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### Cabinet Approves Four Major Railway Projects Worth Rs 12,328 Crore, Connectivity Will Be Boosted In 5 States



#### Agency

New Delhi: The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday approved four major railway projects worth Rs 12,328 crore. The aim of these projects is to strengthen connectivity, freight transport and regional development. These include new Deshalpar-Hajipir-Luna and Vayor-Lakhpat rail lines in Kutch region of Gujarat, which will cost Rs 2,526 crore. It will be 145 route km and 164 track km long and will be completed in three years. This line will facilitate the transportation of salt, cement, coal, clinker and bentonite and will promote tourism to Rann of Kutch, Dholavira, Koteshwar Temple, Narayan Sarovar and Lakhpat Fort. Apart from this, 13 new stations will be built and about 16 lakh people of 866 villages will be benefited.

Whereas in Karnataka and Telangana, Secunderabad (Sanathnagar)- Wadi third and fourth line project will be completed in five years at a cost of Rs 5,012 crore. Bhagalpur-Jamalpur third line project (53 km) in Bihar at a cost of Rs 1,156 crore and

Furkating-New Tinsukia doubling project (194 km) in Assam at a cost of Rs 3,634 crore have also been approved.

In total, these projects will add 565 route km of new rail capacity, benefit 3.108 villages and over 47 lakh people and generate 251 lakh man-days of employment during construction. Capacity expansion will not only increase the efficiency of rail operations but also reduce congestion, and improve passenger and freight services. It is estimated that 68 million tonnes of additional freight will be carried annually. This will help achieve climate goals by reducing logistics costs, reducing oil imports and reducing carbon emissions. The impact of reduction of 360 crore kg of CO? emissions will be equivalent to planting 14 crore trees.

These projects have been built under the PM Gatishakti National Master Plan, which aims to integrate multimodal connectivity and economic development. According to the Railway Ministry, this infrastructure is in line with the Prime Minister's Aatmanirbhar Bharat vision and will increase employment and self-employment opportunities in the region.

### Cabinet Approves Restructuring Of PM Swanidhi Scheme And Extension Till March 31, 2030

#### **Agency**

New Delhi: The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday approved the restructuring and extension of the Pradhan Mantri Street Vendors AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi) scheme till March 31, 2030. A total provision of Rs 7,332 crore has been made for this scheme. A Cabinet release said that the restructured scheme aims to benefit 1.15 crore beneficiaries, including 50 lakh new beneficiaries.

The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs and the Department of Financial Services (DFS) will be jointly responsible for the implementation of this scheme. The role of DFS will be to facilitate access to loans/credit cards through banks/financial institutions and their ground level officials.

The statement said that the key features of the restructured scheme include increased loan amounts in the first and second installments, provision of UPIlinked RuPay credit card for beneficiaries repaying the second loan and digital cashback incentives for retail and wholesale transactions. The scope of this scheme is being expanded in a phased manner to



census towns and semi-urban areas etc. In this enhanced loan structure, the first instalment loan has been increased from Rs. 10,000 to Rs. 15,000 and the second instalment loan from Rs. 20,000 to Rs. 25,000, while the third instalment remains unchanged at Rs. 50,000. The introduction of UPI-linked RuPay Credit Card will provide instant credit to street vendors to meet any emergent business and personal requirements.

In addition, to promote digital adoption, street vendors can avail cashback incentives of up to Rs 1.600 on retail and wholesale transactions. The scheme also focuses on capacity building of street vendors, focusing on entrepreneurship, financial literacy, digital skills and marketing through convergence. In partnership with FSSAI, standard hygiene and food safety training will be conducted for street vendors.

To ensure the overall welfare and development of street vendors and their families, the 'Swanidhi se Samriddhi' component will be strengthened through monthly Lok Kalyan Melas. The aim is to ensure that the benefits under various government schemes reach the beneficiaries and their families in full.

The government launched the PM Svanidhi scheme on June 1, 2020 to support street vendors facing difficulties during the corona pandemic. However, right from the inception of the scheme, it has proved to be much more than just financial support for street vendors.

Notably, the famous Pradhan Mantri Swanidhi Yojana has already achieved significant achievements. As of July 30, 2025, more than 96 lakh loans worth Rs 13,797 crore have been disbursed to more than 68 lakh street vendors. About 47 lakh digitally active beneficiaries have made more than 557 crore digital transactions worth Rs 6.09 lakh crore, earning them a total cashback of Rs 241 crore. Under the 'Swanidhi se Samriddhi' initiative, 46 lakh beneficiaries from 3,564

urban local bodies (ULBs) have been pro.

#### BRIEF NEWS

**President appoints Justice Aradhe and** Pancholi as Supreme **Court Judges** 

New Delhi. President Draupadi Murmu has appointed Justice Alok Aradhe, Chief Justice of Bombay High Court and Justice Vipul Manubhai Pancholi, Chief Justice of Patna High Court as Judges of the Supreme Court. Union Law and Justice Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal gave this information on Wednesday. He said that the President has appointed both the judges to the Supreme Court on the basis of the recommendation of the collegium headed by the Chief Justice of India. Justice Aradhe was born on 13 April 1964. He enrolled as an advocate on 12 July 1988 and started practice in Madhya Pradesh High Court, Jabalpur. His judicial career started in 2009 with the appointment of Additional Judge of Madhya Pradesh High Court. He was made a permanent judge in 2011. He was transferred to the Jammu and Kashmir High Court in 2016 and served as Acting Chief Justice for three

### Jharkhand Former legislator Sanjiv Singh acquitted in Neeraj Singh murder case

**DB** Reporter

**Dhanbad:** A special MP-MLA court in Dhanbad on Wednesday acquitted former Jharia MLA Sanjiv Singh and nine others in the 2017 murder case of his cousin and former deputy mayor Neeraj Singh, citing lack of evidence.

Special Judge Durgesh Chandra Awasthi delivered the verdict in the eight-year-old high-profile case, absolving Singh and co-accused Javnendra Singh alias Pintu Singh. Dubloo Mishra, Binod Singh, Sagar Singh alias Shibu, Chandan Singh, Kurban Ali, Pankaj Singh, and Randhir Dhananjay alias Dhanjee.

Sanjiv Singh was also present in the court during the pronouncement."The court absolved Sanjiv Singh of murder charges due to lack of evidence," his counsel said. Abhishek Singh, younger brother of Neeraj Singh, said he would challenge the decision in the high court. He came to the court premises in an ambulance from

Neeraj Singh, along with his driver Gholtu Mahto, bodyguard Munna



Tiwari, and personal staff Ashok Yaday, was shot dead on March 21. 2017, on NH-32 near Steel Gate under Saraidhela police station in Dhanbad.

Singh was returning to his Saraidhela-based house Raghukul in a car when four assailants on two bikes sprayed over 50 rounds of bullets from a 9mm pistol and carbine on him. All of them were declared dead by doctors at Central Hospital. Later, two-time BJP Jharia MLA (2009 and 2014) Sanjiv Singh was arrested on April 12, 2017 in connection with the murder after he surrendered along with his three aides on charges of conspiring to kill his cousin and trade union rival. After eight years in judicial custody, Sanjiv Singh was granted conditional bail by the Supreme Court on August 8. The apex Court had set conditions that he would not enter Dhanbad except on the dates of hearing in the lower court.

Anticipating tension between supporters of the two rival factions, the district administration imposed prohibitory orders in the civil court, at the court's main gate and from DRM Chowk to Randhir Verma Chowk till 10 pm on Wednesday.

### Marandi slams Congress, JMM and RJD for settling infiltrators for votes

**DB** Reporter

Ranchi: BJP State President Babulal Marandi on Tuesday accused Congress, JMM, and RJD of opposing the Identification Register (SIR) for "vote bank politics," alleging that these parties are helping settle Bangladeshi and Rohingya Muslims in Jharkhand and turning them into voters

Addressing a press conference at the BJP state office, Marandi said the biggest impact of this demographic change will fall on Jharkhand's tribal population. He alleged that many Rohingya and Bangladeshi Muslims have married tribal women, with some even becoming Mukhiya and Zila Parishad members. "If this continues, tomorrow they will become MLAs and MPs as well," he warned.

Citing census figures,

declined from 35.38% in 1951 to 26.20% in 2011. while Muslims grew from 8.9% to 14.53% in the same period. "Such a sharp rise cannot be natural; it is due to continuous infiltration." he claimed. accusing opposition parties of providing infiltra-

tors with voter IDs, ration

Marandi said tribals

cards, and land. Marandi highlighted sharp jumps in voter numbers. Between 2019 and 2024, the voter base in Jharkhand grew 16.7%, compared to the national average of 10.1%. He called this a clear sign of infiltration-backed voter registration. He also shared constituency-level data: Simdega Assembly: Muslim voters rose 78.4%

(2019-2024), while non-

Muslims increased only

Jagannathpur Assembly (Kolhan): Muslim voters grew 52%, non-Muslims only 13%.

"This is planned demographic change," Marandi said.

Marandi also pointed to large-scale irregularities in issuing birth certificates and extending schemes like Maiyaan Yojana to non-eligible groups. "In villages without a single Muslim family, hundreds of birth certificates were made. Many beneficiaries were traced to Murshidabad and Malda," he alleged. Marandi concluded that Congress, JMM, and RJD are blocking the Election Commission's efforts to clean up voter lists.

### 56.75 Lakh Electric Vehicles Registered In India By February 2025: Centre

#### **Agency**

New Delhi: Electric vehicles (EVs) are being adopted rapidly in India and 56.75 lakh EVs have been registered as of February 2025. This information has been given in government data. According to the data, electric two-wheeler sales in the country stood at 11.49 lakh units in FY25, up 21 per cent from the previous fiscal



figure of 9.48 lakh units. These figures show that people are rapidly shifting to electric vehi-

cles. The government has also set a target of increasing the share of EVs to 30 percent of total vehicle sales by 2030. The government is running several schemes to promote the EV ecosystem, including Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of Hybrid and Electric Vehicles (FAME-2), PM e-Drive, Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme, PM e-Bus Service. Given the success of FAME-2, the government has launched the FAME-3 scheme, under which 16,29,600 EV vehicles are being supported, including two-wheelers, threewheelers, four-wheelers and buses. To promote the adoption of electric vehicles, the Ministry of Heavy Industries had in March 2023 sanctioned Rs 800 crore to three oil companies - Indian Oil Corporation, Bharat Petroleum Corporation and Hindustan Petroleum Corporation.

