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## Suvendu Adhikari allocates Rs 5 crore for development of legendary revolutionary Khudiram Bose’s birthplace

**MI News Servicer, Keshpur:** West Bengal Chief minister Suvendu Adhikari on Tuesday allocated Rs 5 crore for the development of the birthplace of legendary revolutionary Khudiram Bose who was hanged by the British rulers during the pre-independence period for fighting for his motherland. Inaugurating a programme here this afternoon to mark the death anniversary the renowned martyr, the Chief Minister announced that he made the allocation of 5 crore to fulfill his promise for the Mohabani Development Board after visiting Khudiram Bose’s birthplace at Mohabani near here and paid tribute on his Atmabalidan Diwas(Self-Sacrifice Day).

Although Suvendu Adhikari was scheduled to arrive here in a helicopter from Kolkata, but inclement weather forced his chopper to land at an open field near the Kolaghat Power Station, from where he travelled by road to reach Keshpur.

Flanked by District Magistrate Bijin Krishna and SP Papia Sultana on his both sides on the dias, the Chief

Minister describing himself as a “son of undivided Medinipur,” remarked that “There is no precedent of any previous Chief Minister visited here pay tribute to this great revolutionary at his birthplace on any August 11”, his martyrdom day. Addressing a vast gathering Suvendu Adhikari said Union Home Minister Amit Shah had called him a few days ago to discuss the dilapidated state of Khudiram Bose’s ancestral home. Much work needed to be done there and Shah had inquired whether the Chief minister had any plan regarding its development. Suvendu recounted, “I said, I am scheduled to visit the Khudiram Bose’s birthplace on the August 11 and there is a lot to be done.” To which Amit Shah replied, “You must get this done”. I thank Amit Shah-ji for being aware of Mohabani in Keshpur and the revolutionary associated with it and for offering me advice regarding him.” The Chief minister also announced that based on the plans and suggestions received from the District Magistrate—who also serves as



West Bengal Chief Minister Suvendu Adhikari is garlanding the lifesize statue of legendary revolutionary Khudiram Bose at his birthplace at Mohabani near Keshpur in East Midnapore district on Tuesday

the Chairman of the Mohabani Development Board—a museum, a gallery, a laser show, and a guest house would be set up in memory of Khudiram Bose. “A Detailed Project Report (DPR) needs to be prepared for this and I am allocating an initial sum of 5 crore. Tenders will be floated during the monsoon, and full-scale work will com-

mence in October. I want to see the work. I want to see the work completed when I visit next year,” the Chief minister said .

However, the Chief Minister also noted, “Given the scope of the plan, 5 crore will not suffice; more funds will be required. But funding will not be an obstacle.”

He said, “Though there

was the 34-year rule of the Left Front, followed by a 15 years regime of the Trinamool Congress. But neither government accorded respect to the freedom fighters nor highlighted our nation’s historical legacy!”, the Chief Minister asserted and said that people in the state would witness not merely a change of faces, parties, or

### Suvendu Adhikari’s helicopter makes emergency landing at Kolaghat due to bad weather

**Mi News Service, Kolaghat / Kolkata :** The helicopter of West Bengal Chief Minister Suvendu Adhikari made an emergency landing at Kolaghat on his way to Keshpur in East Midnapore district, due to inclement weather condition on Tuesday morning .

Preliminary reports indicate that the emergency landing was necessitated by adverse weather conditions. Heavy downpours and poor visibility over West Medinipur forced the pilot to make an emergency landing. However, on landing at Kolaghat in a field adjacent to the Kolaghat Thermal Power Plant, the Chief Minister left for Keshpur by road to attend his official



programme there to pay respect to freedom fighter Khudiram Bose. However, due to the lack of a formal helipad, the helicopter touched down on a wet and muddy soil without causing any harm to any passenger including the Chief minister. The Meteorological Department has stated that the state is currently under the

influence of the monsoon, with a cyclonic circulation present over the northwest Bay of Bengal. As a result heavy to very heavy rainfall is likely in North and South 24 Parganas, as well as East and West Medinipur districts . The MET Department also forecast intense rain and gusty winds in East Medinipur district .

### SC asks ECI to give details of pleas decided by SIR tribunals in Bengal

**MI News Service, New Delhi :** The Supreme Court on Tuesday asked the Election Commission of India (ECI) to provide details of the appeals decided so far by the apex court-appointed tribunals, which were tasked to deal with the pleas of those deleted during the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in West Bengal.

A bench comprising Chief Justice Surya Kant and justices Joymalya Bagchi and V Mohana took note of the plea filed by Congress leader Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury seeking expeditious disposal of SIR-related cases before appellate tribunals in the state. The top court sought details of the cases decided and pending before the appellate tribunals in the state. “You need to give us the quantum of disposals so far because just filing an appeal is not enough. What is happening to the appeal also



has to be seen,” Justice Bagchi told the ECI.

However, the Court also said that the grievance related to denial of public distribution system (PDS) benefits to those deleted from the electoral rolls would have to be raised before Calcutta High Court in a separate case.

“If you enlarge the scope of your petition to PDS, we will not be able to entertain it. It has to go to the High Court. But if you are on monitoring of the appellate tribunals, we will consider

looking at it. We are of the firm opinion that whether the State of West Bengal uses deletion of the SIR data to deny PDS to individuals is a different cause of action. It has to go before the Calcutta High Court,” Justice Bagchi said. Earlier, Senior Advocate Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury, appearing for the petitioner, said that the SIR deletions were being used to deny people PDS. He also referred to the slow progress of appeals before appellate tribunals.

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## Security tightened in Kashmir ahead of Independence Day celebrations

**MI News Service, Srinagar :** Multi-layered and robust security arrangements have been put in place across Kashmir for the peaceful conduct of the Independence Day celebrations, the valley’s police chief, V K Birdi, said here on Tuesday.

Speaking to reporters after reviewing the preparations at the Balidan Stambh here, Birdi, the Inspector General of Police (IGP), Kashmir, said all security arrangements have been put in place. “The Jammu and Kashmir Police always maintains robust security arrangements not just in Srinagar city, but across various districts of the valley. Multi-layered security arrangements are in place, not only at the specific venues, but also in the areas surrounding the city,” he added. Earlier Birdi presided over a high-level security review

meeting at Police Control Room Kashmir to review arrangements for Independence Day functions and other events scheduled across the Valley.The meeting was attended by senior officers from the J&K Police, Army, BSF, CRPF, SSB, ITBP, RPF, CID, Traffic Police and other security agencies, besides all range DIGs and district SSPs of Kashmir.

District police chiefs briefed the meeting on preparations in their respective jurisdictions, including security arrangements for Independence Day functions. Birdi directed officers to complete all necessary preparations well in advance and assigned specific responsibilities for events, including rallies and other public gatherings. Particular attention was given to the main Independence Day function at Bakshi Stadium



in Srinagar, with the IGP directing officers to further strengthening security arrangements in and around the venue and ensure comprehensive security measures Birdi also called for stronger checkpoints, particularly during night hours at vulnerable locations and along entry and exit routes to Srinagar. He directed security forces to intensify area domination and patrolling in

sensitive and vulnerable areas and maintain effective surveillance. He stressed strict vigilance against elements deemed inimical to peace and security and called for enhanced alertness and coordination among agencies across the Valley. Similar reviews were conducted at the police district level. In Sopore, Deputy Inspector General of Police, North Kashmir Range, Bara-

mulla, Vinod Kumar chaired a security review meeting with police, CAPFs and other agencies ahead of the Independence Day celebrations.

The meeting reviewed deployment plans, area domination, access control, traffic management, checking and frisking, patrolling and coordination between security agencies. SSP Sopore briefed the DIG on security and precautionary measures already implemented and those planned in the days leading up to August 15. Kumar directed officers to strengthen security at vulnerable locations, intensify checking and patrolling, ensure timely intelligence sharing and maintain a high level of operational preparedness while minimising inconvenience to the public. In south Kashmir, DIG South Kashmir Range Javid Iqbal Mattoo

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### LS Speaker asks govt, opposition to let House function on common ground

**MI News Service, New Delhi :** Expressing anguish over repeated disruption of proceedings, Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla on Tuesday asked the government and the opposition to arrive at a common ground so that the House can debate on key Bills that bring far-reaching changes in the country. Making a statement in the House amid noisy opposition protests, the Speaker said the government has agreed to the opposition’s demand on a response from Union Home Minister Amit Shah on the police action here against students protesting against the NEET paper leak on July 20. Birla said other issues raised by the opposition can also be discussed, provided the House functions without disruptions.

He said the government has to run the House and the opposition and Treasury benches have to arrive at a common ground and engage in constructive discussion.

“I feel anguished when the House does not function,” Birla said, and asked opposition members not to display placards inside the House as

it is against parliamentary norms. Since the Monsoon Session began on July 20, the Lok Sabha could not complete the Question Hour and several Bills were passed amid din without a debate.

Birla said that the Question Hour is very important as it helps members hold the government accountable and also brings transparency in the functioning of the executive. The Speaker underlined that he has already issued directions stating that only listed questions will be asked during the Question Hour. Question Hour is held between 11 am and 12 noon in the Lok Sabha. “The people of the country also want to see discussions in Parliament,” Birla said. His fresh appeal to opposition came a day after the government had said the opposition should not run away from debate and listen to the Home minister without disruptions. But the opposition has insisted that the alleged embezzlement of donations at the Ram Temple in Ayodhya should also be discussed.

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### Why Colombia earthquake so destructive

**MI News Service, Washington (DC) / New Delhi :** Locals and officials in Colombia have begun a massive search and rescue effort to find survivors of a powerful earthquake that struck near San Jose del Palmar in Choco, with major damage observed in the cities of Cali, Manizales and Pereira.

At least 132 people have already been confirmed dead, with that number expected to rise significantly in the coming hours and days. Thousands of homes have also reportedly collapsed or been damaged. The United States Geological Survey said the magnitude 7.4 earthquake occurred primarily due to strike-slip faulting at a depth of approximately 110 kilometres. In simple terms, a strike-slip earthquake occurs when two blocks of Earth’s crust slide horizontally past one another, rather than moving up or down. This comes just a month or so after another devastating earthquakes in Venezuela, which may have destroyed or damaged more than 58,000 buildings and



took the lives of thousands.

It’s far too early to tell whether the earthquake in Colombia is connected to the one in Venezuela. But there’s some evidence that nearby earthquake faults can “communicate” with one another. A seismic slip on one fault can effectively transfer stress to another nearby fault, causing an earthquake.

Several researches suggest that we shouldn’t be surprised that so many buildings had collapsed in this disaster – and also that we should be concerned about the many other recent buildings around the world with similar practices. In buildings, slabs, beams and

columns provide resistance to gravity loads. But reinforced concrete walls are needed to resist lateral loads from wind and, in rare but extreme cases, earthquakes.

But in Colombia many buildings have thin concrete walls, typically 7 to 10 centimetres thick. They only have a single layer of steel reinforcement – commonly electrowelded wire mesh, which is very brittle and ruptures quickly. The thinness of the walls also means that “confinement”, where hooped steel is placed at the edges of a wall to help prevent concrete crushing, is near impossible to place during construction. Nor is it re-

quired in building standards. Along with experts from three Colombian universities, the researchers ran full-scale tests at the Earthquake Engineering and Structural Dynamics Laboratory at the Federal School of Technology in Lausanne, Switzerland, on concrete walls built to match common Colombian construction practice. “We wanted to find out how these walls perform when shaken the way an earthquake shakes a building”, they said adding the results were concerning even before Monday’s earthquake. When an earthquake shakes a building, the ideal situation is for many small cracks to form at the base of a steel-reinforced wall. This distributes the stress. If a single, large crack forms because of the low amount of steel, the stress is concentrated. This causes the reinforcing bars to rupture and the wall to fail. But the walls on these buildings are so thin, even if there was enough steel reinforcement, they’re still liable to fail during an earthquake.

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### RBI Guv asks banks not to blame AI models for faulty decisions

**MI News Service, Mumbai :** Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Governor Sanjay Malhotra on Tuesday asked banks to have “meaningful human oversight” over decisions as a design principle while building Artificial Intelligence (AI) models, making it clear that blaming the technology tools will not be “acceptable” to the regulator.

Addressing the annual FIBAC event in the financial capital here this afternoon, Malhotra urged banks to use artificial intelligence tools to augment rather than merely replace human judgment to serve customers better. He made it clear that the RBI sees AI as a capability to be responsibly harnessed and not as a risk to be contained, and urged banks to adopt the tools rather than sitting on the sidelines.

Artificial intelligence will be central to tackling AI-driven fraud as traditional rules-based systems struggle to keep pace with rapidly adapting fraudsters, he said adding “It is AI and AI alone that can help limit AI



frauds”.Explaining the need for AI-based fraud detection, he said, “Fraud today moves at a speed of an API call. Rules-based fraud engines, however well-designed, are perpetually one step behind the fraudsters, who adapt more frequently. It is only AI and machine learning models, which continuously learn from these transaction patterns, that can identify anomalies in real time, rather than after the loss has occurred.” Malhotra said AI could become as significant to the current decade as liberalisation was to the 1990s and digitalisation to the 2010s. “AI holds for this decade what liberalisation held for the 1990s, what digitalisation held for the 2010s,” Malhotra said in his address. He said adopting AI would require changes in

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# FMD: Jumbo troops vaccinate over 300 cattle

MI News Service, Siliguri: An NGO working on wildlife conservation, in association with the Kurseong forest division, organised vaccination camps in some forest villages near here on Sunday and Monday to prevent an outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) among wildlife.

NGP Jumbo Troops vaccinated the domestic livestock against the disease in villages under the jurisdiction of the Bagdogra forest range.

