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Suvendu Adhikari meets families of Sikkim tunnel explosion victims, hands over Rs 5 lakh govt assistance

MI News Service, Siliguri : West Bengal Chief Minister Suvendu Adhikari on Monday handed over financial assistance to the families of the 11 migrant workers from the state who were killed in the recent tunnel collapse in Sikkim's Namchi district and announced government jobs for members of nine bereaved families.

Speaking to reporters here after meeting the families at the Jalpaiguri District Magistrate's office, Suvendu Adhikari said each of the 11 affected families will get a total ex gratia of Rs 21 lakh.

"Today we have extended financial assistance to all the families of the deceased workers. Members of nine families will be given government jobs. Seven of them have been appointed as home guards, and two will be recruited as civic volunteers. We stand firmly with these families in their hour of grief," the Chief minister told reporters here. Earlier on Wednesday Suvendu Adhikari announced an ex gratia of Rs 5 lakh and a civic volunteer job for one eligible member of the family of every West Bengal resident who died in the recent fishing trawler tragedy off the state's coast and the under-construction tunnel collapse in neighbouring Sikkim.

Soon after his arrival at Bagdogra airport near Siliguri, the Chef minister travelled to Jalpaiguri to meet the families of the 11 workers who lost their lives in a recent tunnel explosion at Nimchi in Sikkim. After meeting members of the victims families at the Jalpaiguri District Magistrate's office, he presented a cheque of Rs 5 lakh to each family as financial assistance and a government job letter for one member of each affected family. Later Suvendu Adhikari visited the Jalpesh Temple in Jalpaiguri and offered prayers there . He also visited the Shrabani Mela grounds and went to the Jalpaiguri district BJP office to spend some time there. Suvendu Adhikari returned to Siliguri around noon to hold an administrative meeting at Uttarkanya.

On his way back to Bagdogra, the Chief Minister also inaugurated the long-awaited flyover on Bardhaman Road in Siliguri. This flyover is being constructed with joint financial support from the state and central governments. Once operational, this flyover will open up new horizons for connectivity between North and South Bengal. Earlier, making the announcement in the West Bengal Assembly Suvendu Adhikari expressed condolences to the bereaved families and said the state government would stand by them during the difficult time. The announcement came after BJP MLA Chandrasekhar Mondal raised the issue of the fishing trawler that went missing in the Bay of Bengal on July 2 with several fishermen on board. The trawler, based in Shankarpur in Purba Medinipur district, was located five days later after it capsized near Bagher Char off Kakdwip. "So far, 11 decomposed bodies of fishermen have been recovered from the trawler, while four others remain missing," the Chief Minister said, describing the incident as a major tragedy.

According to the Chief Minister, most of the deceased fishermen belonged to the coastal districts of Purba Medinipur, Howrah and Nadia. He announced that the next of kin of each deceased fisherman would receive Rs 5 lakh in financial assistance, while one eligible family member would be appointed as a civic volunteer at the local police station.

Suvendu Adhikari also extended the same compensation package to the families of West Bengal residents who lost their lives in the Sikkim tunnel collapse. The tunnel accident in Sikkim's Namchi district claimed the lives of at least 20 workers, while five others remained trapped for more than 24 hours after the collapse, reportedly triggered by an explosion of suspected methane gas. Several workers from West Bengal were among those affected. The Chief Minister said the West Bengal government was closely monitoring the rescue operation and had deputed two MLAs to Sikkim to coordinate with the local administration and facilitate assistance for the affected families. Rescue operations inside the collapsed tunnel continued for several days under challenging conditions, with waterlogging, slush and methane gas hampering efforts to retrieve bodies and locate those still trapped.

J-K govt approves Rs 16.36 crore for two major heritage conservation projects

MI News Service, New Delhi / Srinagar : The Jammu and Kashmir government has approved two major heritage conservation projects worth Rs 16.36 crore to revive and restore the historic Jamia Masjid in Shopian and the Sarvadhar Chaumanda Mata Mandir in Ramban, the government spokesperson said on Monday.

Chief Minister Omar Abdullah-led government sanctioned Rs 6.05 crore for Jamia Masjid in Shopian to preserve its distinctive architectural character and safeguard its rich cultural and historical legacy for future generations, the spokesperson said. In another decision, the government approved Rs 10.31 crore for the Sarvadhar Chaumanda Mata Mandir in Ramban to conserve and strengthen the temple's historic and religious significance while preserving its architectural heritage, the spokesperson said. "Chief Minister Omar Abdullah, has approved two major heritage conservation projects worth 16.36 crore for the revival and restoration of the historic Jamia Masjid Sharief in Shopian and the Sarvadhar Chaumanda Mata Mandir in Ramban" official sources said adding the Government has also sanctioned 6.05 crore for the revival and restoration of the historic Jamia Masjid Sharief in Shopian on heritage lines. The project aims to preserve the mosque's distinctive architectural character while safeguarding its rich cultural and historical legacy for future generations". In another significant decision, the Government has approved 10.31 crore for the revival and restoration of the Sarvadhar Chaumanda Mata Mandir in Ramban. The project seeks to conserve and strengthen the temple's historic and religious significance while ensuring the preservation of its architectural heritage, the sources said. Led by Chief Minister Omar Abdullah, the funding is split between these two major religious and architectural sites to protect their longstanding cultural legacies and torestore the mosque on heritage lines while keeping its unique old-style look, while Rs 10.31 crore will be spent to repair and strengthen the historic temple and protect its old design.

Assam flood situation improves even as toll rises to 68

MI News Service, Guwahati: Even as the overall flood situation in Assam improved further, the death toll in this year's deluge climbed to 68 with reports of two more fatalities coming from the worst affected areas , while over 5.24 lakh people remained affected across five districts.

According to official sources here on Monday, the two fresh deaths were reported from Charaideo district, which remained the worst-affected with nearly 1.9 lakh people reeling under flood water.

Among the other affected districts were Golaghat, Jorhat, Nagaon and Sivasagar, the officials said. Altogether 354 relief camps and aid distribution centres were operating round the clock in four districts, taking care of 37,724 displaced people, they said. Multiple agencies, including the Army, NDRF, SDRF, Fire and Emergency Service and the police, were engaged in the rescue and relief operations, they added.

Embankments, roads, bridges and other infrastructure also suffered massive damage in various districts of the state following incessant rain and subsequent floods .

Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma said , however, in spite of the critical situation power restoration work was on in a war footing in phased manner.

"As Assam steadily recovers from the floods, power restoration efforts continue across affected districtson war footing," Sarma said in a social media post on Monday.

He said following the precautionary suspension of electricity supply during the floods, Power Department teams have been carrying out comprehensive safety inspections while restoring power in a phased manner across Sivasagar, Jorhat, Charaideo, Dhubri, Bongaigaon and other affected areas."We remain committed to restoring essential services at the earliest and ensuring every affected community returns to normalcy," he added.

The Chief minister said post-flood rehabilitation will be taken up soon. Schools and all damaged infrastructure will be fully repaired and restored in due course. He also said that food grains, including rice bags, are being dispatched continuously to all affected areas, and medical needs are also being actively managed by teams of Doctors and essential items are being airdropped whereever necessary.

SC will see what Nilekani-led task force suggests on online NEET exam

MI News Service, New Delhi : The Supreme Court on Monday said it will see what the Nandan Nilekani-led high-powered task force formed by the government suggests on the online conduct of the NEET examination. A bench of Justices PS Narasimha and Alok Aradhe said some out-of-the-box suggestions are needed especially when transition is made from the physical mode to the online conduct of the NEET examination. "We need some additional safeguards with respect to cyber security, database protection," it said. The bench was hearing a plea filed by RJD MP Sudhakar Singh following the cancellation of the NEET-UG held on May 3 over alleged paper leak and the announcement of re-NEET.

Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, appearing for the Centre, informed the bench that the Union government has taken a very serious view and a high-level committee has been constituted. He said an announcement was made by Prime minister Narendra Modi himself and the high-level committee is headed by Nandan Nilekani,an expert in the field of technology.

Mehta said besides Nilekani, other members of the task force are former chairman of ISRO S Somanath, former director of the Intelligence Bureau, Tapan Deka, director of IIT Chennai, V Kamakoti, former education secretary Anita Karwal, and logistics expert Amrit Lal Meena. The bench said it is listing the plea filed by RJD MP Sudhakar Singh on next Monday. On June 1, the top court refused to accept for urgent hearing the plea filed by Singh for conduct of the NEET-UG 2026 re-test on June 21 in computer-based test mode. On May 12, the National Testing Agency cancelled the NEET-UG held on May 3 for medical admissions amid allegations of paper leak.The CBI is currently investigating the matter and the retest was held on June 21. On Sunday Prime Minister Modi announced the constitution of the high-powered task force on examination reforms under the leadership of technology entrepreneur and infosys co-founder Nandan Nilekani, saying it would recommend measures to make the country's examination system more reliable and transparent.

The announcement came a day after the reshuffle in the Education ministry, with Union Minister Pralhad Joshi taking charge following Dharmendra Pradhan's resignation, as the government seeks to restore confidence in the examination system following a major backlash and student-led protests over the NEET paper leak row. A multidisciplinary group of domain experts will be part of the task force. Announcing the new panel on social media, PM Modi said it would recommend reforms aimed at restoring confidence in public examinations.

"We have decided to constitute a high-powered task force under the leadership of the world-renowned technology expert Nandan Nilekani. This task force will focus on examination reforms, and based on its report, steps will be taken to ensure the credibility of upcoming examinations at the earliest," he said. PM Modi said the government had already taken steps against those accused of compromising the integrity of public examinations. "The Government of India is continuously taking various measures for the future of students. Those who tampered with the students' future are languishing in jail. We have already established fast-track courts.

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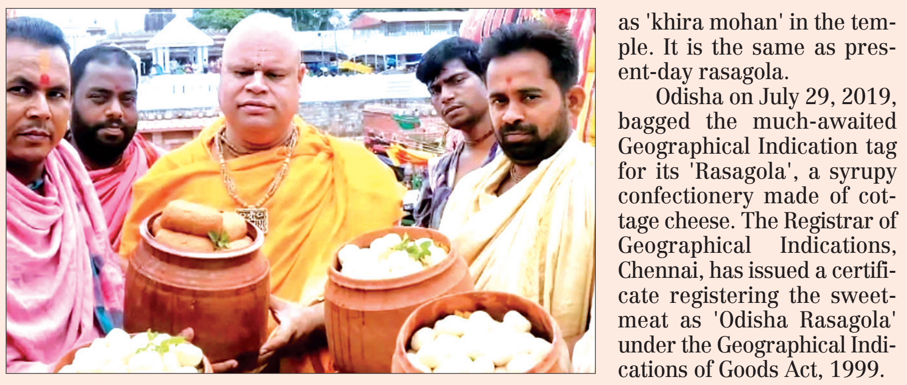
Fresh landslide blocks Jammu-Srinagar National Highway

MI News Service, Jammu / Srinagar : A fresh landslide on Monday blocked the 250-km Jammu–Srinagar National Highway in the Udhampur district, while the main bridge in the Doda district was temporarily closed to vehicular movement after suspected cracks triggered a safety inspection, officials said. A massive landslide struck the strategic Jammu–Srinagar National Highway at Dewal in the Udhampur district early Monday, forcing authorities to suspend vehicular traffic from both directions, a traffic department official said. He said the National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) had deployed men and machinery to clear the debris and restore traffic at the earliest. According to the Jammu Police, the highway remained closed for all types of vehicular movement following the landslide, with authorities leaving no stone unturned to clear the debris and restore connectivity.

The Police has urged the commuters to avoid undertaking any journey on the highway until it is declared safe and reopened for traffic. They have also warned of the possibility of further landslides and rolling down of huge stones along the route.

Odisha observes 'Rasagola Dibasa' as Lord Jagannath returns to Puri temple



MI News Service, Puri : Following the centuries old tradition, Odisha observed the 'Rasagola Dibasa' on Monday, marking the return of the sibling deities, Lord Balabhadra, Devi Subhadra and Lord Jagannath, to their abode in the 12th-century shrine in Puri after the annual Rath Yatra. Rasagola Dibasa is celebrated on 'Niladri Bije', the ritual of the deities' return to the temple, as they are ceremonially offered the sweet on this day. Niladri Bije is the only day of the year when Lord Jagannath is offered rasagola, known as 'khira mohan' in temple terminology. Though Niladri Bije is a century-old tradition in the temple, the state is observing 'Rasagola Dibasa'since 2015. "Heartfelt best wishes on the holy Niladri Bije and Rasagola Dibasa. May the boundless grace of Mahaprabhu bring happiness, peace, and prosperity to everyone's lives," Odisha Governor Hari Babu Kambhampati said in a post on X. Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi described the day as a unique expression of Odia identity, culture and devotion. "Heartfelt greetings to all on the occasion of Niladri Bije and Rasagola Dibasa. Lord Shri Jagannath's Niladri Bije is not merely a symbol of spiritual tradition, but a unique expression of Odia identity, culture, and devotion," Majhi said. Former Chief minister and BJD president Naveen Patnaik said that, as per the tradition, Lord Jagannath will pacify the anger of Mahalaxmi by offering rasagola. Mother Laxmi is annoyed with the Lord for not taking her to the Rath Yatra. "Heartfelt congratulations on the sacred Neeladri Bije and Rasagola Day. May Mahaprabhu bless everyone. Jai Jagannath," Patnaik said. Researcher Asit Mohanty, who was instrumental in collecting evidence tracing rasagola's origin to the Puri temple, said in the early days, the sweet was known as 'khira mohan' in the temple. It is the same as present-day rasagola.

Odisha on July 29, 2019, bagged the much-awaited Geographical Indication tag for its 'Rasagola', a syrupy confectionery made of cottage cheese. The Registrar of Geographical Indications, Chennai, has issued a certificate registering the sweetmeat as 'Odisha Rasagola' under the Geographical Indications of Goods Act, 1999.

Mohanty said, "Our rasagola is totally different from that of Bengal. Bengal's rasagolla came into existence in 1868, while the sweet originated here over 500 years ago. There is mention of rasagola in the Dandi Ramayan written by Balaram Das," he asserted. Mohanty said the devotees have offered rasagola to Lord Jagannath on Neeladri Bije day for centuries and said there should be no debate on its origin. "Let Bengal enjoy its Rasagolla and we ours," he said. On the occasion, the people across the state exchange rasagola to celebrate the day, with sweet shops doing brisk business. A special function was organised at Pahala, a village on the outskirts of Bhubaneswar where a slew of sweet shops specialising in rasagolla are located. Locals and tourists on the National Highway-16 passing through Pahal stop to join in the celebrations and click pictures with large mounds of rasagolas on display.

Anti-paper leak bill introduced amid ruckus ; both Houses adjourned till 2 pm

MI News Service, New Delhi : As promised by Prime minister Narendra Modi on Saturday, Union Minister Jitendra Singh on Monday introduced the Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Amendment Bill, 2026, which seeks to significantly tighten penalties for those involved in government examination paper leaks, in the Lok Sabha after Parliament resumed after a week of disruptions over the NEET paper leak and allegations of police brutality during the July 20 Jantar Mantar protests.

The Bill proposes increasing the punishment for paper leak offences from the existing three to five years' imprisonment to five to 10 years, while enhancing the maximum fine from Rs 10 lakh to Rs 50 lakh. Reports say that the Union Cabinet cleared the Bill a day after Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced tougher measures in response to the ongoing student-led protests demanding accountability over the NEET-UG paper leak and the resignation of former Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan.

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AIIMS Kalyani Launches CPR Awareness Week to Train Public in Life-Saving Skills

MI News Service, Kalyani: Reinforcing its commitment to community health and emergency preparedness, the Department of Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care at AIIMS Kalyani on Monday launched a week-long CPR Awareness Week aimed at equipping students, healthcare professionals and the public with essential life-saving skills.

The five-day programme, scheduled from July 27 to 31, was inaugurated by Prof. Arvind Sinha, Executive Director of AIIMS Kalyani, who highlighted the importance of timely cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) in improving survival following sudden cardiac arrest.

A key component of the initiative is hands-on training in Compression Only Life Support (COLS), conducted by trained faculty members of the Department of Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care. The sessions are designed to help participants recognise the signs of cardiac arrest, initiate immediate chest compressions and sustain basic life support until advanced medical care becomes available.

The awareness campaign brings together a diverse group of participants, including students from Garden High School (IISER Kolkata Campus) and Springdale High School, along with BSc Nursing, Allied Health Sciences (ALHS) and MBBS students, faculty members, teachers and institutional staff.

Medical experts note that prompt bystander CPR can significantly increase the chances of survival in cases of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest, making public awareness and practical training critical components of emergency healthcare. By expanding CPR education beyond healthcare professionals, AIIMS Kalyani aims to create a community better prepared to respond during life-threatening emergencies.

The institute said the initiative reflects its continued focus on public health outreach and capacity building, with the long-term objective of improving survival outcomes through early intervention and greater community participation in emergency response.

WB Health Minister Makes Surprise Inspection at District Hospital

MI News Service, Krishnanagar: Days after a late-night surprise inspection at the Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial (JNM) Hospital in Kalyani exposed serious deficiencies in patient care, West Bengal Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare Sumana Sarkar on Sunday carried out another unannounced visit, this time to Shaktinagar District Hospital in Krishnanagar, underlining the state government's renewed emphasis on accountability in public healthcare.

Accompanied by BJP MLAs from Krishnanagar North, Krishnanagar South and Nakashipara, along with senior officials of the Health Department, the minister undertook an extensive inspection of hospital wards and interacted directly with patients and their attendants to assess the quality of healthcare services.

During the visit, several patients and family members alleged that they had been asked to purchase medicines and a series of five injections from private pharmacies before admission. Complaints were also raised regarding the availability of medicines, staff behaviour and the overall quality of services at the government-run hospital.

Taking serious note of the allegations, Sarkar summoned the hospital superintendent and directed him to conduct an immediate inquiry and ensure prompt corrective measures. She stressed that patients should receive all entitled government healthcare benefits without being subjected to unnecessary financial burden.

The minister also issued a stern warning against the alleged presence of middlemen operating inside government hospitals. "There will be zero tolerance for touts and intermediaries in public healthcare institutions. Every patient must receive transparent and timely medical services," she said, while instructing doctors, nurses and healthcare workers to maintain a humane and compassionate approach towards patients and their families.

Referring to the government's healthcare policy, Sarkar remarked that the administration was focusing on strengthening the Ayushman Arogya Mandir model to improve primary healthcare delivery. She also reviewed the availability of medicines and essential services within the hospital.

The issue of the blood bank at Nabadwip State General Hospital, reportedly remaining non-functional, also came up during the inspection. Sarkar admitted that the matter had not previously come to her notice and assured that the Health Department would examine the reasons behind the disruption. She observed that blood bank services in a government hospital should not remain suspended for prolonged periods.

Reiterating the government's commitment to improving healthcare infrastructure, the minister said that food allocation for indoor patients had already been enhanced and that further administrative measures would be taken to eliminate irregularities, strengthen monitoring mechanisms and improve the overall standard of patient care.

Actress Sreelekha Mitra Faces Fresh Complaint Over Protest Poster; Written Complaint Filed

MI News Service, Shantipur : The controversy surrounding actor Sreelekha Mitra's participation in a protest against the alleged NEET-UG examination paper leak has widened, with a fresh written complaint being lodged against her at Shantipur Police Station in Nadia district.

The row stems from a protest march from Sealdah to Dharmatala demanding the resignation of Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan over the alleged examination irregularities. During the demonstration, Mitra was photographed holding a placard that allegedly carried an objectionable depiction of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, triggering sharp political reactions.

Following the incident, BJP leader Keya Ghosh submitted a written complaint at Anandapur Police Station in Kolkata, alleging that the placard contained offensive material targeting the Prime Minister. Complaints have also reportedly been submitted to the Bidhannagar Cyber Crime Police Station and other police authorities.

In the latest development, Dr Somnath Kar, a professor at Ranaghat College, along with several local residents, filed a written complaint at Shantipur Police Station. According to the complainants, the police accepted the complaint and issued a General Diary (GD) entry. They have urged the authorities to initiate appropriate legal action, arguing that public figures should exercise responsibility while participating in political demonstrations.

The complainants contended that the office of the Prime Minister carries constitutional significance and that the public display and subsequent circulation of allegedly objectionable imagery on social media were inappropriate. They also argued that celebrities, being influential public personalities, have a greater responsibility towards maintaining public decorum.

Responding to the controversy, Sreelekha Mitra stated that she did not bring the placard from home and that it had been handed to her during the protest. Critics, however, have questioned her decision to later share the image on social media, saying the issue could have been defused through a clarification or apology if the act had been inadvertent.

Police are examining the complaints. No court has ruled on the allegations, and no finding of guilt has been established. The matter remains under investigation, and any further legal action will depend on the outcome of the probe.

Kharagpur–Keshiary State Highway Submerged, Knee-Deep Water at Hatigeria

MI News Service, Kharagpur: Continuous heavy rainfall has severely disrupted normal life on the Kharagpur–Keshiary State Highway in Paschim Medinipur district. Due to incessant rain, the road near the Hathigeria–Lengamara Bridge has been completely submerged, bringing traffic to a near standstill.With knee-deep water covering the highway, the movement of vehicles has been badly affected, causing immense inconvenience to commuters. Traffic on the route has been severely disrupted, while several two-wheelers got stranded in the water. Small vehicles were seen moving cautiously through the flooded stretch, risking accidents due to the strong flow of water across the road.The highway serves as a vital route for thousands of daily commuters, including office-goers, students, businesspersons, and villagers. The waterlogging has resulted in long traffic snarls, forcing people to remain stuck for hours. Women, school students, elderly citizens, and patients have been among the worst affected.

Local residents alleged that the area near the Hathigeria–Lengamara Bridge faces the same problem every monsoon, yet no permanent solution has been implemented by the authorities. They claimed that even a short spell of heavy rain turns the road into a virtual river, severely disrupting daily life.Residents have urged the administration and the state government to develop an improved drainage system and raise the level of the road, along with implementing other permanent measures to prevent recurring flooding during the monsoon season. Meanwhile, the administration has appealed to the public to exercise extreme caution while passing through the waterlogged stretch and to use alternative routes unless travel through the affected area is absolutely necessary. Authorities are closely monitoring the situation as heavy rainfall continues.

West Bengal Law Clerks' Association Holds Howrah District Meeting at Jagatballavpur

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MI News Service, Howrah: The Howrah District meeting of the West Bengal Law Clerks' Association was held at Jagatballavpur. The meeting took place on 26 July at Biswanath Niketan in Godaria, Jagatballavpur.

The meeting was attended by the Association's State Secretary, Falguni Chakraborty, District Secretary Palash Manna, along with district and block-level office-bearers and leaders. Around 300 delegates participated in the meeting.

The proceedings of the meeting were conducted by Surajit Bhattacharya, Secretary of the Bally-Jagacha Block.

West Bengal Urged to Create Separate Agricultural Engineering Directorate to Boost Farm Productivity

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Dipankar Edbar, Kalyani: The Indian Society of Agricultural Engineers (ISAE) has urged the West Bengal government to establish a separate Directorate of Agricultural Engineering, arguing that the absence of a dedicated technical framework has constrained the effective implementation of several centrally sponsored agricultural schemes and slowed the adoption of modern farming technologies across the state.

Dr. Ranjit Biswas, Chairman of ISAE and former Professor of Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalaya, said West Bengal requires a dedicated agricultural engineering cadre with trained officers posted from the state headquarters to the block level. Such a system, he said, would strengthen planning, technical supervision and monitoring of agricultural engineering projects while helping farmers adopt scientific and climate-resilient farming practices.

According to the organisation, West Bengal is one of India's leading agricultural states with nearly 71 lakh farming families, while the average operational landholding is just 0.77 hectares. Given the predominance of small and marginal farmers, interventions such as farm mechanisation, efficient irrigation, soil and water conservation, renewable energy applications, post-harvest management and precision agriculture are essential for improving productivity and farm incomes.