### Government Is Working On A Mission To Curb Greenhouse Gas Emissions: Niti Aayog

#### **Agency**

months in 2018.

New Delhi: According to Rajnath Ram, Niti Aayog's energy, natural resources and environment adviser, the central government is finalising the roadmap and outlay for the Carbon Capture, Utilisation and Storage (CCUS) mission to curb greenhouse gas emissions and achieve the goals of net-zero emissions by 2070.

"We are working on finalising the



mission roadmap. Discussions are also on to finalise the total outlay," a Niti Aayog official said at an

event. He also called for long-term supply contracts for LNG to increase gas consumption to 180-

200 billion cubic metres by 2030, with a target of achieving a 15 per cent share in the energy mix. This requires a two to three-fold increase in LNG consumption.

Carbon capture, use, and storage (CCUS) is a process that captures carbon dioxide (CO2) from industrial sources and power plants before it enters the atmosphere. The captured CO2 is then used in products such as chemicals, building materials, or fuels, or it is permanently stored in underground geological formations such as depleted oil and gas reservoirs.

To increase LNG consumption and long-term supply, Ram called for a nationwide survey of geographical basins to map existing resources and reduce dependence on imports. Domestically, we need to have large-scale tie-ups for CBG (compressed biogas), he said. Former GAIL Chairman and Managing Director BC Tripathi said India's gas

pipeline network operates at about 50-55 per cent capacity. "The transport sector can be a major area of gas demand, which will help reduce diesel use and carbon emissions," he said. ONGC Videsh Limited Managing Director Rajarshi Gupta said discussions are on on various and innovative models of gas sourcing. ONGC plans to obtain about 50 lakh tonnes of LNG from various sources by combining Henry Hub and crude oil-based LNG.





### Govt Rejects Jayram Mahto's Amendment to Jharkhand State University Bill 2025

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DB Reporter
Ramgarh: The Jharkhand State

Government has rejected a key amendment proposed by Dumri MLA and Central President of the Jharkhand Loktantrik Krantikari Morcha Party, Jayram Mahto, during the discussion on the Jharkhand State University Bill 2025 in the State Assembly. Mahto had proposed that the position of Pro-Chancellor of state universities should not be



held by a departmental minister, but instead by a qualified and experienced educationist who is a native of Jharkhand. Justifying his proposal, Mahto argued that such academicians, with deeprooted understanding of the

state's educational, social, and cultural fabric, would be better suited to make informed and independent decisions in the interest of higher education.

He further stressed that native scholars are more familiar with

the ground realities of the state and could help insulate the education system from political interference. His intention, he said, was to depoliticize education and bring about reforms focused on the state's academic and public welfare. Despite his reasoning, the state government dismissed Mahto's amendment. In response, the MLA questioned the government's reluctance to provide greater representation to tribal and indigenous communities in decision-making roles.

The development was shared by the party's media in-charge, Ramesh Kumar Mahto, on August 27.

Grand Welcome for 350th Shaheedi Nagar Kirtan of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji in Ramqarh Today

**DB** Reporter

Ramgarh: The city of Ramgarh is set to give a grand welcome to the 350th Shaheedi Nagar Kirtan commemorating the martyrdom of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji. All preparations for the event have been completed, according to the Ramgarh Gurudwara Management Committee. Committee President Parmdeep Singh Kalra informed that the Nagar Kirtan is arriving in Ramgarh via Ranchi. Upon reaching Ramgarh, the procession will commence from the residence



Singh Jolly, located in Bijulia. From there, the local Sikh community and devotees will accompany the Nagar Kirtan with sacred hymn chanting (Shabad Kirtan) as it proceeds towards Subhash Chowk. A special welcome ceremony will be held near the tem-

Chowk, where arrangements for tea and refreshments have been made for the visiting devotees. The Ramgarh Gurudwara Management Committee has extended a heartfelt appeal to all devotees to join the event in large numbers and pay tribute to the great sacrifice of the ninth Sikh Guru.

### 12th Batch of Pilgrims Departs from Relighara Under MP Teerth Darshan Mahaabhiyan

**DB** Reporter

Hazaribagh: As part of the ongoing MP Teerth Darshan Mahaabhiyan, the 12th batch of pilgrims was flagged off from the Shiv Mandir, Relighara in Dadi block of Mandu Assembly constituency on Tuesday. The initiative, led by Hazaribagh MP Manish Jaiswal, aims to fulfill the spiritual aspirations of elderly citizens from his parliamentary constituency.

The batch included 65 participants, comprising 60 senior pilgrims from Relighara Paschimi Panchayat and 5 BJP karyakartas accompanying them as coordinators.

MP Manish Jaiswal was present as the chief guest and ceremonially washed the feet of five selected pilgrims and showered them with flower petals before sending them off on their pilgrimage. The group will visit sacred sites in Uttar Pradesh, including Ayodhya (Ram



Janmabhoomi), Kashi (Varanasi), Prayagraj (Sangam), Vindhyachal.

The departure ceremony saw enthusiastic participation from the local community, who welcomed the MP and dignitaries with traditional music and chants.

Speaking on the occasion, MP Jaiswal said, "Pilgrimage holds great significance in Sanatan Dharma. Many elderly citizens dream of visiting sacred sites in their lifetime, but financial or physical constraints often prevent them. This initiative is helping

make those dreams a reality." Several notable BJP leaders and local representatives attended the event, including former District President Tunnu Gop, MP representatives Satyendra Narayan Singh, Rajiv Jaiswal, Dwarka Singh, Purushottam Pandey, and Dadi Mandal BJP President Basant Prajapati, among others.

The MP Teerth Darshan Mahaabhiyan continues to gain popularity for providing elderly citizens with fully facilitated, safe, and spiritually enriching pilgrimage experiences.

### Three-Day Ganesh Mahotsav Begins in Barkagaon Block

**DB** Reporter

Barkagaon: The three-day Ganesh Mahotsav celebrations commenced with great devotion and enthusiasm across four villages in Barkagaon block-Dainik Bazaar, Kumhar Mohalla, Badam, and Harli-on the occasion of Ganesh Chaturthi.

At Barkagaon Dainik Bazaar, the celebrations are being held under the leadership of President Akash Verma, Secretary Abhishek Verma, and Treasurer Lalan Kumar, continuing the tradition of previous years. The idol of Lord Ganesha has been installed and worshipped with devotion.

In Harli village, the Shri Ganesh Puja Committee has set up a beautifully decorated pandal where prayers and rituals are being performed with fervor. Similarly, in Badam, the local Ganesh Puja Committee has installed the idol



near the Bus Stand Chowk, organizing the festivities in a grand man-

A highlight of the celebration, as in previous years, is the children's dance competition, held during the evening hours, drawing significant participation and community engagement.

Key contributors to the event include Suraj Kumar Gupta, Akash Kumar, Nitesh Verma, Santosh Kumar, Vinay Gupta, Himanshu Pandey, Manoj Kumar, Arvind Rajak, Naveen Kumar, Ranjan Kumar, Tushar Kumar Verma, and members of the Harli Puja Committee: President Prakash Kumar Bharti, Secretary Vivek Kumar Verma, Treasurer Anuj Kumar, along with Deependra Kumar, Praveen Bharti, Rajesh Kumar, Brijesh Kumar, Sawan Kumar, Raju Saw, Upendra Mahato (former Sarpanch), Deepak Ram, Badal Kumar, and Shivam Kumar, among others. The Ganesh Mahotsav celebrations

will continue with devotional programs, cultural events, and community participation over the next

### Tata Steel Celebrates 166th Birth Anniversary of Sir Dorabji Tata

**DB** Reporter

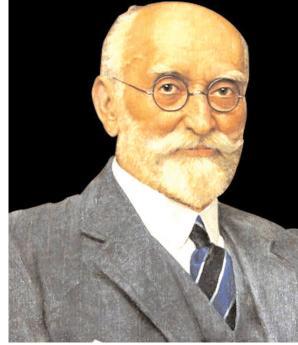
**Jamshedpur**: Tata Steel commemorated the 166th birth anniversary of Sir Dorabji Tata, honoring his visionary leadership and immense contributions to India's industrial and social development.

The celebration began with a tribute ceremony at Sir Dorabji Tata Park, attended by Mr. T.V. Narendran, CEO & Managing Director, Tata Steel, as the Chief Guest. The event also featured Dr. T. Mukherjee, former Deputy Managing Director (Steel), Tata Steel, and Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Choudhary, President, Tata Workers' Union, as special guests.

In his address, Mr. Narendran highlighted Sir Dorabji Tata's legacy as a pioneer of Indian industrialization and a role model in leadership. Mr. Choudhary emphasized his empathy for workers and his efforts to promote their welfare alongside industrial growth.

Sir Dorabji Tata's contributions extended beyond industry. A passionate sports enthusiast, he sponsored Indian athletes for the 1920 Antwerp Olympics and was instrumental in India's participation in the 1924 Paris Olympics. He became the first President of the Indian Olympic Association and was a member of the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

Tata Steel continues to uphold his legacy through its support of sports as a nation-building tool. The company operates sports academies across disciplines like football, archery, athletics, hockey, and sport



climbing to nurture talent across India.

As part of the celebration, the Corporate Communications Department organized a Media Quiz at the Centre for Excellence, with around 50 journalists and editors from Jamshedpur participating

### Ganesh Chaturthi Celebrated with Devotion at Hazaribag College of Dental Sciences & Hospital

**₩** Worshipping him brings peace, prosperity, and success. He is the deity of well-being and collective good, and his blessings remove all difficulties in life."

DB Reporter Hazaribag : Hazaribag College of Dental Sciences Hospital celebrated Ganesh Chaturthi with great fervor and devotion. The three-day Ganesh Pujan Utsav began with the traditional installation of Lord Ganesha's idol, followed by rituals and devotional chanting that echoed throughout the college campus.

The atmosphere was filled with spiritual energy as staff, students, and faculty gathered to seek blessings from Lord Ganesha, widely revered



as the remover of obstacles and the harbinger of wisdom and prosperity. Dr. Praveen Srinivas, Secretary of the college, participated in the rituals and extended heartfelt greetings to everyone on the occasion. In his message, he emphasized the importance of Lord Ganesha in Hindu tradition, saying, "Every auspicious work begins with the invocation of Lord Ganesha. Worshipping him brings peace, prosperity, and success. He is the deity of well-being and collective good, and his blessings remove all difficulties in life."

