



BRIEF NEWS

Sports programs to start on National Sports Day today



Ranchi: On the occasion of National Sports Day on 29 August, various sports competitions are being started by the Sports Department. This event is being organized on the birth anniversary of hockey magician Major Dhyana Chand. The ceremony will be inaugurated by Sports and Youth Affairs Minister Sudivya Kumar at 10 am at the Hockey Stadium in Morabadi, Ranchi. The Sports Department informed that various sports competitions will be organized in all the districts of the state from August 29 to August 31.

Rahul and Tejashwi's journey crossed all limits

New Delhi: The top leadership of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) on Thursday described the alleged use of abusive language for Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his late mother from the Congress-RJD platform during the Voter Rights Yatra in Bihar as reprehensible and a taint to democracy. Party President JP Nadda and Union Home Minister have criticized the abusive language statement and asked Rahul Gandhi and Tejashwi Yadav to apologize immediately. JP Nadda shared a video in his post on X and wrote that the way the late mother of the country's Prime Minister Narendra Modi was abused from the Congress-RJD platform during the so-called Voter Rights Yatra of the Congress is highly reprehensible and condemnable. This is also a contempt of Bihar's culture on the soil of Bihar by two princes who have crossed all limits of decency. He said that Rahul Gandhi and Tejashwi Yadav should apologize immediately for this misdeed. The Congress leader cannot tolerate how a poor man's son struggled and reached the highest position in the country.

Jharkhand CM Hemant Soren`s emotional address on final day of Monsoon Session

DB Reporter

Ranchi: On the concluding day of the Jharkhand Assembly's Monsoon Session, Chief Minister Hemant Soren delivered an emotional address, stating that the session ended amid deeply moving moments.

He recalled that the session had to be adjourned earlier following the demise of Dishom Guru Shibu Soren on August 4.

Resuming after the interruption, the Chief Minister said this Monsoon Session would be remembered as both significant and unforgettable. He described Shibu Soren as not just a legislator, MP, Chief Minister, or Union Minister, but as a leader who rose above these roles to become a



guiding light for tribals, Dalits, backward classes, the poor, and the oppressed.

"No words are enough to describe his contribution. We will continue to walk the path he showed us," Soren

said.

Shibu Soren's Role in Jharkhand Movement

Highlighting the struggle behind statehood, Soren remarked that achieving Jharkhand's movement

was no easy task. "Alongside Jharkhand, other states too were formed. I don't think such an intense fight for rights has been witnessed anywhere else," he said.

He noted that for 10 to 12 days, people from across India and even abroad visited Jharkhand to pay homage to Shibu Soren. He also recalled that the Telangana Chief Minister had once acknowledged how Jharkhand's statehood inspired the demand for Telangana. Gururaj, he added, provided guidance to movements beyond Jharkhand, making his influence truly national.

Supplementary Budget and Governance

The Chief Minister pointed out that the Monsoon Session also saw the

presentation of the Supplementary Budget. He said the opposition's protests were part of political strategy, but clarified that supplementary budgets are not political tools but constitutional provisions.

He reminded that his government had completed five years earlier, and the people had once again handed them a strong mandate. "The opposition has its own objectives and political views, and naturally, it tries to corner the government," he said.

Criticism of Opposition

Taking a swipe at opposition parties, Soren remarked that he often worries about them, as they remain driven by narrow political interests. "They are left without real issues and take to the streets aimlessly," he added.

Monsoon Session: voice of the people should be given priority by rising above party politics: Speaker

DB Reporter

Ranchi: At the conclusion of the monsoon session of the Jharkhand Legislative Assembly on Thursday, the speaker said that many members gave priority to party instructions rather than their public commitment and local problems. He appealed that the voice of the public should be given priority by rising above party politics.

He informed that the monsoon session of Jharkhand Legislative Assembly was held from 22 August to 28 August 2025. A total of 324 questions were accepted in this session, which included 107 short notice, 183 starred and 34 unstarred questions.

The speaker said that in this session, a total of 70 notices of zero hour were accepted and a total of 21 requests were received. A total of 34 attentions were received, out of which 20 were accepted and 4 attentions were answered in the House. In this session, 5 other state bills were passed along with the first supplementary budget,



which include Jharkhand State University Bill, Jharkhand Professional Education Institutions (Fee Regulation) Bill and Jharkhand Platform Based Gig Workers (Registration and Welfare) Bill.

Resolution passed to confer 'Bharat Ratna' honour on Dishom Guru Shibu Soren

The speaker said that the House unanimously passed a resolution to confer India's highest civilian award 'Bharat Ratna' to Dishom Guru Shibu Soren. This session will prove to be historic in this regard too. A painful outcome also emerged during the proceedings of the House, which becomes necessary to share on this occasion today. It is being seen that many members often

give priority to party instructions rather than their commitment to the people and local problems. When all of us, the representatives elected by the people's mandate, leave behind the expectations of the people and follow only the party commands, then it does not seem very appropriate for the House, for democracy.

Mention the dignity of democratic institutions

The dignity of democratic institutions can be maintained only when every member fulfills his responsibility towards the public impartially. Today I would like to request that rising above party politics, the voice of the public should be given priority at least during the Question Hour.

I would like to recall the parliamentary discipline of Vithalbhai, the first elected Indian Speaker of the House. He believed that 'the strength of the House lies in its tradition and discipline. If the rules are not followed, it will remain only a forum for debate and not a democratic institution'. I would like to thank the Chief Minister, the Council of Ministers, the Leader of the Opposition, leaders of all parties and all the members for the cooperation I received in conducting the session. I also thank all the officers of the State Government, officials/ employees of the Legislative Assembly Secretariat, the police force and the media who contributed to make this session a success.

Important Bills

- Jharkhand Platform Based Gig Workers Bill: This bill will prove to be a historic step towards social security and equitable opportunities for gig workers of Jharkhand. This law can also become a model for other states.

PM Jan Dhan Yojana's 11 years: Over 56 cr accounts opened, deposits cross Rs 2.68 lakh cr

Agency

New Delhi: The Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY), the world's largest financial inclusion programme, has completed 11 years, marking what the government described as a "transformative impact" on India's financial landscape.

Launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on August 28, 2014, PMJDY has opened over 56.16 crore bank accounts, with deposits now standing at Rs2.68 lakh crore, the Finance Ministry said today. Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said the scheme has been central to bringing the poor and marginalised into the formal financial system. "Financial inclusion is a key driver of economic growth and development. Universal access to bank accounts enables the poor and marginalised to participate fully in the formal economy and benefit from its opportunities," Sitharaman said in her message.

She added that more than 38 crore free RuPay cards have been issued under



PMJDY, significantly boosting digital transactions. "It is noteworthy that 67% of accounts are in rural or semi-urban areas, and 56% are owned by women, indicating how underprivileged individuals living in far-flung areas have been brought into the formal financial sector," she said. Minister of State for Finance Pankaj Chaudhary described the scheme as a landmark global model. "PMJDY has been one of the most successful financial inclusion initiatives not only in the country but in the whole world. The Jan Dhan Yojana is about dignity, empowerment and opportunity," Chaudhary said. He highlighted the government's ongoing saturation campaign, under which financial

services camps are being held in all 2.7 lakh gram panchayats till September 30. These camps facilitate opening of new accounts, enrolment under insurance and pension schemes, re-KYC, and updating nominations. "Our effort is to bring financial services to the doorstep of the common man," Chaudhary added. As of August 13, 2025, the number of Jan Dhan accounts has touched 56.16 crore, of which 55.7% belong to women and 66.7% are in rural and semi-urban areas. The deposits under these accounts stand at Rs2.67 lakh crore, nearly twelve times higher than in 2015, while the average deposit per account has risen to Rs4,768, an increase of 3.7 times over the last decade.

