu’.

ED unearths ‘shady’ land deals of AL FALAH UNIV

MI News Service, New Delhi: A probe by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) has revealed that Jawad Ahmed Siddiqui, the chairman and founder of Al Falah University, allegedly acquired land in south east Delhi’s Madanpur Khadar by forging documents in the names of at least five dead people who previously owned the land, sources said. The Haryana-based university has come under the scanner after three doctors working there were allegedly found to be part of the “white-collar ter-

ror module” linked to the November 10 Red Fort car blast that killed 13 people.

Siddiqui, who was arrested last week on money-laundering charges, is in ED custody. The agency has so far found several land parcels in Delhi acquired by Siddiqui’s private company, Tarbiya Education Foundation, through forged powers of attorney that were executed decades after the death of the owners in some cases. “During the

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Expect humanity from ‘Observers’, not ‘politics’: SHASHI PANJA

MI News Service, Kolkata: State Minister Dr. Shashi Panja has welcomed the appointment of ‘Special Observers’. But she has vividly and categorically mentioned that “if the observers are here to look after the

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miseries of BLOs, then we welcome it, else not.” The minister once again showered caustic criticism on the ‘unplanned’ and ‘urgent’ use of SIR for ‘ulterior’ motive. Dr. Panja further mentioned that “after so many deaths of BLOs and so many discrepancies, even BJP has realized the actual menace of SIR.” She spoke in a separate media meet at the CII IWN 5th Lead-



State Minister of Commerce and Industries, Dr. Shashi Panja, in a press Meet in Kolkata on Saturday.

ership Annual Conclave in Kolkata. Shashi Panja repeatedly criticized the “SIR” as a source of panic and harassment for voters in West Bengal, creating fear of being omitted from the draft electoral list. She alleged that the program is being tailor-made by the central government to target Bengal politically, despite security issues elsewhere in the country.

Panja has launched a voter help desk in North Kolkata to assist those affected by the SIR process. Panja claimed that the SIR has generated panic and fear among voters, especially with the short deadline for correction and the “harassment” of hearings for incomplete forms. She accused the central government of using the SIR to create panic in Bengal and achieve political capture, rather than engaging in a political fight.

Odisha announces upgraded MAOIST SURRENDER POLICY

MI News Service, Cuttack: Odisha government has announced a revised rehabilitation and surrender policy aimed at encouraging Maoists to lay down arms and return to the mainstream, offering enhanced financial benefits to rebels who surrender with weapons. The policy, aligned with the central government’s revised guidelines, focuses on containing and eradicating Left Wing Extremism (LWE) by incentivising cadres to abandon violence. In a notification issued on Thursday, the state government said: “The ob-

jective of the surrender and rehabilitation policy is to contain and eradicate Left Wing Extremism in the state by weaning away the hardcore LWE cadres. The policy also aims at ensuring that Naxalites, who surrender, do not revert to extremism by providing them with gainful employment and entrepreneurial opportunities.

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Those surrendering will get ₹50,000 after completing one year and the remaining ₹4 lakh after three years, subject to satisfactory conduct. Local police stations will monitor their activities, and the final release will depend on the report of the police superintendents

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DELHI BLAST: Court sends 3 doctors & preacher to 10-day JC



MI News Service, New Delhi: A Delhi court on Saturday sent three doctors and a preacher, arrested in connection with the Red Fort blast, to 10 days’ judicial custody. All four accused, identified as Muzammil Ganaie, Adeel Rather, Shaheena Saeed and Maulvi Irfan Ahmed Wagay, were produced before Principal and Sessions Judge Anju Bajaj Chandna, who ordered their 10-day judicial custody. The National Investigation Agency has so far arrested seven persons in the case, which is linked to a “white collar” terror module busted by the Jammu and Kashmir Police.

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ducting searches across states in coordination with the respective police forces in a bid to identify and track others involved in the gruesome attack,” the NIA said in a statement Dr Umar-un-Nabi, who was driving the explosives laden i20 car that

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ANTI-CONVERSION LAW SC seeks Rajasthan reply

MI News Service, New Delhi: The Supreme Court issued a fresh notice to the Rajasthan government on a petition filed by the People’s Union for Civil Liberties challenging the state’s anti-conversion law as being unconstitutional and violative of fundamental rights. The petition said that, besides imposing jail terms, the law also vests power in the government to confiscate the properties of the alleged offender. A bench of Justices Vikram Nath and Sandeep Mehta sought the state’s response, and upon solicitor-general Tushar Mehta’s plea, tagged the matter with other petitions which had challenged similar anti-conversion laws by other states. Tushar was appearing for the Centre and some of the BJP-ruled states.

On November 5, the bench had sought the response from the Rajasthan government on a separate PIL challenging the constitutional validity of various provisions of the Rajasthan anti-conversion law, which, among other things, empow-



ered the state to confiscate and demolish properties of the alleged offence. The provisions had been challenged on the ground that the law was in derogation of the Supreme Court’s judgment last year, wherein the top court had ruled that there shall be no demolition of properties without giving proper notice and time to the aggrieved persons to defend themselves.

The PIL had argued that the impugned provisions constitute a direct assault on the judiciary and amount to

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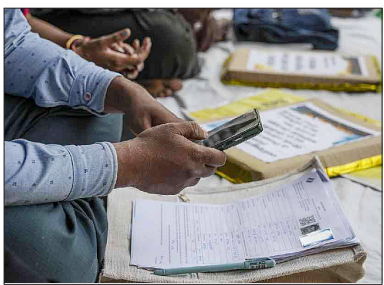
Trinamool sticks to its guns against EC, cites one more 'SIR-linked' death in Bengal

MI News Service, Kolkata: The Trinamool Congress on Saturday raised what it called another Booth Level Officer's (BLOs) death linked to the special intensive revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in Bengal.

Addressing a media conference in New Delhi a day after a 10-member Trinamool delegation met the full bench of the Election Commission of India, four of the 10 MPs referred to the death of Mastura Khatun, a 41-year-old from Burdwan's Bhatar.

"She was scared of losing her voting rights, her citizenship. This is because of the pressure created by the Centre's Election Commission," said Trinamool Lok Sabha MP Pratima Mandal, who was a member of the delegation. "The chief election commissioner spoke at length but did not reply to any of our questions."

After a meeting with the full bench of the commission, the Trinamool delegation had stated on Friday that the EC did



not reply to any of the five questions that the party had raised during the meeting.

Later on Friday evening, a spokesperson for the EC had informed that the Trinamool delegation was told not to influence or threaten the BLOs regarding dead, shifted and duplicate voters, adding that a point-by-point rebuttal of all apprehensions and "baseless" allegations made by the delegation was given.

This marks the fifth reported death of a BLO in Bengal amid the ongoing controversy over the special intensive revision

sion of electoral rolls.

Trinamool general-secretary and Diamond Harbour MP Abhishek Banerjee had demanded the EC release the full minutes of what transpired in the meeting.

On Saturday, the Trinamool's leader in the Rajya Sabha Derek O'Brien said: "There has been no press conference by the EC, no press releases. They are selectively planting news. The question is if all 10 of us are saying all this why you [EC] don't release the transcript of what was discussed at the meeting? If you are accusing a full delegation of cooking up stories, release it."

In Kolkata, a section of the government employees enlisted as BLOs scuffled with the police outside the offices of the Chief Electoral Officer Manoj Agarwal demanding a meeting with him. On Monday some of the BLOs held a 30-hour long sit-in demonstration at the CEO's office demanding better working conditions.



On the fourth day of the district tour, West Bengal State Trinamool Congress leader and State Minister Aroop Biswas on Saturday supervised the SIR work across seven assembly constituencies of East Burdwan – Khandkosh, Raina, Burdwan South, Burdwan North, Monteswar, Memari and Jamalpur – as per the party's instructions. District President and MLA Rabindranath Chatterjee, the Zilla Parishad Chairman, and heads of the district's organisational wings were also present.

Woman set herself on fire in fear of SIR

MI News Service, Bhatar: If her name is not included in the voter list, she will not get Lakshmi Bhandar money. A young woman committed suicide by setting herself on fire due to this fear. This is the claim of the family. On Saturday, political tension erupted in Purba Burdwan's Bhatar over this incident.

Mustara Khatun Kazi, a resident of Bhumshore village under Bhatar police station, was found burnt to death in her home on Friday night. She was taken to Bhatar State General Hospital. But the doctors declared Mustara dead. Now the family claims that the unmarried woman committed suicide out of fear of SIR.

Sabira Khatun, the deceased's sister-in-law said, "Mustara had been suffering from severe anxiety ever since she submitted the SIR form (enumeration). She was worried about whether her name would be in the voter list or not, what would happen if Lakshmi's Bhandar was closed, all these things. I don't know what made her understand. But she was

mentally broken."

That is what deceased's elder sister Astura Khatun said. She said, "My sister was worried ever since she submitted the BLO form (calculation sheet). She thought that government benefits would be stopped. She set herself on fire out of fear."

The name of the deceased woman, who is over 40, was in the 2002 voter list. Her father, Azizul Haque Kazi, and mother, Kaseera, died 20 years ago. Her elder sister and elder brother both are married. Mustara, an unmarried girl, lived in the family of migrant worker elder brother Sirajul Haque Kazi. She could have helped her brother's family with the money she received from government projects. But she heard from some people in the neighborhood that if her name is not on the voter list, she will no longer receive that benefit.

A political controversy has erupted over the death of the young woman. Trinamool MLA from Bhatar, Mangovinda Adhikari, has directly blamed the Election

Commission and the central government for Mustara's death. He alleged, "The BJP is trying to profit from the vote by creating panic in the public mind through SIR." The local Trinamool leadership protested in front of the BDO office in Bhatar in protest of the death. The MLA said that a protest march will be organized in Bhumshore village on Sunday. State Minister Aroop Biswas commented, "I want to know from the commission how many more lives will be lost?" Nearly 45 people have committed suicide after trying to complete 2 years of work in 2 months. "How much more blood will be shed before the BJP and the Election Commission to stop this?" Durgapur West BJP MLA Laxman Ghori said, "Trinamool has opposed this process from the beginning. They are the ones spreading panic. They are scaring the BLOs." "They are threatening the families of the deceased. If SIR is implemented properly, it will actually destroy Trinamool. They are spreading misinformation out of fear."

BJP's agenda is clear, "delete and deport": Samik Bhattacharya on TMC's SIR protest

MI News Service, Kolkata: West Bengal BJP President Samik Bhattacharya on Saturday alleged that the Trinamool Congress (TMC) has an agenda to include names of deceased individuals and Bangladeshi Muslim infiltrators, including Rohingyas, in the voter list.

Speaking with ANI, Bhattacharya stated that the TMC's goal is to fight elections based on these inclusions, while the BJP's agenda is clear: "delete and deport."

"TMC's agenda is clear - to include the names of those who are no longer in this world in the voter list, to include Bangladeshi Muslim infiltrators, Rohingyas... Mamata Banerjee's agenda is to fight elections on the basis of all these, our agenda is clear - 'delete and deport'...", said Samik Bhattacharya.

Bhattacharya's comments come amidst the ongoing political contest between TMC and

BJP over the Special Intensive Revision in West Bengal, with the TMC accusing the BJP of spreading hatred and divisive politics. The issue highlights the ongoing debate over voter list accuracy and allegations of voter manipulation in West Bengal.

Earlier today, the Bharatiya Janata Party formed a national coordination team on the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) across 13 states. The team plans to visit various states, review the ongoing revision process, and flag any discrepancies or problems the Booth Level Officers (BLOs) may be facing nationwide.

Following the announcement by the Election Commission to conduct phase 2 of the SIR of electoral rolls across 13 states. The issue of BLOs' health and safety has also pitted the Trinamool Congress (TMC) and the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) against each

other, with both claiming the other is threatening and intimidating BLOs to advance their agenda.

On the other hand, a delegation of 10 Trinamool Congress (TMC) MPs met Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) Gyanesh Kumar on Friday, objecting to the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) in West Bengal and other states across the country.

During the meeting, the TMC delegation told CEC Kumar that they have "blood on their hands," and submitted a list of 40 people who are dead "because of the SIR process", according to MP Derek O'Brien.

West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee has constantly termed the SIR as a procedure to delete eligible voters, whereas the BJP has accused the TMC of protecting ineligible and fake voters living in West Bengal.

Gas cylinder explodes in Naihati, fire spreads; Locals complained firefighters arrived late

MI News Service, North 24 Pgs: A gas cylinder exploded. A fire broke out. The fire spread to not one but four houses in a row. The fire caused a sensation in Naihati, North 24 Parganas.

A gas cylinder explosion occurred in a house in Naihati on Friday evening. The area was shaken by a

loud noise. The fire quickly spread throughout the house. However, the intensity of the fire was so much that it spread to the surrounding houses. The fire spread quickly due to the dense area. Upon receiving the information, the police and fire brigade of Naihati police station reached the

spot. However, the firefighters had to work hard to bring the fire under control.

There have been no reports of casualties in the fire so far. However, locals have alleged that the fire brigade arrived late even after receiving the information. As a result, the fire spread further. Locals staged protests

Gangarampur police Nab fraudster in Rs 9 lakh police recruitment scam

MI News Service, Gangarampur: In a significant crackdown on recruitment fraud, Gangarampur police have arrested a key accused who was allegedly attempting to escape with Rs 9 lakh, money believed to have been collected as bribe for securing placements within the police force. The operation was executed following specific intelligence inputs, prompting officers to set up a strategic trap just days before the police constable examination scheduled for Sunday.