Dr. Srinivas also added that Ganesh Chaturthi is not only a religious celebration but also a time for spiritual reflection and community harmony.

The celebration saw the active participation of

dignitaries. several including Dr. Sreekrishna, Principal; Dr. Ankur Bhargav, Vice Principal; Dr. Nishad Gawli, along with doctors, staff members,

The festival will continue over the next two days with cultural activities, prayers, and offerings. reflecting the deep-rooted tradition and unity within the college community.

interns, and students.

### Coal and Mines Minister Satish Chandra Dubey Visits BCCL Headquarters

<u>DB</u> <u>Reporter</u> **Dhanbad**: Union Minister of

State for Coal and Mines, Satish Chandra Dubey, visited the headquarters of Bharat Coking Coal Limited (BCCL) today. He was warmly welcomed by Deputy Commissioner and District Magistrate Aditya Ranjan, who presented him with a bouquet on behalf of the district administration. BCCL Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) Samiran Dutta, along with other senior directors, also received the minister.

A high-level review meeting chaired by Minister Dubey was



held to discuss ongoing developments and future plans. The minister shared valuable insights on the Jharia Master Plan, empha-

sizing local priorities and region-

al empowerment.

Deputy Commissioner Aditya Ranjan provided a detailed briefing on various development projects underway in Belgarhia

under the Jharia Rehabilitation and Development Authority (JRDA). These include skill development programs, park construction, pond renovation. improved water supply and electricity, enhanced security measures, road widening, street lighting, and better health and education facilities.

He highlighted initiatives such as the establishment of a skill development center, fish farming revival in local ponds, and improved public transportation through electric rickshaws under an MoU between JRDA and

### Kuntu Babu Demands CBI Probe into Suriya Hansda Encounter Case

**DB** Reporter

Ramgarh: Rananjay Kumar alias Kuntu Babu, former candidate from Ramgarh Assembly and member of the BJP State Executive Committee, has demanded a CBI investigation into the recent police encounter in Godda in which tribal leader Suriya Hansda was

Addressing the media on August 27, Kuntu Babu alleged that Suriya Hansda was a well-known supporter of the underprivileged in his region, and that his death was not a genuine encounter but rather a targeted killing, being misrepresented as a police operation. He strongly criticized the Hemant Sorenled state government, questioning its commitment to tribal welfare. "This government claims to be pro-tribal, yet



under its watch, a tribal leader has been killed and the incident is being justified as an encounter. This has sparked widespread anger among the people," he said. Calling for justice and transparency, Kuntu Babu reiterated his demand for a thorough investigation by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) to uncover the truth behind the incident.

Items recovered include:

**→** 3 mobile phones of various brands

**Notable criminal records:** 

Israfill alias Guddu Miyan has a long history

of criminal cases across Koderma, Gaya, and

Hazaribagh, including robbery, assault, arms

violations, and explosives-related offenses.

Rajesh Basphor also has multiple pending

cases, including robbery, attempted murder,

The raid team comprised DSP Ratibhan

Singh, Jaynagar police station officers, tech-

nical staff, and armed personnel.

**→** 394 grams of stolen silver **▶** 597.6 grams of silver jewelry

▶ 6.85 grams of gold

and arms violations.

### Four Inter-State Robbers Arrested in Jaynagar Police Station Area



#### **DB** Reporter

Koderma: Four inter-state criminals involved in a robbery at the residence of Shankar Prasad Verma in Sahebdiha village under Jaynagar police station have been arrested by Koderma police following a swift crackdown. The incident, which took place last month, involved the theft of gold and silver from the victim's home. Following a detailed complaint

filed under FIR No. 157/25 dated July 3, 2025, under Section 310(2) IPC, the Koderma Superintendent of Police, Anudeep Singh, received a confidential tip-off about the presence of suspects near Katahadih Maidan. He directed Deputy Superintendent of Police Ratibhan Singh to lead a special team to verify the information and take action.

The police team conducted a raid Jewellers, Guraru (Gaya), and

and arrested three criminals-Israfill alias Guddu Miyan (45) of Tilaiya,

Rajesh Basphor (30) of Gaya, and Rajesh Paswan (approx. 35) of Nawada. During interrogation, they confessed to committing the robbery. Based on their disclosures, police recovered stolen gold and silver jewelry weighing over 1 kg from Devi

arrested the shop owner, Randhir Kumar, who admitted purchasing the stolen goods for ?1.18 lakh. Investigations reveal the crime was executed by a gang of seven inter-state criminals, of whom three have been arrested so far. Efforts to apprehend the

remaining four are ongoing.

### Online pathology report portal launched at CCL

Ranchi: Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) on Wednesday successfully launched its online pathology report portal, taking digital health services to new heights. This innovation was inaugurated by Director (HR) Harsh Nath Mishra. CMS, CCL Dr. Ratnesh Jain and CMO Incharge, Gandhi Nagar Hospital (GNH) Dr. R.K. Singh were also present on this important occasion.

This portal has been developed by Systems Department in active collaboration with the Department of Pathology. This technological initiative allows patients to access their



pathology test reports online, easily and quick-

Speaking on the occasion, Director (Human Resources) Harsh Nath Mishra said, "CCL gives top priority to the health safety of its workers and their families. This portal will bring a big and positive change in this direction."

The process has been made more efficient and

the online pathology report portal. The digital availability of reports will also help doctors take immediate decisions, thereby preventing delays in treatment.

While on one hand this portal provides timely reports, on the other hand it makes health services more accessible and convenient for the employees and their families.

### Abolishing Student Union Elections Is Undemocratic: Sanjay Kumar Mahto

#### **DB Reporter**

Ranchi: Social activist Sanjay Kumar Mahato has termed the recently passed University Amendment Bill of the Jharkhand government as "unfortunate and unconstitutional." He stated that the authority to appoint Vice-Chancellors lies with the Governor under the Constitution, as universities are autonomous institutions functioning under the supervision and control of the Governor.

He accused the government

of violating students' fundamental rights by scrapping student union elections and imposing a system of nomirepresentatives. nated "University and college campuses are the cradle of future leaders. Denying student elections amounts to the murder of democracy and a political takeover of education," Mahto said. He further warned that this unconstitutional legislation will be strongly opposed, and the voice of students will not be silenced.



### Tata Steel Hosts Media Quiz on Sir Dorabji Tata's 166th Birth Anniversary

#### **DB** Reporter

Jamshedpur: Tata Steel Corporate Communications Department organised a Media Quiz on the occasion of the 166th Birth Anniversary of Sir Dorabji Tata, one of the pioneering leaders of the Tata Group and a visionary behind the progress of Tata Steel.

The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from the media fraternity



more than 50 journalists registering for the competition. After multiple engaging rounds, the top five teams, each comprising two members. advanced to the final stage of the quiz, where

quick thinking were tested across a range of media and current affairs topics including life & work of Sir Dorabji Tata. The Winner of the quiz was team comprising Parvinder Bhatia &

Manpreet Singh Bhatia, while First Runner-up position was bagged by the team of Ajani Kumar Pandey and Nanak Singh. Team of Pashupati Nath Mishra and Sanjay Prasad clinched Second Runner Up position.

### Lumpy Virus Outbreak Creates Havoc Among Cattle in Ichak Block

#### **DB** Reporter

**Ichak:** A severe outbreak of the Lumpy Skin Disease (LSD) virus among cattle has created panic among livestock owners in several villages of Ichak block. The disease continues to spread rapidly, leaving many cattle in critical condition and causing significant distress to farmers and dairy owners.

Om Prakash Mehta, senior BJP leader and former MP representative, raised serious concerns over the worsening situation. He criticized the Animal Husbandry Department for its lack of preparedness and delayed response, stating, "If the department had launched a timely vaccination



drive, such a devastating situation could have been avoided." Mehta blamed the department's negligence for the unavailability of vaccines and necessary medicines in the region, which has turned the outbreak into a major crisis. He pointed out that many livestock owners are now suffering not only emotionally but also financially due to the loss and illness of their cattle.

He further highlighted that local veterinary practitioners have not been provided with adequate vaccine supplies, making it difficult to contain the spread. In a conversation with Dr. Nakul Modi, a local veterinary officer, Mehta expressed dissatisfaction with the information and efforts shared.

Calling for urgent intervention, Mehta demanded the immediate deployment of veterinary teams, large-scale availability of vaccines and medicines, and a rapid vaccination campaign to curb the spread of the disease. He also urged the Jharkhand government and district authorities to compensate cattle owners who have lost livestock to the

#### Vedanta ESL Skill School Students Receive Job Offer Letters in Special Ceremony

#### **DB** Reporter

Bokaro: Vedanta ESL Steel Limited's CSR initiative marked a proud moment as 25 students from the first batch of the Field Technician and Appliances Home Repairing (MST) trades successfully completed their training and were awarded job offer letters. All selected students have secured employment with Aamdhane Pvt. Ltd., Noida, with attractive salary pack-

The offer letter ceremony was attended by Anand Dubey, CFO of ESL Steel Limited, and Kunal Daripa, Head of CSR at



Mr. Dubey encouraged them to embark on their career journeys with dedication and confidence. The students expressed their joy and emotional gratitude upon receiving the offer letters.

The event concluded with a flag-off ceremony as the students departed new roles. Vedanta ESL Skill School is a residential training center that provides employmentoriented courses such as Solar PV Installer, Field Technician, and Food & Beverage Service. To date, the school has trained 673 students, with 500 of them successfully

placed in jobs.

#### JRDA and BCCL Sign MoU to Provide 50 E-Rickshaws to Belgarhia Residents

#### **DB Reporter**

Dhanbad: In a significant move to promote sustainable transportation and generate employment, the Jharkhand Rehabilitation Development Authority (JRDA) and Bharat Coking Coal Limited (BCCL) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) today to provide 50 electric rickshaws to the residents of Belgarhia under the revised Jharia Master Plan. The MoU signing



ceremony took place in the presence of Deputy Commissioner District Magistrate Ranjan. The Aditya agreement was signed by Prasoon Kaushik, Officer-in-Charge of JRDA, and Kumar Manoj, General Manager (CSR) of BCCL.