Three terrorists enter Bihar from Nepal, police on high alert

► Photos and details of passports of terrorists have also been made public seeking clues from the people of their hideouts," state police headquarters said

Agency

Patna: Bihar police have sounded high alert and launched a massive manhunt after inputs about intrusion of three dreaded terrorists of Jaish-e-Mohammad into the state from



Nepal. According to the sources at the state police headquarters, three Jaish-e-Mohammad, a Pakistan-

based terror outfit, had entered Bihar from Nepal recently.

"They had intruded into Bihar with an intention to strike a major terror attack in the country," a source said. Massive manhunt has been launched to nab terrorists identified as Hasnain Ali (native of Rawalpindi), Adil Hussain (Umarkot) and Mohammad Usman (Bahawalpur), sources said, adding that a public

appeal has also been issued to share details with police about any suspicious activity. All security agencies have launched operations to trace the terrorists and nab them, sources added.

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'NARI 2025` report reveals gaps in women`s safety across Indian cities

Agency

New Delhi: While many metropolitan cities such as Delhi, Kolkata and Jaipur compete to be the best Smart City in the country, a new report released today here has revealed a disturbing truth—most of these have failed to ensure women's safety in public spaces. According to the first-ever National Annual Report and Index on Women's Safety (NARI 2025),



over 40 per cent of women residing in urban areas feel "not so safe" or "unsafe" in their cities. Concerns

over safety notably increase at night due to inadequate street lighting and lack of visible security

measures.

The report, based on the perception of the women hailing from various walks of life, highlights widespread harassment faced by them in public spaces, including staring, catcalling, lewd remarks, and physical contact. These incidents have had a severe impact, with many female students dropping out of school and working women quitting their jobs for safety reasons. The study, conducted across 31

cities covering all states, is based on the responses of 12,770 women and aims to provide a data-driven framework to improve women's safety beyond mere crime statistics. Seven per cent of respondents reported experiencing harassment in 2024, with the highest vulnerability among young women aged 18-24. This figure is significantly higher than the 0.07 per cent of cases recorded in the National

Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) 2022 data, underscoring the vast under-reporting of such crimes. Also, just 25% expressed high confidence that authorities would act effectively on safety concerns, while over 30% noted significant gaps or failure in ensuring safety. Major disparities existed by age, with younger women and students, especially those aged 18-24, reporting higher uncertainty and vulnerability.



Survey Conducted in Tetulmudi Basti for BCCL Resettlement Plan

DB Reporter
Katras : A comprehensive survey was conducted by BCCL in Tetulmudi Basti, located in the Sijua area, under the Mudidih Colliery. The survey, led by Surveyor Sanjeev Singh, focused on mapping and measuring all public and basic infrastructure in the locality. The objective is to assess the land required for resettlement and rehabilitation of the local residents due to mining activities. Key public places surveyed include Mansa Mandir, Hari Mandir, village well, Surya Sthal, Gram Thana (village police post), playground, community hall,



Shiv Mandir, Anganwadi Centre, club, and Chaupal. Using traditional land measurement techniques (Napi Jokhi), BCCL aims to prepare detailed data to determine the land required for relocation of these facilities. Based on this data, BCCL will formally request land allocation from the

district administration. The survey has generated optimism among the residents of Tetulmudi. Local resident Ravi Mahto expressed relief, saying, "Ever since the outsourcing company began operations here, villagers have been living in fear due to frequent blasting. We are

happy with BCCL's initiative. We fully support coal production that boosts the nation, but it must be accompanied by safe resettlement for us." Villagers have shown active participation in the survey process. Among those who supported the survey were Suresh Mahto, Ajay Mahto, Vishnu Mahto, Ashu Mahto, Sudama Mahto, Shankar Mahto, Sudhir Mahto, Suresh Chaudhary, Rakesh Chaudhary, along with several others from Tetulmudi Basti. This initiative marks a significant step towards balancing coal production and community welfare in the region.

Three-Day 'Jharkhand Khelo' Sports Meet Begins in Barkagaon

DB Reporter
Barkagaon: The Jharkhand Khelo Sports Competition, an initiative by the Jharkhand government to nurture young sporting talent, kicked off on Thursday at the Plus Two High School grounds in Barkagaon under the leadership of BPM Prahlad Gupta. The event was inaugurated by Krishna Ram, MLA representative and Panchayat Samiti Member, who lit the ceremonial lamp and interacted with the participants. The competition



will continue for three days. On the first day, 130 students under the age of 14 from 55 schools showcased their athletic skills in various events. Several young athletes emerged victorious and were awarded trophies in recognition of their performances. Competitions included 100m, 200m, 400m, and

600m sprints, volleyball, kabaddi, high jump, long jump, discus throw, javelin throw, and kho-kho. Chief Guest Krishna Ram emphasized the importance of balancing academics with sports, stating that physical activity supports both mental and physical development.

Grand Welcome for the 350th Shaheedi Nagar Kirtan of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji in Ramgarh

DB Reporter
Ramgarh: A grand welcome was accorded to the 350th Shaheedi Nagar Kirtan of Shri Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji in Ramgarh on Thursday. The procession was received with great reverence and enthusiasm by the Ramgarh Sikh community, who welcomed the Nagar Kirtan at the Toll Plaza. Local establishments including Oye Punjabi Dhaba, Nanak Dhaba, and Saini Dhaba extended heartfelt hospitality by offering refreshments and snacks to the devotees. The Nagar Kirtan then proceeded to Guru Nanak School, where Guru Maharaj's vehicle was welcomed with Ardaas and traditional ceremonies performed by Baba Ji. The sacred procession continued to Bijulia, where it was received at the residence of the late Sardar Gurdit Singh. His family, including Sardar Bhupendra Singh Jolly, offered a warm welcome. The



Ramgarh Sikh Sangat joined the Nagar Kirtan, singing Shabad Kirtans and forming a spiritual procession that reached Subhash Chowk. At Subhash Chowk, the Nagar Kirtan was welcomed by Ramgarh Gurudwara Management Committee, Guru Nanak Public School Committee, Guru Nanak Nursery School, Ramgarh Auditorium Committee, Khalsa Cricket Club, Stri Satsangat, and the Saragarhi Gate Sikh Regiment Centre, along with the entire Sangat of the region.

In a generous gesture, the Jolly family sponsored petrol and diesel for all vehicles in the procession through Reliance Petrol Pump. Refreshments were also provided to all devotees. Youth from Ramgarh escorted the Nagar Kirtan up to Hazaribagh, from where the journey continued. The Ramgarh Gurudwara Management Committee extended heartfelt thanks to all supporting committees and devotees, especially those who came from Bhurkunda, Patraru, Giddi, and Kujju.

Celebration of Dashlakshan Festival Begins with Worship of Uttam Kshama Dharma

DB Reporter
Ramgarh : The auspicious Dashlakshan Mahapary (Paryushan Parv) commenced at Shri Digambar Jain Temple, located on Main Road in Ramgarh, with devotion and reverence. On the first day of the festival, elaborate rituals and worship were performed for Uttam Kshama Dharma (Supreme Forgiveness). Former President of the Shri Digambar Jain Samaj, Manik Chand Jain, addressed the gathering and explained the spiritual significance of Dashlakshan, describing it as a festival dedicated to ten virtues that lead to spiritual upliftment. He emphasized that Dashlakshan Parv embodies detachment, renunciation, penance, discipline, and deep spiritual practice. **Uttam Kshama Dharma - The Essence of Forgiveness** Speaking on the virtue of forgiveness, Manik Chand Jain highlighted that forgiveness is essential for every human being. He stated,



"Forgiveness is the very nature of the soul. One who lacks the spirit of forgiveness cannot truly succeed in life. A forgiving person has no enemies in this world or the next." He further said, "Kshama (forgiveness) is the essence of all religions. It is the foundation of right faith, knowledge, and conduct."

