

Ezra Street Blaze Revives Safety Concerns; Mayor Orders High-Level Review

Kolkata has once again witnessed a devastating fire at the congested Ezra Street stretch of Jatugriha, raising renewed questions over fire safety preparedness in the area. Kolkata Mayor Firhad Hakim and Fire Minister Sujit Bose visited the site to assess the situation. The Mayor admitted that the blaze has brought the building's fire-prevention system under scrutiny once again. He confirmed that a meeting will be convened next week with all relevant agencies after examining the complaints. During his inspection, Mayor Hakim noted that several electric wires inside the building were found in a highly disorganised state. "I will hold a meeting with CESC, the Fire Department, the traders' association, the municipal authorities and the police. Our aim is to ensure that traders in Burrabazar can operate safely and that fire engines do not face obstacles while entering the area. It is everyone's responsibility to facilitate that," he said. **PG 3**



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South Africa's Corbin Bosch, center, celebrates with teammates after the dismissal of India's Rishabh Pant on the second day of the first cricket test match between India and South Africa in Kolkata.



India's Rishabh Pant plays a shot on the second day of the first cricket test match between India and South Africa in Kolkata.

MBBS student arrested from Uttar Dinajpur for alleged links with terror outfits of Delhi blast

MI News Service, Kolkata : In a major development, an MBBS student in West Bengal has been arrested by the National Investigation Agency (NIA) in Uttar Dinajpur district on suspicion of his alleged links to terror outfits, a senior police officer said on Saturday. The accused, identified as Janisur Alam alias Nisar Alam, an MBBS student of Al-Falah University, Haryana, and resident of Ludhiana with ancestral roots in Konal village near Dalkhola in Uttar Dinajpur, was picked up from the Surjapur Bazar area on Friday morning, he said. Alam was arrested from the Surjapur Bazar area in Uttar Dinajpur while returning from a wedding ceremony at his ancestral home, on suspicion of alleged terror links by sleuths of the NIA, he said. "The youth is a medical student of Haryana's Al-Falah University. He had travelled to his ancestral home with his mother and sister to attend a relative's wedding. Officers of the NIA intercepted him on his way back home after tracking his movements through mobile-tower location data," the officer said. "A few days ago, there was a wedding in the family, and Nisar had come home to attend the event," the officer said, adding that they were suspecting his involvement in activities related to the recent Delhi blast case. However, the NIA was yet to provide detailed information on how Nisar is allegedly linked to the blasts. Another officer earlier stated that Alam was also seen "loitering suspiciously" near a station in the area before

9 killed, 32 injured in Nowgam police station blast: LG orders investigation

MI News Service, New Delhi / Srinagar : In less than a week after the powerful blast near Red Fort Metro station in New Delhi on Monday, killing 13 people and injuring 30 others, a total of nine people have been killed and 32 others were injured in a "massive unfortunate accidental" explosion at the Nowgam police station in Jammu and Kashmir on Saturday. . Informing this at a press briefing, Prashant Lokhande, Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Home Affairs, said the cause of the 'accidental blast' is being investigated and any other speculation into the cause of the blast was unnecessary. He said a huge cache of explosive substances and chemicals which was recovered during probe into a terror module and kept securely in an open area in the premises of Nowgam police station, located on the outskirts of Sri-



Relative mourn near the coffin during the wreath laying ceremony for the deceased victims in an accidental blast at Nowgam police station, in Srinagar,

nagar, suddenly exploded causing so many deaths and injuries. . As a part of the standard and prescribed procedure, the recovered explosives were forwarded to forensic and

chemical examination, Lokhande said adding because of the voluminous nature of the recovery, the procedure was being continuously carried out for the last two days, he

said. Owing to the "unstable and sensitive" nature of the recovery, it was being handled very carefully under expert supervision, the Joint Secretary said. "However, during the process, an accidental explosion took place at about 11.20 pm on Friday night. In this unfortunate accidental incident, nine people have lost their lives and 27 police personnel, two revenue officials and three civilians have received injuries," Lokhande said. The police station has also suffered severe damage under the impact of the blast. Several other nearby buildings were also affected, he said. "The cause of the accident is being investigated. However, any other speculation into the cause of this incident is unnecessary," the Joint Secretary categorically made it clear. . Meanwhile,

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PM Modi reviews bullet train station in Gujarat



PM Narendra Modi on Saturday landed at Gujarat.

MI News Service, Surat : A day after the landslide victory of NDA in Bihar, Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited the under-construction bullet train station here in Gujarat on Saturday to review the progress of the Mumbai-Ahmedabad High-Speed Rail Corridor (MAHSR). The Prime Minister landed at the Surat airport in the morning and reached the Antroli area, where a most modern bullet train station is being constructed. Soon afterwards he interacted with officials and workers while reviewing the work. MAHSR is one of India's most ambitious infrastructure projects and spans approximately 508 km, covering 352 km in Gujarat and Dadra and Nagar Haveli, and 156 km in Maharashtra. Later in the day, PM Modi visited Dediapada town in the tribal-dominated Narmada

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Doubts rise on Congress' INDIA bloc leadership after Bihar election results

MI News Service, Kolkata : Following the dismal performance of the Congress in the just concluded Bihar elections, only Trinamool Congress Chief Mamata Banerjee is now in a position to lead the INDIA bloc to defeat the BJP in the coming polls, feels senior TMC leader Kalyan Banerjee MP .

"West Bengal Chief minister Mamata Banerjee has an unblemished record of defeating the BJP and the time has now come for her to lead the Opposition group," reiterated Kalyan Banerjee here today. He made this remark after the Congress could manage to win only 6 seats out of the 61 it contested in Bihar with a meagre strike rate of only about 9.8%. "It has now become clear that the Con-



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Kalyan Banerjee

gress can't stop the BJP. The leadership position must now go to a party which has a track record of defeating

the BJP", he said . Another senior TMC leader also pointed out that in six straight elections (three assembly and three Lok Sabha polls) Mamata Banerjee has been able to keep the BJP at bay in West Bengal. After the results of the Bihar elections and the sheer scale of the Grand Alliance or Maha Gathbandhan's defeat as well as the Congress' inability to win seats in the Hindi heartland, has once again raised the leadership issue within the INDIA bloc, with a growing clamour for a change in leadership of the group.

Meanwhile, fiercely contesting Prime Minister Narendra Modi's suggestion last night that the BJP's victory will now flow from

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All 25 ministers except one won in Bihar elections



MI News Service, Patna: As the ruling NDA decimated the Mahagathbandhan in Bihar to retain power, all but one of the 25 state ministers in the fray won their respective seats, the latest data from the Election Commission of India (ECI) said on Saturday. They said Deputy Chief Ministers Samrat Choudhary and Vijay Kumar Sinha, both from the BJP, won Tarapur and Lakhisarai assembly seats.

Chief Minister Nitish Kumar, who has been a member of the legislative council (MLC), did not contest the assembly elections.

Altogether 15 ministers from the BJP had contested the polls and all of them emerged victorious. Agriculture minister Prem Kumar, a BJP veteran, retained the Gaya Town seat for eighth consecutive term, a record

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US lawmaker to introduce bill to eliminate H-1B visa programme

MI News Service, Washington (DC): An American lawmaker will be introducing a bill to "completely eliminate" the H-1B visa programme and take away the pathway to citizenship that it offers, "forcing" individuals to "return home" when their visa expires. "My dear fellow Americans, I'm introducing a bill to completely eliminate the H-1B visa programme, which has been riddled with fraud and abuse and has been displacing American workers for decades," Congresswoman from Georgia, Marjorie Taylor Greene said in a video posted on X on Saturday. She said that there will only be one exemption in her bill, which will allow for a 10,000 per year cap on visas issued to medical professionals like doctors and nurses who provide life-saving care to Ameri-



Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene, R-Ga.,

cans. Greene however noted that even this 10,000 per year cap will be phased out over 10 years to allow us time to build our own pipeline of

American doctors and physicians. Greene added that her bill will also take away the pathway to citizenship, forcing visa holders to return

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home when their visa expires. She further said that the intention of her bill is to restore the original intent of the H-1B visa, which was for it to be temporary. These visas were intended to fulfill a specialty occupational need at a given time. People

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Bombs flood Murshidabad

MI News Service, Murshidabad: The district that once prided itself on heritage and scholarship is now reeling under relentless waves of bomb recoveries, exposing a deeply entrenched network of illegal explosive manufacturing. Within days of repeated crackdowns, Shamsherganj, Raghunathganj, Suti and Jangipur have all emerged as flashpoint bomb trail. On Saturday morning, police underneath fresh live bombs from the Linchubagan area under Sekendra Gram Panchayat in Raghunathganj.

Almost simultaneously, another cache- a full bag loaded with crude explosive- was recovered from a mango orchard in East Devidaspur jurisdiction. The sweeping operation expanded further when three buckets brimming in the Chandbari area of Laxmipur Panchayat under Suti police limits, sending shockwaves through the locality. In another major seizure, over fifty fresh bombs were recovered from Baraya in the Murshidabad police district, marking one of the largest single-day recoveries in recent weeks. Residents now speak in hushed tones, caught between fear and disbelief as bombs appear to surface faster than they are being neutralized. According to senior police officials, nearly 1,500 bombs have been recovered across Murshidabad in the two week since the launch of a special district bomb toll-free helpline. At least 28 cases have been registered, and 20 individual have been arrested in connection with bomb-making and supply operations. Murshidabad's Superintendent police has earlier delivered a stern public warning, asserting that those involve in bomb manufacturing and related offence would face uncompromising action. "No one will be spared. We have mapped every link in this chain- who manufactures, who throws, who supplies. The data since 2017 shows disturbing continuity. Once arrested, none will be released again," the SP said, stressing that the bomb squad would continue field operations until the network is dismantled. The sweeping crackdown follows months of intelligence surveillance and mapping of high-risk areas. Investigators now believe select villages have emerged as hotbeds for bomb-making, often used for localised political intimidation or turf wars. What is unfolding in Murshidabad reflects a grim pattern: a district turning into its own rival in the race for bomb recoveries- a chilling competition where every fresh seizure uncovers the next, revealing the scale of danger simmering beneath everyday life in rural Bengal.

Bangladeshi Youth arrested in North Bengal
MI News Service, Cooch Behar: A Bangladeshi national was arrested in north Bengal while allegedly attempting to cross into Bangladesh illegally amid heightened security under the state's Special Intensive Revision (SIR) operation. The youth, identified as 28-year-old Durjoy Roy, was detained by police near Haldibari in Cooch Behar on Friday. Police sources said Durjoy, a resident of Mardia village in Sirajganj district of Bangladesh, had entered India illegally nearly four years ago. Since then, he had been working in tea gardens and small hospitality establishments in north Bengal. During his stay, he also managed to obtain an Indian Aadhaar card, PAN card, ATM card, and local bank account documents.

As the SIR verification process began across the district, Durjoy reportedly panicked over possible detection and decided to flee the country through a broker operating near the border fencing. He reached Haldibari as part of the plan but was intercepted before crossing over. Police seized his mobile phone, identification cards, and cash at the time of arrest. According to officers from Dewanganj Outpost, local residents alerted the authorities after seeing the youth moving suspiciously around Sinjarhat area. "Upon interrogation, he admitted to being a Bangladeshi citizen and confessed to entering India without legal documents," said a senior police official. The arrest has drawn attention amid ongoing political debates surrounding illegal infiltration. The BJP has repeatedly alleged the presence of Bangladeshi nationals residing illegally in several parts of West Bengal and maintained that initiatives like SIR could help identify them.

Abhishek Banerjee pays tribute to Birsa Munda on 150th birth anniversary

MI News Service, Kolkata: Trinamool Congress national general secretary and MP Abhishek Banerjee paid homage to the revered freedom fighter Birsa Munda on the occasion of his 150th birth anniversary.

"On the birth anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda, I pay my deepest homage to one of India's most revered icons of courage, sacrifice and resistance," he wrote on X.

Speaking of his courage and bravery, he recalled his legacy in reshaping the country's history. He paid tribute to the iconic anti-colonialist leader as he called upon his ideologies to guide modern India towards a path of a more inclusive future.

"A young visionary who rose against injustice, fought fearlessly for the rights of his people and ignited a movement that reshaped the course of our nation's history, Birsa Munda's legacy continues to



inspire every struggle for dignity, equity and self-respect," Banerjee wrote.

"His call for social harmony, empowerment of the marginalised, and protection of our land and environment remains profoundly relevant even today. May his ideals guide us towards a more inclusive and humane future for generations to come," he added.

Meanwhile, West Bengal Chief Minister Mamta Banerjee extended warm wishes and respect to the tribal freedom fighter on the occasion of his 150th birth anniversary.

Taking it to X, she wrote,

"Jai Johar...On the occasion of the birth centenary of Birsa Munda, the heroic leader of the Munda Rebellion, the great ancestor of the tribal community, I offer my respectful salutations...This special day is being observed with due respect across the state... A government holiday has been declared on his birth anniversary... The name of this life force of the tribal community is associated with one of our universities in the jungle region. To honour him, we have also named a college after him in North Bengal," she stated.

Earlier, Prime Minister Narendra Modi remembered the tribal leader for his unparalleled contribution to the country's freedom movement.

President Droupadi Murmu also paid floral tribute to the revered freedom fighter at the Prerna Sthal in the Parliament House complex in New Delhi.

Nabadwip Students Launch 'SPL', a Unique Curriculum-Themed Cricket League



MI News Service, Nabadwip: In a first-of-its-kind initiative, students in Nabadwip have launched their own cricket tournament, Students' Premier League (SPL), drawing significant attention across the town's academic circles. What sets the event apart is its team nomenclature, with each side named

after academic subjects such as Physics, Mathematics, Biology and Chemistry, blending classroom themes with sporting enthusiasm.

The entire tournament is being managed by students themselves, from team formation to operations. Inspired by the IPL format, the organisers conducted a player auction,

introducing symbolic remuneration for student cricketers. Participation was made accessible through a Rs. 20 registration form, encouraging widespread involvement.

Hosted at the Nabadwip Nadia Club ground, the league aims to promote leadership, responsibility and sports awareness among young learners. Organisers say SPL will be expanded into second, third and future editions in the coming years.

Teachers from several schools have also joined the initiative. Shubhashis Babu, a mathematics teacher and the chief coordinator, said, "Our goal is to bring students back to the playground, encourage physical activity and highlight the importance of sports alongside academics."

The league has already generated excitement across Nabadwip's student community, with many hoping the SPL becomes an annual fixture.

"Exempt Matua community from strict documentary requirements under SIR": Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury writes to HM

MI News Service, New Delhi / Kolkata: Congress leader Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury has written to the Union Home Minister Amit Shah, seeking urgent intervention to exempt the deprived Matua community of West Bengal from the strict documentary requirements under Special Intensive Revision (SIR) and to formally recognise their rightful citizenship.

On Thursday, upon the invitation of the All India Matua Mahasangha, Chowdhury visited the hunger-strike site at Thakurnagar. During his interaction with the fasting community members, he witnessed firsthand their pain, fear and deep anxiety about their future. He assured them that he would stand by them with his full capacity and commitment in their struggle for justice.

Chowdhury noted in his letter that the Matuas-who migrated from East Pakistan



decades ago after facing severe persecution, hardship and displacement-have been part of India's social and democratic fabric ever since.

Highlighting the Government's decision to extend the CAA cutoff date for "victims of religious persecution" from 31 December 2014 to 31 December 2024, he urged that similar humanitarian consideration be extended to the long-settled Matua community. He called for an Ordinance before the forthcoming Winter Session of Parliament to secure their citizenship and protect their voting rights in the Assembly

and Parliamentary elections.

He further expressed concern that this community, which has participated in elections for decades and elected representatives to both the State Assembly and Parliament, now faces the unjust threat of losing their voting rights because they are unable to produce documentation nearly 25 years old--an unrealistic expectation for a historically marginalised and displaced population.

Through this act, Chowdhury reaffirmed his steadfast commitment to stand firmly with the Matua community in their fight for dignity, security and full citizenship rights.

West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee is opposed to the ongoing SIR in West Bengal and 11 other states, alleging that the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) is using the exercise to insert fake votes in the electoral roll.

KKR's bold rebuild sees Russell exit; enter IPL auction with biggest purse



MI News Service, Kolkata: In one of the biggest release decisions in Indian Premier League (IPL) history, Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) have parted ways with their marquee all-rounder Andre Russell, ending a decade-long association.