Addressing the occasion, Deputy Commissioner Aditya Ranjan said the initiative will not only offer dignified employment opportunities to the local youth of Belgarhia

but also promote ecofriendly transportation in the region. He emphasized that this project is a major step toward empowering the residents and enhancing their selfreliance.

The scheme, which falls under BCCL's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) program, is estimated to cost around ?1 crore. It aims to support sustainable development while improving livelihood options for the township's population.

#### Landslide Outside Sonu Singh's House in Godhar, Kendua Area: Woman Rescued

#### **DB** Reporter Dhanbad: A sudlandslide occurred outside the house of Sonu Singh in Godhar, under Kusunda Area-6, Kendua,

trapping a woman named Anju Devi who was drying clothes outside her home.

Anju Devi recounted, "I went outside to spread wet clothes when the ground beneath me suddenly gave way. I fell into a pit and started



shouting for help." Hearing her cries, a milkman nearby rushed inside the house, alerted locals, and soon a group arrived to rescue her. Anju Devi was trapped for nearly 20 minutes before being safely pulled out.

### W ard members rally against Mukhiya, application to BDO

#### **DB Reporter** Ichak. Ward members,

upset with the working style

of Mukhiya Kiran Devi and her husband Chandan Mehta of Karimati Panchayat under the block, have opened a front. Mahendra Kumar, Girdhari Prasad Mehta. Shweta Devi, Anita Devi, Devanti Devi, Radha Devi, Ramkumar Mehta and Sanju Devi, fed up with the working style of the Mukhiya, have submitted an application to Ichak BDO Santosh Kumar. A copy of which has been submitted to DC Hazaribagh Chief District Council President. Who has said that the Mukhiya never sits in the Panchayat Secretariat, she handles all the work at her home, spending the amount of DMFT item arbitrarily, collecting two to five percent in MNREGA scheme and taking bribe from beneficiaries in housing, misbehaving

with ward members by the

Mukhiya and her husband on raising questions on arbitrariness, the ward members have demanded an investigation of the matter and action against the Mukhiya and her husband so that the poor of the Panchayat can get the right benefits of government schemes.

#### What does the video say Block Development Officer Santosh Kumar said that the application of the ward members has been received and an investigation will be done on it

### What does the Mukhiya

Mukhiya Kiran Devi said that all the ward members want to get their work done first and want to get the money released without doing any work and if they don't get the money released then they are doing this, this is a completely baseless allegation, we are also writing an application which will be given to the senior officer.

### Jharkhand Minister Inaugurates Multipurpose Park in Koderma, Promises Tourism Boost

#### **DB** Reporter

Koderma: Jharkhand's Urban Development and Tourism Minister, Sudivya Kumar Sonu, officially inaugurated the newly constructed multipurpose park at Jamukhadi, Panchayat Urwan Chandwara block, Koderma Wednesday. district, on along National Situated



banks of Tilaiya Dam, the park Highway 20 on the scenic

is set to become a prominent tourist attraction.

During the inauguration, the minister inspected the park's facilities, including a lakefront restaurant and water adventure sports amenities. The park offers a dedicated kids' zone along with ample seating and recreational areas, blending natural beauty with modern

amenities.

Minister Sonu highlighted the region's vast tourism potential, stating, "Tilaiya Dam area is rich in natural beauty and offers immense tourism opportunities. This park and the water adventure facilities will benefit locals and establish the area as a key destination on Jharkhand's tourism map.'

## 'Tejashwi walking in father Lalu Yadav's steps': Tamil Nadu CM Stalin

Tamil Nadu chief minister MK Stalin said in Bihar on Wednesday that his father and former CM Karunanidhi was very good friends with Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) supremo Lalu Yadav, adding his son Tejashwi Yadav is walking in father's steps.

the country, Stalin said he was never intimidated by the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP).

MK Stalin joined Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's 'Voter Adhikar Yatra' in poll-bound

New Delhi, Agency: Bihar. DMK MP and Stalin's sister Kanimozhi, Congress leader Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, RJD's Tejashwi Yadav and CPI(ML) general secretary Dipankar Bhattacharya were also present.

"Our leader Karunanidhi and Lalu Yadav were very good friends. Lalu Prasad Calling Lalu Yadav one of Yadav is one of the most the most prominent leaders in prominent leaders in the country because he has never been intimidated by the BJP. Taking inspiration from him, his son Tejashwi Yadav is also walking in his footsteps," Stalin said, addressing a rally



Bihar. During a joint press Stalin's praise for Lalu conference in Araria on Yadav and Tejashwi come amid suspense over INDIA bloc's chief minister face for staling a joint press alregations have been related by both."For the past one month, the entire nation has been looking keenly at Bihar... the Election

their alliance's chief minister Commission has become a face in Bihar. The Tamil Nadu remote-controlled puppet,' chief asserted that the INDIA bloc will win the Bihar assembly polls "if the elections were free and fair", and described deletion of voters' names from electoral rolls as "worse than terrorism".The Congress party has alleged mass vote "chori" or theft by the Election Commission of India to make the BJP win. The allegations have been refuted

PTI news agency quoted Stalin, who was impressed with the response to the yatra taken out in protest against the special intensive revision of electoral rolls."Is the deletion of names of 65 lakh people (from the draft electoral rolls) not worse than terrorism?" Stalin said. He was referring to the removal of 65 lakh names from Bihar electoral rolls as part of the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) exercise being carried

### Justice Pancholi notified as Supreme Court judge No helmet, no fuel despite Justice Nagarathna's dissent in collegium

New Delhi, Agency: The government Wednesday notified the appointment of two new judges to the Supreme Court, Bombay high court chief justice Alok Aradhe and Patna high court chief justice Vipul M Pancholi, even as Justice BV Nagarathna recorded a strong note of dissent against Justice Pancholi's elevation, warning that his appointment would be "counter-productive" to the administration of justice and imperil the credibility of the collegium system.

Justice Pancholi will be in line to become the Chief Justice of India (CJI) for a tenure of nearly 18 months following the retirement of Justice Joymalya Bagchi in May 2031. Announcing the appointments on X, Union law



minister Arjun Ram Meghwal said the President, in consultation with the Chief Justice of India, is pleased to appoint the two, clearing the path for the two chief justices to take oath as judges of the apex court.

The notification came with lightning speed, in less than 48 hours of the collegium passing its resolution. Notably, the resolution uploaded on the Supreme Court website did not say that approved by a 4–1 majority.

woman member of the five-judge collegium led by Chief Justice of India Bhushan R Gavai and comprising justices Surya Kant, Vikram Nath, and JK Maheshwari, issued a detailed written dissent opposing Justice Pancholi's elevation People familiar with her note said she reiterated reservations she had first voiced in May, when the proposal was originally broached, and underlined that advancing the appointment despite serious concerns would damage institutional credibility.Transfer from Gujarat to Patna: Justice Nagarathna's main objection Central to her objection is Justice Pancholi's Court. Her note raised two additransfer from the Gujarat high tional axes of concern.

Justice Pancholi's elevation was court to the Patna high court in July 2023, a move she described Justice Nagarathna, the lone as the product of considered deliberation, not a routine relocation. The dissent recounts that inputs were then sought from multiple Supreme Court judges with knowledge of the Gujarat high court, including justices MR Shah (since retired), Vikram Nath (a present collegium member), Pardiwala, and the then Gujarat chief justice, Aravind Kumar. All, she said, concurred with the transfer. Given this backdrop, she urged that the confidential material and minutes underpinning that decision be called for and examined before proceeding with an elevation to the Supreme



Lucknow, Agency: Petrol will be denied to two-wheeler riders without helmets at petrol pumps across Uttar Pradesh as part of a 'No Helmet, No Fuel' road safety campaign from September 1 to 30.

The campaign, to be conducted under the supervision of added.
respective district Oil marketing
magistrates and in companies — Indian coordination with the Oil District Road Safety Limited, and transport department officials, an official said.The UP government has said.UP Transport

Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, makes helmets

compulsory for twowheeler drivers and pillion riders, while Section 194D provides for penalties for violations. Supreme Court's Road Safety Committee advised the states to give priority to helmet compliance, he

Corporation Committee (DRSC), Petroleum will be primarily Corporation Limited, enforced by the police, revenue/dis-Petroleum Trict administration, Corporation Limited - along with all petrol pump operators, have been requested to actively appealed to the gen- cooperate in this eral public to fully effort. "Necessary cooperate with these coordination/monienforcement agen- toring will be ensured cies, a notice issued at the petrol pump by the government level through the food and logistics Commissioner department, and the Narayan information and pub-Singh said that lic relations system Section 129 of the will help in spreading public awareness,"

the official said.

### Delhi man dragged to death by teen driver in Samaypur Badli, chilling incident caught on camera

New Delhi, Agency: Industrial Area. The A 32-year-old man incident died after being hit around 7pm near and dragged by a car Mandal's workplace driven by a minor in when he was hit by a Delhi's red car. Samaypur Badli area, with CCTV camera showed him trapped footage capturing the under the vehicle, incident that took dragged for nearly place on August 23.

identified as Sujeet gate 5, ANI reported, Mandal, a resident of quoting Hareshwar, er-in-law, Jitesh, said of police, outer north Mandal worked at a district. Despite real-M-2, Phase 1, Badli person was trapped

occurred

600 metres, and left The victim has been near the NDPL office,



Raja Vihar. His broth- deputy commissioner beneath the vehicle, showing the driver stopped injuries PVC pipe factory in ising that the injured on," the officer added. the scene and taken to tered at Samaypur Mandal's body, Burari

and torn briefly and then drove clothes, was found at

where he was declared dead on arrival.

The accused was traced and appre-hended within six hours with the help of CCTV footage, mobile tracking, and the number.

under Section 105 of the Bharatiya Sanhita (punishment multiple for culpable homicide not amounting to murder) was regis-Hospital, Badli police station.

### US punitive tariff: India keeps door open for negotiations for trade deal

New Delhi, Agency:India believes the Trump administration's doubling of US tariffs on Indian goods to 50%, including a 25% penalty for purchasing Russian crude oil, is "unjustified" and has kept the door open for negotiations aimed at a trade deal, people familiar with the matter said on Wednesday.