He quoted Jain scriptures to emphasize the power and beauty of forgiveness:

- » Uttam Kshama Gun Gan Sahyaari,
- » Uttam Kshama Muni Vind Pyaari.
- » Uttam Kshama Bahuyan Chintamani,
- » Uttam Kshama Sapan Jah

Mani." These verses describe forgiveness as a virtue adorned with countless other virtues. It is cherished by ascetics and revered by scholars, much like a wish-fulfilling gem (Chintamani), bringing wisdom and peace to the soul. Forgiveness arises through deep concentration and spiritual practice. He added, "Kshama Veerasya Bhushanam - Forgiveness is the ornament of the brave." A person who possesses the strength of forgiveness easily overcomes enmity and remains ever-peaceful. Anger, on the other hand, leads to suffering, loss of self-control, and spiritual downfall. Manik Chand Jain contrasted the peaceful nature of a forgiving person with the destructive tendencies of an angry individual. "An angry person loses both trust and clarity. In a state of rage, the body trembles, the mind loses control, and serious mistakes are made, including the neglect of one's religious duties."

Rama Krishna IAS Academy Holds Grand Success Meet, Honors 26 Successful Students

DB Reporter
Hazaribagh: Renowned for its excellent teaching and outstanding results, Rama Krishna IAS Academy organized a grand success meet on Thursday at The Paradise Resort auditorium to honor 26 students who cleared the Jharkhand Public Service Commission (JPSC) exams from classes 11 to 13. The event was graced by distinguished guests including DSP Satish Pathak, Probation Officers Rahul Kumar and Shiveshwar Kumar, educators Dr. Subodh Singh Shivgeet and Dr. B.N. Ohdar, and Ranjan



Chaudhary, media in-charge of Hazaribagh Lok Sabha constituency. Director Vibhath Shandilya presided over the ceremony, expressing pride in guiding 26

successful officers who now represent the academy's legacy of excellence across Jharkhand. DSP Satish Pathak lauded the academy's success, calling it a proud achievement for

Hazaribagh and stating that these officers would become flagbearers of the state's development. Probation Officers Rahul Kumar and Shiveshwar Kumar congratulated the students and highlighted their new responsibilities towards society and governance. Dr. Subodh Singh noted the academy's consistent success through mock interviews, while Dr. B.N. Ohdar praised the institution for setting new benchmarks. Ranjan Chaudhary urged the successful candidates to uphold humanity alongside their professional duties.

MLA Demands Formation of Jharkhandi Language and Literature Academy

DB Reporter
Ramgarh: During the Zero Hour of the Monsoon Session of the Jharkhand Assembly, Ramgarh MLA Mamta Devi raised a significant cultural issue, urging the state government to establish a Jharkhandi Language and Literature Academy to protect and promote the region's linguistic and cultural heritage. Highlighting the importance of local languages, Mamta Devi said that Jharkhandi languages such as Nagpuri, Kudmali, Panchpargania, Khortha, Ho, Santhali, Mundari, Kharia, and others are not just mediums of communication but represent the soul of Jharkhand's diverse culture and identity. She stressed that preserving and promoting these languages is crucial for keeping traditions alive and connecting future generations to their roots. She stated that the formation of such an academy would not only



foster the growth of languages and culture but also provide due recognition, respect, and a platform for local writers, poets, artists, and scholars. It would also facilitate research, publications, and cultural events, strengthening the state's literary and artistic ecosystem. Mamta Devi emphasized that neglecting language and culture weakens society. For years, local literary figures have struggled for recognition. The academy, she said, would fulfill their long-pend-

ing dreams and aspirations. Calling for support beyond political lines, she urged all Assembly members to unite for this cause, as it concerns the very identity of Jharkhand. She expressed confidence that the government would take her demand seriously and act swiftly. The information was shared by 20-Point Programme Chairman and District Spokesperson-cum-Media Chairman Sudhir Manglesh on Thursday.

Ganesh Chaturthi Celebrated with Devotion and Enthusiasm at Radha Govind University

DB Reporter
Ramgarh: Radha Govind University celebrated Ganesh Chaturthi with great fervor and devotion in the university's auditorium hall. The event began with the ceremonial installation of Lord Ganesha's idol, followed by traditional puja, havan, aarti, and the immersion (visarjan) rituals, conducted under the guidance of Acharya Mukesh Pandey. The Chancellor of the University, B.N. Saha, and Secretary Priyanka Kumari participated in the religious ceremonies. They extended their heartfelt greetings on the auspicious occasion of Ganesh Chaturthi, wishing peace, prosperity, and the blessings of Lord Ganesha - the remover of obstacles and the harbinger



ger of wisdom and success. Present on the occasion were Vice Chancellor Prof. (Dr.) Rashmi, Registrar Prof. (Dr.) Nirmal Kumar Mandal, Finance and Accounts Officer Dr. Sanjay Kumar, Controller of Examinations Prof. (Dr.) Ashok Kumar, Management Committee member Ajay Kumar,

along with heads of departments, faculty members, and a large number of students. Havan and Community Feast on Second Day On the second day of the celebration, a havan (sacred fire ritual) and a community feast (bhandara, featuring khichdi) were organized. The festivities concluded with the idol immersion cere-

mony. Teachers, non-teaching staff, and students joined the procession with music, dance, and chants of "Ganpati Bappa Morya," marking a joyful farewell to Lord Ganesha. The event reflected a blend of spiritual devotion and community spirit, making it a memorable celebration for all involved.

Jayram Mahto to Attend Grand Karam Festival Celebrations in Ramgarh

DB Reporter
Ramgarh: Karam Mahotsav will be celebrated today under the banner of Jharkhandi Language Khatian Sangharsh Samiti, at three major venues: Marangmahapanchayat Bhavan (Sikni Mod, Chitarpur), Sutri Sagatu (Bhalgada, Gola), and Dulmi Bazaar Tand. The event will be graced by Jayram Mahto, MLA of Dumri and Central President of the Jharkhand Loktantrik Krantikari Morcha, as the



chief guest at all three locations. Preparations are in full swing, with committee members working tirelessly to ensure the success of the festival. Jayram Mahato's upcoming visit has generated significant excitement and anticipation among the rural communities. To oversee the

arrangements, Rajendra Bedia (Central General Secretary), Ramesh Kumar Mahato (State Media In-charge), Shivnandan Munda (Senior Vice President, Ramgarh District), and Tribhuvan Mahato visited the venues to assess the on-ground preparations.

AISET University Holds Orientation Ceremony for 2025-26 Academic Session

DB Reporter
Hazaribagh: AISect University, Hazaribagh, organized its orientation ceremony (Deeksharambh) for the academic session 2025-26 on Thursday at the university auditorium. The event commenced with a traditional lamp-lighting ceremony by Vice Chancellor Prof. P.K. Nayak, Registrar Dr. Munish Govind, Pro-Vice Chancellor Dr. Gaurav Shukla, and Dean of Student Welfare Dr. S.R. Rath.

In his welcome address, Dr. Munish Govind highlighted the university's commitment to delivering quality and employment-oriented education, while also fostering social responsibility among students. Departments from Agriculture to Computer Science, Commerce, Management, Arts and Humanities, Science, Engineering, Pharmacy, Fine and Performing Arts, Law, and the Training & Placement Cell showcased their academic activities, research work, and future goals through PowerPoint



presentations. Anti-ragging and other committees were also introduced to familiarize new students with university policies. Dr. Gaurav Shukla emphasized the university's mission to integrate modern education with human values, ensuring that students not only build successful careers but also contribute meaningfully to society. Addressing the students, Prof. P.K. Nayak

remarked, "Education is not merely a means to earn a degree-it is the art of living." He reiterated the university's goal of creating a learning environment that prepares students for both professional success and responsible citizenship. Dr. S.R. Rath encouraged students to adopt discipline, ethics, and hard work as the foundation of their academic journey.