Russell, who won the IPL MVP award in 2015 and 2019 with the Purple and Gold, had been a central figure for KKR since joining the franchise in 2014. He was one of five players retained ahead of the 2025 mega auction for Rs 12 crore.

With Russell released, KKR will enter the upcoming auction scheduled for December 16 with a massive Rs 64.3 crore purse, the biggest among all teams.

Among other overseas names released are Moeen Ali, Anrich Nortje, Quinton de Kock, Rahmanullah Gurbaz, and Spencer Johnson. KKR have also made another big call by releasing Venkatesh Iyer, which, while significant, does not come as a complete surprise given his recent form.

The retained players of the

three-time champions have a core group of players, which includes a blend of exciting young talent and experienced campaigners such as Ajinkya Rahane, Manish Pandey, Sunil Narine, Varun Chakravarthy, Rinku Singh, Harshit Rana, and Angkrish Raghuvanshi.

Reaffirming the team's philosophy of building a cohesive squad by combining promising young players with established international stars, KKR's retentions highlight the franchise's continued commitment to nurturing talent while maintaining a strong competitive edge for the upcoming season.

Meanwhile, here is the list of retained players for KKR for the upcoming season:

Retained Players: Ajinkya Rahane, Angkrish Raghuvanshi, Anukul Roy, Harshit Rana, Manish Pandey, Ramandeep Singh, Rinku Singh, Rovman Powell, Sunil Narine, Umran Malik, Vaibhav Arora, Varun Chakravarthy

Kitchen murder case: Brother, sister get life imprisonment

MI News Service, North 24 Pgs: In a chilling verdict that closed a two-year-old murder case, the Bongaon Subdivisional court on Friday sentenced a brother and sister to life imprisonment for the brutal murder and secret burial of a woman inside their kitchen. The convicts, Bakibulla Mandal and his sister Tarabanu, were also fined Rs10,000 each.

According to the prosecution, the victim, Rahima a resident of the Baduria area, shared a complex past with Bakibulla. The two reportedly had an affair years ago but were married off separately after their families objected. They later rekindled their relationship, and two year ago, Bakibulla allegedly eloped with Rahima to Mumbai. When Rahima's family lost contact with her, her mother Kabera Mandal lodged a missing complaint at Gopalnagar police station in 20203. Following an extensive investigation, police traced Bakibulla and his sister Tarabanu. Upon interrogation, both confessed to murdering Rahima. Police records detail how the accused brought Rahima back from Mumbai and kept her confined in Tarabanu's house at Ishwarigacha in Baduria. Driven by anger and jealousy, the sibling strangled her to death. Over two days, they dug a pit inside the kitchen and buried her body the conceal the crime. The trail, which drew attention for its sheer brutality, concluded after the examination of 28 witnesses. Based on forensic evidence and the confessions of the accused, the court found both guilty of murder under Section 302 of the Indian penal code. Outside the courtroom, emotional scenes unfolded as Rahima's mother expressed relief over the judgment. "By killing my daughter, they emptied my heart. Today, their mother's heart is also empty. Justice has been served. I thank the police administration," said a tearful Kabera Mandal. The case has stirred outrage across the district, with residents hailing the life district, with residents hailing the life sentence as a sign of judicial firmness in a region trouble by raising violent crimes against woman.

Samar Saha takes charges as Daihat mayor amid councilor abstention

MI News Service, East Burdwan: Factional discord within the TMC surface once again on Friday during the mayoral election at Daihat municipality, revealing rift beneath the party's otherwise disciplined organizational front. Seven out of fourteen councilors reportedly abstained from signing the nomination paper, even as the party-backed candidate Samar Saha was elected the new mayor.

According to the municipality sources, the election was held in the presence of Deputy Mayor Ajit Banerjee and other councilors as per directives from the party's state leadership. When Samar Saha's name- councilor in ward No.3 - was proposed officially, seven members including Shishir Mandal objected and walked out of meeting. The dissidents members claimed that the letter approving Samar Saha's nomination did not carry signatures of any top state-level leader, leading them to question the authenticity of the order. Shishir Mandal alleged that uniform rules announced by senior party leader Abhishek Banerjee- particularly regarding appointments based on performed in municipal wards- had not been followed in Daihat. "In Kalna and Katwa, only winning councilors were considered for major posts, but here someone who lost in his ward has been made mayor. This is not acceptable," he said. Despite the walkout, deputy Mayor Ajit Banerjee confirmed the Samar Saha's appointment stood valid through majority consent. "Seven councilor left without signing .. But the remaining seven endorsed the name proposed by the party. Accordingly, Samar Saha ah been elected mayor," he stated. District Trinamool Congress president Rabinranath Chatterjee said disciplinary action would be sought against the councilors who acted in defiance of party instructions.

Bengal Governor CV Ananda Bose calls for special attention to tribal grievances

MI News Service, Kolkata: West Bengal Governor CV Ananda Bose on Saturday emphasised the need to address the grievances of tribal communities during the Jharkhand Foundation Day event held at Raj Bhavan, West Bengal.

Speaking on the occasion, the West Bengal Governor highlighted that tribal rights require greater attention and the timely resolution of their concerns.

"The rights of the tribals need much room for improvement... Their grievances are not redressed at the proper time and in the proper way... We should ensure that tribals receive the special attention they deserve. This is not given in adequate measure in many villages in West Bengal, which I have visited," the Governor said.

He stated that out of a pool of public issues, including poor road infrastructure, electricity costs, and the unavailability of a sufficient amount of clean drinking water, the worst part is that the grievances of the tribal community are not being properly addressed.

"I have been visiting the tribal villages...Ever since I took over as the Governor here...I used to stay with them, interact with them... They are living with a lot of problems, which are not given enough attention by the competent authorities...It is very sad, especially in a country like India where a tribal lady



Governor of West Bengal, C. V. Ananda Bose during inauguration of 10th State-level Philatelic Exhibition "BONGOPEX-2025" at science city complex, in Kolkata recently. Fifi PIC

is the President of India..." he stated, highlighting the gap between policy and ground realities.

Governor Bose called for immediate attention to the tribal people's grievances to ensure a quick resolution to their problems and improve their quality of life.

Governor Bose called for immediate action to ensure that tribal concerns are addressed promptly, with a focus on improving their quality of life and socio-economic conditions.

Earlier on Saturday, Prime Minister Narendra Modi extended his greetings to the people of Jharkhand on the occasion of the State's Foundation Day.

In a post on X, he wrote, "Heartfelt greetings to all the residents of the glorious state of Jharkhand, enriched with tribal culture, on the occasion

of the state's foundation day. The history of this land of Lord Birsa Munda is filled with tales of courage, struggle, and self-respect. Today, on this special occasion, I extend my wishes for the progress and prosperity of the state along with all my family members in the state."

Meanwhile, Congress leader Priyanka Gandhi also extended heartfelt wishes to the people of Jharkhand on the state's Foundation Day. In a post shared on social media platform X, Priyanka Gandhi wrote, "Heartiest greetings to all brothers and sisters of Jharkhand on the State Foundation Day... Jharkhand, abundant in natural resources, has a unique folk culture that enriches our diversity. I wish happiness, peace, and progress for all the residents of the state."

West Bengal Radio Club Studies Climate-Linked Changes in Radio Propagation close to the Tropical of Cancer in Krishnanagar



MI News Service, Krishnanagar: With traditional communication networks increasingly vulnerable during natural disasters, amateur radio operators, popularly known as ham operators, continue to serve as a crucial lifeline. Members of the West Bengal Radio Club (WBRC) has set up an intensive 30-hour field station in Krishnanagar that initiated on Saturday to study how global warming-driven climatic shifts are altering radio-wave behaviour, said Ambarish Nag Biswas, Secretary, West Bengal Radio Club.

During cyclones, earthquakes, floods, or power

failures, ham radio often becomes the only functional mode of communication, enabling coordination between administration and affected civilians. However, radio operators say that climate change is now reshaping signal propagation worldwide, making continuous field research essential.

The club's team, comprising around 17 licensed ham operators, including several women and young newcomers, installed a temporary radio station near the 23.5°N latitude, close to the Tropic of Cancer, to examine how seasonal transition from autumn heat to winter influences ra-

dio-wave travel.

"We are noticing significant global changes in nature due to climate change, and radio communication is no exception," a WBRC spokesperson said. "By monitoring propagation over land and in coastal-like conditions here, we collect data that will help future radio operators understand how to orient antennas, adjust frequencies, and redesign communication strategies during emergencies."

The exercise involves DX-ing, contacting long-distance or unknown radio stations worldwide, to analyse signal strength, quality and propagation anomalies. Operators are also exchanging cultural information with international stations, showcasing Krishnanagar through customised QSL cards featuring local heritage sites.

According to WBRC, the dataset generated will be valuable for disaster-response planning, helping the next generation of ham operators prepare for unpredictable atmospheric behaviour driven by global warming.

The club plans to continue such drills across the state to strengthen emergency communication readiness, Ambarish Nag Biswas added.

72nd Nikhil Bharat Samabay week celebrated



MI News Service, Ausgram: The '72nd Nikhil Bharat Samabay saptaha' is being celebrated from 14th November to 20th November. As a part of this, a special

program was organized on Saturday at Lalon Mancha in Abhirampur, Ausgram, under the joint initiative of the co-operative societies of Ausgram-1 and 2 blocks and

under the management of the Eral Co-operative Society. The program began with the hoisting of the co-operative flag. The program was attended by the Deputy General Manager of the Burdwan Central Co-operative Bank Ltd. Amit Rajak, Assistant General Manager Rajib Chatterjee, Director Kshetrnath Ghosh, CDO of Co-operative Societies Someshwar Roy, CI of Ausgram-2 Block Biswajit Chatterjee. The speakers discussed the topic of 'Cooperatives as a vehicle for building a self-reliant India' at today's meeting. Hundreds of workers and office bearers of the co-operative society were present. The program was conducted by Palash Bhat-tacharya, an employee of the co-operative society.

Health check-up camp organized at Gushkara Sri Ramakrishna Vivekananda Shishu Vidya Mandir

MI News Service, Gushkara: Ahead of Children's Day, a health check-up camp was organized for the students of Sri Ramakrishna Vivekananda Shishu Vidya Mandir, Guskara, with the support of Bengal Faith, a private hospital in Burdwan. The health check-up camp was held at the Guskara Sri Ramakrishna Vivekananda Cultural Centre on Saturday. Doctors also advised children on which foods are beneficial and which are harmful to the body. School principal Munmun Mukherjee said that in addition to the students, the health of the school's teachers, guardians, school



van drivers, and locals were also checked. Debaprasad Roy, Krishnendu Chatterjee, Tripti Chatterjee, Priyabandhu Maji, Bishnupada Singha,

along with the office bearers of the Sri Ramakrishna Vivekananda Cultural Center and the teachers of the school were present.

Doubts rise on Congress' INDIA bloc leadership after Bihar election results

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Bihar to West Bengal like the river Ganga, Trinamool Congress has labelled the party (BJP) as 'Bengal Virodi Zamindars' (anti-Bengal landlords) and predicted a decisive victory for their party in the upcoming assembly polls. For months now, a splinter group of TMC, AAP, Shiv Sena (UBT) and Samajwadi Party had been making its own plans, prioritising regional issues and arriving at a common strategy to focus on their goals instead of following the line of the Congress, which has 99 Lok Sabha seats. Together, these parties have 77 seats in the lower house—enough to form a pressure group within the larger bloc.

One of the prominent manifestations of the subgroup's own political line was in the 2024 Delhi election when they backed AAP over the Congress in the campaign. The Bihar debacle comes ahead of a series of key elections starting with Tamil Nadu, West Bengal, Assam, Puducherry and Kerala next year, followed by Goa, Punjab, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh and Gujarat in 2027.

Amid this present turmoil, the TMC has suggested introspection of the parties, individually, and as a group. "INDIA bloc wanted to fight Bihar poll and wanted to send a message to the country by defeating the BJP. But it didn't happen. We need to discuss the results within each party and then collectively at a meeting of the bloc. The "vote chor, gaddi chhor" campaign was well-planned, but the voters didn't respond to the campaign. This reference was towards Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's efforts to present the outcome of recent elections as the result of large-scale manipulation by the BJP, an exercise that has failed to capture the imagination of people. Analysts said the results of the Bihar election would influence the extent to which partners of the Congress in states such as Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal are willing to share seats with it. The results, a Congress leader admitted, will drastically hamper the party's negotiating powers within the alliance.

PM Modi reviews bullettrain station in Gujarat

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district, and addressed a large gathering of local residents there to mark the birth anniversary of tribal icon Birsa Munda. He also inaugurated and laid the foundation stone for a number of infrastructure and development projects in the state costing more than Rs 9,700 crore. Before addressing the gathering, the Prime minister offered prayers at the temple of Pandori Mata, the clan deity of the tribal community, in Devmogra village of Sagbara taluka, 23 km from Dediapada.

MBBS student arrested from Uttar Dinaipur for alleged links with terror outfits of Delhi blast

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being detained. "During questioning, he allegedly attempted to flee, following which he was taken into custody," a source in the central probe agency said. "We are yet to establish whether he has any direct connection with the Delhi blast. Digital devices and documents were seized from his possession," he said. The accused is currently being taken to Siliguri for further questioning and investigation. Relatives and family members said Nisar was a quiet, studious individual with no apparent connection to any such events. "He was a very calm and polite young man, always busy with his studies and showing no interest in anything else. To think that he could be connected to an explosion is simply unbelievable," the accused's uncle said.



A fire in an electrical goods shop at the crack of dawn at Burrabazar's Ezra Street has taken a devastating form with the flames spreading to adjacent buildings, in Kolkata on Saturday

Ezra Street Blaze Revives Safety Concerns; Mayor Orders High-Level Review

MI News Service, Kolkata: Kolkata has once again witnessed a devastating fire at the congested Ezra Street stretch of Jatugriha, raising renewed questions over fire safety preparedness in the area. Kolkata Mayor Firhad Hakim and Fire Minister Sujit Bose visited the site to assess the situation. The Mayor admitted that the blaze has brought the building's fire-prevention system under scrutiny once again. He confirmed that a meeting will be convened next week with all relevant agencies after examining the complaints.

During his inspection, Mayor Hakim noted that several electric wires inside the building were found in a highly disorganised state. "I will hold a meeting with CESC, the Fire Department, the traders' association, the municipal authorities and the police. Our aim is to ensure that traders in Burrabazar can operate safely and that fire engines do not face obstacles while entering the area. It is everyone's responsibility to facilitate that," he said. Local councillor Santosh Pathak, visibly agitated, claimed the building is extremely old and has suffered at least 22 fire incidents in past decades. "This is a congested zone. I



State Fire Minister Sujit Bose and Mayor Firhad Hakim both visited the spot and monitored the rescue operations until the fire was brought under control, at Ezra Street in Kolkata on Saturday.

have repeatedly written to the Fire Department and the Police Commissioner about the risk. Whom have I not informed? No one took action. I have all the documents. Nothing was rectified," he alleged. Mayor Hakim, however, rejected suggestions that illegal construction had been ignored. He said such claims can only be addressed after the Kolkata Municipal Corporation's Build-

ing Department conducts a detailed inquiry. "There may be illegal portions, I am not denying it. But in a massive structure like this, it is not possible to know who is doing what. These are 100-150-year-old buildings. We will first allow the Building Department to assess the structure. Only then can we confirm the extent of legal or illegal construction," he explained.



Bursting with excitement, children wearing Team India jerseys lit up the atmosphere as they cheered loudly for the national team ahead of the first Test match against South Africa at Eden Gardens in Kolkata on Saturday.

Delay Continues in Enumeration Form Distribution for Bengal's SIR

MI News Service, Kolkata: The distribution of enumeration forms — marking the first stage of West Bengal's three-stage Special Intensive Revision (SIR) — has once again failed to meet its deadline, with nearly 22 lakh forms still pending. According to data released by the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO), West Bengal, around 7.45 crore enumeration forms had been distributed across the state by 6 p.m. on Friday. This accounts for roughly 97 per cent of the total 7,66,37,529 electors listed in the electoral rolls as of October 27.