ISAE alleged that despite repeated recommendations from the Union government over the years, the previous Trinamool Congress government did not establish a separate Directorate of Agricultural Engineering in the state. The organisation has now appealed to the present state government to create the Directorate and strengthen technical manpower across all administrative levels.

The organisation noted that West Bengal does not have an independent agricultural engineering cadre or an adequate number of specialised officers to plan, implement and supervise engineering-based agricultural programmes. As a result, the execution of flagship Central schemes such as the Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM), Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY), Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) and Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) has not reached its full potential.

Citing official data, ISAE said that between 2014-15 and 2024-25, West Bengal received Rs 101.79 crore under the SMAM scheme. During the period, only 10,997 farm machines were distributed and installed through 774 Custom Hiring Centres, while several other states recorded significantly higher progress under the programme.

The organisation further pointed out that only 94,964 hectares of agricultural land in West Bengal are under micro-irrigation, representing just 1.8% of the state's total cultivable area. Expanding scientific irrigation systems and improving engineering support, it said, are critical for enhancing water-use efficiency and ensuring sustainable agricultural growth.

Calling for immediate policy intervention, ISAE urged the state government to establish a separate Directorate of Agricultural Engineering, create dedicated technical posts from the state to the block level, and build a specialised agricultural engineering cadre to ensure effective implementation of government schemes and accelerate the modernisation of agriculture in West Bengal.

Kharagpur Celebrates Spirit of National Unity: Students Showcase Talent at KVS Cluster-Level 'Rashtriya Ekta Parv 2026–27'

MI News Service, Kharagpur: PM SHRI Kendriya Vidyalaya No. 2, Kharagpur, successfully hosted the Cluster-Level KVS Rashtriya Ekta Parv 2026–27 in an atmosphere filled with enthusiasm, grandeur, and patriotism. More than just a cultural programme, the event emerged as a vibrant celebration of national unity, cultural diversity, artistic excellence, creativity, and the spirit of "Unity in Diversity." Students, teachers, parents, and distinguished guests from various Kendriya Vidyalayas under the Kharagpur cluster participated with great enthusiasm. The programme commenced with a warm welcome for the Chief Guest and members of the judging panel. The inaugural ceremony was marked by the ceremonial lighting of the lamp by Sudeep Mondal, Cluster In-charge and Principal of Kendriya Vidyalaya Railway Colony; Ratna Basu, Headmistress of PM SHRI Kendriya Vidyalaya No. 2, Kharagpur; and Sangram Banerjee, Principal of the host school. The lamp-lighting symbolised the triumph of knowledge over ignorance and highlighted the importance of education.Students then presented a melodious welcome song, followed by a captivating cultural dance showcasing India's rich heritage, diverse folk traditions, and the essence of national integration. The performances received enthusiastic applause from the audience. During the programme, Rafat Parveen (TGT, Social Science) and Himani Mehta (PGT, Geography) elaborated on the concepts of "Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat" and "Kala Utsav." They explained that these initiatives aim to strengthen national integration, encourage cultural exchange, promote respect for India's traditions, and foster creativity among students.

Welcoming the guests and participants, Principal Sangram Banerjee highlighted the significance of such events in nurturing students' overall development and strengthening the values of unity and cultural harmony.The Chief Guest, Shreya Shandilya, Nominated Chairperson of the Vidyalaya Management Committee and Senior Personnel Officer, South Eastern Railway, Kharagpur Division, encouraged the students and said that programmes like these help develop leadership qualities, self-confidence, national integration, and cultural awareness.

A series of competitions was organised during the event, where students displayed remarkable talent, creativity, artistic skills, and cultural understanding. Participants from various Kendriya Vidyalayas enthusiastically competed, making the programme memorable. During the valedictory session, Pankaj Kumar Jha, PRT (Music) from Kendriya Vidyalaya Santragachi, shared his experience as an escort teacher and praised the host school for its excellent management, discipline, and hospitality.Student S. Tejaswini of Kendriya Vidyalaya Railway Colony also shared her experience, stating that such programmes provide students with a valuable platform to showcase their talents while helping them understand and appreciate India's diverse cultural heritage. Members of the judging panel, Tanushree Paul Kar of Sarda Nritya Kala Kendra and Indranil Roy, a VMC member, appreciated the performances of the participants and extended their best wishes for their future endeavours.In his concluding remarks, Principal Sangram Banerjee expressed gratitude to all the guests, judges, escort teachers, participants, and organising committee members for contributing to the success of the event. The results of the various competitions were announced, and the winners were presented with certificates and honours. The first-place winners in different categories will now represent the Kharagpur Cluster at the Regional-Level KVS Competition to be held at PM SHRI Kendriya Vidyalaya, Ballygunge.

The programme concluded with the singing of the National Anthem. The auditorium echoed with patriotic fervour and a renewed commitment to national unity, making the event not just a competition but an inspiring celebration of India's timeless ideal of "Unity in Diversity."

Bharatiya Sanatan Hindu Manch Holds Religious Conference, Pledges to Promote Scriptural Knowledge and Preserve Sanatan Culture

MI News Service, Kharagpur: With the objective of preserving Sanatan Dharma, Vedic traditions, and Indian culture, while promoting the wider dissemination of scriptural education, the Bharatiya Sanatan Hindu Manch organised a special religious discussion meeting in Narayangarh, Paschim Medinipur.The programme was attended by Kartik Maharaj as the chief guest, who addressed the gathering on the importance of religion, cultural heritage, and moral values. He shared his views on the relevance of Sanatan traditions in contemporary society.A large number of followers of Sanatan Dharma from the Narayangarh region participated enthusiastically in the day-long event. The discussions focused on the core teachings of Hindu scriptures, ethical values, and the growing need for religious and cultural education in the present time. Speakers at the event said that the Sanatan tradition is not merely a matter of faith but a way of life that provides moral guidance and helps build a value-based society.At the conclusion of the programme, office-bearers of the organisation at the state, district, and block levels jointly reaffirmed their commitment to spreading religious values, scriptural knowledge, and the principles of Sanatan culture across all sections of society.They stated that the initiative has been launched under the guidance of Kartik Maharaj, and similar Vedic and religious discussion programmes will be organised across the region in the coming days to connect the younger generation with India's cultural and scriptural heritage.

Nyay Vichar Mancha Holds Symbolic Hunger Strike in Kolkata, Submits Written Complaint to the Enforcement Directorate Against Allegedly Corrupt Junior Doctors

MI News Service, Kolkata: Amid the controversial and disruptive agitation by the Coacroach Janata Party, Kolkata witnessed yet another unique protest initiative. Over the past four days, members of Nyay Bichar Mancha observed a symbolic hunger strike from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at several locations across the city, including Y Channel at Dharmatala, Rashbehari Avenue, and the Esplanade Metro Gate. The protest demanded exemplary punishment for the killers of Dr.Tilottama as well as for those allegedly involved in financial misappropriation through crowdfunding by exploiting her murder.

In addition to submitting written complaints against the West Bengal Junior Doctors' Front to the Hon'ble Chief Minister Shuvendu Adhikari and the Hon'ble Governor R. N. Ravi, representatives of Nyay Vichar Mancha also visited the CGO Complex and lodged a written complaint with the Director of the Enforcement Directorate (ED), seeking an investigation into the alleged financial irregularities.

According to Dr.Chandrachur Goswami, President and Convenor of Nyay Vichar Mancha, the murder of Dr. Abhaya at R.G. Kar Hospital was a matter of deep shame for humanity. He further alleged that those who used the incident to raise funds in the name of the movement, while allegedly enriching themselves and diverting the movement from its original purpose, were equally guilty in the moral sense.

Dr.Goswami stated that from the very beginning of the movement, Nyay Bichar Mancha had personally met members of the West Bengal Junior Doctors' Front and had also written to them via email, urging them to maintain complete financial transparency. However, according to him, these appeals were ignored because, in his opinion, they intended from the outset to profit from the movement.

He further alleged that while the agitation was underway, many poor and helpless patients suffered due to the absence of medical services because some junior doctors allegedly stayed away from hospital duties, while continuing their private medical practice. He remarked that while extortion in the name of public events is often associated with local criminals, it is even more disgraceful if doctors allegedly earn money by using the murder of one of their own colleagues. Dr.Goswami also claimed that several leading media reports suggested that the Junior Doctors' Front had raised crores of rupees through crowdfunding during the movement and alleged that a substantial portion of those funds had been misappropriated. He further alleged that artist Asit Sai, who had sculpted Dr.Abhaya's statue free of cost, was falsely shown in fabricated bills.

Expressing further concern, Dr. Goswami stated that, in his opinion, individuals allegedly involved in such financial misconduct could in future become involved in serious crimes such as organ trafficking, kidney trafficking, or counterfeit medicine rackets. He also speculated that it could not be ruled out whether some individuals might even have been involved in a conspiracy relating to Dr.Abhaya's murder and later attempted to conceal their alleged role by portraying themselves as leaders of the protest movement. He further claimed that after Nyay Vichar Mancha exposed these allegations during a press conference at the Kolkata Press Club, the West Bengal Junior Doctors' Front allegedly dissolved its existing platform and formed a new organisation under the name "Voice of Abhaya, Voice for Justice" in an attempt to distance itself from the controversy. According to him, this amounted to "old wine in a new bottle." Dr.Goswami concluded by saying that the truth-seeking members of Nyay Vichar Mancha would not allow anyone to escape after allegedly misappropriating public money, likening the situation to the tale of "Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves." He expressed confidence that the Enforcement Directorate would take appropriate action based on the complaint and added that, if necessary, Nyay Vichar Mancha would also submit a petition to the President of India, Droupadi Murmu. Apart from Convenor Dr. Chandrachur Goswami, those who participated in the four-day symbolic hunger strike included Anamika Mondal, Antara Mitra, Anjan Prasad Majumdar, Dr. Aniruddha Pal, Parimal Majumdar, Srimanta Palit, Pritam Bala, Sandeep Sarkar, and several other state-level leaders.

West Bengal to Honour Top 100 NEET-UG Rankers with Laptops

MI News Service, Kolkata: Amid the ongoing controversy over the NEET-UG examination, the West Bengal government has decided to honour the state's top 100 successful candidates.

A special felicitation ceremony will be held at the Nabanna Sabhaghar on July 28 at 5 pm. Chief Minister Suvendu Adhikari is expected to attend the programme and present laptops to the meritorious students as a gesture of appreciation and encouragement. According to Nabanna sources, preparations for the event began following the Chief Minister's instructions. The Health and Family Welfare Department has issued an administrative notification detailing the arrangements. The list of the state's top 100 NEET-UG performers, prepared by the Education Department, has already been forwarded to the Health Department. The students will attend the event along with their parents. Principals of government and private medical colleges, senior Health Department officials and prominent figures associated with medical education have also been invited. Around 400 guests are expected to attend, prompting the administration to make elaborate arrangements at Nabanna and strengthen security. The initiative comes at a time when the NEET-UG examination has faced intense criticism over allegations of question paper leaks, irregularities and other controversies, causing concern among students across the country. According to officials, the felicitation aims to recognise students who achieved success through their merit despite the challenging circumstances and boost their confidence as they prepare for careers in medicine.

Centre Introduces Bill to Curb Paper Leaks, Dilip Ghosh Backs Tougher Laws

MI News Service, Kolkata: The Centre has moved to strengthen measures against question paper leaks and malpractice in national examinations, with the Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Amendment Bill, 2026 introduced in the Lok Sabha on Monday.

Union Minister Jitendra Singh introduced the Bill amid loud protests and sloganeering by Opposition members. The move triggered a political confrontation, with the Opposition questioning the government's approach to tackling irregularities in the examination system. BJP leader Dilip Ghosh welcomed the Centre's move, saying the government had already made it clear that stricter legislation would be introduced to prevent examination-related malpractice. He said the proposed law would be passed by Parliament and added that, if necessary, West Bengal could also bring in separate legislation to prevent such offences. Ghosh said stringent action was needed so that those involved in examination malpractice would think twice before committing such offences. The Opposition, however, criticised the Bill. Congress MP Gaurav Gogoi described the move as a "showpiece" measure and alleged that the government had failed to address administrative weaknesses and undertake necessary policy reforms in the education sector.

The political temperature rose both inside and outside Parliament. During the adjournment, senior INDIA bloc leaders staged a joint protest on the Parliament premises against the Narendra Modi government. Congress leaders Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi, along with Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav, participated in the demonstration. Trinamool Congress MP Mahua Moitra was also seen joining the protest and raising slogans against the government.

The latest development comes amid continuing political tensions over allegations of question paper leaks and irregularities in competitive examinations, including the NEET controversy.

SC will see what Nilekani-led task force suggests on

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We are also moving towards enacting new legislation in Parliament that incorporates stringent legal provisions," he said. The Prime minister said the focus must now shift to strengthening the examination system for the future. "However, we must look to the future. Our examination system needs to be reliable and transparent, and it must make maximum use of technology," he said. PM Modi's announcement comes as the Centre is set to introduce a draft Bill in Parliament prescribing harsher punishments for examination paper leaks. As part of the reforms, the Centre will table the Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Amendment Bill, 2026, in the Lok Sabha proposing stricter punishments, time-bound investigations and trials, and the creation of a Special Task Force (STF) to investigate serious offences related to public examinations. Meanwhile, according to an observation of the Supreme Court, the right to peaceful protest is guaranteed in the country and agitation cannot justify police excesses "An agitation cannot justify police excesses or a 'lathi charge", the Supreme Court said on Monday while observing that the right to peaceful protest is absolutely guaranteed. A bench headed by Chief Justice Surya Kant also said it will hear on Tuesday a batch of pleas alleging police excesses against students protesting over NEET paper leak across the country and other exam irregularities. Besides, the bench, also comprising Justices Joymalya Bagchi and V Mohana, agreed to take up a separate plea filed by a few family members of those police personnel who were attacked during the protest along with other listed petitions.

Anti-paper leak bill introduced amid ruckus ; both Houses

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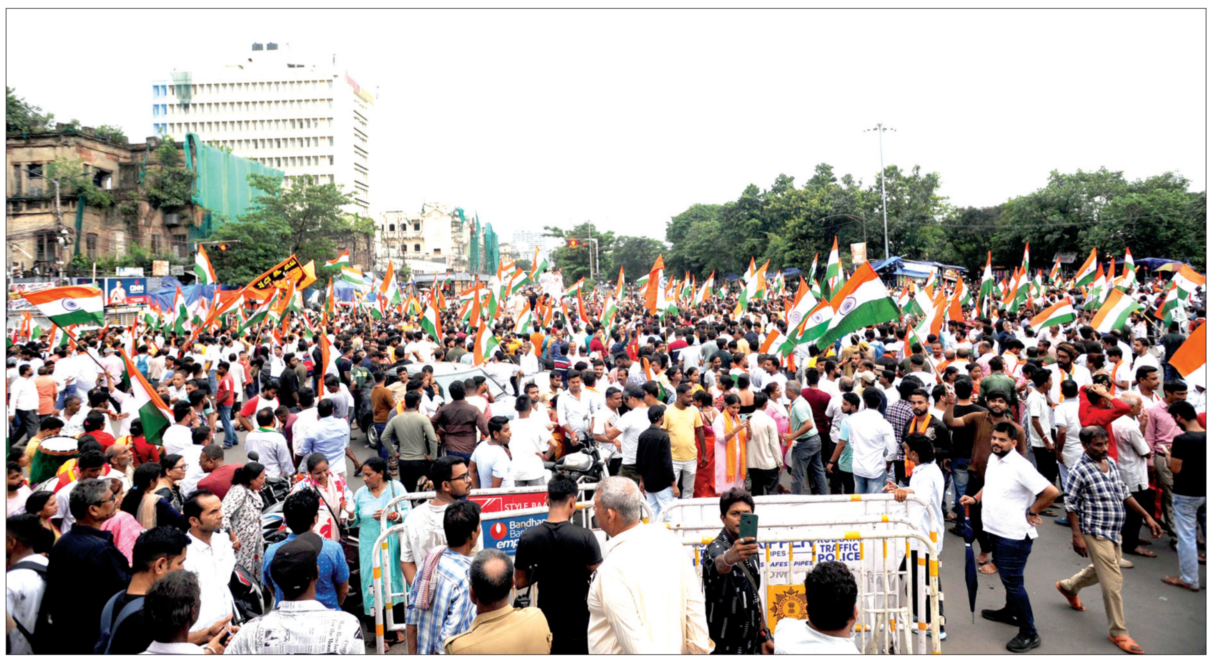
However, the Opposition continued their protest both inside and outside Parliament, with Congress MPs submitting adjournment notices seeking discussions on the NEET paper leak. They also alleged police excesses during the July 20 Jantar Mantar protest, and the need for a new anti-defection law. DMK MP Tiruchi Siva also moved a Suspension of Business Notice in the Rajya Sabha to discuss what he described as the plight of medical aspirants due to NEET and the alleged rise in student suicides linked to the examination, while demanding that the entrance test be abolished.Both Houses witnessed heavy ruckus and have been adjourned till afternoon even as the government introduced the Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Amendment Bill, 2026, in the Lok Sabha this morning. But as the opposition protest continued despite repeated pleas by the Speaker to allow the discussion to continue was unheard, he adjouned the House till 2 p.m. Congress MP Gaurav Gogoi says, "I do not believe the PM is serious about reforming the education system, because the RSS aims to take over India's entire educational framework—installing their own people as Vice-Chancellors. Earlier, as the house reassembled after three days Lok Sabha speaker Om Birla congratulated Mirabai Chanu for winning Gold at Commonwealth Games,while the Opposition questions on crisis in Manipur.



BJP activists took part in a "Tiranga Yatra" in protest against the alleged unruly procession, attacks on journalists and police personnel during a demonstration organised by various Left and ultra-Left student organisations in the city on July 27, 2026. The protest yatra was held from Sealdah to Esplanade in Kolkata on Monday.

Suvendu to Meet 20 Former TMC MPs in Delhi Amid Political Speculation

MI News Service, Kolkata: West Bengal Chief Minister Suvendu Adhikari is scheduled to meet 20 MPs who recently left the Trinamool Congress and joined the NCPI in Delhi on Tuesday. The meeting is expected to take place at 1 pm at Banga Bhavan. One of the MPs, Birbhum's Satabdi Roy, has confirmed that the meeting with the Chief Minister is scheduled. However, she said the participants were yet to be informed about the specific agenda.

The proposed meeting has triggered considerable speculation in political circles in Delhi. According to sources, Union Minister Bhupender Yadav and several BJP leaders are also expected to attend the meeting. The development is significant as the rebel MPs had reportedly met at Yadav's residence when they were in the process of leaving the TMC. They also held discussions with Suvendu Adhikari during that period. Subsequently, the rebel MPs approached the Lok Sabha Speaker seeking recognition of their move to join the NCPI.The latest meeting has fuelled speculation over whether the MPs could eventually join the BJP directly. However, Satabdi Roy has refrained from giving a clear answer on whether such a move is being considered. Speaking about Tuesday's meeting, Roy said they had been informed that a meeting with the Chief Minister would take place at Banga Bhavan, but that the agenda had not yet been communicated to them.

Suvendu Urges Migrant Workers to Return, Promises Jobs in Bengal

MI News Service, Kolkata: West Bengal Chief Minister Suvendu Adhikari on Monday appealed to migrant workers from the state to return home, claiming that his government was creating sufficient employment opportunities and that people would no longer need to travel outside Bengal in search of livelihoods. Adhikari was speaking to reporters after distributing financial assistance among the families of 11 workers from Jalpaiguri and Alipurduar who died in the recent NHPC Teesta Stage-VI tunnel accident in Sikkim. The state government had announced an ex gratia payment of 5 lakh for each bereaved family.During his visit to Jalpaiguri, the Chief Minister said all 11 families had received the promised assistance. He added that seven family members had been offered Home Guard positions, while four others who did not meet the eligibility requirements would be appointed as Civic Volunteers.

According to Adhikari, each affected family would receive a total compensation of 21 lakh from various sources. This includes 5 lakh from the West Bengal government, 4 lakh from the Sikkim government, 5 lakh from NHPC, 5 lakh from the workers' construction company and 2 lakh from the Prime Minister's National Relief Fund. Calling the initiative a humanitarian responsibility, Adhikari urged migrant labourers to return to Bengal, claiming that the state was witnessing an "Amrit Kaal of development". He highlighted economic initiatives in North Bengal, including projects involving makhana, pineapple, maize and Tulaipanji rice cultivation.

He also referred to employment programmes and urged workers to obtain job cards, claiming that eligibility conditions had been relaxed and that up to 125 days of employment would be provided. The Chief Minister highlighted welfare measures such as increased old-age and widow pensions, expanded Ayushman Bharat coverage for nearly 40 lakh senior citizens and a separate state health scheme for those outside the central programme. On agriculture, Adhikari said PM-Kisan assistance had been increased and that eligible farmers would receive an additional 4,000 from the state for agricultural activities. He also announced that August 16, earlier observed as "Khela Hobe Divas", would now be marked as "Ayushman Divas". On closed tea gardens, Adhikari said efforts were underway to resolve the crisis. He expressed hope that 12 to 13 of the 25 closed tea gardens could reopen within two to three months, aided by the proposed Prime Minister's Tea Workers' Assistance Scheme with an allocation of 330 crore. Regarding the Sikkim tunnel accident, Adhikari said the inquiry was being conducted by the Sikkim government. He said a hazardous gas leak had reportedly occurred inside the tunnel and suggested that immediate rescue attempts could have endangered rescuers. At the programme, Adhikari handed cheques to the families of three deceased workers — Anand Toppo, Bolo Oraon and Bireshwar Oraon — and met their relatives individually.

West Bengal Announces 7 Kg Rice Per Head Under Ration Scheme

MI News Service, Kolkata: The West Bengal government has announced a major step to make the state's ration distribution system more transparent and ensure that foodgrains reach genuine beneficiaries. Under the Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY), beneficiaries will now receive 7 kg of rice per head, according to the announcement. A notification on the matter is expected to be issued by the Centre shortly.

Food Minister Ashok Kirtania has also issued a stern warning against corruption and irregularities in the ration distribution system. Addressing allegations of corruption and the supply of poor-quality rice in the past, the minister said such practices would no longer be tolerated. He alleged that middlemen had previously siphoned off nearly 70 per cent of the money involved in the system. The government will now focus on ensuring that foodgrains and other benefits reach farmers and genuine beneficiaries directly, with greater coordination between the Centre and the state.

The minister also urged farmers to maintain direct communication with the government to ensure transparency and prevent the involvement of intermediaries in the procurement and distribution process.

The government has adopted a zero-tolerance policy towards corruption in the ration system. Any distributor or dealer found involved in corrupt practices will face stringent legal action, the minister warned.

The administration will also closely monitor the quality of rice supplied through both the Central Pool and State Pool. If poor-quality rice is found, it will have to be immediately returned to the distributors. Ration dealers have also been instructed not to accept substandard rice from distributors.

In another significant change, the permissible quantity of broken rice has been reduced. Earlier, the allocation allowed up to 10 per cent broken rice, but the limit has now been reduced to 5 per cent.

The government said the move is aimed at ensuring that poor and deserving beneficiaries receive their entitled ration in the right quantity and of acceptable quality. The administration has been directed to remain vigilant throughout the distribution chain and take immediate action against irregularities.

Nabanna Nameplate Turns Saffron as Buildings See Colour Shift

MI News Service, Kolkata: The political change in West Bengal following the recent election results appears to be making its mark on the state's administrative landscape, with the colour of several government buildings gradually shifting from the Trinamool Congress-era blue-and-white to saffron. The latest change has been witnessed at Nabanna, the state secretariat. The colour of the nameplate installed atop the administrative headquarters has been changed from blue to saffron. The blue nameplate, which had remained in place for around 15 years, has now been replaced with a saffron one. The change comes around two-and-a-half months after the new government assumed office in the state. On Monday morning, workers were seen installing the new saffron-coloured 'Nabanna' nameplate on top of the building. The change, however, is currently limited to the nameplate. The overall colour scheme of the administrative building remains blue and white for now. The state government has not made any official announcement regarding plans to change the colour of the entire building.

