



**BRIEF NEWS**

**Kiren Rijiju reacts to Rahul Gandhi's claims of 'vote theft'**

New Delhi. Union Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju on Friday said that Congress leader Rahul Gandhi should accept responsibility for his repeated electoral defeats instead of targeting institutions. His comments came a day after Gandhi accused Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar of protecting "vote stealers" and claimed that the names of Congress voters were being systematically removed from the electoral rolls in Karnataka. The Election Commission dismissed the allegations as "false and baseless" and said that votes cannot be deleted without due process. "If you repeatedly lose elections, you should admit your weaknesses and the failure of your leadership. But instead, you start blaming institutions. Is this the right way?" Rijiju said on the sidelines of a FICCI FLO event here. Rijiju said, "Rahul Gandhi cannot target or divert attention from any other institution to hide his electoral failures. People will not accept such attempts." The minister claimed that the Congress leader's comments often reflect "anti-India propaganda." Rijiju said, "Whatever narrative Pakistan creates, Rahul Gandhi and his company spread the same narrative in India. For many years, what Rahul Gandhi and his company have been saying has been found to be used by anti-India groups and elements in Pakistan." At the event, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader also expressed his views on the functioning of Parliament.

# Jharkhand has immense potential for industrial expansion- CM Hemant Soren

**DB Reporter**

**Ranchi:** Jharkhand Governor Santosh Kumar Gangwar, Chief Minister Hemant Soren, Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) Anil Chauhan and Union Minister of State for Defence Sanjay Seth on Friday attended the inauguration ceremony of the "East Tech Symposium 2025" (Defence Expo) at the Veer Tana Bhagat Indoor Stadium, Khelgaon, Ranchi.

The event, organised by the Ministry of Defence, brought together defence experts, industrial houses, technical institutions, and MSMEs from across the country. Speaking at the event, Chief Minister Hemant Soren described the day as historic for Jharkhand, noting that the symposium adds a new dimension to



the defence sector. He expressed confidence that the objectives of the event would be successfully achieved.

"Jharkhand has contributed immensely to the country. The state also holds vast potential for the expansion of industries linked to the defence sector. Our government is

committed to extending full cooperation to the Centre to make India self-reliant in defence," the Chief Minister said.

He pointed out that Jharkhand is rich in raw materials used in defence manufacturing, including uranium, and has long been home to major industrial institutions.

Soren cited the Heavy Engineering Corporation (HEC) in Ranchi, which has played a crucial role in the production of satellite and nuclear components. Expressing concern over its present condition, he said it was painful to see such a significant institution not performing up to expectations. The Chief Minister stressed the need for closer coordination between the Centre and the state to strengthen industries.

"By working together, new dimensions can be added to defence-linked industries. It is a matter of pride that the Chief of Defence Staff and other senior defence officials are here with us today. Their initiatives in the MSME sector are also a positive step. The state government assures full support to the defence sector,"

Soren added.

Following the inaugural session, Governor Santosh Kumar Gangwar, Chief Minister Hemant Soren, CDS General Anil Chauhan, and Union MoS Defence Sanjay Seth, along with senior defence ministry officials, toured the Defence Expo. The exhibition featured defence experts, industrial houses, technical institutions, and representatives from small and medium enterprises from across the country.

On the occasion, Jharkhand Chief Secretary Alka Tiwari, Eastern Command Chief Lt. General Ramchandra Tiwari, Eastern Command Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief Surat Singh, senior officials of the Ministry of Defence, and other prominent guests.

## Defence modernisation, better training of soldiers and equipment upgrades our top priority: Rajnath

**Agency**

**New Delhi :** Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Friday interacted with the brave veterans and the families of the fallen heroes of the 1965 war at an event organised by the Army at South Block, New Delhi, to commemorate the diamond jubilee of India's victory over Pakistan.

According to an official release from the Ministry of Defence, in his address, Singh paid glowing tributes to the bravehearts who made the supreme sacrifice in the line of duty 60 years ago and ensured that India emerged victorious.

"Pakistan thought it could frighten us through infiltration, guerrilla tactics and surprise attacks, but little did it know that every Indian soldier serves the motherland with the feeling that the sovereignty and integrity of the nation will never be compromised at any cost," the Defence Minister said.

Singh highlighted the unmatched bravery and patriotism displayed by the Indian sol-



diers during various battles fought during the 1965 war, including the Battle of Asal Uttar, Battle of Chawinda and Battle of Phillora.

He made special mention of the indomitable spirit and valour of Param Vir Chakra awardee Company Quarter Master Havildar Abdul Hamid, who laid down his life while destroying numerous enemy tanks under a relentless barrage of machine gun and tank fire during the Battle of Asal Uttar.

"Our brave Abdul Hamid taught us that bravery is not about the size of the weapon, it is about the

size of the heart. His valour teaches us that even in the most difficult circumstances, the combination of courage, restraint and patriotism can make the impossible possible," the Defence Minister said.

He also credited the then Prime Minister Lal Bahadur Shastri for his "strong-willed leadership" during the war and uniting the country.

"No war is fought only on the battlefield; victory in war is the result of the collective resolve of the entire nation. During that time in 1965, India managed to face the uncertainty and chal-

lenges, also due to the strong-willed leadership of Lal Bahadur Shastri. He not only provided decisive political leadership but also raised the morale of the entire nation to greater heights. Even under adverse circumstances, we displayed unity and won the war."

Defence Minister Singh reiterated the government's unwavering resolve towards the dignity and welfare of the serving soldiers, veterans and the families of the fallen heroes, terming it as "top priority". "Our resolve of defence modernisation, better training of soldiers and equipment upgrades are aimed to ensure that the forces never face a lack of resources," he said.

The event was attended by Chief of the Army Staff General Upendra Dwivedi, General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Western Command Lt Gen Manoj Kumar Katiyar, General Officer Commanding Delhi Area Lt Gen Bhavnish Kumar, other senior serving officers, decorated veterans, gallantry awardees and family members of 1965 war heroes.

## ABVP secures decisive victory in Delhi University Students' union Elections



**Agency**

**New Delhi:** The Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP) has registered a commanding win in the Delhi University Students' union (DUSU) elections capturing three of the four central panel seats. Congress-affiliated National Students' union of India (NSUI) managed to secure a single seat. The electoral battle was primarily contested between these two student wings, with ABVP emerging as the clear favorite among the student body. A total of 60,272 students cast their votes out of 1,53,100 registered voters, resulting in a voter turnout of

39.36 percent.