The initial deadline for completing the distribution exercise was November 11, but at that point, close to 15 per cent of voters had not received their forms. The CEO's office then extended the deadline to November 14, aiming to complete the

process and formally conclude Stage 1 of the SIR. However, the latest figures indicate that full coverage has still not been achieved. Officials revealed that at least 60 lakh voters have been categorised as "non-traceable," meaning booth-level officers (BLOs) could not physically hand over the forms to them during door-to-door visits. In such cases, BLOs pasted notices on the main doors of the voters' residences, instructing them to contact the respective officer within a specified timeframe. Those who failed to respond have officially been marked as non-traceable. The first stage of the SIR, which began on November 4, is part of a comprehensive electoral verification process that the state undertakes periodically. The entire revision exercise is expected to continue until

March next year. Notably, the previous SIR in West Bengal was conducted more than two decades ago, in 2002. A crucial requirement in this year's revision involves voters whose names — or their parents' names — were absent from the 2002 electoral roll. Such individuals must submit one of 11 identity documents approved by the Election Commission of India (ECI) to retain their names in the updated voter list. These measures aim to ensure greater electoral accuracy and prevent duplication or incorrect entries. While the CEO's office continues efforts to complete the remaining distribution, officials emphasised that voters should proactively respond to notices from BLOs to avoid being listed as non-traceable and to ensure their names remain valid in the electoral records.

Fire Guts Electrical Market on Ezra Street

MI News Service, Kolkata: Change in the early hours of Saturday turned Ezra Street in Burrabazar into a scene of chaos, as a fire that began inside an electrical goods shop rapidly escalated and spread to neighbouring buildings. What started as a small blaze soon grew into a major incident, fuelled by the dense cluster of structures, narrow passages and large volumes of inflammable stock stored across the area. Fire officials rushed multiple engines to the spot immediately, but the congested layout of the old market complicated the operation. According to fire authorities, a total of 24 engines were deployed, and teams battled for nearly four hours before the flames could finally be brought under control. The dense inventory of electrical components, plastic fixtures and wiring stored inside the shops acted as accelerants, enabling the flames to leap across adjacent units within minutes. Officials said the blaze spread fast as the buildings that housed shops, and godowns for electrical goods and wooden plywood were situated close to each other along the narrow lanes of Ezra Street. The narrow lanes of the centuries-old Burrabazar zone, combined with overhead tangles of electric cables, made it impossible for firefighters to use ladders and other essential equipment. Fire personnel reported significant difficulty in navigating the lanes, forcing them to rely primarily on hose lines and manual intervention.

"Initially, six fire engines were pressed into action. But as the fire began to spread, more engines were deployed".

SBI Chairman Visits Kolkata GTFC, Highlights Push for Digitised Trade Finance



C S Setty visited Global Trade Finance Centre, Kolkata

MI News Service, Kolkata: State Bank of India (SBI) Chairman C. S. Setty on Saturday visited the Global Trade Finance Centre (GTFC) in Kolkata and underscored the bank's drive to centralise and modernise processing of trade finance and international banking transactions. He said the initiative is aimed at ensuring faster turnaround, stronger compliance and an improved customer experience. Setty noted that SBI was recently honoured at the Best Digital Bank Awards 2025 by Global Finance, London, winning Best Trade Finance Services Corporate/Institutional India and Best Trade Finance Services Corporate/Institutional Asia-Pacific. GTFC Kolkata caters to SBI branches across the Eastern and Northern regions. Staffed with more than 300 skilled professionals, the centre is strengthening SBI's trade finance operations through digitisation and standardised processes. The shift from paper-based procedures to digital workflows—leveraging AI/ML tools, blockchain technology and document digitisation—is a key component of the bank's transformation agenda. SBI said the changes align with global trends as trade becomes increasingly digitised and dynamic. The bank aims to reimagine its trade finance capabilities to meet evolving business needs across India and beyond, setting new benchmarks in speed, security and customer service, while reinforcing its role in supporting India's global trade ambitions.

9 killed, 32 injured in Nowgam police station blast: LG orders investigation

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Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha has ordered a probe into the accidental blast in Nowgam police station and the subsequent damage. "I have ordered a probe to ascertain the cause of the accidental explosion," Sinha said in an X post on Saturday morning. The L-G expressed anguish over the loss of so many lives in the incident. "Deeply anguished by the loss of nine precious lives due to extremely tragic accidental blast at Nowgam police station in Srinagar. My condolences to the bereaved families. I pray for speedy recovery of the injured," he said. Sinha said the government stands in solidarity with the families, friends and loved ones of the departed. All possible assistance is being provided to those affected, he added. Several po-

litical leaders in Jammu and Kashmir have expressed sorrow over the accidental explosion at Nowgam police station. In a post on his official X handle, Chief Minister Omar Abdullah expressed grief over the incident. "The chief minister has expressed deep sorrow and grief over the tragic accidental explosion at Nowgam police station, which claimed nine precious lives and left several personnel injured," it read. The Chief minister also extended heartfelt sympathies to the bereaved families and prayed for the swift recovery of all those injured. Lt Governor Sinha, who was scheduled to chair a security review meeting in Jammu in the morning, cancelled it in view of the incident, official sources said adding he is likely to visit Srinagar soon to take stock of the situation, they said.

All 25 ministers except one won in Bihar elections

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equalled by his JD(U) cabinet colleague Bijendra Yadav (Supaul). Another minister Raju Kumar Singh, who had been elected from Sahebganj in 2020 on a ticket of Vikassheel Insaan Party and later defected to the BJP, also retained the seat. He contested the assembly segment this time on a saffron party's ticket. Sanjay Saraogi (Darbhanga) and Nitin Nabin (Bankipur) also retained their seats for a fifth consecutive term. Other BJP ministers, who emerged victorious, were Renu Devi (Bettiah), Nitish Mishra (Jhanyharpur), Neeraj Kumar Singh 'Bablu' (Chhatapur), Kedar Prasad Gupta (Kurhani), Jibesh Kumar (Jale), Krishnandan Paswan (Harsidhi), Vijay Kumar Mandal and Krishna Kumar Mantoo (Amour) and Sunil Kumar (Bihar Sharif). However, Sumit Kumar Singh, who had been elected in 2020 as an independent candidate and inducted into the state cabinet, failed to retain the Chakai assembly seat when he sought reelection on a JD(U) ticket. Singh lost by a margin of nearly 13,000 votes to RJD candidate Savitri Devi, whom he had defeated five years ago from Chakai in Jamui district. Son of late Narendra

Singh, a former state minister and a close aide of Chief Minister Nitish Kumar, Sumit had held the science, technology and technical education portfolio in the outgoing government. Victorious JD(U) ministers included Sheela Kumari (Phulparas), Leshi Singh (Dhamdaha), Ratnesh Sada (Sonbarsha), Madan Sahni (Bahadurpur), Vijay Kumar Choudhary (Sarairanjan), Jayant Raj (Amarpur), Shrawon Kumar (Nalanda) and Mohd. Zama Khan (Chainpur). The ruling NDA decimated the Mahagathbandhan in Bihar on Friday to retain power, reaffirming Prime Minister Narendra Modi's popularity and Chief Minister Nitish Kumar's enduring appeal and dealing a body blow to the Congress and ally RJD. The massive scale of the victory of the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) can be gauged from the fact that its two main constituents—BJP and JD(U)—clocked a nearly 85 per cent strike rate in 101 seats each they had contested. The alliance secured a "200 paar" win for a three-fourths majority in the 243-member Bihar assembly with the BJP emerging as the single largest party securing 89 seats followed by the JD(U) with 85.

US lawmaker to introduce bill to eliminate H-1B visa programme

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should not be allowed to come and live here forever. We thank them for their expertise, but we also wish them well so they may return to their home country, she said. Now this will completely end the H-1B visa programme and all other sectors in the job force and in the workforce. This is America first. It's time to put American citizens first instead of foreigners first, and this has been an abuse for far too long. Americans deserve a future. They deserve a chance. And I believe Americans are the most talented people in the world, the most creative, and I want them to have their American dream, she said. In order to build the country's pipeline of American doctors and medical professionals, Greene said that her bill will prohibit Medicare-funded residency programmes from admitting non-citizen medical students into their programmes. She noted that last year alone, there were over 9000 doctors in the US who graduated from medical school but were left without a residency placement. Meanwhile, in 2023 alone, there were over 5000 foreign-born doctors who received residency spots, she said. This is entirely unfair, and it's America last. My bill will help mitigate the shortage of doctors and nurses in our country, the shortage that we face while at the same time serve as an off-ramp from our reliance on foreign workers by allowing us time to fill our residency programmes with American doctors, she said. There is a congressionally mandated cap of 65,000 regular H-1B visas and another 20,000 for US advanced degree holders that are issued per year. US businesses use the H-1B programme to employ foreign workers in specialty occupations.

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Statement of Unaudited financial Results for the quarter ended September 30, 2025
The Board of Directors of the Company at the Meeting held on November, 14, 2025 approved the Unaudited financial Results of the Company for the quarter ended September 30, 2025
The results, along with the Auditors' Limited Review Report, have been posted on The Company's website at https://midgroup.in/reports/pdf/dalmia_quarterly_financial_results/2025-26/DLL-ir_quaterly_results-Sep25.pdf and can be accessed by scanning the QR Code

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Notes : The above intimation is in accordance with Regulation 33 and read with Regulation 47(1) of the SEBI (Listing obligation and disclosure) Regulations, 2015

Name Change
I, Momota Sikder (Old Name) W/o Late Pareesh Chandra Sikdar Residing at Vill - Hjalpukur, P.o - Hjalpukur, P.s - Habra, District - North 24 Parganas, Pin - 743271, West Bengal, India have Changed my name and shall henceforth be Known as Ma-mata, Sikder (New Name) as declared before the Notary public Kolkata vide affidavit Dated 14-11-2025. Momota Sikder (Old Name) and Mamata Sikder (New Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Pronob Sikder (Old Name) S/o Late Pareesh Chandra Sikdar Residing at Vill - Hjalpukur, P.o - Hjalpukur, P.s - Habra, District - North 24 Parganas, Pin - 743271, West Bengal, India have Changed my name and shall henceforth be Known as Pranab Sikder (New Name) as declared before the Notary public Kolkata vide affidavit Dated 14-11-2025. Pronob Sikder (Old Name) and Pranab Sikder (New Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Saheb Khanra (Old Name) S/o Rahitaswa Khanra Residing at Vill - Wadipur Purbapara, P.s - Domjur, District - Howrah, Pin - 711411, West Bengal, India have Changed my name and shall henceforth be Known as Saheb Khanra (New Name) as declared before the Notary public Kolkata vide affidavit Dated 14-11-2025. Saheb Khanra (Old Name) and Saheb Khanra (New Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Dashrath Tiwari (Old Name) S/o Lulu Tiwary Residing at 2, Ahmed Mamuji Street, Litala, Bally, District - Howrah, Pin - 711204, West Bengal, India have Changed my name and shall henceforth be Known as Dashrath Tiwary (New Name) as declared before the Notary public Kolkata vide affidavit Dated 14-11-2025. Dashrath Tiwari (Old Name) and Dashrath Tiwari (New Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Saphina Bibi (Old Name) W/o Jakir Kham Residing at Vill - Telami, P.o - Telami, P.s - Egga, District - East Medinipur, Pin - 721447, West Bengal, India have Changed my name and shall henceforth be Known as Sakina Bibi (New Name) as declared before the Notary public Kolkata vide affidavit Dated 14-11-2025. Saphina Bibi (Old Name) and Sakina Bibi (New Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Tasaver Hussain (Old Name) S/o Mahfooz Alam Residing at Green Vista Fl-4G, Narayanpur District - North 24 Parganas, Pin - 700136, West Bengal India Have Changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Tasauwer Hussain (New Name) as declared before the Kolkata vide affidavit Date 14-11-2025. Tasaver Hussain (Old Name) and Tasauwer Hussain (New Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Tarikul, S/O. Tajful Hoque of Vill. Kheria, P.O. Kalamari, P.S. Pukhuria, Dist. Malda declare that my father's name has been recorded correctly as Tajful Hoque in my aadhaar card bearing no. 347639239776 but my father's name has been wrongly recorded as Tajful in my passport no. N2889539. My father shall henceforth be known as Tajful Hoque as declared before the Executive magistrate, Chanchal court, Malda, West Bengal vide affidavit no.21307, dated 12/11/25. Tajful and Tajful Hoque both are same and identical person.

Change of Name
I, **Raja Gopala Rao**, residing at Ward No.-10, Sastri Nagar, P.O.- Nimpora, P.S.- KGP (T), Dist.- Paschim Medinipur, W.B.-721304 solemnly affirm and declared that in the Birth Certificate No.- 632 Dt. 10, 09,2004 issued by S.E. Rly Main Hospital, Kharagpur my son's & wife's name has wrongly recorded as **G. ADRESH** S/o **GITA** in place of **G. ADARSH** S/o **GEETA** vide affidavit No.-13493, dated 11/11/2025 as declared In the Court of Ld. Judicial Magistrate (1st Class) at Kharagpur. **G. ADRESH** S/o **GITA** and **G. ADARSH** S/o **GEETA** are same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE
I, **Ratan Paul**, S/O- Late Suresh Chandra Paul, R/O- Vill.- P.O.- Joypul, P.S.-Duttapukur, Dist.- 24 PGS (N), Pin-743234. Now I have changed my name & shall henceforth be known as Sri Ratan Kumar Paul as declared before the 1st Class Judicial Magistrate, 24 PGS North Court vide affidavit no. 8237 dated 15/11/2025, Ratan Paul and Sri Ratan Kumar Paul both are same and identical person.

NAME CHANGE
I, Manju Prakash D/o Nareesh Babu Balmiki R/o Sidha Galaxia Phase-2, Block Orion, Unit-1005, Raigachi, Rajarhat Main Road., PS- Rajarhat, Dist: North 24 Parganas, West Bengal-700135 will henceforth be known as Manju Balmiki, vide Affidavit 1st Class Judicial Magistrate, Bidhannagar on 03.11.2025. Manju Prakash & Manju Balmiki is the same & identical person.

NAME CHANGE
I, **Farukuddin Sk.** S/o. Abukalam Sk. R/O. Vill-P.O. - Nurpur, P.S.- Ramnagar, Dist-South 24 Pgs, Pin-743368. My Mother's name has been changed from Sekh Aratan Bibi (Old Name) to Aratan Bibi (New Name) as, Sekh Aratan Bibi and Aratan Bibi are same & one identical person as per affidavit (No. 68722/25) of Ld.1st Class Judicial Magistrate at Alipore Court dated 07/11/2025.

Name Change
I, ASRAF ALI (old name) son of GOLAM KAISER, residing at 13L RAJAB ALI LANE, P O - KHIDDIRPORE KOLKATA 700023, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as ASHRAF ALI (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 13/11/2025. ASHRAF ALI (new name) and ASRAF ALI (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, SANA ARIF (old name) wife of MD ARIF FAIZAN, residing at 28, MAULANA SHAUKAT ALI STREET KOLKATA 700073, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as SANA SIDDIQUI (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 13/11/2025. SANA SIDDIQUI (new name) and SANA ARIF (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Mohammad Arif Faizan & Dr Md Arif Faizan (old names) son of Md Alaudin, residing at 28 MAULANA SHAUKAT ALI STREET KOLKATA 700073, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Md Arif Faizan (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 13/11/2025. Md Arif Faizan (new name) and Mohammad Arif Faizan & Dr Md Arif Faizan (old names) all are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Feju Malik (old name) son of Hobibur Mallick, residing at Paschim Bhagatapur, Taradarpara, Ayama & Molla Para, Chanditala, Dist.- Hooghly, Pin-712701, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Fazlur Rahaman Mallick (new name), as declared Before The 1st Class Judicial Magistrate at Hooghly, vide an affidavit dated 23/09/2025. Fazlur Rahaman Mallick (new name) and Feju Malik (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Medul Malik (old name) son of Fazlur Rahaman Mallick, residing at Paschim Bhagatapur, Taradarpara, Ayama & Molla Para, Chanditala, Dist.- Hooghly, Pin-712701, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Maidul Islam Mallick (new name), as declared Before The 1st Class Judicial Magistrate at Hooghly, vide an affidavit dated 23/09/2025. Maidul Islam Mallick (new name) and Medul Malik (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Azmeera Begam (old name) wife of Fazlur Rahaman Mallick, residing at Paschim Bhagatapur, Taradarpara, Ayama & Molla Para, Chanditala, Dist.- Hooghly, Pin-712701, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Ajmira Khatun Begam (new name), as declared Before The 1st Class Judicial Magistrate at Hooghly, vide an affidavit dated 23/09/2025. Ajmira Khatun Begam (new name) and Azmeera Begam (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, POBI ROY and PABI ROY (old name) D/O-PRAFULLA RAY O- PRAFULLA ROY, W/O-KAZI AHSANUL AREFIN residing at VILL-DHARAMPUR, P.O-MAINAN, P.S.-KHANAKUL, DIST-HOOGHLY, 712406, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as REEHA FARHEEN (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/11/2025. REEHA FARHEEN (new name) and POBI ROY and PABI ROY(Old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Sadhan Das & Sadhan Chandra Das S/o. Bishwanath Das R/o. Serampore, Hanraal, Dadpur, Hooghly-712149, W.B. declared that in my Purchase Deed No. 3082/1981 dated 28/09/1981, where Seller name has been recorded as Patal Bala Dasi @ Hemangini Dasi W/o. Late Chandicharan Das, Patal Bala Dasi & Hemangini Dasi W/o. Late Chandicharan Das both are the same & identical person, vide an affidavit no. 9342, sworn before Judicial Magistrate, Sadar, Hooghly Court on 24/09/2025.