FMD is a highly contagious viral disease that can affect domestic livestock as well as sever-

al wild ungulates. In fringe forest villages, where livestock and wildlife share the same habitat, transmission of the disease can prove fatal for both. Keeping this in mind, the vaccination camps were organised,” Devesh Pandey, the divisional forest officer of Kurseong, said on Monday.

R. Jyoti Singha Roy, the project in-charge of Jumbo Troops, said the vaccination drive was organised as part of the NGO’s activities ahead of World Elephant Day on August 12.

In the past two days, vaccination camps were held at Dabra, Deomuni, Central Forest Village,

and Bagdogra Forest Village.

Singha Roy said FMD could spread through infected domestic animals.

Considering the significant presence and movement of elephants in the forest areas of the Bagdogra range and other parts of the Kurseong division, the NGO decided to vaccinate domestic livestock against FMD to minimise the risk of transmission to wildlife.

“The forest areas in the plains of the Bagdogra range and some other parts of the forest division witness frequent elephant movements. The cattle

also enter the forests for grazing. Keeping this in mind, and also to mark World Elephant Day, we have taken up the initiative to organise vaccination camps in different forest villages,” Singha Roy said.

More than 300 cattle were vaccinated during the two-day drive with assistance from the Naxalbari block animal resource development department.

S. Sarkar, the block livestock development officer, administered the vaccines at the camps.

The Kurseong forest division, in association with Kurseong K9, another NGO, organised a similar camp in the Dowhill area on Sunday to prevent the spread of parvovirus among wildlife.

“As Dowhill is considered a habitat of some majestic wild carnivores, the disease-prevention camp was conducted among pet dogs to strengthen wildlife conservation efforts and create a safer environment for both local communities and wildlife,” Pandey said.



Clear blue sky at noon at Dharmatala of Kolkata on Tuesday.

# Tea growers seek ban on chemical pesticide

MI News Service, Jalpaiguri: The Jalpaiguri District Small Tea Growers’ Association has sought the intervention of the state agriculture department to completely stop the sale and use of Monocrotophos, a banned chemical pesticide commonly known as ‘Monosil’, in tea cultivation.

Monocrotophos is an organophosphate insecticide classified as highly hazardous due to its acute toxicity to humans, birds and beneficial insects.

The association submitted a memorandum to the deputy director of agriculture, requesting that the department take immediate steps to curb the use and sale of the banned chemical.



stopped buying tea leaves from them citing the use of the chemical.

Buyers, including major tea companies, want consignments of tea to carry MRL (maximum residue limit) compliance certificates for consumer safety, global acceptance and quality control.

Eventually, through interventions at different levels, the BLFs resumed buying tea leaves. However, this time, growers do not want to take any risk with banned chemicals.

In north Bengal, around 50,000 small tea growers produce over half the tea made in this region.

“We have also sought regular surveillance in tea-growing areas to prevent the sale, storage and use of the banned chemical. The department should also conduct awareness programmes and training sessions for small tea growers, besides a ‘No Monosil’ campaign in every block and tea-producing village,” said Chakraborty.

Officials of the state agriculture department said they are aware of the issue. “Necessary steps are being taken to prevent the sale and use of this chemical in the tea sector,” said an official.

## Over 300 projects await clearance by I-Day

MI News Service, Kolkata: Over 300 under-construction buildings are awaiting clearance from the Bengal government to resume work, and real-estate body Credai said on Monday it expected all of these to get the green light by Independence Day.

The authorities had identified 706 buildings as requiring safety audits but later exempted institutional buildings – “such as those being built for an educational institution or a public sector unit”, a realtor explained — which whittled the number down to 595. Till Monday afternoon, 293 of these had received clearances, including conditional clearances for 89, realtors said.

The safety audits were announced after an under-construction warehouse collapsed at Transport Depot Road, Garden Reach, in June, killing at least 16 people. The construction of all upcoming commercial and residential buildings that were G+V (six storeys) or taller was stopped pending the safety audits.



A programme featuring songs, recitations and a musical presentation based on the works of Rabindranath Tagore was held at Madhusudan Mancha to mark the 22nd day of Shrawan.

## Bengal gets BANGLAR RAMKATHA

MI News Service, Kolkata: West Bengal finally gets ‘Banglar Ramkatha’. Banglar Ramkatha now gets formally unveiled in West Bengal. Banglar Ramkatha is a book that captures the timeless cultural and literary traditions of Lord Ram in Bengal. This book is edited by Suddhasheel Ghosh and published by Priyanga Dirghangi of Shabdarenu Publication. This iconic book compiles research and insights from prominent Bengali thinkers, essayists, and folklore researchers. The book was formally unveiled at Kolkata Press club on Tuesday. Among the eminent dignitaries present at the auspicious occasion were Biraj Biswas (Minister for Law, Government of West Bengal), Binayak Bandyopadhyay (Author), Dr.Samudra Basu (author, essayist) and other eminent dignitaries.



AISA All India President Neha Bora shares the message of the student-youth movement at Delhi’s Jantar Mantar during a press conference at the Kolkata Press Club on Tuesday.

# Puja grant uncertainty hits idol market, artisans face demand squeeze

MI News Service, Krishnanagar: With nearly two months to go for Durga Puja, the festive economy in Nadia is already showing signs of a slowdown. Idol makers across the district-from Krishnanagar and Nabadwip to Ranaghat and Karimpur-say orders have remained subdued even after Rath Yatra, traditionally the time when preparations for the festive season gather pace.

The biggest concern is the weak demand for larger idols. Puja organisers, many of whom are yet to finalise their budgets amid uncertainty over the state government’s financial assistance, are increasingly looking at ways to contain expenditure. The result is beginning to show in idol workshops, where artisans are reporting fewer advance bookings than usual.

The uncertainty over government assistance has added another layer to the problem. The state government is considering a revised assistance structure for Durga Puja committees, with reports indicating that support may be focused on pujas with budgets below Rs 10 lakh.

For idol makers, however, the timing is critical. Rath marks the beginning of the peak booking season, allowing artisans to plan production,



procure raw materials and hire additional workers. A delay in orders could therefore affect the entire supply chain linked to idol-making.

“Every year, by this time, several bookings would have already been confirmed. This year, many organisers are waiting before committing to bigger idols,” said an idol maker from Nadia.

At the same time, production costs have been steadily rising. Artisans said prices of straw, jute rope, bamboo, cloth, colours and other materials have increased, while the cost of soil and transportation has also gone up. Yet, raising the price of idols proportionately remains difficult because puja committees themselves are under pressure to keep their budgets under control.

This has created a classic cost-demand squeeze for the traditional industry. While input costs are rising, the ability of customers-the puja committees-to absorb higher prices is limited. For artisans, increasing the price risks losing an order; keeping prices unchanged reduces their margins.

The impact is particularly visible in the market for large idols, which require more raw materials and labour. Several artisans said organisers who earlier opted for larger or more elaborate idols are now considering relatively economical alternatives.

The slowdown could also have a wider impact on Nadia’s seasonal rural economy. Idol-making generates employment for a network of workers, including bamboo and wood craftsmen, painters, clay suppliers, transport workers and seasonal labourers. A reduction in bookings therefore affects more than the idol maker alone.

“Material costs have gone up, but customers are reluctant to accept a similar increase in idol prices. If bookings fall, it becomes difficult to recover even the production cost,” said another artisan.

Puja committees, however, are not following a uniform pattern. While some are reviewing budgets and considering cuts, established committees with stronger local funding are continuing with their planned expenditure. Some are even allocating more for idols than last year.

The coming weeks will therefore be crucial for Nadia’s idol-making industry. With Durga Puja still nearly two months away, artisans are hoping that clarity over government assistance and finalisation of puja budgets will revive bookings.

For now, however, the traditional pre-Puja rush is missing from several workshops. For Nadia’s idol makers, the festival season has begun not with a surge in orders, but with a question over demand.

# Giant Venomous Cobra Rescued

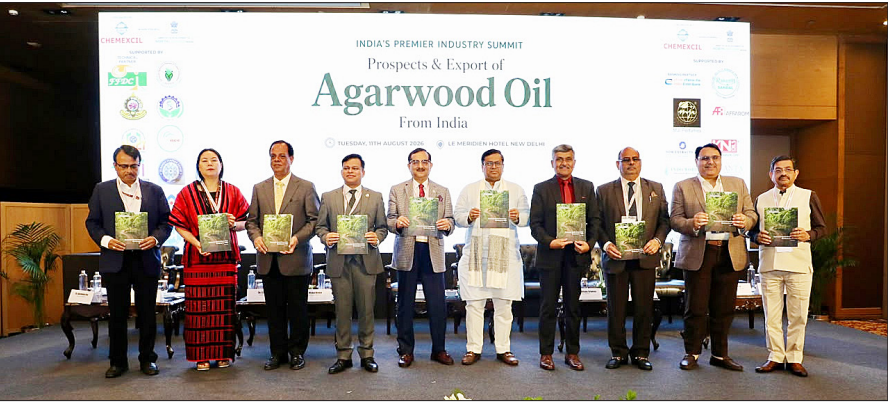
MI News Service, Kharagpur: Panic spread in Kakarajit village under Dantan Police Station in West Medinipur district after a giant venomous snake was spotted inside the premises of a house. The sight of the large snake frightened the family members, and a large number of villagers soon gathered at the spot. According to local sources, family members of Kakarajit resident Sudhanshu Maity suddenly spotted a large snake in the premises of their house. As the reptile was unusually large, fear gripped the area. Villagers suspected that it was a venomous snake and feared that it could lead to an untoward incident. The matter was subsequently reported to an experienced snake rescue team. Soon after receiving the information, the team reached the spot and began the rescue operation with great caution.

After several hours of effort, the rescuers successfully captured the snake without causing it any harm. According to the snake rescue team, the reptile was a cobra, locally known as Gokhru or Keute. After the



snake was safely rescued, the villagers heaved a sigh of relief.Following the prescribed rules and procedures of the Forest Department, arrangements were made to release the snake safely into its natural habitat. With the successful rescue of the cobra, the fear that had gripped the village gradually subsided.Residents Advised to Remain Alert.The snake rescue team advised villagers to remain particularly cautious during the monsoon, when snakes are more likely to enter homes and residential

areas. Residents were urged to keep their surroundings clean and avoid allowing bushes, garbage and unnecessary items to accumulate around their homes.The team also advised people not to attempt to catch or kill a venomous snake if one is spotted in or around a house. Instead, residents should maintain a safe distance and immediately inform the Forest Department or trained snake rescuers. Following the safe rescue of the giant cobra, residents of Kakarajit village have heaved a sigh of relief.



Minister of State for the (DoNER), Dr Sukanta Majumdar, attends the inaugural session of the Industry Summit on the Prospects and Export of Agarwood Oil from India. During his speech, he said the event was the first of its kind and expressed optimism about the future of the agarwood industry in the Northeast. He also highlighted Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s vision of Viksit Bharat 2047, with a focus on taking the concept of “Vocal for Local” from “Local to Global.”

# Fulia weavers turn looms into a canvas for the Tricolour

MI News Service, Shantipur : As Independence Day approaches, weavers in Fulia have come up with an unusual tribute to the national flag- weaving the Tricolour directly into the fabric on handlooms instead of stitching, printing or stamping the Ashoka Chakra separately.

The initiative has been taken by the Tangail Tantubay Cooperative Society with the involvement of President’s Award-winning weaver Abhinav Basak, national award-winning designer Montu Basak and support from the Weavers’ Service Centre.

The flag is being woven entirely with 92-count cotton yarn using the ‘cut-shuttle’ technique of handloom weaving. The saffron, white and green bands, along with the Ashoka Chakra, are being incorporated into the weaving process itself. The flag is being made in the prescribed 2:3 proportion, with the current pieces measuring 21 inches.



According to Abhinav Basak, the idea was to combine the symbolism of the national flag with Bengal’s traditional handloom expertise and the spirit of swadeshi. “There can be nothing more inspiring than the national flag. Weaving it with cotton yarn on a Bengal handloom is a unique experience,” he said.

The project took shape following an inspection of the Fulia handloom cluster by officials of the Weavers’ Service Centre in May. During the visit, discussions were held with de-

signer Montu Basak of Tangail Jamdani Tantubay Cooperative Society Ltd on whether the national flag could be reproduced entirely through weaving.

Weavers’ Service Centre deputy director Laxman Basak said Montu Basak suggested that the design could be executed on Tangail fabric using a multiple-shuttle technique. Subsequently, the weaving work was taken up under the supervision of weaver Arjit Basak.

Unlike conventional flags where the Ashoka Chakra may

be separately printed or applied, the Fulia version incorporates the motif into the fabric during weaving. This makes the initiative significant from both a design and handloom-technology perspective.

The organisers plan to hoist some of the specially woven flags on August 15. They also intend to send copies through the Weavers’ Service Centre to the West Bengal chief minister and, if possible, to the Union textiles ministry.

One copy has already been sent to the DC Handloom, while Tantuja has also received several copies, Laxman Basak said.

Fulia is one of Nadia’s established handloom centres and is particularly associated with Tangail and Jamdani-influenced weaving traditions. The latest initiative therefore seeks to take the region’s traditional weaving skills beyond sarees and textiles, using the loom itself to recreate one of the country’s most recognisable national symbols.

## REDMI Note 17 5G

MI News Service, Kolkata: Xiaomi India has launched the REDMI Note 17 5G, featuring an 8000mAh silicon-carbon battery that provides up to three days of usage and supports 45W turbo charging. The smartphone is designed with a 6.9-inch TrueColour AMOLED display with a 120Hz refresh rate, complemented by enhanced audio and touch responsiveness. It runs on the Snapdragon 4 Gen 4 platform, offers up to 16GB RAM, and supports 2TB expandable storage, promising up to 48 months of smooth performance.