The election results for the key positions are as follows:

President: Aryan Mann from ABVP emerged victorious.

Vice-President: Rahul Jhansola of NSUI won the seat.

Secretary: ABVP's Kunal Chaudhary was declared the winner.

Joint Secretary: Deepika Jha from ABVP clinched the position.

Reacting to the victory, the newly elected Secretary and ABVP leader, Kunal Chaudhary, said, "I am feeling elated. I want to thank every student of Delhi University who voted and supported me.

## ABVP's victory in Delhi University polls a triumph of nationalism: Babulal Marandi

**DB Reporter**

**Ranchi:** Jharkhand BJP president Babulal Marandi hailed the Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad's (ABVP) performance in the Delhi University Students' Union elections, calling it a victory for nationalist ideology. Congratulating the winning

candidates, Marandi said that securing three out of four posts, including the president's position, reflects the strong support of the nation's youth for nationalist ideas.

He noted that ABVP is the only student organisation that works with the guiding principles of knowledge, character, and unity, while envisioning an aca-

demic community that promotes Indian values alongside educational reforms. Marandi added that ABVP's year-round programmes and organisational activities have transformed student power into national power. He also extended his best wishes to all ABVP office-bearers and youth associated with the organisation.



## CM inspected the Defence Expo

**DB Reporter**

**Ranchi :** On this occasion, Governor Santosh Kumar Gangwar, Chief Minister Hemant Soren, and other dignitaries, along with officials from the Ministry of Defence, visited the Defense Expo. Defense



experts, industrial organizations, technical institutions, and individuals from small and medium-sized enterprises from across the country participated in the expo. Several defense equipments were major attraction at the expo. Displays included equipment such as kamikaze drones, 360 artillery, and agricultural drones. These displays piqued the interest of military personnel and officers.

## EU proposes new strategic agenda to raise bilateral relations with India to higher level

**Agency**

**New Delhi:** The European Commission (EC) has outlined a 'New Strategic EU-India Agenda' to deepen, broaden and better coordinate bilateral cooperation, enhance prosperity and security for both partners and help tackle major global challenges. "Now is the time to focus on reliable partners and double down on partnerships rooted in shared interests and guided by common values. With our new EU-India strategy, we are taking our relationship to the next level," European Commission President Ursula von der



Leyen said . The EC adopted a Joint Communication outlining the 'New Strategic EU-India Agenda' marking a significant milestone in EU-India relations. This initiative was announced by President von der Leyen in her Political Guidelines for 2024-2029. She said the two sides will cooperate in advancing trade,

investment and talent mobility, strengthening joint economic security, advancing the clean transition and driving innovation together, deepening industrial cooperation in Defence. "Europe is already India's biggest trading partner and we are committed to finalising our Free Trade Agreement

by the end of the year. Europe is open for business. And we are ready to invest in our shared future with India," she said.Kaja Kallas, High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy/Vice-President of the European Commission, said "India is one of the most important players in the world today and a natural partner for the European Union. There are many areas where our interests, strengths and political will align. Boosting our collaboration - which we are proposing today - will benefit the security and prosperity of citizens and

businesses on both sides. There are areas where we disagree. Ultimately our partnership is about defending a rules-based international order. Our negotiations will address these challenges. The Joint Communication identifies five areas of shared interest and complementary strengths, building on existing ties while addressing areas that present potential for increased engagement. Amid shifting geopolitical realities, closer EU-India relations are increasingly vital for strengthening economic growth and security and diversifying supply

chains in response to today's uncertain global order. Beyond the bilateral dimension, the new strategic agenda highlights EU-India joint engagement on global issues and with third partners, reflecting India's growing global influence, according to the Joint Communication. It also identifies significant untapped potential in trade and investment, outlining strategies to strengthen commercial ties, particularly finalising the ongoing negotiations on a Free Trade Agreement (FTA). It proposes reinforcing supply chains while promoting critical

emerging technologies and engagement on digital issues, with particular attention to strengthening economic security within the Trade and Technology Council (TTC). The new strategy also proposes deepening tech cooperation, including a potential EU-India Startup partnership, and invites India to associate with Horizon Europe programme. It suggests ambitious initiatives for decarbonisation and the clean transition, such as intensifying cooperation on renewables, developing green hydrogen capabilities and expanding green finance.





## DPO Engages with Villagers Over Land Acquisition for Beautification of Megalithic Site

**DB Reporter**  
**Barkagaon, Hazaribagh:** District Planning Officer (DPO) Pankaj Tiwari conducted an inspection of the world-renowned Megalithic site at Pankri Barwadih, which has been declared a tourist destination. The visit was aimed at discussing the beautification and development plans for the site. During the inspection, the DPO held detailed discussions with local villagers and community representatives regarding the protection and beautification of the site. He emphasized the importance of preserving ownership rights while ensuring that local residents benefit from the development.



"I want to ensure that your ownership of the land remains intact and that future generations gain employment opportunities from this project," said Tiwari during the meeting. In response, the villagers stated that the land in question is privately owned (raiya land) and expressed willingness to consider land measurement and acquisition only if proper compensation, rehabilitation, and employment assurances are provided. Present at the meeting were Mukhia Bimla Devi, JMM Block President and contractor Sanjay Singh, Mukhia Representative Rajkumar Sahu, and several villagers including Dubhan Sahu, Hiramain Sahu, Santosh Kumar Sahu, Tishwar Kumar, Nirmal Kumar, and others.

## Amit Sahu Honoured for Exemplary Service Over Three Consecutive Years

**DB Reporter**  
**Ramgarh:** Amit Sahu was recently honoured for completing a commendable and impactful three-year tenure as Regional Vice President of the Federation of Jharkhand Chamber of Commerce and Industries (FJCCI). The recognition was conferred during an electoral event organized under the aegis of the FJCCI. The felicitation was conducted in the presence of former FJCCI presidents Manoj Naredi and Kishore Mantri. Dr. Abhishek Ramadin, a renowned physician from Ranchi and currently a member of the FJCCI executive committee, presented Sahu with a bouquet and a traditional shawl as a mark of appreciation. Speaking on the occasion, Amit Sahu expressed his gratitude and said,



"Over the past three years, I have fulfilled my responsibilities with dedication and commitment. I have continuously worked towards addressing the issues faced by the industrial and business communities in our region and will continue to do so in the future. I extend my heartfelt thanks to all office bearers of the FJCCI for this honour and support."

