



BRIEF NEWS

Heavy Rainfall Likely in Seven Districts of Jharkhand on September 15

Ranchi: The Meteorological Department has issued a yellow alert predicting heavy rainfall in seven districts of Jharkhand on September 15. Along with heavy rains, strong winds blowing at 30 to 40 km/h and lightning strikes are also expected in these areas. The districts forecasted to experience heavy rainfall include Deoghar, Dumka, Giridih, Jamtara, Godda, Sahibganj, and Pakur, mainly located in the northeastern part of the state. Additionally, adjoining central regions of Jharkhand may also witness scattered heavy showers. The department has also issued alerts for strong winds and lightning for September 13 and 14 across the state. On Friday, Ranchi and nearby areas experienced mostly clear weather with sunny intervals, though some cloud cover was present intermittently. In the past 24 hours, the highest rainfall was recorded in East Singhbhum's Dhalbhumgarh with 58.4 mm, closely followed by Ranchi at 56.4 mm. Temperature-wise, SaraiKela recorded the highest at 36.7°C, while Latehar recorded the lowest at 20.6°C. On Friday, the maximum temperatures recorded were; Ranchi 31.4°C, Jamshedpur 35.4°C, Daltonganj 35°C, Bokaro 32.2°C, Chaibasa 34.4°C, Khunti 32.6°C, and Lohardaga 30.9°C.

Sushila Karki takes oath of office as Nepal's interim Prime Minister

Agency

Kathmandu: Nepal's former Chief Justice Sushila Karki has officially become the interim Prime Minister of the country after she took oath of office on Friday night, four days after former PM KP Sharma Oli quit following massive anti-corruption protests against his government. She is the first woman to hold the office of Nepal's prime minister. Nepal's President, Ram Chandra Paudel, administered the oath of office to Karki at his residence at around 9.30 pm India time. She took oath under Article 80 of the Constitution of Nepal. A formal announcement on the next general elections to be held within the next six months is likely to be made soon.



Karki may also recommend imposing emergency, considering the current situation in the country. Following the Cabinet's recommendation, the President is expected to give approval, and the state of emergency will come into effect across Nepal. Earlier on Friday, Nepal's Gen Z group announced that they agreed to accept the leadership of Sushila Karki, laying out several conditions -

including the dissolution of Parliament as a key demand. At a press conference, a faction of the protesting Gen Z group, "We Nepali Group", confirmed that a broad consensus had been reached. A veteran jurist and known for her tough stance on corruption, Karki is an alumnus of Benaras Hindu University (BHU). According to local media reports, Karki said that she was offered a job at the iconic university but turned down the offer as her "destiny was different". **UNREST FOLLOWED PROTESTS IN NEPAL** The previous government of KP Oli was toppled after nationwide protests against rampant corruption forced several top leaders, including the prime minister, to quit. Violent anti-corruption protests led

by Nepalese Gen Z have left 51 dead and hundreds injured. One Indian woman from Ghaziabad and three police personnel were among the deceased, officials said. The protests, which initially began over a social media ban, soon snowballed into an anti-corruption protest, which eventually led to the resignation of Oli. Such was the level of anger that not only were houses of almost all ministers ransacked and set on fire, but even the Parliament was gutted. The upheaval in the Himalayan nation, whose economy is heavily reliant on tourism, has severely impacted Nepal's hotel industry, which has recorded a 50% drop in business. Essential goods like rice, lentils, and cooking oil have also turned expensive.

Union Coal Minister meets Chief Minister, discussed issues related to coal mines



DB Reporter

Ranchi: Union Coal and Mines Minister G. Kishan Reddy had a formal meeting with Chief Minister Hemant Soren at the Chief Minister's residential office on Friday. On this occasion, in a meeting held between the officials of the state government and the officials of the Coal Ministry and the subsidiary units of Coal India, the improvement of the coal and mining sector was discussed. During this period, important issues related to coal mines in the state were discussed. The Chief Minister presented the state government's stand on the issue of coal mines. The Union Coal Minister apprised the Chief Minister of the problems arising in the coal

mining projects. The Chief Minister said that the solution to the problems related to coal mines is possible only with the mutual cooperation of the Central and State Governments. He said that joint efforts are needed to take the mining sector forward. In a meeting held between the officials in the presence of the Chief Minister and the Coal Minister, the royalty on minerals, rehabilitation of displaced people, jobs and compensation, employment to local people living in and around the mining area, Return of the land after mining work has been completed, compliance of safety standards to control accidents caused by illegal mining in mines, There was a positive discussion on important issues like resolution

Uniforms to Be Mandatory for Coal India Officers and Staff; Rs 1 Crore Insurance for Employees: Minister Reddy

Ranchi: Uniforms will soon be mandatory for all officers and employees of Coal India Limited (CIL). The implementation will begin on September 17, 2025, coinciding with Workers' Day,



Vishwakarma Puja, and Prime Minister Narendra Modi's birthday. Union Coal and Mines Minister G. Kishan Reddy announced this on Friday during a press briefing in Ranchi. Minister Reddy stated that this is the first time since independence that uniforms are being introduced in coal mines to enhance the dignity and pride of coal workers. These uniforms will be provided by Coal India. He further revealed that the ex-gratia compensation for coal mine workers has been increased from Rs 15 lakh to Rs 25 lakh. Additionally, employees will receive an extra life insurance cover of Rs 1 crore over and above the existing coverage. Contract workers will also benefit from an additional insurance cover of Rs 40 lakh. Highlighting the government's commitment under Prime Minister Modi's leadership to achieve a self-reliant India, Reddy said continuous improvements have been made in the coal sector over the past 11 years. of obstacles in operationalising coal projects and utilisation of DMFT and CSR funds. The meeting was attended by Additional Chief Secretary to the Chief Minister Avinash Kumar, Additional Secretary in the Union Ministry of Mines Sanjay Lohia, Additional Secretary in the Union Coal Ministry Sanoj Kumar Jha, Secretary of the

J'hkhand govt working in favour of sand Mafia- Babulal Marandi



DB Reporter

Ranchi: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) state president and Leader of Opposition Babulal Marandi on Thursday launched a fresh attack on the Hemant Soren-led government, accusing it of attempting to hand over Jharkhand's sand ghats to mafias and middlemen under the guise of new auction rules. Addressing a press conference at the BJP state headquarters, Marandi alleged that the government's slogan of employing local youth was a "deception" and that the latest sand ghat policy was designed to benefit contractors with political connections rather than tribal and unemployed youth. Marandi said the state government had formulated rules that effectively bar small contractors and local communities from participating in the auction process. According to him, a mandatory annual turnover of ₹15 crore has been set as an eligibility criterion for bidders, mir-

roring conditions imposed in liquor contracts, which he described as "anti-people and exclusionary." "These conditions ensure that poor, unemployed, tribal and backward class people cannot participate. Only those with prior deals and political settings will qualify," Marandi alleged. He criticised the state's decision to cluster more than 500 sand ghats into district-level groups, arguing that the move would make it easier for powerful contractors to monopolise sand mining rights. Citing examples, he said that in Godda district, 16 ghats had been placed in a single group, while Dumka district had 31 ghats divided across three groups. Marandi claimed that under this system, once environmental clearance is obtained for a single ghat within a group, sand extraction could legally take place across all ghats in that group - a loophole he described as a "conspiracy to legalise illegal mining."

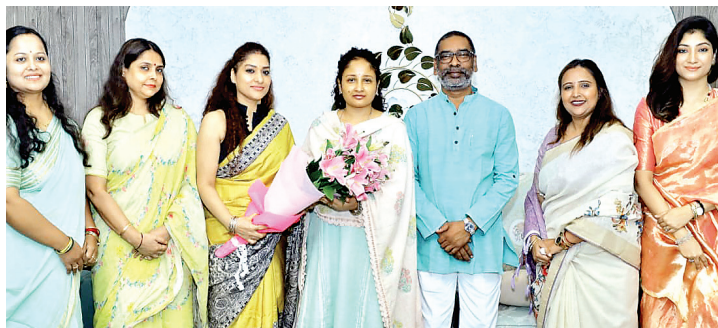
IAS Officers Wives Association calls on CM, invites him for Diwali Mela

DB Reporter

Ranchi: A delegation of Jharkhand IAS Officers Wives Association (JESOVA) paid a courtesy call on Chief Minister Hemant Soren and MLA Kalpana Soren at the Chief Minister's residential office on Friday. They invited the Chief Minister along with his family

to attend the Diwali Mela being organised by JESOVA from 9th to 13th October at Morhabadi Ground in the capital Ranchi. The association also apprised the Chief Minister of the various programs to be organized during this 5-day long Diwali fair. The delegation also informed the Chief Minister

about the social welfare works, programs and activities being carried out by JESOVA. Those who met the Chief Minister included JESOVA President Preeti Kumari, Secretary Manu Jha, Treasurer Shivani Singh, Executive Committee members Ranjana Kumar and Jyoti Manju.