Tata Steel declares Annual Bonus for 2024-2025 Financial Year

DB Reporter
Jamshedpur : A Memorandum of Settlement dated 28th August 2025 has been signed between Tata Steel and the Tata Workers' Union, for payment of Annual Bonus for the accounting year 2024-2025. As per the Memorandum of Settlement the annual bonus for the year 2024-2025 the total payout for eligible employees of all a p p l i c a b l e divisions/Units of the Company on account of annual bonus for the year 2024-2025 will be Rs 303.13 Cr. Out of this, for Divisions at Jamshedpur including Tubes, an amount of Rs. 152.44 Cr will be distributed as annual bonus



amongst approx. 11446 employees. The minimum (at full attendance) and maximum (at actual attendance) annual bonus payable for 2024-25 will be Rs 39,004/-and Rs 3,92,213/- respectively. Since majority of our employees of the Steel Company are drawing salary/wages higher than the limit laid down in the Payment of Bonus (Amendment) Act, 2015, they are not eligible for bonus under the Act. However, respecting our old traditions, the Company is going to pay bonus to all employees in the unionized category. The Settlement was signed on 28th August 2025. Mr. T V Narendran, CEO & MD, Ms. Atrayee Sanyal, Chief People Officer and other Sr. Executives signed on Management's behalf and Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Choudhary, President, Dy. Labour C o m m i s s i o n e r , Jamshedpur & Conciliation Officer, Govt. of Jharkhand.

Grizzly School Retains Gold in CBSE Cluster-III Kho-Kho Championship, Qualifies for Nationals

DB Reporter
Koderna: The Under-14 boys' team of Grizzly School emerged victorious in the CBSE Cluster-III Kho-Kho Championship 2025-26, hosted by Delhi Public School, Girdih. Competing against 37 schools from Bihar and Jharkhand, Grizzly School clinched the gold medal for the second consecutive year, securing a place in the upcoming CBSE National Championship to be held in Gandhinagar, Gujarat, from September 1 to 5.

Under the expert coaching of Sunil Kumar Saw, the team showcased exceptional coordination, agility, and sportsmanship. Team members included Ajit Kumar, Ayush Kumar, Ansh Raj Singh, Samar Pratap Singh, Annol Kumar, Rajdeep Solanki, Himanshu Kumar, Satish Kumar, Kaushal Mandal, Laksh Raj, Vikas



Kumar, and Piyush Kumar. The school management, including Directors Manish Kapisme and Avinash Seth, CEO Prakash Gupta, and Principal Anjana Kumari, congratulated the team, coach, and parents, expressing confidence that the students will shine at the national level.

Ganesh Chaturthi celebrated with reverence and gaiety in Koderma

DB Reporter
Koderma: The pious festival of Ganesh Chaturthi was celebrated with reverence and gaiety at the residence of Deputy Mukhiya Rupesh Rana of Indarwa, where the Ganpati festival has been organised for the past six years. Mahamandleshwar Sukhdev Das Maharaj led the rituals following Vedic rites and concluded with offerings of fruits, flowers and sweets. Devotees offered laddus to Lord Ganesh while chanting "Ganpati



Bappa Morya". The festival, considered sacred as the birth anniversary of Lord Ganesha, witnessed a round of prayers and bhajans throughout the day. Prasad will be distributed after the idol immersion today. Many local dignitaries and villagers, including Mukhiya Uma Devi and members of various communities, participated in the festival with great enthusiasm.

MP Manish Jaiswal Raises Railway Development Issues at EM Railway ZRUCC Meeting in Patna

DB Reporter
Hazaribagh: Hazaribagh Lok Sabha MP Manish Jaiswal participated in the Eastern Central Railway's Zonal Railway Users Consultative Committee (ZRUCC) meeting held in Patna on Thursday. Representing Hazaribagh and surrounding areas, he highlighted several key railway-related demands to senior railway officials to improve connectivity and passenger convenience. Jaiswal urged the construction of new halts at Koderma (between Barhi and Padma) and Garukurha, and requested stoppages of important trains like Vande Bharat Express (22349/22350), Lokmanya Tilak Terminal-



Gaya Express (22357/22358), and Asansol-Ranchi Intercity Express at Barhi to benefit this commercial and educational hub. He advocated rerouting the Ranchi-New Delhi Rajdhani Express via Barkakana, and restoration of trains diverted away from

Barkakana. Expansion of the Koderma-Barkakana passenger service up to Hatiya with additional coaches was also proposed. Further, Jaiswal demanded the early completion of doubling work on the Koderma-Hazaribagh-Barkakana line and the coaching depot at Hazaribagh station. A new rail line linking Parasnath to Hazaribagh Road via Koderma and other stations was also proposed.

Free Medicine Distribution Camp for Filariasis at HZB Arogyam Super Specialty Hospital

DB Reporter
Hazaribagh: HZB Arogyam Super Specialty Hospital, in collaboration with SBMC&H Hazaribagh, organized a free medicine distribution camp to prevent and treat filariasis (elephantiasis). The camp aimed to raise public awareness about the disease, its prevention, and timely treatment. Filariasis is a contagious disease spread by infected mosquitoes, gradually



affecting body parts and becoming incurable if untreated. Early medication and consultation can completely cure the disease. Hospital Director Harsh Ajmera emphasized that awareness and timely medicine intake are crucial to combating this serious disease. He urged the public to take advantage of such initiatives to lead healthier lives.

Complaint Filed Against Ration Distribution in the Name of Deceased Individuals in Koderma

Koderma: Kishore Saw, the Mukhiya of Bekobar Uttari Panchayat under Sadar block, has submitted a formal complaint to the Deputy Commissioner (DC) and District Supply Officer

(DSO) on Thursday. In his application, he highlighted that ration is being regularly withdrawn using a ration card (No. 202000381076) in the name of five beneficiaries from Chandedih vil-

lage - Bandhani Devi, Lato Rana, Arjun Rana, Kunwa Devi, and Pappu Rana. Notably, two of these beneficiaries, Bandhani Devi and Lato Rana, passed away several years ago.

ESL Steel Celebrates National Sports Day by Honouring Grassroots Archery Talents

DB Reporter
Bokaro: On the occasion of National Sports Day, ESL Steel Limited celebrated the achievements of young archers from its Vedanta ESL Archery Academy (VEAA), located in Bokaro, Jharkhand. Founded in 2018, the academy provides rural children with access to professional training, equipment, nutritious meals, fitness coaching, and opportunities to compete. Today, more than 55 children are enrolled, and



the academy's archers have won over 185 medals, including 10 at the national level. Notable performers include 10-year-old Yavna Yadav from Munidih, who won gold in the 2022

the 2024 Mini National Archery Championship and cycles daily to attend training. Chitrnanjan Tudu from Bhagbandh represented Jharkhand in the 2023 National Games, secured a silver medal in All India University Nationals, and received a government scholarship in 2024.CSR Head Mr. Kunal Daripa stated, "Sports are not just about winning, but transforming lives. Through VEAA, we are empowering rural talent to dream big.

E-Vidya Vahini Registration Made Mandatory for Teacher Trainees in Dhanbad

DB Reporter
Dhanbad: A meeting of the four-member c o m m i t t e e formed for the 4-week teaching practice of B.Ed. and D.El.Ed. trainees (session 2024-26) from 15 teacher training institutes was held under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner-cum-District Magistrate Aditya Ranjan. The DC directed that registration on the E-Vidya Vahini portal will be mandatory for all trainees, and attendance must be recorded through biometric systems. School allocation for trainees should be based on the teacher-student ratio and distance, ensuring complete transparency.