## Tata Salt

MI News Service, Mumbai/ Kolkata: Tata Salt, a leading brand of Tata Consumer Products Ltd, has strengthened its market position after achieving the highest purity in a test of 100 salt samples while meeting iodine standards. The findings emphasize the brand’s commitment to quality and nutrition, underscoring rigorous testing against internal benchmarks and regulatory standards. The company’s quality assurance reflects a focus on consumer well-being as food quality becomes a key purchasing factor in the packaged salt segment.

## Toto driver, volunteers return Rs 1 lakh left behind by passenger

MI News Service, Taherpur: In a heartening display of honesty, a toto driver from Birnagar and a group of volunteers traced a passenger who had accidentally left behind a bag containing Rs 1 lakh and important documents in the vehicle, and returned the belongings through Taherpur police.

According to local sources, Durgacharan Biswas had boarded a toto from Taherpur for Basakpara in the Aistala area near Ranaghat. He was carrying a handbag containing two bundles of Rs 50,000 each, apart from an umbrella, his wife’s bank passbook and several important documents.

After reaching his destination, Biswas got off the toto but inadvertently left the bag inside the vehicle. The driver, unaware that a passenger had left anything behind, continued his journey and returned to Birnagar, around four kilometres away. It was only after reaching Birnagar that he noticed the unattended bag inside the vehicle.

Instead of keeping the



cash and belongings, the driver immediately contacted local volunteers, with whom he was associated. They examined the documents inside the bag and began efforts to trace its owner. The search continued for nearly three days before they managed to establish contact with Biswas.

The driver and volunteers subsequently accompanied Biswas to Taherpur police station, where the entire bag, including the Rs 1 lakh in cash and the documents, was handed back to him in the presence of police officials.

The incident also drew appreciation from Taherpur police station officer-in-charge Joy Das. After meeting the toto driver, Das congratulated him for his honesty and reportedly felicitated him at the police station. Police also assured him of necessary assistance in future.

The incident has since earned appreciation from local residents, with many describing the driver’s decision to return the substantial amount of cash and important documents as a notable example of honesty and civic responsibility.



## Bengal Govt Holds Industrial Policy Meet, Chamber Seeks Global Industrial Hubs

**MI News Service, Kolkata:** The West Bengal government held an Industrial Policy Consultative Meeting with the Group of Ministers and senior officials to discuss measures to strengthen the state's industrial policy framework. Representing the Bharat Chamber of Commerce, President Naresh Pachisia and Senior Vice-President Ramesh Agarwal attended the meeting and proposed measures to make West Bengal more competitive, investment-friendly and globally integrated.

Pachisia stressed the need for competitive policies, world-class infrastructure and globally benchmarked industrial hubs to help existing industries expand, strengthen local value chains and generate employment. He said Ease of Doing Business

should include faster approvals, reliable power, efficient logistics, transparent land administration and prompt resolution of operational issues. He also proposed moving beyond conventional industrial estates towards integrated industrial hubs, with specialised clusters for defence, steel engineering, toys, agricultural inputs, food processing, textiles and garments. Pachisia suggested developing a defence corridor linking major companies, MSMEs, component manufacturers, testing facilities, skill centres and R&D institutions.

Chief Secretary Manoj Kumar Agarwal urged industry chambers to nominate an authorised facilitator to help fast-track approvals across government departments.

### SC asks ECI to give details of pleas decided by SIR

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Justice Bagchi said that the main issue was quantum of disposals and not deletion or non-deletion of voters from the electoral list. "You need to rethink the entire architecture of the appellate tribunal. There are things like online access to judges. There are a lot of futuristic things also which can be done. But the main issue is the quantum of disposals. We are not on deletion or non-deletion. We are on the quantum of disposals," the judge told the ECI. The Court then directed the ECI to furnish details on the disposal of appeals by the appellate tribunals. Senior Advocate Dama Seshadri Naidu, representing the ECI, urged the Court to list the matter on August 25 along with similar matters. The request was granted. Lakhs of voters in West Bengal were prevented from exercising the right to vote in the recent assembly elections in West Bengal as they stood excluded from the electoral roll after the SIR. Their appeals remained pending before appellate tribunals set up on the orders of the Supreme Court, which earlier refused to halt the process. In May, the top court affirmed the ECI's power to conduct SIR of electoral rolls. However, it also said that the ECI can examine whether a person is an Indian citizen for the limited purpose of deciding whether that person should be included in voter rolls. In cases where the Commission is not satisfied that a person fulfils the statutory conditions for inclusion in the electoral rolls, it can refer such an individual to the competent authority of the Central government for adjudication in accordance with law, the Court had ruled.

### LS Speaker asks govt, opposition to let House function

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As the stalemate continued on Tuesday, Birla adjourned the proceedings till 2 pm. Separately, NDA members staged a protest outside the main entrance of Parliament against the police action on protesters in Jharkhand. They also questioned the 'silence' of Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on the police action in Jharkhand and accused him of changing goal post at a time when the government has agreed for a response of Home Minister Shah on the police action on protesting students at Jantar Mantar here.

### Suvendu Adhikari allocates Rs 5 crore for development of

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all those false cases against innocent BJP workers forthwith. "I have instructed the SP—many people here endured persecution for chanting 'Narendra Modi Zindabad.' All those cases must be withdrawn. I haven't forgotten anything—absolutely nothing..." Suvendu Adhikari added. "I was prevented from holding meetings during the 2024 Lok Sabha elections. I did come, but the people did not turn up. I would ask the SP to pull up those case files; I want to see those involved behind bars." The Chief Minister asserted that people in the state would witness not merely a change of faces, parties, or flags, but a fundamental transformation of the system itself.

### Security tightened in Kashmir ahead of Independence Day

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reviewed the security and law-and-order situation in Police District Avantipora at a meeting attended by senior Army, CRPF and police officers. The meeting examined the existing security grid and preparedness to deal with emerging security and law-and-order challenges. Mattoo stressed close coordination between the Police, Army and CAPFs, effective intelligence sharing, enhanced area domination and proactive measures to prevent attempts to disrupt peace and public order. SSP Avantipora briefed the meeting on the prevailing situation and measures being undertaken to strengthen the security apparatus in the district. The DIG directed officers to maintain heightened alertness, ensure coordinated responses to emerging challenges and adopt a proactive approach to maintaining peace and security. The three reviews come days before Independence Day, when security forces traditionally intensify surveillance, checking and area domination across Kashmir to secure public functions and prevent disruptions.

### RBI Gov asks banks not to blame AI models for

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how financial institutions assess risk, serve customers, price capital and organise their operations. "AI is a shift to how we evaluate risk, serve customers, price capital, organise institutions. Many of the banks are already doing it, some of them are considering doing it. The important question is: whether you share the AI journey or you let AI shape you," he said. Malhotra said the RBI's regulatory approach was guided by financial stability, customer centricity, ease of doing business and lower costs of intermediation. "Last year, I spoke about three priorities. Our regulation-making is going to be guided by three or four major priorities. First, financial stability; second, customer centricity; third, ease of doing business and reducing cost of intermediation," he said. "Over the last one year, we have made good progress in all three directions." Malhotra added. On ease of doing business, he said the RBI had reduced the regulatory burden on bank boards and moved towards a more principles- and policy-based framework. "On ease of doing business, we have taken a number of steps. The regulatory burden on the boards has reduced, made it more principle- and policy-based. We let the operational details be handled by the management and consolidated regulatory and supervisory instructions, streamlined the form of business," he said. "All the applications from the regulatory entities and customers, about most of them are automated," he added. The RBI has automated more than 203 application types and delivered 99.9 per cent of services within prescribed timelines. It has also rationalised working capital norms, reviewed bulk deposit pricing and delegated certain foreign exchange-related approvals to authorised dealers.



An all-party meeting was held at the West Bengal Assembly on Tuesday under the chairmanship of Assembly Speaker Rathindra Bose. Representatives of all political parties attended the meeting ahead of the special session of the West Bengal Assembly scheduled for Wednesday.

## Scottish Church Clg Hosts Academia-Ind Prog



Scottish Church College organised a special programme titled "From Academia to Industry: An Academia-Industry Interface," held at the college seminar hall on Tuesday.

**MI News Service, Kolkata:** Scottish Church College in Kolkata organised a special programme on Tuesday to strengthen academia-industry collaboration and equip students with skills relevant

to the job market. Titled "From Academia to Industry: An Academia-Industry Interface," the event was held at the college seminar hall and jointly organised by the IQAC and IIC. Discussions focused

on higher education, industry expectations, research, innovation, internships and career opportunities. The programme was inaugurated by MLAs BijoyOjha and Amit Samanta. Reverend

AbirAdhikari, representing the Bishop, and PiyushKantiPanigrahi, IQSC Coordinator of the University of Calcutta, were also present.

Students and faculty interacted with industry representatives to understand workplace requirements and emerging career opportunities. Two MoUs were signed with Nightingale Hospital and Duckback to facilitate opportunities in internships, employment, research and skill development. An exhibition at the college Assembly Hall showcased initiatives including skill development, entrepreneurship, research, innovation, counselling, internships and NSS. Principal Madhumanjari Mondal stressed the importance of combining academic learning with practical, industry-oriented skills to improve students' career prospects and professional growth.

## 26k Jobless Teachers and Staff Face Fresh Uncertainty as Verification Put on Hold

**MI News Service, Kolkata:**

Around 26,000 teachers and non-teaching staff who lost their jobs in the West Bengal recruitment scam are facing renewed uncertainty after document verification for candidates applying for Classes XI and XII teaching posts was suddenly suspended. The West Bengal Board of Secondary Education issued a notice stating that the verification scheduled for August 12, 13 and 17 has been postponed. The decision was taken based on a directive issued by the Backward Classes Welfare Department on August 7. The development has raised concerns over whether the fresh recruitment process can be completed by August 31, the deadline set by the Supreme Court. Under the court's directions, the affected teachers can continue receiving salaries until the completion of the new recruitment process, but that arrangement is also linked to the August 31 deadline. The latest disruption is reportedly linked to complications surrounding the state's OBC list and reservation-related document verification. The situation is

particularly difficult for dismissed non-teaching staff, many of whom reportedly remain without salaries. Teachers who lost their jobs have also expressed concern over what will happen after August 31. Activist teacher ChinmoyMondal said candidates had been waiting for appointment letters despite verification and counselling progressing. With the deadline approaching, affected employees are now seeking either completion of recruitment within the stipulated period or an extension from the Supreme Court.

### Why Colombia earthquake so destructive Why

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The experimental tests showed there's just not enough strength for these walls to survive significant ground shaking. This unfortunately doesn't appear to be a rare or isolate design choice – it's standard practice across the Latin American region.

A 2018 survey of nine buildings in Cali, one of the cities hit by Monday's earthquake, found that 90% had walls with a single layer of reinforcement, and 30% had walls 100mm thick or thinner. Most reinforced concrete buildings designed post-1980s performed well. This was owing to the design principles introduced at the time, which required engineers to carefully think about the placement of steel to allow the structures, including the walls, to deform and resist the earthquake actions. However, some of the collapses observed were in buildings designed before these principles were introduced. One such example is the Pyne Gould building. Its collapse was likely the result of a low amount of steel used in the thin concrete core walls, where a single crack is thought to have formed, concentrating stress.



Tunnel Breakthrough Ceremony of "TBM DIVYA" at Victoria Metro Station in Kolkata on Tuesday.

## Bengal BJP Set for Major Org Reshuffle

**MI News Service, Kolkata:** The West Bengal unit of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) is preparing for a major organisational overhaul, with more than 12 district presidents likely to be replaced as the party seeks to strengthen its organisation and address complaints of indiscipline and alleged anti-party activities at the grassroots level. According to party sources, the state leadership has received reports that several district presidents have failed to effectively discharge their organisational responsibilities. There are also allegations that some district chiefs maintain close ties with individuals accused of extortion and other unethical activities, making it difficult for the party to

take disciplinary action against them. The BJP has already suspended more than 250 members over allegations of anti-party activities and other organisational violations. The leadership is now reportedly planning changes at the district as well as mandal levels.

Following the proposed replacement of district presidents, more than 200 mandal presidents are also expected to be changed. The move is being viewed as part of the party's efforts to strengthen its grassroots structure ahead of the upcoming municipal elections. Another key decision reportedly taken at a senior-level party meeting is that individuals who recently joined the BJP, particularly those who previ-

ously belonged to the Trinamool Congress, will not be given tickets in the municipal elections.

Party sources said former Trinamool leaders who switched to the BJP have taken organisational positions in several districts where the BJP's existing structure remains weak. In some areas, these "new entrants" have allegedly become influential at the grassroots level and are now seeking party tickets for the upcoming civic polls. Complaints regarding the functioning of the grassroots organisation have reportedly reached the state leadership from several areas, including North and South 24 Parganas, Howrah, Hooghly and Asansol.

## Khudiram Bose's Life to Be Added as Full Chapter Across Bengal Curriculum

**MI News Service, Kolkata:** The life and revolutionary struggle of freedom fighter and martyr Khudiram Bose will now be included as a dedicated chapter in the school and university curriculum in West Bengal, Chief Minister SuvenduAdhikari announced on Tuesday. Speaking during his visit to Mohaboni in Keshpur, the ancestral village of Khudiram Bose, on his Martyrdom Day, Suvendu said the freedom fighter's life and contribution to India's freedom struggle would be taught from the primary level through university, including undergraduate and postgraduate courses.