Gyan Bharatam Mission will become the proclamation of India's culture and consciousness: PM Modi

Agency

New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed the Gyan Bharatam International Conference at Vigyan Bhavan in New Delhi on Friday. He said that India's contemplation and contemplation going on for thousands of years, the teachings of Acharyas and scholars, our scientific heritage and knowledge traditions will now be digitalized through the Gyan Bharatam Mission. The Prime Minister said that today Vigyan Bhavan is witnessing the renaissance of India's



golden past. Just a few days ago he had announced this mission and now in such a short time its international conference and portal have been launched. He clarified that this is not just a government or academic event, but it is going to be a proclamation of India's culture, literature

and consciousness. PM Modi said that India's knowledge tradition is extremely rich as it is based on four pillars - preservation, innovation, promotion and adaptation. India has the world's largest manuscript collection, which includes about 1 crore manuscripts. He said that millions of manuscripts were destroyed in difficult circumstances of history, but those that survived testify to how dedicated our ancestors were towards knowledge and science. The Prime Minister further said that India itself is a living flow, which is made up of ideas, ideals

and values. The ancient manuscripts convey the message of India's continuity and unity in diversity. He said that these manuscripts are also a symbol of humanity's collective development journey. PM Modi said that the manuscripts found from India contain knowledge of many fields including philosophy, science, medicine, art, astronomy and metaphysics. He reminded that the basic foundation of modern scientific progress, from mathematics to binary-based computer science, lies in the concept of zero, which is India's gift.

C.P. Radhakrishnan became the Vice President of the country, President Murmu administered the oath

Agency

New Delhi: Chandrapuram Ponnusamy Radhakrishnan was sworn in as the Vice President of India on Friday. President Draupadi Murmu administered the oath of office and secrecy to C.P. Radhakrishnan at a ceremony held at Rashtrapati Bhavan. **Many leaders including PM Modi were present in the swearing-in ceremony** Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Home Minister



Amit Shah, Union Minister JP Nadda and other cabinet members were present at the swearing-in ceremony. Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu and leaders of NDA constituent parties were also present at the swearing-in

ceremony. Former Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar was also present at the ceremony. C.P. Radhakrishnan won the Vice Presidential election held on Tuesday by defeating joint opposition candidate B Sudarshan Reddy.



Zonal-Level Mining Task Force Meeting Held in Putki

Bharat Coking Coal Limited (BCCL) Directed to Seal Illegal Mining Pits

DB Reporter
Dhanbad - In line with directives issued by Deputy Commissioner and District Magistrate Aditya Ranjan during the recent District Mining Task Force meeting, a zonal-level mining task force meeting was held today at the guest house of PB Area in Putki, under the chairmanship of Circle Officer Vikas Anand. The meeting was attended by BCCL officials,



CISF personnel, local police station and outpost in-charges, and other relevant stakeholders. The agenda focused on the prevention of illegal mining, transportation, and storage of coal, sand, and other minerals. Emphasis was laid on intensifying crackdowns on illegal mining operations. **Key directives issued during the meeting include:** Police officers were instructed to conduct

more frequent raids and file FIRs against offenders. BCCL officials were directed to monitor known illegal mining hotspots regularly and seal illegal mining entries (mohanas) through backfilling and closure. A survey of damaged BCCL quarters is to be conducted for demolition to prevent their misuse. Transport contractors under BCCL must strictly adhere to transportation guidelines, with regular oversight from company officials. Mining and overburden (OB) dumping activities must be restricted to legally acquired BCCL land only, and any grievances from landowners (raiyyats) must be investigated at the General Manager level. In areas prone to land subsidence and gas leakage, urgent steps must be taken to relocate affected residents.

Karam Parab Symbolizes Our Culture and Unity: Sudhir Manglesh

DB Reporter
Ramgarh - A grand Karam Milan Samaroh was organized under the banner of Sarna Sadan Moolvasi Manch at Albert Ekka Chowk in Ranchi. The event witnessed the presence of Dulmi Block Twenty-Point Programme Chairman, District Spokesperson, and Media Chairman Sudhir Manglesh as the chief guest. Addressing the gathering, Sudhir Manglesh stated that Karam Parab is not merely a festival, but a strong symbol of cultural identity and unity. "This festival conveys messages of brotherhood, social harmony, and environmental conservation. Through the worship of the Karam tree, we express our gratitude towards nature and Mother Earth," he said. He emphasized that Jharkhand is known



for its rich traditions and cultural heritage, with Karam Parab being one of the most significant festivals celebrated with devotion and enthusiasm. The festival plays a crucial role in connecting future generations to their roots and strengthening social unity. Manglesh extended his gratitude to Archana Mirdha, the president of the organizing committee, for the invitation and for successfully conducting the event. He further noted that such programs are vital in preserving and promoting cultural values within society.

Nand Ghar Launches Nutrition Month Campaign, Reaching 350,000 Families

DB Reporter
Bokaro: Vedanta's flagship social initiative, Nand Ghar, has launched its nationwide Nutrition Month campaign 2025, aimed at enhancing child nutrition and overall community well-being across rural India. Supported by the Ministry of Women and Child Development, the month-long campaign will reach over 350,000 families across 15 states, promoting the theme "Progress Through Nutrition."



Nand Ghar transforms traditional Anganwadis into modern community hubs that provide integrated services including nutrition, early childhood education, health monitoring, and women's empowerment. The campaign seeks to raise awareness, encourage healthy habits, and inspire adoption of simple, sustainable nutrition practices to combat malnutrition in rural areas. The nutrition strategy focuses on three pillars: **1. Direct Nutrition Support:** Ensuring children get a healthy start through fortified supplements, nutrient bars, protein shakes, and access to government nutrition schemes. **2. Community Awareness:** Empowering parents through training, counseling, and growth monitoring, while linking families to community networks that promote local, cost-effective nutritious food options. **3. Technology & Partnerships:** Leveraging modern tools and credible institutions to track children's progress, provide timely interventions, and introduce innovative dietary solutions.

Starting September 12, Nand Ghars across the country will become vibrant centers for nutrition awareness. Activities include recipe demonstrations showcasing locally available, nutrient-rich foods, parent training sessions on maternal health and child growth, and special programs under the "Nutrition and Education Together" campaign, highlighting the link between balanced diets and improved learning outcomes. This integrated approach is helping children receive fortified nutrition, quality early education, and structured health care-building a strong foundation for their holistic.

Three-Day Environmental Awareness Program Concludes Successfully in Pandrasali Village

DB Reporter
Pandrasali, West Singhbhum - A three-day environmental awareness and conservation program concluded successfully in Pandrasali village, with active participation from the indigenous Ho community. Organized jointly by Margastha Research Foundation (Howrah, West Bengal) and Global Achievement Trust (West Singhbhum, Jharkhand), the event ran from September 6 to 8, aiming to integrate traditional ecological knowledge with scientific practices. The event began with a plantation drive at the village's Biodiversity Park, where over 100 native saplings-including sal, mango, and amla-were planted. The drive was



supported by the Forest Department, with DFO Aditya Narayan, IFS, facilitating subsidized sapling distribution from Bidri Forest Nursery. Project manager Gopal of Global Achievement Trust called it "a vital step towards community-led afforestation." On September 7, the program shifted to Ayub Academy, Pandrasali. Priyanka Hazra, a field officer and botanist from Margastha, conducted a session on herbarium techniques, teaching students and villagers how

to collect, preserve, and document plant species scientifically. The Ho community showed great enthusiasm in linking their traditional knowledge with scientific methods. September 8 focused on butterfly conservation. Entomologist and project coordinator Sutrishna Halder led a session on butterfly life cycles, their ecological roles, and practical rearing techniques. Students, especially from the Ho community, participated with keen interest. Later, the

team visited the Bhagabila Valley for a live butterfly observation session guided by Pradhan Birua and local volunteer Turam. Addressing the closing session, Margastha's Director Ranjan Shaw emphasized the importance of culturally rooted environmental education and announced upcoming initiatives like Community Biodiversity Clubs and Mobile Nature Labs across Eastern India. The program was lauded by local residents and tribal elders as a unique fusion of science and tradition. Volunteers expressed gratitude to the Forest Department and villagers, calling the event "a bridge between science and society."