The development comes after Nabanna was reportedly illuminated in saffron soon after the change of government in Bengal. With the latest change to the nameplate, speculation has emerged over whether the building could eventually undergo a more extensive colour transformation.

After the change of government, Leader of the Opposition Suvendu Adhikari had indicated that the colour of government school uniforms would be changed. The earlier uniform colour scheme, used before 2022, is expected to be restored in state-run schools.

'Har Ghar Tiranga' Prog To Be Held from Aug 9 to 17

MI News Service, Kolkata: The West Bengal government has directed all state departments, the Kolkata Municipal Corporation (KMC) and district administrations to observe the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' programme from August 9 to 17. A notification in this regard has been sent to all departments, the KMC and district magistrates across the state. According to the notification, issued in line with directions from the Union Ministry of Culture, the programme aims to promote patriotism, national unity and solidarity while encouraging citizens to hoist the national flag. Government departments, panchayats, municipalities, educational institutions, cultural and youth organisations, NGOs, business associations and the general public have been asked to participate. Funds have also been allocated for organising the programme. Each district will receive 1 lakh, each subdivision 50,000, each block 20,000, each municipal corporation 1 lakh and each municipality 20,000. The government will centrally supply 1.5 lakh national flags each to every district and the KMC. Kalimpong district, however, will receive 20,000 flags, which will be used by government offices and distributed among the public.

The state government has instructed district, subdivision, block and municipal authorities to organise Tiranga rallies and morning processions. Cycling and e-bike rallies involving students, NSS and NCC members, Nehru Yuva Kendra volunteers, Scouts and Guides and voluntary organisations have also been proposed.

Cal HC Bars Arrest of Atin Ghosh in Land Scam Case

MI News Service, Kolkata: Former Trinamool Congress MLA and former Kolkata deputy mayor Atin Ghosh has received relief from the Calcutta High Court in a land corruption case. The court directed that no arrest action be taken against him while his anticipatory bail plea remains pending.

The plea was heard by Justice Tirthankar Ghosh on Monday. Although the hearing was deferred for certain reasons, the court issued an interim direction protecting Ghosh from arrest during the pendency of the case.

The judge observed that in several instances, police had arrested accused persons soon after interim protection granted by courts expired. The court said such situations should be avoided and questioned why police appeared eager to act despite judicial orders.

Appearing for the state, advocate Kallol Mondal assured the court that no coercive action would be taken against Ghosh while the matter remains pending. Advocate Ayan Bhattacharya represented Ghosh. Ghosh had approached the High Court seeking anticipatory bail in a land corruption case. Bidhannagar North Police had summoned him and his daughter, Priyadarshini Ghosh, in connection with the investigation. Ghosh has also challenged the summons and the investigation process. He has alleged that unnecessary pressure is being exerted in the name of investigation and expressed apprehension of coercive action before the legal process is completed. With Monday's order, Ghosh remains protected from arrest until the next hearing.

Cal HC Upholds Right of Adult Interfaith Couple to Marry

MI News Service, Kolkata: The Calcutta High Court has observed that adults have the right to marry a person of their choice and that religion cannot be a barrier to such a marriage. The court also directed police to provide adequate security to an interfaith couple ahead of their wedding on July 29.

The matter came before Justice Saugata Bhattacharyya after the couple, from the Uluberia area, approached the High Court alleging threats and pressure to call off their marriage.

The couple, who have reportedly been in a relationship for around 15 years, recently decided to get married. However, they alleged that they were being threatened and pressured at their homes to abandon the decision. They also claimed that threats were made that their family business could suffer if they proceeded with the marriage.

Appearing for the couple, advocate Bikash Ranjan Bhattacharyya told the court that the alleged opposition was not limited to family members and claimed that a political organisation was also creating obstacles. He alleged that after the marriage registrar issued a notice, the woman's father was called and pressured to raise objections to the marriage.

The court, after considering the circumstances, said that under Indian law, consenting adults cannot be prevented from marrying by choice, including when they belong to different religions. Justice Bhattacharyya directed the police to ensure adequate security on the wedding day so that no untoward incident takes place. Additional Advocate General Rajdeep Majumdar, appearing for the state, informed the court that police had already taken security measures in the Uluberia area.

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নাম পরিবর্তন

আমি Rabiul Haque Tarafdar পিতা Nurul Haque তরফদার , গ্রাম -পশ্চিম কাঠালিয়া, পোস্ট-ভাঙ্গড়, থানা- বিজয়গঞ্জ বাজার, জেলা- দক্ষিন চব্বিশ পরগনা, পিন-743502। আমার পুত্র গত 15.07.2026 নোটারি পাবলিক বারুইপুর দ:২৪ পরগনা কোর্টের এফিডেভিট বলে আধার কার্ডের Ramesh Tarafdar থেকে জন্ম সার্টিফিকেটে থাকা Ramiz Tarafdar নামে পরিচিত হয়েছে।

I, Sadekesh Ali (Old Name), S/o Late Md Sabed Ali, R/o- Vill. Pipla, P.O. Paharpur, P.S. Lalgola, Dist. Murshidabad, shall henceforth be known as Md Sadekesh Ali (New Name) as declared before the Notary Public, Lalbagh, Murshidabad, vide affidavit sl. no. 13 vol. 5 dated 15.07.26. Sadekesh Ali (Old Name) & Md Sadekesh Ali (New Name) both are same & one identical person.

I, Kh Enamul Hoque, S/o Late Abdul Khalek, R/o- Vill. Punashi, P.O. Baharan, P.S. Salar, Dist. Murshidabad, do hereby declare that in my father's service book & his death gratuity document his name has been recorded as Abdul Khaleque & also in his deed no. 2015/1973 it is Kh Abdul Khalek. On 14.07.26 vide affidavit no. 9109 submitted before the Court of 1st Class Judicial Magistrate, Berhampore, I affirm that my father, Abdul Khalek, Abdul Khaleque & Kh Abdul Khalek all are the same & one identical person.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Emran Ali** F/o, Motior Rahaman R/a, Vill - Baluaghat, P.O. - Malior, P.S. - Harishchandrapur, Dist. - Malda, W.B. - 732125 do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that I am the father and legal guardian of my minor son Motior Rahaman, my son's previous name was Motior Rahaman (DOB - 09.11.2018) That I have changed my son's name to **Motiur Rahaman** and he will be known as **Motiur Rahaman** in all official and personal matters. Motior Rahaman and Motiur Rahaman are the same person vide Affidavit No. 02/26-14 dated 14.07.2026 before the Notary Public at Malda.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Kadbanu Khatun** W/o, Abu Shama R/a, Kamlabari, P.O. - Talgachi, P.S. - Harishchandrapur, Dist. - Malda, W.B. - 732125 do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that my name has been wrongly recorded in my Aadhaar Card as Kadhanu Khatun in place of my correct name Kadbanu Khatun. That I want to be known as **Kadbanu Khatun** in all my documents and for all future purposes vide Affidavit No. 02/26-15 dated 14.07.2026 before the Notary Public at Malda.

Name Change

I, MD.SHAHABUDDIN(Aadhar No. 8353 4667 0269) s/o LaL MOHAMMAD residing at 145/1Girish Ghosh Road. Ps. Belur ,p.o Ghusri Disst.Howrah. 711107 declare before H'able Executive Magistrate 1st Court Sadar Howrah by an affidavit No.18828/26 That in my Birth document by mistake father name is recorded as ALL MOHAMMED and mother name ALI MANNIA instead of correct spelling LAL MOHAMMAD and ALIMUN NISHA respectively. That Lal Mohammad and All Mohammed @ Lal Mohhamad and ALIMUN NISHA and Alimannia are same and One identical persons.

Name Change

I, ASHMA KHATOON (Aadhar No. 4717 7570 3691) D/o LaL MOHAMMAD residing at 145/1Girish Ghosh Road. Ps. Belur, p.o Ghusri Disst.Howrah. 711107 declare before H'able Executive Magistrate 1st Court Sadar Howrah by an affidavit No.18829/26 That in my Birth document by mistake father name is recorded as LAL MOHAMMED and mother name ATIHUNESA BIBI instead of correct spelling LAL MOHAMMAD and ALIMUN NISHA respectively. That Lal Mohammad and Lal Mohammed and ALIMUN NISHA and ATIHUNESA BIBI are same and One identical persons.

Name Change

I, Musaddik Sipai s/o Jakir Sipai Vill+Po_Sherpur Ps_Usthi Dist-24Pgs(S) pin-743513 In All My Documents Aadhaar card No-2190 6017 3248 , Birth Certificate Reg No-SGP/218 Date-30/07/2007, Digital Ration Card ID-RKSY-1 2004647572. S/B ACNo-5506010073820 (B G V B) AND IN U D ID-WB3060220070031982, Date Of ISSUE- 23/09/2025 OF Disability %100(Govt Of India) The Spelling Of My Name Is Wrongly Recorded As Musaddi Sipai S/O- Jakir Sipai, ON 15/7/26 By 1St class Judicial Magistrate Affidavit Of Diamond Harbour, Musaddik Sipai AND Musaddi Sipai AND S/O- Jakir Sipai Is Same And Identical person.

Name Change

I, Soumen Singha S/o Late Samir Kumar Singha residing at S.V. Sarani, Dakshinpara, Ranaghat-I,Dist- Nadia, WB – 741201 declare that henceforth my minor son will be known as SRIJAAN SINGHA instead of SRIJAN SINGHA in all purpose, vide affidavit 27931 dated 14.07.26 before LD Judicial Magistrate (1st Class) Ranaghat. SRIJAAN SINGHA and SRIJAN SINGHA both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, Mary Roy Bardhan (Old Name) W/o Prosenjit Roy Bardhan Residing at 30/4 Kalicharan Dutta Road, Sarsuna, Thakurpukur Maheshtola, District - South 24 Parganas, Pin - 700061, West Bengal, India, do hereby declare that I have Changed my name from Mary Roy Bardhan (Old Name) to Mary Roy Bardhan Sengupta (New Name) and henceforth I shall be known as Mary Roy Bardhan Sengupta (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit Sworn before the Notary public at Kolkata on Dated 27-07-2026. Mary Roy Bardhan Sengupta (New Name) and Mary Roy Bardhan (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, Amarul Jamal, Sk Amarul Jamal (Old Name) S/o Sk Resadot Ali Residing at 28 Alimuddin Street, P.o - Park Street, District - Kolkata, Pin - 700016, West Bengal, India, do hereby declare that I have Changed my name from Amarul Jamal, Sk Amarul Jamal (Old Name) to Shaikh Amarul Jamal (New Name) and henceforth I shall be known as Shaikh Amarul Jamal (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit no 1404 Sworn before the Ld. Metropolitan Magistrate at Kolkata on Dated 24-07-2026. Shaikh Amarul Jamal (New Name) and Amarul Jamal, Sk Amarul Jamal (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, Nafija Begum (Old Name) W/o Firoj Sarkar Residing at S Jagadishpur, Uluberia, District - Howrah, Pin - 711315, West Bengal, India, do hereby declare that I have Changed my name from Nafija Begum (Old Name) to Nafeza Begum (New Name) and henceforth I shall be known as Nafeza Begum (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit Sworn before the Notary public at Kolkata on Dated 27-07-2026. Nafeza Begum (New Name) and Nafija Begum (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, Vishal Sharma (Old Name) S/o Vishambhar Lal Sharma Residing at Brindavan Gardens, BL DG No. A5, Flat - 2C, 98, Christopher Road, District - Kolkata, Pin - 700046, West Bengal, India, do hereby declare that I have Changed my name from Vishal Sharma (Old Name) to Vishal Kumar Sharma (New Name) and henceforth I shall be known as Vishal Kumar Sharma (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit no 10 Sworn before the Notary public at Kolkata on Dated 27-07-2026. Vishal Kumar Sharma (New Name) and Vishal Sharma (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

After accepting Islam on & from 06/02/2026, I, Sharmistha Das Known everywhere as Sharmistha Rahaman. I, Sharmistha Rahaman & Sharmistha Das W/o. Sk Rafikul Rahaman alias Rafikul Rahaman, D/o. Late Bibhas Das, R/o. 1/1/106, Kailash Ghosh Road, Thakurpukur, South 24 Parganas-700008, W.B., is the same self & one identical person vide an affidavit no. 121, Dt. 23/07/2026 before Notary Public, Serampore Court, Hooghly.

Name Change

After accepting Islam on & from 16/03/2026, I, Soma Deb Known everywhere as Soma Parvin. I, Soma Parvin & Soma Deb W/o. Monirul Jaman Mollah, D/o. Asit Deb & Late Pratima Deb, R/o. North Baksara, Faridpur Block, Baksara, Howrah-711110, W.B. is the same self & one identical person vide an affidavit no. 122, Dt. 23/07/2026 before Notary Public, Serampore Court, Hooghly.

Name Change

I, Joydeb Pal (old Name) S/o. Late Rebati Raman Paul, R/o. New Kodalia, Bandel, Chinsurah, Hooghly-712123, WB do hereby declare that I have changed my name from Joydeb Pal to Joydev Paul (New Name) and henceforth I shall be known as Joydev Paul in all purpose, vide an affidavit no. 17497 sworn before Judicial Magistrate Sadar, Hooghly Court on 20.07.2026. I, Joydev Paul & Joydeb Pal, S/o. Late Rebati Raman Paul both are the same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, Manasi Pal (Old Name) W/o. Joydev Paul, R/o. New Kodalia, Bandel, Chinsurah, Hooghly-712123, WB do hereby declare that my maiden name was Manashi Bhandari. I have changed my name from Manasi Pal to Manasi Paul (New Name) and henceforth I shall be known as Manasi Paul in all purpose, vide an affidavit no. 17499 sworn before Judicial Magistrate, Sadar, Hooghly Court on 20.07.2026. I, Manasi Paul and Manasi Pal and Manashi Bhandari, W/o. Joydev Paul all are the same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE

I, Haradhan Chattopadhyay, Father of No. 15154548A Rank Ex Hav Name Santanu Chattopadhyay resident of Vill.-Nandigram, P.O.- Chanduli, Dist.-Purba Bardhaman (WB), Pin- 713502 have change my Name & date of birth from Haradhan Chattopadhyay & 50 yrs (at the time of enrolment) to Haradhan Chatterjee & 15 Mar 1951 vide Affidavit dated 14 Jul 26 before the 1st Class Judicial Magistrate at Purba Bardhaman.

NAME CHANGE

I, Promila Bala Mandal, Wife of No. 6890055P Rank Ex NK Name Late Nimai Chandra Mandal resident of Vill.- ,Bhirsin, P.O.- Budbud, Dist.-Purba Bardhaman (WB), Pin- 713403(as per np format), 713403 (as per affidavit) have change my Name & Date of birth from Promila Bala Mandal & 22 Apr 1949 to Promila Mondal & 01Jan 1953 vide Affidavit dated 23 Jul 2026 before the Ld. Judicial Magistrate (1st Class) at Durgapur.

NAME CHANGE

I, Prova Chattopadhyay, Mother of No. 15154548A Rank Ex Hav Name Santanu Chattopadhyay resident of Vill.-Nandigram, P.O.- Chanduli, Dist.-Purba Bardhaman (WB), Pin- 713502 have change my Name & date of birth from Prova Chattopadhyay & 45yrs (at the time of enrolment) to Prova Chatterjee & 01Jan 1957 vide Affidavit dated 14 Jul 26 before the 1st Class Judicial Magistrate at Purba Bardhaman.

NAME CHANGE

I,NILESH KUMAR JASHVANTRAI SHAH / NILESH JASWANT KUMAR SHAH(OLD NAME),SON OF JASHVANT KUMAR M SHAH,RESIDENT OF 31ALLENBYROAD, L.R.SARANI,KOLKATA-700020,WEST BENGAL DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT I HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM NILESH KUMAR JASHVANTRAI SHAH / NILESH JASWANT KUMAR SHAH(OLD NAME) TO NILESH J SHAH(NEW NAME) AND HENCEFORTH I SHALL BE KNOWN AS NILESH J SHAH(NEW NAME) IN ALL PURPOSE,VIDE AFFIDAVIT NO 25 SWORN BEFORE THE NOTARY PUBLIC AT KOLKATA ON 23/07/2026. NILESH J SHAH(NEW NAME) AND NILESH KUMAR JASHVANTRAI SHAH / NILESH JASWANT KUMAR SHAH(OLD NAME) BOTH ARE SAME AND ONE IDENTICAL PERSON.

NAME CHANGE

I,NAMAN SHAH(OLD NAME),SON OF KAMAL J SHAH, RESIDENT OF 31ALLENBYROAD, L.R. SARANI, KOLKATA-700020,WEST BENGAL DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT I HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM NAMAN SHAH(OLD NAME) TO NAMAN K SHAH(NEW NAME) AND HENCEFORTH I SHALL BE KNOWN AS NAMAN K SHAH(NEW NAME) IN ALL PURPOSE, VIDE AFFIDAVIT NO 24 SWORN BEFORE THE NOTARY PUBLIC AT KOLKATA ON 23/07/2026. NAMAN K SHAH(NEW NAME) AND NAMAN SHAH(OLD NAME) BOTH ARE SAME AND ONE IDENTICAL PERSON.

NAME CHANGE

I, Mohammad Nasim Khan, Residing at A1/2, NAIM NAGAR,OLD COURT,PS-FARIDPUR, DURGAPUR,PASCHIM BARDHAMAN,PIN-713203, West Bengal, India. do hereby declare that I have changed my son's name from Mohammad Aayan Khan (Old Name) to Mohammad Ayaan Khan (new name) and henceforth he be known as Mohammad Ayaan Khan (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit sworn before the Notary Public at Kolkata on 23/07/2026. Mohammad Ayaan Khan (New Name) and Mohammad Aayan Khan (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE

I,MANJU MAHENSARIA, BORN ON 26/08/1961 DAUGHTER OF RAMAVTAR AGARWAL, RESIDENT OF CF - 36,SALT LAKE CITY,SECTOR - I,PO - BIDHANNAGAR CC BLOCK,KOLKATA - 700064,WEST BENGAL DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT MY FATHER'S NAME SHOULD BE CHANGED FROM RAMAVTAR SULTANIA(OLD NAME) TO RAMAVTAR SULTANIA (AGARWAL) (NEW NAME) AND HENCEFORTH HE SHALL BE KNOWN AS RAMAVTAR SULTANIA (AGARWAL) (NEW NAME) IN ALL PURPOSE,VIDE AFFIDAVIT NO 1667 SWORN BEFORE THE LD 1ST CLASS JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE AT BIDHANNAGAR ON 21/07/2026.RAMAVTAR SULTANIA (AGARWAL) (NEW NAME) AND RAMAVTAR SULTANIA (OLD NAME) ALL ARE SAME AND ONE IDENTICAL PERSON.

NAME CHANGE

I,MANJU MAHENSARIA, BORN ON 26/08/1961 DAUGHTER OF RAMAVTAR AGARWAL, RESIDENT OF CF - 36,SALT LAKE CITY,SECTOR - I,PO - BIDHANNAGAR CC BLOCK,KOLKATA - 700064,WEST BENGAL DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT MY MOTHER'S NAME SHOULD BE CHANGED FROM GINIA DEVI SULTANIA AND JINI DEVI SULTANIA (OLD NAMES)TO GINIA DEVI AGARWAL(NEW NAME) ,HENCEFORTH SHE SHALL BE KNOWN AS GINIA DEVI AGARWAL (NEW NAME) IN ALL PURPOSE,VIDE AFFIDAVIT NO 1667 SWORN BEFORE THE LD 1ST CLASS JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE AT BIDHANNAGAR ON 21/07/2026.GINIA DEVI AGARWAL(NEW NAME) AND GINIA DEVI SULTANIA ,JINI DEVI SULTANIA (OLD NAME) ALL ARE SAME AND ONE IDENTICAL PERSON.

NAME CHANGE

I,KINNARI SHAH(OLD NAME), DAUGHTER OF JIGNESH CHIMANLAL SHAH,RESIDENT OF 13 C RAMMOY ROAD DEBALOY APPT 1ST FLOOR, BHAWANIPORE,KOLKATA-700025,WEST BENGAL DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT I HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM KINNARI SHAH(OLD NAME) TO KINNARI J SHAH(NEW NAME) AND HENCEFORTH I SHALL BE KNOWN AS KINNARI J SHAH(NEW NAME) IN ALL PURPOSE,VIDE AFFIDAVIT NO 22 SWORN BEFORE THE NOTARY PUBLIC AT KOLKATA ON 23/07/2026.KINNARI J SHAH(NEW NAME) AND KINNARI SHAH(OLD NAME) BOTH ARE SAME AND ONE IDENTICAL PERSON.

NAME CHANGE

I,KARUNA BAIRAGI(OLD NAME),WIFE OF BHOLA BAIRAGI,RESIDENT OF TUNIGHATA, PO-KUMRA KASHIPUR,PS-HABRA,NORTH 24 PARGANAS-743271,WEST BENGAL DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT I HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM KARUNA BAIRAGI(OLD NAME) TO KARUNA BAIRAGI DEBNATH(NEW NAME) AND HENCEFORTH I SHALL BE KNOWN AS KARUNA BAIRAGI DEBNATH(NEW NAME) IN ALL PURPOSE,VIDE AFFIDAVIT SWORN BEFORE THE NOTARY PUBLIC AT KOLKATA ON 27/07/2026.KARUNA BAIRAGI DEBNATH(NEW NAME) AND KARUNA BAIRAGI(OLD NAME) BOTH ARE SAME AND ONE IDENTICAL PERSON.

NAME CHANGE

I, DHWANI SHAH(OLD NAME),DAUGHTER OF NILESH J SHAH, RESIDENT OF 31ALLENBY ROAD, L.R. SARANI, KOLKATA-700020,WEST BENGAL DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT I HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM DHWANI SHAH(OLD NAME) TO DHWANI N SHAH(NEW NAME) AND HENCEFORTH I SHALL BE KNOWN AS DHWANI N SHAH(NEW NAME) IN ALL PURPOSE,VIDE AFFIDAVIT NO 23 SWORN BEFORE THE NOTARY PUBLIC AT KOLKATA ON 23/07/2026.DHWANI N SHAH(NEW NAME) AND DHWANI SHAH(OLD NAME) BOTH ARE SAME AND ONE IDENTICAL PERSON.