The arrested individual is identified as the ringleader of a sophisticated recruitment fraud syndicate operating in the region. According to police sources, the accused collected large sums from job seekers by falsely promising guaranteed recruitment into the police department. As part of the racket, the accused and his associates reportedly withheld vital documents—such as mark sheets, certificates, and identity papers—belonging to the candidates. This tactic was used to pressure victims into compliance and prevent them from backing out or reporting the fraudulent activity. The breakthrough came after police detained a civic volunteer suspected of having links to the scam. Interrogation of the volunteer provided crucial leads that eventually exposed the main conspirator. Authorities have reiterated their zero-tolerance stance toward corruption and emphasized the importance of safeguarding the fairness of the recruitment process, particularly ahead of the upcoming examination. Investigations are still underway, and police anticipate additional arrests as they work to dismantle the entire network involved in the scheme. Officials state that the incident highlights the serious threat such fraudulent operations pose to the integrity of law enforcement recruitment. Gangarampur police remain committed to restoring public trust and ensuring that selections within the police force are conducted transparently, ethically, and strictly on merit.

JSW MG Motor

MI News Service, Bhubaneswar: JSW MG Motor India has announced that the MG Windsor has achieved over 50,000 sales in just over a year, becoming India's first electric vehicle (EV) to reach this milestone. This accomplishment highlights the MG Windsor's popularity among customers interested in sustainable mobility, with strong demand reported in both metro and non-metro markets.

around the fire brigade. Later, the police arrived and brought the situation under control. The locals demanded that the administration should provide them with compensation. Although the police brought the situation under control, tension remains in the area.



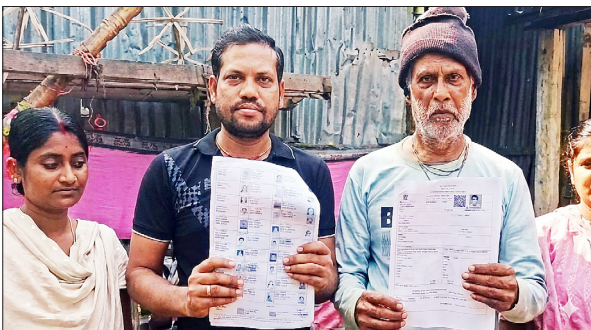
Adoptive Parents and Prospective Adoptive Parents Meet in Kolkata on Saturday.

Nadia SIR Form Mix-Up Sparks Tension

MI News Service, Shantipur: A clerical mix-up over SIR (Special Summary Revision) enumeration forms triggered tension on Saturday in Pramadpally under Nabla Gram Panchayat in Nadia's Shantipur after a local resident alleged that an extra form carrying the name of an unknown person was forcibly handed to his family.

Govinda Ray, a Toto driver and local resident, said his family of five was supposed to receive five enumeration forms. Instead, they were given six, the additional one in the name of a Shantanu Ray, a person the family insists they have never met.

Govinda said the Booth Level Officer (BLO), Asha Mondal, insisted that the form must be delivered to their home because the father's name mentioned, Subhash Chandra Ray, matched that of Govinda's father. "But we have no idea who this Shantanu is," he said. Subhash Chandra Ray, the



elderly head of the family, said the incident has caused "social embarrassment" and feared the error could lead to future property or identity complications. "I have never seen anyone named Shantanu in my life," he added.

Govinda, who also serves as a BJP BLA-2, said he is treating the matter seriously. "Submitting a wrong form can create problems later. I will not return any form unless I speak to the BDO and get clarity," he said.

Sagarika Das, BJP member of the Panchayat Samiti, said such mistakes could

lead to legal disputes if not corrected immediately. However, TMC panchayat pradhan Sudip Pramanik downplayed the issue, calling it a "simple error". "The administration will rectify it. There is no need to politicise the matter," he said.

The incident has raised questions about the verification process preceding SIR form distribution. Locals have demanded swift administrative intervention, asking whether matching a father's name alone is enough to hand over crucial documents to the wrong household.

DM, MLA visits land of a proposed English Medium school and other project sites



MI News Service, Kaliganj: Nadia District Magistrate Aneesh Dasgupta on Saturday conducted a visit of proposed land for an English Medium school in Kaliganj block, accompanied by Additional District Magistrate (LR) Nripendra Singh, local MLA Alifa Ahmed, senior district officials, and panchayat representatives. They also visited a few project site like sports complex, Musium, Park etc.

A key highlight of the visit was the inspection of the proposed site for a new English Medium Model School at Debgram, located beside the Kisan Mandi. The project had earlier faced a temporary setback when the first proposed site at Mirabazar Circus Maidan, classified as Waqf property, drew objections from local residents, prompting the administration to halt the plan. Following this, the MLA Ali

fa Ahmed identified the government-owned land near Debagram Kisan Mandi and formally submitted a proposal for the new location. Acting upon the request, the District Magistrate inspected the site on Saturday.

As part of the day's itinerary, the District Magistrate and the team inspected several key sites, including Palashi Sports Complex, Palashi Museum & Park, Palashi Girls' School, Palashi Cottage, Proposed site of Debgram English Medium School.

Officials from the Panchayat Samiti, Block Joint BDO, and Land Department officials were also present during the inspections.

The visit underscores the administration's renewed focus on strengthening education, sports infrastructure, tourism, and public facilities across the Kaliganj block.

Special Event in Kolkata Marking 150 Years of 'Vande Mataram' and the Birth Anniversary of Subinay Roy

MI News Service, Kolkata: A special programme was held at Sisir Mancha, Kolkata, to celebrate the 150th anniversary of 'Vande Mataram', the iconic song that served as a profound source of inspiration during India's freedom struggle.

On Saturday evening, eminent journalist and writer Shankarlal Bhattacharya highlighted the national and spiritual essence of the song, its historical significance, and its relevance in contemporary society.

In his address, he also reflected on how 'Vande

Mataram' continues to inspire today's younger generation just as powerfully as it did during the freedom movement.

Following this segment, Anandi Communication Center and Rupsa Literary Magazine jointly observed the 105th birth anniversary of renowned Bhindrasangeet guru and artist Subinay Roy on the same stage.

On this occasion, a musical narrative titled "Love and Society in Rabindra Sangeet" was presented. The performers included Dr. Surajit Roy, Aditi Gupta, Sheli Biswas

Bhattacharya, Swarnali Pal, Shubhashis Majumdar, Indrani Bhattacharya, and Sudipta Mukhopadhyay.

The script and compilation were prepared by Indrani Bhattacharya, with musical accompaniment by Subrata Mukherjee, Anjan Bandyopadhyay, and Amit Ranjan Roy.

During the event, Dr. Parthasarathi Mukhopadhyay, a distinguished physician, was specially honoured by Anandi Communication Center.

The felicitation recognised his longstanding contribution to the promotion of Bengali language and culture.

Teachers Busy With SIR Work, Cook Taking Classes; Guardians Worried

MI News Service, South 24 Pgs: The number of teachers are three. All three of them are now working as Booth Level Officers or BLOs. Therefore, all three are absent from the school. In this situation, the children were coming to school for the last few days. They were sitting and going home. The cook is teaching as much as she can. But why don't the teachers come? Teachers are busy with the Special Intensive Revision of Voter List or SIR. But school is running. So the mid-day meal cook has rolled up

her sleeves and picked up a chalk and duster. But for how long will this continue? Parents are worried.

Education has been on the rise in the past few days at Kusumtala West Free Primary School in Mousuni Island in Namkhana block of South 24 Parganas. Although the number of students is small, the school is the hope of the village. There are three teachers. All three of them are now working as Booth Level Officers or BLOs. So all three are absent from school. In this situation, for the last few days, children

were coming to school. They were going home sitting. The rate of student absence is increasing. That's why the mid-day meal has also been closed for a few days. In this situation, cook Aanshi Mandal is teaching the children. In the words of the old woman, "I am working according to the headmaster's instruction." "He said, 'We can't declare holidays.' On the other hand, sometimes mid day meal cooked, sometimes not. The children come to school and just misbehave. So I'm teaching them with what I know."

But for how long will this continue? Will the children not get the opportunity to study properly because they live in remote areas? Parents have raised the question.

In the words of a guardian named Pratima Mandal, "Even though children go to school, they are not learning. Cook is taking their classes. If this continues, their future is bleak." Karuna Mandal's anger, "The children's final exams are coming up. The teacher has gone to work for SIR. What will happen to the children's education then?"

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investigation, we examined all the financial details and found that a forged General Power of Attorney (GPA) was used to sell land in the names of dead owners, and it was ultimately acquired by Jawad Ahmad Siddiqui's Tarbia Education Foundation," said an agency official. "A probe has also revealed that the land in Khasra No. 792, Madanpur Khadar, was acquired through fraud by Tarbia Education Foundation. The deed records a sale of land in Khasra No. 792 (and related land) in favour of Tarbia Education Foundation for a consideration of ₹75,00,000," he said. The ED has found that the GPA is false and fabricated. "The signatures/thumb impressions of the deceased are forged. The land was transferred based on forged GPA and the ultimate beneficiary is Tarbia Education Foundation, which purchased the land on the basis of forged GPA by the sellers," the official said. The examination of documents has revealed that a man identified as Vinod Kumar held the power of attorney for at least five landowners, who were dead by the time the power of attorney was registered on January 7, 2004, according to the official. "The agency has found that one landowner, Nathu, died on January 1, 1972, followed by Harbans Singh on April 27, 1991; Harkesh on June 12, 1993; Shiv Dayal on January 22, 1998; and Jay Ram on October 15, 1998.

ANTI-CONVERSION LAW
SC seeks Rajasthan reply

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a legislative overruling of the Supreme Court's 2024 landmark judgment in the case titled "In Re: Directions in the Matter of Demolition of Structures (2024)" by which a bench headed by then Chief Justice B.R. Gavai had declared that no demolition or punitive action can be undertaken without judicial determination of guilt. The petitioners had sought a stay on the state anti-conversion laws on the ground that the impugned legislation was being used to target couples involved in inter-religious marriages. The top court had refrained from staying the impugned legislation.

Odisha announces
upgraded MAOIST
SURRENDER POLICY

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of the respective district. Category B Maoists — which includes party members, local guerrilla squad members and divisional committee members — will receive ₹2.5 lakh. The disbursement pattern will follow the same structure as Category A. To further incentivise cadres to surrender with their weapons, the state government has fixed specific financial rewards. A cadre surrendering with a light machine gun will receive ₹4.5 lakh, while surrendering an AK-47 or Trichy Assault Rifle will fetch ₹3.3 lakh. Laying down a 2-inch mortar will bring ₹2.75 lakh, an Insas rifle ₹1.65 lakh, and a .303 rifle ₹82,500. Each round of ammunition will fetch ₹55, one kilogram of explosive substance ₹1,100, and grenades or gelatine rods ₹550. The rehabilitation package includes housing under the Antyodaya Gruh Yojana, subsidised ration under food schemes and health cards under government programmes. The state will also provide a one-time marriage incentive of ₹25,000. The government has made it clear that surrenderees must meet specific conditions: revealing the identities of their associates, disclosing details of financial networks and supply chains, and confessing their criminal acts.



Citizens and children participated in discussions, songs, poetry, and painting sessions in support of Palestine and condemning violence against women and children, in a programme organized by AIPSO, in Kolkata on Saturday.

KMC to Roll Out Mandatory
Online Attendance for Staffs

MI News Service, Kolkata: In an attempt to bring greater transparency, discipline and accountability to civic administration, the West Bengal government is preparing to introduce a mandatory online attendance system for employees across all municipal bodies in the state. The new system aims to put an end to long-standing complaints about irregular attendance and lax work culture in municipalities — a concern that has often been echoed in public spaces and even popular culture, such as in Nachiketa Chakraborty's famous 1990s song that mocked the casual approach of some government employees. To implement the initiative, the State Urban Development Agency (SUDA), functioning under the Urban Development and Municipal Affairs Department, is developing a specialized attendance application. Using this app, every municipal employee — from executive officers and engineers to clerical staff and field workers — will be required to mark attendance through geo-tagging, ensuring that they are physically present at their designated office when recording their presence. SUDA has already briefed officers from various municipalities in a recent detailed



meeting, outlining the new structure and its operational requirements. Department officials have confirmed that in order to make the system functional, municipalities must first upload detailed employee information into the app's database. As a result, civic bodies across the state have already begun collecting and digitizing staff data. In several municipalities, the uploading work is progressing swiftly. At present, a handful of municipal bodies such as the Kolkata Municipal Corporation and Bidhannagar Municipal Corpo-

ration already operate their own digital attendance systems. However, this marks the first time that a uniform, state-wide online attendance protocol will be introduced, centrally monitored by SUDA.

Once implemented, the system will make it impossible for employees to mark attendance from home or any off-site location. Similarly, adjusting in-and-out timings at will — a practice reported from several municipalities over the years — will cease. Numerous civic bodies have faced issues such as employees arriving at arbitrary hours, leaving midway without authorization, or staying absent without proper documentation. The government believes that a real-time, geo-tagged attendance system will act as an effective deterrent to such irregularities. The new application will allow authorities to verify the exact location from which employees check in, reducing the scope for manipulation. Officials also anticipate that the increased transparency will improve administrative efficiency and workflow. According to SUDA, the project is targeted for statewide rollout by December, with training and preparatory work already underway.