Indefinite Protest at Koderma Sadar Hospital from Tomorrow

Koderma/DB Reporter: The Sadar Hospital Bachao Sangharsh Samiti announced an indefinite protest at Koderma Sadar Hospital beginning August 30, demanding improvements in hospital services. At a press conference held at Grand Surya Hotel, Committee President Ishwar Anand, Secretary Prakash Rajak, and Vice President Sanjay Sharma alleged widespread negligence and mismanagement at the hospital.



Seminar on 'Challenges in Implementing National Education Policy 2020' at Vinoba Bhave University

DB Reporter
Hazaribagh: A seminar on the topic "Challenges in Implementing National Education Policy 2020" will be held on Friday at Aryabhata Auditorium, Vinoba Bhave University campus, from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM. The event is jointly organized by the All India National Educational Federation (Higher Education Section), Vinoba Bhave University Unit, IQAC, and the Department of Humanities. The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Chandra Bhushan Sharma, will grace the seminar as the chief guest. Faculty heads, coordinators, and speakers including representatives from Vinoba Bhave University and Adarsh College, Rajdhanwar,

will participate in the discussions. The seminar will address various challenges faced by universities and colleges in implementing the National Education Policy 2020. Key topics include curriculum structure, availability of study materials, multidisciplinary and skill development courses, infrastructure, and faculty strength.All department heads, teachers from university departments and self-financed courses, as well as principals and teachers from local colleges, have been cordially invited. Dr. Vinod Ranjan, Head of Humanities and President of the All India Educational Federation, Vinoba Bhave University Unit, shared this information.

Kuntu Babu Condemns Abuse of PM Modi's Late Mother in Darbhanga

DB Reporter
Ramgarh: During Rahul Gandhi's voter rights campaign in Darbhanga on August 28, incidents of abusive remarks against Prime Minister Narendra Modi's late mother came to light. Ranjay Kumar, also known as Kuntu Babu,

former Ramgarh Assembly candidate and BJP state committee member, strongly criticized the act. Kuntu Babu said the abuse reflects the "mental bankruptcy" of Congress and RJD leaders. He claimed that both parties are fully aware that they have no chance



of winning the Bihar elections as the people of

Bihar have no faith in them. "In their desperation, Congress and RJD leaders have resorted to using abusive language against the Prime Minister," he added. Kuntu Babu demanded strict action against those responsible for the offensive remarks.

Editorial

How many parties among relatives?

During the Himachal Assembly session, another session was held in Una where BJP was not just in opposition but among its own people. Is Congress visible during the Assembly session within its government and as the ruling party? This is not a contest but a tale of uniting hearts in political circumstances. Though there was an organisational workshop of BJP in Una, but the labour of the organisation, the sadhana of the party, the political skills and the enthusiasm of the leaders were in full swing there. In such a situation, it has to be seen whether the enthusiasm of being in the government after coming to power in Himachal is still intact among the workers or leaders of Congress. This is also because despite heavy efforts, the helm of the Congress state president is not coming out, while there are many incarnations and many adornments within the party. Here, the launch of Dr. Bindal's team is telling how intensely the party gathers its enthusiasm for new campaigns and new tests. There was not just enthusiasm in the Una meeting, but intentions marching in step, continuity of moving ahead and arms to prove were participating together. It is a different matter that many boats were seen standing dry in the organizational structure of the state BJP, but the party found a new path for a new journey by inviting everyone to the workshop to board its ship. While the party's national vice-president Saudan Singh teaches the method and rules of living in BJP, former Union Minister Anurag Thakur creates a blueprint for the regional elections of 2027, that is, the BJP sitting in August 2025 is showing its muscles in the exercise for the elections after two-two and a half years. Here the criteria is till the booth and the courage is drawing such a map till every vote that will agitate the role of the opposition in the coming times. By the way, a contest is also ready in the assembly premises of Shimla.

Of course, the government knows the reason and style of being the best in every arrangement of its advocacy, yet the opposition showed itself in the eyes of the public by walking out to sift the political sand. This is not the innocence of the opposition, but cleverness, which is able to show its image even in the horror of the disaster. Here, even though the complete letter to Himachal did not come on the pages of the Center and neither the message of relief could provide solace, but the state BJP does not agree.

Veer Ganapati became Ashtavinayaka to destroy the tyrannical forces

Since time immemorial, Lord Shri Ganesha is being worshipped in Sanatan in various forms as the god of wisdom, knowledge and good fortune, but in the present context, Hindus, keeping in view the circumstances of the country and time, should not introduce the present and future generation only to the modak wale, trunk wale, big belly wale, mischievous child Ganesha, but also to Veer Ganapati, so that they can face the challenges coming in the future.

- Dr. Anand Singh Rana

the dramas created by the missionaries, leftists and so-called seculars about the form and leelas of Shri Ganesha should come to an end. Therefore, along with the gentle modak wale Ganapati, the fierce Veer Ganapati will also have to be introduced, so that they can face the crises of the coming time and protect their Hindutva.

Lord Ganesha is a great warrior. The warrior form of Ganesha is called Veer Ganapati. Actually this form has sixteen arms. He holds Baital, spear, bow, chakrayudha, sword, shield, hammer, mace, noose, goad, snake, trident, kunda, axe, arrow and flag in his hands respectively. His image is wrathful and fierce. Worship done for the purpose of destruction of enemies and self-protection brings immediate benefits. Worshipping Veer Ganapati gives indomitable courage and strength, along with the inspiration to not accept defeat.

Lord Shri Ganesha also took 8 incarnations from time to time to protect religion. These eight incarnations are called Ashtavinayak.

Ekadanta incarnation-Once Maharishi Chyavan created Mad through his penance power, and he was also called the son of Maharishi. When Mad took initiation from demon Guru Shukracharya and started torturing the gods, all the gods invoked the son of Lord Shiva and Goddess Parvati, then the Lord took incarnation in the form of Ekadanta. Lord Ekadanta defeated Madasur in the war and gave

the boon of protection to the gods.

Vakratunda Avatar-Lord Ganesha took the Vakratunda avatar to kill the demon named Matsarasur. Matsarasur was a devotee of Lord Shiva and he had got a boon from Lord Shiva that he would not be defeated by any creature of any species. Matsarasur had two sons, Sundarpriya and Vishyapriya respectively and both were cruel. After getting the boon, Matsarasur started torturing the gods on the orders of Shukracharya. Then Lord Ganesha took the Vakratunda avatar and defeated Matsarasur and killed both his sons.

Mahodar Avatar-Demon Guru Shukracharya prepared a demon named Mohasur to fight against the gods by giving him training in weapons. Troubled by the atrocities of Mohasur, the gods and goddesses together invoked Lord Ganesha. Then Ganeshji took the Mahodar avatar, Mahodar means the one with a big belly. Mahodar rode on his mouse to fight with Mohasur, but Mohasur got frightened and made Mahodar his deity without fighting.

Gajanan Avatar-Lobhasur was born due to the greed of Lord Kubera. Lobhasur went to the refuge of demon Guru Shukracharya and took education from there. On the advice of Shukracharya, Lobhasur did rigorous penance to get a boon from Lord Shiva. Pleased with the meditation, Lord Shiva gave the boon of being fearless to Lobhasur. After getting the boon, Lobhasur took control over all the worlds, then everyone prayed

to Ganeshji and Lord Ganesha took the form of Gajanan, after this on the advice of Shukracharya, Lobhasur accepted defeat without fighting.