NAME CHANGE

I,ASTOPADA DHARA (Old name) son of UPENDRA NATH DHARA, residing at VILL - KHARIOP, PO-KHARIOP, PS-AMTA, DIST-HOWRAH, PINCODE-711401, West Bengal, India do hereby declare that i have changed my name from ASTOPADA DHARA (Old name) to ASTO DHARA (New Name) and henceforth I shall be known as ASTO DHARA (new name) in all purpose, vide Affidavit No 15 sworn Before the Notary Public at Kolkata on 27/07/2026. ASTOPADA DHARA (Old Name) and ASTO DHARA (New Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, Dilip Jaiswal (Old Name) S/o Triloki Nath Jaiswal Residing at 57/C, Kankurgachi Second Lane, Vtc - Kankurgachi S.O, District - Kolkata, Pin - 700054, West Bengal, India, do hereby declare that I have Changed my name from Dilip Jaiswal (Old Name) to Dilip Kumar Jaiswal (New Name) and henceforth I shall be known as Dilip Kumar Jaiswal (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit no 64/2026 Sworn before the Notary public at Kolkata on Dated 27-07-2026. Dilip Kumar Jaiswal (New Name) and Dilip Jaiswal (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, Paras Burman (Old Name) S/o Ram Das Burman Residing at Srikrishna Apartment, Nazrul Sarani, Dumdum (M), District - North 24 Parganas, Pin - 700079, West Bengal, India, do hereby declare that I have Changed my name from Paras Burman (Old Name) to Paras Nath Burman (New Name) and henceforth I shall be known as Paras Nath Burman (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit no 63/2026 Sworn before the Notary public at Kolkata on Dated 27-07-2026. Paras Nath Burman (New Name) and Paras Burman (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE

I,MD MINHAJ AHMED(OLD NAME),SON OF LATE ALI HUSSAIN,RESIDENT OF 29,HARIN BARI LANE,CHITTARANJAN AVENUE, KOLKATA - 700073,WEST BENGAL DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT I HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM MD MINHAJ AHMED(OLD NAME) TO MINHAJ AHMED(NEW NAME) AND HENCEFORTH I SHALL BE KNOWN AS MINHAJ AHMED(NEW NAME) IN ALL PURPOSE,VIDE AFFIDAVIT NO 5 SWORN BEFORE THE NOTARY PUBLIC AT KOLKATA ON 20/07/2026. MINHAJ AHMED(NEW NAME) AND MD MINHAJ AHMED(OLD NAME) BOTH ARE SAME AND ONE IDENTICAL PERSON.

NAME CHANGE

I,MD ASLAM(OLD NAME),SON OF LATE ABDUL JABBAR, RESIDENT OF 23/2A, MIAJAN OSTAGAR LANE,CIRCUS AVENUE, KOLKATA-700017,WEST BENGAL DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT I HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM MD ASLAM(OLD NAME) TO SK ASLAM ALI(NEW NAME) AND HENCEFORTH I SHALL BE KNOWN AS SK ASLAM ALI(NEW NAME) IN ALL PURPOSE, VIDE AFFIDAVIT NO 4 SWORN BEFORE THE NOTARY PUBLIC AT KOLKATA ON 27/07/2026.SK ASLAM ALI(NEW NAME) AND MD ASLAM(OLD NAME) BOTH ARE SAME AND ONE IDENTICAL PERSON.

NAME CHANGE

I,MD ALI AKBAR BYAPARI & MD ALI AKBAR(OLD NAME),SON OF LATE JABED BYAPARI, RESIDENT OF FARIDPUR,MALLIKPUR(CT),PS-BARUIPUR,SOUTH 24 PARGANAS-700145, WEST BENGAL DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT I HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM MD ALI AKBAR BYAPARI & MD ALI AKBAR(OLD NAME) TO ALI AKBAR BYAPARI(NEW NAME) AND HENCEFORTH I SHALL BE KNOWN AS ALI AKBAR BYAPARI(NEW NAME) IN ALL PURPOSE,VIDE AFFIDAVIT NO 10 SWORN BEFORE THE NOTARY PUBLIC AT KOLKATA ON 27/07/2026.ALI AKBAR BYAPARI(NEW NAME) AND MD ALI AKBAR BYAPARI & MD ALI AKBAR(OLD NAME) BOTH ARE SAME AND ONE IDENTICAL PERSON.

NAME CHANGE

I,GAJENDRA AGARWAL(OLD NAME),SON OF HARI KIRTAN AGARWAL,RESIDENT OF 205,RABINDRA SARANI,PHOOL KATRA,GROUND FLOOR,KOLKATA - 700007,WEST BENGAL DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT I HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM GAJENDRA AGARWAL(OLD NAME) TO GAJENDRA KUMAR AGARWAL(NEW NAME) AND HENCEFORTH I SHALL BE KNOWN AS GAJENDRA KUMAR AGARWAL (NEW NAME) IN ALL PURPOSE,VIDE AFFIDAVIT NO 6 SWORN BEFORE THE NOTARY PUBLIC AT KOLKATA ON 20/07/2026.GAJENDRA KUMAR AGARWAL(NEW NAME) AND GAJENDRA AGARWAL(OLD NAME) BOTH ARE SAME AND ONE IDENTICAL PERSON.

NAME CHANGE

I, Md Abdulla Ansari (Old Name), S/O Mohammed Yasin, Residing at 107/28, Jaya Bibi Road, Bally, Belur Math, Howrah- 711202, West Bengal, India. do hereby declare that I have changed my name from Md Abdulla Ansari (Old Name) to Md Abdulla (new name) and henceforth I be known as Md Abdulla (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit sworn before the Notary Public at Kolkata on 27/07/2026. Md Abdulla (New Name) and Md Abdulla Ansari (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE

I,KAUSHIK KUMAR JAIN(OLD NAME), SON OF KAMAL KUMAR JAIN, RESIDENT OF SHREE APARTMENT, BLOCK-A, FLOOR-7, FLAT-702, 138, G.T. ROADSOUTH, HOWRAH-711102, WEST BENGAL DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT I HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM KAUSHIK KUMAR JAIN(OLD NAME) TO KAUSHIK JAIN(NEW NAME) AND HENCEFORTH I SHALL BE KNOWN AS KAUSHIK JAIN(NEW NAME) IN ALL PURPOSE,VIDE AFFIDAVIT NO 28 SWORN BEFORE THE NOTARY PUBLIC AT KOLKATA ON 27/07/2026.KAUSHIK JAIN(NEW NAME) AND KAUSHIK KUMAR JAIN(OLD NAME) BOTH ARE SAME AND ONE IDENTICAL PERSON.

NAME CHANGE

I, Shaikh Asraf Ali (Old Name), S/O Entaj Ali Seikh, Residing at BITRA, PS-MEMARI, PURBA BARDHAMAN-713422, West Bengal, India. do hereby declare that I have changed my name from Shaikh Asraf Ali (Old Name) to Asraf Ali Seikh (new name) and henceforth I be known as Asraf Ali Seikh (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit sworn before the Notary Public at Kolkata on 27/07/2026. Asraf Ali Seikh (New Name) and Shaikh Asraf Ali (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE

I, Shaikh Ainul Ali (Old Name), S/O Asraf Ali Seikh, Residing at BITRA, PS-MEMARI, PURBA BARDHAMAN-713422, West Bengal, India. do hereby declare that I have changed my name from Shaikh Ainul Ali (Old Name) to Ainul Ali Sekh (new name) and henceforth I be known as Ainul Ali Sekh (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit sworn before the Notary Public at Kolkata on 27/07/2026. Ainul Ali Sekh (New Name) and Shaikh Ainul Ali (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE

I, Rosula Biwi (Old Name), W/O Md Nazir Ali Shaikh, Residing at Sikdar Para Road, Rajpur, South 24 Parganas, Pin-700149, West Bengal, India. do hereby declare that I have changed my name from Rosula Biwi (Old Name) to Rasula Bibi (new name) and henceforth I be known as Rasula Bibi (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit sworn before the Notary Public at Kolkata on 27/07/2026. Rasula Bibi (New Name) and Rosula Biwi (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE

I,RESHMI CHATTERJEE(OLD NAME),WIFE OF ANINDYA ROY, RESIDENT OF P-2-6,B.P.TOWNSHIP, PO-PANCHASAYAR, KOLKATA-700094,WEST BENGAL DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT I HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM RESHMI CHATTERJEE (OLD NAME) TO RESHMI ROY(NEW NAME) AND HENCEFORTH I SHALL BE KNOWN AS RESHMI ROY(NEW NAME) IN ALL PURPOSE,VIDE AFFIDAVIT SWORN BEFORE THE NOTARY PUBLIC AT KOLKATA ON 27/07/2026.RESHMI ROY(NEW NAME) AND RESHMI CHATTERJEE(OLD NAME) BOTH ARE SAME AND ONE IDENTICAL PERSON.

NAME CHANGE

I, PURSHOTTAM AGARWAL (Old name) son of BHUDEO PRASAD AGARWAL residing at 4, ALIPUR PARK PLACE, ALIPORE, KOLKATA, PIN-700027, West Bengal, India do hereby declare that i have changed my name from PURSHOTTAM AGARWAL (Old name) to PURUSHOTTAM AGRAWAL (New Name) and henceforth I shall be known as PURUSHOTTAM AGRAWAL (new name) in all purpose, vide Affidavit No 27 sworn Before the Notary Public at Kolkata on 27/07/2026. PURSHOTTAM AGARWAL (Old Name) and PURUSHOTTAM AGRAWAL (New Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

I,Sonu Kumar Sonker(Old Name),Son Of Vijay Kumar Sonkar,Resident Of 152/6,Salkia School Road,Vtc:Haora Corporation,Po-Haora-711101,West Bengal Do Hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Sonu Kumar Sonker(Old Name) To Sonu Sonkar(New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Sonu Sonkar(New Name) In All Purpose,Vide Affidavit No 29 Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 27/07/2026.Sonu Sonkar(New Name) And Sonu Kumar Sonker(Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change

I, SADEK ALI SAH (old name) S/o Manlu Shah, residing at S.S PATNA, VTC: Maishora, PO: Shyamsundarpatna, District: East Midnapore, State: West Bengal, PIN- 721169, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from SADEK ALI SAH (Old Name) to Sadek Shah (New Name) and henceforth I shall be known as Sadek Shah (new name) in all purpose, vide affidavit No 59 sworn before the notary public at Kolkata on 27/07/2026. Sadek Shah (New Name) and SADEK ALI SAH (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, Santosh Kumar Bayen (Old Name), S/O Sanjoy Bain, Residing at Vill- Dihaladaha, P.O.- Baksha, P.S.- Bagdah, Dist.- North 24 Parganas, Pin- 743232, West Bengal, India. do hereby declare that I have changed my name from Santosh Kumar Bayen (Old Name) to Santosh Bain (new name) and henceforth I be known as Santosh Bain (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit sworn before the Notary Public at Kolkata on 27/07/2026. Santosh Bain (New Name) and Santosh Kumar Bayen (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, Fariduddin Molla (Old Name), S/O Late Abdul Majid Molla, Residing at Q-559, PAKURIA TALAB LANE, P.O.- GARDEN REACH, KOLKATA, WEST BENGAL, PIN-700024, West Bengal, India. do hereby declare that I have changed my name from Fariduddin Molla (Old Name) to FARIDUDDIN (new name) and henceforth I be known as FARIDUDDIN (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit sworn before the Notary Public at Kolkata on 24/07/2026. FARIDUDDIN (New Name) and Fariduddin Molla (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, Hrituparna Mukherjee (Old Name), D/O Ranjit Kumar Chowdhury, Residing at 11/A,CHANDRA MASTER ROAD,PS-TITAGARH,NORTH 24 PGS-700122, West Bengal, India. do hereby declare that I have changed my name from Hrituparna Mukherjee (Old Name) to Hrituparna Chowdhury (new name) and henceforth I be known as Hrituparna Chowdhury (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit sworn before the Notary Public at Kolkata on 27/07/2026. Hrituparna Chowdhury (New Name) and Hrituparna Mukherjee (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, Amiya Chouny (Old Name), S/O Panchanan Chouny, Residing at Flat no-11B, Tower 1, Krishnachura, (HIG), Akankha Housing Complex, Newtown, Hatiara, North 24 Parganas, Pin-700157, West Bengal, India. do hereby declare that I have changed my name from Amiya Chouny (Old Name) to Amiya Kumar Chouny (new name) and henceforth I be known as Amiya Kumar Chouny (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit sworn before the Notary Public at Kolkata on 27/07/2026. Amiya Kumar Chouny (New Name) and Amiya Chouny (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

NAME CHANGE

I,SWAPAN PRAMANICK(OLD NAME),SON OF SUBODH PRAMANICK,RESIDENT OF T.B.TOLI,NEAR SUMMU COCHING CLASSES, VIDYA NAGAR, GONDIYA, GONDIYA CITY, MAHARASHTRA-441614, DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT I HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM SWAPAN PRAMANICK(OLD NAME) TO SWAPAN KUMAR PRAMANICK (NEW NAME) AND HENCEFORTH I SHALL BE KNOWN AS SWAPAN KUMAR PRAMANICK(NEW NAME) IN ALL PURPOSE,VIDE AFFIDAVIT NO 9 SWORN BEFORE THE NOTARY PUBLIC AT KOLKATA ON 27/07/2026.SWAPAN KUMAR PRAMANICK (NEW NAME) AND SWAPAN PRAMANICK(OLD NAME) BOTH ARE SAME AND ONE IDENTICAL PERSON.

NAME CHANGE

I,SOVAN PRAMANICK & PRAMANICK SOVAN SWAPAN(OLD NAME),SON OF SWAPAN KUMAR PRAMANICK, RESIDENT OF FLATNO-1302,13TH FLOOR JESMINE TOWER, SIDDHAWATER FRONT CHWDHURY MORE KHARDAH,PO-PATULIA, NORTH 24 PARGANAS-700119, DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT I HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM SOVAN PRAMANICK & PRAMANICK SOVAN SWAPAN(OLD NAME) TO SOVAN SWAPAN KUMAR PRAMANICK(NEW NAME) AND HENCEFORTH I SHALL BE KNOWN AS SOVAN SWAPAN KUMAR PRAMANICK(NEW NAME) IN ALL PURPOSE,VIDE AFFIDAVIT NO 8 SWORN BEFORE THE NOTARY PUBLIC AT KOLKATA ON 27/07/2026.SOVAN SWAPAN KUMAR PRAMANICK(NEW NAME) AND SOVAN PRAMANICK & PRAMANICK SOVAN SWAPAN(OLD NAME) BOTH ARE SAME AND ONE IDENTICAL PERSON.

NAME CHANGE

I,KONIKA PRAMANICK(OLD NAME),WIFE OF SWAPAN KUMAR PRAMANICK,RESIDENT OF T.B.TOLI,NEAR SUMMU COCHING CLASSES, VIDYA NAGAR,GONDIYA,GONDIYA CITY, MAHARASHTRA-441614, DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT I HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM KONIKA PRAMANICK(OLD NAME) TO KANIKA SWAPANKUMAR PRAMANICK(NEW NAME) AND HENCEFORTH I SHALL BE KNOWN AS KANIKA SWAPANKUMAR PRAMANICK(NEW NAME) IN ALL PURPOSE,VIDE AFFIDAVIT NO 9 SWORN BEFORE THE NOTARY PUBLIC AT KOLKATA ON 27/07/2026.KANIKA SWAPAN KUMAR PRAMANICK(NEW NAME) AND KONIKA PRAMANICK(OLD NAME) BOTH ARE SAME AND ONE IDENTICAL PERSON.

NAME CHANGE

I,RAJU THANDER SON OF SAMSER ALI THANDAR OF V-200,KARBALA ROAD, P.O. BARTALA,P.S.RAJABAGAN,KOLKATA,700018, WEST BENGAL, DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT SAIM THANDER(NEW NAME) IS MY SON, IHAVE CHANGED MY SAID SON'S NAME SAIM SIDDIQUI(OLD NAME) TO SAIM THANDER (NEW NAME) AND HENCEFORTH MY SAID SON SHALL BE KNOWN AS SAIM THANDER (NEW NAME) IN ALL PURPOSE, VIDE AFFIDAVIT NO 65247 SWORN BEFORE THE LD 1ST CLASS JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE AT ALIPORE ON 23/07/2026. SAIM THANDER (NEW NAME) AND SAIM SIDDIQUI (OLD NAME) BOTH ARE SAME AND ONE IDENTICAL PERSON.

NAME CHANGE

I,SUDHA TIWARI(OLD NAME),WIFE OF KESHAV DEO TIWARI,RESIDENT OF SUNRISE POINT,SAFFRON - 4,FLAT -7C,POST - HATIARA,PS - ECO PARK,DIST - NORTH 24 PARGANAS -700 157,WEST BENGAL DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT I HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM SUDHA TIWARI(OLD NAME) TO SUSHMITA TIWARI(NEW NAME) AND HENCEFORTH I SHALL BE KNOWN AS SUSHMITA TIWARI(NEW NAME) IN ALL PURPOSE,VIDE AFFIDAVIT NO 7 SWORN BEFORE THE NOTARY PUBLIC AT KOLKATA ON 27/07/2026.SUSHMITA TIWARI(NEW NAME) AND SUDHA TIWARI(OLD NAME) BOTH ARE SAME AND ONE IDENTICAL PERSON.

Name Change

I,Sekh Badsha(Old Name),Son Of Sk Ansar,Resident Of Vill-Jala Kendua,Po-Paniara,Ps-Panchla,Howrah-711322,West Bengal Do Hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Sekh Badsha(Old Name) To Sk Badsha(New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Sk Badsha(New Name) In All Purpose,Vide Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 27/07/2026.Sk Badsha(New Name) And Sekh Badsha(Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change

I, Jakir Ali Sk (Old Name), Son Of Sk Romjan, Resident Of Vill-Paschim Panchla, Po Dhunki, Ps Panchla, Howrah-711322, West Bengal Do Hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Jakir Ali Sk (Old Name) To Sk Jakir (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Sk Jakir (New Name) In All Purpose,Vide Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 27/07/2026.Sk Jakir (New Name) And Jakir Ali Sk (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change

I, Anjuman Begam (Old Name), Wife Of Sk Jakir, Resident Of Vill-Paschim Panchla, Po Dhunki, Ps Panchla, Howrah-711322, West Bengal Do Hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Anjuman Begam (Old Name) To Anjumwara Begam (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Anjumwara Begam (New Name) In All Purpose,Vide Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 27/07/2026. Anjumwara Begam (New Name) And Anjuman Begam (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change

I, Shika Saha & Shika Rani Saha (Old Names), W/O Narayan Chandra Saha, Residing at 34 No. Krishnanagar Road, Ashok Colony, P.O.- Nabapally, P.S.- Barasat, Dist.- North 24 Parganas, Pin- 700126, West Bengal, India. do hereby declare that I have changed my name from Shika Saha & Shika Rani Saha (Old Names) to Shikha Rani Saha (new name) and henceforth I shall be known as Shikha Rani Saha (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit sworn before the Notary Public at Alipore, on 27/07/2026. Shikha Rani Saha (New Name) and Shika Saha & Shika Rani Saha (Old Names) all are same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, Sk Mosier Rahaman (Old Name), S/O Sk Ezad, Residing at DAKSHIN NABABPUR MALLICK PARA, HOOGHLY - 712701, West Bengal, India. do hereby declare that I have changed my name from Sk Mosier Rahaman (Old Name) to Sk Masiyar Rahaman (new name) and henceforth I be known as Sk Masiyar Rahaman (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit sworn before the Notary Public at Kolkata on 27/07/2026. Sk Masiyar Rahaman (New Name) and Sk Mosier Rahaman (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, TAPAN KUMAR GHOSH (Old Name), S/o BISWARANJAN GHOSH, Resident of 11 NO.SHYAM SQUARE SOUTH,BAGBAZAR POST OFFICE, VTC. BAGHBAZAR, KOLKATA, WEST BENGAL, PIN.700003, West Bengal, India. do hereby declare that I have changed my name from TAPAN KUMAR GHSOH (Old Name) to TAPAN GHOSH (new name) and henceforth I shall be known as TAPAN GHOSH (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit sworn before the Notary Public at Kolkata on 27/07/2026. TAPAN GHOSH (new name) and TAPAN KUMAR GHOSH (old name) both are same and one identical person.

Name Change

I, Mohammad Firoz Khan (Old Name), Son Of Kamaluddin Khan, Resident Of G -226, Kheti 2nd Lane, Kolkata- 700024, West Bengal Do Hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Mohammad Firoz Khan (Old Name) To Mohd Firoz Khan (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Mohd Firoz Khan (New Name) In All Purpose,Vide Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 27/07/2026. Mohd Firoz Khan (New Name) And Mohammad Firoz Khan (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change

I, Sourav Mallick (Old Name), Son Of Manik Mallick, Residing Of 75 B Selimpur Lane, Dhakuria, Kolkata-700031, West Bengal Do Hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Sourav Mallick (Old Name) To Sourav Malik (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Sourav Malik (New Name) In All Purpose,Vide Affidavit No 17 Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 27/07/2026.Sourav Malik (New Name) And Sourav Mallick (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change

I, Munmun Begam (Old Name), Daughter Of Arati Biswas , Resident Of 103, Rabindranagar Dankuni, , Hooghly, 712311, West Bengal Do Hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Munmun Begam (Old Name) To Ruma Saha (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Ruma Saha (New Name) In All Purpose,Vide Affidavit No 30 Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 27/07/2026.Ruma Saha (New Name) And Munmun Begam (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change

I, B K Ghosh (Old Name), Son Of Bijoy Krishna Ghosh, Resident Of Pankhua, Bala, Paschim Medinipur - 721201, West Bengal Do Hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From B K Ghosh (Old Name) To Barun Kanti Ghosh (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Barun Kanti Ghosh (New Name) In All Purpose,Vide Affidavit No 28 Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 24/07/2026. Barun Kanti Ghosh (New Name) And B K Ghosh (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

Name Change

I, Meena (Old Name), Wife Of Barun Kanti Ghosh, Resident Of Pankhua, Bala, Paschim Medinipur - 721201, West Bengal Do Hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Meena (Old Name) To Mina Rani Ghosh (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Mina Rani Ghosh (New Name) In All Purpose,Vide Affidavit No 26 Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 24/07/2026.Mina Rani Ghosh (New Name) And Meena (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

Corruption in Panchayat! illegally Cutting and selling govt trees

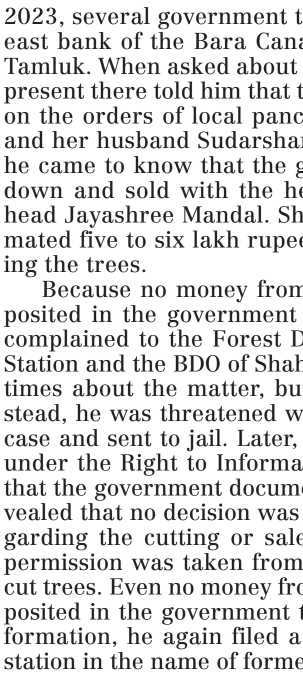
MI News Service, East Medinipur: A case has been filed at Tamluk police station against four people, including the former head of Kakhda gram panchayat and a panchayat member, for allegedly embezzling lakhs of rupees by illegally cutting and selling government trees about three years ago. Allegedly, government trees in Khalpar were cut and sold. The money from the sale of the trees was not deposited in the government treasury. Local BJP booth president Shankar Ghorai alleged that despite complaints to various departments, no solution was found. The police have started an investigation into the incident.

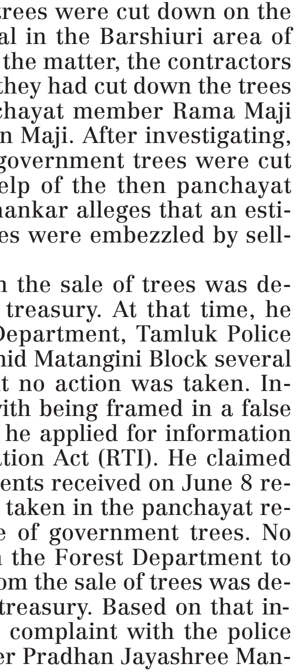
Shankar claims that on the morning of July 18, 2023, several government trees were cut down on the east bank of the Bara Canal in the Barshiuri area of Tamluk. When asked about the matter, the contractors present there told him that they had cut down the trees on the orders of local panchayat member Rama Maji and her husband Sudarshan Maji. After investigating, he came to know that the government trees were cut down and sold with the help of the then panchayat head Jayashree Mandal. Shankar alleges that an estimated five to six lakh rupees were embezzled by selling the trees.

Because no money from the sale of trees was deposited in the government treasury. At that time, he complained to the Forest Department, Tamluk Police Station and the BDO of Shahid Matangini Block several times about the matter, but no action was taken. Instead, he was threatened with being framed in a false case and sent to jail. Later, he applied for information under the Right to Information Act (RTI). He claimed that the government documents received on June 8 revealed that no decision was taken in the panchayat regarding the cutting or sale of government trees. No permission was taken from the Forest Department to cut trees. Even no money from the sale of trees was deposited in the government treasury. Based on that information, he again filed a complaint with the police station in the name of former Pradhan Jayashree Mandal, local panchayat member Rama, her husband Sudarshan and Anwar Mastan.