KMC Adds Temporary
Staff as Certificate
Demand Surges Ahead
of SIR Hearings

MI News Service, Kolkata: With the State-wide SIR process underway in full swing and the Assembly elections approaching, administrative activity has intensified across political and bureaucratic circles. At the same time, ordinary citizens remain deeply engaged in discussions surrounding the SIR — from questions about which documents are required to concerns about whether all submissions have been completed accurately. Amid this climate of heightened scrutiny, the Kolkata Municipal Corporation (KMC) is now preparing to introduce special measures for issuing birth and death certificates, anticipating a significant rise in demand during the hearing phase of the SIR process.

Crowds at municipal offices are typically heavy. However, ever since speculation began about the SIR announcement, footfall at certificate counters has grown steadily. Senior officials believe that once the SIR hearings officially commence, the number of people seeking official certificates will rise several times over. To prevent delays and manage the expected rush efficiently, the KMC has initiated advance preparations. One of the key measures being taken is the deployment of additional staff across relevant sections. On Friday, Kolkata Mayor

Firhad Hakim directly addressed the issue, explaining why these steps are necessary and how the process will be handled. He noted that efforts are being made to streamline access to both online and offline services for obtaining certificates. According to him, while many citizens are now comfortable with digital services, several others still rely on physical records — particularly when documents dating back decades are required.

269 Tainted Candidates
Detected in SSC Exam, High
Court Seeks Full List by Dec 10

MI News Service, Kolkata: Despite the Calcutta High Court's clear directive that no tainted candidates should be allowed to appear for the recruitment examination, names of such candidates have begun to surface after the test was conducted. According to a notification issued by the West Bengal School Service Commission (SSC), as many as 269 candidates with pending allegations or irregularities have now been identified.

The SSC had earlier appealed to all tainted candidates to refrain from appearing for the examination. However, the Commission reportedly faced significant challenges in verifying the identities of these candidates in advance. As a result, several individuals classified as "tainted" managed to sit for the exam. The Commission has now shifted its focus to identifying those who violated the directive. In the notification, it has urged all candidates who knowingly appeared for the exam despite being tainted to immediately inform the authorities. It remains unclear whether all of the 269 candidates cleared the examination. According to sources, only a small number among them managed to pass. Those who did qualify have since been detected

and excluded from further stages of the recruitment process. The SSC has also appealed to the public and stakeholders to report any ineligible candidates who may have infiltrated the ongoing recruitment cycle. The situation has placed the Commission under heightened judicial scrutiny. A bench of Justice Amrita Sinha of the Calcutta High Court has specifically sought details of the candidates who had been appointed after the expiry of the earlier recruitment panel. The bench has further directed the SSC to upload the OMR sheets of the written examination conducted for the current year's recruitment cycle. In addition, the High Court has set a firm deadline for the Commission: the SSC must submit, by 10 December, a comprehensive list of all candidates appointed from the panel that has already lapsed. Failure to comply could invite further judicial action.

With multiple complications emerging simultaneously — including the issue of tainted candidates, questions surrounding panel validity, and demands for transparency in evaluation records — the SSC now finds itself entangled in a series of administrative and legal challenges.

Calcutta Girls' High School
Celebrates 170 Years of Excellence



MI News Service, Kolkata: Calcutta Girls' High School celebrated 170 years of academic excellence and girl empowerment with a grand cultural evening at Princep Memorial Ground, Kolkata. The event highlighted the school's commitment to nurturing confident, socially responsible young women. The evening featured a symbolic dance presentation, followed by the dance drama "The Benediction", celebrating trailblazing women. Principal Biswas emphasized the school's legacy and ongoing mission to empower students. The event concluded with musical performances and the National Anthem, underscoring unity, pride, and the school's enduring values.

DELHI BLAST: Court sends 3
doctors & preacher to 10-day JC

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detonated outside the Red Fort, had allegedly bought the vehicle in Ali's name. Wani was arrested after it emerged that Umar had been trying to "brainwash" him into becoming a suicide bomber, officials said. He was not persuaded but is alleged to have agreed to participate as an underground worker for the banned terror outfit Jaish-e-Mohammed. The sophisticated terror module, spearheaded by a group of doctors, had been actively scouting for a

suicide bomber since last year, with Umar being the alleged key planner. Officials said Adeel's interrogation indicated that Umar was a "hardcore radical" who maintained that a suicide bomber was essential for their operations. Following this disclosure, Srinagar Police sent a team to Qazigund in south Kashmir and detained Wani. Wani allegedly admitted during questioning that he had met the "doctor module" in October last year at a mosque in Kulgam, Kashmir, the officials said.

INDIA accelerates defence modernization

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forces are a driving force that allows India to deal with its neighbourhood challenges while contributing to regional stability," he said on the concluding day at the Chanakya Defence Dialogue organised by the Indian Army here. Without naming Pakistan and China, Rajnath said: "India lives in a region where challenges emerge in many forms — terrorism, cross-border support to extremist elements, attempts to alter the status quo, maritime pressures and even information warfare." India has long accused Pakistan of using cross-border terrorism as state policy against the country. China has been accused of unilaterally changing the status quo in eastern Ladakh and occupying nearly 1,000sqkm of India-claimed territory since May 2020. "India has always believed in peace and dialogue and we remain committed to that approach. But let me say clearly, when it comes to our sovereignty and the security of our people, we do not compromise," Rajnath said. The country, he said, had become a "voice of balance and responsibility" in the current global environment.

"India's economic growth, technological capabilities, and principled foreign policy have made it a voice of balance and responsibility in the changing global environment, with countries across the Indo-Pacific and the Global South viewing us as a reliable partner," he said. He said reforms were becoming a strategic necessity rather than a choice as they strengthened the adaptability of institutions, enhanced the agility of the armed forces, and gave the nation the confidence to shape its own destiny.



State Minister of Commerce and Industries, Shashi Panja, along with other dignitaries, attended the 5th Leaderpreneurship Annual Conclave organized by CII Indian Women Network (IWN) in Kolkata on Saturday.

City hosts LEADERPRENEURSHIP ANNUAL CONCLAVE

MI News Service, Kolkata: CII Indian Women Network (IWN) West Bengal successfully hosted the 5th Leaderpreneurship Annual Conclave, a flagship platform celebrating leadership, entrepreneurship, and women's empowerment. The event was graced by Dr. Shashi Panja, Minister of Commerce & Industries, Government of West Bengal, as Chief Guest, along with Guests of Honour Swami Sarvapriyananda Maharaj, Revered Monk of the Ramakrishna Order and Minister, Vedanta Society of New York; Alapan Bandyopadhyay, IAS (Retd.), Chief Advisor to the Chief Minister of West Bengal & Chairman, West Bengal Industrial Development Corporation (WBIDC); and R Venkatesh, Group COO, Narayana

Health. Addressing the gathering, Dr. Panja expressed her appreciation for the platform and reiterated West Bengal's strong commitment to gender empowerment. She emphasized that women in India—and particularly Bengal—have historically demonstrated resilience, leadership, and an ability to rise through challenges despite not always receiving a level playing field. "Women were omnipresent—whether at the forefront or behind the scenes. Their contribution was tremendous, especially in an Indian societal context where achieving success often began from a position of disadvantage," Dr. Panja said. She highlighted that women's achievements often surpassed expectations because they navigated multiple barriers

while striving for excellence. Dr. Panja also underlined the progressive initiatives of the Government of West Bengal, led by Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee, to uplift women and girls across the state. She cited flagship schemes such as Kanyashree, Lakshmi Bhandar, and Rupashree, which gained global recognition for promoting education, financial empowerment, and social security for women. Speaking on Lakshmi Bhandar, she noted that the scheme, once questioned by critics, was now widely acknowledged as a transformative model akin to Universal Basic Income (UBI), validated by Nobel laureates including Prof. Amartya Sen and Prof. Abhijit Banerjee. "Lakshmi Bhandar was not a dole—it was dignity. It

was a financial assurance that empowered women, especially homemakers, whose contributions were often unaccounted for," she said. Dr. Panja also addressed the strides made in women-led MSMEs in Bengal, which represented the second-highest number in India. She highlighted the success of micro-enterprises—particularly in handloom, muslin, and small-scale manufacturing—powered by women entrepreneurs who benefitted from accessible credit and government support. The Minister further emphasized the importance of child rights, nutrition, and inclusive growth, noting that Bengal continued to advocate for improved human development indicators while ensuring that social welfare schemes reached the grassroots.

Name Change

I, Alok Bhattacharyya (old name) son of Late Benimadhav Bhattacharyya, residing at FLAT- J/18/1002, SP. SUKHOBRISTI, AA-III, NEW TOWN, RAJARHAT, PIN- 700135, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Alok Kanti Bhattacharyya (new name), as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 28/11/2025. Alok Kanti Bhattacharyya and Alok Bhattacharyya both are same and identical person.

Name Change

I, Biswajit Pal (old name) son of Kamini Kumar Paul, residing at 141/1 South Sinthee Road, Sinthee, Kolkata- 700050, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Biswajit Paul (new name), as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 28/11/2025. Biswajit Paul and Biswajit Pal both are same and identical person.

Name Change

I, Sk Rafique (old name), S/o. Sk Abdul Ali, R/o. Niala, Pandua, Hooghly-712149, W.B. do hereby declare that I have changed my name from Sk Rafique to Shaikh Rafik and henceforth I shall be known as Shaikh Rafik in all purpose, vide an affidavit no. 50 sworn before S.O.E.M., Sadar, Hooghly Court on 20/11/2025. I, Sk Rafique & Shaikh Rafik S/o. Sk Abdul Ali both are the same & one identical person.

Name Change

I, Binod Keshari S/O Bijay Keshari residing at 172, Rabindra Sarani, P.S. Jorasanko, District- Kolkata, West Bengal, Kolkata- 700007, have change my name and shall henceforth be known as Binod Kumar Keshari as declared before 1st Class Judicial Magistrate Alipore Court District Kolkata West Bengal vide Affidavit No. 19237 Dated- 28-11-2025 Binod keshari and Binod Kumar Keshari both are same and identical Person.

NAME CHANGE

I, Ekta Jaipuria W/o Keshav Jaipuria or I, Nathu Prasad Jalan alias Nathmal Pd. Jalan residing at Swagat Garden, Flat No. 4A Block-B, Chawal Patty, Baguiati, P.O. Hoshbandu Nagar, North 24 Parganas, Kolkata-700059 do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that my Father is known, called and recognised as Nathu Prasad Jalan alias Nathmal Pd. Jalan. That due to some inadvertence clerical error my Father's name has been incorrectly recorded as Nathmal Pd. Jalan in my Educational documents and my Passport. That Nathu Prasad Jalan and Nathmal Pd. Jalan both are the same and one identical person indicating my Father's name only vide affidavit no. 1832 dated 28-11-2025 sworn before the Ld. 1st Class Judicial Magistrate, Calcutta

NAME CHANGE

I, Shijee Sahani, S/o Fekan Sahani, R/o-79, Rabindra Sarani, P.O. & P.S.-Liluah, Dist- Howrah, 711204, W.B. shall be known as Shijvi Sahani, changed vide 1st Class Judicial Magistrate, Howrah Court, affidavit (No.15536/25) Dated: 19.09.2025. Shijee Sahani & Shijvi Sahani is the same & identical person.

NAME CHANGE

I, Urmila Devi Sahani, W/o Shijvi Sahani, R/o-79, Rabindra Sarani, P.S.-Liluah, Dist- Howrah, 711204, W.B. shall be known as Urmila Devi, changed vide 1st Class Judicial Magistrate, Howrah Court, affidavit (No. 15895/25) Dated: 19.09.2025. Urmila Devi Sahani & Urmila Devi is the same & identical person.

Name Change

I, Smt Malati Adhikari, W/O Late Sudhanshu Adhikary, my son's name Subho Adhikary, residing at Village: Ruyia Paschim Para, P.O.- Patulia, P.S.-Rahara, District- North 24 Parganas, Kolkata-700119, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that my husband's name is Sudhanshu Adhikari S/O Late Bilas Chandra Adhikari recorded in his Death Certificate (Registration No. PGP 157/2021) issued by Patulia Gram Panchayat, Barrackpore I Dev Block North 24 Parganas. That my son Subho Adhikary S/O Sudhanshu Adhikary and Subho Adhikari S/O Sudhanshu Adhikari is the same and one identical person. Vide an affidavit (SL No. 1304) sworn before in the court of Ld. Judicial Magistrate 1st class at Barrackpore dated 04/11/2025.

Name Change

I, Irfan Ali S/O Mohammad Sakur Alias Mohammad Safur (Old Name), Residing At 10/17, Old Line, P.O. & P.S. Kamarhati, District - North 24 Parganas, Pin- 700058, West Bengal, India, Have Changed The Name Of My Father From Mohammad Sakur Alias Mohammad Safur (Old Name) To Md Sakur (New Name) Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 26/11/2025. I Declare That Mohammad Sakur Alias Mohammad Safur (Old Name) And Md Sakur (New Name) Refer To One And The Same Person.