NAME CHANGE
I, SNEHADRI MUKHOPADHYAY (Old Name), S/O- SASANKA SEKHAR MUKHERJEE, R/o- Vill.- Khariadanga, P.O- Garakulp, PS- Matia, Dist.- North 24 Parganas. Have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as SNEHADRI MUKHERJEE (New Name) as declared before the 1st Class Judicial Magistrate Basirhat Court Affidavit no. 18402/24 before the 1st Class Judicial Magistrate Basirhat Court. SNEHADRI MUKHOPADHYAY (Old Name) and SNEHADRI MUKHERJEE (New Name) both are same and identical person.

NAME CHANGE
I, SAIMA KHATUN BIBI, W/O- MUSTAFA KAMAL, R/O- VIII.- Kalikapur, PO- Sadarpur, Behala, PS- Haraa, North 24 Pgs., do hereby declare that my name has been mentioned in my Educational Documents as CHHAIMA KHATUN and in the birth certificate of my son MAIMUM HASAN as SAIMA BEGUM in place of SAIMA KHATUN BIBI. That SAIMA KHATUN BIBI, CHHAIMA BIBI and SAIMA BEGUM is the same and identical person vide Affidavit no.- 5040 dt. 4.11.25. That SAIMA KHATUN BIBI, CHHAIMA KHATUN and SAIMA BEGUM is the same and identical person sworn before the Executive Magistrate, Basirhat Court.

NAME CHANGE
I, Ashanur Rahaman (Old Name), S/o- Asiruddin Sardar, residing at Vill.- Gilepukur, P.O.- Khatunpur, P.S.- Swarnnagar, Dist.- North 24 Pgs., shall henceforth be known as Ashanur Rahaman Sardar (New Name) as declared before the Court of Executive Magistrate, Basirhat vide Affidavit no. 5469/BC-1/25 dated 12.11.25. Ashanur Rahaman (Old Name) & Ashanur Rahaman Sardar (New Name) both are same & identical person.

Name Change
I, Krupa Mehta & Krupa Kunjan Mehta (Old Name), Wife Of Kunjan A Mehta, Residing At 2a, Merlin Dev, 10a, Debendra Ghosh Road, Bhawanipore, Kolkata-700025, West Bengal, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Krupa K Mehta (New Name) Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 13/11/2025. Krupa Mehta & Krupa Kunjan Mehta And Krupa K Mehta Both Are The Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change
I, Kunjan Mehta & Kunjan Avinash Mehta (Old Name), Son Of Avinash V Mehta, Residing At 2a, Merlin Dev, 10a, Debendra Ghosh Road, Bhawanipore, Kolkata-700025, West Bengal, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Kunjan A Mehta (New Name) Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 13/11/2025. Kunjan Mehta & Kunjan Avinash Mehta And Kunjan A Mehta Both Are The Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change
I, Atib Kumar Ghosh (Old Name), Son Of Ashok Ghosh, Residing At 12/3, Babu Ram Ghosh Lane, P.O- Hatkhola, Kolkata-700005, West Bengal, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Atib Ghosh (New Name) Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 13/11/2025. Atib Kumar Ghosh And Atib Ghosh Both Are The Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change
I, Ashok Kumar Ghosh (Old Name), Son Of Late Bishnupada Ghosh, Residing At 12/3, Babu Ram Ghosh Lane, P.O- Hatkhola, Kolkata-700005, West Bengal, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Ashok Ghosh (New Name) Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 13/11/2025. Ashok Kumar Ghosh And Ashok Ghosh Both Are The Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change
I, Nazima Sekh (old name) wife of Taser Sekh @ Mohammed Taser Ali Shaikh, residing at Vill- Magura Naskar Pukur (Part), P.O.- Gandhabaduli, P.S.- Bishnupur, Dist.- South 24 Parganas, Pin- 743503, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Nazima Bibi (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/11/2025. Nazima Bibi (new name) and Nazima Sekh (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Momtaj Ali (old name) son of Sajahan Sekh, residing at Vill- Magura Naskar Pukur (Part), P.O.- Gandhabaduli, P.S.- Bishnupur, Dist.- South 24 Parganas, Pin- 743503, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Mohammad Muntaj Ali (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/11/2025. Mohammad Muntaj Ali (new name) and Momtaj Ali (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Taser Ali Sekh (old name) son of Sajahan Sekh, residing at Magura Naskar Pukur (Part), P.O.- Gandhabaduli, P.S.- Bishnupur, Dist.- South 24 Parganas, Pin- 743503, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Mohammed Taser Ali Shaikh (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/11/2025. Mohammed Taser Ali Shaikh (new name) and Taser Ali Sekh (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Md Parvez Alam (old name) son of Nazir Ahmed, residing at 10/24/H, Kabitrtha Sarani, P.O.- Khiddirpore, P.S.- Watgunge, Kolkata- 700023, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Parvez Alam (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/11/2025. Parvez Alam (new name) and Md Parvez Alam (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Shulirani Biswas Paik (old name) wifeof Rampada Paik, residing at Vill & P.O.- Anishmali, P.S.- Gangnapur, Dist.- Nadia, Pin- 741253, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Shilu Rani Paik (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/11/2025. Shiluri Rani Paik (new name) and Shulirani Biswas Paik (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Majibar Rahaman (old name) son of Mijaur Mandal, residing at Vill- Dakshin Dhakuria, P.O.- Naserkuli, P.S.- Gangnapur, Dist.- Nadia, Pin- 741238, West Bengal, India, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Majibar Rahaman Mandal (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 14/11/2025. Majibar Rahaman Mandal (new name) and Majibar Rahaman (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change
I, Eyar Gain (Old Name), Son Of Dedar Gain, Residing At Vill-Kamargaria, Po-Humaniapota, Ps-Gangnapur, Nadia-741238, West Bengal, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Shaikh Jobeda Begam(New Name) Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 13/11/2025. Eyar Gain And Iyar Gain Both Are The Same And One Identical Person.

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I, Jubeda Begam (Old Name), Wife Of Sanwar Ali Shaikh, D/O Imam Hossain Mondal, Residing At Vill-Furfura, Po-Furfura, Ps-Jangipara, Hooghly-712706, West Bengal, Have Changed My Name And Shall Henceforth Be Known As Shaikh Jobeda Begam(New Name) Vide An Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 13/11/2025. Jubeda Begam And Shaikh Jobeda Begam Both Are The Same And One Identical Person.

Panic on Taki Road: 'Tiger' Turns Out to Be Wildcat

MI News Service, North 24 Parganas: A wave of panic swept through Taki Road in Deganga on Friday night after residents spotted a large animal sprawled across the roadside and mistook it for a tiger. The sighting triggered widespread chaos, drawing crowds of onlookers and setting off a flurry of speculation before forest experts confirmed that the creature was not a Royal Bengal tiger, but a species of wildcat commonly known as the "bagh-biral" or leopard cat. According to local witnesses, the animal was first seen in the fenced area of Dakshin Kakupra along Taki Road. The dimly lit surroundings and the animal's striped coat led several bystanders to believe that a tiger cub had strayed from a vehicle or nearby forest enclosure.

Within minutes, rumors spread across the locality, prompting hundreds to gather at the spot, some attempting to capture images and video on mobile phones. "The animal was lying quietly by the roadside, and its body markings caused instant confusion. People thought it was a tiger cub that had fallen off a transport van," said a resident who witnessed the commotion. However, upon closer observation, forest officials and local wildlife watchers identified it as a wildcat—a protected but non-aggressive species occasionally sighted near the forested belts of North and South 24 Parganas, Howrah, and Hooghly districts. Experts explained that the animal's presence near a populated area could have been driven by the search for food or dislocation from a nearby green zone. As crowds swelled, the wildcat eventually slipped into the adjacent swampy woodland under cover of darkness, dispersing the onlookers. While the initial alarm sparked fear among residents, relief quickly followed the clarification that no tiger had strayed into the area. Authorities have urged locals not to panic over unverified sightings and to report such incidents directly to forest or wildlife control officials for prompt assessment. The rare sighting nonetheless left an impression—reminding many of the delicate line between human habitation and the fragile ecosystem surrounding Bengal's rural fringes.

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Thousands Flock to Siliguri Job Fair Offering 10,000 Vacancies

MI News Service, Siliguri: At a time when job scarcity continues to dominate political and social discussions across Bengal, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has launched a major initiative to reach the state's unemployed youth. Over the weekend, Siliguri hosted a two-day job fair featuring around 60 reputed private organizations from across the country, offering more than 10,000 employment opportunities. The event drew massive crowds of job seekers, many expressing both hope and frustration over the employment situation in the state. "It's very difficult to get a job these days. Government jobs are almost out of reach, and even private jobs are drying up. When I heard about this fair, I came hoping for a chance," said Sharmila Sarkar, a young applicant waiting in line for her interview. The fair, which began on Saturday and continues through Sunday, featured on-the-spot interviews with participating companies. Sources said that Governor C.V.

Ananda Bose might visit the venue, signaling the political significance of the event in the run-up to the Assembly elections. The job fair

Chirag Meets Nitish, Hails NDA's Historic Bihar Win

MI News Service, Patna: In the wake of the National Democratic Alliance's sweeping victory in the Bihar Assembly elections, Lok Janshakti Party (Ram Vilas) chief Chirag Paswan met Chief Minister Nitish Kumar in Patna on Saturday, extending his congratulations and support toward forming the new government. Paswan described the meeting as cordial and constructive, emphasizing unity within the NDA ranks as the alliance prepares for a new term in office. "The people of Bihar have given a decisive mandate in favour of the NDA. Their overwhelming trust reflects faith in our leadership and development-oriented politics," Paswan said after the meeting.

The LJP (Ram Vilas) leader, who played a prominent role in the coalition's campaign, added that the resounding mandate was a "testament to the NDA's collective effort and the people's aspiration for a stable, progressive government." Paswan asserted that the alliance would work with renewed commitment to accelerate Bihar's development agenda and fulfil the promises made to voters. Highlighting Chief Minister Nitish Kumar's long administrative experience, Paswan said, "I have conveyed my warm wishes to Nitish Kumar ji and expressed confidence that under his leadership, the new NDA government will sustain its focus on inclusive growth and delivery." Officials present at the meeting said that Nitish Kumar thanked Paswan for his support and underlined the importance of cooperation among all alliance partners. He reportedly assured that the incoming government would prioritize welfare-driven governance and ensure equitable development across the state. The discussion comes as the NDA begins its post-election coordination efforts, signalling political stability and a unified front ahead of government formation.

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DRAFT NOTICE
IN THE COURT OF LEARNED 5th BENCH CITY CIVIL COURT AT KOLKATA
Money Suit No. 2204 of 2022
ICICI Bank Limited, having its branch office at 31, Chowringhee Road, Kolkata- 700 016, Police Station Shakespeare Sarani through its Constituted Attorney, Mr. Shamim Aslam ...Plaintiff Versus
RD Fashions, represented by it's proprietor Ritesh Choudhury, having it's office at 4/1/2B, Hara Prasad Dey Lane, Burrabazar, Near Dhaka Patty, Kolkata - 700007. ...Defendant
To,
RD Fashions, represented by it's proprietor Ritesh Choudhury, 4/1/2B, Hara Prasad Dey Lane, Burrabazar, Near Dhaka Patty, Kolkata- 700 007
Whereas, M/s. ICICI Bank Limited has instituted the above suit on 12-10-2022 against you claiming for a Decree of Rs. 11,43,662.00/-. You are hereby summoned to appear in this court in person or by a pleader on the 19-09-2025 at 10.30 O'clock, to answer the same, failing which the suit will be disposed of ex-parte.
By Order
Chief Administrative Officer
City Civil Court, Calcutta



was organized under the initiative of the Darjeeling Welfare Organization, with Rajya Sabha MP Harsh Vardhan Shringla overseeing the preparations. BJP's Bengal unit president Shamik Bhattacharya, along with several MPs, MLAs, and senior party

Minor's Death in Luxury Car: Police Appeal Admitted by Delhi HC

MI News Service, New Delhi: The Delhi High Court has agreed to hear a police appeal challenging the acquittal of two men accused in the murder and sexual assault of a minor girl, allegedly shot dead inside a luxury car in the Najafgarh area in December 2016. The trial court had earlier dismissed the charges, declaring the case to be one of suicide rather than homicide. A division bench of Justices Vivek Chaudhary and Manoj Jain granted permission for the appeal and condoned a delay of 551 days in filing it. The bench also directed the accused—identified as Shubham Gupta and Yogesh Bhardwaj

alias Sonu—to furnish bail bonds of Rs 25,000 each before the Joint Registrar. The High Court, while allowing the plea for leave to appeal, observed that cases involving alleged murder require judicial scrutiny at least once. "In such types of murder appeals, it is imperative to have, at least, one judicial scrutiny. It happens to be the first appeal, and such a right cannot be permitted to be crucified on the altar of technicalities," the bench noted. After examining portions of the forensic and witness evidence, the Court held that the appeal raised "prima facie arguable issues" warranting a detailed hearing.

Sweet Celebration: 50,000 Rasgollas for Hooghly on GI Day

MI News Service, Hooghly: The air was thick with sweetness in Chunchura on Saturday as the Hooghly District Sweet Traders Association celebrated "Rasgolla Day" by distributing 50,000 pieces of the iconic Bengali delicacy. Crowds thronged the city's Clock Tower area, cheering and queuing up as local traders marked eight years since Bengal's rosogolla earned its coveted Geographical Indication (GI) tag. The day's motto—"Eating sweets doesn't make you sugar, and eating sugar doesn't make you sweet"—echoed through the event, blending humour with hometown pride.

The celebration, organized by the Independent Hooghly District Sweet Traders Association, drew hundreds eager to grab a share of Bengal's most famous syrup-soaked symbol. The GI recognition,



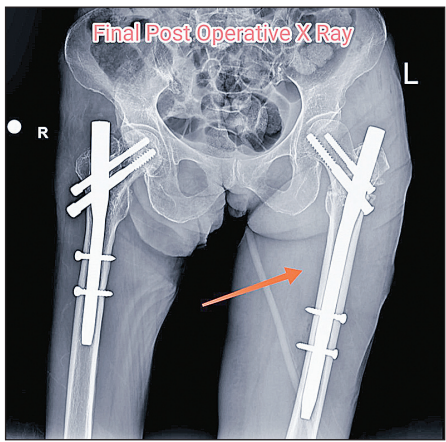
achieved after a long legal tussle between West Bengal and Odisha, remains a point of cultural pride for sweet-makers and residents alike. On November 14, 2017, Bengal officially secured the GI tag for the traditional Banglari Rasogolla, establishing the state's rightful claim to the heritage sweet once and for all. "We are celebrating not just a sweet but an identity," said sweet maker Amitabh Dey amid the jubilant crowd. "This is a day

of pride for every Bengali. People are enjoying Rasgolla with joy, and next time, sweets will also be distributed among old-age homes and orphanages." From young children licking syrup off their fingers to elderly residents reminiscing about Bengal's culinary legacy, the celebration at Chunchura symbolized more than just sugar and syrup—it was a reaffirmation of Bengal's cultural flavour and pride in its most treasured dessert.

Successful Orthopaedic Microsurgery Performed At Divisional Railway Hospital, Malda

MI News Service, Kolkata, 15 Nov.25 : A remarkable medical achievement was recorded at the Divisional Railway Hospital, Malda, with the successful completion of an orthopaedic microsurgery enabling full weight-bearing mobilisation on the very next day of the procedure. The surgery was performed on a high-risk, debilitated patient with a complex left hip fracture.