Shankar said, "Since the Trinamool government was in power at that time, complaints were made in many places but to no avail. Now that the government has changed, I have filed a new complaint with the police station. I hope that an impartial investigation will reveal the corruption. The guilty will be punished." However, local panchayat member Rama and her husband Sudarshan said, "The allegations are completely false. We want a proper investigation into the incident." The then panchayat head, Jayashree Mandal, said, "I was the head for only two and a half years. I have no knowledge of the allegations of tree felling."

Major success in curbing drug trafficking in two districts, marijuana, 900 liters of brewed liquor recovered, two arrested





MI News Service, Nadia / Howrah: A major success in curbing drug trafficking in two districts state. Acting on a tip-off, the police recovered about 15 kg of ganja during a raid on the national highway in Jorakuthi area of Nadia on Monday. On the other hand, on Sunday night, officials of the excise department recovered about 900 liters of distilled liquor during a raid in Jagatballabhpur, Howrah.

According to police sources, there was information that marijuana might be smuggled. Similarly, the police were active on the Dalkhola-Bakkhali National Highway No. 12 since Monday morning. A search was also underway. During that search, the police recovered about 15 kilograms of marijuana from the bonnet of a car's engine. Two people named Sujesh Biswas and Pintu Kumar have been arrested in this incident. Police said that the house of the arrested Sujesh is in Krishnaganj, Nadia, and Pintu's house is in Bihar.

Police said that the ganja was taken from Jalpaiguri to Krishnaganj in a car for smuggling. The recovered ganja and the car have been seized by the police. The police of Kotwali police station are investigating the incident by interrogating the arrested people.

On the other hand, on Sunday night, the officials of the Excise Department recovered about 900 liters of distilled liquor from a car in Jagatballabhpur, Howrah. The Excise Department had information that the business of distilled liquor was going on in the area for a long time. On Sunday night, a group of miscreants were trying to smuggle distilled liquor in the area on the pretext of taking a patient to the hospital. The smuggling was stopped with the prompt action of the Excise Department officials.

Snake scare during monsoon, heightened awareness, miking in areas

MI News Service, West Medinipur: Monsoon is not only good for farming, but also increases the snake infestation during this time and people in rural Bengal are always in fear of snake bites. Due to continuous rains and floods, fields, forests, and paddy fields are submerged in water and snakes enter the locality in search of safe shelter, losing their habitat. Recent incidents of snakes entering homes in several blocks of West Midnapore, including Ghatal, Daspur, Chandrakona, Keshpur, Shalbani, and Midnapore Sadar, have further raised concerns. According to the district health department, adequate quantities of antivenom have been stocked in various hospitals and block health centers in the district before the monsoon.

A traditional book titled 'Vaidehi' was launched at the Kolkata Press Club

MI News Service, Kolkata: A traditional book titled 'Vaidehi' was launched recently in a novel manner at the Kolkata Press Club.

The event was organized by 'Vaidik Patrika'. Great enthusiasm was evident during the event to mark the launch of a book. The unveiling ceremony of the traditional-style book titled 'Vaidehi' was attended by BJP spokesperson and eminent lawyer Debjit Sarkar, Swami Sadatmananda-ji Maharaj, Swami Jyotirmayananda-ji Maharaj, Kolkata Press Club Assistant Secretary Nitai Malakar, 'Vaidehi' magazine editor Alipa Basu, renowned photojournalist Subal Saha, and various other poets, litterateurs, and distinguished guests.

At the beginning of the program, Nivedita Saha and Samarpita Saha offered floral tributes to Goddess Saraswati and Bharat Mata and recited hymns. The event concluded with songs, poetry recitations, 'Vande Mataram', and the National Anthem.

Rescheduling of trains for track maintenance work over Howrah division

MI News Service, Kolkata: Due to track maintenance work on Down main line at Pakur station limit in Howrah Division, 360 minutes (from 10:40 hrs. to 16:40 hrs.) Traffic Block has been planned on 30.07.2026 with following regulation in train running:

Rescheduling of trains (journey commencing on 29.07.2026): 13176 Silchar – Sealdah Kanchenjungha Express will be rescheduled by 120 minutes. 13032 Jaynagar – Howrah Express will be rescheduled by 90 minutes

Moreover, 63064 Sahibganj – Barddhaman MEMU will be controlled for 20 minutes enroute.

It may be noted that, 13054 will be the last train before block and 13032 will be the first train after block.

Short termination/short origination of trains for track maintenance work over South Eastern Railway

MI News Service, Kolkata: Due to Track maintenance work between Kita & Silli stations in Ranchi Division over South Eastern Railway on 28.07.2026, 13503/13504 Barddhaman – Hatia -Barddhaman MEMU Express (both journey commencing on 28.07.2026) will be short terminated at /short originated from Gomoh and 63598/63597 Asansol – Ranchi – Asansol MEMU passenger (both journey commencing on 28.07.2026) will be short terminated at /short originated from Muri.

বিজ্ঞপ্তি

দেবব্রত মন্ডল, পিতা নিতাই চন্দ্র মন্ডল, বাসস্থান- আনন্দনগর, লিলুয়া, হাওড়া। গত 23/09/2019 সালে হাওড়া A.D.S.R অফিসে রেজিস্ট্রিকৃত 050200783 নং আমোক্তার দলিল বলে তুষার মন্ডল পিতা সন্ন্যাসী মন্ডল বাসস্থান আনন্দনগর, লিলুয়া, হাওড়া নিকট হইতে চকপাড়া মৌজার হাল দাগ 1287 হাল 11879 খতিয়ানের কমবেশি 5.63 শতক জমি বিক্রয় করিবার জন্য ক্ষমতা প্রাপ্ত হয়েছেন। উক্ত বিষয়ে কারো কোনো আপত্তি থাকলে বালিজগাছা B.L & L.R.O অফিসে এক মাসের মধ্যে যোগাযোগ করিবেন।

বিজ্ঞপ্তি

গনেশ মন্ডল, পিতা-গৌর মন্ডল, বাসস্থান-ভট্টনগর, লিলুয়া, হাওড়া ইংরাজীর 9/2/2024 তারিখে হাওড়া A.D.S.R অফিসে রেজিস্টিকৃত 050201263 আমোক্তার নামা দলিল মূলে শ্রী অজিত কুমার মন্ডল, পিতা- পাঁচুগোপাল মন্ডল, বাসস্থান- ঘুঘুপাড়া, লিলুয়া, হাওড়া নিকট হইতে চকপাড়া মৌজায় হাল 1756 দাগে, হাল 46 খতিয়ানে মোট 4 কাঠা, 8 ছটাক জমি বিক্রয় করিবার ক্ষমতাপ্রাপ্ত হয়। উক্ত বিষয়ে কোন আপত্তি থাকিলে বালি জগাছা B.L. & L.R.O অফিসে এক মাসের মধ্যে যোগাযোগ করুন।

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E-Auction Notice No. COM/PUB/HWH/26/26, Dtd. 22.07.2026. E-Auction is invited by Sr. Divisional Commercial Manager, Eastern Railway, Howrah, New DRM Building, 4th Floor, near Rail Museum Howrah - 711101 for awarding contract of commercial publicity rights through over Howrah Division. The Auction Catalogue have been uploaded in **www.ireps.gov.in Catalogue No.: PUB-HWH-26-26. Auction start date & time:** 06.08.2026 at 12.00 hrs. **Seq. No., Lot No. & Description** are as follows: **AA/1,** ADVT-HWH-AMBG-OH-164-26-1 (Advertising - Out of Home), Awarding rights for display of Railway information with scope of commercial advertisement through Railway installed 1 no. of Video Wall (LED Screen) on 50:50 time/space sharing basis at Circulating area near main entrance of Arambag Railway station for a period of 3 years. **AA/2,** ADVT-HWH-NDAE-OH-157-25-1 (Advertising - Out of Home), Awarding rights for display of Railway information with scope of commercial advertisement through Railway installed 1 no. of Video Wall (LED Screen) on 50:50 time/space sharing basis at Circulating area near temporary booking office of Nabadwip Dham Railway station for a period of 3 years. **AA/3,** ADVT-HWH-BLY-OH-167-25-1 (Advertising - Out of Home), Contract of operation & maintenance of 1 no. video wall (LED screen) at circulating area of Bally Railway station for display of Railway information with scope of commercial advertisements on 50:50 time sharing basis under Howrah Division for a period of 3 years. **AA/4,** ADVT-HWH-AZ-OH-163-26-1 (Advertising - Out of Home), Awarding rights for display of Railway information with scope of commercial advertisement through Railway installed 1 no. of Video Wall (LED Screen) on 50:50 time/space sharing basis at Circulating area of Azimganj Railway station for a period of 3 years. **AA/5,** ADVT-HWH-KWAE-OH-156-25-1 (Advertising - Out of Home), Awarding rights for display of Railway information with scope of commercial advertisement through Railway installed 1 no. of Video Wall (LED Screen) on 50:50 time/space sharing basis at Circulating area of Katwa Railway station for a period of 3 years. **AA/6,** ADVT-HWH-DKAE-OH-160-25-1 (Advertising - Out of Home), Awarding contract for operation, maintenance and display of Railway information and commercial advertisement through Railway installed 1 no. of Video wall (LED Screen) on 50:50 time/space sharing basis at Circulating area of Dankuni Railway station for a period of 3 years. **AB/1,** ADVT-HWH-PDA-OSD-122-24-1 [Advertising - On Station Premise (Digital)], Awarding contract for supply, installation, operation and maintenance of Dual Display Fare Repeater System (DDFRS) at Passenger Reservation System (PRS) counters & Unreserved Ticketing System (UTS) counters with provision of dynamic BHIM UPI QR code at stations under Cluster-4 (Pandooah, Memari, Barddhaman, Bolpur & Rampurhat as detailed in Annexure-I) of Howrah Division with scope of commercial advertisement for a period of 3 years. **AB/2,** ADVT-HWH-LLH-OSD-119-24-1 [Advertising - On Station Premise (Digital)], Awarding contract for supply, installation, operation and maintenance of Dual Display Fare Repeater System (DDFRS) at Passenger Reservation System (PRS) counters & Unreserved Ticketing System (UTS) counters with provision of dynamic BHIM UPI QR code at stations under Cluster-1 (Liluah, Belur, Bally, Dankuni, Uttarpara, Konnagar, Rishra & Srirampur as detailed in Annexure-I) of Howrah Division with scope of commercial advertisement for a period of 3 years. **AB/3,** ADVT-HWH-BWN-OSD-86-26-1 [Advertising - On Station Premise (Digital)], Awarding rights for display of Railway information and advertisement through Railway install 6 nos. of video walls inside Barddhaman station at different locations on 50 : 50 time/space sharing basis for a period of 3 years. **AC/1,** ADVT-HWH-KQU-OSN-30-26-1 [Advertising - On Station Premise (Non-Digital)], Awarding display of commercial publicity rights within station premises of Kamarkundu station of Howrah Division for a period of 3 years. **AC/2,** ADVT-HWH-HWH-OSN-165-26-1 [Advertising - On Station Premise (Non-Digital)], Awarding commercial publicity rights through vinyl pasting on pillars at Howrah station old complex under Howrah Division for a period of 3 years. **AD/1,** ADVT-IntExt-S1-EMURAKE32-26-1 (Advertising - Train Interior and Exterior), Awarding commercial publicity rights through vinyl wrapping (Graphic Films according to RDSO specification) on the exterior surface of the entire side walls (barring windows and mandatory signage) and on the specified locations inside the coaches of 12 coach EMU rake plying over Howrah Division for a period of 3 years. **AD/2,** ADVT-IntExt-S1-EMUR2-25-1 (Advertising - Train Interior and Exterior), Awarding commercial publicity rights through vinyl wrapping (Graphic Films according to RDSO specification) on the exterior surface of the entire side walls (barring windows and mandatory signage) and on the specified locations inside the coaches of 12 coach EMU rake plying over Howrah Division for a period of 3 years.

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রাজেন্দ্রপ্রসাদ আগরওয়াল, পিতা বনওয়ারিলাল আগরওয়াল, বাসস্থান- ৪ নং, কেদার নাথ দত্ত লেন, কলকাতা ,গত ইংরাজী 9/1/2024 তারিখে হাওড়া A.D.S.R অফিসে রেজিস্ট্রিকৃত 050200271 নম্বর আমমোক্তার নামা দলিল বলে তাপসি জানা, স্বামী-মদন জানা, বাসস্থান ভট্টনগর, লিলুয়া, হাওড়া নিকট হইতে চামরাইল মৌজার হাল 3888 দাগে, হাল 3446 খতিয়ানে 48 কাঠা-11 ছটাক জমি বিক্রয় করিবার জন্য ক্ষমতাপ্রাপ্ত হয়। উক্ত বিষয়ে কোন আপত্তি থাকিলে এক মাসের মধ্যে বালি জগাছা B.L.& L.R.O. অফিসে যোগাযোগ করুন।

বিজ্ঞপ্তি

সঞ্জীব রানা, পিতা-কিষান রানা, নিবাস- প্রফুল্ল কানন, উত্তর ২৪ পরগনা। গত 22/07/22 সালের হাওড়া A.D.S.R অফিসে রেজিস্ট্রিকৃত 08561 আমোক্তারনামা দলিল মূলে 1) সুরেশচন্দ্র সাহা পিতা-মিহির লাল সাহা, 2) কাজল রানী সাহা স্বামী সুরেশ চন্দ্র সাহা নিবাস- বেলগাছিয়া, হাওড়া 13/1, L Road, নিকট হইতে কোনা মৌজায় হাল 222 দাগে, 9366, 9384 খতিয়ানে মোট 31.35 শতক জমি বিক্রয় করিবার ক্ষমতা দিয়েছে। উক্ত বিষয়ে কোন আপত্তি থাকলে এক মাসের মধ্যে বালি জগাছা B.L&L.R.O অফিসে যোগাযোগ করুন।

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Tender Notice No. : SG.Tender/ DSTE/SDAH/627, dated 24.07.2026. e-Tenders are invited by the Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer, Eastern Railway, Sealdah, 2nd floor, Control Building, DRM Building, Kaizer Street, Kolkata-700014 for the following work. **e-Tender No.: SDSTE/Sig/T/15/26-27/SF. Name of Work with its location** : Provision of RTU at Interlocked LC Gates (OSL) in the section of DSTE/I & ASTE/I in Sealdah Division. **Tender Value:** Rs. 7,30,70,702.86. **Earnest Money / Bid Security to be deposited :** Rs. 14,61,400/-. **Cost of Tender document :** Nil. **Completion period of the work :** 12 Months. **Tender submission start date :** 06.08.2026. **Tender submission end date :** 20.08.2026 upto 14.00 hrs. **Tender Bid opening date :** 20.08.2026 at 14.30 hrs. **Details may be available :** www.ireps.gov.in **Technical Eligibility Criteria :** The tenderer must have successfully completed or substantially completed any one of the following categories of work(s) during last 07 (seven) years, ending last day of month previous to the one in which tender is invited: (i) Three similar works each costing not less than the amount equal to 30% of advertised value of the tender, or (ii) Two similar works each costing not less than the amount equal to 40% of advertised value of the tender, or (iii) One similar work costing not less than the amount equal to 60% of advertised value of the tender. **Financial Eligibility Criteria :** The tenderer must have minimum average annual contractual turnover of V/N or 'V' whichever is less; where V= Advertised value of the tender in crores of Rupees, N= Number of years prescribed for completion of work for which bids have been invited. The average annual contractual turnover shall be calculated as an average of "total contractual payments" in the previous three financial years, as per the audited balance sheet. However, in case balance sheet of the previous year is yet to be prepared/ audited, the audited balance sheet of the fourth previous year shall be considered for calculating average annual contractual turnover. The tenderers shall submit requisite information as per Annexure-VIB of GCC 2022 (Form-6 of the instant tender document), along with copies of Audited Balance Sheets duly certified by the Chartered Accountant/ Certificate from Chartered Accountant duly supported by Audited Balance Sheet. **Other document to be submitted :** As mentioned in the tender document. **Similar nature of Work :** Supply, Installation & Commissioning of Datalogger or RTUs or Any Signal Interlocking works involving EI or RRI or PI or IBS or IBH or LC Gate Interlocking or Yard modification or UFSBI or Track Circuit (AFTC or DC TC) or Axle Counter (SSDAC or MSDAC or HA-SSDAC) or Automatic Signalling. **Note :** The tenderer shall submit along with the tender offer, documents in support of his/their claim to fulfill the eligibility criteria as mentioned in the tender document. Each page of the copy of documents/ certificates in support of credentials, submitted by the tenderer, shall be self attested/digitally signed by the tenderer or authorized representative of the tendering firm. Self attestation shall include signature, stamp and date (on each page).

(SDAH-150/2026-27)

Tender Notices are also available at Website **www.er.indianrailways.gov.in / www.ireps.gov.in**

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NOTICE

My client **Suraj Shaw & Rajkumar Shaw**, S/o Ramchandra Shaw purchased a land measuring about **0.0248 Acre & 0.0248 acre** through a General Power of Attorney **Abinash Kr Pandey and onther**, S/o Lt Hareram Pandey appointed **Lalan Prasad Shaw**, S/o Lt Ram Sevak Shaw as Attorney Vide **Deed no-050211516, dt-17/10/2025, A.D.S.R Howrah**. Now my client filed a mutation case no-5559/2026 & 5848/2026 (Mouja Chakpara, JL-111, LR Dag-425, LR KH-9982, 9988 & 9989) before BL&LRO Bally Jagacha Block, 229 G.T Road Bally Howrah. If anyone want to contest they can appear before BL&LRO within 30 days from the publication of the notice.

Abhishek Roy-Advocate
Howrah
Judges Court

বিজ্ঞপ্তি

বঙ্কিম বিহারী সামন্ত, পিতা-৺মাখন লাল সামন্ত 15/02/1992 তারিখে রাণীহাটি রেজিঃ অফিসে রেজিঃকৃত 529 নং দলিলমূলে ২ কাঠা, ১১ ছটাক শালি জমি সাঁকরাইল জলা মৌজায় হাল 1059 নং এল. আর খতিয়ানে সাবেক 774 দাগের হাল 823 নং দাগে ১) শ্রীমতী আরতী ঘোষ পক্ষে আমমোক্তার অঞ্জলী ঘোষ (1991 সালে রেজিঃকৃত 20 নং আমমোক্তার নামা), ২) চম্পা দাস মহাশয়ার নিকট হইতে খরিদ করেন। 529 নং দলিলমূলে পাওয়া সম্পত্তির রেকর্ড নিয়ে কারো অভিযোগ থাকলে 30 দিনের মধ্যে B.L.&L.R.O অফিসে যোগাযোগ করুন।

বিজ্ঞপ্তি

মহঃ মুস্তাফা পিতা মহঃ হুসেন D.S.R-1 HOWRAH অফিসে 23/05/2025 রেজিঃকৃত 3150 নং দলিলমূলে 1 কাঠা 4 ছটাক 4 বর্গফুট এবং 10/04/2026 তারিখে রেজিঃকৃত 1942 নং দলিলমূলে 1 কাঠা 4 ছটাক 4 বর্গফুট শালি জমি সাঁকরাইলজলা মৌজায়। (হাল) 1319 নং এবং (হাল) 1879 এল.আর. খতিয়ানে সাবেক 1636 নং দাগের হাল 1838 নং দাগে 26/03/2025 তারিখে রানীহাটি রেজিঃ অফিসে রেজিঃকৃত 1768 নং আমমোক্তার নামা দলিলের আমমোক্তার বিহারীলাল অটলানী, পিতা-৺হাসামল অটলানী মহাশয়ের নিকট হইতে খরিদ করি। যদি কোন ব্যক্তির উক্ত 3150 এবং 1942 নং দলিলমূলে পাওয়া সম্পত্তির রেকর্ড নিয়ে কোনও অভিযোগ থাকে, তাহলে ৩০ (30)দিনের মধ্যে সাঁকরাইল B.L.& L.R.O. অফিসে যোগাযোগ করুন।

বিজ্ঞপ্তি

গণেশ মণ্ডল, পিতা-স্বর্গীয় গৌরচন্দ্র মন্ডল বাসস্থান-ঘুঘুপাড়া, ভট্টনগর, লিলুয়া হাওড়া, ২০/০৭/২০২২ সালে হাওড়া A.D.S.R অফিসে রেজিস্ট্রিকৃত ০৫০২০৮-২৮৭ নং আমমোক্তার দলিল বলে দেবাশীষ ধাওয়া পিতা- প্রভাষ ধাওয়া বাসস্থান ২৩২/১৮/৮ নং চকপাড়া মিলনী হাওড়া নিকট হইতে হাল 400 দাগের হাল 7747 খতিয়ানে চকপাড়া মৌজার ১ কাঠা-১২ ছটাক ১৪ বর্গফুট জমি বিক্রয় করিবার ক্ষমতাপ্রাপ্ত হন। উক্ত বিষয়ে কোন আপত্তি থাকলে বালি জগাছা B.L. & L.R.O. অফিসে এক মাসের মধ্যে যোগাযোগ করুন।

আমমোক্তারনামা সংক্রান্ত বিজ্ঞপ্তি

এতদ্বারা সকলকে জ্ঞাত করা যাইতেছে যে, **তহুরা বেগম**, স্বামী সেখ সাহজাহান, সাকিম বৈদ্যবাটী কাজীপাড়া, বৈদ্যবাটী, শ্রীরামপুর, হুগলী-৭১২২২২, মহাশয়া বিগত ইং ২৪/০৬/২০১৫ তারিখে এ.ডি.এস.আর., চুঁচুড়া, হুগলী, অফিসে রেজিস্ট্রিকৃত IV-00157/2015 নং আমমোক্তারনামা দলিল মূলে **মহম্মদ সাহাবুদ্দিন**, পিতা মহম্মদ মোকবুল, সাকিম পুরুষোত্তমপুর, পান্ডুয়া, হুগলী-৭১২১৪৯, মহাশয়কে ক্ষমতাপ্রাপ্ত আমমোক্তার নিযুক্ত করেন এবং উক্ত আমমোক্তারনামা বলে নিম্ন তপশীল বর্নিত সম্পত্তি বিগত ইং ০১/০২/২০১৮ তারিখে এ.ডি.এস.আর., চুঁচুড়া, হুগলী, অফিসে রেজিস্ট্রিকৃত I-00132/ 2018 নং বিক্রয় কোবালা দলিল মূলে আমাদেরকে **(১)মহঃ নবিউল্লা ও ২)সাহিদ আফরোজ**, উভয়ের পিতা মহম্মদ জয়নুদ্দীন আনসারী, উভয়ের সাকিম পুরুষোত্তমপুর, পান্ডুয়া, হুগলী-৭১২১৪৯), বিক্রয় করিয়াছেন। তপশীল - জেলা হুগলী, থানা পান্ডুয়া, মৌজা পুরুষোত্তমপুর, জে.এল. নং ৪৩, হাল এল.আর. ১৪১২ নং খতিয়ান হইতে, সাবেক তথা হাল এল.আর. ৭৮৫ নং দাগে শালি বর্তমানে ভিটি জমি ষোল আনায় ৪০ শতকের মধ্যে ৩.৩ শতক সম্পত্তি উক্ত বিক্রয় কোবালা দলিল মূলে আমমোক্তারনামা বলে বিক্রয়কৃত সম্পত্তি হইতেছে। এতদ্বারা সকলকে অবগত করা যাইতেছে যে, আমরা বর্তমান ক্রেতাদ্বয় **১)মহঃ নবিউল্লা ও ২)সাহিদ আফরোজ**, উভয়ের পিতা মহম্মদ জয়নুদ্দীন আনসারী, আমাদের উক্ত খরিদা সম্পত্তি নিজ নিজ নামে নাম পত্তন করিবার জন্য বি.এল এ্যান্ড এল.আর.ও পান্ডুয়া ব্লক অফিসে আবেদন করিয়াছি/করিতেছি, ইহাতে কাহারও কোন আইনানুগত আপত্তি থাকিলে বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রচার হইবার ১ মাসের মধ্যে সংশ্লিষ্ঠ অফিসে আপত্তি জানাইতে পারিবেন, অন্যথায় নিয়ম অনুসারে কার্য্য হইবে। ইতি-