The Chief Minister stressed that Khudiram's contribution should not be reduced to a few lines in textbooks. "It cannot be that Khudiram Bose is discussed in just four lines in the syllabus," he said, indicating that a detailed chapter would be incorporated into the curriculum. At present, references to Khudiram Bose in school textbooks are generally limited to brief accounts of his birth, martyrdom and role in the freedom movement, accompanied by his photograph. Such references have primarily been included in textbooks for students up to Classes VI, VII and VIII. His life has not been given dedicated coverage at the pri-

mary, undergraduate or postgraduate levels. The new initiative will seek to provide students across educational levels with a more detailed account of Khudiram Bose's life, his participation in the freedom struggle and his sacrifice.

Suvendu also spoke about what she described as the neglect of the history of freedom fighters from Medinipur. Referring to political narratives of the past, he said, "The history of driving the Tatas out of Singur was taught by the Trinamool Congress, but the history of the freedom fighters of Medinipur was not taught. During the 34 years of Left rule, the history of the freedom movement was not allowed to be studied." He said Khudiram Bose would now have to be taught from primary school to university. "Medinipur has been deprived for so long. It has been kept behind for 49 years. I want to spread patriotism and nationalism under the leadership of the Prime Minister," Suvendu said. The Chief Minister also announced an allocation of Rs 5 crore for the development of the Mohaboni Development Council. He further said that the ancestral home of Khudiram Bose at Mohaboni would be renovated as part of efforts to preserve his legacy.



West Bengal Chief minister Suvendu Adhikari greets people on his way to Keshpur in East Midnapore district on Tuesday.

## West Bengal Civic Polls Likely in December, Says Agnimitra

**MI News Service, Kolkata:**

West Bengal may hold municipal elections in December, Urban Development and Municipal Affairs Minister AgnimitraPaul indicated on Tuesday, reviving speculation over the timing of civic polls in the state.

Pal made the remarks during her visit to Bankura, where she attended a meeting of the West Bengal Department of PaschimanchalUnayan at the BankuraZillaParishad auditorium. Her comments have triggered fresh discussions in political circles over whether preparations for the municipal elections will begin after the Durga Puja festivities. Speaking to reporters, Paul said the government was considering holding the municipal elections in December. She also said that several municipalities were currently being run by administrators following changes in the elected civic bodies.

According to the minister, ensuring uninterrupted civic services remains one of the government's primary objectives. She said steps were being taken to address problems faced by residents and ensure that people do not face difficulties in accessing essential municipal services. "Every department needs to be worked on. Where has work been done in every department over the last 15 years? Or where was work done during the previous 34 years? Every department has to be rebuilt from the ground up," Paul said. During her visit to Bankura, local residents raised several civic issues before the minister as she entered the auditorium. They reportedly highlighted problems in municipalities currently being administered by



government-appointed administrators. Paul listened to the complaints and said she was personally monitoring efforts to improve civic services. The possibility of municipal elections in December had already been doing the rounds in state political circles. The minister's remarks have now added further weight to speculation about the likely election schedule.

Following the recent political changes in the state, chairpersons of three municipalities in Bankura district have resigned. As a result, the administrative responsibilities of these civic bodies are currently being handled by administrators instead of elected municipal boards.

Residents have raised concerns over several civic issues in these municipalities, including the condition of roads, drainage, drinking water supply and garbage collection. The absence of elected civic boards has also led to questions about the long-term functioning of these municipalities. Paul's remarks that elections are being considered for December are being viewed as an indication that elected municipal boards could soon return to the affected civic bodies.

However, a formal notification regarding the municipal election schedule is yet to be issued. The final dates and other details will depend on the official announcement by the competent authorities.



**Name Change**  
I, Sk. Miraj Uddin, S/o. Sk. Firoj Uddin, R/o. Bamunji, Chitrasali, Haripal, Hooghly-712407, W.B., do hereby declare that I, Sk. Miraj Uddin, Sk. Mirajuddin & Sk. Sasarali Ali S/o. Sk. Firoj Uddin, all are the same & one identical person, vide an affidavit no. 19284, dtd. 11.08.2026, sworn before Judicial Magistrate, Sadar Hooghly Court, which names has been recorded in my Aadhaar Card, Pan Card, Voter Card, Birth Certificate & also all other documents.

**Name Change**  
I, Chiranjit Santra S/o. Arabinda Santra, R/o. Karicha, Uttarpara, Polba, Hooghly W.B., do hereby declare that, in my Passport where my father's name has been recorded as Arabinda Santra instead of his correct & actual name Arabinda Santra and my mother's name has been recorded as Archana Santra instead of her correct & actual name Archana Santra, which needs to be rectify where necessary vide this affidavit. That my father Arabinda Santra & Arabinda Santra & Archana Santra both are the same & one identical person vide an affidavit no. 29, dated 16/07/2026, sworn before Notary Public, Hooghly at Chandernagore Court.

**Name Change**  
I, Hafej Abdus Sukur (old name), S/o. Sk. Khoshlal, R/o. Nikanipara Matokpur, Pandua, Hooghly-712149, W.B., do hereby declare that I have changed my name from Hafej Abdus Sukur to Hafej Aabduh Shukur (New Name) and henceforth I shall be known as Hafej Aabduh Shukur in all purpose, vide an affidavit no. 18419 sworn before Judicial Magistrate, Sadar, Hooghly Court on 30/07/2026. I, Hafej Aabduh Shukur & Hafej Abdus Sukur same person and my father Sk. Khoshlal, Sekh Khoshlal, Khosla Sekh & Sekh Ghoshlal (since deceased), all are the same & one identical person.

**NAME CHANGE**  
I, Anisuddin Ansari, S/o. - Ketabuddin Ansari (Old Name), R/o. - Islampara Shankhanagar, P.O. - Bansberia, P.S. - Mogra, Dist. - Hooghly-712502, W.B. do hereby declare that I have changed my Father's name from Ketabuddin Ansari (Old Name) to Ketabuddin (New Name) and henceforth I shall be known as Ketabuddin (New Name) in all purpose, vide an Affidavit No. 9216, dt. 10.08.2026, in the Court of Ld. 1st Class, J.M., Hooghly at Chinsurah, That, Ketabuddin (New Name) & Ketabuddin Ansari (Old Name) both are same & one identical person.

**Change of Name**  
I, Uttam Bag, S/o Rampada Bag, residing at Village & Post - Chingra, P.S. - Kharakpur District - Hooghly, PIN - 712416, West Bengal, have changed my name and shall henceforth be known as Uttam Kumar Bag, as declared before the First Class Judicial Magistrate Arambagh Sub Division Court, Hooghly District, West Bengal vide affidavit number 12540, dated August 6, 2026. Uttam Bag and Uttam Kumar Bag both are same and identical person.

**Name Change**  
I, No. 13894430F Rank Ex NK (MT) Name Bijay Kumar De resident of Vill. - Pachundi, P.O. - Pachundi, Dist. - Burdwan (P) (WB), Pin- 713123 have changed my name from Bijay Kumar De to Bijay Kumar Dey, vide Affidavit dated 07Aug 2026 before the Court of Ld. Judicial Magistrate, 1st Class, Purba Bardhaman (WB).

**Name Change**  
I, Md. Hasim, son of Late Md. Hanif, residing at 37, Madan Mohan Burman Street VTC & P.O. Barabazar, Kolkata - 700007, West Bengal, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that my daughter's correct and actual name is Nahid Hasim, as recorded in her Aadhaar Card No. 2221 2293 4391. Due to an inadvertent error, her name has been recorded as "Nahid Hashim" in her School Records and Birth Certificate instead of her correct name, "Nahid Hasim." I have executed an affidavit before the Notary Public at Kolkata on 15.07.2026, declaring that "Nahid Hasim" and "Nahid Hashim" are one and the same identical person.

**NAME CHANGE**  
I, SEKH JAMIRUDDIN, S/O - SK JAHANGIR, Vill - Keshabpur, PO. - Sankari, PS. - Khandaghosh, DIST. - Purba Bardhaman, PIN - 713424. I have changed my name to SK JAMIRUDDIN at Purba Bardhaman dist court affidavit no - 501, date - 05-08-2026.

**NAME CHANGE**  
I, SEKH NURJAHAN BEGAM, W/O - SK JAHANGIR, Vill - Keshabpur, PO. - Sankari, PS. - Khandaghosh, DIST. - Purba Bardhaman, PIN - 713424. I have changed my name to NURJAHAN BEGAM SK at Purba Bardhaman dist court affidavit no - 503, date - 05-08-2026.

**NAME CHANGE**  
I, SEKH JAHANGIR S/O - SK MAHASEN, Vill - Keshabpur, PO. - Sankari, PS. - Khandaghosh, DIST. - Purba Bardhaman, PIN - 713424. I have changed my name to SK JAHANGIR at Purba Bardhaman dist court Affidavit no - 502, Date - 05-08-2026

**Name Change**  
I, Nupur Das, Daughter of Nirod Baran Das, residing at Sadhu Charan Mukherjee Road, Halder Para, Chandannagar, Hooghly - 712136, do hereby declare that my father's name "NIROD BARAN DAS" and "NIROD DAS" refer to one and the same person. Henceforth, both names shall be treated as identical for all purposes.

**Name Change**  
I, Aliya Begam (old name), D/O Abdul Hakim, residing at 21, Hoosain Shah Road, Kolkata- 700023, West Bengal, India, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from Aliya Begam (Old Name) to Aliya Begum (New Name) and henceforth I shall be known as Aliya Begum (new name), as declared Before The Notary Public at Kolkata, vide an affidavit dated 11/08/2026. Aliya Begum (new name) and Aliya Begam (old name) both are same and one identical person.

**Name Change**  
I, Bijay Kumar Singh (Old Name), Son Of Kaishram Singh, Resident Of 25 Mahendra Goswami Lane, Beadon Street, Po- Beadon Street, Ps- Girish Park, Kolkata- 700006, West Bengal Do hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Bijay Kumar Singh (Old Name) To Bijoy Kumar Singh (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Bijoy Kumar Singh (New Name) In All Purpose, Vide Affidavit No 26 Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 11/08/2026. Bijoy Kumar Singh (New Name) And Bijay Kumar Singh (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

**Name Change**  
I, Rafiqul Islam (Old Name), S/O Nuruddin Daldar, Resident Of Banglani, North 24 Parganas, Swarnapagar, Pin- 743286, West Bengal, India. Do hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Rafiqul Islam (Old Name) To Rafikul Islam Daldar (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Rafikul Islam Daldar (New Name) In All Purpose, Vide Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 10/08/2026. Rafikul Islam Daldar (New Name) And Rafikul Islam (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

**Name Change**  
I, Obidur Rasul (Old Name), Son Of Late Abdul Rasul, Resident Of Mirzamohalla, Po-Midnapore, West Midnapore-721101, West Bengal Do hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Obidur Rasul (Old Name) To Obaidur Rasul (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Obaidur Rasul (New Name) In All Purpose, Vide Affidavit No 20 Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 11/08/2026. Obaidur Rasul (New Name) And Obidur Rasul (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

**Name Change**  
I, Tapan Kumar Garai (Old Name), Son Of Late Amar Chandra Garain, Resident Of Kalittha Thakuranichowk Samabaypally, Howrah-711205, West Bengal Do hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Tapan Kumar Garai (Old Name) To Tapan Kumar Garain (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Tapan Kumar Garain (New Name) In All Purpose, Vide Affidavit No 14 Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 11/08/2026. Tapan Kumar Garain (New Name) And Tapan Kumar Garai (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

**Name Change**  
I, Amita Garai (Old Name), Wife Of Tapan Kumar Garai, Resident Of Thakuranichak, Howrah Sadar, Vtc-Baigachi, Po-Samabaypally, Howrah-711205, West Bengal Do hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Amita Garai (Old Name) To Amita Garain (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Amita Garain (New Name) In All Purpose, Vide Affidavit No 16 Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 11/08/2026. Amita Garain (New Name) And Amita Garai (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

**Name Change**  
I, Aysha Khatun (Old Name), Daughter Of Md Yusuf, Resident Of Bagiola Dakshinpara, Kolsur Bagiola, Baduria, North 24 Parganas-743438, West Bengal Do hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Aysha Khatun (Old Name) To Aysha Bibi Mansuri (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Aysha Bibi Mansuri (New Name) In All Purpose, Vide Affidavit No 15 Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 11/08/2026. Aysha Bibi Mansuri (New Name) And Aysha Khatun (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

**Name Change**  
I, Daiyan Molla (Old Name) S/o Hanif Molla, Residing at Bilpara, Jaynagar, I, Joyngar Majipur, District - South 24 Parganas, Pin - 743337, West Bengal, India, do hereby declare that I have Changed my name from Daiyan Molla (Old Name) to Abdul Daiyan Molla (New Name) and henceforth I shall be known as Abdul Daiyan Molla (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit no 21/2026 Sworn before the Notary public at Kolkata on Dated 11-08-2026. Abdul Daiyan Molla (New Name) and Daiyan Molla (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

**Name Change**  
I, Parveen Begum (Old Name) D/o Ahd Mondal W/o Ramjan Mondal Residing at Vill - Bagula, Po - Sindrani, Ps - Bagdad, District - North 24 Parganas, Pin - 743297, West Bengal, India, do hereby declare that I have Changed my name from Parveen Begum (Old Name) to Parveen Mondal (New Name) and henceforth I shall be known as Parveen Mondal (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit no 2040 Sworn before the Ld. A.C.-JM (1st Class) at Bongaon, North 24 Parganas on Dated 17-02-2026. Parveen Mondal (New Name) and Parveen Begum (Old Name) both are same and one identical person.