US President Donald Trump's 25% punitive tariff due to India's purchases of Russian oil kicked in on Wednesday, adding to an earlier 25% reciprocal tariff on Indian products. The new penalties took total US duties to as much as 50% for goods such as garments, gems and jewellery, footwear, furniture, and chemicals.

The tariffs are "unjustified" and the Indian side's response to the actions of the Trump administration has been restrained and responsible, the people said on condition of anonymity. Contacts between the two sides are continuing with the aim of reaching an understanding on the matter and to ultimately agree on a trade deal, one of the people said.

In all these contacts, the Indian side will not compromise on the interests of its farmers, small producers and micro, small



medium enterprises (MSMEs), a second person said. "We believe issues will be resolved in negotiations, but there will be no going back on our red lines," he said. There was no official reaction to the 25% punitive tariff from the commerce ministry or the external affairs ministry.

The people also said it was unjustified and unacceptable that the US had opted to penalise India for buying oil from Russia when no such action had been taken against larger purchasers of

Russian crude, such as China. "The punitive tariff for buying Russian oil came as a bolt from the blue as it was not part of the terms of reference (TOR) agreed on by the two sides in April for the trade negotiations," the sec-ond person said, adding that the Indian side hopes this 25% tariff is temporary and may be ended bilaterally.

### NDA stands for 'Nahi Denge Adhikar', people support Bihar yatra: Tejashwi Yadav

New Delhi, Agency: RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav on Wednesday took potshots at the ruling (National Democratic Alliance) in Bihar, terming it "Nahi Denge Adhikar", stating that the alliance will fail to secure a majority in the forthcoming Bihar assembly elections.

Speaking to ANI, Tejashwi Yadav said, "The full form of NDA is 'Nahi Denge Adhikar'... People are supporting us. The way 'vote chori' is occurring, the public is aware and will protect their votes. BJP-NDA will fail in the upcoming elec-

The ongoing Voter Adhikar Yatra will be conducted in Gangwara Mahaveer Sthan, Darbhanga, to Sitamarhi via Muzaffarpur today.

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin will also participate in the 'Voter Aadhikar Yatra'. Earlier on Tuesday, Congress MP Priyanka Gandhi, along with Lok Sabha LoP Rahul Gandhi, Telangana Chief Minister Revanth Reddy and Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) leader Tejashwi Yadav, undertook their 'Voter Adhikar Yatra' in Supaul. Priyanka Gandhi Vadra launched a scathing attack on the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), accusing it of



conspiring to steal votes across the country. The remarks came amid the ongoing 'Voter Adhikar Yatra' in Bihar. In a post on X, Gandhi said that the ruling alliance in Bihar has been unable to address pressing issues, including inflation, unemployment, migration, and economic crisis. "The BJP, which has lost the trust of the people, is hatching conspiracies to steal votes across the country. In Bihar, the BJP-JDU government, which has failed on

every front, including inflation, unemployment, migration, and economic crisis, wants to remain in power by stealing the votes of the people.

The 16-day 'Voter Adhikar Yatra' in Bihar, involving Congress MP Rahul Gandhi and RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav, aims to raise awareness about alleged irregularities in the voter list, which opposition leaders have termed a case of 'vote chori' (vote theft).

### **Editorial**

### Trump speaks frankly on tariffs

US President Trump's 25 percent additional tariff on India can be implemented from today or some middle path can be found. The tariff can also be reduced. A round of high-level talks is going on. America and India are the world's largest economies, so long-term confrontation is not in anyone's favor. The statements made by Prime Minister Modi and Foreign Minister S. Jaishankar in Moscow have very deep implications. India has to protect the energy-related interests of its more than 146 crore countrymen. India is an independent and sovereign nation, so its decision to buy oil from Russia is also independent. The countries buying oil from India are also free to buy oil or not. However, India will continue to import crude oil from Russia. Prime Minister Modi did not directly attack President Trump's tariffism, but termed it as 'diplomacy of selfishness'. The Prime Minister said bluntly that India will neither compromise on the interests of its farmers, cattle rearers and small entrepreneurs nor will it come under anyone's pressure. The Prime Minister once again made it clear that America will not be allowed to enter India's agricultural market. America has already imposed a 25 percent tariff on India and an additional 25 percent tariff is to be implemented from August 27. America is upset that why is India continuously importing crude oil from Russia? Questions should be asked to President Trump and European countries.

After the recent summit between Russian President Putin and US President Trump in Alaska, President Putin had confirmed that the US-Russia bilateral trade has increased by 20 percent since Trump took power. Indian Foreign Minister Jaishankar had shown the mirror to the European Union that on one hand European countries have been providing money and weapons to Ukraine to continue the war with Russia. On the other hand, they are continuously doing oil and gas trade with Russia. So on what basis Western countries have been expecting morality and sacrifice from India? The independent and clear expression of the Prime Minister and the Foreign Minister on the Trump tariff speaks out bluntly to America and Europe. It is worth noting that not even the slightest effect of such tariffism is visible on today's new India. America's reputed global rating agency 'Fitch' has made a big and positive disclosure about India's economy in its

## Swadeshi is the economic Brahmastra

India has opportunities, but Swadeshi is necessary for that. India has a huge domestic market which can create a stable demand for Swadeshi products. With the cooperation of the government and the private sector, Swadeshi industries can be taken to the global level and for that innovation and entrepreneurial youth need to get strength and support. It is necessary to make Swadeshi a strong and competitive option by effective implementation of policies, investment in technological innovation, and change in social mindset...

Dr. Varindra Bhatia

Due to the stubborn attitude of America in the country, the Centre has called for adopting Swadeshi. This call is an important proclamation, so that the evil economic policies of America can be given a befitting reply through Gandhigiri. Swadeshi means 'to use the goods manufactured in one's own country and to avoid the use of foreign goods.' Its objective is to buy and use goods made by maximum people of the village or country, so that the country's economy is strengthened and dependence on foreign goods is reduced. In simple words, Swadeshi means to support the things of one's own country and to avoid foreign things. This idea was mainly promoted among Indians during the freedom struggle so that the country's economic condition could be strengthened by the boycott of foreign goods. The Swadeshi movement got a lot of strength from the anti-Bang-Bhang Janjagran of the year 1905. It lasted till 1911 and was one of the most successful movements before Gandhiji's arrival in India. Aurobindo Ghosh, Rabindranath Tagore, Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak and Lala Lajpat Rai were the main proclaimers of the Swadeshi movement. Later, this Swadeshi movement also became the focal point of Mahatma Gandhi's freedom movement. The Father of the Nation had called it the 'soul of The idea ??'Swadeshi' was given even before the birth of Congress.

When Bengal was divided in 1905, the slogan of Swadeshi was adopted with great vigor. The same year, the Congress also voted in its favour. The native capitalists were opening

mills at that time, so the Swadeshi movement proved to be very beneficial for them. The first slogan of Swadeshi in India was given by Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay in 1872 while proposing a Vigyan Sabha. He had said, 'The science which would have been our slave if it had been indigenous, has become our master because it is foreign, we are becoming poor day by day.' In August 1905, a huge meeting was organised in the Town Hall of Calcutta in which the Swadeshi movement was formally announced. The message of boycott of goods like clothes manufactured in Manchester and salt from Liverpool was propagated. In this connection, the people of Bengal demonstrated widespread protest by singing the song Vande Mataram. And 'Amar Shonar Bangla' was composed by Rabindranath Tagore. Though the movement was mainly confined to Bengal, it also saw its spread in different parts of India like in Poona and Bombay under the leadership of Bal Gangadhar Tilak, in Punjab under the leadership of Lala Lajpat Rai and Ajit Singh, in Delhi under the leadership of Syed Haider Raza, in Madras under the leadership Chidambaram Pillai, etc.

The Swadeshi movement had a profound impact on India, promoting not only the boycott of British goods but also indigenous industries and national education. The Swadeshi movement promoted Indian industries, which led to the establishment of textile mills, soap and match factories, leather factories, banks, insurance companies and shops. Is this not necessary for us now? As a result of the Šwadeshi movement, the National Education Council was established and the Bengal

National College and many national schools and colleges were opened across the country. The Swadeshi movement boycotted foreign goods, especially clothes, sugar, salt and luxury items, which reduced their sales. Is such a movement not needed today? If the Prime Minister's call for Swadeshi in the context of the American boss's actions that are harming India economically takes the form of a movement across the country, then American interests will suffer a major setback. Swadeshi should be an essential part of our long-term economic policy, the country's Niti Aayog should pay attention to this. We should emphasize the use of indigenous means. In today's era, the need for Swadeshi and self-reliance is being felt again. Developed countries belong to those countries which produce indigenous products. If we depend on other countries, they will be forced to sell things to us at higher prices and we will need to buy them. The Swadeshi movement, which was an important part of the Indian freedom struggle, has today become the basis for realizing the dream of self-reliant India. This movement not only promotes economic self-reliance, but also strengthens national pride and cultural identity. Every Indian needs to adopt indigenous products, as it paves the way to strengthen the country's economy, create employment and strengthen India's position on the global stage. Adoption of indigenous products not only reduces dependence on foreign imports, but also encourages local artisans, farmers and entrepreneurs. This movement is a resolution to establish India as a strong and self-reliant economy. Every Indian should be a part of this

movement, because adopting indigenous is not just a purchasing decision, but a step towards nation building. While a section of Indian society associates indigenous products with pride and cultural identity, on the other hand, for the urban middle class and upper class, foreign brands still remain a 'status symbol' due to which indigenous products have to face competition in the field of marketing and branding.

Therefore, it would be wrong to assume that the government will do everything. All Indians will have to join the Swadeshi movement and give strength to Swadeshi. The government and entrepreneurs will also have to accept quality and innovation and arrange for loans, training and technical assistance to small enterprises. Brand identity of Swadeshi products will also be necessary. India has opportunities, but Swadeshi is necessary for that. India has a huge domestic market which can create a stable demand for Swadeshi products. With the cooperation of the government and the private sector, Swadeshi industries can be taken to the global level and for that, innovation and enterprising youth need to get strength and support. It is necessary to make Swadeshi a strong and competitive option by effective implementation of policies, investment in technological innovation, and change in social mindset. If India adopts the policy of 'Global in vision, local in practice', then the Swadeshi movement can lead India towards global leadership in the 21st century. Remember that the use of foreign things strengthens the economic condition of the countries supporting the enemy and not every citizen of the country has to do this.