Name Change

I, SURIYA KUMAR GHOSH S/O INDRA KUMAR GHOSHI (Old Name), resident of Naktala, P.O.- Naktala, P.S.- Netaji-nagar, Kolkata-700047, West Bengal, India have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as SURIYA GHOSH (New Name), as declared Before The Court of the LD 1st Class Judicial Magistrate at Alipore, vide an affidavit dated 08/11/2025. SURIYA GHOSH (New name) and SURIYA KUMAR GHOSHI (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

I Bimalendu Maity s/o Lt Himanshu Shekhar Maity, Address Nagendrapur, Raidighi, south 24paragana WB,My Father actual name Himanshu shekhar Maity and my Father nickname sitanshu Shekhar Maity. By an affidavit(77210)in the court of Ld First Class judicial magistrate At Alipur on 29/10/2025 that Himanshu shekhar Maity and sitanshu Shekhar Maity is the same and one identical person.

Delhi incident highlights urgent need for Bio-preparedness

MI News Service, New Delhi: In the wake of recent Delhi blasts and growing concerns over unconventional threats, experts and security analysts are increasingly warning of the potential danger posed by biological sabotage in India. Analysts point to past official reports and ongoing assessments that highlight both vulnerabilities and the urgent need for strategic preparedness.

Two critical documents underscore the severity of the threat. The first is the Subrahmanyam Committee report of 2001, compiled after the Kargil conflict. The report highlighted that India faces threats not only from abroad but also from domestic actors capable of executing complex sabotage operations. A key observation of the report was the lack of coordination among security agencies, which hampers timely intelligence-sharing and rapid response. The Committee made 32 recommendations aimed at overhauling the nation's security architecture to counter such threats. The second set of recommendations comes from the Indian Army's New Age Warfare Group, which focuses on emerging threats, including biological at-



tacks. The group emphasizes that modern conflict can no longer be viewed solely through conventional warfare paradigms. According to sources, late Chief of Defence Staff General Bipin Rawat had repeatedly stressed that biological threats must be incorporated into national defense planning, and proactive preparations are essential to mitigate such risks. Current assessments suggest that India remains largely unprepared for large-scale biological attacks. Most states lack robust detection and containment mechanisms, and the speed at which biological hazards can spread poses a challenge to emergency response teams. Experts note that early containment and neutralization of threats is the most effective line of defense, particularly in urban settings where population density accelerates

risk. While the probability of such attacks in open or traditional settings remains low, experts caution that certain hazards—ranging from targeted food contamination to deliberate pathogen release—could have devastating consequences if left unaddressed. Analysts argue that systematic planning, inter-agency coordination, and public awareness campaigns are essential to build a comprehensive shield against biological sabotage. As India navigates an era of new-age threats, the call from security specialists is clear: preparation cannot wait. Revisiting past recommendations, strengthening intelligence-sharing frameworks, and developing rapid-response capabilities are critical steps in safeguarding public health and national security against potential biological threats.

Plastic Threatens Jaldapara Wildlife

MI News Service, Alipurduar: Environmentalists and forest officials have raised alarms after large amounts of plastic waste and garbage were discovered in the core area of Jaldapara National Park, posing a direct threat to wildlife and the ecological balance of the protected area. The Jaldapara Divisional Forest Officer, Praveen Kaswan, recently shared images on social media showing food wrappers, plastic packets, and other refuse scattered along the riverbanks in the park's core zone. In his post, Kaswan warned that ingestion of plastic by wild animals—including elephants, rhinos, and other species—can result in severe physical harm

and long-term ecological consequences. Similar waste accumulation has been reported on roads adjacent to the Buxa Tiger Project forest in Alipurduar district. Tourists and locals have been observed leaving food wrappers, glass bottles, and other litter on roadsides areas, creating health hazards and disrupting wildlife movement. Piles of waste not only pollute the environment but also emit foul odors, which may further disturb animals and increase human-wildlife conflict. In response, the forest department has launched a "Plastic-Free Jaldapara" campaign aimed at restoring the park's natural beauty and mitigating the risks to wildlife.

Large Scale Mock Exercise at Gopinathpur Nilgiri Station Yard

MI News Service, Kolkata, 29 Nov.25 : To make itself fully prepared to deal with any emergent situation, a large-scale mock Exercise was jointly conducted today by The Railways and The National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) team from Mundali, Cuttack, Odisha. State government officials were also present during the joint exercise. Civil authorities from fire services, State Police, Civil Defence, Scouts and Guides, Medical & St. John's Ambulance staff also took part in the rescue exercise.

An accident site was created at Baleshwar, Gopinathpur Nilgiri Yard of Kharagpur Division, where derailment has been staged. Information was relayed to Railway Control Office that two Coaches of train no. 00026 (HWH-GPNB UP Passenger Special) had derailed at Baleshwar Gopinathpur Nilgiri Yard at around 07.40 am resulting in major injury to passengers. The hooter was set on at 07.41 am at Kharagpur.



Accident Relief Medical Equipment (ARME), Accident Relief Train (ART), and Crane were ordered from Kharagpur and rushed immediately towards the site to start relief work as soon as possible. Lalit Mohan Pandey, Divisional Railway Manager Kharagpur, and other officers also reached the accident site immediately. At first the rescue teams of NDRF & Railways entered the derailed coach and started their evacuation process. First aid was

given inside the coaches to passengers wherever possible. ART and NDRF teams adopted cutting methods to make way to evacuate passengers.

Medical team maintained list of injured passengers with their condition of injuries, and details of Hospitals where they were sent for further treatment, a slip of name and details of patient was provided in the pocket of each and every injured passenger for their identification, at the time of giving

first aid or while sending to hospital.

The Disaster Response Team was headed by Sr. DSO/KGP Sudhir Kumar. Teams from Commercial, S&T, Operating, Mechanical, Medical, Engineering, Personnel, Accounts, RPF, Civil Defence, Electrical, Safety and NDRF participated in this drive. The group demonstrated their skills on protection of lives and belongings during such disaster situations. Around 40 members of NDRF, 140 RPF staff, 37 members of Scouts & Guides, 51 members of the medical team, 11 members of the St. John's Ambulance service and staff from various departments took part in the rescue drive.

Enquiry cum May I help You booth, First Aid booths, Ex-Gratia payment booths were made at the location. Helpdesks were also immediately opened at all major stations in the division. After the completion of the whole Exercise, DRM Kharagpur declared the actions as a mock Exercise.

Scooty Skid Turns Fatal at Baneshwar Intersection

MI News Service, Siliguri: A tragic road accident claimed the life of a ten-year-old boy on Saturday morning at the Baneshwar intersection of the Siliguri Eastern Bypass, once again drawing attention to serious road-safety lapses in the city. The victim, Yash Vardhan Prasad, a student of a private school in Siliguri, was riding home on the back of his mother's scooty when the two-wheeler suddenly skidded on the road. Both mother and child were thrown onto the carriage-way, and in a devastating turn of events, a truck approaching from behind ran over Yash. He was immediately rushed to the Siliguri District Hospital, where doctors declared him dead on arrival. His mother sur-

vived but was left shattered after witnessing the horrific moment unfold. Eyewitnesses described the aftermath as chaotic, with traffic coming to an abrupt halt and bystanders rushing forward in shock. Police personnel from the Ashigad outpost arrived quickly, seized the truck involved, and have initiated a detailed investigation into the cause of the accident. Many questioned the condition of the road and the speed of vehicles passing through the busy intersection.

RPF Rescues Eight Minor Children Under "Operation Nanhe Fariste"

MI News Service, Kolkata, 29 Nov.25 : Eastern Railway continues its sustained efforts to ensure the safety and protection of vulnerable children travelling or found in distress across its network. As part of this commitment, the Railway Protection Force (RPF) regularly undertakes rescue operations under the nationwide initiative "Operation Nanhe Fariste," aimed at safeguarding minors and preventing trafficking, child labour, and other forms of exploitation.



On 28.11.2025, RPF personnel of Howrah, Sealdah, and Asansol Divisions successfully rescued eight minor children—six boys and two girls—from Howrah, Pakur, Kolkata, Jasidih, Asansol, and

Dumka railway stations, as well as from onboard running trains. All the rescued children were safely handed over to the concerned Child Help Line for counselling and further necessary action.

The rescued children included a boy found roaming aimlessly at Dumka Railway Station, a girl travelling alone without proper guidance onboard Train No. 13186 DN (Ganga Sagar Express), and a boy who had mistakenly boarded a Kolkata-bound train instead of travelling to Pakur. Another boy who had fled home intending to visit Kolkata was also rescued. Additionally, four minors who had left their homes after being scolded by their guardians were traced and rescued from various stations.

SC Dismisses Rape Case Over Consensual Affair



MI News Service, New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday delivered a significant ruling, emphasizing that the consensual breakdown of a personal relationship cannot be construed as a rape. A division bench comprising Justices BV Nagaratna and R. Mahadevan dismissed a rape complaint filed against a lawyer in Chhatrapati Sambhaji Nagar, Maharashtra.

The case originated during a divorce proceeding in which the lawyer had represented a female client. Ac-

cording to court records, the lawyer and his client developed a personal relationship during and after the divorce proceedings. Subsequently, the woman alleged that the lawyer had sexual relations with her on the promise of marriage, including claims of multiple pregnancies and abortions, and that he had failed to fulfill his alleged commitment. The lawyer, however, contended that the allegations were vindictive and financially motivated, pointing to a disputed sum of Rs 1.5 lakh, which the complainant had demanded and he had refused to pay. After reviewing the evidence, the Supreme Court observed that the physical relationship appeared to have been mutually consensual and did not constitute sexual harassment or coercion. The bench noted that intimacy arising from consent and affection, without evidence of fraud or force, cannot be criminalized simply because the relationship ends. "The dissolution of a relationship, however personal or painful, cannot in itself form the basis of a criminal rape case," the court emphasized, highlighting the need to distinguish between consensual intimacy and criminal conduct. The ruling has drawn attention for its broader implications, reinforcing that consent-based relationships—even if terminated without marriage—do not automatically constitute a crime, and that allegations must be supported by clear evidence of coercion or deception. Legal experts have described the decision as a landmark clarification on the intersection of consent, personal relationships, and criminal law, underscoring the principle that private, consensual relations cannot be penalized merely because they do not culminate in marriage.

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Name Change

I, Md Nazir (Old Name), Son Of Shahidur Rahaman, Residing At 2/B, Flat - 2, Damzen 2nd Lane, Po - Chittaranjan Avenue, Ps - Bowbazar, Kolkata - 700073, West Bengal, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Md Nazir Ahmed (New Name) Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 28/11/2025. Md Nazir And Md Nazir Ahmed Both Are The Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change

I, Md Ranglal Molla (Old Name), Son Of Paran Molla, Residing At 14 Nawapara, Sonapukur, Haroa, North 24parganas- 743502, West Bengal, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Ranglal Molla Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 28/11/2025. Md Ranglal Molla (Old Name) And Ranglal Molla (New Name) Both Are The Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change

I, Mohammed Badruzzaman (Old Name), Son Of Abu Sufyan, Residing At 30/1b/14/1 Ekbalpore Lane, Kolkata- 700023, West Bengal, India, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Md Badruzzaman (New Name) Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 27/11/2025. Mohammed Badruzzaman (Old Name) And Md Badruzzaman (New Name) Both Are The Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change
I, Barjahan Shaikh (old name) S/o, Mujit Sekh, resident of Vill. & P.O. - Chandni, P.S.- Bishnupur, Dist. - South 24 Parganas, Pin - 743503, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Bar Jahan Sekh (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at ALIPORE 24 PGS (S), vide an affidavit dated 09/10/2025. Bar Jahan Sekh (new name) and Barjahan Shaikh (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Jhumpa Nath(Paul) (Old Name), Wife Of Sambhu Nath Paul, Residing At 20 Nakuleswartala Ln Kolkata, Kolkata-700026, West Bengal, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Jhumpa Paul (New Name) Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 26/11/2025. Jhumpa Nath(Paul) (Old Name) And Jhumpa Paul (New Name) Both Are The Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change
I, Saifulla Sk (old name) S/o, KHATIB ALI SEKH, resident of Vill. & P.O. - Chak Enayetnagar, P.S. - Bishnupur, Dist. - South 24 Parganas, Pin - 743503, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Saifulla Skh (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at ALIPORE 24 PGS (S), vide an affidavit dated 09/10/2025. Saifulla Skh (new name) and Saifulla Sk (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Avijit Kumar Basu (old name) son of Late Amulya Kumar Bose, residing at LAT NO 4A, PRANTIK APARTMENT, 104 JESSORE ROAD, AMAR PALLY, SOUTH DUM DUM, NORTH 24 PARGANAS, WEST BENGAL, PIN-700074, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Avjit Kumar Bose (new name), as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 28/11/2025. Avjit Kumar Bose and Avijit Kumar Basu both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Sufiya Bibi (old name) W/o, Barjahan Sk. resident of Vill. & P.O. - Chandni, P.S. - Bishnupur, Dist. - South 24 Parganas, Pin - 743503, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Supiya Bibi (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at ALIPORE 24 PGS (S), vide an affidavit dated 09/10/2025. Supiya Bibi (new name) and Sufiya Bibi (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Anjura Bibi Mallick (old name) W/o, Kutub Ali Mallick, resident of Vill. - Saphkhali, P.O. & P.S. - Bishnupur, Dist. - South 24 Parganas, Pin - 743503, West Bengal, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Islahun Mallick (New Name) vide an affidavit sworn Before The Ld. Judicial Magistrate (1st Class) at Alipore on 10/11/2025. Islahun Mallick and Anjura Bibi Mallick both are the same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Bazlur Rahaman Tarafdar (old name) son of Late Fazlur Rahaman Tarafdar, residing at Vill.- P.O.-Sangrampur. P.s.- Basirhat, District- North 24 Parganas, Pin- 743422, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Bazlur- Rahaman Tarafdar (new name), as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 28/11/2025. Bazlur Rahaman Tarafdar and Bazlur Rahaman Tarafdar both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Moniruddin Sk (old name) S/o, Abdul Matin Sk. resident of Vill. & P.O. - Gandhabadui, P.S. - Bishnupur, Dist. - South 24 Parganas, Pin - 743503, West Bengal, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Mobarak Hossain Sk (New Name) vide an affidavit sworn Before The Notary Public at ALIPORE, 24-PGS (S) on 28/11/2025. Mobarak Hossain Sk and Moniruddin Sk both are the same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Parag Das S/O Late Amit Kumar Das, residing at 13-6B, Atri Green Valley, Dwarir Road, Rajpur, Sonarpur, Baruipur, Pin- 700151, West Bengal, India, declared that my father Amit Das (father's old name). I have changed his name and he shall henceforth be known as Amit Kumar Das (father new name), as declared Before The 1st Class Judicial Magistrate at Alipore, dated 28/11/2025. Amit Kumar Das and Amit Das both are same and one identical person (my father).