**NAME CHANGE**  
I, Nurul Hassan Molla & Md. Nurul Hasan Molla, S/O - Arshed Ali Molla, residing at Vill - Taraganj, P/O - Bishra, P/S - Ramnagar, Dist- 24 pgs (S) do hereby declare that I have changed my name from Nurul Hassan Molla & Md. Nurul Hasan Molla to Nurul Hassan Molla and henceforth I shall be known as Nurul Hassan Molla in all Purpose, vide Affidavit no-2453 sworn before the Ld.1st class J.M. at Diamond Harbour on 09/01/2020. Nurul Hassan Molla & Nurul Hassan Molla and Md. Nurul Hassan Molla both are same and one identical person.

**Name Change**  
I, Rohan Roy S/o. Ripon Roy, R/o. Gurap, Dompura (School Para), Gurap, Hooghly-712303, W.B., do hereby declare that in my Birth Certificate (Bearing No. A 08738) where my name has been recorded as Arjun Roy instead of my correct & actual name Rohan Roy, which needs to be rectify where necessary vide this affidavit. I, Rohan Roy & Arjun Roy S/o. Ripon Roy, both are the same & one identical person vide an affidavit no. 18831, dtd. 05/08/2026, sworn before Judicial Magistrate, Sadar Hooghly Court.

**Name Change**  
I, (Old Name) SAMSUL HAQUE S/o- MAHASEN SEKH Residing at, - Nima Bahadurpur, Burwan, Dist- Murshidabad, Pin- 742186, West Bengal. Do hereby declare that I have Changed my name from SAMSUL HAQUE To SAMSUL SEKH (New name) and henceforth I Shall be Known as (New name) SAMSUL SEKH in all purpose Vide an affidavit No 2145 On Date 07 August 2026 Sworn before the Notary Public at Berhampore Murshidabad, SAMSUL SEKH and SAMSUL HAQUE both are Same and one identical person.

**Name Change**  
I, Mohammad Abulas Siddique (Old Name), Son Of Md Faizur Rahman, Resident Of Vill-Kamdevpur, Po & Ps-Jangipara, Hooghly-712404, West Bengal Do hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Mohammad Abulas Siddique (Old Name) To Md Abul As Siddique (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Md Abul As Siddique (New Name) In All Purpose, Vide Affidavit No 68 Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 07/08/2026. Md Abul As Siddique (New Name) And Mohammad Abulas Siddique (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

**Name Change**  
I, Ila Subhendru Das (Old Name), Wife Of Shubhendru Das, Resident Of Vill-Fakirganj, Po-Raghnathbari, Ps-Panskura, East Medinipur-721634, West Bengal Do hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Ila Subhendru Das (Old Name) To Ela Das (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Ela Das (New Name) In All Purpose, Vide Affidavit No 45 Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 10/08/2026. Ela Das (New Name) And Ila Subhendru Das (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

**Name Change**  
I, Subhendru Vishwanath Das (Old Name), Son Of Late Biswanath Das, Resident Of S6/2, Sarabati Abbasan, P. Block, Sector- III, Ps- Bidhanagar South, Kolkata- 700106, West Bengal Do hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Subhendru Vishwanath Das (Old Name) To Shubhendru Das (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Shubhendru Das (New Name) In All Purpose, Vide Affidavit No 43 Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 10/08/2026. Shubhendru Das (New Name) And Subhendru Vishwanath Das (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

**Name Change**  
I, Sanjay Doshi (Old Name), Son Of Late Jasvantly Doshi, Resident Of Flat No. 2b, 2nd Floor, 9, Manohar Pukur Road, P.O. - Kalighat, P.S. - Tollygunge, Kolkata - 700026, West Bengal, Do hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Sanjay Doshi (Old Name) To Sanjay J Doshi (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Sanjay J Doshi (New Name) In All Purpose Vide Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 11/08/2026. Sanjay J Doshi (New Name) And Sanjay Doshi (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

**Name Change**  
I, Rina Doshi (Old Name), Wife Of Sanjay J Doshi, Flat No. 2b, 2nd Floor, 9, Manohar Pukur Road, P.O. - Kalighat, P.S. - Tollygunge, Kolkata - 700026, West Bengal, Do hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Rina Doshi (Old Name) To Rina S Doshi (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Rina S Doshi (New Name) In All Purpose Vide Affidavit Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 11/08/2026. Rina S Doshi (New Name) And Rina Doshi (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

**Name Change**  
I, Subhra Banerjee (Old Name), W/o Saroj Kumar Banerjee, Resident of Mondal Para, Nazrol Park, Mahamayapur, Rajpur Sonarpur, South 24 parganas, Pin-700084, West Bengal, India, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from Subhra Banerjee (old name) and henceforth I shall be known as Subra Banerjee (New Name) in all purpose, vide affidavit sworn before the Notary Public at Kolkata on 11/08/2026. Subra Banerjee (new name) and Subhra Banerjee (old name) both are same and one identical person.

**Name Change**  
I, Sandhya Pandit (Old Name), Wife Of Tapan Pandit, Resident Of Vill-Nayapara, Po-Balighat, Ps-Egra, Purba Medinipur-721442, West Bengal Do hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Sandhya Pandit (Old Name) To Sandhya Rani Pandit (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Sandhya Rani Pandit (New Name) In All Purpose, Vide Affidavit No 34 Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 11/08/2026. Sandhya Rani Pandit (New Name) And Sandhya Pandit (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

**Name Change**  
I, Asruti Bhushan Pal, Son Of Late Anath Pal, Resident Of Vill & Po-Kumirda, Ps-Marishda, Purba Medinipur-721444, West Bengal Do hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Father Name From Anath Saran Pal (Old Name) To Anath Pal (New Name) And Henceforth He Shall Be Known As Anath Pal (New Name) In All Purpose, Vide Affidavit No 52 Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 11/08/2026. Anath Pal (New Name) And Anath Saran Pal (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

**Name Change**  
I, Binoy Kumar Singh & Binay Singh (Old Name), Son Of Bhagwat Singh, Resident Of 54/A, Strand Road, 3rd Floor, Alahabad Bank Building, Kolkata-200006, West Bengal Do hereby Declare That I Have Changed My Name From Binoy Kumar Singh & Binay Singh (Old Name) To Binay Kumar Singh (New Name) And Henceforth I Shall Be Known As Binay Kumar Singh (New Name) In All Purpose, Vide Affidavit No 27 Sworn Before The Notary Public At Kolkata On 11/08/2026. Binay Kumar Singh (New Name) And Binoy Kumar Singh & Binay Singh (Old Name) Both Are Same And One Identical Person.

## Holistic rural education imperative: BENGAL GOV

MI News Service, Kolkata: West Bengal Governor R N Ravi has put emphasis on the holistic development of the rural education in the state. To him, Rural education should not be ignored and it needs a steady progress in West Bengal.

In a major initiative aimed at transforming rural education across the region, R. N. Ravi, Governor of West Bengal, visited Adhigam Bhoomi, the flagship residential Centre of Excellence established by Help Us Help Them (HUHT).

The recent visit highlighted an innovative, field-tested model that operationalizes the vision of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, bridging mainstream academic curricula with practical rural skills to advance the mission of Viksit Bharat 2047.

The Governor interacted directly with 1,000 tribal and rural girl students receiving 100% free

residential education as well as parents visiting from several districts across West Bengal. The Governor toured live student-led learning spaces demonstrating 18 integrated skill domains, centered on the Roti (Agriculture), Kapda (Textiles), and Makaaan (Rural Architecture) framework alongside renewable energy, technology, and entrepreneurship, showing how experiential education is embedded directly into core subjects like Mathematics, Science, and Languages.

### VIKSIT BHARAT: Airtel & ITI inks deal for digital transformation

MI News Service, Kolkata: Airtel and ITI have entered into a strategic collaboration to help enterprises in India fast-track their digital transformation and unlock new opportunities for growth, resilience, and innovation.

Through an integrated suite of future-ready and scalable digital solutions across enterprise connectivity, data center & sovereign cloud services, IoT, AI-powered solutions, LEO satellite services, cybersecurity, and more, the partnership will enable businesses to overcome legacy complexity, strengthen digital resilience, and build for the future to unlock new growth opportunities.

Rajesh Rai, Chairman and Managing Director, ITI Ltd, said, "Extremely enthusiastic on this momentous occasion." Sharat Sinha, CEO - Airtel Business, said, "As India accelerates into its next phase of digital growth, building a foundation that is resilient, sovereign, and regulatorily compliant is imperative."

The strategic collaboration will deliver nationwide digital and telecom infrastructure, combining high-speed enterprise connectivity (OFC, GPON, SD-WAN, and private 4G/5G) with secure data center and sovereign cloud services.

## Halt Station Proposed in Makrampur, Narayangarh; Railway Officials Inspect Site

MI News Service, Kharagpur :

Hopes of a new halt station coming up in the Makrampur area under the Narayangarh Assembly constituency of West Medinipur district have gained momentum, with railway authorities initiating steps in response to a long-standing demand from local residents. As part of the initiative, a team of railway officials visited Makrampur and inspected the site proposed for the construction of the halt station. Narayangarh MLA Ramprasad Giri informed that discussions had been held with the railway authorities regarding the demand for a station at Makrampur. Following the discussions, railway officials visited the proposed site to assess the location and the facilities required for the project. Long-standing demand for a halt station.

Residents of Makrampur and adjoining areas have been demanding a halt station in the locality for several years. According to local residents, despite the availability of railway services in the region, they have to travel a considerable distance to catch trains. The proposed halt station is expected to



provide significant relief to people living in the surrounding rural areas. Students, office-goers, small traders and daily commuters are likely to benefit the most from improved access to rail services. If the station is constructed, rail connectivity for Makrampur and neighbouring villages is expected to become considerably more convenient. MLA held discussions with railway authorities. According to MLA Ramprasad Giri, discussions were held with the concerned railway officials regarding the need for a halt station at Makrampur. Subsequently, railway officials inspected the proposed site. During the inspection, the team assessed the availability of land, passenger facilities and other essential aspects

required for the proposed station. The railway authorities are now expected to examine the technical and administrative requirements before taking further steps according to the prescribed procedure. Site inspection raises hopes among residents. News of the railway officials' inspection has generated optimism among residents of Makrampur and neighbouring areas. Locals believe that their long-pending demand is now gradually moving towards implementation. Residents hope that the necessary formalities will be completed at the earliest and that concrete steps will be taken towards construction of the Makrampur halt station. If completed, the proposed station could not only improve transportation facilities in the area but also contribute to the economic and social development of Makrampur and surrounding rural communities. Local residents described the railway officials' site inspection as an important step forward. They are now awaiting further official decisions and the commencement of construction work.

## Parl panel seeks mandatory FoP sugar labels on packaged foods

MI News Service, New Delhi: A Parliamentary Standing Committee has recommended mandatory Front-of-Pack (FoP) nutrition labelling indicating whether packaged food products are high in sugar, saying the measure would help consumers make informed choices at the time of purchase.

The recommendation was made by the Standing Committee on Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, chaired by Kanimozhi Karunanidhi, in its report on packaged commodities, including the sugar content in baby food products. The panel also called for stronger monitoring of sugar levels in infant food products, including infant formula, follow-up formula, cereal-based complementary foods and packaged traditional infant foods.

It recommended that infant and children's food packages clearly declare the amount of added sugar in grams per serving, along with

its percentage contribution to the daily energy requirement of the target age group. The committee noted that high sugar intake from packaged baby foods during early childhood is linked to several long-term health risks.

According to the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), published research has associated high sugar consumption in early childhood with increased risks of dental caries, obesity, metabolic dysfunction, changes in the gut microbiome and chronic diseases.

The committee also referred to the ICMR Dietary Guidelines, 2024, which recommend limiting sugar intake to 25 grams a day and, if possible, eliminating added sugar from the diet as it provides calories without nutritional value. It also cited the World Health Organization's recommendation that free sugar intake should be reduced to less than 10% of total daily energy intake.

## Centre & MP sign MoU for India's first TMZ in GWALIOR

MI News Service, Gwalior: Central government's Department of Telecommunications (DoT) and the Madhya Pradesh government signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), for establishing the country's first telecom manufacturing zone (TMZ) in the central Indian state's Gwalior district.

The MoU which was signed in the presence of union minister of communications Jyotiraditya Scindia and MP chief minister Dr Mohan Yadav in Delhi, marks a significant milestone in strengthening India's domestic telecom manufacturing ecosystem.

Importantly, the Gwalior district is the home district of union minister Jyotiraditya Scindia, who is the sitting MP from adjoining Guna Lok Sabha constituency.

The TMZ is envisaged as an integrated 350-acre plug-and-play industrial cluster, designed to provide world-class infrastructure and a conducive ecosystem for telecom and electronics manufacturing, research and development, innovation and allied activities. It aims at positioning Gwalior as a premier industrial and technology hub in central India and strengthening India's position as a global telecom manufacturing and innovation hub.

The signing of the MoU will pave the way for the establishment of a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) for the TMZ, with 51 per cent equity from the MP government and 49 per cent from the Department of Telecommunications.

The centre will provide 100 per cent funding support for Phase-I, with an allocation of Rs 493 crore for development of core infrastructure. The MP government, in turn, has extended significant support for the project, including approximately 170 acres of land free of cost.



Under the special policy package extended by the MP Government, 100 acres in the SADA region and 70 acres in the Gwalior IT Park have been allocated free of cost, with a combined value of approximately Rs 596 crore. Additional land will be made available at a nominal premium of Rs 1 and a fixed lease rent of Rs 1 per square metre per annum for 30 years. Units established in the TMZ will also benefit from reimbursement of stamp duty and registration charges, power tariff rebates and other fiscal incentives.

The policy package provides substantial support to investors and manufacturers, including 50 per cent capital subsidy on Eligible Fixed Capital Investment (EFICI), subject to a maximum of Rs 200 crore, along with employment generation assistance of Rs 5,000 per month per employee for five years for eligible mega projects.