## Indian Bank Receives Rajbhasha Kirti Award at Hindi Diwas Celebration in Gandhinagar

**DB Reporter**  
**Ranchi:** Indian Bank, one of the leading public sector banks of the country, has been honoured with the Third Prize of the Rajbhasha Kirti Award for the year 2024-25 at the Hindi Diwas Celebration, organised during the 5th All India Rajbhasha Conference 2025 held in Gandhinagar, Gujarat. Indian Bank has received this award for the second consecutive year in recognition of its "outstanding performance in the field of Rajbhasha implementation". The award was presented on the first day of the two-day 5th All India Rajbhasha Conference at the Mahatma Mandir Convention & Exhibition Centre, Gandhinagar, by Union Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal and Rajya Sabha MP Dr. Dinesh Sharma. On behalf of Indian Bank, Manoj Kumar Das, General Manager, Official Language Department, Corporate



Office, received the award. Apart from this, the coordinator of Town Official Language Implementation Committee (Bank), Ranchi, Indian Bank, Zonal Office Ranchi was also awarded in the "Commendable Category" under the Narakaas Rajbhasha Samman on 15 September for the remarkable performance of the Official Language Policy of the Union in its area of work. This award was received by Rajesh Kumar Singh, Assistant General Manager, Official Language Department and Om Prakash Verma, Member Secretary and Senior Manager, NARAKAS at the Corporate Office of Indian Bank. This honour demonstrates the Bank's strong commitment to the successful implementation of the Official Language Policy and the promotion of Hindi in banking operations. Indian Bank remains dedicated to providing banking services across the country with the spirit of "Customer Service in the Customer's Language."

## Massive Strategy Meeting Held in Ramgarh Ahead of 'Rail Roko' Protest by Kudmi Community

**DB Reporter**  
**Ramgarh :** Ahead of the large-scale 'Rail Teka - Dahr Cheka' agitation scheduled for September 20, the Kudmi community of Ramgarh district held a strategic meeting at Kudmi Kumba, Kankebar, under the guidance of the Central Committee of Adivasi Kudmi Samaj. The meeting focused on mobilizing support and organizing logistics for the peaceful rail blockade protest aimed at demanding inclusion of the Kudmi community in the Scheduled Tribes (ST) list. Representatives from across the district, including men, women, and youth, participated in the meeting. A resolution was passed to block all train routes at Barkakana Junction on September 20, with over one lakh Kudmi people expected to take part in what is being termed a historic protest. Former Vice-Chairman of Ramgarh Municipal Council, Manoj Kumar Mahato, stated that the community has been systematic-



cally neglected for over 75 years despite having cultural, dietary, and traditional similarities with other Scheduled Tribes. He emphasized that the protest is a constitutional and peaceful effort, with no intention to harm any other tribal group. Former Ramgarh Zila Parishad Chairperson Brahmadev Mahato highlighted the mass displacement of Kudmi people due to projects by CCL, BCCL, ECL, and various state institutions. "Our ancestral lands have been acquired for development, but we have been left behind," he said. District Councillor Hemlal Mahato added that Kudmi communities across Jharkhand, Odisha, and West Bengal are united in their demand for tribal recognition and will participate in the peaceful 'Rail Roko' protest to submit a memorandum to the central and state governments.

## Adikarmyogi Abhiyan Resonates with Tribal Culture in Babhni Village

**DB Reporter**  
**Hazaribagh :** As part of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision for tribal empowerment and responsive governance, the Adikarmyogi Abhiyan reached Babhni village under Dhadha Panchayat in Ichak Block on Friday. A special Responsive Governance Program was organized, blending governance with deep-rooted tribal traditions. The event began with a traditional welcome of officials and public representatives through drums, nagaras, and mandars. Block Development Officer (BDO) Santosh Kumar honored the village head of the Manjhi community with a garland, recognizing their cultural importance. A visual layout of the village was prepared, and



residents' issues were listed for developmental planning. BDO Santosh Kumar highlighted various welfare schemes initiated in memory of freedom fighter Birsa Munda, assuring residents that the benefits would reach them effectively. Mukhia Sunita Devi encouraged villagers to openly voice their concerns. In response, local residents including Ramsahay Manjhi, Beshulal Manjhi, Chunnun Manjhi, Babulal Manjhi (from Banka Tola) and Mahadev Manjhi, Mahesh Manjhi, Dhani

## Deputy Commissioner Addresses Public Grievances, Directs Prompt Action

**DB Reporter**  
**Hazaribagh:** Under the leadership of Deputy Commissioner Shashi Prakash Singh, a public grievance redressal session (Janata Darbar) was held on Friday at the district collectorate office. A large number of villagers attended with their applications and complaints. The Deputy Commissioner attentively listened to each complaint and instructed concerned officials to ensure prompt and sensitive resolution of issues. The grievances primarily involved pension approvals post-retirement, ration card corrections, housing, supply chain issues, land disputes, family conflicts, employment, and various government schemes. **Key Issues and Directives:**

- Sarda Charanjit Singh from Chouparan police station area complained about obstruction of access routes and illegal occupation of purchased land. The Deputy Commissioner immediately directed the SDM of Barhi to take swift



action. 

- Residents of Gandhi Maidan, Matwari locality raised concerns over illegal construction blocking their pathways. The Deputy Commissioner ordered the Municipal Commissioner to investigate and submit a report.
- Rahul Kumar Gupta from Badkagaon police station requested case dismissal; the Deputy Commissioner instructed the Additional Collector to take necessary steps.
- Santosh Kumar Mandal from Barkatta police station followed up on a previously submitted land-related application. The Deputy Commissioner instructed the Barhi LRDC to expedite action via telephonic communication.
- A retired teacher sought assistance regarding pending pension claims. The Deputy Commissioner called the District Education Officer and directed submission of a report within 24

 hours and immediate resolution of all hurdles to ensure timely pension disbursement. He emphasized that no retired pensioner should be unfairly denied benefits, warning of administrative action if negligence occurs. The Deputy Commissioner reiterated the administration's commitment to efficient and timely grievance redressal, urging all officials to prioritize public complaints and resolve them within stipulated time frames.