The procedure was conducted under the constant motivation and guidance of Dr. Anupa Ghosh, Chief Medical Superintendent (CMS), Malda. Notably, the entire operation was completed within 30 minutes using a closed surgical technique, avoiding exposure of the fracture site. This approach ensured minimal muscle trauma and resulted in an excellent post-operative functional outcome for the patient. A team comprising Surgeon, Dr. S. Banerjee, Sr. DMO (Ortho), Malda and Anaesthetist Dr. Joharika, ADMO (P), Malda successfully conducted the surgery.



This achievement highlights the expertise and commitment of the medical team at Divisional Railway Hospital, Malda, in delivering advanced and patient-centric healthcare.

Erwwo, Howrah Celebrates Children's Day At Girls' Home

MI News Service, Kolkata, 15 Nov.25 : The Eastern Railway Women's Welfare Organisation (ERWWO), Howrah Division celebrated Children's Day on 14.11.25 at the Children Home for Girls, run by the Child in Need Institute (CINI), Kolkata, with support from the Directorate of Child Rights and Trafficking, Government of West Bengal. Mrs. Priti Kapoor, President of ERWWO, along with other members offered homage to the portrait of Jawaharlal Nehru, the India's first Prime Minister.

The programme featured interactive activities, cultural performances by the children and warm interactions that created an atmosphere of joy and togetherness. As part of its commit-



ment to child welfare, ERWWO donated essential items, including an electric sewing machine for skill development and electric stand fans to improve living standards. Members also contributed individually to support the girls. The donation drive was led by Mrs. Priti Kapoor, President, along with Mrs. Payal Mukherjee, Vice-President; Mrs. Meenakshi

Singh, Secretary; Mrs. Bhavana, Treasurer; and other members. Speaking on the occasion, Mrs. Kapoor emphasised ERWWO's dedication to nurturing vulnerable children and supporting their holistic development. The celebration brought smiles to the children and reaffirmed ERWWO Howrah's ongoing commitment to their well-being.

Nowgam Police Station blast: "Will provide every possible support to families of deceased," says CM Omar Abdullah

MI News Service, Srinagar: Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Saturday assured that the Government will provide every possible support to the families of the victims who lost their lives in the Nowgam Police Station explosion.

CM Abdullah has directed J-K Education and Health Minister Sakina Itoo to ensure the best treatment for the injured, and assured that the damaged structures will be duly compensated.", an official statement issued by the Chief Minister's office read.

National Conference president Farooq Abdullah on Saturday called for a thorough and independent investigation into the Nowgam police station blast, saying that "mistakes" in the initial handling of the explosive may have contributed to the tragedy that claimed nine lives and damaged multiple residential structures.

Speaking to ANI in Srinagar, the former Jammu

and Kashmir Chief Minister criticised the manner in which the explosive material was dealt with by local authorities, stressing that those with proper expertise should have been consulted beforehand.

"This is our mistake. Those who understand this explosion better should have been consulted first about how to deal with it, rather than trying to handle it ourselves. You saw the result: nine people lost their lives. So much damage was caused to the houses there," he said.

Abdullah also linked the fallout of the Nowgam explosion to the atmosphere of suspicion that Kashmiri residents are currently facing across the country following the recent blast in Delhi.

"We haven't yet come out of the crisis in Delhi, where fingers are being pointed at every Kashmiri. When will that day come when they will accept that we are Indians and we are not responsible

for this? Ask those who are responsible why these doctors had to take this path. What was the reason?" he remarked.

The Nowgam blast, which occurred during the handling of an explosive device inside the police station premises, is being probed by the Jammu and Kashmir Police.

The Jammu and Kashmir Director General of Police (DGP), Nalin Prabhat, stressed on Saturday that any speculation about the incident was unnecessary, as preliminary findings pointed to an inadvertent blast during a mandated forensic procedure.

An accidental explosion inside the Nowgam Police Station late Friday night left nine personnel dead and 32 others injured and caused extensive damage to the nearby building. The injured were admitted to Shri Maharaja Hari Singh Hospital (SMHS) in Srinagar for further treatment.

Canara Robeco rolls out mutual fund awareness

MI News Service, Odisha: Canara Robeco Asset Management Company has initiated a 20-day investor education campaign, 'Nivesh Bus Yatra', in Odisha to improve financial literacy among retail investors. Traveling through cities like Bhubaneswar and Cuttack, the bus will offer interactive learning and advisory sessions. CEO Rajnish Narula highlighted the significance of accessible investment knowledge, building on previous successful campaigns in other states.

Enumeration forms distributed to over 95% voters in SIR Phase 2: ECI

MI News Service, New Delhi: The Election Commission of India (ECI) on Saturday said that over 95% of Special Intensive Revision (SIR) Enumeration Forms have been distributed across 12 states and Union Territories in phase II.

According to the Daily Bulletin issued at 3 PM today, the ECI confirmed that 48,67,37,064 SIR forms have been successfully delivered to electors out of the 50,97,43,173 printed, covering regions - Andaman and Nicobar, Chattisgarh, Goa, Gujarat, Kerala, Lakshadweep, Madhya Pradesh, Puducherry, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal.

Over 5.33 lakh Booth Level Officers (BLOs) and 10.41 lakh Booth Level Agents (BLAs) have been deployed.

With 6.41 crore electors, Tamil Nadu has distributed 5.90 crore forms, achieving a 92.04% coverage. Uttar Pradesh, the state with the highest number of electors (15.44 crore), has achieved a distribution of 94.37%.

In contrast, smaller regions, such as Goa and Lakshadweep, achieved 100% distribution.

Form distributed in Gujarat - 98.58%; Madhya Pradesh: 98.38%; Rajasthan: 97.32%; West Bengal: 98.08%; and Puducherry: 93.88%. Only Kerala, at 87.54%, remains below the 90% mark.

Currently, a nationwide SIR phase two is being carried out in 12 states and union territories, with the final elector's list to be published on February 7, 2026.

According to the Election Commission, printing and training took place from October 28 to November 3, followed by an Enumeration Phase from November 4 to December 4.

The draft electoral rolls will be published on December 9, followed by a claims and objections period from December 9 to January 8, 2026. The Notice Phase (for hearing and verification) will take place between December 9 and January 31, 2026, with publication of Final Electoral Rolls on February 7, 2026.

The opposition has strongly opposed the SIR process, alleging that it is aimed at striking the names of voters from underprivileged communities off the voter lists.

Amit Shah to chair 32nd Northern Zonal Council meeting in Faridabad on Nov 17

MI News Service, New Delhi: Union Home Minister Amit Shah will chair the 32nd meeting of the Northern Zonal Council on November 17 in Haryana's Faridabad to discuss a wide range of issues, including water sharing, reorganisation of states, development of infrastructure, land acquisition, and environmental and forest-related clearance.

Besides, regional connectivity under the UDAN scheme and other issues of common interest at the regional level are learnt to be discussed in the meeting to be attended by the Chief Ministers along with two senior ministers from Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan, Himachal Pradesh and the Lieutenant Governors and administrators of Delhi, Jammu and Kashmir, Ladakh and Chandigarh. The matters linked to the Bhakra-Beas Management Board, affiliation with Punjab University, road construction work under the PMGSY, and canal projects discussed in the 31st meeting of the Northern Zonal Council appear to have been reviewed in the meeting.

Various initiatives undertaken by the state government for the welfare and upliftment of tribal communities in Uttarakhand. He stated that special focus is being given to education, livelihood, health facilities, road connectivity, and the preservation of tribal art, culture, and traditions. Dhami reiterated the state government's commitment to ensuring that development schemes reach the remotest tribal regions of the state.

Highlighting that the regions of Dediapada and Sagbar have been inspired by the teachings of Sant Kabir, the Prime Minister mentioned that he is a Member of Parliament from Varanasi, the land of Sant Kabir, and therefore, Sant Kabir holds a special place in his life. From the dais, he also offered his respects to Sant Kabir.



Artists perform tribal dance at Jharkhand pavilion during the 44th India International Trade Fair at Bharat Mandapam, in New Delhi on Saturday.

"She donated her kidney to save Lalu Yadav...": Bihar BJP chief on Rohini Acharya's decision to quit politics

MI News Service, Patna: Bihar BJP President Dilip Jaiswal on Saturday said that RJD chief Lalu Yadav's daughter Rohini Acharya's decision to quit politics and "disown" her family is her "internal family matter" and it is not "appropriate to comment on it too much".

However, Dilip Jaiswal did request the family to "not break apart due to one individual" and said that Lalu Yadav and Rabri Devi need to save this family.

"This is an internal family matter of Lalu Yadav's family. I would request that the family not break apart. If the family is breaking up because of one individual, that is not appropriate. Lalu Yadav and Rabri Devi need to save this family. This is a family matter, so it is not appropriate to comment too much on it," Dilip Jaiswal said.

In a press conference earlier, Jaiswal, without naming individuals, said that the way "Rohini Acharya has donated her kidney to save Lalu Yadav. Lalu Yadav's family is constantly falling apart due to the actions of one or two individuals; no one will like it. I also want to say that if a family is falling apart because of one person, it is not right."

Earlier in the day, Rohini Acharya said she has decided to "quit" politics and "disown" her family, a day after the party suffered a massive defeat in assembly polls, securing only 25 seats in the 243-member state assembly.

PM Modi inaugurates, lays foundation stone of various infrastructure and development projects worth over Rs 9,700 crore in Gujarat

MI News Service, Dediapada: Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed the Janjatiya Gaurav Divas programme, marking the 150th Birth Anniversary celebration of Dharti Aaba Bhagwan Birs Munda, in Dediapada, Gujarat, on Saturday.

On the occasion, PM Modi inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of various infrastructure and development projects worth over Rs 9,700 crore, according to a release.

Stating that the sacred land of Maa Narmada is today witnessing yet another historic occasion, PM Modi recalled that on October 31, the 150th birth anniversary of Sardar Patel was celebrated at the same venue, marking the celebration of India's unity and diversity, and the initiation of Bharat Parv.

With the grand celebration of the 150th birth anniversary of Birs Munda today, the Prime Minister remarked that we are witnessing the culmination of Bharat Parv. He paid homage to Birs Munda on this auspicious occasion. The Prime Minister highlighted that the blessings of Govind Guru, who awakened the spirit of freedom in Gujarat, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, and the entire tribal belt, is also associated with this event. From the dais, he offered his respects to Govind Guru. He further shared that he had the privilege of visiting the shrine of Devnagra Mata a short while ago and once again bowed at her feet, according to the release.

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Taking all the blame, Rohini hit out at Sanjay Yadav, who is the RJD MP and close aide of Tejashwi Yadav, and said, "This is what Sanjay Yadav has asked me to do."

"I'm quitting politics and I'm disowning my family ... This is what Sanjay Yadav and Rameez had asked me to do and I'm taking all the blame," Rohini Acharya said.

With her "disowning" family, the cracks within Lalu Yadav's family have widened as her brother Tej Pratap Yadav, was expelled from both the party and family earlier this year following a controversy over his personal life.

His expulsion followed a controversy over a Facebook post in which he claimed to be in a relationship, sparking a public fallout with his family. The incident revived discussions around his past marital issues, including his ongoing divorce case with Aishwarya Rai, granddaughter of former Bihar CM Daroga Rai.

Tej Pratap Yadav went on to launch his own party, the Janshakti Janta Dal (JJD) and contested from Mahua Assembly constituency. He faced a major setback, finishing a distant third as Sanjay Kumar Singh of the Lok Janshakti Party (Ram Vilas) secured a thumping victory with 87641 votes and a margin of 44997 votes, while RJD candidate Mukesh Kumar Raushan stood second.

Rohini Acharya's decision to sever ties with her family came a day after RJD suf-

fered a major loss in the Bihar Assembly election, finishing the election as the third-largest party with just 25 seats, despite contesting on more than 140 seats.

The NDA's 'tsunami' swept away the opposition Mahagathbandhan in Bihar, with the BJP emerging as the single-largest party with 89 seats, and the Janata Dal (United) finishing a close second with 85. The other allies of the ruling coalition also registered high strike rates.

The ruling NDA got 202 seats, a three-fourths majority in the 243-member House. This is the second time the NDA has crossed the 200-mark in the assembly polls. In the 2010 polls, it had won 206 seats.

In the NDA, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) won 89 seats, Janata Dal (United) won 85, Lok Janshakti Party (Ram Vilas) (LJPRV) won 19, Hindustani Awam Morcha (Secular) (HAMS) won five, and Rashtriya Lok Morcha won four seats.

In Mahagathbandhan, Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) won 25 seats, Communist Party of India (Marxist-Leninist) (Liberation) - CPI(ML) (L) - two, Indian Inclusive Party (IIP) - one and Communist Party of India (Marxist) - CPI(M) one seat.

All India Majlis-E-Itehadul Muslimeen (AIMIM) won five seats, and Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) got one seat.

ister informed that the Shri Govind Guru Chair has been established at the Birs Munda Tribal University. Several other projects related to health, roads, and transport have also been initiated. He congratulated everyone for these developments and service initiatives.

Stating that in 2021, the birth anniversary of Birs Munda was officially commemorated as Janjatiya Gaurav Divas.

MARRIAGE DECLARATION
I'm Shahida Khanam (Mother), w/o. - Lt. MD Liakat Khan r/o. Pathanpara Nurpur, Manikchak, Malda-732203, WB, India, declare that, Zeenat Khan w/o, Md. Abul Husnat (s/o. Md. Abul Khair & Mrs. Setara Khanam- live in Bangladesh) is my daughter and is a Indian Citizen, Passport Number Z8046946, issued on 05/12/2024, Till on 04/12/2034 at Kolkata, India, Aadhar Number 5786 3389 3736, 01/10/2017 before the Notary Public at Malda, WB, India, dated 04.09.2025. No objection certificate issue for the Purpose of Marriage abroad.

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IN THE COURT OF THE LEARNED DISTRICT DELEGATE COURT AT CHANDANNAGAR

CASE NO. 49 OF 2022

In the Matter of:
Smt. Aloka Basu Mallick
..... Applicant

CORRIDOR

Further to General Notice published in the newspaper "Morning India" on 07.09.2025 by order Soumen Ghosal, Sheristader, Learned District Delegate, Chandannagar, Hooghly be read and apologizing for mistake of the said publication. This General Notice containing the name of Sheristader is part and parcel of the General Notice dated 07.09.2025.

Abridged form of e-NIT-08/SARANG/2025-26
Circulations memo no-84(3)/Sar/20254, dated-14.11.2025. Applications are hereby invited from intending bidders for 1 (One) no work under Sarangpur Gram Panchayat. Bid submission closing date 01.12.2025 at 1.00 PM. Other details may be seen from the website <https://wbntenders.gov.in> & office Notice Board. (M) 9734013308
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MI News Service, Pune : NCP-SCP chief Sharad Pawar on Saturday accused NDA of engaging in "corruption" by distributing Rs 10,000 under the Mukhyamantri Mahila Rojgar Yojana just before the Bihar Assembly election.

Sharad Pawar stated that the same technique was also employed before the 2024 Maharashtra Assembly election under the name of the Ladi Bahin Yojana to influence women's votes.

"The headlines in the newspapers today say that they (NDA) gave Rs 10,000 to women and that resulted in their victory. Giving Rs 10,000 right before elections is a corruption of sorts. This was done by the state government there. They got the results for it. We accept it." Sharad Pawar said. "The same thing happened in Maharashtra before the elections. In the name of 'Ladi Bahin Yojana', money was disbursed (to women)," he added.

Women's vote was instru-

mental in the NDA's 'tsunami' that swept away the opposition Mahagathbandhan in Bihar, with the BJP emerging as the single-largest party with 89 seats, and the Janata Dal (United) finishing a close second with 85. The other allies of the ruling coalition also registered high strike rates.

Women voters outnumbered men in the two-phase assembly elections held on November 6 and November 11. The state recorded a historic turnout of 67.13%, the highest since 1951, with 71.6% women voting compared to 62.8% of men. This nearly 9-point difference could point to the voter block rallying behind Nitish Kumar, getting behind the multiple women's welfare measures implemented under the Nitish Kumar-led government.

Ahead of the assembly elections, CM Nitish Kumar and Prime Minister Narendra Modi had announced Rs 10,000 under the Mukhyamantri Mahila Rojgar Yojana,

benefitting nearly 1.25 crore women under the scheme.