Skill development support of up to Rs 13,000 per new employee will also be available, subject to applicable conditions.

To promote exports, eligible units will receive a 50 per cent freight subsidy on finished goods transported to seaports or air cargo facilities, subject to prescribed limits. The package also provides incentives for research and development, including reimbursement support for standalone R&D units and 100 per cent re-



imbursement of expenses incurred for filing patents, copyrights and trademarks, within specified limits. The TMZ is expected to serve as a major investment catalyst, with initial commitments of approximately Rs 5,000 crore for Phase-I and projected total investments of Rs 12,000-15,000 crore over time. The project is expected to generate approximately 14,000 direct skilled jobs, including around 3,500 jobs in Phase-I, besides creating tens of thousands of indirect employment opportunities.

Leading telecom and electronics companies, including Dixon Technologies, HFCL, Tejas Networks, VVDN and Syra SGS, are among the industry players anchoring the proposed zone.

The TMZ is envisaged to bring together the entire telecom value chain, ranging from mobile devices and optical fibre to advanced semiconductor technologies and next-generation 5G/6G research and development. Dedicated R&D centres, common testing laboratories and certification facilities will support the development and validation of indigenous telecom technologies and products in accordance with global standards.

The initiative will also create synergies with key national programmes, including the India Semiconductor Mission (ISM), Electronics Components

Manufacturing Scheme (ECMS) and Telecom Technology Development Fund (TTDF). By strengthening domestic manufacturing of critical telecom equipment such as routers, antennas, optical fibre and chips, the TMZ will contribute towards reducing import dependence, promoting exports, strengthening domestic supply chains and enhancing telecom security.

Addressing the event marking the signing of the historic MoU, Scindia said, "India must now move beyond being a telecom service provider to becoming a telecom manufacturer, and that building a strong indigenous ecosystem is essential to achieving this goal. TMZ is a major step in that direction."

Speaking at the event, the MP CM Dr Mohan Yadav highlighted the significance of TMZ in his state and said, "The TMZ would shape not only the industrial and technological future of Madhya Pradesh but also of the country. What cannot be found anywhere else in India will now be available in Madhya Pradesh."

"Gwalior is set to become a national hub for electronics and telecom manufacturing, attracting significant investment, employment and technological innovation," Yadav added. Following the MoU signing, an Investor Roundtable was held, which brought together representatives of telecom manufacturers and industry stakeholders from across the country to discuss investment opportunities, industry requirements and the potential of the TMZ in Gwalior to strengthen India's telecom manufacturing ecosystem.

Various industry leaders applauded the initiative. At the end of the roundtable, a total of Rs 3,500 crore investment and 14,000 job opportunities were committed by the industry towards the TMZ.



Malda division organises Tiranga Yatra under ‘Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign – 2026’

MI News Service, Malda: As part of the ongoing ‘Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign – 2026’, Malda Division of Eastern Railway organised a Tiranga Yatra today (11.08.2026). The Yatra commenced from Malda Town Railway Station and concluded at DRM Office Building, with railway officers and employees carrying the National Flag and participating with enthusiasm and patriotic spirit.

The Tiranga Yatra was led by Shri Manish Kumar Gupta, Divisional Railway Manager, Malda. ADRM/Malda, Shri Amarendra Kumar Maurya, CMS/Malda, Dr. Anupa Ghosh along with other senior branch officers, RPF personnel, Bharat Scouts & Guides team, Malda and other railway employees participated in the Yatra.

The ‘Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign – 2026’, being observed from 9th to 17th August, focusses on Tiranga Yatras to encourage greater public participation and strengthen the spirit of national



unity and pride in the National Flag. The participation of railway officers, employees and various railway stakeholders in the Tiranga Yatra at Malda reflects the collective commitment

to the National Flag at their homes, workplaces and other suitable places, thereby fostering a deeper connection with the Tricolour.

Similar Tiranga Yatras under the ‘Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign – 2026’ were also organised at the Carriage & Wagon and TRD Depot at Jamalpur, as well as at other railway stations under Malda Division. Railway personnel participated enthusiastically in these programmes, carrying the Tricolour and spreading the message of patriotism and national unity.

Malda Division appeals to all citizens to proudly hoist the Tricolour at their homes and participate in the Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign – 2026, thereby strengthening the spirit of national unity and pride in the National Flag.

Monsoon to weaken in west & south over next 2 wks: IMD

MI News Service, New Delhi: A monsoon in India is expected to bring below-average rainfall to the country’s western, central and southern regions over the next fortnight, threatening newly planted cotton, soybean, corn and pulse crops, two senior weather officials said.

The monsoon delivers about 70 per cent of India’s annual rains to replenish crucial water sources in the nearly 54 trillion economy, where nearly half of farmland lacks irrigation and about half the population earns its livelihood from agriculture.

Rainfall is expected to ease across most parts of India over the next fortnight, with the exception of some eastern and northern states, said a senior official with the India Meteorological Department, who declined to be named as he was not authorized to speak with media.

“The rainfall deficit could be quite significant in western and southern states during this period,” he said.

India has received 12 per cent less rainfall than average so far this monsoon season, which began on June 1, with some states, including southern Andhra Pradesh, recording deficits of as much as 34 per cent.

The rainfall deficit is likely to widen by the end of the month as a strengthening El Nino is expected to reduce rainfall in the coming weeks, said another weather department official.

“Minimum and maximum

temperatures are likely to rise and remain above normal in the coming weeks,” he said.

Farmers stepped up planting of summer-sown crops, including soybeans, cotton, corn, pulses and paddy, after near-normal rainfall in July boosted soil moisture.

The roots of newly planted crops have yet to penetrate deep into the soil, leaving them vulnerable to damage from a prolonged dry spell, said a Mumbai-based dealer with a global trade house.

Farmers had planted summer-sown crops on 96.8 million hectares as of August 7, nearly 2 per cent lower from a year earlier, according to data compiled by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers’ Welfare.

PHUKET-DELHI FLIGHT FIASCO: Civil Aviation Min summons AI CEO

MI News Service, New Delhi: India’s civil aviation minister has summoned Air India CEO Campbell Wilson after the airline’s Phuket-Delhi flight suddenly lost about 300 feet of altitude last week, a source with direct knowledge of the matter said.

Air India and the minister’s office did not immediately respond to Reuters’ requests for comment.

The government move comes days after Indian authorities opened an investigation into the incident involving an Airbus A320neo aircraft. The flight from the

Thai tourist city experienced a “momentary altitude variation” while it was flying over the eastern Indian state of Odisha, leading to injuries to 13 passengers and four crew members, Air India said. The aircraft, carrying 137 passengers and eight crew members, landed safely in Delhi. On Sunday, India’s civil aviation ministry said the captain of the flight returned an initial screening result for psychoactive substances, prompting further laboratory testing. Air India said that it had not been informed of the results.

Continuation Of Service Of Bhagalpur – Danapur – Bhagalpur Shravani Mela Special

MI News Service, Kolkata: To clear the extra rush of passengers, Railway has decided to continue the

service of Bhagalpur – Danapur – Bhagalpur Shravani Mela special as per its existing path, stoppages & timings. 03234 Danapur – Bhagalpur Shravani Mela special will leave Danapur on 11.08.2026 & 12.08.2026 and 03233 Bhagalpur – Danapur Shravani Mela special will leave Bhagalpur on 12.08.2026 & 13.08.2026.

**NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that I, Sri Bidhan Halder, S/o Late Biren Halder, of Bansdroni Shitala Park, P.O. & P.S. Bansdroni, Kolkata-700047, have purchased land at Mouza-Kachua, L.R. Dag No. 1146, L.R. Khatrian No. 11961, measuring more or less 1 Katha 8 Chittaks, from Sri Ranjit Das by Registered Deed No. 1 05961/2026, registered at A.D.S.R., Behala. The constituted Attorney/Power of Attorney holder is Sri Anup Patra, S/o Sri Nibash Patra, under Registered Deed No. 03050/2021, Book No. 1 Vol. 18/07/2021, Pages 120261-120281, registered at A.D.S.R., Behala. I am in peaceful and vacant possession of the said property. Mutual application has been filed before the B.L. & L.R.O./Kolkata Municipal Corporation, K.M.C. Building, 5, S.N. Banerjee Road, Kolkata-700013, vide Case No. MN/2026/1630/6500. Any person having any claim, objection or dispute is requested to submit the same with supporting documents to the concerned office within 7 days from publication of this notice, failing which the same shall be deemed waived and necessary legal action shall follow. Sri Bidhan Halder

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**EASTERN RAILWAY**

**Tender No. SDSTE-CABLE-ASTE-RPH-RE, Dated: 07.08.2026.**

Divisional Railway Manager, Howrah, Eastern Railway, New DRM Building, near Rail Museum, Howrah, West Bengal-711011 invites E-Tenders against **Tender No. SDSTE-CABLE-ASTE-RPH-RE** for the following work:

**Name of Work:** Replacement of Signalling Cable on age cum condition basis in the Jurisdictions of ASTE-Rampurhat of Howrah Division; **Tender Type :** Open; **Tender Closing Date & Time :** 01.09.2026, 15.00 Hrs.-; **Advertised Value:** ₹ 8,90,67,977.33; **Earnest Money/Bid Security :** ₹ 17,81,400.00; **Tender Doc. Cost :** ₹ 0.00; **Bidding Start Date:** 18.08.2026; **Bidding System:** Single Packet; **Validity of Offer (Days):** 60; **Period of Completion:** 12 Months. **Date & Time of Uploading Tender:** 07.08.2026, 19:10 hrs. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids upto closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender and any such manual offer received shall be ignored.

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**Tender No. SDSTE-CABLE-ASTE-BWN-RE, Dated: 07.08.2026.**

Divisional Railway Manager, Howrah, Eastern Railway, New DRM Building, near Rail Museum, Howrah, West Bengal-711011 invites E-Tenders against **Tender No. SDSTE-CABLE-ASTE-BWN-RE** for the following work:

**Name of Work:** Replacement of Signalling Cable on age cum condition basis at ASTE-Bardhaman Section of Howrah Division; **Tender Type :** Open; **Tender Closing Date & Time :** 01.09.2026, 15.00 Hrs.; **Advertised Value:** ₹ 8,90,68,004.33; **Earnest Money/Bid Security :** ₹ 17,81,400.00; **Tender Doc. Cost :** ₹ 0.00; **Bidding Start Date:** 18.08.2026; **Bidding System:** Single Packet; **Validity of Offer (Days):** 60; **Period of Completion:** 12 Months. **Date & Time of Uploading Tender:** 07.08.2026, 19:07 hrs. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids upto closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender and any such manual offer received shall be ignored.

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**EASTERN RAILWAY**

**Tender Notice No. SG-Tender/SDSTE/SDAH/633, Dated: 07.08.2026.**

E-Tender is invited by Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecomm Engineer, Sealdah, Eastern Railway, RMS Building, Kaizer Street, Sealdah, Kolkata-700014 for the following work: **Name of Work:** Provision of RTU at Interlocked L Gates (OSL) in the section of ASTE/Ranaghat in Sealdah Division. **Tender Value:** ₹ 3,85,01,291.58; **Cost of Tender Document:** Nil. **Earnest Money/Bid Security to be deposited:** ₹ 7,70,000.00; **Completion Period of the Work:** 12 Months. **Tender Submission Start Date:** 20.08.2026. **Tender Submission End Date:** 03.09.2026 upto 14.00 Hrs. **Tender Bid Opening Date:** 03.09.2026 at 14.30 Hrs. **Details may be available:** [www.iwreps.gov.in](https://www.iwreps.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-B 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 Data Logger or RTUs, Or Any Signal Interlocking works involving EL or RRI or PI or IBS or IBH or L 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/her 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).

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**NOTICE**

It is hereby notified to all concerned that my client, **Smt. Sulekha Pal**, D/o Late Biswanath Pal, W/o Ratan Pal @ Roton Pal, R/o Bandel Station Road, Near Water Tank, P.O. & Dist. Hooghly, P.S. Chinsurah, Pin - 712103, W.B., has declared vide an Affidavit bearing No. 17582, executed on 20/07/2026 before the Judicial Magistrate, Hooghly, Chinsurah Court, that her husband, **Shri Ratan Pal @ Roton Pal**, has been missing since March 1996. For the past 30 years till date, she has not received any news of his whereabouts, nor have his relatives or friends heard from him. Due to the family's ignorance of legal procedures, no missing diary or General Diary (GD) was lodged at the police station regarding this matter.

At present, **Smt. Sulekha Pal (wife), Shri Jagannath Pal (son), and Smt. Rumki Pal, W/o Hriday Pal** (daughter), are the only surviving legal heirs of the said **Shri Ratan Pal @ Roton Pal**. My client, along with her son and daughter, has declared **Shri Ratan Pal @ Roton Pal**, as legally dead under Section 108 of the Indian Evidence Act 1872.

If anyone has any objection regarding this matter, they may submit their objection to the above-mentioned address within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice. Otherwise, the legal proceedings will take effect as per the rules.

**Mir Md. Kalimuddin**, Advocate, Chandannagar Court, Hooghly

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US-India partnership vital for global security:  
Envoy Sergio Gor holds talks with NSA Ajit Doval

US opposes actions disrupting  
freedom of navigation in Taiwan Strait

**MI News Service, Delhi:** US Ambassador to India Sergio Gor held discussions with National Security Advisor AjitDoval on Tuesday to deliberate on US-India strategic cooperation, describing the meeting as "fruitful".