## MP Manish Jaiswal's Initiative Brings New Identity to Hazaribagh and Ramgarh's Faith

**DB Reporter**  
**Hazaribagh:** A major development has been set in motion for Hazaribagh and Ramgarh districts as the Central Government has taken cognizance of a significant issue raised by Hazaribagh MP Manish Jaiswal in Parliament. Following his strong advocacy under Rule 377, the government has initiated the process to develop the Maa Chhinnamastika Temple complex into a grand religious tourism corridor. The Center has now requested the Jharkhand government to submit a Detailed Project Report



(DPR) and other essential documents for this ambitious project. MP Manish Jaiswal expressed his happiness over this progress, stating that this initiative will not only elevate the religious

significance and faith associated with Maa Chhinnamastika Temple but also boost tourism in the region, creating new employment opportunities for locals. The Central Government has assured full financial and technical support once the state submits the proposal. "This is not just a project but a commitment to usher in a new era of faith, culture, and development for Hazaribagh and Ramgarh," said Jaiswal. He further added that every effort will be made to ensure the corridor takes shape at the earliest.

## MLA Mamta Devi Meets DDC to Demand Home Guard Recruitment in Ramgarh

**DB Reporter**  
**Ramgarh :** A delegation of local youths, led by Ramgarh MLA Mamta Devi, met with Deputy Development Commissioner (DDC) Ashish Agrawal to press for the long-pending recruitment of Home Guards in the district. During the meeting, MLA Mamta Devi highlighted the growing frustration among thousands of unemployed youth in the region who have been waiting for job opportunities. She stated that the recruitment of Home



Guards would not only provide much-needed employment but also strengthen the district's security framework. The MLA submitted a formal memorandum to the DDC, urging the administration to expedite the recruitment process without further delay. In response, DDC Ashish Agrawal assured the delegation that the matter would be taken up on a priority basis and forwarded to the concerned department for necessary action. The youth present at the meeting expressed gratitude to Mamta Devi for raising their concerns and voiced hope that the recruitment process would commence soon.



# Dr. Irfan Ansari Emerges as Hero, Saves 23 Girls from Fire Tragedy in Jamtara

**DB Reporter**  
**Jamtara:** A sudden fire caused by a short circuit broke out this evening at Kasturba Gandhi Girls' Residential School in Narayanpur, leading to smoke inhalation and health issues for 23 students. The girls were immediately admitted to



the Community Health Center (CHC) Narayanpur.

Upon receiving the news, Jharkhand Health Minister Dr. Irfan Ansari canceled all his engagements and rushed to the hospital. His arrival brought calm to the chaotic scene, with hospital staff springing into swift action to provide urgent treatment. Within a short time, all the

girls' conditions stabilized. Speaking to the media, Dr. Ansari assured that all the girls are now safe and healthy. He added that if necessary, they would be referred to bigger hospitals. The minister comforted parents by promising full government support and aid.

Dr. Ansari explained that the incident was caused by heavy rain and a lightning strike but praised the prompt response of Narayanpur's healthcare workers and volunteers for preventing a major tragedy. He thanked the media for quickly disseminating the information.

During a hospital inspection, Dr. Ansari instructed authorities to ensure adequate funding and resources for the health department and emphasized zero tolerance for negligence. His swift action in saving 23 young lives has made him a celebrated figure throughout Jharkhand today.

## Pension Restored for Elderly Woman Following Deputy Commissioner's Intervention

**DB Reporter**  
**Dhanbad:** Deputy Commissioner and District Magistrate Aditya Ranjan held a public grievance hearing today, where an elderly woman from Jodapokhar shared that her pension, which she had been receiving since 2002, was suddenly stopped in 2019. Upon taking swift action, the Deputy Commissioner's investigation revealed that she had been mistakenly declared deceased in 2019, which led to the suspension of her pension. The Deputy Commissioner instructed the Social Security



Department to take immediate steps by verifying her pension, Aadhaar card, ration card, and bank passbook copies. Consequently, her pension payments were promptly resumed. The elderly woman expressed her gratitude for the quick resolution.

During the hearing, complaints related to illegal land occupation, BPL quota enrollment, obstruction of access roads, delayed compensation for land acquisition, fraudulent land encroachments, housing scheme allotments, and parking disputes in apart-

ments were also received. The Deputy Commissioner assured citizens that resolving their issues remains a top priority and directed officials to address all complaints transparently and within the stipulated timeframe.

## Kodarma SP Holds Monthly Crime Review Meeting, Issues Key Directives

**DB Reporter**  
**Kodarma:** Under the chairmanship of Superintendent of Police (SP) Anudeep Singh, the monthly crime review meeting was held on September 19, 2025, at Kodarma. The meeting was attended by the Sub-Divisional Police Officer (SDPO), Deputy SP (Headquarters), officers from Maika and Domchanch circles, and all police station and outpost in-charges from the district. The meeting began with a review of the security preparations for the upcoming Durga Puja



2025 festival. Detailed discussions were held with all police heads on measures taken to ensure public safety during the celebrations, and several directives were issued accordingly. The SP instructed all police stations and outposts to expedite the execution of pending warrants and seizure orders and ensure the arrest of absconding accused per-

sons. A thorough review of cases reported in August 2025 was conducted, with special emphasis on clearing cases pending for over three years by submitting final charge sheets promptly. Police supervisors were directed to oversee unresolved cases and submit supervisory notes within a week. Officers and staff posted at police stations

and outposts were ordered to remain stationed at their assigned locations. Traffic management was also discussed extensively, with instructions to coordinate between Tilaiya and Kodarma police stations to maintain smooth traffic flow. Strict action against traffic violations such as drunk driving, speeding, and non-compliance with traffic rules was emphasized. SP Singh ordered the use of FSL teams for lifting, packing, and sampling in cases involving sentences over seven years.