## Mineral mining will solve the problem of employment

Pramod Bhargava

No matter how much technology the world uses, ultimately the solutions to its economic growth, progress and development lie in natural resources. Be it India or any other country, they reach the pinnacle of progress only on the basis of minerals and agriculture. From this point of view, nature has given India an inexhaustible natural wealth. The Mineral Conclave has been concluded in Katni with the view that this wealth should be excavated and used for the people of Madhya Pradesh. This beginning is an important initiative of Chief Minister Mohan Yadav to develop Madhya Pradesh as a 'mineral state'. As a result of this, the state government has received proposals of investment of Rs 56,414 crore from mineral companies. Indeed, this interest of businessmen is encouraging and gives new energy to any state. Mining of minerals with modern technology is such a business that proves to be profitable for investors. Discovery of rare minerals and then their processing and enrichment is a measure that provides employment to a large number of people, both skilled and unskilled. Now, for effective excavation in the state, research of rare minerals will be done with the help of AI, IoT, Blockchain, Remote Sensing.

The Mines and Minerals Amendment Bill has also been passed in the Monsoon Session of Parliament for the excavation of rare minerals. This new law has also provided the businessmen the facility to excavate rare minerals like lithium, cobalt, nickel, diamond without any additional charge for

mining on lease. India was till now dependent on China for these minerals, but China had banned their export. These are the minerals that are used in quantum computers, electric car batteries and space equipment. However, after the arbitrary tariff imposed by Trump, China has promised to give the above minerals to India. But India has now launched a campaign of self-reliance in the mineral sector. Because from this point of view, all kinds of minerals are present in abundance in the womb of the earth on the land of India. That is why India will now trade with developed countries on its own terms. Katni Conclave by Mohan Yadav is extremely important.

Madhya Pradesh's land is full of mineral treasures. Industrialists have been adamant about exploiting it. That is why about 1500 investors from across the country were present in Katni Conclave. To solve their problems, Yadav held one-to-one discussions with mineral experts and investors. The land here not only spews diamonds and gold, but copper and lime are produced in the highest quantity here. While there are lime reserves in Katni, there are coal and bauxite reserves in Shadhol and Umaria, coal in Chhindwara, graphite in Betul and cement reserves in Satna. Now a network of strong roads has also been laid in the state. There are five lakh km long roads here. Apart from producing electricity from coal and water, a large amount of electricity is also being produced from solar energy in the state. Due to this, electricity is being produced much more than the state's requirement.

12 areas have been identified for fuel mining in the state. 37 percent



of coal-based methane is being produced in the state. New gold reserves have been found in Jabalpur. 30 rare mineral elements including graphite have been discovered. After their excavation and processing, an area has been identified in Sidhi for lithium and iron ore. More than one lakh acres of land bank has been identified in the state. Electricity is available in excess in all these areas. 20 percent of these areas have green energy available, which is free from pollution. The state has set a target of including 50 percent green energy in the energy basket by 2030. Most of the minerals in the state are in such areas where cheap labor is easily available. More than 5000 start-

ups are working in the state. The state government has implemented 18 new business friendly policies for industrialists to set up industries. These policies have made setting up industries easier.

With the implementation of these policies, Singhal Business has proposed an investment of Rs 15000 crore in coal, gas and renewable energy. Similarly, Hindustan Copper Limited will mine copper. Copper was discovhas the capacity to produce 12

copper for the construction of Ram Mandir in Ayodhya. Apart from these, Birla Group, Vinmir Resources, Ramnik Power, Mineware Advisors, Mahakaushal Refractories and Saina Group have given investment proposals to the state government for mining graphite, iron, coal, bauxite and other metals. This conclave of Chief Minister Yadav will create maximum employment opportunities in the unorganized sector. ered in India during the Rigvedic The interest of the unorganized period. The Rigveda mentions sector in minerals has also ways of making protective shields increased because while Prime from copper. Hindustan Copper Minister Narendra Modi has promised to improve GST, Yadav million tonnes of copper. This has worked to simplify the envicompany donated 32 tonnes of ronmental policies for mining.

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## Steep 50% tariffs to severely impact shrimp apparel, diamonds, footwear exports to US

USA's steep 50 per cent tariffs on Indian goods entering America will severely impact exports and job creation in labour-intensive export sectors such as shrimp, apparel, leather, and gems and jewellery.Exporters said the imposition of a 25 per cent penalty on India over and above the 25 per cent tariffs move will disrupt the flow of Indian goods to its largest market.The accounted for about 20 per cent of India's USD 437.42 billion worth of goods exports in 2024-25. The US is the of the tariff increase. But, the largest trading partner of India from 2021-22.In 2024-

New Delhi ,Agency:The and USD 45.3 billion imports)."The 50 per cent tariff is like an economic sanction. It would lead to closure of units and job cuts," an exporter from the leather sec-

Mithileshwar Thakur, Secretary General, AEPC (Apparel Export Promotion Council), said the textiles sector, with exports of USD 10.3 billion, is one of the worstimpacted sectors."The industry was reconciled to the 25 per cent reciprocal tariff announced by the US, as it was prepared to absorb a part additional burden of another 25 per cent...has effectively 25, the bilateral trade in driven the Indian apparel goods stood at USD 131.8 bil- industry out of the US market lion (USD 86.5 billion exports as the gap of 30-31 per cent



tariff disadvantage vis-a-vis major competing countries like Bangladesh, Vietnam, Sri Lanka, Cambodia

Indonesia is impossible to bridge," he said. Sharing similar views, Gems and Jewellery and Export Promotion Council

(GJEPC) Chairman Kirit Kolkata-based Bhansali said there is a significant dependency on the US market."For cut and polished diamonds, half of India's exports are US-bound. With this tariff hike, the entire industry may come to a standstill, placing immense pressure on every part of the value chain, from karigars (artisans) to large manufacturer," he said, adding that competing manufacturing hubs such as Turkiye, Vietnam and Thailand continue to enjoy significantly, making Indian said. Similarly, a leather products relatively less competitive in the US market due the companies have orders in to India's 50 per cent tariff. hand for about three months, This imbalance, he said, if unaddressed, could erode demanding about a 20 per India's long-standing position cent discount to retain the as a key supplier to the US.A orders.

exporter said that now India's shrimp will become "super" expensive in the US market, impacting the competitiveness of exporters."We are already facing huge competition from Ecuador, as it has only a 15 per cent tariff. Indian shrimp already attracts a 2.49 per cent antidumping duty and a 5.77 per cent countervailing duty. After this 50 per cent, the duty will be significantly high," the shrimp exporter exporter said that some of but the US firms are

#### M3M & Sirona Unveil India's First Menstrual Hygiene **Vending Machines across 15 M3M Commercial Spaces**

Gurugram ,Agency:Sirona, a leading femtech brand, and M3M India, a visionary real estate developer, have announced their partnership to install multi-product feminine hygiene vending machines just outside women's washrooms in M3M's malls and commercial complexes, ensuring easy, dignified access to menstrual hygiene products such as menstrual cups, period panties, sanitary pads, panty liners, toilet seat covers, and stain-removing wipes. This initiative marks a major milestone in public health infrastructure, as M3M becomes the first real estate developer in India, and possibly globally, to proactively integrate these solutions; it follows Sirona's successful deployment of similar machines at Delhi's Indira Gandhi International Airport in partnership with GMR, signalling mounting momentum for inclusive, women-first public spaces. This strategic partnership demonstrates both organisations' commitment to social impact, useroffers a comprehensive, one-stop well-being.



solution for women's hygiene needs in public areas, reinforcing how practical infrastructure can also catalyse cultural change. Deep Bajaj, Co-founder, Sirona, said, "This is more than a machine, it is a message. Access to menstrual hygiene products should be a basic facility in every public space. With M3M, we have found a partner who shares that vision and is setting an inspiring benchmark for the real estate sector in India and beyond." "Menstrual health is not just a woman's issue - it is a matter of first design, and innovation. It dignity, equality, and holistic

### Infinix HOT 60i 5G Goes on Sale at 9,299, Offering True 5G, 6000mAh Battery & Flagship-Level AI

**RANCHI**, Agency: Infinix, a new-age smartphone brand, announces the sale of its latest HOT 60i 5G, on Flipkart and nearest retail stores. Priced at ?9,299, the HOT 60i 5G combines true 5G connectivity across all networks, a massive 6000mAh battery, and flagship-grade AI features, making it a futureready device for students, professionals, and first-time 5G users. The HOT 60i 5G introduces Ultra Link "No Network Call" technology, enabling device-todevice calls even without mobile coverage. Powered by the MediaTek Dimensity 6400 5G processor with a 470K+ AnTuTu score, the device ensures smooth performance for gaming, streaming, and productivity. With 8GB RAM (4GB Internal + 4GB Virtual) and 128GB storage expandable up to 2TB, users get seam- C fast charger is included tivity and personalization. Red, and Sleek Black.



space for apps, media, and work files. The device is equipped with a 6000mAh battery, offering up to 128 hours of music playback and 41.2 hours of calling even with heavy usage like gaming, streaming, and multitasking. Its durability extends across 1600 charging cycles (over 4 years of Eraser, and AI Wallpaper available in Shadow Blue, reliable use). An 18W Type- Generator enhance produc- Monsoon Green, Plum

wired charging that lets users power accessories or other devices on the go.Running on XOS 15 (Android 15), the HOT 60i both stylish and dependbrings advanced AI features never seen in this price segment. Tools like Circle to tone finish and bold cam-Search, AI Call Translation, era module, the HOT 60i AI Writing Assistant, AI

The Folax voice assistant enables intuitive voicepowered controls, bringing flagship software intelligence to the sub-9K market.The device features a 6.75-inch HD+ display with a 120Hz refresh rate and 670 nits brightness, ensuring smooth, outdoorfriendly visuals. Its 50MP ultra-clear rear camera supported by 10+ AI modes delivers versatile photography, from lowlight shots to social mediaready edits. Durability is reinforced with IP64 dust and water resistance and a TUV-certified 5-year lagfree experience, making it for long-term use.With a matte dual-5G sports a premium look,

### Trident Group Recognized for Design Excellence with 'Best In-house Studio' Honour at IBDA 2025

Group, a leading global manufacturer and exporter of home textiles and paper, was awarded the title of Best In-house Studio at the prestigious India's Best Design Awards 2025. This recognition underscored Trident's commitment to design excellence and reinforced its leadership in innovation-led design.In a remarkable double win, Trident Group was also conferred with the Greatest of All Time (GOAT) - The Design ers from top Indian and interna-Award. This special honour, reserved for past winners of the "Best Design Studio" title, acknowledged consistent excellence, long-term impact, and leadership in the Indian design research to create compelling, releasely in the Indian design evant, and consumer-loved prodecosystem over the past decade. ucts across all categories. From tion not only through product manufacturer.