Tata Steel's Joda West Mine and Gopalpur Plant Honoured with CII SHE Excellence Awards

DB Reporter
Bhubaneswar/Jamshedpur : Tata Steel's Joda West Iron & Manganese Mine, located in Keonjhar district and Ferro Alloys Plant (FAP), Gopalpur in Ganjam district, have bagged the prestigious CII SHE Excellence Award at the 19th Safety Symposium & Exposition. Organized by the leading industry body Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)?Eastern Region in Kolkata, the two-day event brought together industry leaders committed to advancing health, safety, and environmental (SHE) excellence. Joda West Iron & Manganese Mine, operating under Tata Steel's Ferro Alloys and Minerals Division (FAMD), received the State Level and Regional Level Winner Awards in



the Mining category, for its relentless efforts toward creating a safe and sustainable workplace. Rajesh Kumar Ranjan, Head of the Manganese Group of Mines, and Pulluri Shashank, Area Manager (Safety), FAMD, received the awards on behalf of the mine. Likewise, FAP Gopalpur was conferred the State Level Winner Award and Regional Level 1st Runner Up Award in the Large-Scale Manufacturing category (employees up to 2,500), for its commitment to safety innovation and well-being of employees. Atla Rambabu, Head of Safety (FAMD), and Balram Mishra, Manager of Safety at FAP Gopalpur, received the accolades on behalf of the Plant. The theme for this year's Safety Symposium & Exposition - "Innovate HSE - Elevate Wellness" - resonated deeply with the company's approach of integrating innovative safety practices with employee wellness as a cornerstone of sustainable operations. This recognition reaffirms Tata Steel's commitment as an industry leader in safety management, aligned.

IG Bokaro Zone Visits Ramgarh, Reviews Pending Cases and Law & Order

DB Reporter
Ramgarh- Inspector General of Police (IG), Bokaro Zone, Kranti Kumar Gadidesi, was accorded a Guard of Honour during his visit and departure from Ramgarh district on Thursday. The ceremonial salute was presented under the leadership of Superintendent of Police (SP) Ajay Kumar, with Parade Commander Mantu Yadav of the Police Centre, Ramgarh. During his visit, the IG chaired a high-level review meeting at the SP Office, Ramgarh, which was attended by Sub-Divisional Police Officers (SDPOs) of Ramgarh and Patratu, all Inspectors, and Officers-in-Charge (OCs) of police stations and outposts across the district. The meeting focused on reviewing progress in several special reported pending cases including crimes against women, murder, robbery, dacoity, extortion, and Arms Act violations. IG



Gadidesi directed officers to ensure swift investigation and resolution of these cases, emphasizing arrests and property seizures based on evidence. He also mandated that all women-related cases be resolved within 60 days and that all long-pending cases be expedited without delay. Strict instructions were issued to curb incidents of robbery, dacoity, snatching, burglary, and firing. The IG called for stringent action against organized crime syndicates and

advised enhanced road safety measures to reduce traffic accidents. The IG further reviewed compliance with directives issued by the DGP and IG Headquarters, Ranchi. Key areas of review included: **1.** Special reported cases pending for over three months without supervisory remarks. **2.** Cases with submitted supervisory notes but no progress report (Report-2) issued even after three months. **3.** Cases without any

progress report for over six months. **4.** Special/non-special reported cases pending without diary submission for over six months. **5.** Cases where arrest or property attachment actions on issued warrants have been pending for more than six months. Following the review, the IG instructed all SDPOs and Inspectors to conduct thorough reviews at their respective police stations, prioritize swift resolution of pending cases, and curb property-related and organized crimes through enhanced intelligence gathering and technical investigation. He also directed officials to ensure all final reports and charge sheets are uploaded promptly on the CCTNS system and encouraged the training of officers and personnel via the iGOT platform to strengthen operational efficiency.

Union Coal Minister G. Kishan Reddy visits CCL's Magadh Sanghamitra area

DB Reporter
Ranchi: Union Minister of Coal and Mines, Government of India, G. Kishan Reddy visited JSSPS located at Khelgaon, Hotwar on Friday, the second day of his Jharkhand tour. During this, the trainees welcomed the minister by presenting him a plant. On this special occasion, Reddy interacted with the children of JSSPS and their trainers and enquired about the facilities available there. After this, he felicitated the medal winning players at national and international level and encouraged them. After that, the



minister visited the recently established physiotherapy centre and got detailed information about the facilities there. The Minister cut a cake with 16 children who celebrated their birthdays in the month of September, wished them happy

birthday and presented them gifts. While motivating all the children, he said that they should get the best possible training and bring glory to the country and the state at the national and international level. It may be stated here that in JSSPS, modern

training facilities are provided to the children for 11 sports like hockey, football, athletics, swimming, boxing, wrestling, badminton, table tennis and archery. JSSPS is a joint initiative of CCL and Jharkhand Government. JSSPS players have an impressive record of winning 15 international medals, 262 national medals and 1352 state medals. After this the minister interacted with media representatives in Ranchi. Where he mentioned the newly constructed Integrated Command and Control Centre (ICCC) of CCL and informed .

Truck-Mounted Dust Suction Vehicle Inaugurated at DVC KTPS, Koderma

DB Reporter
Koderma: A truck-mounted dust suction vehicle was inaugurated at the DVC Koderma Thermal Power Station (KTPS) to further strengthen plant housekeeping and environmental management practices. The event was graced by the presence of Mr. Manoj Kumar Thakur, Chief General Manager and Head of KTPS. Also present were Mr. Tapas Mirdha, General Manager (AMS), and Mr. Aman Jyoti, General Manager (O&M). The truck-mounted dust suction vehicle is a mobile high-power vacuum system designed to collect and transport dust, ash, debris, and even slurry from industrial sites. These vehicles are widely used across thermal power plants, cement facto-



ries, mining areas, steel plants, and municipal zones to ensure cleanliness, operational efficiency, and environmental compliance.

Public Grievances Heard at Hazaribagh Janata Darbar, DC Issues Prompt Action Orders

DB Reporter
Hazaribagh - A Janata Darbar (public grievance redressal session) was held today under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner Shashi Prakash Singh at the Collectorate office, where a large number of rural residents submitted petitions and complaints. The DC patiently listened to each applicant and directed concerned officials to ensure quick, sensitive, and effective resolution of the issues raised. The grievances primarily related to pension approvals, ration card corrections, housing, supply chain issues, land disputes, family conflicts, employment on compassionate grounds, and irregularities in government



welfare schemes. **During the session:** Kishun Ram, a resident of Katkamsandi-Sultana, complained about illegal land mutations in Register II involving land mafias and revenue officials. The DC instructed the LRDC to conduct an immediate investigation and submit a report. Asha Devi of Barkagaon sought compassionate appointment for her younger

daughter after the death of her unmarried elder daughter, who worked as a clerk in the Education Department. The DC asked the Establishment Deputy Collector to submit a report. Sohara Thakur, from Sadar, reported illegal occupation and construction on leased land (Mouza Kolghatti, Holding No. 14, Plot Nos. 252, 297, 269 - 20 decimals). The matter was referred to the

Additional Collector for investigation. Bhubaneshwar Ravidas, a former Home Guard, appealed for reinstatement, claiming he was not assigned duties. The DC directed the DSP Home Guards to report on the case. Prabhu Dayal Singh from Katkamsandi complained of outdated online land records (Jamabandi). The DC instructed the LRDC to review and act. Vijay Singh of Barhi alleged that compensation for land acquired by GAIL India Ltd. for gas pipeline installation was not paid. The DC directed GAIL's local representative to submit a report. Anil Khandelwal, a resident of Sadar, applied for lease renewal

Joint Forest Rights Committee Submits Charter of Demands to Hazaribagh DC
Hazaribagh - Representatives of the Joint Forest Rights Committee met Deputy Commissioner Shashi Prakash Singh on Friday and submitted a memorandum outlining key concerns related to Individual Forest Rights (IFR), Community Forest Rights (CFR), and access to Community Forest Resources (CFRs). Taking prompt cognizance of the issues raised, the DC announced the formation of an investigative committee to address the concerns in a time-bound and transparent manner. The committee, headed by the Sadar Sub-Divisional Officer (SDO), will visit the Vishnugarh block to conduct an in-depth inquiry into the problems presented by the Joint Forest Rights Committee. The aim is to verify claims and assess ground realities before taking further administrative action. Other members of the inquiry team include officials from the Panchayati Raj Department, Executive Magistrate, District Welfare Officer, and Assistant Conservator of Forests (ACF)/Forest Ranger. The Deputy Commissioner emphasized that the committee's findings must be impartial and objective, and instructed that the final report be submitted to his office at the earliest. Based on this report, appropriate and swift measures will be taken to ensure redressal.



of Khas Mahal land (Thana 157). The DC asked the Additional Collector to verify and report. The Deputy Commissioner emphasized that the administration is committed to timely and effective resolution of public grievances. He urged all officials to treat complaints as a top priority and ensure action within the stipulated timeframe.

Successful Surgery Performed on Woman at Dhanbad Sadar Hospital
Private hospitals would have charged 30,000-40,000 for the same procedure

DB Reporter
Dhanbad - A 31-year-old woman underwent a successful surgery at Sadar Hospital, Dhanbad, avoiding a substantial financial burden she would have faced in a private facility. Providing details, Dr. Sanjeev Kumar, Deputy Superintendent and Gynaecologist at Sadar Hospital, said that Vandana Devi, a resident of Nagina Bazaar, had been suffering from persistent abdominal pain and a lump-like sensation for the past six months.