## Jute Craft Training Boosts Women's Skills in Hazaribagh



**DB Reporter**  
**Hazaribagh:** Under the auspices of the Chief Minister's Small and Cottage Industries Development Board, the Jan Jagran Kendra, Hazaribagh is conducting a 25-day Jute Craft Skill Enhancement Training program at Basariya village in Barhi block. The training, running from September 9 to October 3, 2025, recently witnessed the distribution of toolkits and machines to participants. The primary objective of the program is to empower rural women and youth by providing advanced training in jute craft techniques and designs, enabling them to create sustainable self-employment and livelihood opportunities. The dis-

tributed toolkits include modern jute crafting tools along with printing and jute stitching machines. Participants are being trained in practical aspects of jute product designing, manufacturing, quality improvement, packaging, and marketing. This holistic approach aims to make trainees self-reliant and help them market their products effectively in both local and national markets. The event was attended by key dignitaries including District Entrepreneur Coordinator of the Chief Minister's Board, Shri Shresh Tripathi; Director of Jan Jagran Kendra, Trainers Mohammad Ahsan and Jainul; and Barhi among others.

## Overflowing Drainage at Medical College Raises Concern; Municipal Commissioner Promises Swift Action

**DB Reporter**  
**Hazaribagh:** A serious sanitation issue has emerged in the Hazaribagh Municipal Corporation area, where overflowing drains from Indrapuri Chowk to the Divisional Sadar Hospital are creating unsanitary conditions outside the Hazaribagh Medical College and Hospital. On Friday, MP Media Representative Ranjan Chaudhary met with Municipal Commissioner Yogendra Prasad to address the growing concern. He highlighted how dirty drain water is stagnating at the hospital's main



entrance, causing foul odor and an unhygienic environment. Patients, doctors, and healthcare workers are being forced to wade through the dirty water, which poses serious health risks-especially for already ailing patients. Recognizing the gravity of the issue, Chaudhary urged the Commissioner not only to immediately clean the drains in front of the hospital but also to ensure comprehensive sanitation

efforts in other parts of the city such as Gola Road. He also emphasized the need for proper fogging operations to curb the spread of mosquito-borne diseases like dengue. Municipal Commissioner Yogendra Prasad assured immediate action. He promised that the hospital-area drains would be cleaned by the next day and confirmed that city-wide sanitation drives are already underway.

## Preparations in Full Swing for Ravan Dahan in Ramgarh; Committee Seeks Administrative Support

**DB Reporter**  
**Ramgarh :** Preparations are underway for the grand Ravan Dahan event to be organized by the Ramgarh Cant. Dussehra Committee at the local football ground on Mahadashami (Dussehra). In view of maintaining law and order and ensuring public safety during the event, Committee President Deepak Sonkar and General Secretary Satyajit Choudhary met Sub-Divisional Officer (SDO) Anurag Tiwari on September 19 and submitted a formal request for necessary administrative arrangements. Providing further details,



President Deepak Sonkar said that artisans from Bengal have arrived with their team and have begun work on creating effigies of Ravan, Kumbhkaran, and Meghnath. This year's effigies are expected to be especially eye-catching, as the committee has engaged the same team of artisans known for their work at the renowned Morabadi Dussehra celebrations. In addition to the effigy burning, the com-

mittee has also arranged for a grand fireworks display. Skilled pyrotechnicians from Bengal have been brought in to handle the fireworks, which promise to be a major attraction of the event. The committee is working diligently to ensure the success and safety of the celebrations and has called upon district officials to provide necessary support in terms of crowd control and security measures.

## Nayak Football Tournament Kicks Off in Huduwa, Barkagaon

**DB Reporter**  
**Barkagaon, Hazaribagh:** The Nayak Football Tournament was inaugurated with great enthusiasm in Huduwa village under Chepakala Panchayat, Barkagaon block. The opening ceremony was led by Block Mukhia Sangh President and



MP Representative Ranjit

Kumar, Mukhia and AJSU Party Central Secretary Aniket Nayak, AJSU Central Member Sandeep Kushwaha, and former Mukhia Bhikhan Mahato. The dignitaries introduced themselves to the players and ceremonially kicked off the tournament.

Chief coordinator Aniket Nayak informed that 16 teams from nearby areas are participating in the tournament. The inaugural match was played between ST Brothers Jarjara and Birsra Munda Club Hazaribagh, in which ST Brothers emerged victorious

with a 1-0 win. Following the match, the organizing team welcomed guests with garlands and bouquets. Addressing the players and spectators, Ranjit Kumar emphasized the role of sports in fostering unity and brotherhood among villages.

## Vishwakarma Puja Celebrated with Great Enthusiasm at Radha Govind University

**DB Reporter**  
**Ramgarh :** The Faculty of Engineering and Technology at Radha Govind University celebrated Vishwakarma Puja with great zeal and devotion. The ceremony began with the traditional worship of Lord Vishwakarma, the divine architect, along with rituals for all machines and tools used in the institution - a unique tradition associated with this festival. The puja, aarti, and havan were conducted by Acharya Mukesh Kumar Pandey amid the chanting of Vedic mantras. Present on the occasion were the university's Chancellor B.N. Sahu, Secretary Priyanka Kumari, Vice-Chancellor Prof. (Dr.) Rashmi, Registrar Prof. (Dr.) Nirmal Kumar Mandal, Finance Officer Dr. Sanjay Kumar, Controller of Examinations Prof. (Dr.) Ashok Kumar, and



Management Committee Member Ajay Kumar. Chancellor B.N. Sahu conveyed his best wishes to all and emphasized that Vishwakarma Puja is not just for artisans and laborers, but for everyone who contributes to society through hard work and creativity. Secretary Priyanka Kumari remarked that with the blessings of Lord Vishwakarma, the university's machines and equipment function smoothly, making the day especially significant for the institu-

tion. On the following day, a havan, aarti, and community meal (Khichdi Bhandara) were organized. The event concluded with a grand procession and immersion of the idol of Lord Vishwakarma, accompanied by music and dance. The celebrations were successfully organized under the leadership of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology. Faculty members, department heads, students, and staff participated enthusiastically.