১)মহঃ নবিউল্লা ও ২)সাহিদ আফরোজ, ক্রেতাদ্বয়

ईस्टर्न कोलफील्ड्स लिमिटेड
EASTERN COALFIELDS LIMITED
(कोल इंडिया लिमिटेड की एक सहायक कंपनी)
(A Subsidiary of Coal India Limited)
(भारत सरकार का एक उपक्रम)
(A Govt of India Undertaking)

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Eastern Coalfields Limited

NOTICE

It is hereby notified that ECL has acquired land for operational purposes. Consequently, employment to the eligible nominated landowners has been approved as per applicable policies. A list of individuals along with land details is available on ECL's https://www.easterncoalfields.in/ip/empl-under-land-loser-sc website: which can also be inspected at the office of the undersigned or the Area General Manager concerned during office hours, within 21 days of publication of the same on the ECL website. Objections, if any, must be submitted in writing to the undersigned or the respective Area GM within the above period. Objections received after the deadline will not be entertained

-Sd-
General Manager (LRE)
Eastern Coalfields Limited

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Sanctoria, Post: Dishergarh, Dist: Paschim Bardhaman,
West Bengal – 713333, CIN No.:- U10101WB1975G01030295

All the tenders issued by CIL and its subsidiaries for procurement of Goods, Works & Services are available on (i) Website of Coal India Limited: www.coalindia.in, (ii) Website of ECL: www.easterncoalfields.in (iii) CIL e-Procurement Portal: www.coalindiatenders.nic.in (iv) Central Public Procurement Portal: www.eprocure.gov.in. In addition, procurement is also done through GeMPortal: www.gem.gov.in

(By Order)
ECL

CBC: 04106/12/0025/2627

ECL
Eastern Coalfields Limited

Eastern Coalfield Limited, Kunustoria Area
PO: Toposi, Dist. : Paschim Bardhaman, 713362(WB)

Ref No.ECL/GM-KNT/Land/2026-27/049 **Date: 29-06-2026**

Notice

ECL is in the process of acquisition of land for its Parasea Belbaid Re-organization Underground Project under Kunustoria Area. The tenancy land is to be acquired 2.00 acres in mouza Parasea-74. The details are given in the ECL website:
https://www.easterncoalfields.in/storage/media/notice/1781700153_notice_fl_en.pdf

S/D
General Manager
Kunustoria Area

CBC: 04106/12/0026/2627

ECL

Sonepur Bazari Area
Office of the General Manager, Sonepur Bazari Area, P.O. Bahula
District: Paschim Bardhaman (West Bengal) -713322

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Ref. No. ECL/GM/SBA/LRE/2026-27/83 **Date: 24/06/2026**

Notice

Sonepur Bazari Area, ECL has acquired and purchased various parcels of tenancy land aggregating approximately 0.1243 acres in the following Mouzas: Bilpahari and Dahuka for the Sonepur Bazari Project. The process of taking possession of the said lands is presently underway.
Detailed information is available on the ECL website: Scan here

S/D
General Manager
Sonepur Bazari Area, ECL

CBC: 04106 /12/0027/2627

GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

SMT ARPITA MUKHERJEE, D/O Lt. Debaprosad Mukherjee of Vill. & P.O. Senet, P.S. Dadpur, Hooghly, 712305, appointed my client namely **Saurov Ghosh** s/o late Samarendra Nath Ghosh of of Vill. & P.O. Puinan, P.S. Dadpur, Hooghly, 712305, as her Lawful Attorney (**General Power of Attorney Deed No – 15959/2025**) with regard to the schedule land. And said **Arpita Mukherjee** through her Attorney sold the schedule land to **Debasish Ghosh** S/o – Prabir Kumar Ghosh, Address - Senet, P.S. Dadpur, Hooghly,712305 (Sale Deed No. 0027/2026). Anybody, having any claim, demand, right, title or interest in respect of the schedule land or any part thereof, he/she is hereby requested to take necessary steps within next 15 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which it will be presumed that there is no such claim and shall be deemed to have been given up or waived.
Schedule: Dist.- Hooghly, P.S.- Dadpur, Mouza- Talchinan-Sanihati, J.L. No. 66, area-72 Satak/Decimal in L.R. Dag No – 1392 (KH NO. 2493)

Subhashis Debsarma (Advocate),
Dist. Judges' Court, Hooghly.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to all the concerned person that the Two original Deed of Lease being No. 10635 for the year 2014, registered in the office of A.R.A-II, Kolkata had been lost from the custody of Nitika Murarka & Deed no. 10634 for the year 2014, registered in the office of A.R.AII, Kolkata had been lost from the custody of Deep Kumar Jain, both properties is under Premises no. 1, Wood Street, Ward no. 063. And two G.D.E. Nos. 912 (lodged by Deep Kumar Jain) & 913 (lodged by Nitika Murarka) have also been lodged against such loss of the Said Deeds of Lease in the local P.S. at Ballygunge on 14.07.2026.

If any person/s having any right, interest & claim against the said property as mentioned above, he/ she/they may lodge such claim to the undersigned within 07 days from the date of this publication else thereafter the same shall be treated as non-claimable and no further claim against the property shall be entertained.

S.D. Talukdar,
Advocate
M: 7980435957

NOTICE

It is hereby notified that my client Mr. Hiranmoy Choudhury,son of Ranjit Kumar Choudhury residing at 41/1, Debenbabu Road, Post Office: Kanchrapara, Police Station: Bijpur, District:North24 Parganas, Pin Code -743145 executed one Development Power of Attorney in favour of M/s Bhawani Earth Private Limited, office at 10 Dr. Abani Dutta Road, Post Office:Salkia, Police Station: Golabari, District Howrah, Pin Code- 711106 represented by its Director Mr. Pawan Kumar Mohata son of Late Ramji Lal Mohta residing at 5 Dr. Abani Dutta Road, Post Office:Salkia,Police Station: Golabari, District Howrah, Pin Code- 711106, by Development Power Attorney No. 190203923 for the year 2025, registered in Book-I, Volume Number 1902-2025, Pages from 170815 to 170835, ARA-II, Kolkata. Said Hiranmoy Choudhury by virtue of the said Power of Attorney sold to Soumya Chakraborty, son of Bhabaranjan Chakraborty, A-8/160, Kalyani, Nadia, Pin 741235 Land measuring about 01 Cottahs 08 Chittak 02 Sq. Ft. comprised under Mouza: Alaipur, J.L. No.42, R.S. Dag and L.R. Dag No. 1338, R.S. Khatian No.720 and L.R. Khatian No.7227, Police Station: Chakdaha,District- Nadia purchased by Deed No. 190205691 for the year 2026 registered in Book-I, Volume Number 1902-2026,Pages from 275455 to 275476, ARA-II, Kolkata and who has applied for mutation, if anyone has any objection for the above mutation please raise your objection within 30 days to the BLRO, Chakdaha. **Abhijit Sen** (Advocate)
Calcutta High Court, M: 9830834090

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আমার মক্কেল পূজা গুছাইত, স্বামী- শ্রীকান্ত গুছাইত, ২০২৬ সালে A.D.S.R. ডোমজুড় হাওড়া অফিসে রেজিস্ট্রিকৃত ০৫৮১নং দলিল দ্বারা চেনমারফৎ ৩৮০৯/২৩ নং (A.D.S.R. ডোমজুড়, হাওড়া) আমমোক্তার (চন্দ্রকান্ত পাড়ুই) দলিল দ্বারা মৌজা- রাঘবপুর, হাল- ৩৯৫/১ এবং ৮২৫/১নং, খতিয়ানে, সাবেক ও হাল-৬৬৩নং দাগে ৩.১০ শতক সম্পত্তি ক্রয় করিয়া নাম পরিবর্তনের আবেদন করেন। উক্ত বিষয়ে কাহারও কোন আপত্তি থাকিলে বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রকাশের ১ মাসের মধ্যে ডোমজুড় B.L.&.L.R.O., অফিসে যোগাযোগ করুন।

সুমিত কুমার চক্রবর্ত্তী
অ্যাডভোকেট

বিজ্ঞপ্তি

আমার মক্কেল রামজী রজক, পিতা- মনিলাল রজক, ২০২৬ সালে A.D.S.R. ডোমজুড় অফিসে রেজিস্ট্রিকৃত ৩১৬৭নং দলিল দ্বারা চেনমারফৎ ৩০৮৫/২৬নং (A.D.S.R. ডোমজুড়, হাওড়া) আমমোক্তার (গনেশ দাস ওরফে গনেশ জেলে) দলিল দ্বারা মৌজা- পাকুড়িয়া (৫৪), হাল- ৭৭৯নং খতিয়ান, সাবেক ও হাল- ৪১নং দাগে ৪.১৫ শতক সম্পত্তি ক্রয় করিয়া নাম পরিবর্তনের আবেদন করেন। উক্ত বিষয়ে কাহারও কোন আপত্তি থাকিলে বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রকাশের ১ মাসের মধ্যে ডোমজুড় B.L.&.L.R.O., অফিসে যোগাযোগ করুন।

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আমমোক্তারনামা সংক্রান্ত বিজ্ঞপ্তি

এতদ্বারা সকলকে জানানো যাইতেছে যে,১)**শ্রী শিবনাথ কারক** ও ২)**শ্রী গৌর কারক**, উভয়ের পিতা ৺নারায়ন চন্দ্র কারক, ১নং সাকিম ১৩৩, খুঁড়িগাছি নতুনপাড়া রোড, এ্যাঙ্গাস, ভদ্রেশ্বর, হুগলী-৭১২২২১ ও ২নং সাকিম পালপাড়া বাই লেন, মানকুন্ডু, ভদ্রেশ্বর, হুগলী-৭১২১৩৯, মহাশয়দ্বয় বিগত ইং ২৩/১২/২০১৯ তারিখে এ.ডি.এস.আর., চন্দননগর, হুগলী, অফিসে রেজিষ্ট্রীকৃত IV-00449/2019 নং আমমোক্তারনামা দলিল মূলে এবং ৩)**শ্রী গোপাল কারক** ও ৪)**শ্রী নিতাই কারক**, উভয়ের পিতা ৺নারায়ন চন্দ্র কারক, উভয়ের সাকিম ৮১ ও ৮০ নং, খুঁড়িগাছি নতুনপাড়া রোড, এ্যাঙ্গাস, ভদ্রেশ্বর, হুগলী-৭১২২২১ মহাশয়দ্বয় বিগত ইং ১৩/০১/২০২০ তারিখে এ.ডি.এস.আর., চন্দননগর, হুগলী, অফিসে রেজিষ্ট্রীকৃত IV-00014/2020 নং আমমোক্তারনামা দলিল মূলে এবং ৫)**শ্রীমতী আরতী ধাড়া**, স্বামী শীতল ধাড়া, সাকিম সিস্টার নিবেদিতা কমপ্লেক্স, মুসলিম কবরস্থান, ব্যারাকপুর, উঃ ২৪পরগণা-৭০০১২০ ও ৬)**শ্রীমতী মিনতি বেরা** স্বামী ঘনশ্যাম বেরা, উভয়ের পিতা ৺নারায়ন চন্দ্র কারক, সাকিম ৮১, খুঁড়িগাছি নতুনপাড়া রোড, এ্যাঙ্গাস, ভদ্রেশ্বর, হুগলী-৭১২২২১ মহাশয়াদ্বয় বিগত ইং ২২/০৬/২০২০ তারিখে এ.ডি.এস.আর., চন্দননগর, হুগলী, অফিসে রেজিষ্ট্রীকৃত IV-00146/2020 নং আমমোক্তারনামা দলিল মূলে, একুনে ৬ (ছয়) জন বিক্রেতা তিনটি পৃথক পৃথক আমমোক্তারনামা দলিল মূলে আমার মক্কেল **মহঃ খুরসিদ ওরফে মহম্মদ খুরসিদ**, পিতা মুখতাব মিঞা, সাকিম ২০ আর.বি.এস. রোড, চন্দনপাড়া, এ্যাঙ্গাস, ভদ্রেশ্বর, হুগলী-৭১২২২১, মহাশয়কে ক্ষমতাপ্রাপ্ত আমমোক্তার নিযুক্ত করেন ও উক্ত আমমোক্তারনামা বলে আমার মক্কেল নিম্ন তপশীল ভুক্ত সম্পত্তি বিগত ইং ২৬/০৪/২০২১ তারিখে এ.ডি.এস.আর., চন্দননগর, হুগলী, অফিসে রেজিষ্ট্রীকৃত I-01370/2021 নং বিক্রয় কোবালা দলিল মূলে **নাজমা বিবি**, স্বামী মহঃ মুস্তাকিম, সাকিম ৪৩, আর.বি.এস. রোড, চাঁপদানী, বৈদ্যবাটী, ভদ্রেশ্বর, হুগলী-৭১২২২২, মহাশয়াকে বিক্রয় করিয়াছেন। তপশীল- জেলা হুগলী, থানা ভদ্রেশ্বর, মৌজা গৌরহাটী-চাঁপদানী, ২১ নং জে.এল ভুক্ত, আর.এস. ১৫৪ নং তথা হাল এল.আর. ১০৯৩ নং খতিয়ান হইতে, আর.এস. ১৮২৩ তথা হাল এল.আর. ২১৭৮ নং দাগে শালি জমি .৯৪৩ একর তন্মধ্যে কমবেশী ০১ কাঠা ০৮ ছটাক সম্পত্তি অত্র দলিলে আমমোক্তারনামা বলে বিক্রয়কৃত সম্পত্তি হইতেছে। এতদ্বারা সকলকে অবগত করা যাইতেছে যে, বর্তমান ক্রেতা **নাজমা বিবি**, স্বামী মহঃ মুস্তাকিম, তাহার উক্ত খরিদা সম্পত্তি নিজ নামে নাম পত্তন করিবার জন্য বি.এল এ্যান্ড এল.আর.ও সিঙ্গুর এট্ মানকুন্ডু ব্লক অফিসে আবেদন করিয়াছেন। ইহাতে কাহারও কোন আইনানুগ আপত্তি থাকিলে বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রচার হইবার আগামী ১ মাসের মধ্যে সংশ্লিষ্ঠ অফিসে আপত্তি জানাইতে পারিবেন, অন্যথায় নিয়ম অনুসারে কার্য্য করা হইবে।

Deo Kumar Prasad (Advocate), Chandernagore Court, Hooghly

VACATION NOTICE

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Annexure 17B
Publication of Vacation Notice
NOTICE

Notice Is Hereby Given To The Borrower/S Jhuma Das & Co Borrower/S Arit Kumar Nandy To Vacate The Movable Articles In The Property Situated At R.S. And L.R. Dag No. 1207/ 2249, L.R. Khatian No. 840, 841 And 804, J.L. No. 33, Mouza Sehalai, Thana Bolpur At Present Parui, District Birbhum, West Bengal, Admeasuring An Area of 26 Satak., Taken By ICICI Bank Limited, 23-06-2026 Under Section 13(4) of The Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002, Within The Period of 7 Days From The Date of Publication of This Notice.
Please Take Note That If You Fail To Vacate The Movable Articles, ICICI Bank Limited, Will Be Constrained To Auction The Property Along With The Movable Articles Lying In The Property At Your Own Cost And Consequences And ICICI Bank Limited, Will Not Be Responsible For The Same.

Date : July 28, 2026
Place: Bolpur

SD/- Authorised Officer
ICICI Bank Limited

ENGAGEMENT OF ATVM FACILITATORS AT VARIOUS STATIONS OVER HOWRAH DIVISION

For issuing Unreserved Ticket through ATVM

Application Notice No: COM/CF/ATVM-Fac/HWH/26/3
Dated: 27.07.2026

Senior Divisional Commercial Manager, Howrah Division, invites applications from **Retired Railway Employees and General Public** for engagement of facilitators for issue of unreserved tickets through Automatic Ticket Vending Machines (ATVM) installed at stations over Howrah Division. • At first the selection will be from Retired Railway Employee and Spouse/Children of Retired Railway Employee. The order of priority for engaging facilitator shall be as under: **(i)** Retired Railway Employee **(ii)** Spouse/adult children of Retired Railway Employee (Only one person for one retired Railway Employee to be nominated by him/her). If no Retired Railway Employee and Spouse/Children of Retired Railway Employee is available then application from general public will be considered. • If more applications are received against requirement, **the selection will be made by draw of lots.** • The tenure of ATVM facilitator will be up to **30.09.2028.** • No remuneration will be paid by Railways. The facilitator is eligible for 3% of the commission of the value of tickets sold subject to rules in force. • **The applicant can apply for one station only.** • If general public is engaged as facilitator, he/she will have to remit Rs.50,000/- for NSG-1 & NSG-2 category stations and Rs. 25,000/- for other Stations as refundable Security Deposit before commencement of the work. • The engagement of an ATVM facilitator does not grant any employment rights within the Railways. The engagement is solely contractual and does not entitle the facilitator to benefits such as absorption into Railway service, regularization of employment, bonuses, or Railway pass privileges etc. • The General Conditions for engagement, the number of facilitators to be engaged against each station, Application form, Eligibility Criteria, Tenure, Selection Procedure and Functioning etc. will be available in the tender form and the same can be downloaded from the 'Tender' Tab of website **www.er.indianrailways.gov.in** & can be obtained from the office of the **Senior Divisional Commercial Manager, Howrah Division, Eastern Railway, DRM Building (1st Floor), Near Rail Museum, Howrah-711101.** • The sealed cover should be dropped in the box kept for the purpose at the Office of the Senior Divisional Commercial Manager, Howrah Division, Eastern Railway. **The application received through post will be summarily rejected.** • **Important Dates:** Publishing of Application form in website and downloading start **from 27.07.2026 at 18:00 hrs.** Availability of Application Form from the office of the **Senior Divisional Commercial Manager, Howrah Division** and submission of Application Form **from 28.07.2026 at 12:15 hrs. Closing Date and Time for Submission of Application Form:** 18.08.2026 at 12:15 hrs. **Opening of Application Form:** 18.08.2026 at 12:30 hrs.

Sr. Divisional Commercial Manager, Howrah

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The Authorised ICICI Bank Officer under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notices to the borrower(s) mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice. Having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is issued to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described below, by exercising powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property. Any dealings with the property will be subject to charges of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower(s)/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Physical Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs)	Name of Branch
1.	Ashok Kumar Choudhary/ Anup Choudhury/ Rupa Choudhary/12 Durgadas Lane Khidirpur Kolkata West Bengal Kolkata- 700023/ LBCAL00005783139/ LBCAL00005856876/ LBCAL00005869843	Swan Green, Flat No. 1407, 4th Floor, Block No. 1, R.S. Dag No. 1842, 1843, 1844, 1898, L.R. Dag No. 1251, 1253, 1254, 1309, L.R. Khatian Nos. 4416, 4484, 4482, 4477, 4479, 4493, 4478, 4483, 4475, 4481, 4490, 4491, 4487, 4489, 4494, 4496, 4495, 4488, 4485, 4492, 4486, 4480, 4476, J.L. No. 15, P.S. Bishnupur, Mouza. Raspunja, Raspunja Gram Panchayat, District. South 24 Parganas, West Bengal, Admeasuring An Area of Super Built Up Area of 593 Sq.Ft. (Carpet Area- 355 Sq.ft.) With Open Car Parking Space Being No. O -1 Together With Undivided And Undemarcated Indivisible Impartible Share of Land. North: Road South: Flat No. 1108 East: Open Space West: Flat No. 1106/ Date of Physical 23/07/2026	October 14, 2025 Rs. 18,09,857.14/-	Kolkata

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/guarantors(s) is/are hereby issued a 30 day Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold after 30 days from the date of publishing this Notice, as per the provisions under Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date: July 28, 2026
Place: Kolkata

Sincerely Authorised Officer,
For ICICI Bank Ltd.

What are the symptoms of paralysis ? Know its causes and treatment

Poor lifestyle, changing eating habits, and stress are the leading causes of illness in today's fast-paced life. Paralysis is a disease that people often don't know about beforehand and can cause problems suddenly. Let's explore the symptoms and remedies for paralysis, what foods cause paralysis, and the home remedies for paralysis.

What is paralysis?

Paralysis is a respiratory disease, also known as paralysis, paralysis, and paralysis. It affects muscle function. In this condition, muscles in a particular part of the body become inactive. This condition means that a person with paralysis is unable to move more than one muscle. This condition occurs when communication between the muscles and the brain is impaired. Paralysis can occur in a single area of ??the body or throughout the body, meaning it can occur on one side or both sides.

How many types of paralysis are there?

There are several types of paralysis, which can be understood based on the affected area:

Monoplegia - When paralysis affects only one part of the body (leg or arm), it is called monoplegia.

Hemiplegia - In hemiplegia, one side of the body is affected. This can include one arm, one leg, the abdomen, shoulder, or chest.

Paraplegia - This type of paralysis affects the lower part of the body, i.e., the part below the waist, which can include both legs.

Cardioplegia - Cardioplegia is also known as tetraplegia. In this condition, all four arms and legs are affected.

Bell's palsy - Sometimes, when the muscles of a part of the body stop working, it is called palsy. In Bell's palsy, the facial muscles are affected. In this case, facial parts, such as the mouth, become distorted, causing problems with speaking and eating. A very common question is how long it takes for facial paralysis to heal. Facial paralysis usually resolves within 3 to 6 months. In severe cases, this time may be longer

.What are the symptoms of paralysis?

Generally, the symptoms of paralysis are very easy to recognize. The patient loses feeling in a specific area. Sometimes, symptoms like tingling or numbness appear before the paralysis occurs. Paralysis involves loss of muscle control in the paralyzed parts of the body.

You may experience the following symptoms during paralysis:

Sometimes, muscle cramps and pain
Muscle weakness
Drooling
Headache
Decreased thinking ability
Weakness on one side of the face
Changes in vision and hearing
Changes in mood and behavior
Difficulty breathing

Why does a paralysis attack occur?

What causes paralysis? There are several possible causes that can cause a person to become permanently or temporarily paralyzed. In many cases, it's caused by injury or damage to the spinal cord. Other causes include:

Any type of attack or stroke
Polio
Deep bone, back, or head injury
Trauma
Multiple sclerosis
Hypokalemia
Feeling of weakness in one side of the body, in an arm or both arms and legs
Neck injury
Autoimmune disease (Guillain-Barré syndrome)
Parkinson's disease

See also - What causes body heat? See how to prevent it

Does eating cause paralysis?

Paralysis isn't caused by eating anything specific, nor is it directly related to food or drink. However, poor eating habits or poor diet can increase the risk of long-term paralysis. This is a condition that can have many causes, which are explained in detail in the sections above.What happens before a paralysis attack?

A paralysis attack is a serious health condition. Before an attack, some people may experience behavioral changes, such as difficulty speaking, vision problems, sudden numbness and weakness in the arms, legs, or face, headaches, etc. Furthermore, in some people, paralysis attacks can occur without any prior warning.

What is the home remedy for paralysis?

Paralysis is a fatal disease in which the paralyzed limbs are unable to perform any function. The following are some home remedies that you can easily perform at home:

Applying wet mud - A wet mud paste is considered very useful for paralysis. You can apply a wet mud paste to paralysis patients regularly. If you can do this daily, you can take a one-day break. After applying the mud paste, the patient must take a hip bath. This remedy proves very beneficial for paralysis patients.