Upon consultation at a private clinic, she was advised surgery, with an estimated cost of ₹30,000 to ₹40,000. However, after learning from local community health workers (Sahiyas) and residents about the availability of free and

quality healthcare services at Sadar Hospital, she opted for treatment there. Upon examination at the hospital, Dr. Sanjeev Kumar confirmed the need for surgery. The procedure was successfully carried out this morning under his leadership, with the assistance of anesthesiologist Dr. Anand, nursing staff Rekha, and support staff Madusudan Marandi. The operation was entirely free of cost, and Vandana Devi is now in stable condition, recovering well.

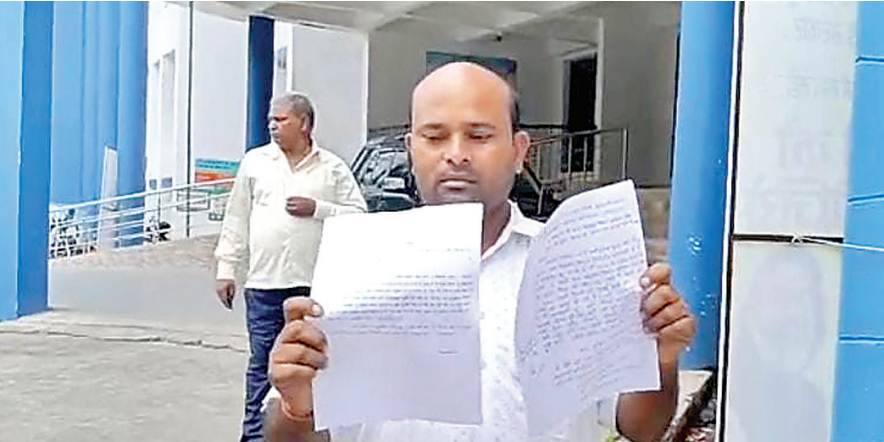
Flank of eight feet wide road turned into pothole, possibility of accident

DB Reporter
Barkagaon. The condition of roads in the most densely populated eastern area of the block is very pathetic, the width of the road from Harli to Badam is only eight to ten feet and the biggest thing is that its flank has turned into potholes and the road has become very dilapidated at many places. Apart from Plus Two High School, there are many schools, coaching institutes in this route and thousands of students travel on foot or bicycle daily, the road is as wide as the width of a bus



(vehicle), and apart from vehicles, a large number of students travel on foot on that road every day, which is not noticed by any representative. While vehicles are passing on the road, students have to pass through potholes and mud. Small accidents also keep happening every day. The villagers demanded from the MLA and the Parliament that the matter should be taken into consideration as soon as possible and the width of this road should be increased and the flank work should be done.

Ambulance Driver Files Complaint Against Manager for Extortion in Koderma



DB Reporter
Koderma: Santosh Kumar Verma, a driver working with the 108 ambulance service in Koderma district, has lodged a formal complaint with the Deputy Commissioner and Civil Surgeon alleging extortion by Ramesh Kumar, the manager of Samman Foundation, the agency operating the ambulance service. Santosh Kumar Verma, a

resident of Birni, Giridih district, has been serving as a 108 ambulance driver in Koderma since 2018. He stated that previously, no money was demanded from him or other drivers by the agency. However, since Ramesh Kumar took over as manager of the Samman Foundation, he has been repeatedly asked to pay bribes. Santosh alleged that initially he was forced to

pay ₹5,000, and now the manager is demanding ₹15,000. He further claimed that refusal to pay these sums results in denial of duty assignments. In his complaint, Santosh Kumar has requested strict action against the manager and sought justice for the unfair treatment. The authorities are expected to look into the matter and initiate necessary investigations.

Dargah Committee Invites Jharkhand CM to Urs Ceremony in Ranchi



DB Reporter
Ranchi: Members of the Dargah Committee of Hazrat Risaldar Shah Baba, located in Doranda, Ranchi, met with Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren on Friday and formally invited him to attend the ongoing 218th annual Urs Mubarak celebrations. The five-day event began on September 11 and will

feature a special Chadarposhi ceremony and Qawwali night on September 14. The committee extended an invitation to the Chief Minister to attend the function as the chief patron and to inaugurate the cultural stage. The committee members also informed the Chief Minister that a special condolence meeting will be held during the event to pay tribute to the late Dishom Guru Shibu Soren. The delegation that met the Chief Minister included Ayub Gaddi (President), Mohammad Javed Anwar (General Secretary), Rizwan Hussain, Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto, Mohammad Sadiq, Pappu Gaddi, Shahid Khan, Sameer Hejaji, and Mushtaq Alam.

PNB zonal head calls on J'khand Finance secretary



DB Reporter
Ranchi. Ashish Kumar Chaturvedi, Zonal Manager, Punjab National Bank, Raipur Zone, visited Ranchi Division from 11th to 12th September. During this visit, he met Prashant Kumar, Finance Secretary of Jharkhand State. During the meeting, he requested to provide government business to Punjab National Bank. Earlier, on 11th

September, in Jamshedpur and on 12th September, in Ranchi, he reviewed the business of all the departments and branches under the division. During the review meeting he motivated all the branches to achieve the targets allotted to them. During this visit he also met the esteemed customers of the bank and discussed with them about their expectations from the bank.

Two-day pre-placement workshop organized at RKDF University

DB Reporter
Ranchi: A two-day pre-placement workshop was successfully organized on 11th and 12th September at RKDF University, Ranchi. The aim of this workshop was to provide the students with the necessary professional skills to prepare them for placements so that they can confidently face the challenges of the corporate world. The workshop was inaugurated by the Vice Chancellor of the University, Dr. (Prof.) S. Chatterjee. Speaking as the chief guest on the occasion, University Registrar Dr. Amit Kumar Pandey said - "It is our endeavor to not only provide technical knowledge to our students, but also make them fully capable of facing the challenges of the professional world. This pre-placement workshop is a meaningful step in that direction."



As the keynote speaker of the program, Mohit Kadyan, Founder and CEO of Cnear, provided in-depth guidance to the students on the current demands and future prospects of the industry. In the workshop, the students were made aware of mock interview, group discussion, resume making, personality development and effective communication skills through various training sessions. Key trainers included -

Aman Meena, COO, Cnear and Vishal, Software Developer, Cnear. A total of 387 students participated in the workshop from various departments of the university including Computer Science, Engineering, Management and Pharmacy. All the students found the workshop extremely useful and said that this experience would fully prepare them for the upcoming placement process.

In the closing session, the Vice Chancellor said - 'The aim of RKDF University is not limited to academic education only, rather we want to empower the students holistically so that they can become self-reliant and successful professionals in the future.' The university administration assured that such practical and industry-focused workshops will continue to be organized in the future as well. The students found the workshop extremely useful and said that it inspired them to participate in the actual placement interviews with confidence. Various sessions of the workshop were conducted by experienced corporate trainers and human resource experts including - Dr. Somnath Rai Choudhary, Ankit Prakash, Kriti Verma and Smita Sinha.

Tree Ambulance project in Ranchi treats over 3,000 trees



Ranchi: The Tree Ambulance Project, led by RKDF University, Ranchi and in collaboration with Central Coalfields Limited (CCL), has successfully treated about 3,137 trees so far. This project is an important step towards preserving green cover especially in mining affected areas. The Tree Ambulance team visits

the site to treat diseased and damaged trees, conducts soil tests and provides organic treatments. Officials say the initiative is not only giving life to trees but is also playing a vital role in preventing soil erosion, enhancing environmental sustainability and restoring ecological balance in Jharkhand.

SC seeks Centre, ECI response on PIL for regulation of political parties

New Delhi, Agency: The Supreme Court on Friday sought responses from the Union government and the Election Commission of India (ECI) on a public interest litigation (PIL) demanding a statutory framework to regulate political parties and check their alleged misuse as conduits for black money and criminal activity.

A bench of justices Surya Kant and Joymalya Bagchi issued notice on the plea filed by advocate Ashwini Kumar Upadhyay, while suggesting that he also implead all recognised and registered political parties since any directions in the case would directly affect them.

The PIL has urged the court to direct the ECI to

frame comprehensive rules governing registration and functioning of political parties and for the Union government to enact legislation to curb what it described as the “menace of corruption, casteism, communalism, criminalisation, and money laundering in politics”.

Relying on recent income tax raids, the petition, filed through advocate Ashwani Kumar Dubey, highlights how little-known political outfits are allegedly being used as vehicles for laundering unaccounted wealth.