## Swachhata Pakhwada Observance at DVC KTPS



**DB Reporter**  
**Koderma :** As part of Swachhata Pakhwada with the theme "Swachhata Hi Seva", DVC KTPS organized a Swachhata Rally from the Administrative Building to the Main Gate Four Lane, KTPS. The rally was anchored by Sri Sukhmoy Nayak, DGM (HR) and witnessed enthusiastic participation from senior executives and officials including Dr. Paramveer Kumar,

Sri Neeraj Kumar, Sri Deepak Gupta, Sri Ashish Kumar, Sri Sanjay Khujur, Sri D.K. Dhirendra, Dr. Arun Pramanik, Sri Ashwini Kumar, Sri Bipin Das, Sri Santosh Kumar, Sri Daniel Burh, Sri Sandeep Kumar & Team. The rally highlighted the collective responsibility towards cleanliness, hygiene, and sustainable environmental practices, in alignment with the nationwide Swachhata Abhiyan.

## National PR Conclave-2025 to be held in Ranchi, poster launched



**DB Reporter**  
**Ranchi:** Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) is soon hosting a major event. The National PR Conclave 2025 will be held on October 8th and 9th at CCL Headquarters, Darbhanga House, Ranchi. The official poster for the conclave was launched on Friday. CCL Director (Human Resources) Harsh Nath Mishra, Chief Vigilance Officer Pankaj Kumar, Technical Secretary Ashok Kumar, CC & PR Department Head Alok Kumar, and Department Manager Mayank

Kashyap were present on the occasion. This is the first time the National PR Conclave is being held in Jharkhand. This time, the theme of the conclave is "Redefining Public Relations: The Journey from Information to Participation in the Digital Age." The event will feature prominent leaders, experts, and veterans from across the country who will share their views. Participants will have the opportunity to discuss the challenges, opportunities, and new strategies for public relations in the digital age.







Editorial

If there is malnutrition then who is healthy?

There was a flood of well-wishes and congratulations. It was Prime Minister Modi's birthday. It was also heartening to note that he had celebrated 75 years of life. He is undoubtedly the most popular Prime Minister of his era. He has transformed the course and direction of Indian politics. Prime Minister Modi also holds a global role. Those who glorified the Prime Minister on this special occasion, recounting stories of his journey from a poor childhood to the nation's supreme leader, may have been compelled by this compulsion and commitment. Indeed, Prime Minister Modi broke the traditional mold of government and made many unprecedented decisions, setting new paradigms. Every Prime Minister has been entrusted with such decisions and actions, and therefore, in some ways, he has been considered a "visionary." How one interprets them is another matter. However, Prime Minister Modi had chosen the slogan for his birthday: "Healthy Women, Strong Families." Government advertisements to this effect were also published in the media. The Prime Minister called for proper health check-ups for mothers, sisters, and daughters. Millions of such mega health camps are being run across the country until October 2nd. Testing, medication, and treatment will all be free. The Prime Minister has considered women more important than the government treasury. While the initiative and intention are undoubtedly noble and community-based, some findings from the National Family Health Survey worry us and would sting Prime Minister Modi if these figures were presented to him. Malnutrition remains a social, economic, and class-based problem. According to the National Family Health Survey, 57% of women aged 15-49 in the country suffer from anemia (anemia or hemoglobin deficiency). Approximately 36% of children under 5 years of age are stunted, over 32% are underweight, and 19.3% are physically and mentally challenged. Approximately 74% of the population lacks access to a healthy, nutritious diet. Malnutrition rates are higher in areas with high poverty rates. The Indian government had set a goal of making the country malnutrition-free by 2022.

The confusion in Manipur and the arrival of the PM

*The Khado community lives in the southern hills of Manipur. This community is considered large in terms of the hills. Initially, this community was called Kuki. Later, the term Kuki was expanded by including several other smaller communities within the Khado. Anthropologists constantly try to establish a common origin for the communities living in Myanmar's Chin region, the Mizos of Mizoram, also known as 'Zo', and the communities of Manipur whose own identities are now slowly emerging. Much of this type of literature is also published in European languages. The largest hill community in the southern hills is called Khado. The largest hill community in the northern hills is called Tankhul...*

Kuldeep Chand Agnihotri

Manipur has been in turmoil for some time. There is a dispute between the Meitei community living in the valleys of Manipur and the people of approximately thirty to forty hill communities living in the southern hills of Manipur. The hill communities have blocked the entry of the plains Meitei community into the hills, and the plains Meitei community is preventing the hill communities from entering the valleys. This has led to significant bloodshed. Recently, Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited Manipur and addressed two public meetings there. The meeting for the plains was held in Imphal, and the meeting for the hills was held at the Churachandpur district headquarters. The Prime Minister also announced the launch of several development projects, which were met with enthusiasm among the local population. However, to understand Modi's visit, it is important to understand this dispute. The northern region of India is called the Himalayan region. This region has two types of geography: valleys and mountain ranges. Those living in the valleys are called plains dwellers, and those living on mountain ranges are called hill dwellers. This division isn't unique to India, but it exists worldwide. However, the basis of this division is geography. The psychology of plains and mountains also differs to some



extent. Therefore, the second division is psychological. The geographical division is visible, while the psychological division is not visible, but can be experienced in practice. This does not mean that the psychology of both is opposed to each other. Being separate and being hostile are two different concepts. This entire northern region of the Himalayas is divided geographically into the Northeast and Northwest. Both the Northeast and Northwest have valleys and mountains. Therefore, both regions are largely inhabited by plains and hill people. In this sense, the division of population is also based on plains and hills. In ancient texts, Northeast India is also known as Kirat Pradesh. Due to their Mongol-like appearance, the mountain people were also called Kirat. Kirat includes all the hill people of the

Northeast, similarly, Northwest India is also called Sapta Sindh. However, not all the hill people living in Northeast India belong to the same community, just as not all the hill people living in Himachal Pradesh belong to the same community. They belong to various communities, such as Kinnar, Bhot, Lahule, Gaddi, Gujjar, etc. Similarly, the hill people in the Northeast are divided into hundreds of communities. For example, the Adi, Nishi, Nokte, Sherdukpen, Garo, Khasi, Jaintia, Tripuri, Jamatia, Devvarman, Chang, Khado, Tankhul, Paite, and Gangte, among others. The list goes on for hundreds. However, one thing must be kept in mind: when a person from the plains calls a person living in the mountains a Pahadi, they do so not merely out of a geographical context; they harbor either a sense of pity or contempt for the

hill dwellers. This is often the case among people living in the plains of Assam toward the hill people. This sentiment, in addition to geography, is the cause of many problems between the people living in the plains and the hills. The biggest problem caused by geography is a practical one. Given this background, we will limit our discussion to Manipur. Therefore, we must consider Manipur's geography. Suppose there were a conflict between two communities living in the mountains of Manipur, the Khado and the Khamleng, the Khamleng could certainly block the Khado's entry and exit routes into the mountains. If there were a conflict between the Meitei and the Khado, they could block all access routes for each other. The situation could be like a pigeon in a cage. The people living in the plains of Manipur are called Meitei. Additionally, some Muslims also live in the plains, having migrated from Bengal. They are called Pangals. Furthermore, there are approximately fifty-five communities living in the mountains of Manipur. These fifty-five communities are also divided geographically into two groups. There are approximately forty communities living in the southern hills, whom the British rulers collectively called Kukis, and approximately fourteen communities living in the northern hills, whom the British began to call Nagas.