Name Change
I, Fatema & Fatema Membersaheb (old names) daughter of Late Fakhruddin, residing at Ward No 22, Najampur, P.O.- Mandsaur, Dist- Mandsaur, M.P. Pin- 458001, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Fatema Kutubuddin (new name), as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit No 31 dated 28/11/2025. Fatema Kutubuddin and Fatema & Fatema Membersaheb all are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Archana Bhattacharyya (old name) wife of Alok Kanti Bhattacharyya, residing at FLAT- J/18/1002, SP. SUKHOBRISTI, AA-III, NEW TOWN, RAJARHAT, WEST BENGAL, PIN- 700135, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Archana Bhattacharjee (new name), as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 28/11/2025. Archana Bhattacharjee and Archana Bhattacharyya both are same and identical person.

Name Change
I, Kutubuddin & Qutubuddin Membersaheb (old names) son of Late Rajab Ali, residing at 45K, Delhi Darwaja Najampur, P.O.- Mand-saur, Dist.- Mandsaur, M.P. Pin- 458001, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Kutubuddin Rajab Ali Bohara (new name), as declared before the Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit SI No 30 dated 28/11/2025. Kutubuddin Rajab Ali Bohara and Kutubuddin & Qutubuddin Membersaheb all are same and identical person.

CPI-M demands Election Commission stop "flawed" SIR process

MI News Service, New Delhi: The CPI(M) on Saturday reiterated its strong opposition to the manner in which the Special Intensive Revision of Electoral Rolls is being carried out across the country, demanding a halt to the process, which they believed is "being conducted in a tearing hurry and poorly planned manner"

CPI(M) in a statement said that the entire exercise is being conducted in a tearing hurry and poorly planned manner. "Booth Level Officers (BLOs) have

been given impossible deadlines to complete the door-to-door verification. This haste has led to complaints in several places of BLOs camping in some Party offices and asking voters to visit them. All these will inevitably lead to mass exclusion and errors," they said in the statement.

"The immense pressure that has befallen the BLOs has already claimed many lives. They are working under crushing workloads, without adequate rest or safeguards. These are not accidental casualties - they

are the direct outcome of an irresponsible and inhuman administrative process." CPI(M) added

CPI(M) further added that it is also shocking that the Election Commission is not using its own duplicate-voter detection software, a tool specifically created to ensure accuracy and reduce manual burdens. This raises serious concerns about the real intent and purpose behind the current revision.

This is compounded by the fact that both BLOs and ordinary voters who want

to upload forms are experiencing issues with internet connectivity, unstable servers, and repeated technical failures. For many - especially for marginalised sections and in rural areas - uploading a simple form has become an ordeal, effectively creating new barriers to voter inclusion.

The Polit Bureau of CPI(M) demanded that the Election Commission immediately halt this flawed process and stop the disenfranchisement of a large number of people.

The Election Commission

of India is conducting the second phase of the Special Intensive Revision of electoral rolls across 12 states and Union Territories, with the final voter list scheduled to be published on February 7, 2026.

The first phase of SIR was completed in Bihar in September ahead of the Assembly elections. The exercise covers Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Chhattisgarh, Goa, Gujarat, Kerala, Lakshadweep, Madhya Pradesh, Puducherry, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, and West Bengal.

"We are fully prepared": Additional DCP Vineet Kumar on security arrangements in Delhi MCD by-polls

MI News Service, New Delhi: Ahead of the upcoming Municipal Corporation of Delhi by-elections, Additional DCP Vineet Kumar on Saturday said the administration is fully prepared and informed that approximately 250 personnel will oversee security during the election process.

Kumar said that drones will also be used everywhere, and an outer force has been provided for the strong room and EVM security.

"The State Election Commission announced the by-polls on the 30th... We are fully prepared... Approximately 250 personnel will oversee security during this election process. Drones will also be used everywhere... We have already been provided outer force for the strong room and EVM security," DCP Vineet Kumar told ANI.

Meanwhile, Aam Aadmi Party



leader Saurabh Bharadwaj said their leader, Arvind Kejriwal, has asked the workers to contest the elections and expressed that there is a lot of enthusiasm among them.

"The AAP and our leader Arvind Kejriwal have decided that the party workers contest the elections... Because of this, all the workers of Delhi are enthusiastic," Saurabh Bharadwaj told ANI.

The State Election Commission, NCT of Delhi, has initiated comprehensive transportation arrangements to ensure the smooth and timely movement of polling personnel, security forces, and voters for the bye-elections to 12 wards of the Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD), said the release.

The polling will be held on November 30 (Sunday), while counting is scheduled for December 3 (Wednesday). In preparation for these crucial electoral events, the Commission has coordinated with the transport department to facilitate early and hassle-free travel across the city.

As per the release, Delhi Metro services will support the efficient deployment of polling teams and ensure voters' convenience; special DTC bus services will begin operating from 03:00 AM on both polling and counting days. These services will cover 35 designated routes across Delhi, ensuring widespread accessibility to polling stations and election-related destinations.

আমমোক্তারনামা সংক্রান্ত বিজ্ঞপ্তি

এতদ্বারা সকলকে জানানো যাচ্ছে যে, ১)সেখ লুৎফর রহমান মন্ডল, ২)সেখ উমরুজ্জামান মন্ডল উভয়ের পিতা মরহুম সেখ ফজলুর রহমান ওরফে ফজলে রহমান মন্ডল ওরফে ফজলু মন্ডল, সাকিম নারায়ন পাড়া, সুপাঙ্গা, পোলাবা, হপলী, মহাশয়/মহাশয়াগণ "বিতত" হই ২৯/০৮/২০০৮ তারিখে এ.ডি.এস.আর., চুড়া, হপলী, অফিস রেজিস্ট্রিকৃত IV-23/2005 নং আমমোক্তারনামা দলিল মূলে আবার মন্ডল সেখ আজিজুর রহমান মন্ডল, পিতা মরহুম সেখ ফজলুর রহমান ওরফে ফজলুর রহমান মন্ডল ওরফে ফজলু মন্ডল, সাকিম নারায়ন পাড়া, সুপাঙ্গা, পোলাবা, হপলী মহাশয়কে ফরমাস্তে আমমোক্তার নিষুক্ত করেন এবং উক্ত আমমোক্তারনামা ও স্বাক্ষর ক্ষমতা হারান আবার মন্ডল সেখ ১৮/০৮/২০০৮ তারিখে ডি.এস.আর.-1, হপলী, চুড়া, অফিস রেজিস্ট্রিকৃত 1-04881/2009 নং বিবরণী কোথায় দলিল মূলে ১)হীমতী অর্ন্তী প্রাধানিক স্বামী ২)শৌখিন প্রাধানিক, ৩)হীমতী প্রাধানিক প্রাধানিক, পিতা ২)শৌখিন প্রাধানিক, উভয়ের সাকিম পোটা, সুপাঙ্গা, পোলাবা, হপলী মহাশয়/মহাশয়কে ০২ কাঠা ৪২ বর্গফুট সম্পত্তি বিক্রয় করেন। তদুপলব্ধ - জেলা হপলী, থানা পোলাবা, মৌজা পোটা, ৬৩ নং জে.এল.ভুক্ত, হাল এল.আর. ৯০০, ১৪১৬/২, ১৪৬৬/২, ৯৪/২ ও ৯৫৫/২ নং খতিয়ানে, আর.এস. থানা হাল এল.আর. ৫১০৩ নং দাগে কলারাপা সম্পত্তি বোল আননে ৫০৬ দলিল আমমোক্তারনামা ও স্বাক্ষর ক্ষমতা হারান বিক্রয়কৃত সম্পত্তি হইতে। এতদ্বারা সকলকে অবগত করা যাচ্ছে যে, ১)হীমতী অর্ন্তী প্রাধানিক স্বামী ২)শৌখিন প্রাধানিক, ৩)হীমতী প্রাধানিক প্রাধানিক, পিতা ২)শৌখিন প্রাধানিক, উভয়ের সাকিম পোটা, সুপাঙ্গা, পোলাবা, হপলী মহাশয়/মহাশয়কে ০২ কাঠা ৪২ বর্গফুট সম্পত্তি বিক্রয় করেন। তদুপলব্ধ - জেলা হপলী, থানা পোলাবা, মৌজা পোটা, ৬৩ নং জে.এল.ভুক্ত, হাল এল.আর. ৯০০, ১৪১৬/২, ১৪৬৬/২, ৯৪/২ ও ৯৫৫/২ নং খতিয়ানে, আর.এস. থানা হাল এল.আর. ৫১০৩ নং দাগে কলারাপা সম্পত্তি বোল আননে ৫০৬ দলিল আমমোক্তারনামা ও স্বাক্ষর ক্ষমতা হারান বিক্রয়কৃত সম্পত্তি হইতে।

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Saying such absurd things to hog limelight": BJP's Rakesh Tripathi

MI News Service, New Delhi : Bharatiya Janata Party leader Rakesh Tripathi on Saturday criticised Jami-at Ulama-i-Hind president Maulana Mahmood Madani's speech, calling it absurd and potentially contempt of court.

Speaking with ANI, Tripathi urged the Supreme Court to take action, alleging Madani instigated people against the community, labelling him an enemy.

Tripathi said, "Jamiat Ulama-i-Hind is not relevant anymore. He is saying such absurd things to hog the limelight. The kinds of things he has said against the Supreme Court should be considered contempt of court.

The Supreme Court should take suo motu cognisance of such people and take strict action against them. He is instigating people to wage a war against this country. People who analyse 'jihad' like this are enemies of the community. The community should identify such people..."

BJP MP Manoj Tiwari called the statements reflective of a "criminal nature."

"Someone giving such threats can only be a person of criminal nature... If there is any place in the world where our brothers and sisters of the Muslim community are safest and facilitated, it is India," he told reporters.

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All policyholders are requested to take note of the new address mentioned herein above and any further correspondence to our above branch office be made only to our new address mentioned herein above.

This notice is issued for the information of all our esteemed policy holders and to the public at large, in public interest.