On July 13, 2025, raids on the Indian Social Party and Yuva Bharat Atma Nirbhar Dal reportedly unearthed black money worth ₹500 crore, with the entities



accused of accepting cash donations through hawala channels and returning the money via cheque after deducting a 20% commission. The details, carried in newspapers, have been annexed to the petition. Similarly, an August 12, 2025 raid exposed another outfit, the National

Sarva Samaj Party, where authorities allegedly seized ₹271 crore in unaccounted funds from office bearers’ residences.

The plea contends that such “shell parties” are floated solely to convert black money into white, adding that many office bearers have seri-

ous criminal antecedents, including charges of trafficking, extortion, kidnapping, rape, and contract killings, while enjoying police protection under the cover of politics.

“Nearly 90% of registered parties never contest elections and exist merely as conduits for illegal funds,” the petition claims, adding that bogus leaders flaunt SUVs with hooters, oversized nameplates, and live off illicit cash while projecting political legitimacy.

Upadhyay’s petition underscores that political parties wield extraordinary power under India’s constitutional framework, binding legislators under the Tenth Schedule, recommending dis-

qualifications, and indirectly shaping the election of the President, Vice-President and chief ministers. Yet, unlike companies, cooperatives, or trusts, parties remain outside any comprehensive regulatory framework.

Currently, Section 29A of the Representation of the People Act (RPA) provides only for registration of parties, while Section 29C mandates disclosure of donations above 20,000. “There is no law to ensure internal democracy, transparent funding, or accountability,” states the plea, pointing out that despite being substantially financed by the State, political parties are not treated as “public authorities”.

2 Maoists killed in Chhattisgarh gunfight amid heightened anti-Maoist operations

New Delhi, Agency: Two Maoists were killed in a gunfight with security forces in Chhattisgarh’s Bijapur district on Friday, a day after a senior Maoist leader was suspected to be among nine Left-wing insurgents dead in a gun battle in the central Indian state. People aware of the matter said the fresh gunfight broke out during a search operation that was launched after security forces were tipped off about the presence of Maoists in Bijapur. Bodies of two Maoists, a .303 rifle, other weapons, explosives, and daily use items were recovered from the scene.

The gunfight was still underway even as security forces refused to specify its exact location and the strength of the forces involved, citing operational rea-



sons.

On Thursday, security forces killed 10 Maoists in Chhattisgarh’s Gariaband. Modem Bala Krishna, a senior Maoist leader, was suspected to

be among them. Krishna, also known as Balanna, Ramachandar, and Bhaskar, was the secretary of the Odisha State Regional Committee and a member of the Maoist Central Committee. He

joined the Maoist movement in 1983. An officer on Thursday said Krishna was likely to be among those killed, even as the identification of the bodies was being carried.

Maoists have lost top leaders this year amid heightened anti-Maoist operations. The government has set a target of eliminating Maoism from the country by next year.

A June 23 Maoist Central Committee document acknowledged the killing of 357 Maoists over the last year. Maoist chief Nambala.

Kesava Rao alias Basvaraju was killed on May 20. Basvaraju’s killing inside a dense Chhattisgarh forest marked the most significant success against the Left-wing insurgency in years.

Sonauli border in UP reopens after four days amid Gen Z protests, unrest in Nepal



New Delhi, Agency: The Sonauli India-Nepal border in the Maharajganj district of Uttar Pradesh reopened on Friday after being closed for four days amid ongoing unrest in Nepal due to the widespread Gen Z protest in the country.

The reopening has allowed trucks carrying essential goods to cross over into Nepal, following days of suspension that left hundreds of truck drivers stranded on the Indian side.

During the closure, transporters faced significant losses as perishable goods such as onions, coconuts, and raw materials began to spoil. With tensions still high across parts of Nepal, many drivers expressed continued concern about safety while entering the country. One truck driver named Vishnu, transporting coconuts from Tamil Nadu to Kathmandu, shared his experience, stating that he was stuck at the border for four days and hoped that the situation in the country would be “good”.

“We were stuck here for four days. The borders opened here; hopefully it is all good even ahead in Kathmandu, Nepal... I am a little scared... We were stuck here, but we had all the food and

water,” he said. The border closure was a direct result of the violent Gen Z-led protests that have rocked Nepal in recent days, triggered by the government’s social media ban and broader political instability and corruption in the country. Amid a severe fuel shortage in Nepal, trucks are also now entering India from Nepal to purchase petrol and diesel. A truck driver coming from Nepal said, “There is no fuel there. The Nepal government has sent us to India to buy fuel. All petrol pumps in Nepal are closed... I hope the situation improves and India-Nepal relations grow stronger.”

“We are going to India after 8 days... There’s no fuel available in Nepal,” another driver added.

Meanwhile, the Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB) has so far apprehended 67 inmates, including a woman, while they were attempting to cross into India through various checkpoints along the India-Nepal border after fleeing different jails in Nepal amid the ongoing unrest. Meanwhile, the death toll from the protests in the Kathmandu Valley has climbed to 34, as reported by The Himalayan Times, citing data released by the Ministry of Health and Population of Nepal.

Drunk UP youth dies after neighbour slaps him to stop brawl with his father



New Delhi, Agency: A 19-year-old man has died after being allegedly slapped by a neighbour when he was engaged in a brawl with his father here, police said on Friday.

The incident took place late on Thursday night when Gaurav, a resident of Bharthana area in the

district, was in an inebriated state and allegedly fought with his father Raghubar Dayal, Inspector (Crime) Arimardan Singh said.

Some neighbours intervened and one of them allegedly slapped Gaurav, causing him to fall to the ground and lose consciousness, Singh said.

Jagdeep Chhokar, credited with role in major electoral reforms, dies at 81

New Delhi, Agency: Association for Democratic Reforms (ADR) co-founder Jagdeep Chhokar, who was associated with major electoral reforms in the country, died on Friday. He was 81. A retired Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad professor, Chhokar was also a lawyer and engineer who served in the Indian railways.

ADR achieved landmark victories in the courts under Chhokar’s leadership. The Supreme Court empowered

voters with the right to know the criminal, financial, and educational backgrounds of candidates in the 2002 Union of India vs ADR case. The verdict in the People’s Union for Civil Liberties vs Union of India (2013) case introduced the “None of the Above” option on electronic voting machines. In the Lily Thomas case (2013), the Supreme Court mandated the immediate disqualification of lawmakers convicted of crimes carrying a sen-



tence of over two years.

ADR was one of the petitioners in the electoral bond case. In 2024, the Supreme Court struck down the 2018 electoral bond scheme of political funding, declaring

it “unconstitutional” as it completely anonymised contributions made to parties.

ADR was among the petitioners against the Election Commission of India (ECI)’s June 24 notification for the special intensive revision (SIR) of the electoral roll in poll-bound Bihar. On Monday, the Supreme Court ordered that Aadhaar must be accepted as the 12th valid document for inclusion in the roll.

'Don't shout': Heated exchange between lawyers during Sunjay Kapur's inheritance case hearing



New Delhi, Agency: A heated exchange was witnessed in the Delhi High Court on Wednesday during the hearing of a lawsuit filed by Bollywood actor Karisma Kapoor’s children seeking a share in their late father Sunjay Kapur’s assets.

The fiery verbal exchange took place between the counsel representing Karisma Kapoor’s children Samaira Kapur and Kiaan Raj Kapur, and the advocate appearing on behalf of Priya Sachdev Kapur, Sunjay’s third wife. A video shared by Bar and Bench showed Mahesh Jethmalani, the senior advocate representing Karisma Kapoor children saying “don’t shout at me” after Rajiv Nayar, the senior advocate representing Priya Kapur snapped at him saying “don’t interrupt me”.

The incident took place on Wednesday, the day the Delhi High Court directed Priya Sachdev Kapur to file a comprehensive list of all movable and immovable assets belonging to Sunjay Kapur. Justice Jyoti Singh was hearing the arguments in the case when tempers suddenly ran high between the advocates. Please don’t interrupt me, I am not used to interruption,” Rajiv Nayar said, at which Jethmalani fumed, saying: “You should get a taste of your own medicine then, and don’t shout at me... I’m not a pushover”. Bollywood actor Karisma Kapur’s ex-husband Sunjay passed away on June 12 this year, and their children have now moved court accusing their father’s third wife Priya of forging and fabricating his will.

Samaira Kapur and Kiaan Raj Kapur seek a share in Sunjay’s assets worth ₹30,000 crore. The case took a new turn during the hearing on Wednesday when Sunjay’s mother Rani Kapur also claimed assets worth 10,000 crore, alleging she had not been informed of any documents regarding her late son’s will.