In a post on X, Ambassador Gor underscored the significance of the robust bilateral partnership in tackling global security challenges, emphasising that both nations share several common objectives. He further noted that diplomatic engagement between Washington and New Delhi continues to strengthen.

Had a fruitful meeting with National Security Advisor AjitDoval to discuss deepening US-India strategic cooperation. Our close partnership with India is vital to addressing global security challenges. The United States and India share many of the same goals and our engagement continues to grow!" the US Envoy posted.



These back-to-back diplomatic interactions unfolded against the backdrop of sustained momentum at the highest levels of leadership, coming just days after Prime Minister Narendra Modi received a phone call from US Vice-President JD Vance on Saturday evening.

During their telephonic conversation, PM Modi and Vance evaluated avenues to further deepen the India-US Comprehensive Global Strategic Partner-

ship, while also exchanging views on regional and global developments.

PM Modi also extended congratulations to JD Vance and his wife, Usha Vance, following the birth of their son, conveying best wishes to the family.

"Received a phone call from US Vice-President JD Vance. We discussed ways to further deepen India-US Comprehensive Global Strategic Partnership across key areas. Warmly congratulated him and the Second Lady on the birth of their son and conveyed best wishes to the entire family," PM Modi stated on X.

According to a statement issued by the Prime Minister's Office (PMO), both leaders noted the sustained momentum in high-level engagements and reaffirmed their commitment to further strengthening cooperation in various sectors.

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and reaffirmed their commitment to further strengthening cooperation in trade, defence, critical and emerging technologies, energy security and critical minerals. They also exchanged views on regional and global developments of mutual interest," the PMO stated.

This flurry of high-level engagement builds on groundwork laid earlier in July, when US Secretary of State Marco Rubio and External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar conferred in Manila on the sidelines of the ASEAN Foreign Ministers' meetings.

During that meeting, the two foreign ministers agreed to accelerate work on key defence agreements and conclude an interim bilateral trade deal that Washington described as "almost complete", signalling fresh momentum in the strategic partnership between the two nations while reviewing developments in the Middle East and the Indo-Pacific.

**MI News Service, Taipei:** The US Department of State has said it opposes any actions that interfere with freedom of navigation in the Taiwan Strait, following China's announcement last week that it would introduce traffic restrictions for vessels in the waterway due to Typhoon Dolphin, according to a report by Taipei Times.

The Guangdong Maritime Safety Administration announced last week that traffic controls would be imposed on vessels travelling north through the Taiwan Strait because of Typhoon Dolphin. The administration instructed all vessels to comply with the measures, seek safe shelter from the storm and follow directions issued by maritime authorities to ensure safety at sea, Taipei Times reported.

A US Department of State spokesperson said Washington opposes any actions that interfere with the freedoms of navigation and overflight on the high seas that apply to the Taiwan Strait.

The spokesperson's remarks came amid a dispute over China's authority to impose traffic controls in the Taiwan Strait. Taiwan's Coast Guard Administration (CGA) said on Friday last week that the Taiwan Strait is an international waterway and that China does not have the authority to impose such restrictions.

The CGA referred to the principle of freedom of navigation under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) in making its position clear.

Taiwan's Mainland Affairs Council (MAC) also criticised Beijing's move, accusing China of violating international norms by attempting to assert control over the waters "under the pretext of a



typhoon."

The dispute comes after the China Coast Guard announced late last month that it had begun conducting regular law-enforcement patrols in waters east of Taiwan. The US Department of State had expressed concern over those activities at the time, according to Taipei Times.

The department said Taiwan had peacefully administered the waters for more than seven decades and warned that China's claim of jurisdiction over the area could further increase tensions.

Washington also urged Beijing to stop exerting pressure on Taiwan.

Beijing, meanwhile, has said that its operations were initiated in response to maritime boundary negotiations between Japan and the Philippines. China claims that the negotiations infringe upon its territorial sovereignty and maritime rights, as cited by Taipei Times.

In response to Chinese maritime activities, Taiwan's Coast Guard Administration has regularly deployed patrol vessels to monitor Chinese ships and has instructed them to leave when they enter waters under Taiwan's restrictions.

B. R. Singh Hospital Hosts "Nasha Mukti Pratigya Maha Abhiyan 2026" Pledge Programme



**MI News Service, Kolkata, August 11, 2026 :** Under the guidance of Ms. Gitika Pandey, General Manager, Eastern Railway, an awareness and pledge programme titled "10 Crore Nasha Mukti Pratigya Maha Abhiyan 2026" was organised at B. R. Singh Hospital, Eastern Railway. Held in collaboration with the Brahma Kumaris Medical Wing, the event aimed to promote a drug-free, healthy, and empowered society.

The programme took place at the Hospital Auditorium at 2:00 PM and was attended by the Medical Director (MD), Chief Medical Superintendent (CMS), senior doctors, nursing staff, paramedical personnel, and other employees. Around 70 participants joined the session. Representatives from the Brahma Kumaris Medical Wing highlighted the physical, mental, and social dangers of substance abuse, stressing the importance of self-discipline, prevention, and collective action.

During the event, participants took the Nasha Mukti Pratigya, pledging to avoid intoxicating substances and contribute toward a Nasha Mukti Bharat (Drug-Free India) and Viksit Bharat (Developed India). The initiative aligns with the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment's national campaign. In recognition of the hospital's efforts, the Brahma Kumaris Medical Wing, Mount Abu Headquarters, awarded B. R. Singh Hospital a Certificate of Appreciation.

Chief Public Relations Officer, Eastern Railway, Shri Shibram Majhi said, "Eastern Railway remains committed to supporting health and wellness initiatives. By participating in this nationwide campaign, our healthcare professionals and staff reinforce their pledge to lead by example and help build a healthier, drug-free nation."

Eastern Railway Employee Shines at All India Railway Table Tennis Championship



**MI News Service, Kolkata, August 11, 2026 :** Under the leadership of General Manager Ms. Gitika Pandey, Eastern Railway congratulates Miss Munmun Kundu, Sr. Clerk working in the Siding Section of the Commercial Department at Eastern Railway HQ, for participating in the 72nd All India Railway Table Tennis Championship. Organized by the N. F. Railway Sports

a bright future ahead.

"Miss Kundu's achievement is a testament to the dedication and talent within Eastern Railway. We are immensely proud of her performance and will continue to support our employees in pursuing excellence both in their professional duties and their sporting endeavors," stated Shri Shibram Majhi, Chief Public Relations Officer, Eastern Railway.

Association at Maligaon, Guwahati, from August 3rd to August 7th, 2026, she secured 2nd position in the Individual Game by defeating players from N. F. Railway, Western Railway, and Metro Railway/Kolkata.

She has been felicitated by Dr. Uday Shankar Jha, Principal Chief Commercial Manager/ER, in his Chamber for her grand success and he wished her

TBM 'DIVYA' Achieves Breakthrough At Victoria Metro Station

● **Another Significant Milestone In The Construction Of The Joka-Esplanade Metro Corridor**  
**MI News Service, Kolkata, August 11, 2026 :** Another significant chapter was added to the glorious history of Metro Railway, Kolkata today, 11 August 2026, as Tunnel Boring Machine (TBM) 'Divya' successfully achieved breakthrough at Victoria Metro Station.

The breakthrough took place at around 12:00 hrs in the presence of Shri Prem Sagar Gupta, General Manager, Metro Railway, Kolkata, senior officials of Metro Railway, Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL), L&T, the executing agency, and other distinguished guests.

This successful breakthrough marks the completion of the second tunnel from Khidderpore to Victoria Metro Station, tunnelling work for which commenced on 11 October 2025.

It may be recalled that TBM 'Durga' had already achieved breakthrough at Victoria Metro Station on 10 July 2026. With the breakthrough of TBM 'Divya', tunnelling of both tunnels between Khidderpore and Victoria has now been successfully completed, marking substantial progress in the construction of the Joka-



Esplanade Metro Corridor (Purple Line).

The successful breakthrough of TBM 'Divya' is a testimony to the engineering excellence, meticulous planning, teamwork and dedicated efforts of all stakeholders associated with the project. This achievement represents another important step towards strengthening Kolkata's urban transport infrastructure and providing commuters with faster, safer, reliable and sustainable Metro connectivity.

Speaking on the occasion, General Manager, Metro Railway, Kolkata, appreciated the commitment and teamwork of the project personnel who ensured safe, systematic and efficient tunnelling while

maintaining the highest standards of quality and safety, without disturbing the surface traffic and normal activities in this densely populated part of the city.

For this tunnelling work a launching shaft having size of 37 m length x 22 m wide x 17 m deep was constructed inside the St. Thomas School, Khidderpore. The 6.60 m diameter (outer) TBM was manufactured at Chennai and mobilized to Kolkata in the month of March 2025 for subsequent assembling and lowering.

Two TBMs are being used for construction of twin tube tunnels from Khidderpore to Park Street, beyond which tunnelling will be done by conventional Cut & Cover method.

To cater to the effects of high ground water table and soft soil condition in the city of Kolkata, Earth Pressure Balancing (EPB) Type TBMs are being used to burrow the tunnels.

The TBMs, having length of 95 m and weighing approx. 600 tons, are equipped with inflatable seal, pressure transducers TSG Lines and Backup TSG Pump as an additional precaution considering the soil strata of Kolkata. Precast concrete segments of M50 Grade having thickness 275 mm are being used to achieve a finished tunnel having 5.80 m diameter.

TBM DIVYA has completed boring the tunnel from Khidderpore to Victoria, having a total drive length of 1.72 km, in the presence of General Manager, Metro Railway.

The Joka-Esplanade Metro Corridor is an important addition to Kolkata's expanding Metro network and will significantly improve connectivity to the central business district upon completion.

Metro Railway remains committed to developing modern, safe and sustainable public transport infrastructure and contributing towards the nation's vision of Viksit Bharat through world-class urban mobility.