By order
Chief Executive Officer
For and on behalf of
BAJAJ GENERAL INSURANCE LIMITED
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Branch Office: 4th floor, Krishna Enclave, 2/L, Bhajan Lal Lohia Lane, Near Howrah AC Market, Above Yes Bank, Howrah-711011
Branch Office: 8/1A, 2nd floor, Sir William Jones Sarani (Formerly 8/L, Middleton Row), Kolkata-700071

[Is proviso to rule 8(6)] Notice for sale of immovable assets
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of ICICI Home Finance Company Ltd., will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is", as per the brief particulars given hereunder:

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Legal Heirs. Loan Account No.	Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any	Amount Outstanding-	Reserve Price Earnest Money Deposit	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Date & Time of Auction	One Day Before Auction Date	SARFAESI Stage
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)
1.	Abdul Hamid Laskar (Borrower) Mamraj Laskar (Co-Borrower) Lan No. LHKJB00001364069 & LHKJB00001364421	0 Kanthalberia Ps Basanti Gram Panchayat South 24 Parganas 0 Canning Town West Bengal- 743329	Rs. 12,64, 729.74/- Novem-ber 26, 2025	Rs. 27,64, 440/- Rs. 2,76, 446/-	December 24, 2025 11:00 AM- 03:00 PM	December 31, 2025 02:00 PM- 03:00 PM	December 30, 2025 Before 05:00 PM	Symbolic Possession
2.	Sanju Day (Borrower) Parmita Chowdhury (Co-Borrower) Lan No. LHSIG00001392084 & LHSIG00001392314	0 Plot No-3 RS and 321 LR, Khatian No-74 RS and 356 LR, Mouzageni, JL No-77 RS and 26 LR, Ps-Darjeeling, Naxalbari Gram Panchayat Middle Class Area 0 Siliguri West Bengal 734001	Rs. 10,97, 839.54/- Novem-ber 26, 2025	Rs. 26,24, 100/- Rs. 2,62, 467/-	December 24, 2025 11:00 AM- 03:00 PM	December 31, 2025 02:00 PM- 03:00 PM	December 30, 2025 Before 05:00 PM	Symbolic Possession
3.	Bapi Mandal (Borrower) Bablu Mandal (Co-Borrower) Sephal Mandal, (Co-Borrower) Baban Mandal (Co-Borrower) Lan No. LHSIG00001479646 & LHSIG00001479770	1 Madhya Chopra, Plot No. LR 854, Khatian LR 659, JL No. 24, Mouza Chopra Middle Class Area 01 Islampur West Bengal- 733202	Rs. 10,34, 709.18/- Novem-ber 26, 2025	Rs. 44,58, 825/- Rs. 4,45, 883/-	December 24, 2025 11:00 AM- 03:00 PM	December 31, 2025 02:00 PM- 03:00 PM	December 30, 2025 Before 05:00 PM	Symbolic Possession
4.	Pintu Kumar Mahato (Borrower) Mintu Kumar Mahato (Co-Borrower) Lan No. LHSIG00001417380 & LHSIG00001417448	Plot No-68 and 73 RS, Khatian No-55/11, Mouza-mankuri, JL No. 107, Ward No-46, PS-Pradhannagar, Dist-Darjeeling, under Siliguri Municipal Corporation Middle Class Area 0 0 Siliguri West Bengal- 734003	Rs. 21,00, 877.00/- Novem-ber 26, 2025	Rs. 66,86, 100/- Rs. 6,68, 610/-	December 24, 2025 11:00 AM- 03:00 PM	December 31, 2025 02:00 PM- 03:00 PM	December 30, 2025 Before 05:00 PM	Symbolic Possession
5.	Mrinal Kanti Das (Borrower) Tip Top Packaging, (Co-Borrower) Kunal Das, (Co-Borrower) Keya Das (Co-Borrower) Lan No. LHHOW00001542772	JL No-60, LR Khatian No- 2946, RS and LR Dag No-1820, A.D.S.R.O. and PS-Singur, under Balrambati Gram Panchayat, 71st Hooghly, Pin-712409 West Bengal- 712404	Rs. 61,92, 315.00/- Novem-ber 26, 2025	Rs. 1,15,25, 400/- Rs. 11,52, 550/-	December 24, 2025 11:00 AM- 03:00 PM	December 31, 2025 02:00 PM- 03:00 PM	December 30, 2025 Before 05:00 PM	Symbolic Possession
6.	Dukhiram Naiya (Borrower) Sanjit Kumar Naiya (Co-Borrower) Lan No. LHKJB00001358966 & LHKJB00001358992	Nagartala PS Jibantala JL No. 34, Touzi, 3245, R.S Khatian No. 266, LR Khatian No- 360, Dag No. 242 and 244 South 24 Pgs Na South 24 Parganas West Bengal- 743378	Rs. 5,38, 899.00/- Novem-ber 26, 2025	Rs. 18,84, 870/- Rs. 1,88, 487/-	December 24, 2025 11:00 AM- 03:00 PM	December 31, 2025 02:00 PM- 03:00 PM	December 30, 2025 Before 05:00 PM	Symbolic Possession
7.	Ashok Naskar (Borrower) Jharna Naskar (Co-Borrower) Lan No. LHKJB00001370369 & LHKJB00001370493	Satak Mouza- Uttar Sonakhali JL No 135 Touzi No. 210 Sabek Khatian No. 174 R Khatian-387 R.S Dag No 1363, 1364, 1365 Narayantala PS Basanti Litar Mokamberi 0 Canning Town West Bengal- 743329	Rs. 9,50, 950.00/- Novem-ber 26, 2025	Rs. 19,26, 720/- Rs. 1,92, 672/-	December 24, 2025 11:00 AM- 03:00 PM	December 31, 2025 02:00 PM- 03:00 PM	December 30, 2025 Before 05:00 PM	Symbolic Possession
8.	Kalipada Biswas (Borrower) Subita Biswas (Co-Borrower) Lan No. LHKJB00001366482 & LHKJB00001366981	All That Piece and Parcel of Land Measuring 288 Sqft, Mouza-Nagartala, R.S Dag No- 1942, JL No-34, Touzi- 44, L. R Khatian- 5253, P.S -Jibantala, South 24 Parganas, Under Tamul Daha 2 No. Gram Panchayat West Bengal 743376	Rs. 10,39, 206.00/- Novem-ber 26, 2025	Rs. 5,66, 748/- Rs. 56, 675/-	December 24, 2025 11:00 AM- 03:00 PM	December 31, 2025 02:00 PM- 03:00 PM	December 30, 2025 Before 05:00 PM	Symbolic Possession
9.	Mrinal Kanti Das (Borrower) Kunal Das, (Co-Borrower) Keya Das, (Co-Borrower) Chandira Das (Co-Borrower) Lan No. LHHOW00001540649 & LHHOW00001542323	JL No-60, R.S Khatian No- 631 LR Khatian No- 1185, RS and LR Dag No-1816, A.D.S.R.O. and PS-Singur, under Balrambati Gram Panchayat, Dist- Hooghly, Pin-712409 West Bengal 712404	Rs. 98,83, 82.32/- Novem-ber 26, 2025	Rs. 82,32, 300/- Rs. 8,23, 823/-	December 24, 2025 11:00 AM- 03:00 PM	December 31, 2025 02:00 PM- 03:00 PM	December 30, 2025 Before 05:00 PM	Symbolic Possession

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For any further clarifications with regards to inspection, terms and conditions of the auction or submission of tenders, kindly contact ICICI Home Finance Company Limited on 9920807300.

The Authorized Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please visit <https://www.icicifi.com/>

Date: November 30, 2025
Place: South 24 Parganas, Siliguri, Islampur, Hooghly

Authorized Officer,
"ICICI Home Finance Company Limited",
CIN Number- U65922MR11999PLC120106

Narcotics wing busts MD drug manufacturing unit in Neemuch, 3 held

MI News Service, Indore: The Madhya Pradesh Narcotics Wing has busted an illegal MD drug manufacturing unit in Neemuch district, arresting three individuals and seizing 2.7 kg of MD drugs and other raw materials used in preparation from the spot, an officer said on Saturday.

The manufacturing unit was located in a farm field in Lasudiya Istmurar village under Rampura police station in Neemuch district. Acting on a tip from an informer, the Narcotic Wing conducted a raid on Friday and confiscated the narcotic substance valued at over Rs 30 crore in the international market.

DIG Narcotics Mahesh Chandra Jain told ANI, "For several days, we received information that one Niranjan Banjara (32), a resident of Khedi village in Neemuch, was manufacturing MD drugs. Taking the input seriously, a local intelligence network in the village was activated to gather information about Niranjan. For the past two months, movement of Niranjan was reported in a Lasudiya Istmurar village, following which the informer network in that village was also activated and his activities were closely monitored."

"Yesterday morning (November 28), the Narcotics wing received input from an informer that Niranjan would manufacture MD drugs during the night. Acting on it, teams from the Narcotics Wing of Indore and Neemuch reached the location and raided a room built in the farm fields of Lasudiya Istmurar village. After which, the recovered 2.7 kg of prepared MD drug, 16 kilograms of MD drug in liquid form which was being dried, and about 70 kilograms of chemicals and other substances used for manufacturing MD drug from the spot," Jain said.

He further said that three accused, identified as Niranjan Banjara (32), Arjun Banjara (30) and Ramesh Banjara (27), were arrested from the spot. The international market value of the seized narcotic substances is estimated to be over Rs 30 crore.

The accused have been taken into police remand and are being further interrogated to know about their supply chain and the source of the chemicals used in the manufacturing process, the officer added.

UP woman found dead in Chandigarh's Rose Garden, says police

MI News Service, Chandigarh : A woman hailing from Uttar Pradesh was found dead in a public toilet in Chandigarh's Rose Garden, police said on Saturday.

Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) Dalbir Singh told reporters that the picture will be clear after the investigation is completed.

"...We cannot say much at this point. We can elaborate after the investigation. The deceased woman has been identified. She belonged to UP...We have recovered a knife from the scene of the crime..."

Police have taken the body to the Sector 16 hospital mortuary for a postmortem examination. Police and forensic teams are at the scene.

"Young civil servants must understand their crucial role in safeguarding national interests": Rajnath Singh

MI News Service, Mussoorie: Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Saturday called upon the young civil servants to understand their crucial role in safeguarding national interests and, like the brave soldiers, always stay ready for such critical situations, as per a release by the Ministry of Defence.

He was addressing the valedictory ceremony of the 100th Common Foundation Course at the Lal Bahadur Shastri Na-

Air India issues travel advisory for Cyclone Ditwah

MI News Service, New Delhi: Air India on Saturday issued a travel advisory on the possible disruption in flight operations due to heavy rain and strong winds resulting from Cyclone Ditwah

Air India requested the travellers to check the status of their flights before heading to the airport. The airlines also advised people to contact their call assistance for any assistance.

In a post on X, Air India stated, "Heavy rain and strong winds resulting from Cyclone Ditwah may impact our flights operating to and from Chennai and some other cities in southern India."

"You are requested to check the status of your flights here <https://airindia.com/in/en/manage/flight-status.html> before proceeding to the airport. For any assistance, please contact our 24x7 Call Centre at 011-69329333 / 011-69329999," they added.

Meanwhile, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued a red alert in parts of Tamil Nadu and Puducherry as Cyclone Ditwah approaches closer to the coastal areas.

IMD warned of heavy to very heavy rainfall, with ex-

tremely heavy rain at isolated spots, likely over Cuddalore, Nagapattinam, Mayiladuthurai, Villuppuram, Chengalpattu districts, and the Puducherry-Karaikal region.

IMD has stated that Cyclone Ditwah is likely to move North-Northwest (NNW) and will approach the North Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, and South Andhra Pradesh coasts by tomorrow.

The cyclone will come within 25 km of the Tamil Nadu and Puducherry coasts on Sunday evening.

The cyclone will downgrade from the classification of cyclonic storm on Monday morning.

IMD scientist DR Pattnaik said, "As per the last update around 11.30 am 12 pm, Cyclone Ditwah lies about 350 km south of Chennai. It is gradually heading north-northwest. It is above the Southwest Bay of Bengal and near Sri Lanka. With a speed of 10 kmph, it is heading in a north-northwest direction...We have issued a warning of 70-80 kmph gusting, and it will maintain that. On the morning of 1st December, it will downgrade from the classification of cyclonic storm."

Additionally, Joint Collec-

tor of Nellore, Mogili Venkateswarlu, highlighted that the cyclone has affected Tamil Nadu and Puducherry, but only moderate rain occurred in the Nellore district of Andhra Pradesh.

"Most areas of Tamil Nadu and Puducherry were affected by this cyclone, but in Nellore district, only moderate rains occurred today. All district-level staff have been alerted, and various departments have taken precautionary measures," he said.

"Guidance has been issued to district-level officers, and all departments are ensuring necessary precautions," he added.

Moreover, the Puducherry District Collector has ordered the closure of all liquor shops and liquor stores in Puducherry by 8 pm tonight.

Cyclone Ditwah, which is expected to make landfall in Tamil Nadu and Puducherry on Sunday evening, has killed 123 people in Sri Lanka, with another 130 reported missing.

The extreme weather system has destroyed nearly 15,000 homes across the country, sending almost 44,000 people to state-run temporary shelters, the Disaster Management Centre (DMC) said on Saturday.

"Should not provoke or instigate Muslims": All India Muslim Jamaat chief counters Maulana Mahmood Madani

MI News Service, New Delhi: National President of All India Muslim Jamaat, Maulana Shahabuddin Razvi Bareilly, advised Jamiat Ulama-i-Hind president Maulana Mahmood Madani not to "provoke or instigate Muslims," saying that the crores of Muslims of the country do not agree with his statement.

Speaking with ANI, Maulana Shahabuddin Razvi Bareilly also advised Madani to speak from a religious point of view, asserting that muslims have faith in the Supreme Court, Parliament and Government

"Not just me, but crores of Muslims in India do not agree with his statement. Maulana Mahmood Madani is a religious man. He should speak from a religious point of view. He should not provoke or instigate Muslims. Crores of Muslims trust the Supreme Court, Parliament and Government," he told ANI.

On Saturday, Maulana Mahmood Madani expressed concern over India's judicial and social conditions, alleging that constitutional rights

are being undermined and minority communities are being targeted.

Speaking at the National

Children's brains are altered by the time they spent on electronic devices

WASHINGTON : According to a review of 23 years of neuroimaging research, time spent watching television or playing computer games has significant and long-term implications on children's brain function, which, while exhibiting some negative effects, also shows some favourable ones.

The researchers, however, stop short of endorsing screen time limits, which they believe can lead to conflict. Instead, they advocate for legislators to assist parents in navigating the digital world by promoting programmes that promote positive brain development.

The evidence review, which was published today in the peer-reviewed journal Early Education and Development, is an examination of 33 research pieces that used neuroimaging technology to assess the influence of digital technology on the brains of children under the age of 12. There are almost 30,000 participants in all. The study discovered that screen usage causes alterations in the pre-frontal cortex of the brain, which is the foundation of executive skills including working memory and the ability to plan or respond flexibly to situations.