Editorial

Pathania is no longer alone

Pathania, who fought alone , is still fighting for his position. Despite all the reasons to give the status of freedom fighter to Wazir Ram Singh Pathania, if this honour has not been achieved even after 78 years of independence, then it is the fault of our veins that we did not recognize the colour of freedom. Well, this time in the Himachal Assembly, not only did all the members unanimously approve such a proposal, but Himachal also rose high in history in its favour. When the valour of Himachal, the sacrifice of the state, the pride of the state and history of the state came up in the proposal brought by MLA Bhawani Singh Pathania, the timing of the priorities of the House changed. We have written many times in these columns, saluting this warrior, that the first trumpet of freedom in India was blown by Wazir Ram Singh. Mangal Pandey is associated with the freedom revolt of 1857, but Wazir Ram Singh Pathania, one of the first storms of freedom under the banner of martyrdom, had invoked it a decade earlier. It is surprising that this Himachali chapter of independence has not been fully revealed. This is also because Himachal is still lagging behind in recognising its heroes and heroism. Universities have increased, but there is no Himachali-ness in research. Politicians have started getting attached to the names of colleges and educational institutions. Are brave soldiers ever invited to the annual functions of schools and colleges? In kavi sammelans, has the language and culture department or the academy, while performing its duty, ever thought that only two-four pages of history should be read in the memory of the martyrs? Has politics taken over the entire meaning of Himachal's 'coronation'? The history of independence in Himachal shines from Sirmaur, Shimla, Kullu-Mandi, Hamirpur-Bilaspur to Una-Kangra and till every corner. In every tale of valour and on every page of folk culture, many moments of sacrifice pass through our memories, but we have changed the caravan of concerns. Even today, General Zorawar Singh's heroism is proven in many corners of the world and in the exploits of India's Sikh and Dogra history. He writes the expansion of Maharaja Ranjit Singh's empire in the reins of agreements with China. In the leaps of the Dogra Sultanate, he reaches the edge of Tibet. It is surprising that the tomb of the mortal remains of this brave son became a place of worship in the enemy country, but we have not been able to build a memorial institution till date. While installing a statue of Zorawar Singh in the Shaheed Smarak of Dharamshala, MLA Sudhir Sharma definitely made us realize that when the tunes of the national anthem resonate, the heroes of Himachal should also be revered in the eyes of the nation. Captain Ram Singh had composed the tune of the national anthem from Dharamshala in Himachal, but we could not establish this position of fame.

Provide stipend for good performance in national championship

To understand the energy cycle of the human body, we need to study deeply everything from ATP to CPA to lactic acid, oxygen borrowing from the body and oxygen reaching the lungs through breathing and mixing with blood and then reaching the cells to keep the body active. Races of 100 to 400 meters are considered to be fast. Speed ??is the key to victory in all competitions and games. It is inborn in a player. Even through training, it develops very little till a certain age...

Bhupinder Singh

Science has made a lot of progress and has improved the health sector, while the equipment and play field of the players have also improved a lot. This is the reason why the previous records are easily broken every year. Earlier, when sports competitions were held, the organizers would provide food and accommodation to the participants. The government used to provide travel fare and daily allowance to the sports association, but now the players have to bear all this. Getting a seat reserved in a train is no less than winning a big battle. Air travel also becomes necessary so that the players get less tired. The shoes and kits used by the players are very expensive. The cost of one competition reaches up to fifty thousand rupees. Have you ever thought how a child from an ordinary family will be able to play at the national level? Sports have been made a subject of the state list. The center and the state take advantage of it whenever they want. If the player brings glory to the state and the country, then why do the governments not give direct scholarship to talented players. There are many sports like athletics, wrestling, boxing and others in which Himachal's stars are performing very well in national and international competitions, but they need a lot of money to continue playing the game. Therefore, most of the players are facing financial crisis. The human body is a very amazing machine created by God. It also needs fuel to run. To understand the energy cycle of the human body, it is necessary to study in-depth everything from ATP to CPA, lactic acid, oxygen borrowing from the body, oxygen reach-



ing the lungs through breathing, mixing with blood and then reaching the cells to keep the body active. Races from 100 to 400 meters are considered to be fast. Speed ??is the key to victory in all competitions and games. It is inborn in the player. It develops very little through training till a certain age. Several events of different games are organized in the Olympic Games, but athletics has the most attraction. The runner who wins the 100-meter race in the Olympics becomes the fastest person on earth. The thrill of a 100-meter race is amazing. Very few fast runners and runners have emerged in Himachal Pradesh till date. Competitions from 100 to 400 meters are considered to be sprints. To perform well in these competitions, while innate speed is required, a lot of speed, endurance and strength training is also required. While high quality protein is easily available to the common man, people of the same region have good speed from birth. Speed ??has to be developed from a very young age. Therefore, training on speed has to be started at

the age of less than ten years. Speed ??develops to its highest level in the next five years. It is also said that sprinters are born, not made. Most of the sprinters of India belong to the coastal region. Fish is the main diet of these people. Fish contains good quality protein. There are more vegetarians in North India, but wheat, milk and its products also contain good quality protein. This is also the reason that good sprinters are found from time to time from Punjab, Haryana and Western Uttar Pradesh and the more sprint a young player has, the better player he will become in any sport. Pushpa Thakur is the only runner from the state in senior national competitions who is a medal winner in 400 meters at the national level for Himachal Pradesh. Two decades after this runner reached the national training camps of Asia and Olympic Games, now there is hope from Manisha and Priya Thakur. Today again, there are players of various sports including wrestling and boxing in the state who need a lot of scholarship till 2026. They do not

have jobs. They belong to ordinary families and those who have migrated from Himachal, Himachal government should give them respectable jobs and also give scholarship to all these athletes till 2026 Commonwealth and Asian Games. To continue practice at this level, more than fifty thousand rupees are required in a month. Those who are in jobs, they bear the expenses of training program with great difficulty from their salary, but others who do not have resources, how will they be able to bear the expenses, Himachal government will have to think about this. Will the state government do some favors to these talented athletes so that they can continue their training with a free mind. Players are not made, they are different from birth. One talented athlete is found among millions of children. It is the responsibility of the society and the government to adopt the most talented players who will bring pride to the country in the future and provide them all the facilities which they need more today. There is hope of further improvement in sports.

India is becoming a land of terrorism, Islamic organizations run away from responsibility

Dr. Mayank Chaturvedi

Terrorism is one of the biggest challenges facing India today. If seen, this challenge is much more dangerous and destructive than the bullets and gunpowder coming from across the border, because it also has a special ideology which is slowly poisoning the minds of the youth within the country. Recently, the Special Cell of Delhi Police and Central Agencies have busted a terror module. In it, five suspected terrorists have been arrested from Delhi, Jharkhand, Telangana and Madhya Pradesh. Bomb making material and weapons have been found from the suspected terrorists. They were in contact with Pakistani handlers through social media. In fact, their arrest is not just an incident, but an indication of the fact that efforts to spread the roots of Islamic terrorism on Indian soil are continuously increasing. Network of arrests and Pakistan's role In a joint operation of security agencies, raids were conducted in four to five states and more than eight people were questioned. The police clarified that these suspects

have links with the terrorist network of Pakistan and through social media, these people were constantly in touch with their masters sitting abroad. The evidence collected by the investigating agencies is enough to show that an organized effort is going on to destabilize India. A person named Ashraf Danish was said to be the main member of this entire network. He was operating the terrorist module while living in India, as well as playing the role of radicalizing Muslim youth and attracting them towards terrorist activities. During this time, it also came to the notice of the police that social media was a powerful medium for this from where they could easily spread their terrorist ideology. Now seeing such incidents again and again, it is believed that today's terrorism does not fight only with bombs, gunpowder and weapons. Its real battlefield is the mind of the youth. Social media platforms like Facebook, Telegram, Instagram and WhatsApp have become a weapon for terrorists. The Islamic State (ISIS) has already proved that the dream of a "virtual caliphate" can be spread by influencing youth

around the world through the Internet. On the same lines, secret online communities are being created in India, where communal hatred, religious fanaticism and violent ideologies are being served. This is the pattern that has emerged from the suspects arrested this time. India's sensitive land and past tragedies India has suffered from terrorism in the past too. From the 1993 Mumbai blasts to the 2001 Parliament attack and the 26/11 attacks of 2008, each time the investigation revealed the involvement of a Pakistan-based network. The cowardly Pulwama attack has also not been forgotten till now. The background of these incidents shows that India is repeatedly becoming the target of terrorism and now new modules are being set up through social media. This is a big concern because India is the second largest Muslim-populated country in the world. Crores of Muslims live here, the overwhelming majority of whom are peace-loving and law-abiding citizens. But the problem is that a section of them comes under the radar of ter-

rorist organizations. It indulges in violence and acts against non-Muslims, which it calls Jihad.