The state is at the crossroads of development and destruction

Sikandar Bansal

The definition of development needs to change. Instead of wide roads and high dams, we must focus on sustainable development policies. Controlling tourism, limiting the number of visitors, judicious use of local resources, emphasizing small and alternative energy sources, and protecting forests are all essential steps. Himachal must choose the right path between development and destruction. If the natural balance is disrupted solely for immediate economic gain, future generations will have neither lush forests, clean rivers, nor safe mountains. Therefore, the biggest question today is: do we want four-lane roads and power projects, or a safe, balanced Himachal... Himachal Pradesh today stands at a juncture where a profound conflict between the rapid pace of development and nature's resilience is evident. The increasing number of disasters in recent years—landslides, floods, cloudbursts, and road collapses—poses a grave warning for this hilly state. The question arises: does Himachal

truly need large-scale four-lane roads and power projects, or should we redefine our needs and priorities from an environmental perspective? Himachal Pradesh's total population, according to the 2011 census, is approximately 6.86 million, and it is estimated to reach 7.5 million by 2025. Although small in size, the state is highly attractive for tourism. Every year, millions of tourists visit its valleys, rivers, lakes, and religious sites. In 2024-25, approximately 19.9 million tourists visited Himachal Pradesh, including approximately 62,000 foreign tourists. This number is nearly two and a half times the state's population. In such a situation, it's natural to question: can the land of Himachal bear the weight of such massive human movement and construction? The reality is that Himachal's geological structure is extremely fragile. The Himalayan region is geologically relatively new, so the soil and rocks here are unstable. This instability is further exacerbated by large-scale road widening, tunnel construction,

power projects, and uncontrolled mining. When hundreds of trees are felled and mountains are machine-cut to create wide roads, massive landslides occur. The disasters of 2023 and 2024 provided a vivid example of this, with hundreds of people suffering disasters and billions of rupees in losses in districts like Shimla, Mandi, and Kinnaur. The demand for road and power projects in Himachal is certainly driven by tourism and energy production. To promote tourism, the government considers four-lane projects a symbol of development. Similarly, large power projects are set up here to meet national energy needs. But are these projects beneficial to Himachal's local community and environment? Himachal already has over 170 hydropower projects, and dozens more are under construction. These generate electricity, but they have profound impacts on the local ecology and society. Changes in river flow, depletion of fisheries, declining groundwater levels, and frequent earthquakes are all consequences of these projects.

Similarly, while four-lane projects have increased tourism, the annual increase in vehicles and passengers has put enormous pressure on the state's fragile infrastructure. Environmentalists' warnings are also clear in this regard. Anil Joshi, a renowned environmentalist working on Himalayan ecology, says, "The Himalayas are not a laboratory for development. Any interference here will spell disaster for future generations." This is why, when we choose between urban amenities and environmental imbalance, we must consider what secures our future. Tourism is undoubtedly the backbone of Himachal's economy, but expanding it recklessly is self-defeating. The projected arrival of nearly 20 million tourists in 2024-25 indicates that the state's natural boundaries are now under strain. Crowded roads, mountains of garbage, water and electricity shortages, and environmental crises together reveal the true nature of Himachal. The state's total population is around 7.5 million, and when three times that

number of people visit annually, it's natural for the earth to groan. In such a situation, the definition of development needs to be redefined. Instead of wide roads and high dams, we must focus on sustainable development policies. Controlling tourism, limiting the number of visitors, judicious use of local resources, emphasizing small and alternative energy sources, and protecting forests are all essential steps. Himachal must choose the right path between "development and destruction." If the natural balance is disrupted solely for immediate economic gain, future generations will have neither lush forests, clean rivers, nor safe mountains. Therefore, the most important question today is whether we want four-lane roads and power projects, or a safe, balanced, and disaster-free Himachal. In considering this, we must adopt the same vision that Mahatma Gandhi proclaimed: "The earth can satisfy everyone's need, but not everyone's greed." This is the message the land of Himachal is giving today.



The Pro model is available for 134,900, and the Pro Max for 149,900. All models have a base 256GB storage. Key features include a 48MP camera, A19 chip, and ProMotion display. Pre-orders began on September 12th, but crowds began gathering as soon as Apple stores opened at 8 a.m. today. In addition to Apple stores, sales are also open on Amazon, Flipkart, Reliance Digital, and Croma.







Salman Khan returns to Mumbai after shooting in Ladakh, spotted in a clean-shaven look



Bollywood actor Salman Khan recently traveled to Ladakh for the shoot of his upcoming film Battle of Galwan. When he returned to Mumbai on Thursday, his look appeared completely different. Pictures of this new look quickly went viral on social media.

On Thursday, Salman Khan was spotted exiting Terminal 2 of Mumbai's Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport. During this time, he was seen in a clean-shaven look, which surprised fans on social media. He wore denim with a black T-shirt, completing his look with a black jacket and a cap.

Earlier, when Salman was in Mumbai, he was spotted with a moustache for his film's look. Seeing him clean-shaven now left fans shocked, since he is expected to sport a moustache again in Battle of Galwan, after the Dabangg franchise. When Salman first shared his look from the film, it had gone viral instantly.

At that time, Salman posted a BTS picture from the film set on Instagram, where he was seen peeking from behind a clapperboard while giving the first take for a scene. In the film, Salman plays the role of an army officer, for which he underwent intense training.

Battle of Galwan is based on the 2020 clash between India and China at the border, where 20 Indian soldiers were martyred, and China also faced losses.