The ruling NDA got 202 seats, a three-fourths majority in the 243-member House. This is the second time the NDA has crossed the 200-mark in the assembly polls. In the 2010 polls, it had won 206 seats.

In the NDA, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) won 89 seats, Janata Dal (United) won 85, Lok Janshakti Party (Ram Vilas) (LJPRV) won 19, Hindustani Awam Morcha (Secular) (HAMS) won five, and Rashtriya Lok Morcha won four seats.

In Mahagathbandhan, Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) won 25 seats, Communist Party of India (Marxist-Leninist) (Liberation) - CPI(ML) (L) - two, Indian Inclusive Party (IIP) - one and Communist Party of India (Marxist) - CPI(M) one seat.

All India Majlis-E-Itehadul Muslimeen (AIMIM) won five seats, and Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) got one seat.

contribution, stating that the spirit of support and service during challenging times strengthens society. He added that such contributions not only help those in need but also inspire people to participate in public welfare initiatives.

Bachendri Pal was the India's first woman to climb Mount Everest. She achieved the feat on May 23, 1984.

Earlier today, CM Dhami participated in the 'Tribal Pride Day

Celebration' organised on the occasion of the 150th birth anniversary of Bhagwan Birs Munda at Shri Guru Nanak Inter College Ground in Nanaknatta, Udhm Singh Nagar.

November 15 is celebrated as Janjatiya Gaurav Divas (Tribal Pride Day) to commemorate the birth anniversary of tribal freedom fighter Birs Munda.

Addressing the gathering, Chief Minister Dhami paid rich tributes to Birs Munda, calling him a symbol

of courage, sacrifice and tribal identity. He said that Birs Munda's contribution to India's freedom struggle and his efforts to protect the rights, land and culture of tribal communities continue to inspire generations across the country.

Dhami added that the celebration of Janjatiya Gaurav Divas across India reflects the nation's deep respect for the sacrifices and legacy of tribal heroes.

The Chief Minister highlighted

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Centre launches 10 new AMRIT pharmacies

New Delhi : The Union government on Saturday launched 10 new AMRIT (Affordable Medicines and Reliable Implants for Treatment) pharmacies to increase access to affordable medicines and strengthen healthcare in the country.

Union Health Minister JP Nadda launched the pharmacies at an event held in the national capital to mark the 10th anniversary of the programme.

"Launched in 2015, the AMRIT network has grown to over 255 outlets across 24 States and four Union Territories," said Nadda, while expressing happiness for the decade of AMRIT's transformative journey in making quality medicines affordable and accessible across the country.

The new centres will begin operations at PGI Neuroscience Centre in Chandigarh, GMCH Unit-II in Jammu, State Cancer Institute in Jammu, AIIMS Deogarh, Dental Hospital Srinagar, SCTIMST in Trivandrum, Mumbai Port Trust, IIT Jodhpur, AIIMS Gorakhpur, and AIIMS Kalyani Unit 3.

"In 2014, the government launched AMRIT and Jan AushadiCentres with an aim to provide accessible, affordable, and equitable healthcare facilities to all people in the country," Nadda said.

"These centres are taking care of essential medicines, along with those ranging from oncology to cardiac care to orthopaedic care and specialised interventions for both



medicines and medical devices," he added. These outlets provide essential medicines, life-saving drugs, and medical devices at significantly reduced prices, often up to 50 per cent less than the maximum retail price (MRP).

The Minister said the "50 per cent discount offered on branded medicines covering oncology, cardiology, orthopaedics and endocrinology, at AMRIT, without compromising on quality, is commendable".

More than 6,500 drugs and medical products are available through the network, benefitting more than 6.85 crore patients across the country.

"So far, over 17,000 crore medicines have been dispensed through these outlets. Cumulative patient savings can amount to more than Rs 8,500 crore," he added.

AMRIT pharmacies are present on all AIIMS campuses and other institutes of national importance across the country.

Nadda also urged HLL Lifecare Limited (HLL), a public sector enterprise under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, "to double the number of AMRIT outlets to "at least 500".

"All private, government medical colleges, and District Hospitals must have AMRIT. It must expand at a rapid rate," he said, and called for raising awareness on AMRIT.

At the event, Nadda also launched the upgraded Ecogreen 2.0 digital platform and released a Customised My Stamp with India Post.

Govt advancing key initiatives aimed at achieving national health goals



New Delhi : The government is advancing several key initiatives aimed at achieving national health goals and aligning with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), a senior official said on Friday.

Union Health Secretary PunyaSalilaSrivastava inaugurated the ministry's Health Pavilion at the 44th India International Trade Fair (IITF) at Bharat Mandapam here, encouraging visitors to explore it to enhance public awareness.

"The pavilion offers insights into India's health system and a range of ongoing programmes. Several services, including CPR awareness sessions and anaemia testing, are being provided. I urge everyone to visit and make full use of these facilities," she added.

"The Swasth NariSashakt Parivar Abhiyan, recently launched, aims to reach 11 crore people. Alongside this, initiatives such as the Tobacco Control for Youth Programme, the TB Mukht Bharat Abhiyan, and the national campaign for organ donation are progressing simultaneously," Srivastava noted.

This year's pavilion highlights the Ministry's central role in shaping health policies and delivering comprehensive healthcare services to build a healthier and stronger nation.

The Ministry is participating in

the India International Trade Fair (IITF)-2025, organised by the India Trade Promotion Organisation (ITPO) at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.

The Health Pavilion features a total of 37 stalls. These exhibitions will showcase the Ministry's various schemes and achievements.

A key highlight will be the recent achievement of three Guinness World Records titles under the nationwide campaign "Swasth Nari, SashaktParivarAbhiyaan" (SNSPA), which demonstrates India's unwavering commitment to preventive and women-centric healthcare.

Mass campaigns like the Swasth Nari, SashaktParivarAbhiyaan (Healthy Woman, Empowered Family) help to empower and transform the lives of women, said Prime Minister NarendraModi earlier this month.

He also lauded the creation of three Guinness World Records titles under the SwasthNari, SashaktParivarAbhiyaan.

"This is very commendable! Such mass movements add impetus to our women empowerment efforts and have a transformative impact on the lives of our Nari Shakti," the Prime Minister said in a post on social media platform X.

Doctor calls for reestablishing human link, communications with critical care patients

New Delhi :A critical care expert has urged doctors to reestablish the human link and communications with patients in the Intensive Care Units (ICUs).

Speaking to IANS at the NCR Mega Criticon 2025, a major critical care conference, held in Delhi from November 14-16, 2025, at the India Habitat Centre, the expert highlighted the progress the country has made in the healthcare sector.

Dr Anil Gurnani, Group Director, Anaesthesiology and Critical Care, Kailash Group of Hospitals, stressed how technology has led to the personalisation of treatment but affected doctor and patient relations.

"While new technology is being rapidly adopted, our

human touch with the patients, and communication, has perhaps slowly stopped," Gurnani said.

"I myself think that the relationship between doctor and patient is not improving. If you ask me one thing what I would like to change, it would be to improve the communication between doctor and patient. You are not a patient for me, you are a human being for me. I want to take better care of you," he told IANS.

He also mentioned that the journey from the inception of a very primitive ICU to an ultra-modern intensive care unit was not an easy job.

"From the overall approach, even at the international level,

which they call the future of critical care medicine, it has become a verypersonalised medicine, purely patient-centered. It is not just a treatment, it is an individualised therapeutic relation that takes into account not only treatment or the medicines, but also the patient's values, needs, desires, and expectations," Gurnani added.

He stated that the country now has all the globally available facilities and care. "Everything from dialysis to ventilation is available at our hospitals in Delhi NCR," the expert said. The conference was a major event in the field of critical care medicine, jointly organised by the SCCM Delhi-Noida and ISCCM Gurugram branches.

Study finds gene behind schizophrenia, mental illnesses

New Delhi : German researchers have identified a gene that can lead to schizophrenia and other mental illnesses.

Until now, it was assumed that schizophrenia, anxiety disorders, or depression arise from an interplay of many different factors, including genetic ones.

The research, published in the journal Molecular Psychiatry, identified the GRIN2A gene as a key factor. The study demonstrated that changes in GRIN2A can lead to schizophrenia.

"Our current findings indicate that GRIN2A is the first known gene that, on its own, can cause a mental illness. This distinguishes it from the polygenic causes of such disorders that have been assumed to date," said lead author Professor Johannes Lemke, Director of the Institute of Human Genetics at the University of Leipzig Medical Centre.

In the study, the team analysed data from 121 individuals with a genetic alteration in the GRIN2A gene. "We were able to show that certain variants of this gene are associated not only with schizophrenia but also with other mental illnesses," Lemke said. Notably,



with a GRIN2A alteration, these disorders already appear in childhood or adolescence -- in contrast to the more typical manifestation in adulthood, Lemke added.

In the study, some affected individuals showed exclusively psychiatric symptoms. GRIN2A alterations are otherwise typically associated with conditions like epilepsy or intellectual disability.

The GRIN2A gene plays a central role in regulating the electrical excitability of nerve cells. In the present study, certain variants reduced the activity of the NMDA receptor, a key molecule in brain

signaling. In an initial treatment series, patients showed marked improvements in their psychiatric symptoms following therapy with L-serine -- a dietary supplement that activates the NMDA receptor.

According to the World Health Organization (WHO), in 2021, almost one in seven people worldwide was living with a mental illness, with anxiety disorders and depression the most common.

Mental disorders typically have complex causes with a major genetic component. The new study may pave the way for early diagnosis and treatment.

Patients and doctors unite to challenge harsh side effects of cancer drugs

In a major shift, cancer patients and doctors are uniting to question the necessity of enduring harsh side effects caused by powerful drugs. As advances in cancer treatment enable millions to live longer with incurable cancers, the movement aims to radically transform the way new cancer drugs are tested. The US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has urged drugmakers to prioritize finding the lowest effective dose, even if it means investing more time in research and development.

Traditionally, cancer drug development has focused on determining the maximum tolerated dose, a practice that often results in severe side effects for patients. To accelerate chemotherapy drug testing, researchers have historically increased the dosage for a small number of patients in early studies to determine the highest dose tolerated. However, this approach may not be suitable for newer, more targeted cancer drugs.

Unlike chemotherapy, which acts as a battering ram in its aggressive approach, newer cancer drugs function more like a front door key. They specifically target cancer cell growth drivers, such as mutations, or enhance the body's immune system to combat the disease. Consequently, lower



doses of these drugs may be sufficient to achieve the desired results.

Dr. Lillian Siu, head of cancer drug development at the Princess Margaret Cancer Centre in Toronto, explains, "You might only need a low dose to turn off that cancer driver. If you can get the same bang for your buck, why go higher?"

In response to growing calls from patients and advocates for more tolerable cancer drugs, the FDA has launched a program called Project Optimus. The initiative encourages drugmakers to include a greater number of patients in early dose-finding trials to obtain more accurate data on the effectiveness of lower doses. "The

motivation for the project stems from the increasing demand to develop cancer drugs that are more tolerable," states FDA spokesperson Chanapa Tantibanchachai.

Many new cancer drugs were developed using the maximum tolerated dose strategy, leading to issues when patients experience severe side effects, causing them to skip doses or discontinue treatment. Some drugs have had their recommended doses officially lowered post-approval, while individual patients often require personalized dose adjustments. According to a recent study, nearly half of the patients in late-stage trials of 28 targeted therapy drugs needed dose reductions.

Dr. Patricia LoRusso, head of drug discovery at the Yale School of Medicine, acknowledges this approach: "We were pushing the dose as high as we could go. You get side effects, and then you have to stop the drug to recover from the side effects, and the tumor can grow."

However, finding the optimal dose for all patients remains a challenge due to varying factors such as liver and kidney function. Balancing the need to avoid underdosing against the risk of severe side effects is a delicate task. "The challenge is: Where is the sweet spot?" says Dr. LoRusso.

Experts urge early rehabilitation after stroke for fastest, most complete, and affordable recovery

Kolkata : Dr. SadanandDey, Consultant Neurologist, Apollo Hospitals Kolkata, said, Stroke continues to be one of India's leading causes of adult disability, yet most patients and families remain unaware that recovery does not end when the patient leaves the hospital. Senior neurologists in Kolkata have raised concern that while emergency stroke care has improved significantly, the most decisive phase of recovery, rehabilitation, is often neglected at home. Experts noted that the real journey of recovery begins after hospital discharge. Most survivors return home with only basic physiotherapy advice, leaving families to independently manage complex rehabilitation needs. This often results in delayed progress, complications, dependence, and incomplete recovery. In contrast, structured care at a dedicated Recovery Hospital ensures supervised therapy, measurable improvements, and a faster and more complete recovery, enabling patients to return home fully rehabilitated. According to The Lancet 2023, India records 1.5 to 1.8 million new stroke cases annually, making stroke the second leading cause of death and the third leading cause of disability. Nearly 15 to 20 percent of stroke patients in India are now under 50, particularly in metropolitan cities. Sedentary lifestyles, smoking, stress, and poor dietary patterns remain major contributors. Dr. SadanandDey, Consultant Neurologist, Apollo Hospitals Kolkata, said, "India is witnessing a significant rise in stroke cases among younger adults. Hypertension, diabetes, dyslipidemia, smoking, sleep irregularities, and poor fitness levels

are driving early vascular injury. Stroke outcomes improve substantially when rehabilitation begins early, and timely structured rehab is the most important factor in restoring function and preventing long term disability."

Providing a clear comparison of cost and outcomes, Dr. GauravThukral, Co Founder and President, HCAH, said, "Families often assume home recovery is cheaper, but the reality is very different. Home recovery typically costs about three thousand rupees a day. Over six months, this becomes nearly six lakh rupees, and still leads to slow or incomplete recovery. In comparison, a structured 30 day stay at an HCAH Recovery Hospital costs about ten thousand rupees a day, totalling around three lakh rupees, and delivers complete, faster, and clinically supervised recovery. Emergency care saves a life, but rehabilitation gives that life back its function, dignity, and independence. A short focused rehab stay takes patients home truly recovered, not halfway through their healing."

Dr. AmlanMandal, Senior Consultant Neurologist, Manipal Hospitals Kolkata, added, "While men show slightly higher incidence rates, women often experience worse outcomes due to delayed diagnosis and limited access to care. In every case, centre based rehab provides the intensity, precision, and clinical oversight that home settings cannot match, which directly translates into better long term results." HCAH, India's leading recovery and rehabilitation provider, operates a nationwide network of Rehab and Recovery Centres equipped.

India government explores relief measures to boost SEZ production

Anakapalli : Union Commerce and Industry Minister PiyushGoyal announced on Saturday that the government is examining proposals to introduce relief measures aimed at boosting production in Special Economic Zones (SEZs).

Speaking during a visit to Brandix textile units in the Andhra Pradesh SEZ, Goyal said the ministry is exploring ways to promote excess capacities in these zones for use in India's domestic market.

"This will also serve as import substitution, as many goods entering India from other countries currently receive better benefits than SEZ supplies to domestic tariff areas," the minister explained. "We are trying to bridge that gap and are hopeful that output from all SEZs will increase significantly."

The minister, who was in Anakapalli to attend the CII Partnership Summit 2025, added that SEZ Commissioners from across the country have been instructed to hold a meeting next week.

They will visit Brandix Park and the Andhra Pradesh MedTech Zone to study infrastructure standards that could help make all SEZs world-class facilities.

When questioned about

whether the commerce ministry would introduce legislation in Parliament to extend relief to these zones, MinisterGoyal said the government is examining all possibilities, including whether changes require amendments to existing laws or can be implemented through rules.

Regarding proposals to allow SEZs to sell products in the domestic tariff area on a duty-foregone basis, the minister confirmed that all proposals are under consideration.

"We will try to do whatever is best based on inter-ministerial consultations, in the interests of both SEZ and DTA units," he said. The minister's remarks come as industry representatives have been requesting permission to sell SEZ-manufactured products in the domestic market.

Currently, SEZ units can sell products in the domestic market only by paying duties on finished goods. These zones are treated as foreign territories for trade purposes, with restrictions on duty-free domestic sales.

While companies in SEZs can import materials duty-free, the finished products must be exported or sold domestically with applicable duties paid on the output. (ANI)

At least 6 killed in Rio de Janeiro party hall shooting

MI News Service, Rio de Janeiro: At least six people were killed and another was wounded Friday in a shooting between alleged rival criminal gangs at a party hall in the Brazilian city of Rio de Janeiro, local authorities said.