**Ludhiana** , **Agency:** Trident Trident earned this distinction by securing the Best In-house Studio award multiple times in 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2025, cementing its legacy as a true design powerhouse. The awards were presented at the 10th edition of the Design India Show, a premier gathering that brought together the country's most influential design voices to celebrate creativity and innovation.Trident's In-house design studio comprises over 50 designtional institutions such as NID and NIFT. The team has consistently combined sustainability, storytelling, and global trend

premium jacquard towels and excellence but also through its luxurious bed linen to eco-friendpackaging and campaign design, the studio's capabilities span trend forecasting, surface pattern development, print creation, product innovation, and visual storytelling. Some of its most celebrated projects have included the vibrant Vasant collection celebrating spring festivals in India, the prestigious Bharat Tex project, the Prakriti collection, and various other impactful design initiatives. Trident Group, the world's largest manufacturer of terry towels, has continued to set industry benchmarks across textiles, paper, chemicals, and energy. It has earned its reputa-

integrated design thinking, innovation, and sustainability-driven approach. This recognition stood as a testament to Trident's unwavering focus on elevating everyday living through design and craftsmanship, reaffirming the brand's place as a pioneering force in Îndia's design and manufacturing ecosystem.Trident Limited is the flagship company of Trident Group, an Indian business conglomerate and global player. Headquartered in Ludhiana, Punjab, Trident Limited is a vertically integrated textile (Yarn, Bath & Bed Linen) and Paper (Wheat Straw-based)

## Cabinet approves restruc-turing & extension of PM SVANidhi scheme till 2030

New Delhi ,Agency: The Union Cabinet on Wednesday approved the restructur-ing and extension of the Prime Minister Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi) scheme, extending its lending period from the earlier deadline of December 31, 2024, to March 31, 2030.

As per a press release by the Cabinet, the many company with a total financial outlow. move comes with a total financial outlay of Rs. 7,332 crore and is expected to benefit around 1.15 crore street vendors, including including 50 lakh new beneficiaries.Implementation of the scheme would be the joint responsibility of the Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs (MoHUA) and the Department of Financial Services (DFS), with DFS being responsible for facilitating pages to responsible for facilitating access to loans/ credit cards through banks/financial institutions, as well as their ground-level functionaries.

### Extreme Fitness Academy Makes Landmark Entry into India with Grand Launch in Kannur

**Kannur, Agency:**The Extreme Group of Companies has officially introduced Sunmeet Gill, Naresh Surya, Extreme Fitness Academy International (EFA) in India with a spectacular launch event in Kannur, marking a turning point for both the nation's wellness industry and global fitness education. The celebration showcased EFA's mission to deliver world-class training and opportunities for aspiring fitness professionals. The ceremony brought together an impressive lineup of international fitness leaders, reinforcing the credibility and ambition of the Academy. Among the high-profile attendees were Manoj Patil, Deepak Nanda, Rajesh John, Lovepreet Singh, Ajith Raja,

Taliyan, Narendra Yadav, Sunmeet Gill, Naresh Surya, Sanjay Solanki (Owner, Active Expo) and other noted figures from the fitness world--all extending their support and encouragement for EFA's journey and the upcoming Extreme Pro initiative.EFA International: Raising the Bar Fitness Education Addressing the audience, Jiju MK, Founder and President of the Extreme Group of Companies, said:"As a fitness professional myself, I have always dreamed of building a platform that gives aspiring trainers the right education and career path. EFA International is that dream realized - a place where students can access globally



recognised, science-driven certifications that prepare them for success anywhere in the world."EFA International introduces globally accredited certifications to India, setting new benchmarks for fitness

-Level 2 Gym Instructor -Level 3 Personal Training

These qualifications are designed to equip students with the expertise required to excel in today's competitive fitness market, both in India and abroad.

Extreme Pro India: A New Era in Bodybuilding

Building on the excitement, Extreme Pro India was unveiled as a flagship body-building championship debuting in 2026. With substantial prize pools, international recognition, and a world-class competitive plat-form, the event will provide athletes from across the subcontinent with an opportunity to showcase their talent and break onto the global stage.

Sharing a message that resonated deeply with athletes, Vaibhav COO Extreme Pro emphasized the true essence of bodybuilding: "Bodybuilding isn't about a few reps or posing under bright lights. It's not about

hype or hashtags. It's about grit. It's about the unseen hours--the mornings you rise before the world wakes, the meals you measure when no one is watching, the discipline that demands everything and gives back only to those who refuse to quit. You are not just bodybuilders. You are the stars, the inspiration, and the foundation of this sport. You are the living proof of what dedication, sacrifice, and heart can create.At Extreme Pro 2026, we honor that spirit. We welcome you all to step on this stage with pride, with heart, and with the confidence of knowing--you're not just competing... you're leading a movement.

## Feeding disorders in toddlers and children: What every parent should know

**New Delhi:**Eating is a basic need; however, for some children, mealtime becomes a daily struggle. A feeding disorder goes beyond picky eating. So, it involves difficulties with eating or drinking that can impact a child's health, growth, and overall development. Whether it's refusal to eat, difficulty chewing or swallowing, or extreme food aversions, feeding disorders can be frustrating for both children and their parents.

What is a feeding disorder? Prashant Moralwar, Consultant Paediatrician, Motherhood Hospital, Kharghar, says a feeding disorder is seen when the child consistently struggles to eat enough or appropriately for their age. This can include problems like continuous refusal to eat or drink certain textures or types of food, difficulty chewing or swallowing (dysphagia), vomiting or gagging during meals, and extremely limited food variety or strong food aversions. These issues may appear in

What are the causes of feeding disorders?

infancy or early childhood and

can be carried forward in later

life if not managed at the right



developmental disorders such as autism spectrum disorder or cerebral palsy; other factors such

Causes of feeding disorders: as anxiety, trauma, or past nega-Conditions like acid reflux, food tive feeding experiences; and allergies, or oral motor issues; even stress or inappropriate feeding practices can be the causes.

The complications

delays

Nutritional deficiencies, leading to weakened immunity or anaemia

Poor weight gain or growth development (due to oral motor without any delay.

Emotional and social issues, including anxiety around mealtimes and social withdrawal

Crucial tips for parents Stay calm and patient: Avoid forcing the child to eat, which can increase anxiety. Let him/her do it when he/she is hungry.

Create a routine: Regular mealtimes help build a predictable structure.

Offer small portions: Reduce pressure by offering manageable food amounts. Don't try to fill the plate to its maximum capacity, as the child may also develop the habit of overeating.

Encourage self-feeding: This builds independence and confidence. They will try to explore what they like.

Involve a team: Consult a paediatrician, speech or occupational therapist, and nutritionist for a comprehensive evaluation and support plan. Ensure the child is getting appropriate nutrition.

Feeding disorders are complex issues that need understanding and proper intervention. With timely help and consistent support, most children can overcome feeding challenges and thrive. So, Delayed speech and motor make sure to consult an expert



### This simple neck test could reveal your risk of heart disease and early death

**New Delhi:**What if the size of your neck could whisper secrets about your heart? Strange as it sounds, researchers have found that your neck circumference may reveal whether you're heading towards heart problems or even an early death.

Forget complicated hospital tests for a moment. This simple tape-measure check is now being seen as a surprisingly powerful indicator of health. It's quick, non-invasive, and just might be your wake-up call before things go wrong.

Why the neck matters

Doctors have long used waistlines and BMIs to gauge risk, but the neck offers its own clues. A thicker neck often points to higher levels of fat stored in the upper body, which is linked with high blood pressure, cholesterol imbalance, and diabetes—all villains in the heart disease story.

The science behind the test

A 7.6-year longitudinal study published in the American Heart Association Journals shows that men with a neck size above 37.8 cm and women above 33.9 cm are more likely to face heart troubles.

## Can you sit and stand without using your hands? What it says about your future health

New Delhi:Ever wondered if you can sit down and stand back up with zero help from your arms...What does that tell you about your future health? It's a surprisingly potent predictor.

This simple bodyweight test reflects your flexibility, balance, muscle strength, and core control: all vital signals of wellbeing and longevity. So next time you lower yourself to the floor and rise up neatly? You might just be scoring a health win

What the science says Sit-rising test (SRT) and

The sitting-rising test (SRT) asks you to go from standing to sitting on the floor and back up—without assistance. Scores run from 0 to 10, with deductions for using your hands, shaking, or losing balance. In a major study of over 4,200 middle-aged adults followed for more than 12 years, poorer performers faced significantly higher death risks. In fact, those scoring 0–4 were more than 6 times more likely to die from cardiovascular causes compared to the perfect scorers.



the test

UK-US-Brazil Another cohort reaching similar conclusions. Those scoring low had a whopping 5–6 times increased mortality risk over approximately six years.

chair-stand test and COPD

Among patients with COPD, performance on sit-to-stand tests also predicted long-term outcomes. For instance, in a 5year prospective cohort study,



Broader evidence supports each additional three sit-tostand repetitions reduced mortality risk substantially. In high-risk COPD groups, poor performance on the five-repetition sit-to-stand increased fiveyear mortality nearly fivefold.

sitting-rising vs gait speed In older adults in São Paulo, both gait speed and chair stand performance were stronger mortality predictors than walking tests. Poor chair-stand ability notably increased both allcause and cardiovascular death

What does it mean for you? The impact of a simple sitstand trick is minimal, but it is not just about leg strength. It assesses one's:

- Core and leg strength to generate force

- Flexibility and balance to move smoothly

- Functional independence that relates to mobility and autonomy declines if reduced in any way

Don't worry if it's difficult for you now; it is an alert, not a verdict. A dedicated approach to exercises aimed at building strength, mobility, and agility can help you improve your health and score. Moving from sitting to standing without arm support can be considered a peculiar party trick, but it has been proven to estimate one's long-term health prognosis. A low score in this physical test is an indicator of metabolic slowdown, frailty, and risks. But here's the good news: This isn't the final word. Modern science and smart movement can rewrite your score and your

## Struggling to quit smoking? Here's a golden tip from a doctor

**New Delhi:**It's never just a puff or ry settings where "one puff" feels just one last cigarette; it's about a habit, a social ritual that gets triggered by various cues around people, emotions, and places. Be it reaching for a smoke when you are stressed, or when you have your favourite beverage, or just with someone who smokes, these seemingly small triggers continuously

reinforce the loop. In India, where nearly 267 million adults use tobacco (as per GATS-2), quitting isn't just about willpower; it's about rewiring the brain's response to a complex web of social and psychological triggers. At our tobacco cessation division, we see it every day. A client walks in saying they want to quit, but their biggest challenge isn't the nicotine; it's their environment.