Oil - To apply oil to paralyzed limbs, you will need to prepare a type of oil. For this, take half a liter of mustard oil and add 50 grams of garlic. Then, cook it in an iron pan until the water evaporates. Let it cool and then strain it into a container. Massage the paralyzed limbs with this oil daily to see benefits.

Bitter gourd - Bitter gourd is considered very beneficial for paralysis. In such cases, patients should consume bitter gourd vegetable or bitter gourd juice. It improves the condition of the affected body parts. Keep in mind that this home remedy is safe for the patient.

Hotter weather due to climate change could lead to more mosquitos: Study

VIRGINIA [US] : A recent study conducted by Virginia Commonwealth University scientists found that a warmer environment may result in more mosquitos as predators struggle to maintain their number.

As the cover feature in Ecology, a journal published by the Ecological Society of America, the study -- "Warming and Top-Down Control of Stage-Structured Prey: Linking Theory to Patterns in Natural Systems" -- found that rising temperatures, often linked to climate change, can make predators of mosquito larvae less effective at controlling mosquito populations.

Warmer temperatures accelerate the development time of larvae, leading to a smaller window of time for dragonflies could eat them.

This means there could be nearly twice as many mosquito larvae that make it to adulthood in the study area. The researchers looked at riverine rock pools at Belle Isle along the James River in Richmond and found that warmer temperature pools had more aquatic mosquito larvae, even when their predators that naturally control the populations were present. The native rock pool mosquito is not an important disease vector, but it is one of the few local mosquitos that doesn't have to feed as an adult to lay eggs. So the findings might apply to similar taxa, like the invasive Asian rock pool mosquito.

"We might see larger populations of everyone's least favorite bug, mosquitos. While the mosquito larvae we studied here [are] the North American rock pool mosquito, these findings likely apply to species of mosquito that do act as vectors for diseases like West Nile or even Zika virus," said Andrew T Davidson, PhD, lead researcher on the study. He conducted the research through the PhD program in VCU's Center for Integrative Life Sciences Education. Predators help stabilize ecosystems

India's life sciences leaders scaling AI, digital transformation: Report

New Delhi : Life sciences leaders in India are scaling artificial intelligence (AI) and digital transformation, said a report on Friday.

The report by KPMG, which surveyed 110 global Life Sciences leaders, noted that life sciences CEOs in India are also investing in enhancing workforce skills, and the country is on track for sustainable growth in the sector.

"India's life sciences sector is moving from aspiration to execution. CEOs are scaling AI and digital transformation, pursuing M&amp;A with strategic clarity, and investing in workforce skills," said Vijay Chawla, Partner and Head - Life Sciences, KPMG in India.

"By combining innovation with efficiency and leveraging India's talent base, the industry is positioning itself for sustainable growth and global leadership in a rapidly evolving healthcare and Life Sciences ecosystem," he added.

Globally, over 80 pc global life sciences CEOs believe AI is crucial for growth, reducing emissions, and improving energy efficiency.

The report showed that leaders are decisively shifting from experimentation to execution, focusing on integrating AI, strategically transforming their businesses through M&amp;A, and reshaping their workforce to unlock a new era of innovation and efficiency.

While 86 per cent of CEOs reported a moderate-to-high appetite for M&amp;A over the next three years, signaling a continued drive for transformation, 80 per cent noted adjusting their growth strategies to navigate interrelated market challenges.

Notably, 73 per cent of global leaders reported plans to allocate between 10 per cent and 20 per cent of their technology budgets specifically to AI initiatives. 65 per cent of CEOs anticipate measurable returns on these investments within the next three years.

However, as AI adoption accelerates, cybersecurity remains a critical concern for 84 per cent of CEOs. Further, the report said CEOs are making talent development a central focus, acknowledging that 85 per cent believe workforce readiness for AI is crucial to achieving their goals.

For life sciences CEOs, executing ESG initiatives also ranks as the second-most important operational focus over the next three years.

About 80 per cent of CEOs believe that AI will play a significant role in reducing emissions and enhancing energy efficiency. As a result, sustainability objectives are increasingly translating into tangible operational improvements and financial gains, signaling a promising path forward for the industry

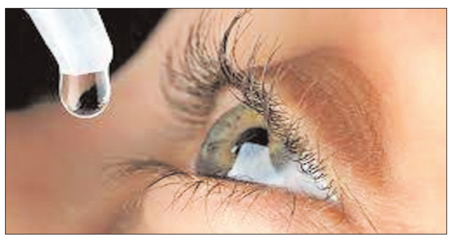
Do you know cognitive behavioral therapy comforts fibromyalgia pain experienced by brain? Study finds

Patients with fibromyalgia (FM), a condition that mostly affects women and is marked by chronic pain, tiredness, and brain fog, usually have limited access to treatment options and explanations for their symptoms.

Cognitive behavioural therapy (CBT), according to researchers at Mass General Brigham, can significantly lessen the burden of FM by, among other things, reducing pain-catastrophizing, a detrimental cognitive and emotional response that can exacerbate pain by way of helplessness, rumination, and intrusive thoughts. Neuroimaging research that demonstrates a decline in connection between brain regions associated with self-awareness, pain, and emotional processing lends support to this conclusion.

The findings of the study were published in Arthritis & Rheumatology. "In this study, we looked at the interplay between psychological processes and the brain's connectivity patterns in response to pain," said co-senior author Robert Edwards, PhD, a clinical psychologist in the Department of Anesthesiology, Perioperative & Pain Medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital, a founding member of the Mass General Brigham healthcare system. "We wanted to explore how CBT, a talk therapy aimed at combatting maladaptive thoughts, can enhance individuals' daily functioning and alter the brain's processing of pain-related information." Edwards explains that CBT can reduce negative cognitive and emotional responses to pain. He says that while these responses are normal, they can amplify the disabling effects of chronic pain, and make conditions like FM more burdensome. The research team for the study included researchers from three Mass General Brigham members: Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital, Brigham and Women's Hospital and Massachusetts General Hospital. Mass General Brigham brings together 16 member institutions.

This oil can be natural treatment for dry eye conditions



AUCKLAND [NEW ZEALAND] : Following a successful pilot study, researchers at the University of Auckland are conducting a clinical trial of castor oil as a potentially safe and natural treatment for dry eye conditions.

It is estimated that dry-eye illness affects approximately 58 per cent of the population aged 50 and up in Australia.

Some risk factors for developing dry eye disease include advanced age, menopause, increased screen time, and contact lens wear.

Blepharitis is the leading cause of dry eye illness, accounting for more than 80 per cent of cases. It is a chronic disease with no known cure.

"Currently, patients are left grappling with symptoms of dryness, grittiness and, in some cases, watery eyes that feel uncomfortable impacting on their quality of life and work productivity," says doctoral candidate and lead clinical investigator Catherine Jennings.

Current treatments, such as antibacterials and anti-inflammatories, are generally unsuitable for long-term use, due to significant side effects and the potential for antimicrobial resistance.

"Often patients are left feeling helpless when attempting to manage a chronic condition," Jennings said.

The current trial is of a product containing cold-pressed castor oil enhanced with manuka and kanuka oils applied using a rollerball attached to a small glass bottle.

"The previous pilot study, conducted by our research team, was unique in its use of castor oil in such an application on the eyelids, with the product not known to be used anywhere else in the world for treating blepharitis," said Jennings. Castor oil comes from a flowering tropical or subtropical shrub from the species Riccinus communis. It has been used therapeutically for millennia, including more recently in eye cosmetics and eye makeup removers. In the pilot study, 26 patients with blepharitis were treated with cold-pressed castor oil over four weeks. They had measurable improvements in symptoms, such as reduced redness of the lid margin, decreased thickening of the eyelid, and a decline in bacterial profusion, as well as reduced eyelash crusting. Building on the success of the pilot study, the research team is now engaged in a more extensive double-blinded, randomised and placebo-controlled study. They are aiming to recruit 92 participants and generate robust scientific evidence for clinicians. The ultimate goal is to sustainably improve the quality of life for this large group of patients using a natural, safe and effective product, principal investigator Professor Jennifer Craig said.

A Complete Guide on the Most Common Infectious Diseases in Children

You will be shocked to learn that out of annual 10 million deaths among children aged less than 5, a large proportion is affected by infectious diseases. However, the good thing is it's estimated that approximately two-thirds of these deaths can be potentially prevented by delivering interventions at scale.

It means to be able to protect your child, you should be aware of the most common disease in paediatrics. In this guide, we have put together some of the more prevalent infectious diseases your kids can contract. Also, you can learn how to treat those diseases.

6 Common Infectious Diseases in Kids: Knowing Their Symptoms and Treatment

In this section, you can learn six infectious diseases that most children suffer from, how you can recognize them, and what treatment you can provide your child.

Common Cold

An acute, self-limiting viral infection, the common cold, can be caused by several viruses, with the rhinovirus accounting for about 60% of infections. Common cold is the most prevalent infectious disease among infants and children. They can experience colds 6 to 8 times a year because of their underdeveloped immune systems and exposure to germs.

Symptoms:

Variable degrees of sneezing
Runny or stuffy nose
Sore throat
Coughing
Rhinorrhea
Mild fever
Headache

How to Treat It:

Although there is no specific cure for the common cold, parents can easily manage their kid's symptoms at home. All you need to do is ensure your little munchkin gets plenty of rest, fluids, and over-the-counter remedies such as nasal suction, saline nasal drops, and fever reducers. However, if your child's symptoms persist or worsen for over ten days, you should consult a doctor.

Acute Gastroenteritis (Stomach Flu)

Acute gastroenteritis is an intestinal infection caused by viruses (like rotavirus), bacteria, or parasites. These pathogens are usually transmitted via the fecal-oral route and are most common among young children. Defined by increased stool frequency, gastroenteritis is reported to be the second leading mortality cause among kids between 1 and 59 months of age.

Symptoms:

Diarrhoea
Vomiting
Abdominal pain
Fever
Dehydration

How to Treat It: The treatment

for gastroenteritis is majorly focused on fluid management. You can have your child drink oral rehydration solutions (ORS) and water in small sips. Also, ensure they don't consume sugary drinks to prevent diarrhoea from worsening. In more severe cases, your paediatrician might suggest hospitalization for intravenous fluids.

Varicella (Chickenpox)

Caused by the varicella-zoster virus, varicella or chickenpox is a highly contagious viral infection. Usually, kids aged less than 12 years are diagnosed with chickenpox. Moreover, the primary infections can be followed by the virus's dormant presence in the dorsal root ganglia of your kid's spine, which can be reactivated in later years as a zoster infection.

Symptoms:

Itchy, blister-like rash
Tiredness
Fever
Loss of appetite
Headache

How to Treat It: Chickenpox generally runs its course within 1-2 weeks. You can give your younger one antihistamines or use soothing oatmeal baths and calming lotions to manage the itching. And acetaminophen can be used to control fever. Keep in mind to not give your child aspirin, as it can lead to Reye's syndrome.

Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye)

Conjunctivitis, or pink eye, is an inflammation or infection of the conjunctiva- the clear tissue covering the eye's white part. Usually caused by bacteria, allergens, or viruses, conjunctivitis is highly contagious.

Symptoms:

Red or pink eyes
Discharge from the eyes
Swollen eyelids
Itchy or burning sensation

How to Treat It: How you treat your kid will depend on the cause of the infectious disease. While viral conjunctivitis usually resolves on its own, you can use antibiotic eye drops or ointments prescribed by a paediatrician to manage bacterial conjunctivitis. In the case of allergic conjunctivitis, antihistamines can help. Also, see that your kid is practising good hygiene and avoid sharing towels to prevent the infection from spreading.

Hand, Foot, and Mouth Disease (HFMD)

A contagious viral illness, hand foot mouth disease (HFMD), is common in young children, especially in those who are aged less than 5. It is caused by coxsackievirus and can cause a blister-like rash on your kid's hands and feet or painful sores in their mouth.

Symptoms:

Rash on hands, feet, and sometimes the buttocks
Fever
Painful sores in the mouth
Fatigue and irritability

How to Treat It: Since it's a viral infection, hand-foot-mouth disease typically clears on its own within 7-10 days. To ease your little munchkin's discomfort, you can give them pain relievers and mouth rinses to help soothe their sore throats. In addition, encourage your child to drink fluids and avoid spicy or acidic foods, as they can irritate their mouth sores.

Ear Infection (Otitis Media)

An ear infection, also called otitis media, is a sudden infection in the space behind your kid's eardrum. Caused by a virus or bacteria, this ear infection often occurs following a cold. What happens is fluid builds up behind your child's eardrum, providing a breeding ground for bacteria and viruses. Kids between the ages of 6 months and 2 years are more commonly affected by otitis media, with the diseases being common until age 8.

Symptoms:

Ear pain
Difficulty hearing
Trouble sleeping
Tugging at the ear
Irritability
Fever
Loss of appetite

How to Treat It:

If bacteria cause otitis media, your child might need antibiotics to clear the infection. Moreover, you can use warm compresses or over-the-counter pain relievers to manage their pain.

Wrapping it up all!

All kids contract infections from time to time. But when they don't feel well, you will want to know what's bothering them, how to recognize the symptoms, how to treat them, and when to seek medical help. So, being aware of the above-discussed most common disease in paediatrics is the first step in ensuring your younger one's swift recovery.

US, Iran refrain from attacks for second straight day

MI News Service, Cairo: The United States paused its attacks on Iran for a second straight day Sunday, July 27, and Tehran said it had done so too, as efforts continued to bring the countries back to negotiations on an interim ceasefire deal largely undermined by recent exchanges of fire.

It was not clear why the US has paused after targeting Iranian coastal areas and infrastructure in a nearly two-week escalation sparked by Iran's firing at ships trying to transit the Strait of Hormuz. The Pentagon did not respond to questions on Sunday.

US President Donald Trump is "giving talks some space. He's giving it a little bit of room," Mike Waltz, the US ambassador to the United Nations, told Fox News. "We've had both Oman and Iran, and a number of our other negotiators, engaged at every level, from the most senior levels all the way down to the technical level over the past few weeks, and particularly in the past few days."

Waltz dismissed the idea that the US stockpile of interceptors crucial in defending against Iranian attacks is running low, but experts have questioned how long both the US and Iran can afford to keep up attacks.

Since the US has halted attacks for the past two nights, Iran has as well, its army spokesperson told Iran's state TV on Sunday. Tehran in recent days has counterattacked against countries in the region hosting US military forces, killing at least three service members at a base in Jordan and one in Iraq.

The 60-day period that began when the interim deal was signed by both countries in mid-June is now well into its second half, and major issues that were meant to be negotiated -– notably Iran's nuclear program at the heart of tensions -– remain set aside as mediators try to keep both sides talking.

A regional official involved in mediation efforts said diplomacy was underway and that a pause in US and Iranian strikes was a "positive signal that helps their efforts to de-escalate."

The official said both countries want to return to the interim ceasefire deal and that a compromise being negotiated centers on having Iran run vessel transit through the Strait of Hormuz with fewer restrictions on ships. The official was not authorized to discuss the matter and spoke on condition of anonymity.

Meanwhile, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu plans to travel to the United States and meet with Trump in Washington on Tuesday, his office has said. They last met in Washington in February, weeks before they launched the war on Iran that killed senior leaders including Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei.

The Iranian-backed Hezbollah fired at Israel two days after the war began, and Israel responded with airstrikes and ground forces in southern Lebanon. Since then, the U.S. has supported landmark direct talks between Lebanon and Israel to try to calm that front and find a way to disarm Hezbollah.

Bihar cop suspended over AK-47 use during student protest

MI News Service, Patna: A police constable was suspended after a purported video showing him using an AK-47 rifle during a student protest in Bihar's Siwan district on July 25 went viral on social media, officials said on Monday.

Siwan SP Puran Kumar Jha told PTI, "The constable, posted with the District Intelligence Unit (DIU), has been suspended with immediate effect after a video purportedly showing him using an AK-47 rifle during a student protest went viral on social media. Departmental proceedings have also been initiated against him."

"No one was injured in the firing," he added.

The SP said an inquiry has been initiated to ascertain the circumstances under which the constable used the AK-47 rifle during the protest.

"There were clear instructions to the police force not to open fire during the demonstration," he said.

On July 25, members of Left-wing student organisations staged demonstrations and clashed with police in several districts in support of the Bihar Bandh called against the NEET paper leak and police action on protesting students.

The bandh turned violent in Patna, Saran, Siwan, Aurangabad, Bhagalpur, Sitamarhi, Purnia and Bhojpur, while Samastipur, Nawada, Nalanda, Madhubani and Sheikhpura witnessed mild protests.

Protesters pelted stones and bricks at police personnel at Dak Bungalow crossing in Patna, following which several students were detained.

Leader of Opposition in the Bihar Assembly Tejashwi Yadav also raised the issue and accused the police of opening fire on students during the Bihar Bandh protest in Siwan.

He also blamed Chief Minister Samrat Choudhary for the incident.

"During the protest in Siwan, police resorted to direct firing with an AK-47 on the students. When the accused criminal in seven murders becomes the chief minister, then in democracy, the police fire bullets like this at innocent students," Yadav said in a post on X.

Yadav was referring to Choudhary, whom he has frequently described as a person "accused in seven murder cases".

UK PM pledges continued support for Ukraine ahead of Zelensky

MI News Service, London: Andy Burnham has pledged to continue the UK's "unwavering" support for Ukraine ahead of meeting Volodymyr Zelensky on Monday.

The Ukrainian president will become the prime minister's first international visitor since he took office a week ago, which No 10 said "illustrates the strength of the relationship between the two nations".

They will visit a naval base, where Burnham will announce the sharing of the intellectual property behind the UK's new "Stone Cloak" electronic warfare system, enabling Ukraine to produce the technology at scale.

Burnham told the BBC's Laura Kuenssberg ahead of the visit that he was looking forward to it and that his support for Ukraine was "unwavering - it is 100%".

The Stone Cloak jammers are the size of a tablet computer and are designed to block the detection of any drones they are fitted to.

The Ministry of Defence has already given thousands of the devices to Ukrainian forces to bolster their drone operations.

Downing Street said that following its deployment in Ukraine, the technology will be built into the UK's next generation of long-range weapons.

It said this would include Project Brakestop, a government programme to develop low-cost cruise missiles - self-propelled guided weapons that fly like normal aircraft for much of their flight.

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Burnham said in a statement on Sunday evening: "Stone Cloak is the best of homegrown British innovation and proven on the frontline, and it will be vital to protecting our security in both our countries."

During Monday's visit, the two leaders will also meet more than 200 Ukrainian military personnel who have spent the last three weeks taking part in a maritime exercise in the UK.

Exercise Sea Breeze is aimed at strengthening warfighting capabilities and counter-mine measures in the Black Sea.

Mosques in West Bank set on fire during settler violence

MI News Service, Tel Aviv: Two mosques in the Israeli-occupied West Bank were set on fire overnight in an apparent Israeli settler attack, officials said Sunday, July 26, after a spate of deadly violence that killed four Palestinians and two Israeli soldiers. The violence comes as Palestinians and the Israeli opposition accuse Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's hard-line government of turning a blind eye to attacks by settlers against Palestinians, which threatens to ignite widespread violence across the territory.

Israeli soldiers and police fanned out across the West Bank after the attack, closing off major roads and blocking access to a hospital where it said two militants were hiding. Israel also arrested more than 70 Palestinians over the weekend as it attempted to contain the escalating violence. The mosques in the villages of Qusra and Kour in the northern West Bank suffered extensive damage in the fires. In Qusra, the attackers spray-painted "revenge Benayahu," referring to one of the Israeli soldiers killed on Friday, and "the land of Israel is redeemed with blood." The soldier lived in a nearby settlement. Ahmed Abu Mahmoud, 64, who lives next door to the Qusra mosque, said he heard noises at 3 am and discovered the mosque had been set on fire. The fire was too large for him to fight on his own, so he called for help. Mahmoud said livestock and a drinking tank had been stolen in the past month, but that Israeli authorities hadn't helped. "The military arrived here, saw with their own eyes and then left," he said Sunday.

Eastern Railway's elaborate arrangements for Shravani Mela

MI News Service, Kolkata: Eastern Railway will adjust train stoppages, augment coaches and extend halt timings at Jasidih and Sultanganj stations to manage increased passenger rush during the Shravani Mela from late July to August 2026.

Temporary increase in stoppage time at Jasidih station:

Except for 11 specified Mail/Express trains, halts of other Mail/Express and Passenger trains that currently stop for less than five minutes at Jasidih may be extended up to five minutes during the Mela from 30.07.2026 to 29.08.2026. The exempted trains are: 12305/12306 Howrah–New Delhi–Howrah Rajdhani Express; 22347/22348 Howrah–Patna–Howrah Vande Bharat Express; 22499/22500 Deoghar–Varanasi–Deoghar Vande Bharat Express; 12273/12274 Howrah–New Delhi–Howrah Duronto Express; 22313/22314 Shalimar–Patna–Shalimar Duronto Express; 12023/12024 Howrah–Patna–Howrah Janshatabdi Express; 12303/12304 Howrah–New Delhi–Howrah Poorva Express; 13127/13128 Kolkata–Ara–Kolkata Garib Rath Express; 12235/12236 Madhupur–Anand Vihar (T)–Madhupur Humsafar Express; 22587/22588 Sealdah–Banaras–Sealdah Amrit Bharat Express; and 22459/22460 Madhupur–Anand Vihar (T)–Madhupur Baba Baidyanath Dham Deoghar Humsafar Express.

Temporary increase in stoppage time at Sultanganj station:

Stoppage time for all trains calling at Sultanganj may be temporarily enhanced by five minutes on nominated days during the Mela period from 30.07.2026 to 28.08.2026.

Temporary additional stoppage of trains at Sultanganj station:

Selected trains will receive an additional 2-minute stoppage at Sultanganj on nominated days during the Mela:

13423 Bhagalpur–Ajmer Express (weekly), arr.13:38/dept.13:40, on nominated days from 30.07.2026 to 27.08.2026.

13429 Malda Town–Anand Vihar (T) Express (weekly), arr.13:02/dept.13:04, on nominated days from 31.07.2026 to 28.08.2026.

13430 Anand Vihar (T)–Malda Town Express (weekly), arr.17:55/dept.17:57, on nominated days from 01.08.2026 to 22.08.2026.

13424 Ajmer–Bhagalpur Express (weekly), arr.13:50/dept.13:52, on nominated days from 01.08.2026 to 22.08.2026.

15620 Kamakhya–Gaya Express (weekly), arr.00:11/dept.00:13, on nominated days from 03.08.2026 to 24.08.2026.

15619 Gaya–Kamakhya Express (weekly), arr.17:45/dept.17:47, on nominated days from 04.08.2026 to 25.08.2026.

Temporary augmentation of coaches:

One extra General 2nd Class coach will be added temporarily to the following trains during the Mela period: 13021/13022 Howrah–Raxaul–Howrah Mithila Express, 13029/13030 Howrah–Mokama–Howrah Express, 13185/13186 Sealdah–Jaynagar–Sealdah Gangasagar Express, 13105/13106 Sealdah–Ballia–Sealdah Express, 13415/13416 Malda Town–Patna–Malda Town Express, and 13409/13410 Malda Town–Kiul–Malda Town Express (with specific working dates between 29.07.2026 and 30.08.2026 as noted).

NEET protests can't justify lathi-charge: SC on police brutality

MI News Service, New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday, July 27, orally observed that the right to peaceful and lawful protest is protected under the Constitution and that agitation by itself cannot be used to justify a lathi charge by police. The top court took up a batch of petitions alleging excessive use of force against students protesting across the country over the NEET paper leaks.