The shooting took place in the northern Honorio Gurgel neighborhood, where alleged members of the criminal gang Comando Vermelho were holding a party, the police said.

According to initial investigations, the rival gang Terceiro Comando Puro invaded the venue, triggering an intense exchange of gunfire. Security forces launched a large-scale raid against Comando Vermelho in Rio de Janeiro on Oct. 28, leaving at least 121 people dead.

Lebanese, Hungarian FMs meet to discuss political, humanitarian cooperation

MI News Service, Beirut: Lebanese and Hungarian foreign ministers met here on Friday to discuss political, security and humanitarian cooperation, with Hungary pledging to increase its support for Lebanon. During the talks, Lebanese Foreign Minister Youssef Rajji urged Hungary to help press Israel to halt attacks on Lebanese territory, withdraw from occupied areas and release detainees. He also called on Budapest to use its influence in the EU to support efforts to repatriate Syrian refugees.

Hungarian Foreign Minister Peter Szijjarto said that Lebanon's stability is vital for regional peace and argued that conditions now allow for Syrian refugees' return. He added that financial aid should be redirected from Lebanon to Syria's reconstruction to support refugees' return, emphasizing that alleviating Lebanon's humanitarian burden is essential for enabling reforms. Szijjarto announced 200 million forints (about 560,000 U.S. dollars) in support of education and humanitarian programs in Lebanon, along with 1.5 million euros (about 1.62 million U.S. dollars) provided through the EU to help re-equip the Lebanese army.

Sudan's army chief says "no truce" with paramilitary forces

MI News Service, Khartoum: Sudan's army chief Abdel Fattah Al-Burhan said on Friday there will be "no truce or peace" with the paramilitary Rapid Support Forces (RSF), stressing that military operations will continue until the "complete elimination of the rebel militia."

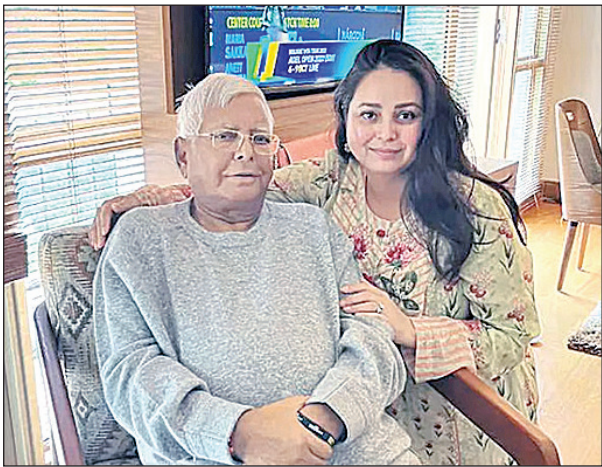
Al-Burhan, who is also chairman of Sudan's Transitional Sovereign Council, made the remarks while addressing a public gathering in the Al-Sreiha area of Gezira State in central Sudan, according to the sovereign council's media office.

He emphasized that the conflict will not be resolved through agreements or a ceasefire, vowing that "the march continues to defeat the rebel terrorist militia."

He also urged all Sudanese to participate in what he called the "battle of dignity and honor," calling on "anyone who can bear arms" to join the fight against the RSF.

Al-Burhan further stressed that the Su-

Quitting politics and disowning my family: Lalu's daughter after RJD's Bihar polls defeat



MI News Service, Patna: A day after the RJD was drubbed in the Bihar assembly polls, party president Lalu Prasad's daughter Rohini Acharya on Saturday announced that she was "quitting politics" and severed ties with the family.

Acharya, a doctor by qualification, who chose to become a homemaker and settled with her Singapore-based husband, made the announcement in a cryptic post on her X handle.

"I am quitting politics and I am disowning my family...This is what Sanjay Yadav and Rameez had asked me to do...and I am

taking all the blame," she wrote in her post.

Sanjay Yadav is the Rajya Sabha MP from RJD and one of the most trusted aides of Tejashwi Yadav, the son and heir apparent of RJD supremo Lalu Prasad.

Rameez is said to be Tejashwi's old friend who hails from a political family in neighbouring Uttar Pradesh. It was not clear from Acharya's post what exactly Sanjay Yadav and Rameez had said to her. The two were not available for comments either.

Acharya, who was in the news for donating a kidney to her father a few

years ago, had unsuccessfully contested last year's Lok Sabha polls from Saran.

It was speculated that she was "unhappy" over the expulsion of Tej Pratap Yadav, elder son of Prasad, from the party. However, during the assembly elections, she was seen campaigning for Tejashwi.

The RJD's seat tally slipped to 24 from 75 in the Bihar assembly polls. The ruling NDA decimated the Mahagathbandhan in Bihar on Friday to retain power, reaffirming Prime Minister Narendra Modi's popularity and Chief Minister Nitish Kumar's enduring appeal and dealing a body blow to the Congress and ally RJD.

The massive scale of the victory of the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) can be gauged from the fact that its two main constituents-BJP and JD(U)-clocked a nearly 85 per cent strike rate in 101 seats each they had contested. The alliance secured a "200 paar" win for a three-fourths majority in the 243-member Bihar assembly with the BJP emerging as the single largest party.

EC tells SC Aadhaar is only proof of identity, not citizenship for Bihar voters

MI News Service, New Delhi: The Election Commission of India has told the Supreme Court that it had already issued instructions for using the Aadhaar card as proof of identity and not of citizenship, for inclusion or exclusion in the revised voter list of Bihar.

8 had already clarified the usage of Aadhaar for updating the voter list. It said the court had stated that the Aadhaar card was to be used for the purpose of establishing identity in view of Section 23(4) of the Representation of the People Act (RPA), 1950 .

"... by following the aforesaid order, the commission has already issued instructions dated September 9, 2025, to the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO), Bihar for usage of Aadhaar card as proof of identity and not as proof of citizenship... for the purpose of inclusion or exclusion in the revised voter list of the state of Bihar," the poll panel said.



The Election Commission (EC) filed its reply on an interlocutory application by advocate Ashwini Kumar Upadhyay, who sought a direction that Aadhaar be used only for the purpose of establishing identity and authentication in the spirit of Section 23(4) of the RPA, 1950. The poll panel said the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI), in an office memorandum (OM) in August 2023, had clarified that Aadhaar was not proof of citizenship, residence, or date of birth.

It said the OM was referred to by the Bombay High Court in a matter, holding that it was indeed not proof of date of birth,

and the burden of proof rests upon the Aadhaar holder. "It is also important to highlight that this court vide its order dated September 8, 2025... has already clarified the usage of Aadhaar for the purpose of inclusion and exclusion in the voter list," the EC said. On October 7, the top court issued notice on Upadhyay's application. The bench had observed that the apex court had already said Aadhaar was not the proof of citizenship and domicile.

The application was filed in a pending plea seeking a direction to the EC to conduct Special Intensive Revision of electoral rolls at regular intervals throughout the country.

Iran judiciary calls for tougher stance on women not covering their hair

MI News Service, Tehran: Iranian judiciary chief Gholamhossein Mohseni Ejei has called for stricter methods to tackle "social anomalies," local media reports, pointing in particular to more relaxed attitudes towards wearing the mandatory hijab. Under rules imposed after the 1979 Islamic revolution, all women in Iran must cover their hair in public with a hijab, or headscarf, and wear modest, loose-fitting clothing. But in major cities, particularly Tehran, many women now walk around without the head coverings, often sporting jeans and sneakers, which has become a point of contention for conservatives.

"I have ordered the prosecutor general and all prosecutors in the country to ask the security and law enforcement agencies to identify organized and foreign-related movements in the field of social anomalies and introduce them to the judiciary," Ejei is quoted as saying by the newspaper Etemad.

"One manifestation of the enemy's efforts lies in the issue of nudity and not observing hijab." The term "nudity" generally refers to clothing deemed inappropriate.

This phenomenon of forgoing the hijab has become more visible in Iran since the protests that followed the death in custody of Mahsa Amini in September 2022.

World Diabetes Day Observed By Eastern Railway's Howrah Division

MI News Service, Kolkata, 15 Nov.25 : The Orthopaedic Hospital of Eastern Railway, Howrah Division, observed World Diabetes Day on November 14, 2025, at the New DRM Building in Howrah. The programme was organised under the guidance of the Chief Medical Superintendent (CMS), the In-Charge of Health and Family Welfare (H&FW), and the Senior Divisional Medical Officer (Sr. DMO), Administration.

Employees from various sections of the DRM Building actively participated in the health check-up camp. The medical team, led by the DMO (Physician), conducted a comprehensive screening that included height, weight, blood pressure,



BMI, and capillary blood glucose (CBG) assessments. Approximately 95 employees benefited from the initiative.

As part of the observance, the DMO (Physician) delivered an informative session on di-

abetes—covering its causes, symptoms, prevention, and management. The Dietician also provided a detailed presentation on dietary guidelines tailored for individuals with diabetes, emphasising balanced

eating habits.

The session was highly interactive, with employees engaging enthusiastically and expressing appreciation for the valuable guidance. Participants highlighted the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle for effective diabetes prevention and management.

World Diabetes Day, observed globally on November 14, raises awareness about the rising prevalence of diabetes and underscores the need for early detection and sustained management. The Howrah Division's initiative encouraged employees to adopt healthier habits through proper nutrition, regular physical activity, and periodic health monitoring.

Türkiye detains 138 in nationwide crackdown on organized criminal groups

MI News Service, Istanbul : Turkish authorities detained 138 suspects, including three alleged ringleaders, in a major crackdown on international organized crimes across 22 provinces on Friday, Interior Minister Ali Yerlikaya said.

The operation, dubbed "Orkinos Bulut-2," tar-

geted five international organized criminal groups accused of forming criminal networks, trafficking narcotics, and laundering assets obtained through illegal activities, with security teams conducting simultaneous raids at locations reportedly used by the networks, Yerlikaya wrote on social media plat-

form X.

He added all those detained were high-ranking members of the groups.

According to the minister, the suspects were linked to the trafficking of 18.1 tons of narcotics and stimulants, as well as 1.3 million stimulant tablets seized in Türkiye and abroad.

Sealdah Division Celebrates Janjatiya Gaurav Divas and 150th Birth Anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda



MI News Service, Kolkata, 15 Nov.25 : Eastern Railway's Sealdah Division celebrated Janjatiya Gaurav Divas today, commemorating the 150th Birth Anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda . The nationwide celebration honours the iconic tribal freedom fighter and his invaluable contribution to India's independence movement.

Inspired and guided by the Divisional Railway Manager, Sealdah Sri Ra-

jeev Saxena, Sealdah Division organized a heartfelt floral tribute and a short vibrant cultural program to mark the significant occasion and felicitate of the awardees of the Essay Competition, which focused on the life of Birsa Munda and his remarkable role in India's freedom struggle. This initiative aimed to raise awareness and in still pride in the legacy of the great leader among the staff.

Continuation Of Running Of Sahibganj – Danapur – Sahibganj Special

MI News Service, Kolkata, 15 Nov.25 : To clear the extra rush of passengers, Railway has decided to continue the service of special train between Sahibganj & Danapur .

03235/03236 Sahibganj – Danapur – Sahibganj special will run in the path of 13235/13236 Sahibganj- Danapur – Sahibganj Express with same stoppages & timings. 03235 Sahibganj – Danapur weekly special will leave Sahibganj on 16.11.2025, 23.11.2025 & 30.11.2025 and 03236 Danapur – Sahibganj weekly special will leave Danapur on 16.11.2025, 23.11.2025 & 30.11.2025.

Mobile QR Tickets Becoming Popular In Metro Railway

● Highest Ever Mobile Qr Tickets Booked In A Normal Day On 14.11.2025

MI News Service, Kolkata, 15 Nov.25 : Digital ticketing options are becoming increasingly popular among Metro commuters. A significant rise has been observed in the use of Mobile QR Tickets on normal days, as more and more commuters are opting for this convenient and time-saving mode of ticketing.

Yesterday, i.e., on 14.11.2025, more than 53,000 Mobile QR Tickets were booked through the AAMAR KOLKATA METRO app — the highest ever recorded in a normal day. This reflects the popularity of this app and QR Ticketing option mode among Metro users.

Passengers are encouraged to use Mobile QR Tickets, which saves both time and money. Regular camps are being organised at different stations of Metro Railway. A maximum of four QR tickets can be booked in a single transaction. To avail this facility, passengers are requested to download the AAMAR KOLKATA METRO app from the Google Play Store or the App Store.

Passengers are also requested to use Smart Cards to avoid queues at booking counters, thereby saving valuable time. They are further encouraged to use ASCRM machines for purchasing tickets and recharging Smart Cards and to opt for online recharge to minimize congestion at booking counters.

Eastern Railway Sealdah Division Flag Off Inaugural EMU Service: A New Milestone for Commuters

MI News Service, Kolkata, 15 Nov.25 : Eastern Railway's Sealdah Division today successfully launched the inaugural run of a new EMU local service between Amghata Halt and Krishnanagar City Junction stations, marking a significant step towards enhancing railway connectivity in the region.

The inaugural run of the train initiated today in august presence of the Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Shri Jagannath Sarkar.

Additional Divisional Railway Manager/ Infra/Sealdah Sri Rajesh Kumar along with other officials of the Sealdah Division and enthusiastic local residents were also present on the occasion.

The train departed from Amghata Halt at 12:00 hrs, signifying the start of a much-awaited service.

This inaugural service is a precursor to the introduction of 03 (three) pairs of new EMU local services between Krishnanagar City Jn. and Amghata Halt, which will be formally effective from November 17, 2025.

Addressing the gathering, Hon'ble MP Shri Jagannath Sarkar hailed the new service as a "true milestone" that directly addresses the long-standing needs of the local populace. He expressed confidence

that these services would drastically improve daily travel for thousands of passengers, offering a faster and more convenient mode of transport.

The regular services will commence on November 17, 2025, offering crucial connectivity on the following schedule:

Train No.	Direction	Departure Station	Departure Time	Arrival Station	Arrival Time
01881	Krishnanagar Amghata	Krishnanagar City Jn.	06:45 hrs.	Amghata Halt	07:00 hrs.
01883	Krishnanagar Amghata	Krishnanagar City Jn.	13:30 hrs.	Amghata Halt	13:45 hrs.
01885	Krishnanagar Amghata	Krishnanagar City Jn.	21:15 hrs.	Amghata Halt	21:30 hrs.
01882	Amghata Krishnanagar	Amghata Halt	07:08 hrs.	Krishnanagar City Jn.	07:23 hrs.
01884	Amghata Krishnanagar	Amghata Halt	13:53 hrs.	Krishnanagar City Jn.	14:08 hrs.
01886	Amghata Krishnanagar	Amghata Halt	21:38 hrs.	Krishnanagar City Jn.	21:55 hrs.

In this context Divisional Railway Manager, Sealdah Sri Rajeev Saxena stated that, The EMU service between Krishnanagar City Junction and Amghata Halt is a clear demonstration of our resolve to improve connectivity and ease the daily commute for our passengers. This service is not just about adding a train; it's about connecting lives and fostering socio-economic growth in the surrounding areas. Eastern Railway remain dedicated to ensuring safe, punctual, and comfortable travel for all.

US presses for approval of UN resolution on Gaza as Russia offers rival proposal

MI News Service, UN: The joint statement with Qatar, Egypt, United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Indonesia, Pakistan, Jordan and Turkey came after the U.S. faced objections this week and made changes to its U.N. proposal to include more defined language on Palestinian self-determination, according to a U.N. diplomat briefed on the matter who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss the negotiations. The latest U.S. draft and the Russian proposal are both expected to be put up for a vote early next week, the diplomat said, adding that the American plan could garner the nine votes needed to pass, with Russia and China likely abstaining instead of using their vetoes.

U.S. Secretary of State Marco Rubio said Trump's ceasefire plan "is the best path to peace in the Middle East" and said the U.S. resolution will enable the effort to



move forward. The U.S. resolution endorses Trump's 20-point ceasefire plan, which calls for a yet-to-be-established Board of Peace as a transitional authority that he would head. It would also authorise an international stabilisation force in Gaza with a wide mandate, including overseeing the borders, providing security and demilitarising the territory.

Arab and other countries that have expressed interest in participating in the stabilisation force have indicated that such a mandate is

necessary for them to contribute troops.

After facing objections from some U.N. Security Council members that the resolution didn't envision a future independent Palestinian state, the U.S. made revisions. It now says that after reforms to the Palestinian Authority are "faithfully carried out and Gaza redevelopment has advanced, the conditions may be in place for a credible pathway to Palestinian self-determination and statehood."