First of all, let us start; It was said that unemployment is high among Muslims, so the youth go astray, but the economic statistics that have come out in the last few years tell us that now the economic and social inequality between the majority Hindus and Muslims in the country is negligible. In proportion to their population, the condition of Muslims has become better than that of Hindus in many places. Then the question itself ends that Muslim youth is being misled in the name of unemployment. That is, there are definitely some other elements that inspire Muslim youth to become terrorists! In such a situation, it is natural that such elements should be searched, but who will do this work? Increasing responsibility of Islamic organizations Here an important question arises; when attempts are being made to mislead the youth within the country, then what is the role of Islamic organizations? Muslims in India have many big and influential

organizations of their own. These organizations are not limited to religious matters only, but also play a vocal role on social and political issues. In such a situation, it is expected from them that they should take a clear and firm stand on the issue of terrorism and fundamentalism. Jamiat Ulama-e-Hind and the question of responsibility Jamiat Ulama-e-Hind, established in 1919, is the oldest and largest Muslim organization in India. It is believed to be associated with Darul Uloom Deoband. This organization remains active in religious guidance, social justice and legal aid. But the question is that when there is a direct attack on the security of the country, does Jamiat openly stand against terrorism? Does this organization give the message to the youth that terrorism is against the principles of Islam? Limitations of All India Muslim Personal Law Board The All India Muslim Personal Law Board, formed in 1973, is always seen standing in front of the government and the courts on issues related to personal law i.e. Shariat - divorce, marriage, inheritance.

Giorgio Armani's will directs a stake sale to L'Oréal, Louis Vuitton or Essilor

New Delhi, Agency: Giorgio Armani's will outlines plans to sell a stake in his closely held fashion house to a major luxury firm, setting in motion a process to eventually fold the Italian brand into a larger group. The documents published Friday direct his heirs to sell an initial stake of 15% in Giorgio Armani SpA to one of three preferred buyers—L'Oréal SA, LVMH Moët Hennessy Louis Vuitton SE or EssilorLuxottica SA—or a company of similar standing within 18 months, according to a copy seen by Bloomberg News. The



buyer could then raise its holding to a majority after three years. Armani, who died earlier this month at the age of 91, flirted with selling the company during his lifetime but always opted to stand alone.

As a designer, he was known for his exacting detail, and the will reflects this, establishing a precise roadmap for the company's sale that came as a surprise after decades of guarding its independence. Armani pres-

ents a rare opportunity," Berenberg analysts Nick Anderson and Harrison Woodin-Lygo said in a research note, estimating the company has a value of ₹5 billion (\$5.9 billion) to ₹7 billion. Armani has longstanding partnerships with EssilorLuxottica and L'Oréal, and the founder was close to LVMH Chairman Bernard Arnault, with whom he once discussed an alliance. In a statement, EssilorLuxottica said it would carefully consider what it called "this evolutionary prospect".

Rising food costs push consumers toward discount stores, bulk buying, and homegrown produce: PwC

New Delhi, Agency: With 63 per cent of consumers expressing concern over rising food prices, cost-conscious behaviour is on the rise, according to a recent survey report by PwC. The report added that nearly half of those worried about food costs are changing their shopping habits, opting for different stores, discount outlets, and promotional deals to stretch their budgets. Additionally, 44 per cent of respondents are buying in bulk, while an equal number have turned to growing their own food to counteract inflation. The survey found that 74 per cent of consumers in the report stated that their food choices were deeply rooted in cultural heritage and longstanding traditions. This suggests that companies that provide functional heritage foods (e.g. aam panna and jeera-flavoured drinks) which appeal to culture, tradition and nostalgia will have an edge. Globally, for consumers, value (price, promotional offers, rewards) is the most important factor when choosing food items. In India, however, quality (i.e. taste of product) dictates which food items consumers are going to buy. Indeed, 40 per cent of consumers ranked taste among the



top three factors when selecting food items, while 39 per cent ranked price, and 38 per cent listed high nutritional value as their top three decision-making factors. PwC says that about 84 per cent of consumers surveyed were extremely or very concerned about food safety. Respondents also expressed concerns over ultra-processed foods, pesticide use, and the levels of additives and preservatives in food. Health benefits, including higher nutritional value, were in fact cited by consumers as the primary driver for switching brands, followed by better taste

and better value for money. Interestingly, half of the consumers believe that food producers and manufacturers are responsible for incentivising healthy and nutritious eating. The report further added that more than 70 per cent of consumers have used supermarkets for grocery shopping in the last year, 60 per cent have used local retailers, and 55 per cent have used an on-demand grocery delivery platform. Moreover, 46 per cent are buying ready-to-eat meals, 41 per cent are ordering takeout, and 38 per cent are eating out at least once a week.

Amid E20 push, India plans sugar exports from October due to sufficient surplus

New Delhi, Agency: India plans to allow sugar exports from October 2025 as there is ample stock, a senior government official said, even as the world's second-largest producer of the sweetener doubles down on ethanol blending in petrol. "There will be scope for sugar exports in the new season," Ashwini Srivastava, joint secretary at the Department of Food and Public Distribution, said at a global conference on Friday, without giving any estimates.



The next season's output looked good, Srivastava said, so much so that there would be enough left over after meeting local demand for sugar and ethanol. A record 4.8 billion litres of

ethanol is likely to be produced in the new season from sugarcane-based feedstock, he said. The prospect of higher sugar exports is likely to weigh on global prices, it

would help India support local prices and ensure that farmers receive the minimum support price for their cane from sugar mills. India allowed 1 million tonnes of sugar exports in the current marketing year ending in September, despite a drop in production. The new season begins in October. According to the Indian Sugar and Bio-energy Manufacturers Association, India's sugar production is estimated at 34.9 tonnes in the new marketing season starting October 2025.

Ceat expects biggest boost for tractor, bike tyres after GST rate cuts, CEO says

New Delhi, Agency: Ceat Ltd. expects demand for its tractor and commuter-motorcycle tyres to surge the most due to GST rate cuts, according to its chief executive officer. We expect sales of commuter motorcycles to go up in semi-urban and rural households, and farm sales also could go up," Arnab Banerjee told Reuters in an interview. On 4 September, the Narendra Modi government announced GST rate cuts on hundreds of items—from soaps to small cars and motorcycles—in India's biggest indirect tax reform since the Goods and Services Tax was first introduced on 1 July 2017. The new, simplified GST structure reduces the tax of most tyres to 18% from 28% earlier, while tractor tyres will attract 5% tax versus 18% earlier.



The changes are effective 22 September. Ceat will pass on the tax benefits in full to customers.

According to Ceat, the farm sector accounts for a tenth of its annual revenue, while commuter motorcycles—which make up the bulk of two-wheelers sold in India—are among its biggest segments. Ceat does not disclose the revenue it earns from this business. The company gets about 53% of its revenue from replacement demand, 28% from automakers, and the rest from exports. That said, Ceat is likely to grow its revenue in the double-digits in FY26, led by replacement demand in the two-wheeler and commercial-vehicle categories, Banerjee had said during an earnings call in July. In the April-June quarter, Ceat's revenue grew 10.5% year-on-year to ₹3,530 crore, due to sales of two-wheeler, truck and bus tyres. In Fiscal 2025, revenue grew 14%.

JBM Auto surges to highest in nearly three months on IFC's \$137-million funding



New Delhi, Agency: JBM Auto Ltd.'s share price surged to its highest in nearly three months after garnering investment from World Bank's investment arm. On Friday, the stock of the electric bus maker rose as much as 11.38% to ₹696.70 apiece even as the benchmark BSE Sensex gained 400 nearly points. On Thursday, International Finance Corp. announced that it has committed to invest \$137 million to JBM Group to promote e-mobility in the country. Of this, \$100 million will go to JBM Ecolife and the rest to GreenCell Mobility sponsored by Eversource Capital. These investments, according to IFC, "will help to electrify public transport and enhance access to innovative urban mobility solutions". It will help create 12,000 jobs and deploy 4,000 electric buses and charging stations across 39 municipalities in Maharashtra, Assam, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Madhya

Pradesh, Puducherry, and New Delhi. "e-mobility is the future and we are making it possible through investments in leaders like JBM and GreenCell," IFC Managing Director Makhtar Diop said in the statement. "Together, we are setting the benchmarks for sustainable, resilient, and globally replicable urban transport—a foundational pillar of India's urban transformation agenda." With 8 lakh public buses and 1.2 million private buses in operation, India represents a substantial market for electrification. "Over the last three years, we have successfully deployed our zero-emission public mobility solutions across various cities," Nishant Arya, vice chairman and managing director at JBM Auto, said in the statement. "With trusted partners like IFC supporting this initiative, we are all set to augment our electric bus deployment..."

Croma Celebrates Durga Puja with Flat 35% Off

Ranchi : Electronics retailer Croma has announced its 'Festival of Dreams' campaign to mark the Durga Puja season, offering heavy discounts and cashback deals across eastern India. The campaign, running from September 12 to 22, covers stores in West Bengal, Odisha, Assam, Meghalaya and Jharkhand. Customers can avail up to Rs 30,000 cashback along with flat discounts across categories. Special highlights include 35% off on televisions, air conditioners and small kitchen appliances, 25% off on refrigerators, 30% off on washing machines and home audio, 20% off on laptops and 45% off on headphones and earphones. Smartphones are also available with 15% discount. In addition, GST relief provides an extra 10% benefit on TVs and ACs. Croma said the festive offers are supported by easy EMI and exchange deals, making it an ideal opportunity for households to upgrade gadgets and appliances this Pujo season.