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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 symbolic 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 Symbolic Possession                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs) | Name of Branch |
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| 1.      | Satish Kumar Nayyar/ Sujata Nayyar/ 6A, Biswas Para Lane, Lake Gardens, West Bengal Kolkata- 700045/ LBCAL00001309639                                                                                                                                                   | Subhasini Garden, Flat No. B-1 & B-6, 2nd Floor, Block II, Block B, Premises No. 57, Vivekananda Sarani, C.S. Khaitan No. 578, J.L. No. 19, Touzi Nos. 10, 12 and 13, S.S. Dag No. 1241, R.S. Khaitan No. 589, R.S. Dag No. 1498, Mouza Garfa, Pargana Khaspur, P.S. Purba Jadavpur, Formerly P.S. Tollygunge, Thackeray Mouza Garfa, Pargana Khaspur, Sub Registration Office Sealdah Formerly Alipore, Present A.D.S.R. Sealdah, Kolkata Municipal Corporation, K.M.C. Ward No. 104, District South 24 Parganas, Kolkata- 700078, West Bengal (Admeasuring an area of Admeasuring Area 1593 Sq. Ft. (809 Sq. Ft. + 784 Sq. Ft.) Super Built Up Area Be The Same A Little More or Less Together With One Car Parking Space Alongwith The Undivided Proportionate Share in The Land North: 45/32, Vivekananda Sarani, Kolkata- 700078, South: 33/1, 33, 39/1, 39, Hind Road, Kolkata- 700075, East: By K.M.C. Road Known As Vivekananda Sarani, West: 45/26, Vivekananda Sarani, Kolkata 700078./ Date of Symbolic 06/08/2026                                                                 | January 31, 2026 Rs. 9,39,128.13/-                  | Kolkata        |
| 2.      | Sangita Bose/ Saptarshi Bose/ 7/88 B, Sahid Nagar Ashotosh More, P.O. Haltu, P.S. Garfa, District South 24 Parganas, West Bengal Kolkata- 700078/ LBCAL00004865044                                                                                                      | Flat North Facing Side Being No. 2, First Floor, Premises No. 37/A/4, Garfa 3rd Lane, C.S. Khaitan No. 155, Dag No. 402, Mouza Jadavpur, J.L. No. 35, R.S. No. 33, Touzi No. 147 B/1, Last Revisional Settlement The Said Land Was Recorded in R.S. Dag No. 31, Khanda Khaitan No. 400 and 400A, Khaitan No. 290, Police Station Formerly Sadar Tollygunge Then Jadavpur Thereafter Kasba At Present Garfa, Kolkata Municipal Corporation, Ward No. 104, Assessee No. 31-104-10- 0046-0 District South 24 Parganas, Kolkata- 700075, West Bengal, Admeasuring an area of Measuring About 732 Sq. Ft. Covered Area More or Less Together With The Undivided Proportionate Share of Land Alongwith Easement Rights of The Common Areas and Passage Attached Thereto For Free Ingress and Egress of The Premises. North : Land and House of Smt. Khanta Moni Paul, South: Land of Sri Bishwar Dutta, East: Garfa Road 3rd Bye Lane & Land of Sankar Das and Smt. Aparna Paul, West House of Sri Satish Chandra Dutta/ Date of Symbolic 06/08/2026                                                | April 20, 2026 Rs. 14,29,397.00/-                   | Kolkata        |
| 3.      | Asis Kumar Singha/amrita Singh/ Rash Behari Apartment 66a Rashbehari Avenue, P.O. Kalighat, P.S. Tollygunge, District South 24 Parganas West Bengal Kolkata- 700026/ LBCAL00005868646/ LBCAL00005868737                                                                 | Entire Three Storied Residential Building, Ground Floor, First Floor and Second Floor, Premises No. 66a, Rash Behari Avenue, Road Zone (Tolly Nala- Rashbehari More (Southern Side Ward No. 88 And Premises No. 2-84 All Even), Ward No. 88, Kolkata Municipal Corporation, Police Station Tollygunge, Sub Registration Office and Add. District Sub Registration Office Alipore, D.S.R. III Alipore, South 24 Parganas, Assessee No. 110881400455, District South 24 Parganas, Kolkata 700026, West Bengal, Admeasuring an area of Land Measuring An Area of More or Less 02 Cottehs 14 Sq. Ft. of Land With Entire Three Storied Residential Building Measuring An Area More or Less 935 Sq. Ft. Each Floor (Ground Floor, First Floor and Second Floor) North: By Premises No. 62A & 64A, Rash Behari Avenue, South: By Premises No. 68, Rash Behari Avenue, East: By Common Passage For Lot A, B and C Thereafter Premises No. 71, Rash Behari Avenue, West: By 4 Feet Wide Common Passage For Lot A, B & C Thereafter Premises No. 60/1, Rash Behari Avenue/ Date of Symbolic 06/08/2026 | May 21, 2026 Rs. 1,00,84,999.74/-                   | Kolkata        |
| 4.      | Barnali Kundu/ Jitendu Kundu/ Sina Hura P.O. & P.S. Hura District Purulia West Bengal Purulia- 723130/ LBPRU00006146570/ LBCAL00006248754                                                                                                                               | Hal L.R. Dag No. 2192, 2193, 2194, 2195, 2196, Hal L.R. Khaitan No 390 & 29/3, Mouza-Palgan, Thana - Hura, Thana No. 89, Sub Registry Office- Bishpur Under Doldali Gram Panchayat, B.L. & L.R.O Hura, District Purulia, West Bengal Admeasuring an area of Measuring Area 45 Decimals For 1st Schedule For Hal L.R. Dag No. 2192, 2194, 2195, 2196 and 01 Decimals For 2nd Schedule For Hal L.R. Dag No.2193 Total Measuring Area 46 Decimals and Mortgage Out of This 28 Decimals, North: Property of Majhi, South: Property of Nayan Dutta, East: Packda Road, West: Property of Sabron Majhi/ Date of Symbolic 06/08/2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | April 26, 2026 Rs. 26,01,245.60/-                   | Purulia        |
| 5.      | Sanjib Mitra/ Shampa Bej Mitra/ Shree Jagannath Apartment, Flat No. 402, 4th Floor, 71, Sarat Chatterjee Road, P.O. Santragachi, P.S. Chatterjeehat, District Howrah West Bengal Howrah- 711104/ TBHOW00006425154/ TBHOW00006425153/ LBCAL00006454298/ LBCAL00006502887 | Shree Jagannath Apartment, Flat No. 504, 5th Floor, Holding No. 71, Sarat Chatterjee Road, R.S. Dag No. 105, L.R. Dag No. 116, R.S. Khaitan No. 236 & 237, L.R. Khaitan No. 347 and 625, Mouza Shibpur, Ward No. 41, Howrah Municipal Corporation, Police Station Chatterjeehat Formerly Shibpur, Additional District Sub Registrar Howrah, D.S.R. Howrah, District Howrah, (Zone Name Chatterjeehat P.S. To Belepole), West Bengal Admeasuring an area of Super Built Up Area 485 Sq. Ft. Be The Same A Little More or Less Without Any Space For Parking in The Building Together With Undivided Proportionate and Improbable Share or Interest In The Land. North: Common Passage of Building & Flat No. 501, South: Open to Sky, East: Common Passage of Building 7 & Stair Case, West: Flat No. 503./ Date of Symbolic 06/08/2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | April 27, 2026 Rs. 19,16,834.99/-                   | Howrah/ Pune   |
| 6.      | Swati Ghat/ Dipti Maitra/ C/o D/o Ramchandra Ghat/ 23/1 Padma Kumar Roychowdhury 2nd Bye Lane, District Howrah West Bengal Howrah- 711103/ LBHOW00005866851/ LBCAL00007135911                                                                                           | Flat on 2nd Floor, (South West Side) Being No. 204, Holding No. 73, Dharmatala Lane, P.O. and P.S. Shibpur, Howrah Municipal Corporation, Ward No. 34, District And Additional District Sub Registrar Howrah, District Howrah, Pin- 711102, West Bengal, Admeasuring an area of Having An Area Measuring More or Less 990 Sq. Ft. Including Super Built Up Area Alongwith Proportionate Undivided Share Of Land Underneath The Building, With All Common Spaces, Areas, Passages, Services, Amenities and Privileges Etc. With All Easement Right Area. North: H.M.C. Holding No. 64/2, Dharmatala Lane, South: H.M.C. Holding No. 74/1, Dharmatala Lane, East: H.M.C. Holding No. 72/1, Dharmatala Lane, West: H.M.C. Holding No. 46A/5, Shibpur Road/ Date of Symbolic 06/08/2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | April 27, 2026 Rs. 20,49,980.12/-                   | Howrah/ Pune   |
| 7.      | Ishteyaque Khan/ Laila Khatoun/ 9/6 Abdul Gaffar Ansari, F. G Road, Sattoppee Baba Mazar, Post Office Khardah, Police Station Khardah, District- North 24 Parganas, West Bengal Kolkata- 700117/ TBCAL00006804522/ LBCAL00006833936                                     | Flat No. A-5, South- West Facing, 4th Floor, 20/15, B.T. Road, Khardah, R.S. Dag Nos. 3310 & 3311, Khaitan Nos. 879 & 881, L.R. Khaitan No. 1183, L.T. Dag Nos. 6310 & 6311, Mouza- Khardah, J.L. No. 02, R.S. No. 18, Touzi Nos. 1505, Municipal Holding No. 20/15/7, Ward No. 15 (Old) 20(New), Khardah Municipality, Police Station- Khardah, A.D.S.R.- Sodepur (Formerly A.D.S.R. Barrackpore), District- North 24 Parganas, Pin- 700116, West Bengal, (Admeasuring An Area of 625 Sq. Ft. Super Built Up Area Together With Proportionate Share of Land. North: By House of Dr. Debashish Chatterjee, South: By House of Gopal Maji, East: Bay Tank of Hariharan Dhara, West: By B.T. Road./ Date of Symbolic 06/08/2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | April 27, 2026 Rs. 18,35,484.31/-                   | 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.  
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Place: Kolkata & Howrah & Purulia

Sincerely Authorised Officer,  
For ICICI Bank Ltd.



Interview: Sultana Khan, Founder & CEO, UnTechEd

Beyond Recruitment: Building a Global Education Ecosystem Rooted in Trust, Purpose, and People

What inspired you to establish UnTechEd, and what gap in the global education ecosystem were you determined to address?

My journey in international education began over fifteen years ago, working with universities and students across India, Singapore, and Australia. During this time, I noticed a recurring challenge. International education was often viewed only through the lens of student recruitment, whereas its true purpose is much broader. It is about creating opportunities for learning, research, innovation, cultural exchange, and institutional growth.

I founded UnTechEd with a simple yet powerful vision-to help educational institutions build meaningful global partnerships that benefit not only students but also faculty members, researchers, and the institution as a whole.

Today, internationalization is no longer a luxury. It has become an essential part of preparing students for a world where careers, businesses, and ideas transcend geographical boundaries. Through UnTechEd, we work to ensure that international collaborations create long-term academic value rather than remaining limited to papers or one-time initiatives.

Your vision emphasizes "Connecting Institutions for Higher Growth." How do you translate this philosophy into measurable outcomes for universities and students?

For us, success is never measured by the number of Memorandums of Understanding signed.

Success is measured by impact.

We ask questions such as: How many students gained international exposure? How many faculty members participated in global collaborations? How many industry partnerships were created? How many research opportunities emerged? How many students



returned with greater confidence and a broader perspective?

When institutions collaborate meaningfully, students gain global learning opportunities, faculty members strengthen research networks, and universities enhance their academic reputation. That is what "Connecting Institutions for Higher Growth" truly means.

Having worked across India, Singapore, and Australia, what key insights have shaped your understanding of international education?

One lesson stands out above all else: internationalization is not about geography; it is about mindset.

Each country has taught me something valuable. Singapore has demonstrated the importance of innovation and efficiency. Australia has shown the value of industry-integrated education and student-centric learning. India continues to remind me of the incredible talent and potential our students possess.

The most successful universities are those that remain curious, embrace collaboration, and continuously evolve. International education is not about becoming like another

country-it is about learning from one another while preserving your own identity and strengths.

What do you believe are the biggest challenges educational institutions face today in their journey toward internationalization?

Many institutions still view internationalization as an isolated activity rather than an institutional strategy. Signing international agreements is relatively easy. Creating meaningful collaborations that result in student mobility, faculty exchange, joint research, curriculum development, and industry engagement requires long-term commitment. Another challenge is ensuring that international opportunities reach all students, not just a select few. Universities need to think beyond mobility and create globally connected classrooms where every student benefits from international learning.

How does UnTechEd differentiate itself from traditional international student recruitment and education consulting organizations?

We do not see ourselves as a recruitment company. We see ourselves as an internationaliza-

tion partner.

Our work extends far beyond admissions. We support universities in developing global strategies, designing international immersion programmes, facilitating faculty development, creating industry collaborations, building research partnerships, and strengthening institutional branding.

Our objective is to create sustainable global ecosystems where institutions, students, faculty, and industry all benefit.

In today's competitive education landscape, how important is institutional branding, and what strategies should universities adopt to strengthen their global reputation?

Institutional branding is no longer about beautiful campuses or glossy brochures. A university's reputation is increasingly built through the quality of its academic outcomes, research contributions, industry engagement, student success stories, and global collaborations.

Universities should actively share their achievements, publish thought leadership, participate in international conferences, strengthen alumni engagement, and showcase the real impact they create for students and society. Authenticity builds stronger brands than advertising ever can.

Beyond student recruitment, how can universities build meaningful and sustainable international partnerships?

A successful international partnership begins with shared purpose rather than paperwork. Universities should identify partners whose academic strengths complement their own. They should focus on collaborative research, faculty exchanges, student mobility, joint certifications, innovation projects, and industry engagement.

The best partnerships evolve over time because both institutions continue creating value for each other. Internationalization is not a transaction.

It is a long-term relationship built on trust.

With the rapid advancement of Artificial Intelligence and digital technologies, how do you see the future of global education evolving over the next decade?

Artificial Intelligence will undoubtedly transform higher

education, but it will never replace the value of human curiosity, creativity, empathy, and collaboration.

The universities of the future will combine technology with experiential learning. Students will increasingly learn through international projects, virtual exchanges, industry collaboration, simulation-based learning, and interdisciplinary education. Technology will make education more accessible, but universities must ensure that graduates also develop critical thinking, ethical decision-making, communication skills, and cultural intelligence.

These human skills will become even more valuable in an AI-driven world.

Indian universities are increasingly seeking international recognition. What practical steps should they take to become globally competitive?

Global recognition is built over time through consistent academic excellence. Indian universities should focus on strengthening curriculum quality, encouraging faculty research, expanding international collaborations, increasing student and faculty mobility, engaging with industry, embracing digital innovation, and creating opportunities for interdisciplinary learning.

Most importantly, internationalization should become part of the university's long-term strategic vision rather than an individual project.

How do you ensure that students are not just placed in institutions, but are matched with opportunities that align with their long-term academic and career aspirations?

Every student has a unique story. We begin by understanding their aspirations, interests, strengths, and career goals rather than simply recommending a university.

The right university is one where a student can grow academically, professionally, and personally. International education should never be viewed as purchasing a degree.

It is an investment in a student's future, and that responsibility should always be taken seriously.

What qualities do you believe define effective leadership in the international education sector today?

Leadership begins with listen-

ing. An effective leader understands the needs of students, institutions, faculty, and industry before proposing solutions.

I also believe leaders must remain lifelong learners. Higher education is evolving rapidly, and those who stop learning cannot effectively guide others.

Finally, leadership requires integrity. Trust remains the foundation of every meaningful international partnership.

Can you share a defining moment in your professional journey that reinforced your commitment to transforming global education?

One of the most memorable moments has been watching students return from international immersion programmes with completely transformed perspectives. Many tell us they returned

simply because everyone else is doing it. Identify what your institution wants to achieve, build meaningful partnerships, involve faculty members from the beginning, integrate global perspectives into the curriculum, and always keep student learning at the centre of every initiative.

Internationalization is a journey, not a destination.

Looking ahead, what are the next major milestones for UnTechEd, and how do you envision the organization contributing to the future of global education?

Our vision is to become one of Asia's most trusted partners in higher education internationalization.

We aim to expand collaborations with universities across Asia, Europe, Australia, and the Middle East while creating more opportunities for student mobility, faculty development, research partnerships, industry engagement, and experiential learning. At the same time, we are investing in thought leadership by publishing research, insights, and practical frameworks that help institutions navigate the future of international education.

Our aspiration is not simply to grow as an organization but to contribute meaningfully to the transformation of higher education.

Finally, if you could leave one message for students, educators, and institutions aspiring to become global citizens, what would it be?

Never stop being curious.

The world is changing faster than ever before, and learning cannot end with a degree or a classroom.

For students, I encourage you to seek experiences that challenge your thinking and broaden your perspective.

For educators, continue inspiring curiosity and lifelong learning.

For institutions, remember that internationalization is ultimately about people-not rankings, not agreements, and not numbers.

When we create opportunities for people to learn from one another across cultures and borders, we build not only stronger universities but also a more connected, compassionate, and innovative world.

That, to me, is the true purpose of global education.

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more confident, more independent, and more ambitious than when they left. For me, those moments reaffirm that international education is not only about academics.

It is about personal transformation. Seeing students discover their potential reminds me why this work matters.

What advice would you offer to educational institutions that are beginning their internationalization journey for the first time?

Start with purpose. Do not pursue international-



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