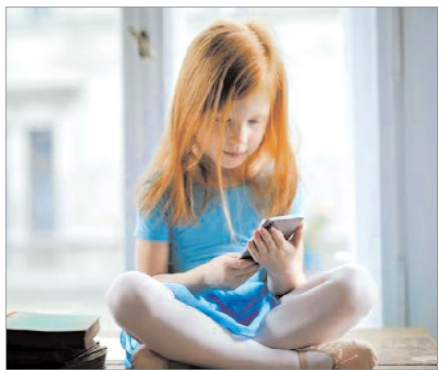
It also discovers effects on the parietal lobe, which aids in the processing of touch, pressure, heat, cold, and pain; the temporal lobe, which aids in memory, hearing, and language; and the occipital lobe, which aids in the interpretation of visual information.

"It should be recognized by both educators and caregivers that children's cognitive development may be influenced by their digital experiences," said the study's corresponding author, Chair Professor Hui Li, from the Faculty of Education and Human Development Faculty of Education and Human Development, at The Education University of Hong Kong.

"Limiting their screen time is an effective but confronting way, and more innovative, friendly, and practical strategies could be developed and implemented.

"Those in policymaking positions should supply suitable guidance, involvement and backing

for children's digital use." The research team, which as well as experts from the Education University of Hong Kong, included those from the Shanghai Normal University in China and Macquarie University in Australia, wanted to know how digital activity affected the brain's plasticity - or malleability - during critical periods of development. It is known that visual development mostly takes place before the age of eight,



while the key time for language acquisition is up to 12.

They synthesized and evaluated studies on children's digital use and associated brain development published between January 2000 and April 2023, with the ages of participants ranging from six months upwards.

Screen-based media were the most commonly used by the participants, followed by games, virtual visual scenes, video viewing and editing, and internet or pad use.

The paper concludes that these early digital experiences are having a significant impact on the shape of children's brains and their functioning.

This was deemed as both potentially positive and negative, but mainly more negative.

For example, negative impacts were witnessed in some studies on how screen time influences the

brain function required for attention, executive control abilities, inhibitory control, cognitive processes, and functional connectivity. Other studies suggested that higher screen time is associated with lower functional connectivity in brain areas related to language and cognitive control, potentially adversely affecting cognitive development.

Some device-based research was assessed in the research pool. Tablet device users were found to have worse brain function and problem-solving tasks. Video gaming and high internet users were found, in four studies, to produce negative changes in brain areas, impacting intelligence scores and brain volume.

General "intensive media usage" was shown to potentially impact visual processing and higher cognitive function regions.

There were six studies, however, demonstrating how these digital experiences can positively impact a child's brain functionality. Such as, one found improved focusing and learning abilities in the frontal lobe of the brain. Meanwhile, another study suggested playing video games can increase cognitive demand, potentially enhancing children's executive functions and cognitive skills.

Overall Chair Professor Li's team conclude that policymakers must act on these findings to support evidence-based practice for teachers and parents. Lead author, DrDandan Wu of the Education University of Hong Kong, states: "This investigation contains significant implications for practical improvement and policymaking. Foremost, it should be recognized by both educators and caregivers that children's cognitive development may be influenced by their digital experiences. As such, they should supply suitable guidance, involvement, and backing for children's digital use. "It is imperative for policymakers to develop and execute policies grounded in empirical evidence to safeguard and enhance brain development in children as they navigate the digital era. "This could involve offering resources and incentives for the creation and examination of digital interventions aimed at bolstering brain growth in children."

How Yoga & Walnuts May Enhance Heart Health



NEW DELHI : A healthy, nutritious and active lifestyle can go a long way in maintaining sound mental and physical health, and recent years have made us realize just how important it is to make health an utmost priority in our lives. So, this brings us to an important question: What does one do to stay fit and healthy in 2024? Integrative health coach Neha Ranglani has the answer: "A nutrition-

rich diet, containing omega-3 ALA-rich walnuts, may help improve your cardiovascular health. Pair it up with yoga, which helps reduce stress, improve blood circulation, and control blood pressure levels, and you have a powerful combination for maintaining a healthy heart."

And we couldn't agree more! California walnuts, paired with the ancient practice of yoga offer complementary

effects that can help not only our heart health but also our overall wellbeing.

Scroll down to read how yoga and walnuts benefit your heart:

1. Reduced stress

Yoga, an ancient Indian practice, involves a combination of body poses, breathwork, and meditation.

This trio is known to be beneficial for our mind and body. Meanwhile, walnuts may help improve mood.(1) These

wonder nuts may be associated with lower depression symptoms, greater interest in activities, higher energy levels, better concentration, and greater optimism.(2)

2. Promote weight management

Obesity is one of the major risk factors for heart disease, and hence, weight management is key to protecting one's self. Yoga and walnuts both promote weight management. A

Study reveals how infertility treatment can double risk of postpartum heart disease



NEW JERSEY [US] : Infertility treatment patients were twice as likely to be hospitalised with heart disease in the year following delivery as spontaneously conceived patients, according to a study conducted by Rutgers Health experts using more than 31 million hospital records.

Infertility patients were 2.16 times more likely to be hospitalised for hypertension, or dangerously elevated blood pressure than normally conceived patients.

"Postpartum checkups are necessary for all patients, but this study indicates they are particularly important for patients who undergo infertility treatment to achieve a conception," said Rei Yamada, an obstetrics and gynecology resident at Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and lead author of the study.

The study authors say their results support standards of care that now call for an initial postpartum checkup three weeks after delivery, standards that some health systems have yet to adopt. Much of the elevated risk came in the first month after delivery, particularly for patients who developed dangerously high blood pressure.

"And these results aren't the only ones to indicate that follow-up should occur early," said Cande Ananth, chief of the Division of Epidemiology and Biostatistics in the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences at Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and senior author of the study. "We have been involved in a series of studies over the past few years that have found serious risks of heart disease and stroke to various high-risk patient populations within those initial 30 days after delivery - risks that

could be mitigated with earlier follow-up care."

The study analyzed the Nationwide Readmissions Database, which contains nationally representative data on about 31 million hospital discharges and readmissions per year. The database contains diagnosis codes, which let researchers find specific populations and identify reasons for readmission.

The researchers used data from more than 31 million patients who were discharged following delivery from 2010 to 2018, including 287,813 patients who had undergone any infertility treatment.

Although infertility treatment predicted a sharply elevated risk of heart disease, the study authors said the relative youth of infertility treatment patients kept their overall risk fairly low. Just 550 of every 100,000 women who received infertility treatment and 355 of every 100,000 who conceived naturally were hospitalized with cardiovascular disease in the year after delivery.

The cause of the elevated risk of heart disease associated with infertility treatment remains unclear. The increase in heart disease could stem from the infertility treatments themselves, the underlying medical issues that made patients infertile or some other cause.

"Looking forward, I'd like to see if different types of infertility treatment and, importantly, medications are associated with different risk levels," said Yamada. "Our data gave no information about which patients had undergone which treatment. More detailed information might also provide insight into how infertility treatment impacts cardiovascular outcomes."

Study finds new method to detect novel biomarkers for kidney diseases with nephrotic syndrome

BOSTON [US] : A study has revealed a major advance in the identification and tracking of renal illnesses linked to nephrotic syndrome.

The findings of the study were published in the New England Journal of Medicine and presented at the 61st ERA Congress in Stockholm, Sweden.

By employing a hybrid methodology, scientists discovered that anti-nephryn autoantibodies serve as a dependable biomarker for monitoring the advancement of the disease, paving the way for more individualized therapeutic strategies.

Nephrotic syndrome, defined by increased urine protein levels, is associated with kidney disorders, including membranous nephropathy (MN), primary focal segmental glomerulosclerosis (FSGS), and minimal change disease (MCD). Damage to podocytes, the kidney's filtering cells, is the main cause of nephrotic syndrome because it permits protein to seep into the urine.

Children diagnosed with MCD or FSGS often receive a diagnosis of idiopathic nephrotic syndrome (INS), where the cause of the nephrotic syndrome is unknown. This is frequently because children with high protein levels in their urine rarely undergo a kidney biopsy, which is how the cause is typically determined.

Traditionally, diagnosing these conditions has posed challenges due to overlapping histological features and hesitancy to conduct invasive kidney biopsies, particularly in children. While anti-nephryn autoantibodies have been observed in certain patients with MCD and FSGS, their precise role in the advancement of these diseases is not fully understood.

The study, conducted across Europe and the USA, introduced a novel approach combining immunoprecipitation with enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) to reliably detect anti-nephryn autoantibodies.

The findings revealed that anti-nephryn autoantibodies were prevalent in 69 per cent of adults with MCD and 90 per cent of children with INS who had not been treated with immunosuppressive drugs. Importantly, the levels of these autoantibodies corre-



lated with disease activity, suggesting their potential as a biomarker for monitoring disease progression. The antibodies were also rarely seen in the other diseases under examination.

To further investigate the impact of nephryn immunisation on kidney function and disease, researchers administered laboratory-made nephryn protein to mice, creating a condition akin to MCD in the mice. Immunisation led to the phosphorylation of nephryn and notable alterations in cell structure, indicating the involvement of antibodies targeting nephryn in podocyte malfunction and nephrotic syndrome.

Remarkably, unlike other models necessitating multiple immunisations, this model induced swift disease manifestation with a single immunisation, even at low antibody concentrations.

Dr Nicola M Tomas, co-lead author of the study, commented, "The identification of anti-nephryn autoantibodies as a reliable biomarker, coupled with our hybrid immunoprecipitation technique, enhances our diagnostic capabilities and opens new avenues for closely monitoring disease progression in kidney disorders with nephrotic syndrome."

Professor Tobias B. Huber, lead author of the study, furthered, "By providing insights into underlying mechanisms, these findings lay the groundwork for personalised interventions and pave the way for a new era of precision medicine for these complex conditions."

Researchers find how areas of brain are associated with helping decisions

BIRMINGHAM [UK] : Researchers found that a particular brain region--which they identified through a study of patients who had brain damage to that region--controls our willingness to assist others.

Understanding the areas of the brain associated with "helping" decisions is crucial to comprehending how people could be inspired to take on major global issues like infectious diseases, climate change, and international conflict. It is also necessary to discover novel treatments for social interaction difficulties.

Researchers from the Universities of Birmingham and Oxford conducted the study, which was published in Nature Human Behaviour. It demonstrates for the first time how the ventromedial prefrontal cortex (vmPFC), a brain region, plays a crucial role in helpful, or "prosocial," activities.

Lead author Professor Patricia Lockwood said: "Prosocial behaviours are essential for addressing global challenges. Yet helping others is often effortful and humans are averse to effort. Understanding how effortful helping decisions are processed in the brain is extremely important." In the study, the researchers focused on the vmPFC, a region located right at the front of the brain, which is known to be important for decision-making and other executive functions. Previous studies using magnetic resonance imaging (MRI scanning) have linked the vmPFC to choices that involve a trade-off between the rewards available and the effort required to obtain rewards. However, these techniques cannot show whether a part of the brain is essential for these functions. Three groups of participants were recruited for the study. 25 patients had vmPFC damage, 15



patients had damage elsewhere in the brain, and 40 people were healthy age and gender-matched control participants. These groups allowed the researchers to test the impact of damage to vmPFC specifically.

Each participant attended an experiment where they met another person anonymously. They then completed a decision-making task that measured how willing they were to exert physical effort (squeezing a grip force device) to earn rewards (bonus money) for themselves and for the other person. By enabling participants to meet - but not see - the person they were 'working' for in advance, researchers were able to convey the sense that participants' efforts would have real consequences, but hide any information about the other person that could affect deci-

sion-making. Each choice the participants made varied in how much bonus money for them or the other person was available, and how much force they would have to exert to obtain the reward. This allowed the researchers to measure the impact of reward and effort separately, and to use advanced mathematical modelling to precisely quantify people's motivation. The results of the study clearly showed that the vmPFC was necessary for motivation to help others. Patients with vmPFC damage were less willing to choose to help others, exerted less force on even after they did decide to help, and earned less money to help others compared to the control groups. In a further step, the researchers used a technique called lesion symptom mapping which enabled them to identify even more specific sub-regions of the vmPFC where damage made people particularly antisocial and unwilling to exert effort for the other person. Surprisingly, damage to a nearby but different sub-region made people relatively more willing to help.

Co-lead author Dr Jo Cutler said: "As well as better understanding prosocial motivation, this study could also help us to develop new treatments for clinical disorders such as psychopathy, where understanding the underlying neural mechanisms can give us new insights into how to treat these conditions."

"This region of the brain is particularly interesting because we know that it undergoes late development in teenagers, and also changes as we get older," added Professor Lockwood. "It will be really interesting to see whether this area of the brain can also be influenced by education - can we learn to be better at helping others?"

India in 2047 will be super-power: Ex-ISRO chief Somnath



MI News Service, Dehradun: Former ISRO Chairman S Somnath said that India will be a "superpower" in 2047, with space technology and manufacturing being a supplier to the world. Somnath made these remarks during the inauguration of the 71st convention of the Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP) here on Friday.

He asserted that "science and spirituality can coexist, just as faith and reality complement each other", adding that our sages and saints explored mathematics, astronomy, metallurgy, architecture, and medicine, and that our spirituality embodies the insights of modern science.