Russia's rival draft resolution, obtained Friday by The Associated Press, includes stronger language supporting Palestinian statehood alongside Israel and stressing that the West Bank and Gaza must be joined as a state under the Palestinian Authority. Russia's U.N. mission said in a statement that it took the step because the U.N. Security Council, which is responsible for maintaining international peace and security, "should be given a rightful role and the necessary tools to ensure accountability and control."

Russia said council resolutions are also supposed to reaffirm fundamental decisions, "first and foremost the two-state solution for the Israeli-Palestinian settlement." Russia said those provisions were not in the U.S. draft, so it circulated its own text whose objective is "to amend the U.S. concept and bring it into conformity"

with judicious council decisions.

"We would like to stress that our document does not contradict the American initiative," the Russian mission said. "On the contrary, it notes the tireless efforts by the mediators — the United States, Qatar, Egypt, and Turkey — without which the long-awaited ceasefire and the release of hostages and detainees would have been impossible." Russia said it also welcomes provisions of Trump's plan that brought about the ceasefire, release of hostages and detainees, exchange of bodies and resumption of humanitarian access and aid deliveries.

On Thursday, the U.S. mission to the United Nations warned in a statement that "attempts to sow discord" have "grave, tangible and entirely avoidable consequences for Palestinians in Gaza." It urged the council to unite and pass the latest U.S. draft resolution.

1st Test: If India can keep South Africa’s lead to under 125, it should be chaseable, says Axar Patel

KOLKATA : India's left-arm spin-bowling all-rounder Axar Patel said the Eden Gardens surface was offering contrasting behaviour from either end, and noted that India would be confident chasing anything under 125, given the challenging nature of the pitch at the end of Day Two in the first Test against South Africa.

At the close of Day Two's play, South Africa were reduced to 93/7 in 35 overs, with Ravindra Jadeja taking 4-29. Though South Africa have a lead of 63 runs, the game is still on a knife-edge, especially after 16 wickets fell on Day Two. India were also bowled out for 189 in 62.2 overs and had a slender 30-run lead.

"Obviously, from one end, it feels like it's going straight, but from the other end, too much of a turn and bounce is happening. I feel that you have to play attacking cricket as a batter, and only then can you make runs. With the way wicket is right now, if we can keep them under 125, it should be



easy and chaseable," Axar told broadcasters at the end of day two's play. He stressed that batters could not afford to settle into a defensive rhythm on such a two-paced pitch with uneven bounce.



Sunil & Reshma reaches in QF at Hong Kong Lawn-Bowls International Classic

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RANCHI: Just a few days ago, lawn bowls legend Dinesh Kumar brought glory to India by winning the silver medal at the World Cup. Today, Jharkhand players Sunil Bahadur and Reshma Kumari (singles) once again performed brilliantly at the international level, strengthening their medal hopes at the Hong Kong International Classic Lawn Bowls Championship. Jharkhand's international players Sunil Bahadur and Reshma Kumari today performed brilliantly in their respective categories and advanced to the quarter-finals. Both players won all three matches played today to finish at the top of their pools. Both displayed excellent skill, confidence, and consistency in all three matches. While Dinesh Kumar has been playing the sport for nearly 17 years, Jharkhand's emerging player Reshma Kumari has established her international identity in just three years.

IPL 2026 : Rajasthan Royals add Jadeja, Curran in major shake-up ahead of player auction

MUMBAI : Rajasthan Royals (RR) have officially unveiled their list of retained and released players ahead of the mini-auction for the Indian Premier League (IPL) 2026 scheduled for December 16, signalling the start of a bold rebuild after a disappointing 2025 campaign. RR endured a tough season last year-just four wins in 14 matches and a second-from-bottom finish-prompting sweeping structural changes. The most dramatic development came with former captain Sanju Samson moving to Chennai Super Kings, marking the end of an era. In return, the Royals have added two world-class all-rounders, Ravindra Jadeja and Sam Curran, in blockbuster trades that instantly reshape the squad's leadership and balance. The franchise has also brought in Donovan Ferreira from Delhi Capitals, further strengthening its middle order and finishing depth. Rajasthan have let go of Sri Lankan spin duo Wanindu Hasaranga and Maheesh Theekshana, signalling a move towards a pace-heavy attack com-



plemented by versatile all-rounders. Despite the churn, the Royals have retained a strong young Indian core-Yashasvi Jaiswal, Dhruv Jurel, Kunal Rathore, Riyan Parag, and Yudhvir Singh Charak-alongside big overseas names like Shimron Hetmyer,

IPL 2026: Faf du Plessis, McGurk released from Delhi Capitals squad

NEW DELHI : The Delhi Capitals on Saturday confirmed a 17-member retained core while parting ways with several big names, including Mohit Sharma and Faf du Plessis, as the franchise announced its player list ahead of the IPL 2026 auction scheduled later this year.

After finishing fifth last season and narrowly missing out on the playoffs, the team opted for continuity at the top while making decisive calls on experience and overseas balance.

Apart from Mohit and du Plessis, Delhi have released Sediqullah Atal, Jake Fraser-McGurk, Manvanth Kumar, and Darshan Nalkande. Donovan Ferreira has also exited the squad as part of a trade deal with the Rajasthan Royals that brings Nitish Rana to Delhi.

The Capitals have retained their leadership and core performers, including Axar Patel, KL Rahul, Kuldeep Yadav, Mitchell



Starc, and Tristan Stubbs. Young talents such as Abishek Porel, Sameer Rizvi, Ashutosh Sharma, and Vipraj Nigam have also been backed, signalling the franchise's intention to develop a stable, long-term group. Speaking on the retention



IPL 2026: Gujarat Titans retain core squad with Gill, Buttler, and Sudharsan

MUMBAI : Gujarat Titans have doubled down on continuity ahead of the Indian Premier League (IPL) 2026 season, retaining a powerful core featuring captain Shubman Gill, Jos Buttler, Rahul Tewatia, Rashid Khan, Mohammed Siraj and Kagiso Rabada, as the franchise submitted its final list of retained and released players to the BCCI before the November 15 deadline.

After a largely stable Indian Premier League (IPL) 2025 campaign-where GT remained in the top half for most of the league phase before

strategy, franchise chairman and co-owner Kiran Kumar Grandhi said the team's near-miss in IPL 2025 offered clarity on what needed to be strengthened.

"We had a promising campaign last season. The team showed great quality and spirit, even though we narrowly missed out on the playoffs," Grandhi said. "The auction gives us an opportunity to strengthen the areas where we fell short and build a more balanced squad around the players we have retained."

Co-owner Parth Jindal echoed those sentiments, emphasising Delhi's confidence in the retained group. "We are pleased with the players we've retained - we saw how well they performed together, especially in the first half of last season. Our coaches and scouts have been working tirelessly to identify players who can complement our core group," Jindal said. Head coach Hemang Badani highlighted the team's need for

a late dip saw them lose their last three matches, including the Eliminator to Mumbai Indians-the management has opted for minimal chopping, choosing instead to reinforce its spine for another strong run.

A total of 19 players have been retained, including promising youngsters like Sai Sudharsan, Nishant Sindhu, Manav Suthar, and Kumar Kushagra; established all-rounders Washington Sundar, Shahrulkh Khan, and Sai Kishore; and a seasoned pace contingent featuring Siraj, Rabada, Prasidh Krishna, and Ishant Sharma. Jayant Yadav and Gurnoor Singh Brar also continue as part of a well-rounded unit.

GT's most notable departure comes in the form of West Indies batter Sherfane Rutherford, who has been traded to the Mumbai Indians. The franchise has also released five players: Mahipal Lomror, Karim Janat, Dasun Shanaka, Gerald Coetzee, and Kulwant Khejroliya, marking a relatively small overhaul. With Gill at the helm, Jos Buttler at the top, Rashid in the middle, and Siraj-Rabada spearheading the attack, GT will enter the December mini-auction with clarity, stability, and the freedom to plug only specific gaps.

Retained: Shubman Gill (c), Sai Sudharsan, Kumar Kushagra, Anuj Rawat, Jos Buttler, Nishant Sindhu, Washington Sundar, Arshad Khan, Shahrulkh Khan, Rahul Tewatia, Kagiso Rabada, Mohammed Siraj, Prasidh Krishna, Ishant Sharma, Gurnoor Singh Brar, Rashid Khan, Manav Suthar, Sai Kishore, Jayant Yadav.

Released: Mahipal Lomror, Karim Janat, Dasun Shanaka, Gerald Coetzee, Kulwant Khejroliya.

Traded Out: Sherfane Rutherford (to Mumbai Indians)

"When you get loose balls, you have to convert them into runs and keep an attacking mindset. It's not like you can defend and then feel that you are set on this wicket because you are never really set on this wicket. So, whenever you get a ball outside off-stump or leg stump, you can look to do the sweep or reverse-sweep."On the bowling front, Axar, who had figures of 1-30 in the second innings after picking 1-21 in the first essay, cautioned his fellow bowlers against reaching out to bowl for magic deliveries. "When you know there's some help in it for the bowlers, you can get carried away by the thought of bowling some magic balls - like trying to turn in from outside or look to get wickets."

"At that time, you have to show patience, which is very important. Yes, when a bowler makes a mistake on such a pitch, it's a chance for a batter to make runs. But when the wicket helps a bowler, it is indeed advantageous."

IPL 2026: Bishnoi, Miller, Akash Deep among big players released by LSG

NEW DELHI : Lucknow Super Giants managed to retain some quality players ahead of the IPL 2026 auction, but released six players, with spin sensation Ravi Bishnoi, destructive batter David Miller and pacer Akash Deep among those leaving the franchise.

Rishabh Pant, who was the most expensive buy at the IPL 2025 auction when LSG bid for him, will continue to lead the franchise, whereas Nicholas Pooran, one of the most dangerous hard-hitters in the tournament and in the 20-over format, has also been retained.

Australia's T20I skipper Mitchell Marsh, who has emerged as a destructive top-order batter in the format, has also found a place in the team for the 2026 edition of the tournament. Among bowlers, Digvesh Rathi, who grabbed several eyeballs last year, will continue to represent the franchise and will be joined by Mayank Yadav, Avesh Khan and Mohsin Khan.

Before the retention deadline, LSG traded in Mohammad Shami from Sunrisers Hyderabad and Arjun Tendulkar from the Mumbai Indians to bolster their squad. Additionally, they traded out Shardul Thakur to MI on Thursday.

Despite several significant adjustments to their squad and leadership, the Lucknow Super Giants did not see improved results in IPL 2025. Rishabh Pant took over as captain from KL Rahul, with Zaheer Khan stepping in as team mentor. Nevertheless, the team once again missed the



playoffs, finishing seventh on the points table, mirroring their previous season's outcome.

The team lost consecutive matches towards the end of the league stage, which cost them a spot in the knockouts. LSG aim to rebound in the next season by making key squad changes before the auction.

Retained: Rishabh Pant (c), Nicholas Pooran, Abdul Samad, Ayush Badoni, Aiden Markram, Matthew Breetzke, Himmat Singh, Mitchell Marsh, Shahbaz Ahmed, Arshin Kulkarni, Mayank Yadav, Avesh Khan, Mohsin Khan, M Siddharth, Digvesh Rathi, Prince Yadav, Akash Singh

Released: Ravi Bishnoi, David Miller, Akash Deep, Aryan Juyal, Yuvraj Chaudhary, Rajvardhan Hangargekar.

Traded In: Mohd Shami (from SRH), Arjun Tendulkar (from MI)

Traded Out: Shardul Thakur (to MI)

IPL 2026: Punjab Kings back their Indian core as Maxwell headlines released list

MUMBAI : Punjab Kings have taken a strategic, future-focused route as they finalised their list of retained and released players ahead of the Indian Premier League (IPL) 2026 auction, scheduled to take place in Abu Dhabi on December 16.

In a move that underlines stability and long-term planning, the franchise has retained a large Indian core while letting go of four overseas players, including star all-rounder Glenn Maxwell. Maxwell, who completed his third stint with Punjab last season, was among the five players released. Joining him on the exit list are Kuldeep Sen, Aaron Hardie, Josh Inglis, and Pravin Dube-three of whom saw little to no game time in the Indian Premier League (IPL) 2025. Kuldeep and Hardie did not feature in a single match last season, while Dube played only once, making their release unsurprising as the team looks to refresh its squad composition.

Head coach Ricky Ponting emphasised the importance of maintaining a settled foundation while targeting specific upgrades. "We had a great IPL season last year, and it happened because of every single player," Ponting said, thanking the released cricketers for their contributions. "We will now be aggressively looking to secure high-quality overseas players in the auction, who perfectly plug the defined gaps in our middle-order power-hitting and all-rounder departments. This measured approach, centred on a settled core, is designed to build a deep, balanced squad capable of challenging for the IPL title."

The retained list reflects this vision. Punjab have continued with a strong Indian lineup led by captain Shreyas Iyer and spearhead Arshdeep Singh, alongside promising youngsters like Prabhsimran Singh, Priyansh Arya, Musheer Khan, Harnoor Pannu, and Suryansh Shedge. The squad also boasts impactful all-rounders and overseas performers, including Marcus Stoinis, Marco Jansen, Azmatullah Omarzai, Yuzvendra Chahal, Mitchell Owen, and Lockie Ferguson, ensuring depth across departments. CEO Satish Menon echoed Ponting's sentiment, stressing the importance of continuity. "Our paramount goal was retaining the strong Indian core of our squad, which is absolutely essential for long-term consistency," he said. "By securing key performers like captain Shreyas Iyer and spearhead Arshdeep Singh, we ensure stability in leadership. We will aim to execute a targeted strategy and focus on high-impact replacements."

Released Players: Glenn Maxwell, Josh Inglis, Aaron Hardie, Kuldeep Sen, Pravin Dube.

Retained Players: Prabhsimran Singh, Priyansh Arya, Shreyas Iyer, Shashank Singh, Nehal Wadhwa, Marcus Stoinis, Azmatullah Omarzai, Marco Jansen, Harpreet Brar, Yuzvendra Chahal, Arshdeep Singh, Musheer Khan, Pyala Avinash, Harnoor Pannu, Suryansh Shedge, Mitchell Owen, Xavier Bartlett, Lockie Ferguson, Vysakh Vijaykumar, Yash Thakur, Vishnu Vinod.

ISSF World C'ship: Indian shooters miss out on medals in Standard Pistol

NEW DELHI : Olympian Gurpreet Singh's ninth-place finish was the best the Indian shooters could manage as they could not secure any medals in the 25m Standard Pistol event in the ISSF World Championships 2025 at the Olympic Shooting Range in Cairo, Egypt, on Saturday.

China's Yao Qianxun continued her impressive run in the World Championships, picking up her third individual gold medal to go along with the 10m Air Pistol mixed team gold and a silver in the 25m Sports Pistol event. Adrian Schaub of Switzerland became the world champion in the men's category.

India remained in third position behind China and South Korea in the medal tally with three gold, five silver, and four bronze medals, while China has 12 gold, seven silver, and two bronze medals, and Korea has racked up seven gold and three each of silver and bronze medals.

In the men's event, Gurpreet Singh shot a total of 571-14x for his ninth-place finish. The other shooters in the competition, Udhayveer Sidhu and Rajkanwar Singh Sandhu, finished in 23rd and 24th place with scores of 561-9x and 559- 6x, respectively. Yeongjae Cho of South Korea won the silver, while Ukraine's Pavlo Korostylov won the bronze medal.

In the women's category, Parisha Gupta finished in 10th, the highest among the Indian shooters, with a score of 556-11x. Shikha Chaudhary shot 555-11x for a 12th-place finish while Agam Grewal shot 547-9x to finish in 19th place.

Earlier, former Asian, Mixed Team, and Junior World champion, Esha Singh, added another feather in her decorated cap, nailing a maiden individual World Championship medal, claiming bronze in the women's 25m Pistol Olympic event. The Indian shot a score of 30 in the final, to finish behind in-form Chinese Yao Qianxun (silver, score: 38) and Korea's reigning Olympic Champion Yang Jiin (gold, score: 40).

Esha's effort came as India wrapped up engagements in the 10 Olympic events on schedule at the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) World Championship Rifle/Pistol, Cairo 2025, with a historic haul of one gold, four silver, and two bronze medals. Overall, India lies third on the table with three gold, five silver, and four bronze medals, behind leaders China with 10 gold medals and Korea, which are second with six gold medals.