Kenstar Launches Next-Gen 5-Star Efficient Water Heaters

Heat Faster, Give 20% More Hot Water. **Ranchi :** Kenstar, one of India's most trusted home appliance brand, announces the launch of its latest range of Water Heaters, promising to revolutionize the bathing experience. Designed for modern Indian homes, the new portfolio seamlessly blends cutting-edge technology, elegant design, and uncompromised safety, making every bath a satisfying and complete experience. As part of its launch, Kenstar is rolling out an impactful campaign "Bath Ban Jaye," which captures the common "half bath" dilemma faced by ordinary water heaters. The campaign highlights how Kenstar water heaters transform every bath into a complete, comfortable, and enjoyable experience. Equipped with SwirlHeat Technology, the new range of water heaters delivers up to 20% more hot water output, while High-Density PUF Insulation ensures heat retention up to 10% longer, reducing energy consumption. The innovative German Blue Sapphire Technology extends product lifespan by 40%, offering unmatched durability. Additionally, the range is 5-star BEE rated, enabling substantial savings on electricity bills. With the 7 years warranty on tanks, the water heater guarantees extended durability, consistent performance and customer satisfaction. "Our mission at Kenstar has always been to enhance the everyday lives of Indian households through smart, stylish, and sustainable home solutions," said Mr. Sunil Jain, CEO of Kenstar. "With our latest range of Water Heaters, we are making brand promise: 'Heats Fast, Makes It Last' addressing key consumer pain points speed, energy efficiency, and safety while elevating the design and performance benchmarks in the market. The new portfolio stands as a testimony to our commitment to innovation and customer delight, ensuring every bath becomes a complete and enjoyable experience." With the wide-ranging capacity from 3L to 100L, Kenstar offers a comprehensive range of new water heaters, include Storage Water Heaters, Instant Water Heaters, Tankless Water Heaters, Gas Water Heaters, and Immersion Rods. Through its smart technology, every range supports 8-bar pressure compatibility, addressing India's growing urban demands without compromising performance.

Deepika Padukone made a delicious chocolate cake for her daughter Dua's first birthday

Actress Deepika Padukone is celebrating her daughter Dua's first birthday on Wednesday. On this occasion, the actress shared on social media how she expresses her love for her daughter. Deepika baked a delicious chocolate cake for Dua's birthday and posted a picture of it on Instagram. She captioned it, "My love language. Baking a cake for my daughter's first birthday." Her post has won the hearts of fans, who are flooding the comments section with reactions. One user wrote, "Happy Birthday, Dua." Another said, "At

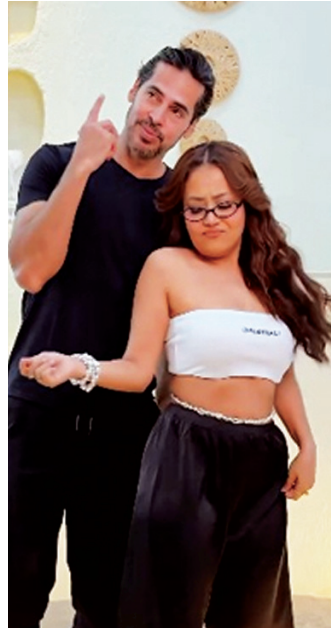
After being in a relationship for some time, Deepika Padukone and Ranveer Singh announced their engagement in October 2018 and got married in November 2018 at the beautiful Lake Como in Italy, following Konkani Hindu and Sikh traditions.

least show us Dua's face now." A third user commented, "The princess is now one year old." Deepika Padukone and Ranveer Singh announced their engagement in October 2018 after being in a relationship for some time and got married in November 2018 at the beautiful

Lake Como in Italy, following Konkani Hindu and Sikh traditions. Their daughter Dua was born on September 8, 2024. During Diwali last year, they shared the first glimpse of their daughter with the world and also revealed that they had named her Dua.



Neha Kakkar and Dino Morea's electrifying dance in "Tu Pyaasa Hai, Main Paani Sanam"; video shared online



Popular singer Neha Kakkar recently released a song titled "Tu Pyaasa Hai, Main Paani Sanam" with Dino Morea. Now, the singer has created a dance video on the song and shared it on social media. In the video, Neha and Dino are seen delivering powerful dance moves to the song's beats. The video starts with Neha teasing and encouraging Dino to dance, after which she begins grooving with energetic moves. Impressed by her energy, Dino joins her, matching steps with enthusiasm. Their chemistry and synchronized dance moves have won fans' hearts. Neha's bold and glamorous look steals the show, while Dino's stylish appearance adds charm to the video.

Jolly LLB 3 trailer released: Akshay Kumar and Arshad Warsi to clash in a courtroom drama



The trailer of Bollywood's much-awaited film Jolly LLB 3 has been released. Akshay Kumar shared the trailer on his official Instagram account, and ever since, it has created a huge buzz on social media. The film once again brings together a blend of courtroom drama, social issues, and humor.

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"What I inherited from my father, which he inherited from his grandfather, is what I wanted to pass on to my son."

As this voiceover plays, visuals of riots, police brutality, and social unrest are shown. In one striking scene, a woman is seen clinging to the feet of a statue of the late Rajaram Solanki. Then Akshay Kumar makes his entry, riding a scooter. He tells his assistant, "If anyone mentions Jolly, bring them straight to me." Huma Qureshi also appears alongside Akshay, and he seems irritated by her drinking habit. Meanwhile, Arshad Warsi returns in his beloved role as a lawyer.

Saiee Manjrekar reveals the difference between South cinema and Bollywood

The film industry often sees comparisons between Bollywood and South Indian cinema. Actress Saiee Manjrekar, who has worked in both industries, recently shared her perspective on the differences between the two.

Talking about her experience, Saiee said: "I believe that cinema has no language — what truly matters is the way a story connects with people. Right now, I'm focusing on my work in both Bollywood and South Indian cinema, but someday I would definitely love to do a good Marathi film too. As long as the script excites me and the director has a strong vision, I'm open to working across different film indus-



tries." On the comparison between Bollywood and South Indian cinema, she said: "Having had the opportunity to work in both, I feel that each industry has its own unique style and magic. Bollywood celebrates the way emotions and stories are presented in an extraordinary manner, while in the South, I've witnessed an incredible sense of discipline and deep respect for the craft — something I truly admire. Both worlds have shaped me in different ways. For me, it's also a chance to grow and refine myself, and I feel fortunate to be able to work in both industries."

Anita Hassanandani writes a heartfelt love letter to husband Rohit, says she gave him less attention

Actress Anita Hassanandani, who has made a mark in both Bollywood and the television industry, is currently seen in the reality show "Chhoriyan Chali Gaon." Recently, she posted a video on Instagram where she expressed how much she misses her husband Rohit Reddy and their son Aarav.

In the video, Anita emotionally shared that after becoming a mother, she was unable to give much attention to Rohit. She realized this only after joining the show, which is why she decided to write a sweet love letter to her husband.

Anita says in the video: "It's been over 10 years since we got married, and ever since Aarav came into our lives, all my attention has been on him. I think about Aarav day and night. But after coming on this show, I realized that I haven't been paying as much attention to Rohit during this time. So I thought, it's time I wrote him a romantic letter. I can't even remember the last time I did something like that."



Divya Khosla Kumar's clever 'Naar' ready for release; BTS video raises excitement

Bollywood actress and producer Divya Khosla Kumar is making headlines with the upcoming release of her film Ek Chatur Naar. A recent behind-the-scenes (BTS) video from the film's set has heightened excitement among fans.

In the BTS video shared on her social media, Divya is seen shooting a scene. Cinematographers Sameer Aryan and Neil Nitin Mukesh, who are present on the set, praise her performance.

Divya appears in a traditional look fitting her character—wearing a purple kurta, yellow salwar, a slate-colored sweater, and a dupatta draped over it. Her braided hairstyle brings her "Chatur Naar" (clever girl) character to life. This look has intrigued the audience even more about her role.

In the caption, Divya wrote, "Special moments from the set of Ek Chatur Naar. Our talented DOP Sameer Aryan and Neil Nitin Mukesh beautifully captured me on camera. This is my favorite and most wonderful team." She also revealed that the film is set to release on September 12.

Divya's desi and powerful avatar in the film is ready to draw audiences to theaters. Her look and the BTS video have sparked a wave of praise on social media, and fans are eagerly awaiting the film's release.

The story of Ek Chatur Naar revolves around a talented and ambitious girl living in a small town. One day, she gets hold of a private video of an influential man and then uses it as a stepping stone to move forward in life.