Somnath said that everyone knows that India is progressing, which is instilling a new confidence in the people. He said, "This is the first time that India is being viewed differently in the world, and this is possible because we are pillars of democratic stability."

"Today's India is a youthful India, with 25 per cent of the population being young, and this will remain the case for the next 25 years, a position that is beneficial for us," he said. Praising Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision, he said that the government will now allow private players in the nuclear sector, creating new opportunities for the youth. He said that now young people will also have the opportunity to participate in green technology.

The former ISRO head stated that through Chandrayaan-3, India became the first country in the world to reach the southern part of the Moon. He said that through Aditya L1, we have also taken steps towards the Sun.

Saudi, UAE airlines act as Airbus orders urgent safety fix for A320 aircraft

MI News Service, Riyadh/Abu Dhabi : Saudi Arabian and United Arab Emirates (UAE) airlines are adjusting operations after Europe's Airbus issued an urgent global directive on Friday, November 28, requiring software updates across 6,000 A320-family aircraft.

On October 30 when an Airbus A320 travelling from Cancun to Newark suddenly pitched down, injuring 15 passengers. The aircraft diverted to Tampa for medical assistance.

Investigators later found that high-energy particles from a major solar storm had corrupted memory inside the aircraft's elevator and aileron control computer, producing false commands that caused the abrupt descent. Airbus has instructed operators to install a corrected software version or replace the affected unit before aircraft can return to full commercial service.

The A320 family is widely used on short-haul routes, prompting immediate schedule adjustments across global networks as airlines begin mandatory



inspections.

Saudia said it is conducting reviews across its A320 fleet and will inform passengers if schedules are modified. The airline noted that all decisions are guided by international safety requirements.

Flyadeal has initiated technical checks on aircraft listed in the directive, while flynas advised customers that recalibration work may extend ground times on selected services as engineers complete the update.

Air Arabia said it is coordinating with Airbus to complete the required update while keeping network disruption to a minimum.

Etihad Airways confirmed that the software installation across its A320 fleet has been finalised and that normal operations have resumed. The airline said the work was completed rapidly despite high traffic levels at Zayed International Airport.

Both Saudi and UAE carriers have encouraged

travellers to monitor real-time flight information through official channels while global compliance efforts continue.

More than 350 operators worldwide are affected by the recall, prompting delays and short-term groundings as technical teams apply the mandatory update. The directive has caused widespread scheduling adjustments, particularly in regions heavily dependent on A320-family aircraft.

Hezbollah signals retaliation after Israeli strike kills top commander

MI News Service, Beirut: Hezbollah signalled that it will retaliate for the assassination of senior commander Haytham Tabtabai, with the group's leader Naim Qassem declaring that the movement will decide the timing of its response.

Speaking at the memorial ceremony for Tabtabai and other slain Hezbollah members on Friday, Qassem called the killing "blatant aggression and a crime," stating that Hezbollah's right to respond is "established" and that the group "will determine the moment."

Earlier this month, at least five people, including Tabtabai, were killed and 28 others wounded in an Israeli airstrike on a residential apartment in Haret Hreik, south of Beirut, according to the Lebanese Health Ministry.

Qassem suggested that "collaborators" may have played a role in the strike, noting that recent arrests by Lebanon's General Security showed that "some provide Israel with information."

In his speech, the Hezbollah leader also criticised what he described as ongoing Israeli violations, including drone overflights



of government sites, and pressed the Lebanese government to adopt a clearer defensive posture.

Additionally, Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) have also vowed a "crushing response" to Israel over the assassination of Tabtabai.

In a statement on its official news outlet, Sepah News, the IRGC condemned Israel's "brutal crime," saying Tabtabai was targeted in Beirut's southern suburbs in a "flagrant and terrorist" act. The statement added that "the resistance axis and Hezbollah" reserve the right to avenge the killing and that a decisive response would come "at the appropriate time."

Iran's Foreign Ministry also condemned the strike in a statement on Monday, calling the attack a "brutal aggression" against Lebanon's territorial integrity and national sovereignty

Disabled BLO Sovanara sets an example by wearing a hijab

Nurul Islam Khan : Bio-disabled BLO Sovanara Bayen from Bishnupur set an example by wearing a hijab. Despite her physical disability, she has set a unique example.

Sovanara, who was lame from birth—she grew up on one leg. After passing secondary and higher secondary from Bogdaha Siddiquia High Madrasa (U.S. Ma), she enrolled in Arambagh Kalipur Netaji Mahavidyalaya for higher education. She graduated in education in 2015 and completed her post-graduation from Burdwan University in 2017. With the aim of becoming a teacher, she later did her B.Ed from Beta College of Education. The long wait to get a job did not pay off.

She joined the Anganwadi center in 2021. This year, she was given the responsibility of a booth level officer. Although the work of the BLO is difficult for him, he has set an example by



doing it. It is worth saying that he has shown responsibility in this work. He has distributed and collected enumeration forms from the doors of 1,039 voters of booth number 238 of his village Jamshuli. The progress of the work is 99.99%—he has completed it very quickly and efficiently.

His daily routine was—Work at the ICDS center in the morning. In the afternoon and evening, he went around the village to distribute and collect forms. Returning home at night, he uploads information to

the BLO portal, which takes him late into the night. Along with this, he has also performed regular prayers consistently.

Sovanara said that he also runs a Quran Khatam group with his family members, including his mother. His clear words: "The Election Commission has given me the task - so it is my duty to fulfill my responsibility." His colleagues also praised him. Mr. Mirajul Islam, the headmaster of Bogdaha Siddiquia High Madrasa, spoke about his achievements.

Kuldeep Sharma offers land to journalist Arfaz Ahmad after house bulldozed

MI News Service, Jammu: After the Jammu Development Authority demolished a journalist's house, citing 'illegal structure' on government land, a Hindu neighbour, Kuldeep Sharma, stepped forward and offered him 5 marlas of land in an act of solidarity and support. Jammu-based journalist Arfaz Ahmad Daing had previously alleged that a deputy superintendent of police (DSP), posted as sub-divisional police officer of Jammu (East), was involved in a major cross-border drug trafficking racket.

However, the JDA soon received a demolition order on Wednesday, November 26. Massive bulldozers were seen at Daing's family house early the following day as he was being barred from going further. According to him, his wife and children were seated having tea early in the morning when the bulldozers arrived without an official notice.



Speaking to the media, Daing stated that he was targeted for telling the truth. He further claimed that several houses, including his, were built on government land, but only his was demolished. Reportedly, most of those houses on the street are owned by influential people.

"This house was my father's and was built around forty years ago. I am being targeted. My house is being destroyed due to an influential criminal's complaint." As a silver lining, in a heart-warming moment, Kuldeep Sharma, equally upset over the issue, offered Daing 5 marlas of land to help him rebuild his house.

Iran to boycott FIFA World Cup final draw over U.S. visa denial

MI News Service, Tehran: Iran's Football Federation will boycott the final draw ceremony for the 2026 FIFA World Cup after the United States refused to grant visas to several key members of its delegation, as the draw is scheduled for December 5 in Washington, D.C. Making the announcement on Friday, federation spokesman Amir Mehdi Alavi told state-run IRIB TV that the decision was reached after necessary inquiries, internal discussions, and consultations with Iran's Ministry of Sports and Youth and Foreign Ministry. He condemned the U.S. actions as "non-sporting." Alavi confirmed

that FIFA was informed of the boycott and that its officials, including President Gianni Infantino, have been notified of the visa issue. FIFA has since promised to take the matter seriously, he noted. The Iranian Students' News Agency reported that the visa denials impacted several key figures, including federation President Mehdi Taj, preventing them from attending, while four members, including men's national team head coach Amir Ghalenoei, were granted a visa. The 2026 World Cup, jointly hosted by Canada, Mexico, and the U.S., will kick off in June next year.

Ashwini Vaishnaw and Gajendra Singh Shekhawat Flag Off New Jaisalmer-Delhi (Shakur Basti) Rail Service; New Rail Service to be Operated Under the Name 'Swarn Nagari Express'

- **New Train Service Set to Transform Travel by Connecting Jaisalmer and Key Rajasthan Cities to the National Capital, Boosting Tourism, Access to Services, and Regional Development**

- **Redevelopment Work of 85 stations in Rajasthan, Involving an Investment of About 4,000 crore, is Underway: Ashwini Vaishnaw**

MI News Service, New Delhi, 29 Nov.25 : Union Minister for Railways, Information & Broadcasting, and Electronics & Information Technology, Ashwini Vaishnaw, and Union Minister of Culture & Tourism, Gajendra Singh Shekhawat flagged off the inaugural special train of the new Jaisalmer-Delhi (Shakur Basti) rail service from Jaisalmer station today. In view of public sentiment, Vaishnaw announced that the Jaisalmer-Delhi (Shakur Basti) Express will be named Swarn Nagari Express.

The introduction of the Jaisalmer-Delhi (Shakur Basti) Jaisalmer Express will significantly enhance rail connectivity between



the national capital and the western region of Rajasthan. Cities such as Ramdevra, Jodhpur, Makrana, Jaipur, and Alwar will now be connected to the national capital with greater ease and convenience.

The new service will provide easier access to advanced medical and educational facilities, improve connectivity to major tourist destinations, and support economic growth in the surrounding regions. By offering a reliable and convenient travel option, the train will benefit residents, tourists, students, and businesses alike, strengthening regional mo-

bility and development.

In his address, Vaishnaw, said that Indian Railways is progressing rapidly and is establishing new milestones every day. He said that under the guidance of the Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Indian Railways is committed to taking its developmental journey to new heights.

Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw stated that unprecedented work is being undertaken for railway development in Rajasthan, with projects worth about ₹55,000 crore currently in progress. As part of expanding the railway network in border areas, the proposal for a new line from

Anupgarh to Khajuwala, Bikaner, Jaisalmer, Barmer and up to Bhabhar is progressing through various stages. The construction of these lines will not only benefit the general public but will also play an important role in strategic support for the armed forces.

Vaishnaw informed that prior to 2014, the annual budget allocation for Rajasthan was only around ₹680 crore, which has now increased to nearly ₹10,000 crore. Speaking about railway facilities at Pokaran station, he said that once the construction of the new Ramdevra-Pokaran via Bhairav Gufa and Kailash Tekri rail line is completed, all trains will be given a halt at this station. He also directed officials to carry out this line's work on a war footing.

Vaishnaw also announced the construction of a second entry gate at Jaisalmer station. He instructed officials to expedite the completion of the coaching depot so that more trains can be operated from Jaisalmer.

Speaking about the redevelopment of Jaisalmer

station, Vaishnaw said that its transformation has been completed at a cost of ₹140 crore. He added that redevelopment work of 85 stations in Rajasthan, with an investment of about ₹4,000 crore, is underway. Vaishnaw said that due to the strengthening of railway infrastructure in Rajasthan, six pairs of Vande Bharat trains and one pair of Amrit Bharat train, along with other services, are being operated, and in the last six months, including this train, eight new trains have been introduced. He also directed that the track renewal work between Jaisalmer and Jodhpur be taken up on priority.

During the programme, Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, expressed gratitude to Ashwini Vaishnaw. In their addresses, Ummada Ram Beniwal, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Kailash Choudhary, Hon'ble former Union Minister of State, and Chhotu Singh, Hon'ble MLA, also expressed their gratitude to Ashwini Vaishnaw for the new rail service and railway development works.

China-funded infrastructure projects completed in West Bank



MI News Service, Ramallah: Palestinian and Chinese officials gathered on Wednesday to mark the completion of two China-funded infrastructure projects in the West Bank city of Ramallah.

At a ceremony in the city, Zeng Jixin, head of the Chinese office in Palestine, and Palestinian Prime Minister Mohammad Mustafa jointly unveiled plaques for the newly completed China-Palestine Friendship Square and the extension of Beijing Road. Speaking at the event, Zeng said that the China-Palestine

Friendship Square and Beijing Road represent a significant measure in implementing the consensus reached by the leaders of the two nations, as well as a vivid example of leveraging Chinese modernization to bolster Palestine's development. Stretching over 11 km, Beijing Road will become a road of convenience for people's livelihoods, a road of friendship connecting hearts, and a road leading to the future, Zeng said.

During his speech, Mustafa spoke

highly of the profound friendship between the two peoples. He extended his warm congratulations on the successful completion and operational launch of the projects, and expressed his sincere gratitude for China's timely assistance, which has been instrumental in improving the well-being of the Palestinian people. Mustafa told Xinhua after the ceremony that "the China-Palestine relationship goes back for many decades. China has always supported the Palestinian people, their struggle for independence, and also their development of infrastructure and other facilities in the different sectors."

"This is an opportunity to thank the leadership and the people of China for their continuing support for our people and their struggle for independence. So this is a great opportunity to say: Thank you, China," he said. Local residents also welcomed the upgrades. Bilal Mansour, who was driving along the newly expanded roadway, told Xinhua that the area had once been "a barren hillside surrounded by rubble and dust."

"China's assistance has changed our lives," he said. "Driving from Birzeit to the city center used to take half an hour. Now it takes just over ten minutes."

The first section of Beijing Road opened to traffic in September 2020. Construction on the extension began in September 2024, and the expanded route now connects a network of 14 roads, linking central Ramallah with the Al-Jadwal area.