A bench of Chief Justice of India (CJI) Surya Kant, Justice Joymalya Bagchi and Justice V Mohana made the observations while the petitions were mentioned before it. The court said allegations of police excess should be independently examined and stressed the need for uniform protocols across states for handling protests.

"Right to peaceful, lawful protest absolutely guaranteed under Constitution. So long as it is peaceful agitation, merely because there is agitation, there can't be (excess)… If there is excess committed, it should be independently examined. It's not only a case of Delhi. Uniformity in protocol required. Merely because agitation is there, doesn't mean lathi-charge. Discipline is integral to democratic process," the CJI said.

Meanwhile, Justice Bagchi allowed a request from a counsel representing the families of policemen injured in the protests to join the proceedings, remarking that injury to any individual, whether a policeman or a student, was of equal concern to the court. He suggested the state be asked why police were not given adequate protective equipment such as helmets.

All the petitions are now scheduled to be heard together on Tuesday, July 2

One of the pleas seeks court directions to regulate police conduct during public protests, including a ban on plainclothes personnel being used for crowd control, clearer rules on the use of prohibitory orders under Section 163 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS) allowing authorities to restrict gatherings in urgent situations and an independent probe into the July 20 police action.

A separate petition against the Centre, the Delhi government, the Delhi Police Commissioner and all states and Union Territories alleges physical assaults on protesters, misconduct against female demonstrators and force used by unidentified or plainclothes personnel, claiming at least 60 protesters were injured. It drew a sharp comparison in its language, stating that the events of July 20 amounted to "atrocities… no less than the atrocities of the Jallianwala Bagh." The plea also contended that shutting down Metro services and the internet during the protests disrupted banking, telemedicine, remote work and emergency services for ordinary citizens.

Passenger Alert: SER Runs Short-Terminated Services

MI News Service, Kolkata: Due to Track maintenance work between Kita & Silli stations in Ranchi Division over South Eastern Railway on 28.07.2026, 13503/13504 Barddhaman –Hatia-Barddhaman MEMU Express (both journey commencing on 28.07.2026) will be short terminated at /short originated from Gomoh and 63598/63597 Asansol – Ranchi – Asansol MEMU passenger (both journey commencing on 28.07.2026) will be short terminated at /short originated from Muri.

Eastern Railway's Mission: Secure Journeys and Stronger Communities

MI News Service, Kolkata: Under the dynamic leadership of General Manager Milind Deouskar, Eastern Railway carried out a continuous inspection drive across the Malda Town–Sahibganj section to review tracks, bridges, stations, and essential assets, reinforcing its commitment to safe, reliable train operations.

During a trailing inspection from the rear of a moving train, the GM evaluated track conditions for smooth movement, verified bridge stability, and checked station facilities to ensure passenger safety and convenience. GM Deouskar, with DRM Malda Division Manish Kumar Gupta, inaugurated the renovated Eastern Railway High School at Sahibganj, underscoring Eastern Railway's commitment to quality education. He inspected campus facilities, reviewed the improved learning environment, interacted with students, attended a cultural programme, and felicitated 15 meritorious students. He also participated in a tree plantation drive on campus to promote environmental awareness. To strengthen training and capacity building, the GM inaugurated the renovated Academic Block "Vikramshila" and the renovated Hostel "Mahananda" at the Multi-Disciplinary Divisional Training Institute (MDDTI), Malda, providing modern learning infrastructure and enhanced residential facilities. During his inspection of MDDTI, he reviewed classrooms, practical laboratories, and hostels, and engaged with trainees and instructors to emphasize continuous learning, technical accuracy, and uncompromising safety standards. Deouskar also met media representatives, public representatives, and dignitaries at Sahibganj to reinforce Eastern Railway's public engagement and transparent communication. Chief Public Relations Officer Shibram Majhi stated that each inspection drive aims to make travel safer, faster, and more comfortable; modernizing training institutes prepares frontline staff for modern technology, and welfare initiatives in education and the environment demonstrate Eastern Railway's commitment to serving passengers and the nation with excellence.

Rescheduling of train for track maintenance over Howrah division

MI News Service, Kolkata: Due to track maintenance work on Down main line at Pakur station limit in Howrah Division, 360 minutes (from 10:40 hrs. to 16:40 hrs.) Traffic Block has been planned on 30.07.2026 with following regulation in train running:

Rescheduling of trains (journey commencing on 29.07.2026):

13176 Silchar – Sealdah Kanchenjungha Express will be rescheduled by 120 minutes.

13032 Jaynagar – Howrah Express will be rescheduled by 90 minutes

Moreover, 63064 Sahibganj – Barddhaman MEMU will be controlled for 20 minutes enroute.

It may be noted that, 13054 will be the last train before block and 13032 will be the first train after block.

East Coast Salutes Safety Champion Technician

MI News Service, Bhuneshwar: East Coast Railway has honoured K. Narendra, Technician Grade-I (Carriage & Wagon) of Rayagada under Rayagada Division with the Safety Award for his exemplary vigilance and professional commitment towards ensuring safe train operations. While carrying out a routine inspection of a loaded goods train at Rayagada on 29th June 2026, Shri Narendra noticed a broken yoke and damaged back stopper welding on one of the wagons. Realising that the defect could affect the safe movement of the train, he immediately arranged to remove the defective wagon from the train for replacement before it continued its journey. His timely action helped prevent a possible safety risk and ensured the safe movement of the train. East Coast Railway has commended his dedication and vigilance, which exemplify the organisation's strong safety culture and the commitment of its employees towards ensuring safe, secure and reliable train operations.

Dipu Ghosh Krida Sadan: Eastern Railway's Inclusive Badminton Hub at Liluah

MI News Service, Kolkata: Under the leadership of General Manager Milind Deouskar, Eastern Railway inaugurated the state-of-the-art badminton facility "Dipu Ghosh Krida Sadan" at the Carriage & Wagon Workshop in Liluah, accompanied by Smt. Seema Deouskar, President of the Eastern Railway Women's Welfare Organisation.

Chief Workshop Manager Yatish Kumar welcomed the guests and showcased the workshop's commitment to modern staff welfare. The ceremony was attended by Eastern Railway's AGM, SDGM, PCCM, PCMM, CWE, DRM/Sealdah, senior officers, workshop sports association members, employees, and their families. Built to international standards, the complex features a professional playing surface, advanced lighting, modern amenities, and aesthetically designed interiors for recreational play, professional coaching, and competitive matches. Emphasising inclusivity, the facility is equipped with assistive devices and accessible features to empower differently abled persons (Divyangjans), enabling them to participate with confidence and dignity. Named in tribute to Dipu Ghosh, the legendary Eastern Railway badminton star, the centre honours his contributions and aims to inspire dedication, discipline, and sportsmanship among current and future railway athletes. In his address, GM Deouskar stressed that sports form a key pillar of employee welfare and organizational excellence, enhancing physical fitness, mental well-being, teamwork, and productivity. He praised CWM Yatish Kumar and the Liluah Workshop team for their leadership in delivering quality welfare infrastructure that boosts staff morale and motivation.

Chief Public Relations Officer Shibram Majhi highlighted the initiative's broader significance, calling the commissioning of Dipu Ghosh Krida Sadan a monumental step toward employee well-being and a vibrant sports culture. He noted the facility's role in ensuring that all members of the Eastern Railway family—including women, youth, and Divyangjans—have access to world-class, inclusive sporting opportunities.

CWG 2026: TEJAS SHIRSE QUALIFIES FOR MEN'S 110M HURDLES FINAL

GLASGOW : Indian hurdler Tejas Ashok Shirse booked his place in the men's 110m hurdles final at the Commonwealth Games 2026 after producing a composed run to secure automatic qualification from Heat 1, giving India another shot at a track medal. The 24-year-old recovered well after a modest start to finish third in his heat with a time of 13.76 seconds. Jamaica's Jerome Campbell won the race in 13.33 seconds, while England's Samuel Bennet was second in 13.20 seconds.

The qualification format featured two heats, with the top three finishers from each race advancing directly to the final, along with the next two fastest athletes overall. By finishing among the top three, Shirse sealed his berth without having to rely on timings.

Although his run was slower than his personal best of 13.27 seconds, it was enough to keep his Commonwealth Games campaign alive as he prepares for the medal race scheduled for 2:15 AM IST on Tuesday (July 28).

Shirse's qualification continued a positive day for India's athletics contingent. Earlier, long jumper Murali Sreeshankar advanced to the men's long jump final after clearing the automatic qualification standard with an opening leap of 8.01 metres. The Birmingham 2022 silver medallist needed only one attempt to secure his place in the final and heads into the medal round carrying the best season's mark in the field. However, it was disappointment in the men's 100m, where national record-holder Gurindervir Singh failed to progress beyond the heats.

One of India's biggest medal prospects entering the Games, Gurindervir clocked 10.39 seconds to finish second in his heat but ended up 28th overall, missing out on a semi-final place after only the top 17 athletes advanced.

Esha wins gold, Manu bags bronze in women's 25m pistol at ISSF WC in Hangzhou

HANGZHOU : Indian shooters Esha Singh and Manu Bhaker delivered a memorable double podium finish in the women's 25m pistol event at the ISSF World Cup Rifle/Pistol/Shotgun in Hangzhou, China, with Esha clinching gold and Manu securing bronze to continue India's impressive medal haul at the competition.

Esha produced a composed and commanding performance in the eight-woman final, registering 40 hits to finish atop the podium. Paris 2024 double Olympic medallist Manu, meanwhile, battled through a fiercely contested final, surviving a crucial shoot-off before ending with 28 hits to claim the bronze medal.

The Indian duo had laid the foundation with outstanding performances in qualification. Manu topped the standings with 586-20x, while Esha followed closely with 585-18x as both comfortably progressed to the medal round. Former Asian Games gold medallist Rahi Sarnobat narrowly missed out on the final after shooting 582-16x, while Simranpreet Kaur Brar (576-20x) and Abhidnya Ashok Patil (573-16x) competed under Ranking Points Only (RPO) status.

Speaking after her victory, Esha admitted the expectations following her record-breaking triumph at the ISSF World Cup in Munich earlier this season had added to the challenge.

"This match was very pressure-riding for me because of the previous medal I had. The better you get in your event, the more you feel that weight of prestige you have to conquer. I'm happy that I was able to get past it today and grateful that I had the ability to endure it. I really love competing here in Hangzhou. Recalling how the competition went during the Asian Games, where I won four medals, I was really excited to come back. Being familiar with the range, the lighting, and the atmosphere in the final hall definitely counted in my favour," Esha said.

The victory marks another significant milestone for the 21-year-old from Hyderabad, who earlier this year created history in Munich by setting both the senior and junior world records with 43 hits in the final. A Paris 2024 Olympian and Arjuna Awardee, Esha has continued her rapid rise among the world's leading pistol shooters.

Manu, meanwhile, said the bronze medal was an important marker as she builds towards the major events on the international calendar.

"This medal is very important because it acts as a stepping stone. It gives me clarity on what is working and the direction I want to head in. While the medal surely boosts my confidence, the experience I gained from this competitive match will help even more as we look ahead to major assignments like the World Championships and Asian Games," Manu said.

The gold medal further cements Hyderabad's 21-year-old Esha's impressive career. Earlier this season at the ISSF World Cup in Munich, Esha made history by breaking both senior and junior world records with 43 hits in the final. As a Paris 2024 Olympian and Arjuna Award recipient, Esha continues to rise among the world's top shooters.

For Manu, the bronze medal highlights her exceptional consistency on the world stage, building on her historic Paris 2024 Olympic run, where she made history as the first athlete from independent India to earn two medals at a single Games.

CWG 2026: India's Sachin outclasses England's William Hewitt to enter men's 60kg boxing quarterfinals

GLASGOW : Indian boxer Sachin stormed into the quarterfinals of the men's 60kg event at the Commonwealth Games 2026 after defeating England's William Hewitt by a 4-1 split decision in the Round of 16 on Sunday.

Displaying superior ring craft, sharp combinations and tactical discipline, Sachin dominated the three-round contest to secure an impressive victory over the home favourite.

The judges from Kazakhstan, Canada, Mexico and Morocco scored the bout 29-27 in favour of the Indian boxer, while the Turkish judge awarded the contest 29-27 to Hewitt. One point was deducted from Sachin during the bout, but it did little to affect the final outcome as he comfortably emerged the winner. Sachin consistently landed clean punches and maintained control of the exchanges throughout the contest, putting Hewitt under pressure with his aggressive yet composed approach. His ability to dictate the pace and score effectively ensured he advanced to the last eight. With the victory, Sachin kept India's medal hopes alive in the men's 60kg category and moved one step closer to the podium at the Glasgow Games.

The Indian pugilist will now face a tougher challenge in the quarterfinals as he aims to continue his impressive run and secure a place in the medal rounds.

ANDREA PIRLO RULED OUT OF ITALY COACH RACE AMID FONBET CONTROVERSY

NEW DELHI : Former Italy international Andrea Pirlo has confirmed he is no longer in contention to become Italy's national team coach after criticism over his commercial association with Russian betting company Fonbet led to opposition against his potential appointment.

The 47-year-old World Cup winner has reportedly become one of the main candidates to replace Gennaro Gattuso after Pep Guardiola declined the role. However, Pirlo's candidacy faced serious scrutiny because of his role as a global ambassador for the Russian bookmaker Fonbet. This raised objections from officials within the Italian Football Federation (FIGC) and several Italian lawmakers.

Breaking his silence on Monday, Pirlo shared that he had been informed the night before that he was no longer under consideration for the position and defended his professional conduct. "After learning last night that I am no longer the candidate to lead the Italian national team, I believe it is my duty to clarify a few points," Pirlo wrote on Instagram.

"Over the past few days, I have watched with great bitterness the debate that has developed around my name and the possibility of taking on the role of Head Coach of the Italian national team." The former midfielder, who currently manages United FC in Dubai's UAE Pro League, emphasised that he has always operated within the law throughout his playing and coaching career.

"Throughout my career, first as a player and now as a coach, I have always carried out my work in full compliance with the laws of the countries where I have worked and with the contracts I have signed," he said. Pirlo signed an ambassadorial agreement with Fonbet in October and insisted that the partnership was purely commercial and sporting in nature.

"To assign a political meaning to that collaboration is to attribute to me beliefs that I have never expressed and that do not belong to me," he added. The controversy surrounding Pirlo grew after he appeared with former Italy teammate Marco Materazzi at a Fonbet-organised event at Moscow's Luzhniki Stadium, attracting criticism amid Russia's ongoing war in Ukraine.

Pirlo also received public support from Russia's ambassador to Italy, Alexey Paramonov, who criticised the backlash against Pirlo's association with the company.

"It is saddening to see that, despite your extraordinary contribution to world sport and to Italy's image abroad, in your own country you are now the subject of ostracism by an establishment that many describe as 'pseudo-democratic'; a fate that, moreover, has already befallen thousands of Russian athletes, conductors, musicians, artists, and film directors in recent years," Paramonov wrote in a letter to Pirlo posted on Facebook.

With Pirlo now out of the running, the search for Italy's next head coach continues. FIGC technical director Paolo Maldini, the former AC Milan and Italy defender who took on the role earlier this month, is leading the effort to find a coach who will guide the four-time world champions in their bid to qualify for the 2030 FIFA World Cup after missing the last three editions of the tournament.

CWG 2026: Behind every Indian medal stands a coach, says IOA President P.T. Usha

GLASGOW : As India's athletes continue to make their mark at the 2026 Commonwealth Games in Glasgow, Indian Olympic Association (IOA) president P.T. Usha has shone the spotlight on the people working tirelessly behind the scenes, saying every medal the country wins bears the imprint of its coaches.

With India starting its campaign with a medal in para powerlifting, weightlifters Mirabai Chanu and Rishikanta Singh Chanambam also achieved record-breaking performances. Usha mentioned that the nation's success comes from years of hard work by coaches who often go unrecognised compared to the athletes they mentor.

"As an athlete, I have always believed that behind every great performance is a great coach. Coaches spend years nurturing talent, building confidence, and getting athletes ready for their biggest moments. They may not stand on the podium, but every medal India wins reflects a coach's commitment and sacrifice. The Indian Olympic Association values their contributions deeply, and we are focused on providing our athletes with strong coaching support," Usha said in an IOA release.

While athletes shine on competition days, coaches spend years laying the groundwork for those performances. Their roles go far beyond technical instruction; they create training plans, recovery schedules, tactical discussions, video analysis, and maintain constant one-on-one interactions to keep athletes mentally focused under pressure. They often act as mentors, psychologists, strategists, and motivators.

India's weightlifting success in Glasgow once again highlighted the importance of this partnership. Chief coach Vijay Sharma, known for guiding Olympic medallist Mirabai Chanu to sustained international success, plays a crucial role in India's rise to a weightlifting powerhouse. Alongside him, assistant coaches and support staff work tirelessly to keep athletes physically ready and mentally sharp during the competition.

Across the Indian team, coaching expertise covers every discipline. Athletics chief coach Radhakrishnan Nair leads a skilled group that supports specialists in sprints, middle- and long-distance events, jumps, and throws. Elite athletes like Neeraj Chopra and Murali Sreeshankar benefit from close coordination with their personal coaches.

In swimming, coaches Nihar Ameen and Sandeep Sejwal combine technical knowledge with elite competitive experience to prepare India's swimmers for international racing challenges. Boxing coaches spend hours studying opponents, refining tactics, and giving crucial advice between rounds, where a few words can change the outcome of a tight match.

CWG 2026: SREESHANKAR MURALI QUALIFIES FOR LONG JUMP FINAL IN FIRST ATTEMPT

GLASGOW : India's Murali Sreeshankar made an assured start to his Commonwealth Games campaign by qualifying for the men's long jump final with a first-attempt leap of 8.01 metres, comfortably surpassing the automatic qualification mark on the opening day of athletics competition here on Monday.

Competing in Qualifying Group A, the 27-year-old required a jump of at least 8.00m to secure direct entry into the final. Sreeshankar needed just one attempt to achieve that target, after which he ended his qualification round, conserving his energy for Wednesday's medal event.

The Kerala athlete topped Group A with his opening effort, finishing ahead of Jamaica's Jordan Turner, whose best jump was 7.80m. Had Sreeshankar fallen short of the qualification standard, he would have needed to finish among the 12 best performers across both qualification groups to advance.

Instead, the Indian made his intentions clear from the outset, removing any uncertainty with an opening jump that comfortably met the required mark.

Sreeshankar entered the Commonwealth Games as one of the leading contenders in the event, carrying the best season's mark in the field at 8.38m. His qualification performance suggested there is still more to come, with the Indian opting not to take any further attempts after sealing his place in the final.

The final, scheduled for July 29, presents an opportunity for Sreeshankar to upgrade the silver medal he won at the Birmingham Commonwealth Games four years ago.

At the 2022 edition, Sreeshankar had also dominated the qualification round, recording the best jump of all competitors with 8.05m before narrowly missing out on gold in the final.

'YOU HAVE TO WANT TO HELP ANOTHER HUMAN BEING', SAYS VARUN AARON ON THE CORE TENET OF COACHING

NEW DELHI : Varun Aaron has always been addicted to speed. His playing days as an express fast bowler might be behind him, which saw him play nine Tests and as many ODIs for India, apart from being a regular in the IPL and for Jharkhand in domestic cricket.

But the impulse hasn't faded - Aaron, a product of MRF Pace Foundation in Chennai, still loves all things fast, even as he switches between the worlds of coaching (he was Sunrisers Hyderabad bowling coach in IPL 2026) and broadcasting (in this year's T20 World Cup and white-ball series in England).

In an exclusive conversation with IANS, ahead of joining Glasgow Cosmic as their bowling coach for the inaugural edition of the European T20 Premier League (ETPL), Aaron opened up on his transition into off-field roles, the influence of Dennis Lillee and Subroto Banerjee, and why coaching at the highest level is less about tactics and more about human connection. Excerpts:

Q. How has life been for you in terms of balancing coaching and broadcasting commitments?

A. It's been really enjoyable, to be honest, because I feel like I'm really privileged to be able to just do what I love doing. Obviously, I love coaching because there's no better direct way to impact an athlete or to help somebody out. I think the main tenet of coaching is the want to just help another human being, and the rest follows.

How good you are tactically and technically, all that comes later. But if you don't want to just help another person, it doesn't really matter how good you are tactically or technically. But that being said, tactically and technically, I mean, you're a coach, so you have to be really good at that.

I'm not saying I'm good at that, but I'm just trying to make sure that that's the vision of what I see as a coach. That you have to be really good tactically and technically, but the most important thing is to help another person out. Then when it comes to broadcasting, I think broadcasting happened very organically.

Before I even announced my retirement from all forms, people at Star asked me if I wanted to do the IPL. They asked me actually to do it five years ago in 2020, but then I didn't have the time because I was playing the IPL. I was pretty much playing nine months a year, but then when I stopped playing one format, I had more time.

So I did the IPL (in 2025), and I really had a lot of fun. It was fun watching the game through a different lens and fun watching the game actually because I had never been a game watcher. I used to hardly watch cricket. So I would say if you take the last two years of my life and if you told me to give you a ratio, it would be 80-20.

Like, in the last two years, I would have watched 80 games, and throughout my life before that, I would have watched 20 matches. So, it was just an interesting journey, and then coaching happened. Again, very organically, someone called me up, and he was like, 'Are you interested in coaching and being a bowling coach of Sunrisers?' I was like, 'Yeah.' So, I mean, I'm really lucky and very blessed that everything has happened very organically.

Q. You've worked under very different coaching personalities in your playing career. What are the specific lessons you have taken which in turn have shaped your own fast-bowling coaching philosophy?

A. I think the most influential people in my life have been Dennis Lillee and Subroto Banerjee because they came into my life at very different junctures. I would say three, as it's a combination because I come from a family of teachers. My mom and grandma were very well-respected teachers in Jamshedpur when I was growing up, and they had a successful nursery school.

So, I mean, coaching at the end of the day is teaching, right? So, I've seen them teach since they were kids. The way they go about just handling kids, and they've always been friends with kids and stuff like that. So, I think that subconscious learning has always been there by looking at my grandma and my mom.

When it comes to the cricket part of it, I met Dennis Lillee when I was 14, and he imbibed such a sense of work ethic and no-nonsense personality. I mean, when you're a kid, you're pretty much a sponge. You pick up anything, the bad, everything that's around you, especially when you meet somebody like Dennis Lillee, and you spend so much time with him every year.

The lessons he taught me about how to go about my routines, how to make sure that there's only one thing when you're a fast bowler and that's fast bowling - you've got to eat, sleep, and breathe fast bowling. When you come to the ground, you've just got to make sure you leave everything out there. So, basically, I think the most important thing in life is a work ethic, and that's what Dennis Lillee taught me. Obviously, he taught me so much about bowling.

He wasn't teaching me about biomechanics to make it very clear. His coaching style was very much around biomechanics. So he would show us a lot of videos and stuff, which obviously, while you're working on it, you also learn. Then the whole biomechanics and work ethic part came from Dennis Lillee. Then I met Subroto Banerjee right after my back surgery.

If it wasn't for Dennis Lillee, I might not have played for India. Then if it wasn't for Subroto Banerjee, I might not have made my comeback for India because I had a stress fracture, I had a back surgery, and then I was remodelling my action. I found a way myself to remodel my action to come back into cricket.

Then I found Subroto Banerjee, who just has this innate ability to simplify bowling, which I've not met too many people who have.

So Subroto Banerjee, I think he's quite a genius as a coach, and I was really lucky to work with him because he just showed me how a very complex problem can have a very simple answer. So the whole biomechanics thing, obviously, when I'm talking about coaching biomechanics and ethics, part of my coaching comes from Dennis Lillee and how to make it really concise and make it very easy for even a toddler to understand a very complex problem comes from Subroto Banerjee.

So I'm always going to be a student of the game till I die. Whatever I know so far, on a subconscious level, obviously, I have my own way of making all this work.