The social code of smoking

Smoking often begins, and continues, not in isolation but in the company of others. Workplace cultures that normalise smoke breaks, friends who offer cigarettes to bond, and celebratoharmless are potent traps. These social cues don't just offer a cigarette; they offer acceptance, routine, and a momentary escape.

According to Social Cognitive Theory, our behaviours are shaped by personal beliefs, our environment, and our actions. When someone sees a respected peer or family member smoke to cope with stress, they're likely to model that behaviour. The result is that smoking becomes a learned coping mechanism.

Golden tips from a doctor 1. Dealing with the morning crav-

Out of routine, it's a habit for smokers to light a cigarette first thing in the morning as the nicotine craving hits. And when you are trying to get out of this habit, due to withdrawals, the cravings are much more. The solution to this is mixing up the morning routines to disrupt the pattern; for instance, doing workouts or trying



NRT early in the morning can help fight the urges.

2. The urge to smoke at social gath-

Social gatherings are a part of our lives, and it becomes difficult to escape smokers or the urge to smoke, whether it's at parties, post-lunch smoke

breaks, or any other casual gatherings. It then becomes important to be prepared for such situations. A convenient way to manage urges is to have substitutes like NRT gums and patches handy to subdue them. A glass of

cool water can also help fight the urge. 3. The highs and lows of emotions

Stress, anxiety, loneliness, and frustration are among the most common emotional triggers for smoking. Through therapy and cognitive behavioural techniques, one can help manage their emotions without the dependency on smoking.

health story.

4. Trigger cue: After meals or with

Finishing a meal or sipping tea is often tightly paired with the urge to smoke. These environmental and behavioural cues are deeply embedded and automatic. However, one can break this loop by trying different activities, like changing locations or having tea/coffee at a different time.

5. Trigger cue: Boredom or idle

Many individuals reach for a cigarette simply because there's nothing else to do. Boredom can sneak up and reignite the habit. Fill this space with engaging activities—like reading, drawing, gardening, or even simple movement breaks.

### Manoj Bajpayee's Jugnuma to Release Soon, **New Poster Unveiled**

Bollywood star Manoj Bajpayee's upcoming film Jugnuma has finally locked its release date. The movie will hit theatres on September 12, 2025. The makers announced the

news by sharing a new poster of the film.

Jugnuma already received widespread appreciation on the international stage, and now it is set for its India release. Trade analyst Taran Adarsh shared the poster on Instagram and wrote: "Manoj Bajpayee's film will release in India on September 12, 2025. After winning acclaim internationally, it is

now ready to release in Indian cinemas."

The film is directed by National Award winner Raam Reddy, who earlier bagged the award for his Kannada film Thithi. The poster features Manoj Bajpayee with his on-screen family, celebrating joyfully, with a child sitting on his shoulders. Set in the 1980s, the story follows Jugnu Mahadev (played by Bajpayee), who investigates the mystery of forests mysteriously catching fire. The film also stars Deepak Dobriyal, Priyanka Bose, Tillotama Shome, Heeral Sidhu, and Avan Pukot in pivotal roles.

# Nia Sharma's teeth shine like pearls!

### The actress revealed the secret behind it

Actress Nia Sharma often dominates social media for her bold looks. She also has no shortage of admirers of her beauty. Adding to her charm are her pearl-like teeth. On Monday, Nia uploaded a video on Instagram revealing how she managed to achieve this.

In the video, the actress says, "Today I'm going to clean my teeth using a home remedy that I learned from Instagram." At first, she showed faint stains on her teeth, then prepared a mixture by combining several ingredients including paste to her teeth, waited a few minutes, and then brushed them.

In the caption of her video, Nia wrote, "My life is completely revolving around home remedies these days. Earlier, I didn't pay much attention to teeth whitening (since they already looked white), but after watching 5,000 Instagram videos, I finally tried it." Fans are really enjoying Nia's video and are sharing different reactions in the comment section. One user wrote, "You should start a YouTube channel baking soda, salt, lemon, coconut Nia's Remedies." Another com-

oil, and toothpaste. She applied this mented, "Great hack," while someone else wrote, "Baking soda experiment."

Nia Sharma has always been interested in trying out home remedies for skincare and minor issues. She prefers natural methods over chemical-based products and often shares beauty tips around them.

Recently, she also shared a video on Instagram about a home remedy for removing dark circles. In the clip, she mixes gram flour, coffee, rice water, turmeric, and a little honey in the right proportions to prepare a paste.



Mannara

**Chopra arrived** 

in Jaipur

She shared what Sa Re

Ga Ma means to her

Bigg Boss fame Mannara Chopra recently visited her grandmother's house in Ambala. These days, she is in Jaipur enjoying a holiday with her family, and she has shared some pictures from the trip on social media. Through a heartfelt post, the actress revealed that the entire trip was planned by her two cousins who came from Paris.

Sharing the post on Instagram, Mannara wrote: "Meet my cousins from my maternal grandmother's side. maternal grandmother's side. We're all creating memories together in Jaipur." Along with pictures of her grandmother's house, she also shared glimpses of Ambala Cantt. She added, "Thank you Ankur and Ayushi for coming all the way from Paris to India and planning this trip."

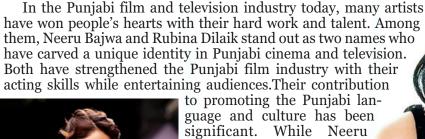
ning this trip."

In the same post, she uploaded a video where she explained what Sa Re Ga Ma means to her. Mannara associated "Sa, Re, Ga" with her cousins, while she connected the fourth note "Ma" to her mother, saying that a mother is always present.

The photos show Mannara exploring Jaipur's famous tourist spots, from Jal Mahal to Hawa Mahal. In one picture, she is also seen enjoying a traditional Rajasthani thali.

A few days earlier, she had shared pictures from her Ambala trip, expressing how special visiting her grandmother's house always felt. She recalled how, as a child, she used to sleep peacefully in the afternoons, play around, and relish home-cooked meals and pickles there.

### The Glow of Two Stars: Neeru Bajwa and Rubina Dilaik's Reign over **Punjabi Cinema and Television**





to promoting the Punjabi lan-guage and culture has been significant. While Neeru Bajwa is counted among the most successful actresses of Punjabi cinema, Rubina Dilaik has made her mark in both television and films. Not only have they worked in Punjabi movies, but they have also built a strong pres-ence on television. Their films and serials beautifully reflect Punjab's culture, people's lives, and family relationships. This is why they are regarded as well-known figures in Punjabi cinema and TV. Neeru Bajwa

born on August 26, 1980, in Surrey Canada, to an Indian family. She began her career in 1998 with the Hindi film Main Solah Baras Ki, but later focused on Punjabi films, where she found great success. Her Punjabi hits include Jatt & Juliet, Sardaar Ji, Laung Laachi, and Shadaa. She has won the PTC Punjabi Film Awards three times and also received a Filmfare Award for her exceptional acting in Punjabi cine-

Beyond acting, Neeru has also tried her hand at directing and producing Punjabi films. In 2017, she directed Sargi, a successful film featuring her sister Rubina Bajwa. Neeru's work isn't limited to India; she gained international recognition through the Hollywood supernatural thriller It Lives Inside

The wait is over for fans! The teaser of Sunny Sanskari's Tulsi Kumari will be out on this date

Fans are excited to see Varun Dhawan and Janhvi Kapoor reunite once again in Sunny Sanskari Ki Tulsi Kumari. The makers, too, are leaving no stone unturned in building the anticipation. After unveiling the film's poster on social media earlier, they have now released a video announcing the teaser

Sharing the video on Instagram along with the film's release date, the makers wrote: "The wedding stage will be set, the celebration will begin... but Sunny and Tulsi's entry will change the entire script. The teaser will release on Thursday, August 28. The film Sunny Sanskari Ki Tulsi Kumari will hit theatres on October 2."

Fans were thrilled by the post, flooding the comments



section with heart and fire emojis. One user wrote, "Can't wait!" Another commented, "Super excited, Sunny." Someone else added, "Finally, we'll get to see Varun back in a romantic "Really looking forward to



your film."The teaser video was also shared on Instagram by Varun Dhawan, Sanya Malhotra, Janhvi Kapoor, Rohit Saraf, Maniesh Paul, and Karan Johar. Notably, the release date of the film comedy!" Another fan wrote, has undergone multiple changes.

### Rani Chatterjee made a mirror video on a Salman Khan-Madhuri Dixit song, grabbing fans' attention

Popular Bhojpuri actress Rani Chatterjee is known not only for her powerful performances but also for staying active on social media. Whether it's a behind-the-scenes glimpse from a film set or moments from her fitness journey, Rani always tries to offer something new to her fans. These days, she is focusing a lot on her fitness and working out rigorously at the gym. On Monday, she posted a mirror video on Instagram, once again grabbing the attention of her followers.

In the video, Rani can be seen sitting on a workout mat inside the gym. She is dressed in a blue sports jacket, with her hair left open, adding to her charm. Looking at the camera through the mir-



ror, she records herself while lip-syncing to the famous 90s song Mujĥse Juda Hokar.

Her expres-

sions in the video give the impression that she is truly feeling every word of the song. Sharing the Rani clip, wrote in the caption: "Made a mirror video after a long time." Fans showered love on the post, filling the comments with heart and fire emojis.