Kajol looked stunning in a black dress, said – choosing clothes should be easy

Actress Kajol is currently in the spotlight for her new show Too Much with Kajol and Twinkle. On Tuesday, the actress shared a few pictures on social media in which she looked extremely stylish. In the photos posted on Instagram, Kajol is seen wearing a black dress. She kept her look minimal with light makeup and a ponytail. Her confidence shines through clearly in the pictures.

Along with the photos, Kajol captioned, "Sometimes emotions

can be complicated, but choosing clothes should be simple. This beautiful black dress boosts my confidence more than any compliment ever could." In the first picture, the actress is seen posing with a slight smile while looking into the camera. In the second one, she poses stylishly while gazing to the side. In the rest, Kajol strikes different poses for the shoot. Kajol and Twinkle will soon be seen hosting the new show Too Much with Kajol and Twinkle. Its trailer has already

been released. The show will feature several Bollywood celebrities, including Salman Khan, Aamir Khan, Akshay Kumar, Alia Bhatt, Varun Dhawan, Karan Johar, Kriti Sanon, Vicky Kaushal, Govinda, and Janhvi Kapoor. The show is set to premiere on September 25 on Prime Video. Talking about Kajol's upcoming projects, she will reprise her role as Noyonika Sengupta in the second season of the courtroom drama The Trial: Pyaar, Kanoon, Dhoka.

Kubra Sait redefined the meaning of friendship while responding to Aahana Kumra in Rise and Fall

Established their dominance over the game

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Kubra Sait, who recently stepped into the world of reality TV with Rise and Fall, has been consistently impressing everyone with her gameplay. Among many participants, she has established a strong presence. Recently, tensions rose on the show when a heated argument broke out between Aahana Kumra and Kubra Sait, raising questions about the strength of their friendship.

During the conversation, an emotional Aahana expressed her frustration and said, "Yes, I have anxiety, and I'm openly talking about it. But will you humiliate me in front of everyone like this? It hurts us too, we are human after all. Some things really get to the heart. As a friend, I expected better from you."

Responding to this, Kubra clarified, "Yaar, you probably don't even remember the last time we met. Do you really consider me your friend? I see you as a colleague."



Akanksha's Birthday Bash: Friends, Fun, and Lots of Laughter

After winning everyone's hearts as Dr. Gargi in Gram Chikatsalaya Season 1, Akanksha Ranjan Kapoor is celebrating her birthday weekend with full joy and excitement. This time, she planned an intimate yet fun getaway with her close friends. The party vibe is all about chilling, laughter, and lots of fun.

Akanksha says, "This birthday had to be more joyful than grand. The best thing is to spend the day with the people who make you laugh the most. For this weekend getaway, I'm looking forward to sunshine, music, and endless laughter." On the work front too, Akanksha Ranjan Kapoor is full of energy.

When a Coffee Shop Meeting Turned Sanaya Irani into an Actress



In the TV world, there are some artists whose simplicity and innocence win the hearts of audiences. Sanaya Irani is one such actress, known for her roles as Gunjan (Miley Jab Hum Tum) and Khushi (Iss Pyaar Ko Kya Naam Doon?).

Her success wasn't the result of a big plan but rather an unexpected encounter and a twist of fate. It's the story of how a meeting in a coffee shop transformed a model into a popular actress. Sanaya once shared this in an interview.

Born on 17 September 1983, Sanaya began her career as a model. At that time, she was struggling to make a name for herself in the modeling industry. One day, while she was sitting in a Mumbai café with her friends, a well-known director noticed her. He approached her and said he wanted to cast her in one of his films.

At first, Sanaya was shocked, as she had never even thought about acting. Still, she agreed to audition. During the audition, she was given an emotional scene that required her to cry. Sanaya tried her best but couldn't cry. Disheartened, she went back home, thinking the opportunity had slipped away. But the director liked her innocence and honest personality. He reached out to her again and gave her another chance. This time, instead of a crying scene, she was asked to perform a simple scene, which she did beautifully.

What many don't know is that Sanaya did not get that film, but the experience opened a new path for her. The director encouraged her to pursue acting further.

From Alia Bhatt to Nikita Dutta Bollywood Divas and Their Pearl Elegance

Pearls have always symbolized grace, opulence, and simplicity. Bollywood's leading ladies have once again proved that this timeless jewel can never go out of fashion. From classic chokers to layered strands, each actress has embraced the pearl necklace trend in her own unique style.

Alia Bhatt: Alia exuded regal charm in a black velvet saree paired with layered pearl strands around her neck. The pearls added a royal aura to her look, while her bold red lips provided a striking contrast. She proved that pearls remain the most classic element of any woman's jewelry box.

Janhvi Kapoor: Dressed in an ivory embroidered saree, Janhvi drew all eyes with cas-



cading layered pearl necklaces draped over her blouse. The pearls added delicacy to her ensemble while maintaining her bold and glamorous vibe. With open hair and modern styling, she showcased how pearls can be both sensual and sophisticated.

Nushratt Bharuccha: Nushratt displayed regal elegance in a beige, intricately

detailed outfit. She paired it with a bold pearl choker accented with gemstones at the center. The pearls softened her structured look while adding a royal touch, turning minimalism into grand style.

Nikita Dutta: Nikita elevated simplicity with a sleek black dress paired with a triple-stranded pearl choker and oversized pearl studs. The clean design beautifully highlighted her neckline, giving her a modern, chic vibe. Her look proved that pearls can infuse femininity and charm even into the most minimal outfits.

Mrunal Thakur: Mrunal revived old-world beauty in a voluminous floral gown styled with a chunky pearl necklace and matching studs.

Actor and humanitarian Sonu Sood becomes a strong voice for the nation's farmers and honest traders

Actor and social worker Sonu Sood has once again proven why he is admired across the country. Beyond the glamour of cinema, Sonu Sood continues to stand firmly with the backbone of India — our farmers and small business owners — who earn their livelihood with honesty and hard work.

Recently, he highlighted the story of Suresh Giri, a simple farmer who runs his shop on a tractor and sells chilies with complete honesty. By supporting hardworking people like him, Sonu Sood also raised an important issue — opposing gutkha (chewing tobacco). According to him, health, dignity, and honesty should always come first in business. By saying "no" to gutkha and "yes" to honest earnings, he set an example for his millions of followers, writing in his caption: "Say no to gutkha."