Vikat Avatar- Jalandhar had a son named Kamasur. Kamasur did rigorous penance of Lord Shiva, pleased with which Mahadev gave the boon of Trilok Vijay. After getting the boon, Kamasur started torturing the gods. Troubled by the demon, all the gods meditated on Lord Ganesha and prayed for freedom from the demon. Then Lord Ganesha took Vikat Avatar, in this avatar Lord Ganesha came sitting on a peacock and defeated Kamasur.

Lambodar Avatar-Once a demon named Krodhasur did penance of Sun God. Pleased with the penance, Sun God blessed Krodhasur to conquer the universe. After this, all the gods and goddesses became afraid of Krodhasur and invoked Lord Ganesha. Hearing the prayers of the gods, Lord Ganesha took the incarnation of Lambodar. Lord Lambodar stopped Krodhasur and explained that he can never conquer the universe nor can he be an invincible warrior. Krodhasur then stopped his campaign and went to Patal Lok forever.

Dhumravarna Avatar-Once Brahmaji made Lord Sun the lord of the kingdom of Karma, this made him arrogant. While ruling, Lord Sun sneezed, due to which a demon was born, the demon born from the sneeze was named Ahanta. Ahanta demon went to Guru Shukracharya and he became Ahantasur. After this, he also created his own kingdom

and also got blessings by worshipping Lord Ganesha.

After getting the boon, Ahantasur started torturing the gods, then everyone called Lord Ganesha. On the call of the gods, Lord Ganesha took the form of Dhurmavarna. Dhurmavarna's color was like smoke and he was very fierce, he had a fierce noose in one hand, from which fierce flames were coming out, Dhurmavarna ended Ahantasur and gave relief to the gods.

Vighnaraj Avatar-Once Mother Parvati was roaming on Mount Kailash with her friends, then there was laughter in the conversation, a giant man was born from their laughter and they named him 'Mam'. Mam went to the forest to do penance, where he met Shambasur, Shambasur gave Mam many demonic powers. After this, Mam pleased Ganeshji and asked for the rule of the universe. When Shukracharya came to know about this, then he gave Mam the position of demon king. After getting the position, Mam caught the gods and put them in prison. Then the gods invoked Lord Ganesha and told him about their problems. Lord Ganesha took the form of Vighnaraj and then humiliated Mamasura and released the gods from the prison. The eight forms of Lord Veer Ganapati are amazing and unique and his unique strategy in these forms is very guiding for Hindus to subdue their enemies in the present context. The eight forms of Veer Ganapati give us the divine wisdom that victory should be achieved by using appropriate tactics to destroy the demonic tendencies.

Tata Steel's Sports Legacy: Driving Wellness and Excellence Through Sports



By Chief, Sports
Tata Steel Mr. Mukul
Vinayak Choudhari
on the occasion of
National Sports Day.

Tata Steel has always been committed to the development and promotion of sports, whether through community engagement or by striving for excellence at the national and international level. As a corporate, we have been leveraging sports to achieve wellness for our employees and the community at large. This integrated sports ecosystem nurtures athletes at every level, from grassroots programs to elite training facilities. We have developed world-class sports infrastructure operating 19 training academies across disciplines like Swimming, Badminton, Basketball, Cricket, Handball, Athletics, Golf, etc. Our five academies focus on grooming talented athletes for national and international achievements in sports such as Archery, Paralympics, Hockey, and Football. Notably, our academy cadets have been making us and our country proud over

the years with achievements including Komolika Bari, Deepika Kumari, Jayant Talukdar, Ankita Bhakat, Bhajan Kaur in archery, Kalyan Chaubey and Subroto Paul in Football, Umesh Vikram in Para-badminton, and 13 mountaineers who have summited Mount Everest. Tata Steel pioneered the launch of the Tata Football Academy (TFA), Tata Archery Academy, Naval Tata Hockey Academy, Tata Steel Adventure Foundation (TSAF), Sport Climbing Academy, Rowing Academy, and the Sports Science High-Performance Centre (HPC), providing comprehensive support to athletes. Apart from the world-class sports infrastructure at the JRD Tata Sports Complex, Jamshedpur, we have further enhanced facilities across multiple locations, including a sports stadium at Kalinganagar, while also running Hockey, Archery, and Climbing academies in collaboration with the Government of Odisha. We host national and international events like the National Archery Championship, IFSC Asian Youth Sport

Climbing Championship 2024, Asian Chess Championship, SAFF Football Cup, Durand Cup, Para-Badminton Nationals, etc. promoting sports development and encouraging youth participation. Our sports department has been working very closely with the local community in collaboration with Tata Steel Foundation. We have been effectively leveraging sports as a platform for empowering youth, instilling discipline with purpose, and creating opportunities. Tata Steel also promotes inclusivity and diversity through sports. We support Special Olympics programs for athletes with special needs. The organisation has been actively supporting world-class para-badminton athletes like Umesh Vikram Kumar, currently ranked World Number Two in men's doubles and World Number Three in men's singles. Tata Steel also encourages and conducts sports for trans persons, an initiative ongoing for the last few years. Though our effectiveness in sports can be measured by the number of medals our athletes win at the national and international levels, we prefer to gauge

our success by increasing participation across sports. We believe everyone is a winner, thereby staying true to our ethos-sports is a way of life at Tata Steel. We organise sports for women and children, reflecting our commitment to inclusivity. Taking one step further, to promote diversity across the organisation, we organise sports for trans persons, ensuring they have equal opportunities to participate and compete. One challenge is encouraging children to participate in sports, as they are often engaged with gadgets instead. To overcome this, we organise summer camps that introduce children to various sporting and wellness disciplines. These camps emphasise inclusion, hosting special children and those from underserved communities. By providing a platform for children to discover their potential, we encourage them to adopt sports as a way of life. At Tata Steel, sports is not just an activity- it is a way of life. We believe sports play a vital role in balancing mental and physical health. Our vision is to continue nurturing talent from grassroots

through structured pathways, starting from community camps to elite academies. We will expand our outreach to tribal, rural, and underserved communities, unearthing and developing raw talent through sustained mentoring, world-class coaching, and exposure to national and international platforms. Employee engagement through sports-by organising events like ID, JDC, Inter-Company, and Steel Plant Sports Board (SPSB) events-will continue to be an integral part of our company culture. Tata Steel partners with National and Regional sports bodies to support and develop talent across multiple disciplines. To promote the sporting culture holistically we have associated with various National and Regional Sports Federations and Associations across various sporting disciplines. Message on National Sports Day: Let sports be a part of your life, regardless of age or gender. Play any sport you enjoy-because playing is like a mini-vacation.



Casagrاند Spreads Joy with Special War 2 Screening for Underprivileged Girls in Pune

New Delhi,Agency: As part of its unwavering commitment to creating meaningful social impact, Casagrاند, one of the leading real estate developers in India, in association with Mirchi, hosted a heartwarming initiative on 23rd August 2025, a special screening of the movie War 2 curated exclusively for 150 young girls from A Ray of Hope, an NGO devoted to providing free education to underprivileged children.

Casagrاند's Philosophy in Action For Casagrاند, giving back is not a one-time act but a way of life. The brand firmly believes that true success lies in spreading joy beyond business. This initiative was a beautiful reflection of that

philosophy, celebrating festivals and special moments not just within communities, but with communities that need them the most.

A Day of Happiness and Togetherness

The private screening was filled with excitement, laughter, and applause as the girl children enjoyed the much-awaited movie War 2. Mirchi RJs amplified the cheer with their energy, interactive games, and playful banter, turning the cinema hall into a space of pure joy. Adding to the warmth, Casagrاند representatives spent quality time with the children, making each girl feel seen, valued, and celebrated.

Hospitality from the Heart



Casagrاند went beyond just a movie treat. The children were welcomed with delicious food and engaging activities, ensuring the day was wholesome, entertaining, and memorable. Every detail from hospitality to interactions were thoughtfully planned to make the girls feel truly special. Impact that Lasts The initiative left behind more than just a day of fun, it created smiles that linger, laughter that echoed long after, and memories that will stay with the children for years to come. It was a testament to Casagrاند's mission of building not just homes, but happiness and stronger communities filled with hope and togetherness.

Weekend Student Training Program on AI/ML at IIIT Hyderabad

New Delhi,Agency: IHub-Data is bringing out a six-month weekend training program on AI/ML for undergraduate students pursuing a career in science, commerce or business streams. The program would be ideal for highly motivated students, desirous to learn tools and techniques of data-driven decision-making processes. Classes would be conducted on all weekends at IIIT Hyderabad by resource persons from these



domains.

"Integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML) into diverse academic disciplines underscores the importance of a short-term course for undergraduate students pursuing non-engineering educational programs. This course fosters critical

Bacancy to Revolutionize India's E-Mobility with the Launch of Its New B2B EV Charging Dispenser

New Delhi,Agency: Bacancy Systems is revolutionizing large-scale EV charging with the launch of its 1.92 MW distributed charging system, a flexible, efficient, and scalable solution. At the core of the solution is a central dispenser unit that supports up to 6 dual-gun splitter units. Featuring real-time load balancing, robust protection mechanisms, and dynamic power allocation in 40 kW increments, the system optimises energy use while ensuring reliable performance.

Headquartered in Gujarat, India, Bacancy Systems has built a strong reputation in engineering and e-mobility innovation. Its portfolio spans AC and DC charger con-



trollers, EV simulators (CCS2, Type 6, GB/T), battery management systems, and turnkey solutions. The new 1.92 MW system further reinforces Bacancy's commitment to enabling sustainable transportation through intelligent charging technologies.

"We engineered this sys-

Govt extends cotton import duty exemption till December 31

New Delhi,Agency: The government on Thursday announced an extension of the import duty exemption on cotton until December 31. This follows the initial temporary waiver introduced on August 19, which was set to expire on September 30.

The decision aims to enhance the availability of cotton for the textile sector, a critical driver of India's export economy. By extending the duty-free import window, the government seeks to support exporters facing global competition and rising input costs.

The exemption is expected to ensure a steady supply of raw cotton, stabilise domestic prices, and enable manufacturers to meet international demand more effectively.

The Indian textile sector, one of the largest contributors to the country's GDP, employs millions and accounts for a significant share of exports.

On August 19, the government announced removal of 11 per cent import duty on raw cotton, effective immediately, till September 30 to support the domestic textile industry. The objective was to



ease the financial burden on mills and garment manufacturers, who have been grappling with high domestic cotton prices and limited availability.

India hopeful of resuming trade talks with US soon; tariffs need to be addressed: Official

New Delhi,Agency: India is hopeful of resuming negotiations on the proposed bilateral trade agreement (BTA) with the US soon and addressing the issue of high tariffs imposed by Washington on Indian goods will be key to striking the deal, a government official said on Thursday.

However, the official said the new dates for the next round of negotiations for the agreement have not yet been finalised.

"We are hopeful to get back on the table soon...whenever we strike a deal, both the tariffs (additional 25 per cent and 25 per cent on purchase of Russian oil) need to be addressed," the official said. The two countries started negotiations for BTA in March. So far, five rounds of negotiations have been completed. The US



team, which was scheduled to visit India from August 25, for the next round of negotiations for the agreement, postponed the meeting. The talks are paused as the US is pressing for greater market access in politically sensitive areas such as agriculture and dairy sectors, which India cannot accept as it affects the livelihood of small and marginal farmers.

PedalStart Unveils Hustler Mela 3.0 - Biggest Live Pitching Event, Set to Deploy | Rs 15 Cr Investments Across 10 Start-ups in a Single Day

New Delhi,Agency: Renowned startup accelerator PedalStart has announced the third, and biggest edition of its flagship event, Hustler Mela - an exclusive, outcome-driven, invite-only live pitching event scheduled to take place in Bengaluru in the last week of September 2025. Building on the success of its previous two editions, Hustler Mela 3.0 will see the active participation of 300+ investors - including over 250 angel investors and HNIs and around 50 VC Funds and Family Offices - along with over 30 carefully-selected, high-potential start-ups for a single day of high-impact net-

working, pitching and funds deployment. Notably, the expected deployment of equity investments across several start-ups at Hustler Mela 3.0 has been pegged to be at around ₹15 Crores (over US\$1.8 Million) - making it one of the most outcome-driven upcoming start-up funding endeavours in India.

What sets this year's Hustler Mela apart is not just its scale but its structure too - at Hustler Mela 3.0, PedalStart itself will be deploying a substantial amount of funds in at least 10 start-ups through a multi-crore corpus earmarked for the day, underscoring its

commitment to creating outcome-driven opportunities. Furthermore, every selected start-up invited to Hustler Mela 3.0 will get the opportunity to pitch directly in front of a curated panel.

For angel investors and HNIs, this event presents an unprecedented opportunity to evaluate and interact in real-time with several high-potential start-ups wherein PedalStart has already committed capital. Hustler Mela 3.0 is not just providing them the confidence of investing alongside PedalStart in pre-vetted startups that have passed multiple layers of due diligence, but also allowing



them to participate in real-time evaluations of start-ups, network meaningfully with peers and experts, and explore collaborations with/via PedalStart's PedalInvest Club.

Hustler Mela 3.0 is more than a pitching stage - it's been designed as an immersive platform for investors who seek to combine learning

with active participation in India's thriving early-stage ecosystem.

The event will feature exclusive sessions and workshops enabling angel investors to understand the nuances of optimal start-up evaluation, learn from PedalStart's deal-making playbook, and connect with a growing community.

Manas Pal and Aditya Darolia, Co-Founders of PedalStart, commented, "We are thrilled to announce Hustler Mela 3.0 - our biggest and boldest bet yet as one of India's most trusted and dynamic start-up ecosystem enablers.

Namrata Malla flaunted amazing expressions in a red lehenga, while Trisha Kar grooved to Jhoolni



Two shining stars of the Bhojpuri industry, Namrata Malla and Trisha Kar Madhu, are not only known for their acting and dancing but also remain very active on social media. They frequently post new photos and videos, keeping fans hooked. Whether it's a stylish photoshoot or a dance clip, these actresses always manage to dominate social media. On Wednesday too, both shared videos on their respective Instagram accounts, which fans are loving.

Namrata Malla, often in the news for her bold and glamorous style, shared a video where she is seen getting ready for a shoot. In the clip, she is applying lipstick in front of a mirror and glancing at the camera with a soft smile. Bright makeup and a chic hairstyle enhance her beauty even more. Interestingly, she styled her open hair with tiny braids, giving her a modern look. In the background of this video plays the popular Bhojpuri hit song Laal Ghaghra, sung by Pawan Singh and Shilpi Raj. The song, which features sizzling chemistry between Pawan Singh and Namrata Malla, was penned by Vijay Chauhan, composed by Shubham Raj, and directed by Suraj Katoch.

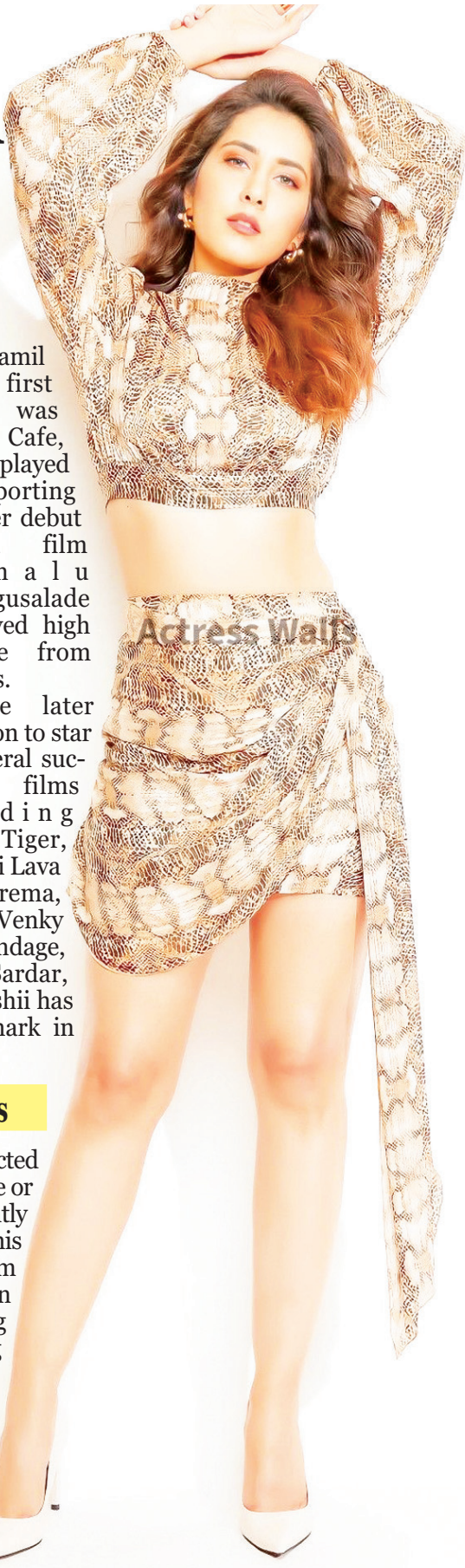


Raashii Khanna shared a selfie with peace, hard work, and self-love

South cinema's well-known actress Raashii Khanna shared a picture on social media on Tuesday, in which she looked absolutely stunning. The actress posted the photo in the stories section of Instagram, where she can be seen taking a mirror selfie. Talking about her look, she was dressed in gym wear, leading fans to guess that Raashii had just returned from a workout. She captioned it: "Peace, hard work, and a little self-love. Originally from Delhi, Raashii Khanna began her

career in Telugu and Tamil cinema. Her first Bollywood film was Madras Cafe, where she played a supporting role. Her debut Telugu film Oohalu Gusagusalade received high praise from critics. She later went on to star in several successful films including Bengal Tiger, Supreme, Jai Lava Kusa, Tholi Prema, Imaikkaa Nodigal, Venky Mama, Prati Roju Pandage, Thiruchitrambalam, Sardar, and Aranmanai 4. Raashii has also made a strong mark in the digital space.

Raashii Khanna, who hails from Delhi, began her career in Telugu and Tamil cinema. Her first Bollywood film was Madras Cafe, in which she played a supporting role. Her debut Telugu film Oohalu Gusagusalade received widespread acclaim from critics.



Sanya Malhotra's New Curly Look, Pictures Take Over Social Media

Actress Sanya Malhotra is currently making headlines for her upcoming film Sunny Sanskari Ki Tulsi Kumari. On Tuesday, she shared pictures on social media where she is seen flaunting her curly hair-style.



Speaking of her look, she wore a sleeveless top with minimal make-up. Captioning the post, Sanya wrote: "Short curly hair, big happiness. Natasha, my curl expert — thank you for the curly cut!" As soon as she posted the pictures, industry friends and fellow actors quickly reacted and showered love in the comments section. Many dropped heart and fire emojis. Actress Fatima Sana Shaikh commented, "I'm in love with your hair." One user wrote, "Gorgeous dear," another commented, "Are those your hair or Maggi?"

Talking about her upcoming project, Sanya will be seen in Sunny Sanskari Ki Tulsi Kumari.

Monalisa's "Aawan-Jawan" dance in a pink dress

Popular Bhojpuri film actress Monalisa often stays connected with her fans through her social media posts. Every new picture or video she shares showcases a different look, instantly grabbing the attention of her admirers. This time, the actress posted a video on Instagram in which she appears in a fresh avatar. In the video, she can be seen performing graceful dance moves to the latest song Aawan-Jawan from the film War 2. Wearing a pink skirt-top outfit, Monalisa paired her look with open hair and a matching pink hairband, which made her appearance even more attractive.



Her stylish avatar has left fans mesmerized. Along with the video, Monalisa simply captioned it with a pink heart emoji, beautifully expressing the mood and vibe

After Janhvi, Sapna Choudhary's red saree look takes over social media, the pallu grabs everyone's attention

These days, the red saree has once again become a major trend in the fashion world, and its craze is clearly visible on social media. Recently, Bollywood actress Janhvi Kapoor appeared in a song wearing a red saree, which created a huge buzz on the internet. Since then, the craze for red sarees has grown even more, with everyone adopting the look — from ordinary girls to big names in the film and music industry.

Joining this trend is Haryanvi queen Sapna Choudhary. She recently shared a video on her Instagram account, where she is seen in a red saree with a unique style. While the saree itself looks quite simple, what makes it stand out is the pallu, which has white heart-



shaped tassels hanging from it. This design is being loved a lot on social media. Not just that, Sapna's blouse also adds to the charm — in red and white, with a fully red collar and tiny heart shapes all over.

To complete her look, Sapna styled her hair in a



neat bun, wore stylish earrings, and adorned her forehead with a small bindi, which beautifully enhanced her traditional appearance. In this video, she used her own new song Suthri. While posting the video, Sapna captioned it: "A grace in a red saree, a story with every step."

Shehnaaz grooved on "When and Where," shared a dance video on the song Ik Kudi

Shehnaaz Gill, known as the Katrina Kaif of Punjab and a former Bigg Boss 13 contestant, always stays connected with her fans through social media. Recently, she shared a new video online.

The actress posted a video on Instagram in which she can be seen dancing to the song When and Where with stunning expressions. Dressed in a black top and jeans, Shehnaaz flaunted bold moves. In the caption, she wrote: "Das tenu kithe milna... kikka milna? When and Where." This track is from her upcoming film Ik Kudi, sung by Honey Singh, with lyrics by

Jind Mahi and choreography by Rajit Dev. Alongside Shehnaaz, Honey Singh also features in the song. Both Honey Singh and Shehnaaz had earlier shared glimpses of the song on their official Instagram accounts, where their sizzling chemistry is highlighted. Shehnaaz sports a Jamaican-inspired look while Honey Singh carries his trademark swag. Sharing the video, Shehnaaz captioned: "Ik Kudi — this dance now belongs to all of you... make as many reels as you can and send them to me! Our film Ik Kudi releases on September 19.



The Story of 'No Filter Neha': When Neha Dhupia Thought Differently

Neha Dhupia is a well-known name in Bollywood and the Indian entertainment industry. She was born on August 27, 1980, in Kochi, Kerala. Her father, Commander Pradip Singh Dhupia, served in the Indian Navy, while her mother, Manjit Dhupia, is a homemaker.

Neha began her career in modeling and in 2002, she won the title of Femina Miss India Universe. She went on to represent India at the Miss Universe 2002 pageant, where she made it to the Top 10 finalists. This marked her entry into the glamour world.

She made her Bollywood debut in 2003 with the film Qayamat: City Under Threat. Later, she appeared in several notable films, including Julie, Sheesha, Kyaa Kool Hain Hum, and Chup Chup Ke.

Alongside films, Neha also ventured into creating her own podcast titled No Filter Neha. Today, it is one of the most popular podcasts in India, but the story behind its inception is quite unique.

When Neha decided to launch it in 2016, podcasting was not popular in India. Most people believed that entertainment meant only video, and nobody would be interested in just an audio show. When she shared the idea with friends and people in the industry, she received mixed reactions. Some said the idea would flop, others wondered who would listen to it at all. Many even listed out reasons why she shouldn't do it.